



Leibniz-Institute of Plant Biochemistry

Halle (Saale), Germany



Independent Junior Research Group Leader

The Leibniz-Institute of Plant Biochemistry (IPB) at Halle (Saale), Germany, invites applications to fill the position of *Independent Junior Research Group Leader*. Candidates should have international postdoctoral experience and demonstrate the ability to develop a vigorous and competitive research program emphasizing biochemical or molecular aspects of important problems in plant biology.

The IPB is located on the *weinberg-campus* of the Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg and the common theme of its research programs aims at the functional analysis of metabolic diversity. The IPB provides excellent research facilities and modern infrastructure in the existing departments of *Stress and Developmental Biology* (Dierk Scheel), *Molecular Signal Processing* (Steffen Abel), *Secondary Metabolism* (Dieter Strack), and *Bioorganic Chemistry* (Ludger Wessjohann). The institute offers a stimulating scientific environment with a multidisciplinary approach to the analysis of gene and protein function, molecular interactions, structure and activity of natural products, and plant-microbe interactions, as well as state-of-the-art technology for organic chemistry and biochemistry, molecular and cell biology, metabolic profiling and proteomics.

The appointment will be for initially three years with the possibility of another three-year extension. Compensation will be according to TV-L, E14 or E15 depending on prior professional experience. Equipped laboratory space will be available and funds provided annually for consumables as well as salaries for one postdoctoral researcher (or two PhD students) and one technical assistant. The successful applicant will be expected to establish a dynamic research group by attracting additional funding from extramural sources.

Applicants with a strong record of high-quality publications in reputed journals should submit a letter describing their research accomplishments and future interests (no more than five pages), *curriculum vitae*, publication list, and contacts of three references to:

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The Leibniz Institute of Plant Biochemistry is an affirmative action employer. Additional information is available at <http://www.ipb-halle.de>.

Closing date for applications is 31.07.2010.