

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Job: Histotechnologist / Histology Technical Research Assistant

Organization and Location: Vienna Biocenter Core Facilities GmbH, Vienna, Austria

Schedule and Status: Full time, Regular

Job Posting: January 25th, 2016

Description:

The Histopathology Facility of Vienna Biocenter Core Facilities GmbH (VBCF), is seeking a full time histotechnologist or histology technical research assistant to perform routine and specialized histology procedures to prepare quality samples for microscopic and digital pathology analyses and for qualitative and quantitative morphologic studies.

Vienna Biocenter Core Facilities (VBCF) is a non-profit research institute providing supportive scientific infrastructure developed and operated by highly qualified experts in their fields. VBCF is situated within the Vienna BioCenter, one of Europe's leading centers for multi-disciplinary biomedical research hosting world-class institutes such as GMI, IMBA, IMP and MFPL. The Histopathology Facility at VBCF offers technical expertise and material resources corresponding to a broad range of state-of-the art histotechnology and immunohistochemistry services. The facility also fulfills the role of training individual researchers for optimal use of its equipment.

Duties and responsibilities:

- Preparation of tissue samples for histopathology, immunohistochemistry, immunofluorescence, in situ hybridization and subsequent microscopic analysis.
- Accurate sampling, fixation, processing, embedding, sectioning and staining of tissues.
- Participation in quality control reviews and routine laboratory maintenance
- Facilitation of optimal digitization of samples in close cooperation with the BioOptics Core.
- Development and optimization of automated immunohistochemistry and in situ hybridization protocols in conjunction with the pathologist.
- Training of new researchers in the use of selected laboratory equipment

Qualifications and experience:

- Diploma - biomedical research assistant or laboratory technician (BMA or equivalent), required; Bachelor's or Master's degree in Biology or a related area, preferred
- Demonstrable competence in histotechnology including routine and special stains
- Sound understanding of basic laboratory instrumentation and the preparation of basic solutions and reagents
- Experience with automated immunohistochemistry and in situ hybridization, desirable
- Familiarity with basic molecular biology protocols, laboratory animal research methods and necropsy procedures, desirable
- Good written and spoken communication skills in English along with a working knowledge of German.

We are seeking a highly motivated individual, capable of efficiently performing routine tasks and adapting to a dynamically evolving workflow with eagerness to learn new techniques and contribute to the scientific mission of the institute.

The salary will be based on FWF standards for technicians and would be increased commensurate with professional qualifications and work experiences.

Applicants should submit a curriculum vita, a letter detailing interests and experiences, and the names and addresses of at least two references to:

Mag. Barbara Miksch (barbara.miksch@vbcf.ac.at).

The position will remain open until filled.