

Veterinary Technician (Research – Large Animal) | Make an Impact Beyond the Clinic

Location: Coon Rapids, MN at NAMSA (North American Science Associates)

Schedule: Full-time | M-F, 7:00-5:30 (4 day work week, rotating days off), weekend work for this position is rare

Compensation: \$23/hour + comprehensive benefits (more depending on experience)

Why This Role Is Different

This isn't general practice—and that's exactly the point.

If you're a veterinary technician who thrives on precision, enjoys complex cases, and wants to contribute to meaningful research that advances animal and human health, this role offers something more.

You'll work with a collaborative team supporting large animal research in a controlled, well-managed environment where protocols matter, your skills are fully utilized, and your work has measurable impact.

What You'll Work With

- Swine (primary model)
- Sheep & goats
- Canine
- Rabbits
- Occasional bovine involvement in research settings

What You'll Do

- Assist with anesthesia, surgical procedures, and post-operative care
- Monitor animals during research protocols and clinical procedures
- Perform sample collection (blood, urine, swabs) with precision
- Maintain detailed and accurate research records (GLP-style documentation)
- Support biosecurity and sanitation protocols (critical to facility success)
- Collaborate with veterinarians, researchers, and scientific teams
- Ensure animal welfare standards are consistently upheld

🧠 What We're Looking For

- CVT/LVT/RVT preferred (or equivalent strong technical experience)
- Experience with anesthesia and monitoring (large animal a plus)
- High attention to detail and comfort following strict protocols
- Ability to work in a biosecure, structured environment
- Emotionally steady and professional in a research setting
- Team-focused mindset with strong communication skills

⚠️ What to Expect (Transparency Matters)

- Strict confidentiality measures
- PPE and sanitation protocols are part of daily workflow
- Work may involve research endpoints and regulated procedures
- This is a structured environment—less variability than clinical practice

💰 What You Get

- Competitive hourly pay
- Health, dental, vision insurance
- CE allowance + paid CE days (including research-specific training)
- Paid time off + holidays
- Retirement plan with employer contribution
- Uniforms/PPE provided
- Stable schedule (predictable hours compared to clinical settings)

🏢 About Us

We are a large animal research facility supporting advancements in veterinary and biomedical science. Our team prioritizes animal welfare, scientific integrity, and employee support.

You'll find structure, purpose, and a team that takes pride in doing things the right way.

🚀 Interested?

Apply here: https://namsa.wd5.myworkdayjobs.com/en-US/NAMSA/job/Minneapolis---MN---USA/Surgical-Technician_R5006

Or send your resume/questions to me via Messenger

Even if you're unsure about research, we're happy to talk through what the role actually looks like day-to-day.