

The Institute for Fish and Wildlife Health,
Department for Infectious Diseases and Pathobiology, Vetsuisse Faculty

offers a position as

Wildlife pathologist (60-80%)

to be filled around 1st of February 2022

The Institute for Fish and Wildlife Health (FIWI) works on infectious and non-infectious diseases of fish and wildlife at the interface of veterinary medicine, epidemiology, ecology and evolutionary biology. We consistently pursue a One Health approach and connect knowledge from different disciplines and social groups. We also focus on diagnostics and the improvement and further development of methods for pathogen detection. Our aim is to educate the next generation of wildlife experts in Switzerland and beyond.

Tasks

We seek to recruit a new team member to support our diagnostic wildlife pathology services. The task entails the supervising of postgraduate students during postmortem & histopathological examination and the maintenance and continued development of high-quality diagnostics (necropsy, histology, documentation, molecular diagnostics, collaboration with other diagnostic units in house, reporting, development/maintenance of processes and accreditation standards) of the entire spectrum of terrestrial endemic free-ranging animals in Switzerland.

Depending on experience, interests and capacities, the position may additionally entail

- teaching of wildlife health and disease content within the veterinary curriculum
- interaction with administration, customers and stakeholders
- the contribution of pathological expertise to ongoing research projects
- writing of quarterly diagnostic reports

The position reports to and supports the head of wildlife diagnostics.

Requirements

The candidate should have expertise in veterinary pathology including histopathology and strong interest in wildlife health. An ECVP or ACVP diploma and experience in wildlife pathology is advantageous but not a requirement. The candidate must be prepared to participate in quality management (ISO-certified processes) and to work in a customer-oriented manner. A reasonable written and oral command of German and English is expected, French is advantageous. We intend to hire a person with a documented willingness to develop and learn, and to collaborate across disciplinary boundaries.

We offer

The position is presently limited until Dec. 2022 and can serve as an entry position for junior pathologists. The candidate will be exposed to an international academic environment at a renowned and well-networked institution and will be part of the FIWI's Swiss wildlife management network. In addition, the candidate will be exposed to the domestic and zoo animal pathology, bacteriology, parasitology, virology and immunology institutes within the department. The place of work is 5 minutes by bus from Bern railway station.

Please send a single PDF file containing 1) a letter of motivation in German, 2) a CV (German or English), 3) diplomas, 4) contact data of two persons willing to provide references, labeled as „Bewerbung_Pathologie_Surname.pdf“, by e-mail to HR deputy Mrs. Christine Herzig (christine.herzig@vetsuisse.unibe.ch). Review of applications will begin on 31st December 2021 and will continue until the position is filled.

For questions regarding the position, please contact Dr. Saskia Keller (head of wildlife diagnostics) or Prof. I. Adrian-Kalchhauser (head of FIWI). Further information can be found on <https://www.fivi.vetsuisse.unibe.ch/>.