

Two postdoctoral researcher positions in plant pathology

The University of Florida is seeking a highly motivated postdoctoral researcher to work on fundamental and applied aspects of crop pathogens, including viral, fungal, and bacterial ones that devastate the citrus and vegetable industries in the United States and several other major countries. The successful candidates will work at the University's Southwest Florida Research and Education Center (<https://swfrec.ifas.ufl.edu>) in Immokalee, FL, near Naples and Fort Myers, two beautiful cities on the gulf coast of Florida, USA.

The successful candidate will join a research team of Plant Pathologists, Physiologists, Horticulturists, and Ag—engineers whose goal is to develop integrated pest management strategies for controlling major diseases of citrus and vegetables. Positions' responsibilities include but are not limited to the following: developing and testing research hypotheses, designing and executing lab, greenhouse, and field experiments, collecting data, performing statistical analysis, writing reports, and publishing results in peer-reviewed journals.

Applicant must have excellent oral and written communication skills. Candidates with experience in molecular and applied pathology-related subjects and a desire to conduct applied research in the field are preferred and encouraged to apply. The preferred hands-on experience in novel pathogen detection methods, bioinformatics, HTS analysis, pathogen isolation and characterization, vector-pathogen-host interactions, insect vector transmission-associated methods, etc., is required.

The positions are available immediately and are full-time positions. Initial appointment for Post Doc is for two years and may be renewable up to four-year dependent upon satisfactory performance. Salary is commensurate with experience. To apply, submit 1) a CV with contact information for three references and 2) a cover letter explaining your interest in this opportunity, the specific skills and knowledge you would contribute, and your career goals. Contact [Ozgur Batuman](#) at obatuman@ufl.edu for information about these positions. Screening of applicants will start on July 1, 2023, and continue until the positions are filled.

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