

DNA TECHNICIAN SERIES TITLE SERIES DEFINITIONS

I. DEFINITIONS

DNA TECHNICIAN-ENTRY

This is entry-level technical work related to DNA testing, probing, and sequencing. Positions allocated to this level receive training in technical DNA testing procedures, and may perform routine set-up laboratory work relating to DNA testing and sequencing. Positions function under the close, progressing to limited, supervision of a science-related supervisor.

DNA TECHNICIAN-OBJECTIVE

This is full-performance technical work related to DNA testing, probing, and sequencing. Objective-level positions are differentiated from entry-level positions by the increased scope and range of technical knowledge and skills required, and the increased complexity of duties, including responsibility for performing routine procedures under the guidance of scientists, science supervisors, or university researchers. Positions allocated to this title definition participate in quality assurance activities; test samples according to designated procedures for specific indicators provided by scientists and others; prepare samples; maintain proper sample "chain-of-custody"; record test results and maintain records; perform back-up technician services in other laboratory section(s); maintain reagents and supplies; and perform related work, as requested. Positions function under the general supervision of a science-related supervisor.

DNA TECHNICIAN-SENIOR

This is senior-level technical work related to DNA testing, probing, and sequencing. Senior-level positions are differentiated from lower-level positions in that they function as the principal DNA technician supporting specific specialty area(s) in given section(s) of a laboratory. Positions allocated to this classification perform technical DNA testing, probing, and sequencing, and/or other DNA testing procedures on routine and nonroutine samples; assist lower-level DNA Technicians in the performance of technical support duties; direct other laboratory technicians in sample preparation; provide more in-depth support to scientists regarding DNA laboratory support; maintain supplies, equipment, and/or instruments; provide administrative support in the day-to-day operation of the laboratory section or unit; provide back-up support to other laboratory sections, tests, or procedures, as required; and perform related work, as requested. Positions may assist scientists, researchers, and others with special projects or research. Positions function under the general supervision of a science-related supervisor.

II. QUALIFICATIONS

The qualifications required for these positions will be determined at the time of recruitment.

III. RELATED POSITIONS

Chemist

Microbiologist

Chemistry Laboratory Technician

Microbiology Laboratory Technician