# **IOB DESCRIPTION**

# **Microscopist Technician**

JOB TITLE:	Technician	REPORT TO:	Head of Department of
	Microscopist		Parasitology and
			Microbiology

**POSITION TYPE: Fixed term contract** 

**DURATION: 05 Years** 

JOB LOCATION: Yaoundé and Garoua

**Job purpose:** We are seeking a Microscopist Technician as part of a five-year USAID-funded Systems to End the Malaria Burden through Meaningful Engagement-II (SEMBE II) Project in Cameroon. The project seeks to strengthen the capacity of the Cameroonian government and local stakeholders to positively respond to malaria prevention, control, and elimination priorities.

The microscopist will be in charge of preparing and analysing thick blood smears from participants recruited at the health facilities in the North Region. He will also be involved in training sessions aimed at reinforcing the capacity of lab technicians of the 15 health districts of the North region. He will work under the supervision of the Head of the Department of Parasitology and Microbiology, also acting as Study Director of the SEMBE II project at CRID.

# **Primary Responsibilities:**

Specifically, the Microscopist will undertake the following activities:

- Master the standard operating procedures implemented in the framework of the SEMBE II project
- Prepare and be involved in the practical sessions of trainings on malaria diagnosis dedicated to lab technicians based at health facilities in the North region
- Ensure post training follow-up of lab technicians
- Ensure the ordering of reagents and consumables necessary for malaria microscopic diagnosis
- Supervise transportation of biological samples from health facilities in the North to the laboratory at CRID
- Ensure proper storage of biological samples in the laboratory
- Prepare, stain and examine blood smears under microscope as part of malaria surveillance and therapeutic efficacy studies
- Ensure the entry of results of microscopic diagnosis in the database
- Ensure regular blood collection by field lab technicians at every stage of the studies process
- Ensure the stock management of reagents and consumables for microscopic analyses
- Write technical reports and send them to Lab Advisor for malaria diagnosis and/or to the Therapeutic Study Monitor.

#### **SKILLS AND REQUIREMENTS QUALITIES NEEDED:**



#### IN INFECTIOUS DISEASES

- Diploma for Medical Laboratory Scientist (Option: Medical Analysis);
- At least 3 years work experience related to malaria diagnosis;
- Good knowledge on malaria diagnosis
- Prior experience in malaria research study is advantageous;
- A solid understanding of clinical research principles, study protocols, and Good Clinical Practice (GCP) guidelines is essential;
- Strong organizational skills are necessary to manage study timelines, visits of study sites, and documentation;
- Proficiency in MS Office packages (Excel, Word, PowerPoint), Web Conferencing Applications, knowledge-sharing networks is required;
- Excellent written and oral communication skills and a demonstrated track record of working effectively in a teamwork environment, highly desirable;
- A good command of French and in English languages (Writing, speaking and reading) is required.

**Work Environment**: The Microscopist will be based at CRID in Yaoundé but will have stay at least half of his time in the North Region (visiting health facilities in the 15 health districts of the region).

### **Application instructions:**

- Curriculum vitae
- Cover letter (letter of motivation)
- Photocopy of degrees
- At least two professional references

## Deadline for receiving applications: May 25th, 2024

Kindly send your application in a unique PDF file to the following address: <a href="mailto:crid@crid-cam.net">crid@crid-cam.net</a>

#### Note:

- Women applications are strongly recommended
- Only electronic applications will be accepted.
- If you have not heard from us 3 weeks after the closing date, please consider your

application unsuccessful