



JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB DETAILS

Job Title: BSU Animal Technician

Department: BSU

Grade: CI2

ORGANISATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

Line Manager: CI3 – Team Leader

Dotted line:

Accountable for: Own work

JOB PURPOSE

To work in the BSU and provide high quality husbandry and experimental procedures to fulfil scientific needs. This includes ensuring that the needs of the animals are met in terms of husbandry and welfare. Working under Home Office licensing (Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act amended 2012) to carry out ethically justified procedures, with meticulous record keeping of all animal-related work.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The lists below are not exhaustive, and the post-holder is required to undertake such duties as may reasonably be requested within the scope of the post.

- Administration of altered diets/water.
- Responsibility for printing and organising MCMS tasks.
- Competency in sample collection for genotyping.
- Work flexibly between different work areas to suit operational requirements.
- Achieve competency in performing regulated procedures (including administration of substances OG & IP, setting up transgenic matings etc.)
- Train BSU staff and users.
- Perform audits.
- Provide handling assessments for Users undergoing PIL training.
- Provide cover for processing of Transnetyx plates.
- Be flexible and provide cover where necessary including the weekend.



STANDARDS OF PERFORMANCE

- All employees are required to act professionally, cooperatively, and flexibly in line with the requirements of the post and the CRUK Scotland Institute.
 - Job requirements should be reviewed on a regular basis and at the annual appraisal. Any changes should be made and agreed between the post-holder and their manager.
 - Work efficiently and cost-effectively.
 - To meet objectives within pre-determined timescales.
 - To strive to accomplish high quality of work.
 - Excellent attention to detail.
 - Self-motivated and positive influence on other team members.
 - Genuine interest in the welfare of animals.
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KEY RELATIONSHIPS

Member of a team working under supervision of a Line Manager and Section Head.

Internal

BSU Staff
BSU Team Leaders
Section Heads
BSU Managers
BSU Users
Group Leaders/PPL Holders
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External

GU Staff

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Essential

- Work within defined Standard Operational Procedures (SOPs) with a keen eye for detail.
- Holder of Home Office Personal Licence or willing to attain.
- Good communication and organisational skills.
- Experience of working independently planning workload and delivering targets on time.
- Availability for weekend and bank holiday work on a rota basis.

Desirable

- Be able to work both independently and in close collaboration with the BSU users and staff.
 - Candidates should ideally have had some work experience with animals in Laboratory settings and/or animal technician duties.
 - Familiarity using databases and spreadsheets to record and report data.
 - Undertake Institute of Animal Technology (IAT) qualifications
 - Ability to contribute to the development of services.
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Equality and Diversity

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