## A postdoctoral position in Plant Molecular Biology/Plant Genetics/Plant Physiology at UIUC

The Chen lab (<a href="https://publish.illinois.edu/lqchen-lab/">https://publish.illinois.edu/lqchen-lab/</a>) at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) is recruiting one qualified Postdoctoral Researcher work on research projects. The postdoctoral position is full-time, 1-year duration, with possibility of annual extension, contingent upon performance and funding. Salary is competitive and commensurate with experience in relevant research.

<u>Summary:</u> A highly-motivated postdoc will work on sugar allocation for biomass improvement and biofuel production research projects. The successful candidate will use molecular, biochemical, and genetic strategies to characterize molecular control of sugar flux and engineer sugar flux for biomass and biofuel production. The successful candidate will collaborate with dynamic research teams and researchers from different universities.

## **Qualifications:**

**Required:** must have a Ph.D. in plant molecular biology, physiology, genetics or related field within the past five years, background in biochemical and genetic analysis, creativity and independence in developing and making progress on assigned projects and willness and ability to collaborate with others. Candidates will be considered if graduation with a Ph.D. is expected by the targeted starting date.

**Preferred:** demonstrated effective oral and written communication skills. Evidence of an effective publication record.

**Starting Date:** Ideally start from December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022, prefer to start as soon as possible. The position is open until filled before February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

<u>Application Process:</u> To ensure full consideration, qualified candidates must send a cover letter, CV, and contact information of three professional referees via email to at <a href="mailto:lqchen77@illinois.edu">lqchen77@illinois.edu</a>, reference "postdoc application" in the subject line of email. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.

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