



## **INTERNSHIP IN SMALL ANIMAL CARDIOLOGY**

Specialist Veterinary Cardiology Consultancy (SVCC), in collaboration with The Ralph Veterinary Referral Centre in Marlow (Buckinghamshire), announces this unique job opportunity for a veterinary surgeon to undergo dedicated training in small animal cardiology under the supervision of three ECVIM/ACVIM cardiology specialists and two advanced practitioners in veterinary cardiology. The program is directed by Dr Luca Ferasin (European-EBVS and RCVS Recognised Specialist in Veterinary Cardiology) and involves a 1-year internship, which will provide clinicians with the strongest foundation to progress to a residency in cardiology and shape their career journey in small animal cardiology.

### Job description

This 1-year training will introduce the candidate to a busy cardiology service in one of the largest, independent, multidisciplinary referral centres in the UK. The cardiology intern will work side-by-side with specialists, clinical associates, residents, interns and dedicated cardiology nurses and will be exposed to a wide variety of acquired and congenital cardiology cases (approximately 1,500 cases/year). The cardiology intern will also be involved in cardiac interventions (including balloon valvuloplasty, pacemaker implantation, PDA occlusion, stent placement, with the support of digital fluoroscopy and transoesophageal echocardiography), as well as undergraduate and post-graduate teaching. Additionally, the cardiology intern will be required to actively participate in internal seminars and journal clubs. Although clinical research is not mandatory for this internship program, participation in clinical research will be supported and encouraged, including participation at international meetings and publication in veterinary journals. Salary is £33,000 per annum plus benefits (including RCVS annual membership fee, professional liability cover, enrolment in pension scheme, 5 days and £1,500 annual CPD allowance, personal professional laptop, online library, and more).

### *Credentials for applications*

Candidates must hold membership of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (MRCVS) and have the right to work in the United Kingdom. Candidates who hold a post-graduate qualification (e.g. master or certificate in veterinary cardiology) and have completed a rotating internship (or equivalent experience in veterinary practice) will be given priority in the shortlisting process. Furthermore, a passion for learning, ability to proficiently perform an echocardiographic examination in dogs and cats, excellent communication skills, advanced knowledge of both written and spoken English, a good sense of humour, and natural inclination to work well in a team are fundamental requisites for this position.



For further information about SVCC and The Ralph Veterinary Referral Centre, please visit [www.cardiospecialist.co.uk](http://www.cardiospecialist.co.uk) and [www.theralph.vet](http://www.theralph.vet). For informal enquiries please contact [svcc@cardiospecialist.co.uk](mailto:svcc@cardiospecialist.co.uk).

Applicants must submit their curriculum vitae, letter of intent and 2 referees' names with contact details using the online application tool below (or visit "Career Opportunities" at [www.cardiospecialist.co.uk](http://www.cardiospecialist.co.uk)).



**Deadline for applications is Friday 25 April 2025**