Lochana Perera

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EDUCATION

University of Sri Jayawardenepura

Post Graduate Diploma in Industrial Analytical Chemistry

Sri Lanka 2015 –2017

University of Sri Jayewardenepura

Sri Lanka

Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) in Chemistry and Food Science & Technology

2011 - 2015

Work

Domestica Hobart | Hobart, Australia

2018 - 2025 (current)

- Scaled to a leading position in Hobart's accommodation market, driven by adaptability and entrepreneurial initiative.
- Oversaw operations for a 25+ property portfolio, driving client acquisition, guest satisfaction, marketing, financials, and growth.

Industrial Technology Institute Sri Lanka | Colombo, Sri Lanka

2017.03 - 2018.02

- Conducted comprehensive food analysis for Quality Assurance & Control across 50+ food products annually.
- Operated and maintained HPLC, GC, GC-MS, and ICP-MS, ensuring 98%+ data accuracy and instrument uptime.
- Managed 8-10 analytical projects concurrently, ensuring compliance with AOAC, ISO, and Codex guidelines.
- Applied QMS (ISO 9001:2015, ISO 17025:2005) and TPM protocols, reducing equipment downtime by 10%.

Sri Lanka Institute of Nanotechnology (SLINTEC) | Sri Lanka

2015.02 - 2017.02

- Conducted microbiological, organoleptic, physico-chemical, proximate, and antioxidant analyses for 5 key research initiatives.
- Supervised and mentored 3 interns, improving training materials and reducing onboarding time by 15%.
- Ensured meticulous laboratory maintenance and equipment calibration for over 12 research projects, achieving zero compliance issues.

Projects

Development of Novel HPLC Method for PAH Quantification in Smoked Fish

Industrial Technology Institute Sri Lanka Initiative

 Led to a 15% improvement in detection limits and a 20% reduction in analysis time, enhancing food safety monitoring.

Early-Stage Development of a Novel Sustained-Release Anti-Obesity Drug

Sri Lanka Institute of Nanotechnology (SLINTEC)

• Performed critical literature reviews, conceptual design, and preliminary feasibility studies defining project scope.

Hybrid Fertilizer Development for National Agriculture Initiative

Sri Lanka Institute of Nanotechnology (SLINTEC)

• Contributed to analytical characterization of 7 fertilizer prototypes and data analysis informing formulation adjustments for pilot trials.

SKILLS

- Languages: English (Fluent)
- Technical Proficiency: HPLC, GC, GC-MS, ICP-MS, Method Development & Validation, Sample Preparation & Analysis, Proximate Composition Analysis, Physicochemical Testing, Organoleptic Evaluation, Microbiological Analysis, Antioxidant Assays.

- Quality Systems: AOAC, ISO Standards, Codex, ISO 17025:2005 (Laboratory Competence), ISO 9001:2015 (Quality Management), Total Preventive Maintenance (TPM).
- Programming & Software: Python, Machine Learning