AFDIL-Job Announcement
DNA TECHNICIAN

The Position

The American Registry of Pathology is seeking qualified individuals for the position of DNA Technician (Forensic Scientist 1) within the Armed Forces DNA Identification Laboratory (AFDIL). This is a contract position. Salary is commensurate with experience, and includes health benefits and a competitive retirement program.

Duties and Responsibilities

The DNA Technician will perform mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA) and STR–based typing services in order to assist in identifying the remains of military individuals killed during previous military conflicts (i.e., Southeast Asia, Korea, and World War II).

A summary of the duties include: Receive and accession physical evidence while maintaining legal chain-of-custody and integrity of submitted specimens. Process biological specimens, primarily bone specimens and buccal swabs. Provide training in laboratory techniques and procedures to technical staff, students and guests of the laboratory. Give lectures and participate in courses, symposia, workshops, and conferences on matters relating to DNA typing, forensic science and molecular biology.

Qualifications

A Bachelor’s degree in one of the natural sciences is required. Candidates with experience in forensic DNA typing, specifically in mtDNA sequence analysis or STR analysis are encouraged to apply. Preference will be given to those with a Masters of Forensic Science or a Masters degree in one of the natural sciences. Consideration will also be given to those with a Bachelor’s degree in a biological science, chemistry, or forensic science-related area. Candidates with a minimum of nine cumulative semester hours or equivalent that covers the required subject areas in genetics, molecular biology, and biochemistry are also preferred.

Application Procedure

Apply through www.careerbuilder.com (Keyword, DNA Technician) and also email resumes to Suzanne.barritt-ross.ctr@mail.mil.

APPLICATIONS FOR THIS POSITION MUST BE RECEIVED BY COB 31 JULY 2014

The American Registry of Pathology is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer. This position is expected to work under a Federal Government contract; therefore, employment is subject to available funding. The contract ends September 30, 2015; thus, continued employment is contingent upon either a contract extension beyond September 30, 2015 or a new contract award.