



The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station

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PLANT PATHOLOGIST / DIAGNOSTICIAN

The Department of Plant Pathology and Ecology at The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station is seeking a full-time plant pathologist at the level of Assistant Scientist II. The primary responsibility of this position is the execution, coordination, and daily oversight of The Plant Disease Information Office, a full-service plant disease diagnostic laboratory serving all Connecticut stakeholders, private and commercial, utilizing molecular, serological, biochemical, and traditional diagnostic methods. Additional leadership responsibilities and duties include supervision of technical personnel, plant disease database management, cooperation with state and federal regulatory personnel, and participation in the National Plant Diagnostic Network (Northeast Division). The successful applicant will be expected to attend professional meetings, establish outreach programs by developing publications, articles, and web resources, collaborate with colleagues within the department and the Experiment Station, seek external funding sources, and publish research findings. Facilities in the Department and at the Experiment Station include fully equipped plant pathology and molecular biology laboratories, greenhouses, research farms, a BSL-3 laboratory, and close proximity to sequencing and oligo synthesis facilities at Yale University. The starting salary is \$68,145/yr with generous medical and dental benefits.

Applicants must have a Ph.D. in Plant Pathology or a professional degree such as a D.P.M. (Doctor of Plant Medicine). Preference will be given to candidates with expertise in diagnostics or with bacterial or viral diseases and experience working with growers and grower-related problems. The ideal applicant will be a responsible, motivated individual with excellent organizational, interpersonal, and oral and written communication skills.

Interested candidates should submit: 1) detailed *Curriculum Vitae*, 2) statement of research, outreach, and career goals, 3) reprints of recent publications, 4) official university transcripts, and 5) arrange to have three letters of recommendation with contact information sent to: Dr. Sharon M. Douglas, Head, Department of Plant Pathology and Ecology, The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, 123 Huntington Street, P. O. Box 1106, New Haven, CT 06504. Email: Sharon.Douglas@ct.gov. Website: www.ct.gov/caes. Review of applicants will begin immediately and will continue until a suitable applicant is found.

The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station is the nation's first state Agricultural Experiment Station, founded in 1875. The main campus is located in New Haven, with a 75-acre research farm in Hamden, a satellite research facility and farm in Windsor, and a research farm in Griswold. This is a state-supported scientific research institution dedicated to improving the food, health, environment, and well-being of Connecticut residents.

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