



Head of Operations Mammalian - Large Scale (m/f/d)

Job Description Summary

Today Lonza is a global leader in life sciences. We are more than 15,000 employees in more than 100 locations around the world. While we work in science, there's no magic formula to how we do it. Our greatest scientific solution is talented people working together, devising ideas that help businesses to help people. In exchange, we let our people own their careers. Their ideas, big and small, genuinely improve the world. And that's the kind of work we want to be part of.

The site in [Visp, Switzerland](#) is growing and for our Biologics organization, we are currently looking for a Head of Operations Mammalian to set up and operate our new mammalian large-scale (20k) facility. In [Ibex® Solutions](#), our recently launched unique biological manufacturing and development concept. As part of the Biologics Leadership team in Visp, you will ensure that our products and/or services are executed safely within the expected quality and compliance (cGMP).

Become part of this exciting opportunity and apply now!

Key responsibilities:

- Define & set up the operations organization and respective headcount ramp-up plans for the facilities
- As Operations lead you will be responsible for construction and commissioning of Ibex™ biopharma facilities and support feasibility studies, conceptual and basic design phases as future user of those facilities
- Drives the operational set-up and incorporating innovation, operational improvements and other aspects influencing the manufacturing costs in the design of the facilities
- Manage a specific production unit during the initial engineering phase and give leadership to multi-disciplinary teams (Manufacturing, MSAT) of senior production leaders, managers or supervisors
- Build and develop a successful, high performing team.
- Accountable for preparation of risk analysis and all relevant procedures and ensuring training of staff
- Represent the specific facility during the engineering phases for customer visits and audits as Operations Head
- Responsible for control of own cost center with a focus on identification and implementation of cost reduction measures

Key requirements:

- Master or PhD degree in Biotechnology or other relevant areas
- Extensive experience in a leading a large Biopharma manufacturing organization
- Strong background in Mammalian Large-Scale production, preferred in ramping-up / starting-up a large scale mammalian facility
- Strong leadership and excellent communication skills
- Good problem solving and analytical skills
- Strong commercial understanding
- Detail oriented with exceptional organizational skills
- Strong understanding of evolving technologies that would be relevant to the Ibex™ site
- Fluent in English and German is an advantage

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Every day, Lonza's products and services have a positive impact on millions of people. For us, this is not only a great privilege, but also a great responsibility. How we achieve our business results is just as important as the achievements themselves. At Lonza, we respect and protect our people and our environment. Any success we achieve is no success at all if not achieved ethically.

People come to Lonza for the challenge and creativity of solving complex problems and developing new ideas in life sciences. In return, we offer the satisfaction that comes with improving lives all around the world. The satisfaction that comes with making a meaningful difference.