Job Title:	Trials Officer		
Department/ Group:	OMEX Agriculture Ltd.		
Location:	Kings Lynn, UK		
Level/ Salary Range:	Enquire within	Position Type:	Permanent, Full time
HR Contact:	Ally Edwards	Date posted:	5th April 2022

Applications Accepted By:	
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Job Profile

The Company

OMEX is the market leader in liquid fertilisers in the UK who manufacture a unique range of plant nutrients and crop health promoters, used nationally & exported internationally.

Role:

To assist the Technical Development Manager to generate technical information through the delivery and reporting of field, laboratory, greenhouse and third-party trials.

Key Tasks (but not exhaustive):

- To assist in the establishment and management of field, laboratory and glasshouse trials including planting, fertiliser application plus harvesting of a range of crops.
- Planning and scheduling of trials activities to meet targets and deadlines
- Ensure trials and assessments are carried out to meet industry standards and set protocols
- To assess plants, plots or laboratory assays for a range of agronomic or physical characteristics using a range of tools. May require ability to recognise crop diseases and disorders and interpret assessment keys after suitable training
- To validate, analyse and submit trials data, checking for errors, processing by prescribed deadlines and assist in compilation of final trials reports and presentations for internal and external audiences
- To maintain a range of equipment and facilities, ensuring all machinery, equipment and buildings are serviced, maintained and ready for use when needed. Keeping maintenance records up to date, arranging contractors our outside laboratories to carry out work if necessary.
- To ensure work is carried out in a safe environment Ensuing compliance with risk assessment and maintaining servicing logs

Required skills and qualifications:

1. Minimum of A-C Grade GCSE's in Maths, English & Sciences
2. Ideally a degree in a science-based discipline

3. Background understanding in Agriculture & Horticulture
4. Work based experience of practical crop production / agricultural research would be an advantage
5. PA 1, 2 Spray application qualification would be advantageous but not essential
6. Planning & problem-solving attributes
7. Ability to work under pressure during busy peak work periods
8. Able to communicate effectively at all levels within the business and external customers – Please see key relationships below.
9. Excellent time management skills, both in reliability & effective day-to-day working
10. Ability to adhere to processes and procedures, review and make changes where necessary
11. Work within a team environment and be unsupervised at times
12. Good housekeeping essential, taking pride in their work & their working environment
13. Excellent self-initiative & self-motivation qualities
14. Be conversant in the standard Microsoft software package including, Outlook, Word, Excel & Powerpoint
15. Full UK Driving licence

Key relationships:

Team members, commercial colleagues in the UK and overseas, host farmers, contractors, suppliers, third party trials and research organisations.

Additional information:

The position is based at the trials laboratory in King's Lynn but there will be a large proportion of outdoor work during the key field trials recording and harvesting periods, including substantial time spent each week at the dedicated OMEX trial site near Holbeach where we also host customer visits and open days. A suitable vehicle is provided for travel from the trials centre to remote trials sites. An element of time is spent in the office carrying out planning and administrative duties or in the laboratory and greenhouse conducting smaller scale trials. There will be some intensive periods of repetitive work. Due to the seasonal nature of the work, it may not be possible to take annual leave at certain times. Professional training will be provided when necessary for using specialised measuring equipment, crop spraying machinery and our camera drone.

Standard working hours are 8:00am to 4:30pm Monday to Friday, Extra hours and weekends are expected during busy peak production times.

Benefits:

Excellent remuneration package, including a Contributory Pension Scheme, contributory health care scheme,