Scientist (f/m/d)

Institute for Resistance Research and Stress Tolerance – Quedlinburg site Application deadline: 31st March 2024 for reference number: QLB-RS-WA-01-24

The project

The joint project "Strategies for more efficient oat breeding for organic farming (SEEH)" aims to give impetus and improved starting material to the breeding, seed production and organic plant protection of oats in order to promote the long-term competitiveness of oat cultivation. Two JKI institutes, two oat breeders and the University of Giessen are working together to achieve this. In the sub-project at the Institute for Resistance Research and Stress Tolerance - Quedlinburg site, work is planned on priming with microorganisms in oats and their effect on biotic and abiotic stress tolerance. To this end, a defined range of 25 oat genotypes will be examined to differentiate the priming capacity with regard to the reaction to crown rust (*Puccinia coronata avenae*) and loose smut (*Ustilago avenae*), as well as drought stress. To carry out this work, we are looking for a scientist (m/f/d), subject to availability of funds.

Your responsibilities

- planning, implementation and evaluation of field and greenhouse trials with oats to investigate agronomic performance, crown rust resistance, loose smut resistance and drought stress tolerance;
- comparative study of various priming inducers of commercial and experimental origin with regard to resistance and/or tolerance inducing effects;
- guidance of skilled workers and student assistants;
- statistical evaluation of the complex designed experiments;
- presentation of the results at project meetings and presentations at national scientific and practical conferences;
- participation in the preparation of interim and final reports;
- publication of the results in refereed journals.

Your profile

- a completed academic degree in the field of agricultural sciences, biology or comparable disciplines;
- experience in setting up (e.g. randomization), conducting and statistical evaluation of experiments with plants in the field and greenhouse;
- good knowledge and practical experience in the areas of phytopathology and molecular biology;
- knowledge and experience in plant physiological and molecular methods;
- very good knowledge of German and English, both spoken and written;
- a class B (III) driving license and the willingness to drive company vehicles and undertake business trips.

We offer

- a varied, demanding and interesting job in an international working environment.
- a temporary part-time job until April 30th, 2028 with 25.35 hours per week on a third party funded project, subject to the availability of funds. The employment relationship is based on the collective agreement for the public service (TVöD-Ost).
- a remuneration up to pay group E 13 TVöD.
- The possibility of a doctorate and association with the training program of the international graduate school "Accelerating Crop Genetic Gain" (https://www.irtg2843.de/).
- an entry at the earliest possible time.

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More information

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