

AbbVie Preclinical Pathology Immersion Experience

Organization/Company	AbbVie, Inc.
Location	North Chicago, IL
Website	www.abbvie.com
Pathology Environment	Industry
Discipline/Field of Study	Toxicologic Pathology
Length of Program	2–5-day site visit for veterinary pathology, laboratory animal medicine and comparative medicine trainees from an AVMA-accredited U.S. institution
Time of Year	First Monday & Tuesday of the month, with the option to extend through Wednesday/Thursday/Friday One student per quarter
Funding/Stipend	No
Housing Provided	Yes

Overview of Program:

AbbVie offers a 2–5-day long site visit to DVM-holding residents and trainees in veterinary pathology, laboratory animal medicine, and comparative medicine, designed to provide a high-level overview of pathology functions within drug discovery and development. This program gives trainees the opportunity to learn about pathology and laboratory animal-focused careers in industry and to network with pharmaceutical industry professionals.

Detailed Description:

This program provides a unique opportunity to gain practical insight into the role veterinary pathologists play in supporting drug discovery and development within a large pharmaceutical company. The student's schedule will be divided between activities with pathologists and meetings with non-pathology stakeholders with whom AbbVie pathologists collaborate. These activities may be tailored to the student's individual goals and interests. Pathology-focused experiences may include attendance at weekly

toxicologic pathology forums and rounds, review of histopathology slides and data, tours of laboratory spaces, and meetings with anatomic and clinical pathologists in Preclinical Safety. Non-pathology activities may include meetings with other scientists and veterinarians involved in drug discovery and development, such as toxicologists and laboratory animal veterinarians.

Scheduling will be based on the order in which requests are received and is subject to CV review. Students are required to sign a Confidentiality Disclosure Agreement that will be provided by AbbVie.

Goals:

- Gain insight into the roles and responsibilities of veterinary pathologists within the pharmaceutical industry, with exposure to both drug discovery and drug development activities.
- Develop an understanding of the range of toxicology studies used in pharmaceutical development through interactions with toxicologists and pathologists and tours of relevant laboratory spaces.
- Observe how veterinary pathologists collaborate with cross-functional stakeholders, including toxicologists and other scientists, to support drug discovery and development.
- Become familiar with the pathology workflows used in preclinical safety evaluation, including histopathology review, slide/data interpretation, and participation in pathology forums and rounds.
- Explore career pathways in pharmaceutical industry pathology and build professional connections with AbbVie scientists and pathologists.

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