

Head of Downstream Processing (DSP) Manufacturing Operations m/w/d, Wallis

Functional lead for an interdisciplinary team of process engineers, specialists, shift team leads, manufacturing specialists and biotechnologists. Manages and support the operational activities of a manufacturing DSP unit with regard to safety, quality and on-time-in full delivery. Is accountable for the performance and results in the DSP area. Member of the Manufacturing Leadership Team.

Location: Visp (on-site)

Contract start date: Immediately

Contract end date: 12 March 2027

Key Accountabilities

- * Lead, develop, and coach a multidisciplinary manufacturing team (process engineers, manufacturing specialists, shift leads, and biotechnologists), with overall responsibility for
- * performance management, talent development, workforce planning, hiring, and employee relations.
- * Ensure safe, compliant, and efficient execution of DSP manufacturing operations, delivering production campaigns in line with safety, quality, GMP, and customer requirements.
- * Drive operational excellence by managing performance metrics, resolving manufacturing issues, leading continuous improvement initiatives, and promoting process standardization and
- * innovation across the production organization.
- * Oversee resource and capacity planning, training strategy, and implementation of new technologies to ensure operational readiness and sustainable business performance.

Job Profil

-  Life Sciences - Engineering Operations
-  Life Sciences - Engineering Plant
-  Wallis
-  Contracting
-  Vollzeit
-  Immediately - 12.03.2027
-  IBEX, DSP, GMP



Klingt interessant?

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- * Provide strong cross-functional leadership and communication, ensuring effective information flow, escalation management, and collaboration with MSAT, Production Support, QA, USP Operations, and other key stakeholders.
- * Serve as the manufacturing representative during customer meetings, audits, and regulatory inspections, ensuring ongoing compliance and inspection readiness.
- * Maintain technical and quality oversight through approval of change controls, risk assessments, workplace inspections, and implementation of GMP documentation within the manufacturing unit.
- * Act as a key member of the Manufacturing Leadership Team, fostering a culture of safety, accountability, collaboration, and continuous improvement while supporting overall site objectives and operational performance.
- * Support capital investment and facility expansion projects as the manufacturing subject matter expert, contributing to facility design, commissioning, qualification, automation, and operational readiness.
- * Act as deputy to the Head of Operations, ensuring leadership continuity and effective decision-making when required.

Requirements

- * MSc or equivalent degree in Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Biotechnology, Bioengineering, or a related discipline.
- * Proficiency in both English and German.
- * 10+ years of experience in biotechnological manufacturing (e.g., Production Biotechnologist, Bioprocess Engineer).
- * Demonstrated agility and adaptability, with a continuous improvement mindset and the ability to effectively lead and support change initiatives.
- * Strong business acumen with the ability to align objectives to organizational strategy, make informed decisions, and identify operational and financial improvement opportunities.
- * Proven collaboration skills, including the ability to build effective cross-functional partnerships, share knowledge, and foster an inclusive work environment.
- * Customer-focused approach with experience understanding stakeholder needs, managing relationships, and driving continuous improvement through insights and data.
- * Results-oriented professional with a track record of delivering against KPIs, managing competing priorities, securing stakeholder buy-in, and ensuring high-quality outcomes.
- * Effective leadership capabilities, including accountability, integrity, coaching and development of others, and fostering open

communication, safety, and sustainability within teams.

Das klingt nach einer spannenden Position?

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