



Junior NPD Technologist

Crediton Dairy Ltd – Devon EX17 2AH

Salary – £26,000 – £30,000 per annum

Job description

Overview

We are seeking a motivated and detail-oriented Junior New Product Development Technologist to join our dynamic team. Reporting to the NPD Technologist, the Junior NPD Technologist role is key in supporting a successful Innovation team who are key to delivering ambitious development plans within the business. The team collaborates closely with the Commercial & Marketing, Technical, & Operations teams to ensure NPD projects are aligned with business strategy, and that trials and launches are managed effectively, and this role will be a key part in supporting these cross functional relationships.

The role is based at the in Crediton but may include some requirement to attend meetings at the Commercial office in Bristol or at customer sites.

Hours for this role are 40 hrs per week.

Responsibilities

- Support the NPD team across a range of projects, including developing benchtop samples, conducting feasibility investigations, and monitoring trial product quality during factory trials.
- Collaborate with the NPD Technologist to manage projects from development to launch, ensuring product quality and compliance with standards.
- Handle administrative tasks such as managing purchase orders, tracking consumables and ingredients, and coordinating sample deliveries and external testing.
- Monitor competitive products in the UK market and participate in benchmarking activities.
- Stay updated on UK legislation regarding nutrition, labelling, and ingredient use to ensure compliance.

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Requirements

- Degree or equivalent in a Food Science / Food Technology / Nutrition
- Previous experience of an NPD role within a chilled food business (ideally 6-12m, but graduates looking for their first role will also be considered)
- ICT skills to include Microsoft Office packages particularly Excel (essential), Powerpoint (essential)
- Strong communication skills (written and verbal) including being comfortable when communicating to internal & external audiences
- Strong numeracy skills – GCSE (or equivalent) Maths
- Co-ordination, planning & organisational skills
- Curious & passionate about food

Competences

- Ability to work within time constraints
- Ability to prioritise, manage own workload, and ensure targets are achieved in fast-moving environment
- Ability to work individually as well as within a Team, demonstrating a 'can do' attitude
- Demonstrates a proactive approach with a high level of accuracy and commitment
- Flexible approach to work
- Problem solving and analytical skills
- Good emotional intelligence & self-awareness
- Full driving license preferable

About us

Crediton Dairy is one of the UK's leading dairy drinks businesses producing an extensive range of branded and own label fresh flavoured and functional chilled milk drinks, iced coffee and long life milks and creams. We supply nearly all of the UK's major supermarkets as well as leading foodservice, convenience and wholesale businesses.

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Benefits:

- Canteen
- Company pension
- Cycle to work scheme
- Discounted or free food
- Free parking
- Gym membership
- Health & wellbeing programme
- On-site parking

To apply for this vacancy, please send a CV and cover letter to hr@creditondairy.co.uk

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