Position

Postdoctoral researcher in plant developmental biology.

Working Place

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Job Description

A postdoctoral position is immediately available in plant developmental biology. Our

group is focusing on a plant stem cell tissue called the shoot meristem and studies how

this tissue is initiated, maintained and modified during the plant life cycle. The

available position will focus on functions of key transcription factors essential for shoot

meristem activity and investigate how changes in transcriptional state are transformed

into tissue shapes and behavior. The work will be performed in collaboration with

IROAST members and other research teams in Faculty of Advanced Science and

Technology at KU.

Starting Date

September 1, 2018 or later

Qualifications

Successful candidates should have completed or be about to complete a PhD in life

science or other related area. They should be highly motivated and are expected to

work both independently and as part of a team. Strong backgrounds in imaging and

molecular genetics are also necessary. Experiences in Arabidopsis molecular genetics

are favorable but not essential.

Application Period

Deadline for receipt: June 30, 2018.

The recruitment will be closed when the position is filled.

How to Apply

Please submit the following documents in one PDF file to m-aida[at]kumamoto-u.ac.jp

(change [at] to @).

- (1) CV
- (2) List of publications
- (3) Statement of interest and description of prior research (about one page)
- (4) Contact information of two to three references

Submitted documents are strictly protected and used only for applicant screening. Personal information is handled in strict confidentiality and is not utilized for any other purpose.

Method of Selection

- (1) Preliminary screening (document review).
- (2) Secondary screening (interview; only who passed primary screening).

Only the applicants who passed the document review will be notified by e-mail.

Compensation

Salary and allowances (commuting, housing, etc.): to be paid based on Regulations Concerning Wages for Fixed Term Employees of Kumamoto University.

Working hours: 7 hours 45 minutes/day (8:30-17:15) plus overtime hours, if necessary. Holidays: Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays, year-end through New Year holidays, summer holidays (3 days), paid holidays (10 days/year after working for 6 months), etc. Social insurances: Health insurance, employees' pension insurance.

Employment term: From September 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019. The contract may be renewed in consideration of the employee's work record and the research performance. Employer: Kumamoto University.

Additional information

As regulated in the University policies, the personal information you submit will be used only for the purpose of this selection process.

Kumamoto University supports gender equality. Therefore, the selection process will be conducted in compliance with the Gender Equality Law. For more information regarding our policies on gender equality, please visit http://gender.kumamoto-u.ac.jp.