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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

MLPAO-certified laboratory technician with a strong educational foundation and hands-on clinical experience in histology, molecular biology, chemistry, microbiology, and phlebotomy. Proven ability to thrive in high-volume, regulated healthcare environments. Demonstrates accuracy, adaptability, and strong interpersonal communication in team settings. Committed to ensuring quality patient care and efficient laboratory workflow

TECHNICAL **SKILLS**

- **Phlebotomy:** Venipuncture, patient identification, infection control protocols
- Specimen Handling: Collection, labelling, accessioning, processing, storage, and transport
- Chemistry: Urinalysis, TDM, analyzer troubleshooting and QC (AU480, Vitros, Abbot Alinity, blood gases)
- **Microbiology**: Pathogen identification, streak plating, Gram stain, MALDI-TOF, AST

- Histology: Tissue embedding, microtomy, staining (routine and special), cover-slipping
- Transfusion Science: ABO/Rh typing, crossmatching, DAT, antigen phenotyping
- Hematology: CBC, ESR, sickle solubility, PT/PTT, peripheral blood smear review
- Molecular Biology: PCR, gel electrophoresis, DNA sequencing, Western blotting, and gene cloning

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNICIAN - HISTOLOGY

Humber River Hospital | Toronto, Ontario

- Accessioned specimens from surgical biopsies with Dragon voice-recognition software
- Performed routine and special staining, cover-slipping, and sign-out of histological slides
- Processed lab specimens, ensuring quality and accurate labelling and efficient transport
- Performed routine QC of histology stains and reagent preparation, as well as weekly maintenance and cleaning of automatic stainers

STUDENT PLACEMENT

08/2022 to 01/2023

02/2023 to 09/2023

Alpha Laboratories, Humber River Hospital | Toronto, Ontario

- Rotated through chemistry, microbiology, hematology, transfusion science, and histology departments
- Practiced specimen preparation, analyzer operations, and quality control procedures
- Shadowed and assisted technologists in maintaining lab workflow and patient safety

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH PROJECT University of Guelph | Guelph, Ontario

09/2017 to 04/2018

06/2024 to 06/2024

- Performed PCR, gel electrophoresis, and DNA sequencing to study recombination in Daphnia pulex
- Gained advanced molecular biology experience transferable to the clinical lab environment

OTHER EXPERIENCE

PRODUCTION ASSISTANT

Student Film Project | Toronto, Ontario

- Catered for cast and crew
- Carried film equipment to and from set
- Completed wide range of tasks in diverse filming areas to support operations

SHIPPER/RECEIVER

01/2024 to 02/2024

Above Ground Art Supplies | Toronto, Ontario

- Picked orders, scanned products and packed boxes
- Assisted in maintaining a safe working environment by following established workplace safety guidelines
- Worked in detail with shipping websites, invoices, and product logs

ORDER PICKER

09/2019 to 09/2021

Cargill Limited | Guelph, Ontario

- Utilized walkies and pallet jacks to transport orders and prepare for shipment delivery
- Built pallets and positioned orders on loading dock to safely pile and ship goods
- Maintained a clean, safe work environment by complying with established safety procedures and guidelines.

EDUCATION

Advanced Diploma | Medical Laboratory Science Michener Institute, Toronto, Ontario

02/2023

Bachelor's Degree | Molecular Biology and Genetics University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario

04/2018

| CERTIFICATION | MLPAO Member Number: 48116 December 2024 | |
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| LANGUAGES | English Proficient | German Basic |