



Job Description

College/Management Unit	College of Health and Agricultural Sciences
School/Unit	School of Veterinary Medicine
Post Title & Subject Area (if relevant)	Resident in Small Animal Internal Medicine
Post Duration	4 years
Grade	Postgraduate student
Closing date	13.00 (Irish Time) Monday 29th April 2024

Position Summary

The School of Veterinary Medicine, University College Dublin invites applications for the position of Resident in Small Animal Internal Medicine to commence September 2nd 2024.

This is a four-year training position with the following aims:

- To provide clinical training in the field of small animal internal medicine in an approved ECVIM residency programme
- To obtain a professional doctorate (Doctor of Veterinary Medical Specialisation)
- To provide an introduction to and experience in clinical research
- To develop communication and teaching skills.

The Resident will be expected to enrol and successfully complete certification for the Diploma of the European College of Veterinary Internal Medicine – Companion Animals (DipECVIM-CA (Internal Medicine)).

The Resident must also enrol for a postgraduate professional doctorate qualification (Doctor of Veterinary Medical Specialisation – DVMS); <https://www.ucd.ie/vetmed/study/graduateprogrammes/professionaldoctoratedvms/>). There will be a formal Stage Transfer Assessment for the professional doctorate at approximately 18 months.

The successful applicant will have a veterinary qualification registrable by the Veterinary Council of Ireland (see www.vci.ie – including VCI requirement for English language proficiency). A demonstrable interest in achieving specialist training and research skills in small animal medicine is required. Applicants must have completed a one-year rotating internship (or its equivalent) demonstrating broad training and experience as dictated by the European College of Veterinary Internal Medicine – Companion Animals (ECVIM-CA) (www.ecvim-ca.org).

You will join a team of 4 other residents (at various stages of training) and be supervised by specialists in Small Animal Internal Medicine including:

- Prof. Carmel T. Mooney MVB MPhil PhD DipECVIM-CA FRCVS – Residency Programme Director
- Dr Monica Augusto DVM MSc (Clin. Oncology) CertSAM DipECVIM-CA MRCVS
- Dr Carles Blasi Brugué DVM PhD DipECVIM-CA MRCVS
- Dr Benoît Cuq DrVét. PhD DipACVIM-SAIM DipECVIM-CA MRCVS
- Dr Antoine Duclos DrVét. Residency Trained in Small Animal Internal Medicine (ECVIM-CA)
- Dr Kevin Murtagh MVB CertSAM DipECVIM-CA MRCVS
- Dr Emma O'Neill BSc BVSc PhD DSAM DipECVIM-CA FRCVS

The medicine service at the UCDVH is supported by a team of 3 European Diplomates in Anaesthesia and 1 residency trained anaesthetist (and 3 residents), 5 European Diplomates in Diagnostic Imaging (and 3 residents), 1 American Diplomate in Oncologist, 2 European Diplomates in Surgery (and 4 residents) and 1 European Diplomate in Emergency and Critical Care. We also have a visiting European Diplomate in Cardiology once monthly.

The hospital is also supported by a team of specialty and rotating interns as well as a strong team of nurses (service specific).

Stipend: €24,000 – 26,000 depending on year of registration

Principal Duties and Responsibilities

The Resident has a clinical training commitment of at least 36 weeks per annum. The remainder of the available time (12 weeks excluding holidays) is for other scholarly activities including the conduct of a research programme, the writing of publications and thesis preparation, participation in taught modules, attending conferences and other training opportunities, including externships.

Activities include;

- Regular communication with clients/referring veterinary surgeons
- Development of practical skills pertinent to the DipECVIM-CA
- Participation in relevant research projects aiming for at least two publications in peer-reviewed scientific journals and submission of a DVMS thesis
- Regular participation in out-of-hours duties
- Teaching veterinary and veterinary nursing students during their clinical rotations
- Attendance at and participation in rounds, journal clubs, seminars and taught modules relevant for DipECVIM-CA and DVMS
- Provision of support for Interns and veterinary nurses
- Management of case, procedure and activity logs as dictated by the requirements of the ECVIM-CA and DVMS
- Other tasks considered appropriate by their line management

Selection Criteria

Selection criteria outline the qualifications, skills, knowledge and/or experience that the successful candidate would need to demonstrate for successful discharge of the responsibilities of the post. Applications will be assessed on the basis of how well candidates satisfy these criteria.

Mandatory

- A veterinary qualification eligible for registration with the Veterinary Council of Ireland (see www.vci.ie)
- Completion of at least a one-year rotating internship or its equivalent (as per ECVIM-CA guidelines).
- Demonstration of a clear interest in small animal internal medicine and in obtaining further qualifications in the discipline
- A clear proven interest in clinical research
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Ability to work in a multidisciplinary team
- Proficient speaking and writing skills in the English language (VCI registration requirements: <https://www.vci.ie/Register-with-VCI/Registration-Requirement>)

Desirable

- A second internship devoted to internal medicine
- A demonstrable interest in undergraduate teaching
- Proven track record in presenting and teaching
- A postgraduate qualification and evidence of prior publications
- Motivation to succeed in becoming a veterinary specialist.

Further Information for Candidates

The University: www.ucd.ie
The School/Programme Office: www.ucd.ie/vetmed
The UCD Veterinary Hospital <https://www.ucd.ie/vthweb/>

Relocation and Interview Expenses

Will not apply

Informal Enquiries ONLY to:

Name: Carmel T Mooney *or* Benoît Cuq
Title: Professor of Small Animal Internal Medicine / Discipline Head Small Animal Internal Medicine
Email address: carmel.mooney@ucd.ie *or* benoit.cuq@ucd.ie

Application procedure

Candidates should forward for following items to the section administrator nicola.garvey@ucd.ie by **13.00 (Irish Time) Monday 29th April 2024:**

- Electronic copy of current curriculum vitae
- Letter of intent
- Proof of English proficiency (compatible with VCI requirement for English language proficiency)
- Contact details for two referees

Short-listed applicants will be contacted regarding interviews. These will be held in mid-May 2024. The starting date is September 2nd 2024.