In the group of Hirofumi Nakagami associated with the mass spectrometry service unit at the Max Planck Institute for Plant Breeding Research (MPIPZ) in Cologne, Germany,

**Postdoctoral position in Plant Biology/Molecular Biology**

will be available from April 1st, 2016. The position is initially for 2 years with a possibility of renewal. Payment and benefits are according to German TVÖD.

We seek a motivated candidate with a PhD in plant biology (biology) and extensive knowledge and skills in molecular biology. Experience with Arabidopsis and/or *Marchantia polymorpha* is desirable but not required. Applicants should have published research results in peer-reviewed high quality journals, demonstrated creativity, independence, high motivation, good communication skills, and the ability to work independently as well as with other members of our research group.

The candidate will work in a project aiming to understand basic framework of plant immune system by comparative and evolutionary genomics/proteomics-based approaches using Arabidopsis and *Marchantia polymorpha*. Please see our website (http://proteomics.riken.jp) or contact Hirofumi Nakagami (hirofumi.nakagami@riken.jp) by e-mail for details.

Please send your application including (i) a cover letter summarizing your qualifications and your motivation to work on the project, (ii) a CV with a full publication list, and (iii) names and contacts of two to three references. The application should be submitted electronically as one file to Hirofumi Nakagami (hirofumi.nakagami@riken.jp).

The Max Planck Institute for Plant Breeding Research (MPIPZ) (http://www.mpiz-koeln.mpg.de/) is one of the world’s premier sites committed to research into fundamental processes and training in plant biology. There are four science departments, three independent research groups and specialist support, totaling ~ 400 staff including externally funded positions.

The Max Planck Society is committed to employing more handicapped individuals and especially encourages them to apply.

The Max Planck Society seeks to increase the number of women in those areas where they are under-represented and therefore explicitly encourages women to apply.

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.