

Valentine Potten

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Professional experience

Scientist on the VALORAM research project (Valorizing Andean microbial diversity through sustainable intensification of potato-based farming systems), in the laboratory of mycology (Université Catholique de Louvain-la-Neuve), from beginning of 2009 to February 2013:

- evaluation of the biodiversity, based on molecular and morphological aspects
- isolation of strains, in pot cultures and *in vitro* et maintenance of the collection
- writing activity reports, posters and papers
- in charge of international trainings about fungi culture
- trained by Christopher Walker (taxonomy) and Arthur Schüβler (molecular)

IRVS project assistant (Covance), from 2007 to end of 2008:

- data management (via a software using a data base) related to patients for clinical research
- help brought to CRA (clinical research associates) and lab staff to use the data base properly

Student job at the Market Research and IT Help Desk departments (UCB), in summer holidays from 2003 to 2006:

- helping for the development of e-learning modules
- revising internal procedures related to the use of Outlook, Word,...
- updating of data bases
- logical arrangement of libraries, encoding

Education

Master in Biological Sciences, specialisation in Botany (Université Libre de Bruxelles, with high honours). Master thesis and additionnal classes in mycology (Université catholique de Louvain-la-Neuve): «Révision de la systématique de *Perenniporia fraxinea* (Basidiomycota, Polyporales) ». For this work, I made a trip in China (collect samples in the sub-tropical forest)

High school: specialisation in Latin, Sciences and Math (Athénée Royal de Jette, with high honours)

Languages

French (mother language) English (very good) Dutch (modest)

Skills	Gifted in writing, detail oriented in grammar, spelling and page layout
	Talented to talk to large audience and make presentations
	Abilities to use SAS (program) in SQL databases
	Excellent knowledge of common computer tasks and MS Office programs:
	 Word (use of the styles, tables of contents, mail merge, templates) Excel (Pivot Tables, filters, formulas)
	 Outlook (appointment scheduling, e-mail filing and retrieving) PowerPoint (presentations)
	Practical work in laboratory:
	 use of optical microscope and magnification glasses DNA analyses (extraction, PCR, cloning, RFLP, sequencing,) in vitro cultures (medium preparation, cross-tests, disinfections, subcultures) use of dichotomous key for the morphological identification
Special distinctions	Managing director of the mini-company "The Happy Clic" which was honoured at the semi final of the national contest for young companies by receiving the Commercial Diversification prize:
	 staff management, decision-making presentation of the general shareholders meetings, shares refunding
Qualities	Creative, hard worker, brave, honnest, curious, wilful, independant
Activités	Litterature (writing & reading), music (drums & lyrical singing), ballet and contempory dance, drama

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