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Postdoctoral and PhD positions – plant biotechnology – University of Lleida

The Applied Plant Biotechnology Laboratory, University of Lleida, Lleida, Spain seeks a **postdoctoral scientist** with **expertise and a documented track record in corn transformation** to join a project funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to engineer biological nitrogen fixation. Preference will be given to suitably qualified candidates with documented experience in plant molecular biology and the genetic transformation of maize. The post is offered for an initial period of 2 years with the possibility of extension contingent on performance. Only candidates fulfilling the above requirements for the position will be considered.

We also seek two highly-motivated students interested in pursuing a **PhD degree** in plant molecular biology at the University of Lleida. The first position concerns the production of recombinant proteins in cereals for molecular pharming applications. The second position focuses the metabolic engineering of cereal crops using the latest genome editing technologies. Candidates should hold a Bachelor of Science degree with a grade higher than 8.0/10.0 and should also have a Master's degree in biological sciences.

Candidates interested in these positions should forward a **detailed curriculum vitae** and a **motivation letter, including the names and e-mail addresses of three professional referees**, to Paul Christou (christou@pvcf.udl.es) as soon as possible. The anticipated starting date will be early to mid-2018. Salary and benefits will be commensurate with Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness scales.