



Research Leader
(Supervisory Research Animal Scientist (Dairy))
Salary Range of \$96,690 to \$147,857

The Dairy Forage Research Center, Dairy Forage & Aquaculture Research Unit in Madison, WI, is seeking a permanent full-time Research Leader.

The mission of the unit is to conduct basic and applied research to identify the mechanisms of and interactions between forage, diet, and animal and rumen microbes that limit forage digestion and nutrient utilization. In addition to research responsibilities, the incumbent exercises leadership and line authority over scientists and support personnel assigned to the Unit. The incumbent is responsible for maintaining and enhancing the creativity and productivity of the Unit, hiring personnel and managing the human, fiscal, and physical resources assigned to the Unit, serving as the Unit fund holder, providing technical information and consultation both internal and external to ARS, and ensuring the proper interpretation and reporting of scientific research results and information.

A degree in animal science, dairy science, or poultry science is required. Professional knowledge of animal nutrition or dairy science in order to conduct research on digestion and/or nutrient utilization in dairy cows is required. The ability to plan, conduct and report a personal research program is required. An ability to effectively communicate with stakeholders, cooperators and the general public is required.

To apply, print a copy of vacancy announcement ARS-X11W-0215 from the ARS Careers Website at <http://www.afm.ars.usda.gov/hrd/jobs/announcements/scientific.htm> and follow the application directions provided. To have a printed copy mailed, call Jean Weinbrenner at 608-890-0044. U.S. citizenship is required. Applications must be received by September 19, 2011.

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