Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory
Position Announcement – Endocrinology

The Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory (VDL) ([www.animalhealth.msu.edu](http://www.animalhealth.msu.edu)) in the College of Veterinary Medicine at Michigan State University (MSU) is seeking applicants for a specialist position in Endocrinology. This position is in the University’s Academic Specialist Fixed Appointment System. The successful candidate will be appointed for two years with the ability to be reappointed. A complete description of the MSU Academic Specialist system is available at: [https://www.hr.msu.edu/policies-procedures/faculty-academic-staff/academic-specialist-handbook/index.html](https://www.hr.msu.edu/policies-procedures/faculty-academic-staff/academic-specialist-handbook/index.html).

The VDL is a full-service, American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians (AAVLD)-accredited laboratory and occupies a state-of-the-art facility comprising over 152,000 sq. feet of space. The Endocrinology Section has a long history of excellence and innovation, receiving over 9,100 samples per month and offering assays to assess thyroid, adrenal, parathyroid, reproductive, pancreatic, pituitary, and gastric function in multiple species. The individual filling this position will join the team within the Endocrinology Section of VDL and can anticipate collaboration with a diverse group of microbiologists, pathologists, toxicologists, and nutritionists.

Candidates must possess a DVM or equivalent degree, be eligible for Michigan Veterinary Licensure and have experience or advanced training in endocrinology, clinical pathology or internal medicine. We are seeking an individual who is passionately committed to understanding all aspects of laboratory diagnosis of endocrine disorders and to interact with internal and external clients. The successful candidate will be part of the VDL team and have responsibility for a portion of the VDL service/outreach activities, including marketing in coordination with the VDL communications manager. The primary responsibility of this position will be to interpret endocrinology test results of domestic animals, and to provide consultation to referring veterinarians (e.g., appropriate test or sample selection, test interpretation, diagnostic procedures). Other duties may include developing new tests, validation of endocrinology tests to meet accreditation standards, and participation in aligned research projects. Participation in teaching (professional and graduate students, residents) is also possible. Excellent written and especially verbal communication skills, including cultural competence, are required as this role includes frequent communication with referring veterinarians, the public, other VDL faculty, staff, and students. One to three years of experience in interpretation of patient results and/or experience with development and implementation of immunoassays or other laboratory tests is preferred but not required.

Michigan State University has outstanding college-based and university-wide basic and translational research programs that provide ample opportunity for collaborative research with faculty of the College of Veterinary Medicine, and with those of the two human medical schools on campus. Additional opportunities for collaboration exist close by at the University of Michigan, the Van Andel Research Institute, and other research centers. Intramural funding for research projects is excellent and available through a competitive research grant program in the College of Veterinary Medicine. A mentoring program is available to assist junior faculty in their professional development.
Michigan State University, the pioneer land-grant school, is one of the top research universities in the world where veterinary science has been taught since its 1855 founding. East Lansing’s collegiate atmosphere is complemented by low cost of living with convenient access to large cultural centers such as Ann Arbor, Grand Rapids, Detroit, and Chicago. East Lansing and surrounding communities provide excellent public school systems. In addition, Michigan, the Great Lakes State, with its numerous inland lakes and rivers, state and national parks, national lakeshores, world-class golf courses, and ample snowfall offers a broad variety of seasonal outdoor recreational activities. Visit the Pure Michigan® website www.puremichigan.org for more details.

The position is available immediately. Salary is commensurate with training and experience.

Michigan State University has an on-line, centralized application procedure and all candidates are required to submit the following documents: (1) letter of intent detailing career goals and interests, 2) curriculum vitae, 3) copies of their diplomas, and (4) full names and contact information (phone number, e-mail, postal address, and fax number) of 4 individuals acting as professional references. To apply to this position please go to www.careers.msu.edu and reference posting number 462780.

For additional information about MSU and the CVM please visit these sites:
- MSU Academic Advancement Network http://fod.msu.edu/
- Academic Human Resources https://www.ahr.msu.edu/
- Family Resource Center https://www.frc.msu.edu/
- ADVANCE ADAPP https://www.adapp-advance.msu.edu/
- CVM Office of Diversity & Inclusion https://cvm.msu.edu/about/diversity
- CVM Strategic Planning process https://cvm.msu.edu/curriculum-reinvention/curriculum-reinvention

Questions can be directed to Dr. Brian Petroff, Search Committee Chair, at bpetroff@dcph.msu.edu. Review of applications will begin October 31, 2017 and applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

MSU is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer and is committed to achieving excellence through cultural diversity. The university actively encourages applications and/or nominations of women, persons of color, veterans, and persons with disabilities.