



The Vall d'Hebron Research Institute (VHIR) is a public sector institution that promotes and develops the research, innovation and biosanitary teaching of the Vall d'Hebron University Hospital. Through the excellence of our research, we identify and apply new solutions to the health problems of society and we contribute to spread them around the world.



In April 2015, the **Vall d'Hebron Research Institute (VHIR)** obtained the recognition of the European Commission **HR Excellence**. This recognition proves that VHIR endorses the general principles of **the European Charter for Researchers and a Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers (Charter & Code)**.

Thus, there are no restrictions of gender, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation or age and **candidates with disabilities are strongly encouraged to apply.**



## Weekends Caretaker Experimental Surgery Unit

VHIR offers a **caretaker staff** position for the **weekends, holidays** for the **Experimental Surgery Unit (ESU)**. More information about ESU can be found [here](#).

The ESU's specialities are: preclinical animal models (pig, sheep and rabbit) for research and teaching purposes, anaesthesia, analgesia and resuscitation protocols and pre and post-operative animal care and welfare. It offers integral preclinical imaging services (fluoroscopy, ultrasound), ethics committee assistance and has an ISO 9001:2015 quality management system certification.

### JOB DESCRIPTION

#### Education and qualifications:

##### Required:

- Secondary School certificate or High-school Diploma.
  - Hold the accreditations according the *Ministerial Order ECC/566/2015, of 20th March* and to Directive 2010/63/EU: **a+b**
- Function**
- Basic IT skills.

##### Preferred:

- Knowledge of the law and ethical aspects of the use of animal experimentation.

#### Experience and knowledge:

- Previous experience in management of rabbits, sheep and pigs.
- Previous experience in experimental surgeries.

## Main responsibilities and duties:

Regarding the animal:

- Feeding of animals and control of fasting.
- Daily review and general maintenance and cleaning care.
- Reception and housing of new animals
- Control of feed stock

Regarding the facility:

- Daily cleaning and disinfection of pig and sheep boxes.
- Manage of rabbit cages.
- Monitoring functioning and maintenance.
- Detection and monitoring of incidences.

Related material and equipment:

- Preparation of surgery room according to the type of surgery.
  - Cleaning, preparation and sterilization of surgical instruments and medical equipment.
  - Control, ordering and replacement of consumables.
  - Preparation of costumes and clothing needed for surgery.
- Support veterinarian staff in experimental procedures and researchers services.

## Labour conditions:

- Length: Temporary contract (1 year, renewable).
- The contract will consist of 20h per week: 4 hours a day from Friday to Tuesday and all public holidays. Morning shift.
- Immediate incorporation
- Gross annual salary: € 9.294,53. Public holidays will be paid apart.

## HOW TO APPLY

Applicants should submit a full Curriculum Vitae and a cover letter with the reference "Weekends Caretaker" to the following email address: ([seleccio@vhir.org](mailto:seleccio@vhir.org); [marielle.esteves@vhir.org](mailto:marielle.esteves@vhir.org)).