

Job Description

Department	Analytical R&D (AR&D)
Position	Principal Scientist / Sr. Principal Scientist (Team Leader)
Reports to	Section Head - AR&D
Location	Hyderabad, India

Summary of Job

- To be responsible for leading a team of 2 to 6 physical properties analysts, and providing timely analytical support for physical properties analysis of APIs (and intermediates as required).
- To engage in projects, supporting the design and execution of the physical properties analytical plan.

Key Responsibilities

- Responsible for the safe working of the team in a laboratory environment.
- To be aware of the project scope and finer aspects of scope as well as scope changes.
- To regularly review the progress of the project and ensure that the teams operate within project scope to deliver the scientific and delivery milestones with expected high QUOTIF.
- To review the data presented by team and technically guide them further/suggest course correction, wherever required.
- To collaborate and resolve issues with Cross-functional teams (CFTs).
- Ensure that appropriate and meaningful data is generated during the development phase.
- Responsible for timely completion and review of method development / analytical technical reports and weekly updates.
- To be responsible for productivity, timely closure of investigation reports, calibration of equipment and maintenance of infrastructure of their lab / project.
- To personally participate in critical walk- throughs and in all investigation closures.
- Work on the quotes of new inquiries.
- To participate and contribute in technical brainstorming, training and development.
- Conduct performance appraisals for team members and share recommendations with manager.
- Leverage hands-on in analytical techniques like PXRD, DSC, TGA, DVS, PSD, SEM (basic analytical techniques – theory and application) as well as handling of laboratory equipment.

No. of Reportees	2 to 6 Scientists
Qualification	M.Sc. or Ph.D. in Analytical chemistry, from a reputed university.
Experience	8 to 12 years, with substantial hands-on experience in analysis of physical properties of APIs in the pharma industry or with public testing laboratories. Ideal candidate should have handled a team of at least 3 analysts.



Key Competencies (Technical, Functional & Behavioural)

Technical & Functional:

- Sound knowledge and hands-on experience with analytical techniques like PXRD, DSC, TGA, DVS, PSD, SEM, used for determining physical properties of APIs.
- Experience with other analytical techniques will be an additional advantage.

Behavioural:

- Good inter-personal skills, a team player and proven team leader.
- Should be able to lead a team of scientists to achieve project objectives.
- Positive attitude with good attention to detail.
- Excellent communication, both verbal and written, with good listening skills.
- Good project management and supervisory skills.
- Learning mindset proactively upskills own scientific expertise and that of team members.