UNIVERSITY OF MAURITIUS



VACANCY

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the post of **Research Assistant** (Full-Time), to work on a research project, funded by the Mauritius Research and Innovation Council, entitled "Development of Value-added Products from Fermented Milk: From Scientific Validation to Market" at the Biopharmaceutical Unit of the Centre for Biomedical and Biomaterials Research (CBBR) for a contractual period of twelve (12) months.

Qualifications Required

• A degree in Biochemistry, Food Science, Nutritional Sciences, or any other related field.

Profile

Candidates must have:

- Experience in physicochemical analysis.
- Capacity to adapt to new techniques.
- Experience in laboratory processes and procedures.
- Practical knowledge of the use of statistical packages for data analysis.
- Good research, organisation and communication skills.

Responsibilities & Duties

- To perform experiments as related to the research project.
- To optimise existing procedures and establish new protocols for testing if needed.
- To be involved in the procurement and purchasing of materials/consumables for the project.
- To analyse and interpret results.
- To present information on research progress and outcomes to the Principal Investigator.
- To contribute to the production of research reports, manuscripts and presentations.
- The selected candidate should be able to integrate the team of researchers within the Biopharmaceutical Unit.
- Any other duty as may be assigned by the Principal Investigator within the project.

Remuneration

A monthly all-inclusive allowance of Rs 27,400/-, plus salary compensation at approved rate, plus travelling expenses by bus.

Duration of Contract

Appointment will be offered for an initial contractual period of twelve (12) months, renewable if required. The proposed starting date will be 15 September 2024.

Mode of Application

Letter of application together with a detailed *Curriculum Vitae* and photocopies of qualifications, birth certificate, marriage certificate (if applicable), testimonials and equivalence of qualifications (where applicable) should reach **the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Academia) (Attention:** *Principal Investigator: Assoc Prof Vidushi Neergheen*), University of Mauritius, Réduit, OR email at v.neergheen@uom.ac.mu and copied to pvcacd@uom.ac.mu by *30 August 2024*, at latest.

The envelope/subject line should be clearly marked "Research Assistant for the Project K0611".

Applications received after the closing date will not be considered.

The University reserves the right:

- to call for interview only the most appropriately and best qualified applicants.
- not to make any appointment as a result of this advertisement.
- to conduct a written/aptitude test as and when required.

Date: 23 July 2024

Assoc Prof D Surroop

Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Planning & Resources)

Overseeing the Office of Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Academia)