

Vacancy Announcement
Animal Scientist/Veterinary Medical Officer/Biologist
Staff Fellow Position
Office of New Animal Drug Evaluation



The Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Center for Veterinary Medicine (CVM), Office of New Animal Drug Evaluation (ONADE), Division of Food Animal Drugs is seeking qualified applicants for the position of Animal Scientist, Veterinary Medical Officer, or Biologist. The Division of Food Animal Drugs evaluates the target animal safety and effectiveness of new animal drugs for food-producing animals. The majority of our work is in pigs, chickens, turkeys, beef cattle, dairy cattle, and fish. Through our independent and collaborative evaluations, we support the Center's scientific and regulatory goals. This position will be filled through FDA's Staff Fellowship program.

As a member of the Division, you will have a significant impact on the determination of whether an application to market a new animal drug should be approved based on scientific grounds, governing laws, and regulations. Specifically, you will:

- Determine the safety and effectiveness of the drug and assesses the adequacy of labeled warnings and directions for use; and
- Consult with FDA chemists, toxicologists, biometricians, animal scientists, veterinarians, and attorneys involved in the science and policy of the drug approval process; and
- Meet with technical and regulatory staff from the pharmaceutical industry to discuss the roadmap to approval, appropriate experimental design in the development of protocols, feedback for on-going studies, and review of submitted data; and
- Meet with regulators from other countries and agencies to collaborate on common regulatory issues.

Applicants should have a Ph.D. or D.V.M. in the Animal Sciences, Veterinary Medicine, or Biology (or related fields) and/or a combination of relevant education and experience based on OPM guidelines. We are seeking applicants with:

- Experience in one or more of the following areas: food-producing animal physiology and medicine, reproduction, genetics, nutrition, meat science, or management, and knowledge of emerging technologies; and
- Experience in swine; and
- Understanding of broad inferences using information from a variety of sources, sometimes limited in nature; and
- Knowledge of experimental design and statistics; and
- Excellent writing and verbal skills; and
- Computer proficiency.

Due to the immensity of its charge, CVM depends upon a diverse and dedicated workforce. We recognize the importance of multi-disciplinary teamwork in reaching superior and timely regulatory decisions therefore we foster an atmosphere where every employee's contribution is important. New concepts, ideas, and creative approaches to improve current operations and to meet existing and future challenges are encouraged. Our goal is to not only enable our employees to positively impact the Center today, but to prepare our workforce for the demands, responsibilities, and career opportunities of tomorrow.

This position may be eligible for Remote Work. Remote work means the residence is the full-time official duty location. The salary is determined by the locality pay of the official duty station. Salaries for all areas are available on the OPM website at: <https://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/pay-leave/salaries-wages/2022/general-schedule/>. If selected for a remote work position, you must have access to high speed internet and cell phone service meeting current Agency standards from the approved work location within the Contiguous United States and sign a remote work agreement. Employees can be required to report to work on-site at their supervisor's direction when in-person presence is needed. ONADE provides the basic technology (e.g., laptop, monitors, webcam) needed to effectively accomplish the work.



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Animal Scientist: [Animal Science Series 0487 \(opm.gov\)](#)

Veterinary Medical Officer: [Veterinary Medical Science Series 0701 \(opm.gov\)](#)

Biologist: [General Natural Resources Management and Biological Sciences Series 0401 \(opm.gov\)](#)

Please submit your letter of interest, resume, and transcripts to: CVMOpportunities@fda.hhs.gov with the subject line of "ONADE Staff Fellow Animal Scientist/VMO/Biologist Position –Working at CVM."

Questions may also be directed to the CVM Opportunities mailbox. Applications will be accepted through March 30, 2023.

****Applications will be reviewed, and interviews will be scheduled on a first come, first serve basis.****

Why CVM?

Safeguarding human and animal health is what we do. When you join our team, you impact this unique and amazing mission no matter your position. You also join a diverse community of exceptional people who encourage and support everyone to dream, inspire each other, and live our best lives, personally and professionally. When you join CVM, you join an incredible place to work.



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