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Summary

Experienced lab technician with knowledge of Research and Development and the manufacturing environment.

Professional Skills

- Chemical Testing and Diagnostics
 - Prepared materials for chemical or physical analyses based on written instructions prepared by engineers and scientists.
This included weighing, grinding, and extruding sample material.
 - Performed analysis on the prepared materials to determine the particle size and nature.
 - Produced production and analysis reports and delivered this information to the relevant engineers and scientists.
 - Set up and operated complex continuous and batch process equipment.
 - Identified problems with system setup and configuration and recommended appropriate actions to resolve them. Applicable machines include extruders, jet mills, elbow jet classifiers, and multisizers.
- Machine Calibration
 - Adjusted equipment to control properties of output material.
 - Operated analytical test instruments to ensure final production quality is met. Typical instruments include multisizers,
 - Participated in safety audits and quality initiatives such as ISO 9001.
- Wrote and participated in comprehensive procedures for equipment operation and maintenance.
- Knowledge of Windows, Macintosh, Lotus Notes, and Microsoft Office suite.

Positions Held

- ◆ Lab Technician 3; *Lexmark*, Boulder, CO; January 3, 1995 – November 12, 2018
- ◆ Lab Technician 2; *Lexmark*, Boulder, CO; January 3, 1995 – November 12, 2018
- ◆ Lab Technician 1; *Lexmark*, Boulder, CO; January 3, 1995 – November 12, 2018
- ◆ Other
- ◆ Prior to working at Lexmark Boulder, had a variety of jobs in Boulder and Omaha, NE

Training/Certifications

- Forklift Operator (Current through 2019)

Education

- BA (History); University of Colorado; Boulder, CO