

Job Advertisement: Plant Breeder

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Ag-Quest, Inc. has an opportunity for a **Plant Breeder** at our Minto, Manitoba location.

All applications are welcome; Ag-Quest, Inc. is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Responsibilities:

- Plan, manage and execute all aspects of a wheat breeding program developing high yielding, high starch wheat lines with strong disease resistance for the ethanol and feed markets.
- Manage breeding records and the breeding program's seed inventory.
- Produce and maintain breeder seed of all developed varieties.
- Statistical analysis of trial data.
- Identify and obtain new sources of germplasm.
- Travel to winter seed production sites.
- Write and submit private coop reports to the Prairie Grain Development Committee, write annual program reports for the wheat breeding program and make recommendations on varietal advancement and registration.

Requirements:

- M.Sc. or Ph.D. in Plant Breeding or related areas.
- Experience managing field trials, personnel and breeding records.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills in English.
- Experience in the use of statistical analysis to analyze breeding data.
- A valid driver's license and the ability to travel to the United States are required.
- Ability to work independently and organize materials, projects and data.
- Ability to operate small plot equipment.
- Ability to manage personnel and to work constructively within a team.
- Strong interpersonal skills
- Experience in wheat breeding or a commercial breeding program (in any crop) would be an asset.
- Experience in breeder or pedigreed seed production would be an asset.

Additional Information:

- Post-doctoral candidates seeking an Industrial NSERC opportunity are encouraged to apply.

Application Information:

Please apply as soon as possible to:

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Closing date: January 30, 2010