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Research Associate (Postharvest)

Location: Boston, MA

Company Background

Mori (formerly known as Cambridge Crops) is a fast-moving, venture backed, B2B start-up focused on innovations in the food, agriculture, and packaging industries. Specifically, we leverage the unique properties of a naturally derived protein found in silk to extend the shelf life of perishable foods, including whole and cut produce, meat, and seafood.

Our mission statement, "*More Food, Less Waste*," is supported by our company goals to reduce food waste, improve supply chain efficiencies, and increase food access.

Job Description

Mori is seeking a motivated, resourceful, and creative Research Associate for the Food team. The candidate will help in method development and execution in partnership accounts with the following responsibilities:

- Lead and participate in postharvest fruit and vegetable research, including concept development, experimental design, and project execution
- Oversee data collection and analysis for shelf-life studies
- Collaborate with teammates on product design and implementation
- Support the execution of other food projects, including relevant data collection and analysis
- Support Scientists for novel method developments and study designs
- Summarize and present research to leadership on a regular basis
- Contribute to a highly enthusiastic and welcoming environment
- Work flexible hours when needed, including the occasional evening and weekend
- Ability to lift containers weighing 50lbs or more

Qualifications

Ideal candidates will have the following qualifications:

- BS degree in or relevant coursework in plant science, plant biology, or plant physiology
- 2+ years experience in postharvest physiology with annual crops in an agricultural setting
- Able to learn new skills and fields, solve challenging scientific and technical problems, think independently, and be adaptive to a fluid, project-based work environment
- Detail oriented with strong data tracking and analysis skills
- Excellent scientific communication skills
- Collaborative team player
- Hands-on experience conducting lab-based experiments optimizing postharvest storage and treatment conditions a plus

Start date in Spring 2021

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Team and Culture

Our tight-knit team has spent their careers developing and commercializing technology. We abide by the following values:

- Think big, start small
- Embrace complexity
- See it through
- Operate with care
- Keep perspective

Our employees enjoy a generous and flexible paid-time-off policy. Mori also offers all full-time employees comprehensive physical and mental health benefits.

Mori is an Equal Opportunity Employer and complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), as amended by the ADA Amendments Act of 2008, and all applicable state and local fair employment practices laws. Employment opportunities at Mori are based upon one's qualifications and capabilities to perform the essential functions of a particular job. All employment opportunities are provided without regard to race, religion, sex, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions, national origin, age, veteran status, disability, genetic information, or any other characteristic protected by law.

If interested in applying to the Mori team, please submit your resume and a brief cover letter explaining your relevant experience and interest to Megan at megan@mori.com with "Research Associate" in the subject line.