



SENIOR RESEARCH SCIENTIST: ANALYTICAL CHEMIST

(Payclass 09; 25 - month Contract)

H3D DRUG DISCOVERY AND DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

FACULTY OF SCIENCE

The Drug Discovery and Development Centre (H3D) at the University of Cape Town, South Africa is seeking to appoint a Senior Research Scientist. The main purpose of this position is to be part of an interdisciplinary translational research team discovering and developing innovative, lifesaving medicines. Specifically, the incumbent will work with the H3D medicinal and flow chemists in the chemistry laboratory by doing sample preparation, method development, purification and analysis by means of analytical instrumentation, including LCMS and preparative chromatography. Furthermore, the incumbent will ensure that instrumentation in the chemistry laboratories are in good working condition and will perform routine maintenance or alert supervisor about issues.

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Closing date: 19 April 2026

Reference:

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