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GreenLeaf Description – **GreenLeaf Genetics LLC**, a joint venture between Syngenta and Pioneer Hi-Bred International Inc., a subsidiary of DuPont, is a leading licensor of corn and soybean genetic material to foundation seed houses and seed companies and facilitates the licensing of biotech traits from its parent companies.

The Company

In April 2006, crop input leaders – Syngenta and Pioneer – announced the formation of GreenLeaf Genetics (www.greenleafgenetics.com), the seed industry’s first 50/50 joint venture (JV) to out-license genetics to U.S. and Canadian seed companies. Providing broader access to product choices and technologies, GreenLeaf Genetics offers a unique pool of corn and soybean breeding material from both companies’ robust R&D efforts to discover and develop improved elite seed genetics. GreenLeaf Genetics also offers elite genetics from other companies in the seed industry. Furthermore, the Company facilitates the licensing of innovative biotech traits by both parent companies. This JV and the cross-licensing agreements between the parent companies bring together the strength of two of the three largest global seed companies to deliver new technologies to the market more quickly.

Based in Omaha, Nebraska, the Company prides itself on being a leading traits and germplasm supplier which operates in an easier, more personal manner tailored to the specific needs of each of its 200 customers, primarily independent seed companies. This strategy of providing better options and being easier to do business with has been applauded by their customers, even from the onset of the company when the Independent Professional Seedsmen Association heralded GreenLeaf’s formation as a “breakthrough event.”

This strategy and its implementation have proven quite successful. The company has exceeded sales and profit projections and has a 5 year plan to deliver significant profits to its parent companies. Market share estimates indicate the Company has already gained an important presence in the U.S. seed corn market.

Position Responsibilities

- Work with GreenLeaf Product Development staff to analyze internal and external data on inbred and hybrid performance and genetic traits
- Use results of analyses to optimize presentation of information, predict product performance, and select best materials
- Research outside industry information (university data, bank test plots, etc.), incorporate and analyze the information, link to internal data, and include in analyses
- Collect data on field research trials – significant outdoor work
- Present data, analyses, and information in various electronic and hard copy formats at different levels to be easily understood by scientists, clients, and others
- Work with all GreenLeaf Departments to gain a good overview of the company’s activities

- Assist with customer events, setup, and coordination, which may involve physical labor, including lifting and carrying weights of up to 50 pounds and outside work in all weather conditions
- Possible single-day and overnight travel involved for data collection and field demonstrations

Required Skills

- Agronomic or biological training
- Experience with data analysis packages
- Statistical skills in analysis of data sets consisting of replicated test designs, and stratification of data by geographic environments and other experimental factors
- PowerPoint and other graphical data presentation skills

Desired Skills

- Agriculture/farm background
- Familiarity with computer hardware, particularly hand-held data collection devices, GPS systems, and linking them with computers for data download and analysis
- Flexible –Outgoing personality and open to learning new skills in several areas

Hours

Full-time in summer – 40 hours/week

Part-time during the school year – 10-20 hours/week, flexible for school work load, but fall is our busy time so some additional hours would be appreciated at that time.

Pay

Hourly rate depending upon experience and includes potential for holiday bonus (paid mid-December) for meeting job expectations.

Other Factors

GLG will train the intern in different areas and enhance their skills

Potential for future employment with GLG