



Position Announcement

Fred Patterson Endowed Chair: Translational Genomics for Crop Improvement

Rank: Associate/Full Professor (Tenure track, academic year appointment)

Available: September 2006

Location: Department of Agronomy, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana

Responsibilities: To further strengthen a comprehensive plant genetics/genomics/crop improvement program, the Agronomy Department at Purdue University seeks to fill a tenure track endowed chair position with a mid-career scientist in translational genomics of crops. The successful candidate is expected to provide leadership and interact with a dynamic group of scientists engaged in plant genomics research and crop improvement. Research foci could encompass, but are not limited to, genetics of seed biochemistry/metabolism/development, biofuels, biotic and abiotic stress tolerance, or developing creative molecular/quantitative approaches for the exploitation of genomics and genomic data in germplasm enhancement and improvement of economically important crops. The applicant must have a proven track record of grantsmanship and scholarly publication, experience in interdisciplinary research, and ability to interact with a diverse group of researchers and clientele groups. Although experience in the genetic improvement of crop plants is desired, persons who have established excellent research programs in the genetics or genomics of other plant systems but with a desire and plan to develop a successful interdisciplinary program in crop improvement will also be considered. The successful candidate will be expected to teach and mentor undergraduate and graduate students, as well as participate in outreach activities.

Qualifications: A PhD in plant genetics, genomics, plant breeding, or related field. A record of excellence in research, mentoring of graduate students, and engagement in outreach activities. Interest and/or experience in the international dimensions of the discipline is desirable. The candidate must be committed to expanding and fostering diversity.

Salary and Benefits: Commensurate with experience. Excellent fringe benefit package that includes TIAA-CREF retirement program, medical, life and disability insurance and sabbatical leave program. The Fred Patterson Endowed Chair provides recurring funds to the successful candidate for the development of a strong crop research program in translational genomics.

Application Procedure: Qualified persons are requested to send a letter of application including a statement of research goals and teaching philosophy, curriculum vitae, and representative examples of their scholarly work to

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Application review will begin June 1, 2006 and continue until a successful candidate is identified. For more information, please contact Search Committee Chair, Gebisa Ejeta (gejeta@purdue.edu) or Craig Beyrouthy (beyrouthy@purdue.edu), Department Head.

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Women and individuals in underrepresented groups are encouraged to apply.**