



JOB POSTING

Date: September 3, 2010

Plant Breeding Research Assistant – Wheat (spring wheat region) – Fort Collins, CO

Primary responsibilities for this position include, but are not limited to:

- Primary responsibility for management of wheat breeding trials, including field trial design; land preparation and planting; pesticide and fertilizer applications, trial evaluation and data collection; harvest; seed sampling, processing and packaging.
- Responsible for off-station nursery management, including planting, harvest, plot maintenance, transport and operation of field equipment.
- Responsible for managing plants and growing conditions for seed increase, crossing, and disease screening in greenhouse and growth chambers.
- Maintain spray and fertilizer records. Maintain pesticide applicator's license and apply pesticides when necessary.
- Responsible for maintenance, service, and repair of field plot equipment, including small combines, threshers, and planters. Responsible for managing inventory of general supplies and small equipment. Responsible for general organization and upkeep of farm facilities.
- Coordinate activities and training to ensure safe operations of equipment and safety of project personnel in accordance with state and OSHA guidelines.
- Interact and collaborate with plant pathologist, molecular biologist in project submission, result tracking and data entry; interact with basic seed manager, foundation seed manager in parent seed production and seed quality assurance.

Qualifications

- Position requires a minimum BS in plant science, agronomy, horticulture, or related discipline and 3 years experience, or equivalent job experience; MS preferred.
- Experience in commercial or research field crop management and operation of farm or research-scale equipment is required. Experience with cereals production and the cereal seed industry desired.
- Experience with field research techniques including plot design, maintenance and evaluation of field plots, seed processing, data collection and analysis and library research is desired.
- The ability to travel domestically and internationally.

Skills Required

- Candidate should possess good interpersonal skills, effective communication skills orally and written, a working knowledge in the use of Microsoft Word, Excel, and Access.
- A demonstrated ability to work independently and in teams.
- Have, or be able to obtain, a driver's license to transport farm equipment and a demonstration/research pesticide applicators license.
- Detail oriented.

We offer an excellent benefits package and salary commensurate with experience.

Applications will be accepted until filled, but should be submitted by September 20 for full consideration.

Send resume and salary history to:

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OR email to: Jobs-LCS@Limagrain.com Subject Line: Breeder Assistant CO

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