# JOB ADVERT

Job ReferencePSG-BIOS-0010Job TitleResearch Technician in Plant MetabolomicsContact Emailrobert.hall@wur.nl ric.devos@wur.nl

#### Job Advert Details

## We are looking for

We are looking for a young and enthusiastic, technical assistant to join a growing group within the cluster Metabolic Regulation in the Business Unit Bioscience and to work on sample preparation of biological materials and the use of HPLC and GC/LC-Mass Spectrometry approaches for their analysis.

You have relevant practical experience in HPLC and GC analyses and are able to independently carry out metabolite analyses of samples and to report on your results.

Relevant experience in instrument troubleshooting, preparation of plant samples and data analyses is advantageous.

You are flexible and a real team player, able to work together in an international-oriented research group and to help students and guest-workers in their projects.

The candidate should be able to help develop and implement new analytical methods and teach them to others.

### We ask

We seek an enthusiastic technical assistant with

- a HBO level with proven experience in analytical chemistry
- experience with wet lab, large-scale sample preparation

• experience with or affinity for plant metabolism and plant metabolites is an advantage but is not essential

- · proficiency in English and presenting experimental results
- a dedicated team player with enthusiasm to set up new analytical methods at the technology forefront

### We offer

We offer a position in a growing group within the cluster Metabolic Regulation in the Business Unit Bioscience. Metabolomics is a rapidly evolving functional genomics technology that aims to provide a comprehensive, qualitative and quantitative characterization of the biochemical composition of a biological sample. Our Metabolomics Facility comprises hyphenated mass spectrometry based platforms including GC-qMS. GC-TOF MS, LC-QTOF MS and LC-LTQ-Orbitrap FTMS machines, as well as conventional HPLC and preparative-LC instruments. We are currently looking for staff to strengthen our metabolomics activities.

The position is initially available for one year. It is a full time position (36 hours). There is a srong possibility of extension.

The minimum gross salary will be  $\in$  2105,- and the maximum gross salary will be  $\in$  3125,00 (scale 8) per month, depending on gualifications and experience.

Apply before 20-2-2012

### The organization

## Wageningen University and Research Centre

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Acquisition regarding this vacancy is not appreciated.