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**Summary of Qualifications** • Dedicated independent and team performer who excels with minimal supervision  
 • Ability to work efficiently with diverse workforces  
 • Strong multiple system computer skills including Microsoft Office, SAP, and Empower  
 • Laboratory experience creating and maintaining a team schedule for seven chemists  
 • Excellent written and verbal communication  
 • Desire to be challenged and to learn new skills  
 • Passion for innovation  
 • Committed to strive for excellence and continuously improve   
 **Professional Experience***Padagis – Quality Control Chemistry Lab* New Hope, MN Apr. 2021 - currentContinuous Improvement Engineer  
 • Identified and executed quality process improvements  
 • Lead and participated in time studies  
 • Authored protocols for various projects  
 • Mentored lab analysts and provided training  
 • Collaborated with lab analysts to increase employee engagement  
 • Assisted with the development and definition of the new role for the site  
 • Created and maintained metrics based database  
 • Authored quarterly trend reports

*Perrigo -Quality Control Chemistry Lab* New Hope, MN Mar. 2016 – Apr. 2021  
 Team Lead   
 • Created and maintained a continuously changing schedule for multiple analysts  
 • Acted as liaison between my team members and upper management   
 • Authored and executed method transfers, method validations, and process validations  
 • Authored and revised SOPs and analytical procedures  
 • Provided training to new hires as a certified trainer   
 • Offered guidance to all analysts in the lab as an experienced leader   
 • Troubleshot technical difficulties with instrumentation  
 • Investigated aberrant and non-conforming results  
 • Participated in cross functional meetings to collaborate goals, priorities, and deadlines  
 • Maintained a clean and organized work environment   
 • Reviewed validation and calibration events   
 *Perrigo -Quality Control Chemistry Lab* New Hope, MN Feb. 2014 – Mar. 2016  
 Chemist I – III  
 • Performed TOC testing across two different water systems  
 • Conducted cGMP analytical procedures for testing finished pharmaceutical products  
 • Reviewed testing references and chromatographic sequences  
 • Rapidly climbed the promotion ladder by my willingness to perform any task   
  
*Hawkins Inc. Pharmaceutical group* Minneapolis, MN Apr. 2013 – Jan. 2014   
Process Technician  
• Adhered to strict SOPs for clean room production in a cGMP facility  
 • Packaged chemicals using mechanical and manual methods  
 • Neutralized production waste water for disposal

**Laboratory Competencies** • HPLC/UPLC Chromatography • Total Organic Carbon analyzer • Dissolution   
 • Spectrofluorophotometer • Thin Layer Chromatography • Separatory Funnel Extraction  
 • UV-Vis Spectrophotometer • Infrared Spectroscopy • Automated Titrators  
 • Hazardous Waste Handler • Sample Preparation • Documentation Review

**Education  
Bachelor of Science – Major: Biology Minor: Chemistry** University of Wisconsin-Superior Graduated May 2012   
Superior, WI GPA: 3.423 (Cum Laude honors)