# JENNIFER L LITTLE

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## **Summary**

Medical Laboratory Scientist IV with strong history of leading high-performance teams to meet or exceed objectives, whether the tasks are validation outcomes or revamping education and training modules for rotating students and new employees. Dedicated and hardworking with internal drive to deliver excellence. Tactical team builder with strong background in training and team development.

## **Experience**

08/2009 - Current **VUMC** Diagnostic Laboratories, MIDL Nashville, TN

#### **Medical Laboratory Scientist IV**

Currently work full-time as a level IV specialist in a molecular infectious disease laboratory. Expert knowledge in molecular techniques, software, and instrumentation. Responsible for training students, new employees, and residents in respective department of the laboratory. Job experience includes validation of new laboratory tests, implementation of new software, and trained as an inspector for the laboratory's regulatory agencies. Recently promoted to a level IV Medical Laboratory Scientist

09/2008 - 08/2009 Crittenden Regional Medical Center West Memphis, TN

#### **Medical Technologist**

Worked full-time in a 150-bed hospital laboratory. Collected and analyzed body fluids to determine normal or abnormal findings. Cross-trained to work in every department of the laboratory, which included phlebotomy, hematology, urinalysis, serology, blood bank, coagulation, clinical chemistry, and microbiology. Administrative duties included ordering lab tests, maintaining records, and verifying laboratory compliance for regulatory agencies.

03/2008 - 09/2008 Medical Center, PRN Kennett, MO

#### **Medical Technologist**

Twin Rivers Regional Worked PRN (as needed) in a 115-bed hospital laboratory. Collected and analyzed body fluids to aid in the detection and diagnosis of disease. Cross-trained to work in every department of the laboratory, which included phlebotomy, hematology, urinalysis, serology, blood bank, coagulation, clinical chemistry, and microbiology.

# **Education and Training**

05/2008 Jonesboro, AR **Bachelor of Science** in Clinical Laboratory Science

**Arkansas State University** 

- Cum laude graduate
- Clinical Laboratory Science Program Academic Scholar
- President of the Student Association of Clinical Laboratory Science
- SURF Grant Recipient
- Tutor for Disability Services
- Donald Vollman Jr. Award
- CLMA Mark Seifert Scholarship Award
- President's List
- Dean's List
- Whitney Williams's Service Award

- American Society for Clinical Pathology National Student Honor Award
- Ronald E. McNair Academic Achievement Program

#### **Professional**

- Co-author for the *Etiologic Spectrum of Acute Gastroenteritis among Children in Davidson County, Tennessee* poster for presentation
- Co-author for *The development of this real-time PCR assay detecting the B. pertussis transposable insertion element (IS481)* poster for presentation
- Co-author for the *Detection and Identification of Pathogenic Bacteria and Candida Directly in Whole Blood by PCR/ESI-MS* abstract and poster for presentation
- Presented *Gastrointestinal Pathogen Panel: Overview and Clinical Applications of Multiplexing RT-PCR and Luminex xMAP Technology* in a molecular biology seminar