Location: Heidelberg, Germany Staff Category: Postdoctoral Fellow

Contract Duration: 2 years

Grading: N/A

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Job Description

The European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL) is one of the highest ranked scientific research organisations in the world. The Headquarters Laboratory is located in Heidelberg (Germany) and the outstations are in Grenoble (France), Hamburg (Germany), Hinxton (UK) and Monterotondo (Italy).

Applications are invited for a two-year ERC funded post-doc position (extendable) to study plant development in the group of Dr. Marcus Heisler. The project's goal is understand the global regulatory network underlying the initiation and differentiation of Arabidopsis lateral organs. The approach will be to 1) apply standard techniques such as FACS/RNA-seq, ChIP-seq and proteomics to assess expression patterns, identify target genes and interaction partners for transcription factors involved in organ development as well as to 2) aid in a collaborative effort to develop single-cell transcriptomics approaches.

Qualifications and Experience

The ability to work independently and take responsibility for his/her own project as well as to work together with an interdisciplinary team is required. The candidate should have a strong background and understanding of molecular biology and gene expression analysis (qPCR/RNA-seq) and preferably also have expertise in bioinformatics methods. Motivation to work in a multidisciplinary and international environment is fundamental to this position. Good communication and presentation skills and fluency in English are expected.

Application Instructions

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