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The IZW-Department of Evolutionary Genetics offers (beginning earliest 1st of April, 2020)

1 Molecular Biology student assistant position (m/f/d)

Tasks:
We are looking for one highly motivated student to support the molecular laboratory functionality at the BeGenDiv. The duties include laboratory maintenance, cleaning, inventory, restocking and support in ordering materials and to smaller part basic molecular work (PCR, gel electrophoresis, DNA extraction and quantification), supervision and support of guests in the molecular laboratories. We offer methodological introduction to Next Generation library preparation and sequencing. The successful applicant will work within a multi-disciplinary research team and be based at BeGenDiv, in Berlin-Dahlem.

Requirements:
Registration at a German university, faculty of biology or similar (degrees of Staatsexamen, Bachelor or Master).
Basic skills in the molecular lab and considerable theoretical knowledge in molecular biology, highly organized and highly motivated. English and German language skills are mandatory (B2 or higher).

Applications and working environment:
The position will start on 1st April 2020 or as soon as it is filled up and will last for at least 9 months. Work load comprises 40 hours per month. BeGenDiv, Königin-Luise-Straße 6-8 Berlin. Questions and applications: to Susan Mbedi susanmbedi@zedat.fu-berlin.de.

As a member of the Leibniz Association the IZW is an equal opportunity employer, determined to increase the proportion of women in successful scientific careers, and particularly encourages women to apply. Preference will be given to disabled applicants with the same qualifications.

Please attach complete application documents including a letter of motivation, CV, proof of university enrolment and contact details (email address and telephone) of a person who can provide a reference. Submit your application as soon as possible but no later than 15 March 2020 via email. Interviews will take place in late March 2020. We are looking forward to your application!