

National Agri-Food Biotechnology Institute (NABI)

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Walk In Interview for the Positions of Research Associate (RA), Senior Research Fellow (SRF), Junior Research Fellow (JRF), Field Assistant (FA)

National Agri-Food Biotechnology Institute (NABI) is an autonomous Institute under Department of Biotechnology, Government of India. NABI aims at catalysing the transformation of Agri-food sector in India by being a nodal organization for knowledge generation and translational science leading to value-added products based on Agri-Food biotech innovations for improved household nutritional security. Since its inception in 2010, NABI is involved in research activities for the Bio fortification, development of designer crops for improved nutrition, providing sustainable and novel solutions towards quality food and nutrition, and development of evidence based functional foods to counter malnutrition. Food and nutritional Biotechnology division at NABI requires following research personnel purely on temporary basis.

Name of project: "Development of Bio-fortified and Protein-rich Wheat"

Name of Project Coordinator:-

Dr. T. R. Sharma, Executive Director. National Agri-Food Biotechnology Institute (NABI)

Name of Principal Investigator:-

Dr. Joy K. Roy, Scientist-E National Agri-Food Biotechnology Institute (Mohali)

Research Positions (Temporary):-

Research Associate (RA), Senior Research Fellow (SRF), Junior Research Fellow (JRF), Field Assistant (FA)

Duration:-

Three years (March, 2019 to March, 2022)

Project summary:-

This is a NABI's flagship program, which is funded by Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Ministry of Science & Technology, Government of India. The network project "Development of Bio-fortified and Protein-rich Wheat" will be executed in collaboration among seven networkpartners. The project will include i) evaluation of wheat germplasms for Fe, Zn, folate, and grain protein content, starch quality and antinutritional factors, ii) Validation and characterization of available genes/QTLs/markers for micronutrients, iii) Development of mapping populations (F2, RILs, NILs, BCs) for genetic analysis, iv) Development of high density linkage maps and QTL maps using high thoughput SNPs, v) Epistatics interactions (QTLxQTL, QTL x environment) analysis, and vi) development of wheat varieties with enhanced micronutrient content and enhanced bioavailability and bio-accessibility. The manpower detail and responsibility is given below:

Manpower:- Research Associate (RA) <u>02 Positions</u>

<u>Essential qualification:-</u> PhD/ MD/MS/MDS or equivalent degree or having three years of research, teaching and design and development experience after MVSc/M.Pharma/ME/M.Tech with at least one research paper in Science Citation Index (SCI) Journal.

<u>Desired Experience:-</u> Experience in plant or agricultural biotechnology, classical breeding & molecular breeding, marker (SSR & SNP) development, QTL mapping, association mapping, gene introgression, genomics and functional genomics tools such as NGS data analysis and gene expression analysis, animal biotechnology or related field.

Emoluments:- 47,000/- + 16%HRA

<u>Responsibilities:-</u> Experience candidates are required for RA/pdf positions for Gene introgression and development of pre-breeding materials for QTL mapping for high iron, zinc, low phyate and grain protein content; SNP identification, linkage and association analysis; Bioinformatics and biostatical analysis of sequence data and phenotypic data in wheat; etc.

<u>Manpower:-</u> Junior Research Fellow (JRF) for first two years In 3rd year, JRF to be converted into Senior research fellow (SRF) (03 Positions)

Essential Qualification:- Post graduate degree in Basic Science Or Graduate/Post Graduate in professional course selected through a process described through any one of the following

- a) Scholars are selected through National Eligibility Tests-CSIR UGC NET including Lectureship (Assistant Professorship) and GATE.
- b) The selection process through National level examinations conducted by Central Government Departments and their agencies and institutions such as DST, DBT,DAE,DOS,DRDO,MHRD,ICAR,ICMR,IIT,IISc,IISER etc.

<u>Desired Experience:</u> Training in agricultural biotechnology, preferably in marker development, QTL mapping, Association mapping, animal biotechnology or related field.

Emoluments:- JRF (1st & 2nd year): 31,000/-+16%HRA From 3rd year (SRF) 35,000/-+16%HRA

Responsibilities:- Crossing for development of pre-breeding and biparental mapping populations for high iron, zinc, low phytate and grain protein content in wheat; development

of association mapping panel in wheat for high iron, zinc, low phyate; DNA and RNA extraction; PCR reaction, SSR and SNP genotyping; phenotyping of micronutrients in wheat; qRT-PCR and sequencing; Off-season growing of plants in green house and plant growth chambers and at off-season stations in HP; multi-location field experiments; biochemical analysis; molecular biology works, large scale population analysis, etc.

Manpower: - Senior Research Fellow (SRF) 01 Position

Essential qualification: Qualification prescribed for JRF with two years of research experience.

<u>Desired Experience:-</u> Training in agricultural biotechnology, preferably in marker development, QTL mapping, Association mapping.

Emoluments:- 35,000/-PM+16% HRA

<u>Responsibilities:-</u> Crossing for development of pre-breeding and biparental mapping populations for high iron, zinc, low phytate and grain protein content in wheat; development of association mapping panel in wheat for high iron, zinc, low phyate; DNA and RNA extraction; PCR reaction, SSR and SNP genotyping; phenotyping of micronutrients in wheat; qRT-PCR and sequencing; Off-season growing of plants in green house and plant growth chambers and at off-season stations in HP; multi-location field experiments; biochemical analysis; molecular biology works, large scale population analysis, etc.

Manpower:- Field Assistant **02 Positions**

<u>Essential qualification:-</u> Diploma in Agriculture or Intermediate or BSc in Biological Sciences or equivalent degree

Desired Experience:- Field work

Emoluments: 18,000/-PM

Responsibilities:- The project involves extensive field and laboratory work.

JRF/SRF/RA Emoluments as per DST OM SR/S9/Z-08/2018 dated 30th January, 2019

Age: 40 years for RA, 32 years for SRF, and 28 years for JRF, 25 Years for Field Assistant. (Relaxation is admissible in case of SC/ST/OBC/PD as per GOI instructions)

Application and Selection Process:-

- 1. All interested candidates may appear for walk-in-interview at NABI located at Knowledge City, Sector-81, Mohali-140306, Punjab, India on <u>April 23rd, 2019 (Tuesday) at 09:00 AM</u> along-with duly filled application form available on the websitewww.nabi.res.in.
- 2. The duly filled application form must be submitted at the time of registration at NABI-reception desk from <u>0900 Hrs to 1100 Hrs on April 23rd, 2019 (Tuesday)</u>. The candidates must ascertain their eligibility before applying, as ineligible candidates will not be interviewed. All the candidates are requested to appear for the interview with full CV, thesis/project report, publications and original degree certificates and transcripts.
- 4. No TA/DA will be paid for appearing in the interview.
- 5. The selected candidate will be informed by e-mail and the result will be uploaded at NABI's website.