

Laboratory Technician

Overview:

Prevenio is a leader in food safety that is currently seeking an experienced Laboratory Technician to join our fast-growing organization. You will be joining a dynamic team of talented individuals who are passionate about providing breakthrough solutions to prevent foodborne illness from entering the supply chain.

Job Description:

This position requires a driven and proactive individual who thrives in a fast-paced entrepreneurial setting and can work independently or as part of a team. A strong commitment to quality and continuous improvement is a must. The Lab Technician will execute lab activities in support of produce, live side, poultry, and protein market segments. Key duties include formulating and testing new products to deliver innovative solutions to these areas. They will work closely with the Senior Microbiologist to identify new chemistries and develop new test procedures to characterize product performance. A key part of this role will also be to help current customers achieve and maintain category performance. They will also be responsible for conducting on-site visits and completing any testing to determine root cause and/or validate product performance.

Role and Responsibilities:

- **Lab Responsibilities:** Assist a lab that is equipped to formulate new products and execute both performance and micro testing. This should include:
 - Efficacy testing including inoculation (Campy/Salmonella), treatment and micro evaluation for produce, poultry and protein applications.
 - Testing of incoming field samples with a rapid turn-around time (1 week) and a customer ready report.
 - Support Manager in developing new test methods to simulate applications in poultry and produce segments. These tests should characterize performance prior to on-line trials and will enable Prevenio to create value propositions or support intellectual property filings.
 - Proficient in all lab procedures and assisting in documentation of results.
 - Assisting other lab technicians as well as completing hands on testing.
- **New Product Development:**
 - Work with Senior Microbiologist to identify and test new chemistries and alternative technologies for produce and poultry processing.
 - Making lab scale formulations and completing micro-testing and any other characterization or performance property testing.
- **Customer Support and Category Performance:**
 - Work on customer sites to assist technical service in completing bio mapping
 - Compile data for customer reports and presentations

Required Qualifications:

- Basic lab skills and use of laboratory equipment – pipetting, plate preparation, spreading
- Excellent problem-identification and problem-solving skills
- Strongly motivated, well-organized and shows professional initiative
- Self-directed and able to balance multiple tasks with attention to detail in a fast-paced environment
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Rigorous approach to working safely, including procedural and regulatory requirements
- Proficiency with Excel, Word, Powerpoint

Preferred Qualifications:

- BS or MS in Microbiology
- 2+ yrs lab experience in a microbiology lab
- Knowledge in USDA microbiological test procedures
- Knowledge in food testing and poultry processing

What we offer:

- Competitive Salary
- Excellent benefits: Including Health & Life Insurance, 401K, PTO and Holidays

All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, protected veteran status, disability, age, genetic information, or any other factors prohibited by law.

About Prevenio:

Headquartered in Bridgewater, New Jersey, Prevenio is a food safety company that is a leader in providing breakthrough, cost-effective, automated food processing solutions with superior pathogen protection that significantly enhance food safety for its clients and their customers in the protein and produce markets. With its mission to make the world's food supply safer for consumption through novel technologies that are both safe and sustainable, Prevenio utilizes a full system approach to deliver tailored solutions into these markets. The company's innovative solutions have proven effective against pathogens on processed fruits and vegetables and in delivering Category 1 Performance for the protein market.