



The Department of Comparative Development and Genetics at the Max Planck Institute for Plant Breeding Research (MPIPZ) in Cologne is seeking a

Research Technician (BTA) (m/f/d)

to contribute to our daily laboratory work for the purpose of understanding leaf development and the diversification of plants. The candidate will work in close collaboration with senior Post-doctoral Scientists and experienced Research Technicians. The applicant will cultivate and characterize plant strains from mutagenesis and wild collections as well as transgenic plants. Experience in molecular biology (genomic DNA extraction, PCR, cloning), and in handling and cultivating plants, as well as experience with plant genetics is highly desirable (further information on our research: <http://www.mpipz.mpg.de/tsiantis>). Additional tasks will involve maintaining lab genetic collections, preparing culture media and assisting in organizing an S1 lab.

Your profile

The successful candidate has completed professional training as a research technician preferably with first professional experience. We are searching for a highly motivated candidate with an organized working style and team orientation. The applicant should be enthusiastic about scientific research in an international environment. Excellent documentation skills, computer literacy (Microsoft Office, Electronic lab book applications) as well as fluent English are required.

We offer a stimulating and multi-faceted position (full-time employment) in a friendly and international environment. Payment and benefits are according to the German TVöD with a contract duration of one year (starting January 2025).

Applications in English can be sent through the [online system](#), by latest December 11th, 2024 as a single PDF file and should include a short letter of motivation explaining how the applicant's profile and aspirations fit with the job requirements, a brief CV, and the name and contact details of one referee. The first evaluation of applications will take place after December 11, 2024. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

The Max Planck Society is one of the leading research organizations in Europe. We offer challenging tasks with a high degree of personal responsibility and creative freedom in research laboratories, workshops, libraries and administration.

The Max Planck Society strives to increase employment of severely disabled people. Applications from severely disabled people are expressly encouraged.

Furthermore, the Max Planck Society wants to increase the proportion of women in areas where they are underrepresented. Women are therefore expressly encouraged to apply.

The Little Pumpkins Parents' Association offers childcare for children under the age of 3 at the MPIPZ.

It is possible to apply for a low-cost Germany job ticket with a subsidy from the Institute. The institute also has a rental bike station run by the provider nextbike, as well as the possibility of using rental scooters from various providers.

Interested candidates, please upload your complete application documents, including your preferred starting date.

Have we sparked your interest?

Please apply. We are looking forward to getting your complete application documents.

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