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**Job Summary** 

Position: Research Officer (1 post)

Reports To: Project Leader Work Station: Bagamovo

Apply By: November 15<sup>th</sup> 2021

# **Institute Overview**

**Ifakara Health Institute (IHI)** is a leading research organization in Africa with a strong track record in developing, testing and validating innovations for health. Driven by a core strategic mandate for research, training and services, the Institute's work now spans a wide spectrum, covering biomedical and ecological sciences, intervention studies, health-systems research and policy translation.

## **Position Summary**

Ifakara Health Institute is looking for qualified and experienced candidate to join the TB research team in Bagamoyo as **Research Officer**. The Officer will work as laboratory technologist, performing routine experimental laboratory tests, mainly in the fields of TB laboratory, Molecular Biology and Microbiology according to standard operating procedures (SOPs), GCLP and the study protocol. The Research Officer will be required to produce reliable and precise data for scientific investigations. Adhering strictly to safety and hygiene instructions to prevent accidents and exposure to hazardous material in Bagamoyo.

### **Duties and Responsibilities**

- Design, prepare and carry out studies involving laboratory techniques.
- Prepare and review laboratory standard operating procedures (SOPs).
- Maintain adequate inventory of laboratory supplies and equipment for day-to-day operation.
- Ensure precise recording of test results and of procedures required to maintain the quality of the laboratory service.
- Carry out quality control on test procedures according to established laboratory procedures.
- Carry out maintenance and quality control of laboratory equipment.
- Prepare and store clinical specimens according to established standard procedure.
- Carry out or supervise reagent preparation, labeling and storage.
- Assist other members of staff in preparing manuscripts.
- Participate in relevant network meetings and training activities including conferences, seminars, workshops, and forums in consultation with the supervisor.
- Assist in training and supervising of laboratory's new staff and visiting students.
- Perform any other duties as assigned by the supervisor.

## **Qualification and Experience**

- Bachelor of Science in Biotechnology and Laboratory Science, Microbiology, or Molecular Biology and Biotechnology.
- At least 6–12-month experience of working in clinical/biomedical research laboratory, preferably on a TB laboratory.

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# **Skills and Competencies**

- Knowledge on standard laboratory practice
- Computer skills in Ms Word, Ms Excel, Ms Powerpoint and the Internet
- Considerable analytical skills.

#### Remuneration

An attractive and competitive remuneration package will be offered to successful candidates as per IHI salary scales.

## **Equal Opportunity**

IHI is an equal opportunity employer. We prohibit intentional biases or discrimination and harassment of any kind at the work place and during recruitment. All employment decisions are based solely on job requirements and individual qualifications, and our recruitment process is governed by the labour laws of Tanzania.

## **Mode of Application**

All candidates who meet the above job requirements should send their application letters together with their detailed curriculum vitae (CVs) showing contact addresses including email, telephone/cell phone numbers and copies of academic and professional certificates to the email address below.

The **deadline** for this application is **17:00hrs on Monday November 15<sup>th</sup> 2021.** All e-mail application subject lines should include: **RESEARCH OFFICER – TB BAGAMOYO.** Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted for interview.

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