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Scientific Officer

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Part-time work is possible.

Duties:

- Deputy head of the National Reference Laboratory for *Campylobacter*
- Conception and execution of scientific research projects and the acquisition of third party funding
- Independent development, establishment and validation of methods
- Independent performance of tasks within the scope of accreditation as head of testing
- Optimisation of laboratory processes, including the conception of simplified data maintenance in the electronic Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS)
- Support with the organisation of interlaboratory comparisons
- Technical support of antimicrobial resistance monitoring
- Service-oriented communication with customers (regional laboratories, ministries, consumer organisations, associations, research partners) and PR work
- Involvement in national and international microbial risk assessment committees
- Publication of scientific data and drafting of specialised opinions
- Presentation of the national reference laboratory at national and international workshops
- Supervision of postgraduates, international guest scientists, students and interns

Requirements:

- University degree (master's, diploma) or comparable university degree) with doctorate in Biology, Veterinary Medicine or comparable subject
- Scientific experience in different laboratories (preferably at different institutes)
- Stay abroad as a guest scientist of advantage

- Relevant experience of the successful acquisition of third party funding (scholarships, research projects) and publication of scientific data in the peer review process
- Extensive practical and theoretical knowledge of microbiology and molecular biological test methods, such as real-time PCR, sequence analysis, fluorescence microscopy, genetic engineering work and antimicrobial resistance determination
- Experience of dealing with human pathogenic bacteria, with ε-proteobacteria preferred
- Knowledge of food hygiene and microbiology matters and microbial risk assessment
- Proven knowledge of the handling of databases
- Willingness to assume responsibility in a team context and make a creative contribution towards shaping the future of the NRL
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