



PhD Position in Chemical Ecology

A PhD position (E 13 TVL/2) to study the role of intraspecific chemical variation in – preferable invasive - plants for interactions with their environment is available in the group of **Chemical Ecology (Biology) at Bielefeld University**, starting August 1st 2018 or soon thereafter. The candidate will investigate this topic using bioassays, chemical ecological, behavioural and analytical approaches. Apart from research (70 %), the candidate will also be involved in teaching (20 %) and organization of the department (10 %). The position is available for three years.

We are seeking a bright and highly motivated PhD student with a keen interest in chemical ecology. A master or diploma in biology, environmental sciences or a related topic is a prerequisite. Knowledge in experiments with plants and other organisms as well as a solid experience in statistics are required. Knowledge of chemical analytical techniques (LC-MS and/or GC-MS) and multivariate statistics (preferably with R!) would be ideal. The candidate should be able to work both independently and as member of a team. Fluent verbal and written English communication skills are required.

Bielefeld is a city of 325,000 inhabitants with all expected amenities and easy access to the Teutoburger Wald for hiking and other outdoor pursuits. It offers a high standard of living and is well connected to most major European cities. Bielefeld University is an equal opportunity employer. We particularly welcome applications from women and handicapped people. Given equal suitability, qualifications and professional achievement, women or handicapped people will be given preference, unless particular circumstances apply.

To apply, please provide (i) a letter of motivation including a statement of your research experience, (ii) a CV including publication list, (iii) copies of your degrees and (iv) names and contact details of two referees willing to write confidential letters of recommendation. **All materials should be emailed as a single PDF file to caroline.mueller@uni-bielefeld.de.**

The **application deadline is June 15, 2018**, and interviews will take place shortly thereafter. The preferred start date is August 2018 but is flexible. For further information on the Department, please see <https://www.uni-bielefeld.de/en/biologie/ChemOekologie/> or contact Caroline Müller (caroline.mueller@uni-bielefeld.de) with any informal inquiries.