



The [AO Foundation](#) is a medically guided, not-for-profit organization led by an international group of surgeons specialized in the treatment of trauma and disorders of the musculoskeletal system. Founded in 1958 by 13 visionary surgeons, AO fosters one of the most extensive networks of currently more than 20,000 surgeons, operating room personnel, and scientists in over 100 countries.

The mission of the [AO Research Institute Davos](#) (ARI) is excellence in applied Preclinical Research and Development within trauma and disorders of the musculoskeletal system and translation of this knowledge to achieve more effective patient care worldwide. The ARI contributes high quality applied Preclinical Research and Development (exploratory and translational) focused towards clinical applications/solutions as well as investigates and improves the performance of surgical procedures, devices and substances. It fosters a close relationship with the AO medical community, academic societies, and universities and provides a research environment and support for AO clinicians.

Our Preclinical Services Team is looking for an experienced

Preclinical Project Leader / Experimental Surgeon

In this function you will be responsible for:

- Performance of (orthopedic) surgical procedures on large and small preclinical models
- Animal health and welfare of research animals including anesthesia and veterinary care
- Management and facilitation of orthopedic research projects
- Supporting in the development of Standard Operating Procedures and in maintaining our quality management accreditations (ISO 9001:2015, AAALAC and GLP)
- Production of scientific reports and publications and presentation at international conferences

To meet the job requirements, you have a veterinary medicine degree recognized in Switzerland, as well as ideally experience in experimental surgery and a post graduate specialization in veterinary surgery (ACVS or ECVS residency).

You have a strong interest in experimental surgery and project management and good English language skills (spoken and written). Experiences in management of research projects and/or knowledge in the field of experimental surgery are an advantage. German or the willingness to learn German would be beneficial. In addition, you are characterized by being flexible, proactive, a team-player and service-oriented. We expect you to have an independent, structured and accurate way of working as well as good communication and interpersonal skills.

We offer

- An interesting and varied job in an exciting and innovative organization
- Working in a highly committed international team
- Modern infrastructure
- Employment conditions which match the requirements and offer a high degree of flexibility regarding working hours and location

If you meet the requirements please submit your completed online application (motivation letter, CV, a recent photo, certificates, reference letters, etc).

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