

Animal Care Intern (Summer)

JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB TITLE: Animal Care Intern
RECORD:
FLSA STATUS:
LOCATION: Canton, SD

REPORTS TO: Exec Dir Animal Mgmt.
UPDATED: 28 MARCH 2019
DEPARTMENT: Animal Management

Position Summary:

This position will give Animal Science/Pre-vet or Dairy Science students who have an interest in the biotechnology industry a hands-on experience working with our platform technology producing fully-human polyclonal antibody therapeutics from the plasma of transchromosomal (Tc) Bovine™.

If required for credit, the candidate will complete a project and presentation on a topic agreed upon at the beginning of the internship.

Timing:

Mid-May to mid-August.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

Responsibilities include but are not limited to:

Equipment & Buildings:

- Prepare rooms for daily work load as outlined by weekly work schedule

Herd Operations:

- Assist team with general animal care and all procedures including:
 - C-sections
 - Vaccinations
 - Plasma collection
- Maintain accurate records of procedures and data entry
- Utilize best practices in handling of recipient and plasma donor animals throughout facilities

Other:

- Convey issues and priorities between departments.
- Assist others in areas when needed.

Qualifications:

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required.

Education, Experience and Certifications:

- Post-secondary education required.
- Animal science/Pre-vet or Dairy Science major is preferred.
- Individual must have a valid drivers license and a "satisfactory" driving record.
- Ability to operate a company vehicle.
- Effective communication and developed organizational skills.
- Large animal experience helpful but not necessary.
- Excellent cattle handling skills and patience are preferred.

Language Skills:

Individual should possess strong communication skills and proficiency in Microsoft Office software (Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook) as well as the ability to effectively present information in one-on-one and small groups.

Mathematical Skills:

Basic mathematical skills to consist of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

Physical Requirements/Working Conditions:

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to walk, stand and sit. Ability to lift 50 pounds and be on feet walking, or standing for long periods of time. Job requires ability to work in adverse/outdoor conditions, good physical mobility and above average strength/conditioning. Animals, especially if handled improperly, can cause injury.

Working Environment:

Duties will be performed in a normal farm working environment and laboratory like settings from time to time. The position will be exposed to loud noises from farm-related equipment.

ADA:

The employer will make reasonable accommodations in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

This job description will be reviewed periodically as duties and responsibilities change with business necessity. Primary and additional duties and responsibilities are subject to modification. I have read and understand the responsibilities of the position. I also understand changes can be made as needed.