

**Department of Health and Human Services
National Institutes of Health
National Institute on Aging
Intramural Research Program**

Animal Program Director

The National Institute on Aging (NIA), a major research component of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), is recruiting for a Staff Scientist/Facility Head to serve as Animal Program Director (APD), Chief, Comparative Medicine Section within the NIA Intramural Research Program (IRP), located in Baltimore, MD. The incumbent will report to the Scientific Director and will be responsible for an Association for the Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care (AAALAC) accredited Animal Care and Use Program and for support of the animal research programs in the IRP, studying animal models of development and aging, and interventions to prevent or alleviate aging-related deficits. A Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (or equivalent degree) with specialty training and experience in laboratory animal medicine is required. Board certification by the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine is desired, and veterinarian licensing in the United States is required. Experience and additional training in veterinary pathology is a desirable competency.

Applicants must have a proven record of management of an animal research program and demonstrated experience with regulatory aspects of laboratory animal welfare. The incumbent will be responsible for animal husbandry, veterinary care, breeding colony support, research technical support, assistance in writing Animal Study Protocols, education and guidance regarding animal use regulations, and safety policies. Of paramount importance, the Animal Program Director assumes responsibility for maintaining certification by the AAALAC International. The expertise and experience should include, but not be limited to interaction and cooperation with scientific staff in a manner that promotes and facilitates their scientific programs. The APD is also responsible for ensuring that all animal care personnel demonstrate acceptable skill in assigned duties and performing techniques with the species of animal for which they are responsible. The APD serves as the "Attending Veterinarian" for the purposes of Animal Welfare Act interpretations.

Salary is commensurate with research experience and accomplishments. A full Civil Service package of benefits (including retirement, health, life, and long-term care insurance, Thrift Savings Plan participation, etc.) is available. All employees of the Federal Government are subject to the conflict of interest statutes and regulations, including the Standards of Ethical Conduct. Additional information regarding the NIA IRP is available at the following website: www.irp.nia.nih.gov.

To apply: Please send a cover letter, curriculum vitae, bibliography, statement of research interests, and three letters of recommendation to: Jamie Hertzfelt, Intramural Program Specialist; Office of the Scientific Director; Vacancy #NIA-IRP-20-09; National Institute on Aging, Biomedical Research Center, 251 Bayview Boulevard, Suite 100, Room 04C232, Baltimore, MD 21224 or email: niairpjobs@mail.nih.gov. Applications, including letters of recommendation, must reference Vacancy #NIA-IRP-20-09 for consideration. The first round of reviews is

expected to occur on or about January 27, 2020; however, applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

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