



Research Technician Positions

About the company:

Research Designed for Agriculture (RD4AG) provides independent agricultural research services to the agribusiness industry. In operation since 1983, RD4AG is one of the leading contract research organizations (CRO) in agri-products testing across a broad range of crops. We are partners in research and innovation with each one of our client companies by offering a wide array of assessment and regulatory services needed to develop exciting new technologies to further the success of agriculture in providing food, feed, fuel, and fiber to the world. Under real world conditions in the field, we generate data for products and systems such as fertilizers, organic and conventional pesticides, growth enhancers, conventional and biotech seed and plant varieties, irrigation, equipment, farming systems, and more.

While that sounds impressive and important, which it is, we are really just a small, dynamic group of smart, motivated people who care about each other and what we do. We are passionate about our work, knowing that we are an important part of “Developing Tomorrow’s Agriculture.”

About the jobs:

This is a hands on field job doing agricultural research. Technicians help the Biologists/Agronomists who have the additional responsibilities of trial management and reporting. Following clients' protocols the technicians assist to set up field trials and execute the variables, which may involve making pesticide or fertilizer applications, collecting samples of plant parts, insects or soil, evaluating plant variables or pest populations (like counting bugs), and managing data.

Successful candidates will be self-starters with an upbeat positive attitude, lots of intellectual curiosity, and a desire to learn. This is a fast paced working environment requiring a person be able to manage frequently changing priorities. Positions will be based in Yuma, Arizona. Occasional travel is required.

Qualifications desired:

- All applicants must be legal to work in the United States and be fluent in written and spoken English.
- Res Tech I: HS diploma, some experience in agriculture
- Res Tech II: 2 yr diploma in a field of agricultural science or 3+ yrs of relevant research experience
- Res Tech III: 4 yr diploma in a field of agricultural science or 10+ yrs of relevant research experience
- Spanish skills a plus.
- Working knowledge of computer software such as, Excel and Word.
- Reliable transportation and be available to work weekends when needed.
- This is a physically demanding field position in the (often hot) arid southwest. It requires one be able to perform moderately strenuous field activities, including carrying a backpack sprayer, bending down, walking in uneven fields, frequent squatting and standing, climbing over ditch banks, on and off equipment, etc.

Compensation:

Research Technician I or II – Salary starts from \$12/hr and up (commensurate with education and experience)
Research Technician III – Salary starts from \$3800/mo and up (commensurate with education and experience)

To Apply, submit your resume, and a cover letter of a minimum of 150 words explaining why you are the perfect person to join us in this role at RD4AG. Apply or inquire at: jobs@rd4ag.com