

Animal Health Innovation Lab (AHIL)

9 PhD scholarships available

The Feed the Future Innovation Lab for Animal Health aims to improve human nutrition, economic welfare and resilience, by removing constraints to cattle health and production in Kenya and East Africa. The Animal Health Innovation Lab (AHIL) is led by Washington State University [Paul G Allen School for Global Animal Health](#) (WSU) in partnership with the [University of Nairobi](#) (UoN), the [International Livestock Research Institute](#) (ILRI), and scientists from the [Kenya Medical Research Institute](#) (KEMRI) and the [Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization](#) (KALRO).

AHIL aims to:

- 1) Develop and improve diagnostic products and vaccines for East Coast fever (ECF).
- 2) Integrate socioeconomics to improve adoption of animal health innovations and interventions.
- 3) Quantify direct and indirect effects of animal health innovations on human nutrition and well-being.
- 4) Set up and operationalize a molecular and diagnostics lab to support animal health research at the University of Nairobi Veterinary School.
- 5) Develop the next generation of animal health researchers in the region through post-doctoral, doctoral, and graduate training.

To develop the next generation of animal health researchers, AHIL is offering *9 fully sponsored* PhD positions to be **registered at the University of Nairobi**. The successful candidates will receive full scholarships to cover the 3-year PhD tuition fee, research expenses, and monthly stipends for the duration of the PhD (tenable for **strictly three (3) years**).

The main areas of study include epidemiology, socio-anthropology, molecular diagnostics, human nutrition, socioeconomics and vaccine development; providing the successful candidates with opportunities to learn and work within a multi-institutional and multi-disciplinary environment.

Each PhD fellow will be attached to one of AHIL's main research projects and will receive training and mentorship from consortium members at UoN, WSU, ILRI, KEMRI and KALRO.

To apply, use the **link below**. Information about each PhD topic, the PhD degree on offer, and the requirements for each position is provided.

[Click to Apply for the Animal Health Innovation Lab PhD positions](#)

The application deadline is **10th February 2021, 2359 hours**. All applications **MUST** be submitted through the link above. **No fee** is charged at any stage of the recruitment process. Due to the volume of applications, only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

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