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In the Department of Safety in the Food Chain, unit “Contaminants”, we are seeking to recruit for a permanent position at the earliest date possible, at the BfR:

Scientific Officer (f/m/d)

Reference number: 2543/2020 | Pay group 13 TVöD

Part-time employment is possible.

Subject to an appropriate period of probation and a completed doctorate, this position enables promotion up to pay group 14. Remuneration will be paid in line with the tasks undertaken and the applicant's qualifications.

The Contaminants unit develops and uses modern and efficient analytical methods for the determination of feed additives, ingredients, undesirable substances and contaminants in feed and food in the National Reference Laboratory for Feed additive control and in the context of early risk detection.

Tasks:

- Independent planning of the development, optimisation and validation of analytical methods for determining feed additives, ingredients and undesirable substances in feed and drinking water or contaminants in food, as well as evaluation and assessment of the results
- Scientific conceptual design, implementation and evaluation of national and international interlaboratory comparisons including initiation of follow-up measures with a focus on feed additives
- Independent initiation, conception and coordination of scientific research projects in the area of safety along the food chain
- Preparation of publications for scientific journals
- Presentation of results at specialist conferences and national and international conferences
- Participation in national and international committees (EURL Feed additive control, VDLUFA, DIN, CEN or § 64 LFGB) as well as further development of international cooperation in the field of feed analysis
- Organisation and implementation of workshops and training courses as part of the activities of the National Reference Laboratory for Additives for Use in Animal Nutrition
- Training and supervision of students (doctoral theses, master's theses and guest researchers (national and international))

Requirements:

- University degree (Master's, diploma (university) or a comparable university degree) in food chemistry, chemistry or a similar discipline, doctorate desirable
- Many years of professional experience in the field of instrumental analysis of ingredients, additives, contaminants and residues including sampling and sample preparation as well as with modern analytical techniques (e.g. LC-HRMS, LC-MS/MS, GC-MS/MS and ICP-MS) required
- Proven publication activities in high-impact journals under peer review
- Experience in drafting scientific reports (in German and English) desirable
- Experience in implementing quality assurance measures and maintaining an accredited laboratory environment according to ISO 17025 required
- Experience in committee work at national / international level advantageous
- Willingness and ability to instruct doctoral and master's students required
- Excellent knowledge of spoken and written English required
- Very good IT knowledge (especially safe handling of the evaluation software of the above-mentioned techniques) as well as a conscientious way of working, flexibility, ability to work in a team and resilience as well as the readiness for business trips are required

What we can offer you:

- Flexible working hours without core working time
- 30 days' annual leave (based on a 5-day week)
- Mobile working opportunities
- Excellent links to the public transport network
- Wide range of further training opportunities
- Travel pass
- VBL occupational pension
- Capital-forming benefits
- AWO-Familienservice/Family Service

The place of employment is Berlin.

Application process:

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