

## Animal Technician - Zebrafish Biology Facility



**Location:** Heidelberg, Germany  
**Staff Category:** Staff Member  
**Contract Duration:** 3 years  
**Grading:** 3 or 4, depending on experience and qualifications  
**Closing Date:** 26 February 2012  
**Reference number:** HD\_00189

### Job Description

The European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL) is one of the highest ranked scientific research organisations in the world. The Headquarters Laboratory is located in Heidelberg (Germany) and the outstations are in Grenoble (France), Hamburg (Germany), Hinxton (UK) and Monterotondo (Italy). The animal technician will be responsible for the fish facility. Responsibilities include general maintenance of the facility, in particular: feeding hatchlings, juvenile and adult fish, setting-up matings, collecting eggs, baby nursery and cleaning of aquaria as well as other equipment used for the housing of laboratory animals. In addition, the postholder will be responsible for the wild type, mutant and transgenic stocks. This will involve re-identification of mutant carriers by conventional and fluorescent microscopic observation. It is expected that the postholder will actively work on the improvement of established routines and procedures to increase the efficiency of the facility.

### Qualifications and Experience

Experience in fish husbandry and fish facility management would be highly advantageous. Database management skills and some basic biology/genetics background would be preferred. The ideal candidate must be reliable and able to work as part of a team. He/she must work responsibly, ensuring the welfare of the animals, but will be encouraged to be innovative and to improve established procedures. Good communication and interpersonal skills are required and the postholder should be comfortable in an English-speaking environment.

### Application Instructions

Please apply online through [www.embl.org/jobs](http://www.embl.org/jobs)

### Additional Information

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