



Plant Pathology Research Technician (Gqeberha, South Africa)

Citrus Research International (CRI) aims to maximise the long-term global competitiveness of the southern African citrus growers through the development, support, co-ordination and provision of Research and Technical Services. Research on the management of Pre-and Postharvest diseases of citrus is a priority as these diseases can negatively impact citrus production and exports through yield reduction and phytosanitary regulations in certain markets. In order to advance the current research capacity with regards to citrus disease management, CRI wishes to employ a dynamic and dedicated disease management technician in Gqeberha. This position will include the following duties: general plant pathology laboratory work; field trials aimed at disease management; trial layout, execution and evaluation; data collection, analyses and report writing.

The candidate should have a **natural science or agricultural tertiary qualification with Plant Pathology (minimum BSc degree; ideally MSc)** and relevant experience (either as part of post-graduate studies or work related) in conventional plant pathology laboratory skills and the application and evaluation of agro chemicals. .

The candidate must have an excellent inter-personal profile, be fluent in English (Afrikaans proficiency recommended), have good scientific writing skills and be competent in Microsoft Office and statistical software and have a driver's license. Candidates with the relevant experience and training will be considered.

CRI offers a favourable working environment and a competitive and flexible remuneration package.

For more information, please contact Dr Jan van Niekerk (janvn@cri.co.za).

Please submit your application and CV to:

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Receipt of applications will be acknowledged. If you do not receive any further communication within 2 weeks of the closing date, please view your application as unsuccessful.

Closing date for applications: 19 May 2026

Starting date: 1 August 2026 or as soon as possible after

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