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Professional summary

Hardworking, highly motivated Research and Product Development Specialist at CIRA Pharma with +1 year working experience. Excelled in product innovation, formulation, and optimizing high-quality range of cosmeceutical formulations in skin care, hair care, and oral care aligning with the current market trends. Skilled in presentation, science communication, and creative thinking. Currently I started working in academic field as a teaching assistant.

Education

Bachelor of Pharmacy, Faculty of pharmacy Ain shams University. (2017- 2022)

Cumulative grade: Excellent with honor (90.66%).

Rank: Among top 50 students of the class.

Skills

Hard skills:

- Microsoft office platforms (word- PowerPoint- Excel).
- Data collection.
- Product design and innovation
- Formulation

Soft skills:

- Presentation skills.
- Communication skills.
- Analytical and Creative thinking.
- Self-learning.
- Team work
- Multitasking abilities

Language skills:

- **English:** Advanced level (C1)

Work experience

1- Egyptian Chinese University (ECU).

(October 2024 – Present)

Teaching Assistant of medicinal chemistry.

2- CIRA Pharma

(January 2023- October 2024)

Research and Product Development specialist.

Main duties and tasks including:

- Conducting market research and analysis of competitor products for the development of unique features and functionalities.
- Formulate, research, test, stabilize, troubleshoot, validate specifications, and perform other research activities related to cosmetic and cosmeceutical industry.
- Successfully prepare a wide range of cosmeceutical formulations.
- Review current product formulations for quality, cost effectiveness, to optimize for better performance and optimal ingredients.
- Analyze all changes to existing formulas to determine proper testing and stability effects.
- Prepare educative presentations about useful topics related to cosmeceutical industry for other team members.
- Perform regulatory documentation and write the packaging data of final product.
- Carefully monitor the product upscale process, to ensure that the end product specs match with the approved laboratory sample specs.

Courses

1- Learning how to learn

July 2020

Powerful mental tools to help you master tough subjects. This course offered from Coursera.

2- HPLC basic level (hands-on practical course)

April 2018

Overview of chromatography basics, mechanisms of chromatographic separation, HPLC components, practical training on HPLC method development, and practical training on determining unknown drug conc from a marketed product. This course offered from Nawah scientific center.

Internships

1- EPSF First scientific research Lab

(July 2021- September 2021)

A 10- week online learning program on the basics of scientific research offered by Egyptian pharmaceutical student federation (EPSF) in cooperation with ASRT (academy of scientific research and technology), and many foundations.

2- I Challenge camp

(July 2020 – September 2020)

A 6-week camp held by innovation hub (iHUB) in Ain shams university that provides theoretical sessions and support for new start-ups and new project ideas in 5 tracks, I took part in healthcare innovation track with my team to provide project idea that helps implementing recycling. Thankfully our team won the 1st place with funding from iHUB.