# Principal Associate / Research Associate III

## About Avastus

Avastus Preclinical Services is a contract research organization that specializes in both hotel and contract services, offering solutions for research and therapeutic development in a variety of indications including oncology, immunology, inflammation, and metabolic disorders.

#### **Role Description**

We are searching for a Principal Associate, to join our growing in-vivo team. The ideal candidate will be an experienced and highly motivated individual, with a strong background in in vivo rodent techniques including dosing, blood sampling, tissue collections, and surgery. This individual would have worked in multiple disease areas including oncology, immunology, inflammatory diseases, and metabolic disorders throughout their career. Model development experience would be beneficial but is not required. Lastly, this individual should have strong interpersonal skills and a willingness to develop new skills and grow within the organization.

Key responsibilities of this position will be to provide study oversight, maintain client relationships, provide technical guidance and support by working hands-on, both independently and with the team. This position demands organization and a capacity to learn new techniques and new in vivo model systems.

### Responsibilities

- Establish and manage collaborations with existing and new clients to deliver high quality, reproducible in vivo data
- Integrate within the current team to execute a variety of in vivo studies.
- Administration of test articles via multiple routes, including IV, PO, SC, IP, and CNS deliveries (preferred but necessary)
- Perform blood collections via various routes (cardiac, tail vein, submandibular, saphenous etc..), necropsies and harvest various tissues
- Execute and train junior technicians in various surgical procedures
- Use of the IVIS imaging system (preferred but not required)
- Independently plan and maintain experimental schedules to ensure all projects are executed on time
- Keep clear and detailed records
- Understand, and operate ethically as governed by external and internal regulations.

## Qualifications

- Associate's degree or higher in a life science discipline
- At least 5+ years of hands-on experience with laboratory rodents, including mice and rats.
- Have significant experience in a variety of disciplines including oncology, immunology, inflammation, and metabolic disorders.
- Must have meticulous attention to detail and be highly reliable.
- Ability to function and communicate effectively in a highly productive, multi-disciplinary environment.
- Demonstrated experience effectively managing multiple projects.

- Must be able to work independently but also as a team player with strong collaborative skills.
- Excellent organizational skills, oral and written communication skills

Personal attributes: team oriented, energetic, organized, highly collaborative, open-minded, driven, creative, persistent, flexible, self-aware, optimistic, and ready to join a growing organization