

Cirencester, Gloucestershire, GL7 6JN

FIELD CROPS RESEARCHER (G6)

Salary range: £24,400 - £31,200 per annum depending on experience

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The Organic Research Centre is the UK's leading independent research centre focusing on the development and promotion of sustainable, agroecological solutions to food, farming and environmental issues. ORC is a registered charity with ca. 25 staff and funded primarily by project grants and contracts, from government, EU and foundation sources, as well as voluntary donations.

We are looking to appoint a Field Crops Researcher (G6) on a 12-month fixed term contract with the possibility of extension. The role involves carrying out research and contributing to projects specifically, but not exclusively, as part of the Crop Diversity and Agronomy research area, specifically by:

- engaging with a network of farms and selected trial sites in England and Wales, and with relevant stakeholders in the seed and food supply chain
- collecting data on crops, weeds, and soils and performing routine field assessments and samplings
- contributing to research bids, funding applications and knowledge exchange, and representing ORC at conferences, meetings and agricultural shows, within the UK and internationally.

If you are methodical with good attention to detail, enjoy being outdoors and wish to work in the field of applied agricultural research then this could be the job for you. Much of ORC's crops research takes place on commercial farms over a wide geographical spread, therefore you need to be willing to travel and occasionally spend long days in the field, whilst remaining flexible and adaptable to work around the weather and timing of farming operations. You will have the opportunity to gain experience of the whole research process whilst working closely with farmers, and you will make a contribution to bridging the gap between science and practice.

We look forward to receiving your application, which must be made using the ORC application form. Further details can be downloaded from the Organic Research Centre website (<u>www.organicresearchcentre.com</u>).

The closing date for applications is **<u>1pm on Wednesday 17th March 2021</u>**. Interviews will be held via Microsoft Teams **<u>Thursday 25th March 2021</u>**.