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Head Animal Care Team

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Job Description

- Leading a team of about 12 staff members with different educational background (e.g., vet nurse, animal attendant, farmer, butcher, and apprentice). This task includes objective setting, performance evaluation and development planning for the staff.
- Efficient organization of work plans to optimally care for different animal species (cattle, cats, dogs, sheep, rodents, rabbits)
- Coordination of on-site animal breeding or animal ordering to support study needs
- Coordination and planning of biological phases in research studies
- Support to veterinary and animal welfare tasks
- Adaptation of processes to the company's high quality standards to ensure compliance with external and internal guidelines (e.g., GLP, HSE, AW).
- Contribution to planning and construction of new animal facilities or infrastructure
- Organization of the training of the staff
- Participation to night/weekend services (e.g., in the function of a veterinarian)

Minimum requirements

- Licensed veterinarian with clinical veterinary experience preferred, or biologist with broad experience in experimental animal maintenance.
- Proven people management skills are required.
- Preference to a candidate with experience in industrial or scientific environment and with experimental animals.
- Broad experience with companion, rodents and livestock animals e.g., as practical veterinarian, would be an asset.
Other requirements are:
- Very good command (oral and written) of French and English
- Experience to work in regulated environment (e.g., "Good Laboratory Practices")
- Flexible and well organized team player
- Good communication and computer skills (MS-Office e.g., "Word", "Excel", "Outlook")
- Knowledge on specific hygiene conditions in animal maintenance (i.e. FELASA based health monitoring programs) would be an asset
- Knowledge of the Animal Health Industry and its regulatory environment
- Herd management knowledge would be an asset
- Strong commitment to respect the Animal Welfare regulations

The reward: The opportunity to work for one of the leading companies in the Animal Health industry, to work in an interesting and challenging international context, and to work with a highly professional team. We offer a competitive salary and benefits.

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