The University of Veterinary Medicine, Vienna is active in teaching and research and provides services in connection with ensuring animal health in Austria. These tasks represent our contribution to maintaining the health of humans and their animal companions as well as to producing healthy food.

To meet our objectives, our Department for Farm Animals and Veterinary Public Health is looking to fill the vacancy of a

**Assistant Professor in the area “Nutrigenomics of Animals“**

We are seeking to recruit an established scientist to represent the area of Nutrigenomics of Farm and Companion Animals both in research and teaching at the University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna. The Assistant Professorship will be hosted at the Institute of Animal Nutrition and Functional Compounds/ Department for Farm Animals and Veterinary Public Health, with its advanced teaching and research facilities.

The position of the Assistant Professor is regulated by a performance agreement (according to § 27 of the Collective Contract (Kollektivvertrag) for university employees). The contract is initially limited to a duration of four years with the option of a permanent contract at the level of Associate Professor after a positive evaluation to ensure that the performance agreement goals have been met.

**Grade:** A2 according to § 49 (2) of collective contract for university employees  
**Level of employment:** 40 hours  
**Length of employment:** 4 years (converted to permanent position after positive evaluation)  
**Deadline for applications:** 15/12/2017

**Responsibilities**

The successful candidate is expected to expand the research foci of the Institute of Animal Nutrition and Functional Plant Compounds in the area of Nutrigenomics. This implies strong cooperation with other units in the Department and on Campus, including the Research Cluster “Animal Gut Health”. The research profile of the Assistant Professorship will mainly focus on aspects of nutritional manipulation of the genome including the metagenome by targeted nutrient supply and feed additives in farm and companion animals. The successful candidate is expected to employ novel OMICS technologies to investigate the impact of diet on the gut and animal health at the genomic level. Establishment of an internationally recognized research profile supported by third-party funding is expected. The position also implies organizational and management duties.

Teaching duties of the position include independent lecturing in the relevant Veterinary Medicine programs of the University.

**Required qualifications**

- PhD study in Veterinary Medicine or Animal Science with specialization in Nutrition, Nutritional Sciences
- An internationally recognized research profile in the area of nutrigenomics including gut microbiome, mucosal immunology in Farm or Companion Animals, documented through excellent research projects and publications
- Documented excellent research grant acquisition with relation to Nutrition (based on the time elapsed since PhD studies)
- Research experience abroad
- Working experience with OMICS technologies
- Teaching experience
• Fluency in the English language (C1)

Preferences
• Habilitation or equivalent qualification
• Didactic abilities
• Ability to work in a team and to network
• Outstanding social and communication skills
• Readiness for further didactic qualification (lifelong learning)
• Good knowledge of the German Language (B1)

Minimum salary
The minimum salary for university staff is regulated by the Universities Collective Contract (Kollektivvertrag) and at the level given above amounts to EUR 4,288.80 gross per month (14 times/year).

In case the performance agreement cannot be finalized at the job start, the salary will be € 3,626.60 gross per month (14 times/year) until the performance agreement can be signed.

The minimum salary may be increased when previous employment and other salary components are taken into account.

Applications
Please submit applications via e-mail (preferably) to senat@vetmeduni.ac.at or by post to Buero des Senats, University of Veterinary Medicine, Veterinaerplatz 1, 1210 Vienna, Austria.

The presentations and interviews are expected to be held on March 22, 2018.

The Vetmeduni Vienna is attempting to increase the proportion of female staff, particularly in senior positions, and in accordance with § 41 of the 2002 Universities Act it is striving to attain a balanced representation of men and women, especially on its scientific staff. Applications from qualified women are thus particularly welcomed. If women are underrepresented (below 50%), female applicants who are as well qualified as the best qualified male applicants will be given preference, provided that there are no strong reasons for favouring a particular male candidate.

Applicants have no entitlement to reimbursement of any travel or accommodation costs they may incur as a result of the application procedure.

The Vetmeduni Vienna is proud to have been awarded the certificate “hochschuleundfamilie” (career and family). We should thus be especially pleased to receive applications from people with families. Applications from persons with disabilities are similarly welcome.