



# KENYA MEDICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE

## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

**Opening date:** September 21, 2023

**Vacancy No.** CRDR/010/09/23

### **Project description**

Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI) Centre for Respiratory Diseases Research would like to fill the following vacancy in the Clinical Trials Studies to be conducted at the KEMRI-Mtwapa Clinical Research Site in Kilifi County.

**POSITION:** Laboratory Analyst (1 position)

**JOB GRADE:** KMR 6

**LOCATION:** KEMRI field station Mtwapa

**REPORTING TO:** Study Coordinator

### **Person specification:**

For appointment to this grade the candidate must have:

- At least eight (5) years relevant work experience;
- Diploma in any of the following fields: Medical Laboratory Sciences, Analytical Chemistry, Applied Sciences, Food Science and Technology, Medical Laboratory Technology, Biotechnology or any other equivalent qualification from a recognized institution;
- **OR**
- Bachelor's Degree in any of the following fields; Medical Laboratory Sciences Laboratory Sciences, Analytical/Applied, Chemistry, Biomedical Sciences, Applied Sciences/Biology, Biochemistry, Microbiology, Food Science and Technology, Medical Laboratory Technology or Biotechnology or any other equivalent qualification from a recognized institution.
- Registration Certificate issued by the Kenya Medical Laboratory Technicians and Technologists Board (KMLTTB) where applicable; or any other recognized regulatory body;
- Valid practicing license from Kenya Medical Laboratory Technicians and Technologists where applicable; and
- Proficiency in computer application;
- Demonstrated work performance and results;
- At least three years' experience working in a clinical trial or research setting will be an added advantage;
- Fulfil the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution.

**Skills and Abilities:**

- Analytical Skills
- Communication skills
- Interpersonal skills

**Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Receiving and scrutinizing laboratory requisition forms/specimens;
- Receiving/collecting, labelling and registering patients' specimens;
- Preparing laboratory reagents;
- Examining specimens;
- Maintaining equipment and reagents;
- Supervising the disinfection, washing and sterilization of apparatus;
- Writing and recording results;
- Processing the specimen according to the specified Standard Operating Procedures (SOP); and
- Disinfecting, washing and sterilizing laboratory apparatus;
- Oversee sample storage and shipping processes;
- Supervise the laboratory team
- Accountable for all laboratory consumables
- Maintain communication with the sponsor
- Ensuring timely development and sharing of reports;

**Terms of Employment**

One (1) year renewable contract as per KEMRI scheme of service with a probation period for the first 3 months. Salary is as per the stated KEMRI scale.

**Applications should include the following:**

1. Letter of Application (**Indicate Vacancy Number**)
2. Current Resume or Curriculum Vitae with Telephone number and e-mail address
3. Three letters of reference with contact telephone numbers
4. Copies of Academic Certificates and Transcripts
5. Telephone number

Interested and qualified candidates are encouraged to Apply to Deputy Director, CRDR, P.O. Box 47855-00100, Nairobi not later than October 12, 2023. All applications must be submitted through KEMRI CRDR Email Address [crdrkemri@kemri.go.ke](mailto:crdrkemri@kemri.go.ke)

Please visit the KEMRI web site [www.kemri.go.ke](http://www.kemri.go.ke) for more details on the advertisement.

**Application deadline** is October 12, 2023

Only short-listed candidates will be contacted

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