

Clinical Microbiology Consultants Needed for French-speaking Countries

The American Society for Microbiology is seeking highly qualified individuals to work as consultants for capacity building of international HIV/AIDS microbiology laboratories in resource-poor, **French-speaking** countries, especially in sub-Saharan Africa. Experience is needed for hands-on diagnostics for HIV/AIDS-related opportunistic infections (OIs), particularly bacteriology, mycology, and parasitology. These activities may include short or long-term travel and can develop with little notice.

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree in Medical Technology or Master's degree in Biology or other related science
- International experience, experience in resource-poor countries preferred
- Expertise in diagnosis of HIV/AIDS-related OIs
- Knowledge of international laboratory standards
- Bench training of technical staff
- Experience developing QA/QC programs, SOPs
- Working knowledge of use and maintenance of lab equipment
- Familiarity with the transport and storage of specimens
- Reporting of data
- Fluency in French
- Valid passport

Please detail diagnostic experience for bacteriology, mycology, and parasitology including experience with automated systems.

If you are interested in participating in these activities, submit a cover letter and a detailed CV by email to labcap@asmusa.org.

Please include the maximum amount of time you can be away from your permanent job or residence, lead time required before accepting an assignment, and details on any international experience as well as any foreign language skills.

To learn more about ASM's International Laboratory Capacity Building Program activities, please visit <http://www.asm.org/International/index.asp?bid=55614>

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