



At the University of Göttingen -Public Law Foundation-, **Division of Agricultural Entomology**, there is a position as

Research Associate (all genders welcome)

Salary group E13 TV-L/100%

to be filled. Starting date is as soon as possible. The position is limited to 3 years.

The Division of Agricultural Entomology investigates interactions between crops and insects, with a particular focus on chemical ecology and insect behaviour. Its research spans both fundamental and applied questions with the aim of developing sustainable strategies for crop protection.

The position offers the opportunity for advanced academic qualification (habilitation or equivalent) and will initially be filled on a **fixed-term basis for 3 years, with the option to extend for an additional 3 years following a positive interim evaluation.**

Your profile

- Completed university degree (Master or equivalent) in biology, biochemistry, chemistry, agricultural sciences, or forestry sciences.
- Excellent PhD in plant-insect interactions or a closely related field.
- Postdoctoral experience in a relevant research area.
- Strong publication record in renowned, peer-reviewed Q1 journals, particularly after the PhD.
- Methodological hands-on experience in one or more of the following areas: molecular biology, metabolomics, insect behavior, or AI-based phenotyping.
- Very good command of English, both written and spoken; knowledge of German would be an asset.
- Proven success in acquiring third-party funding, such as project grants, fellowships, or consumables funding.
- Experience in university teaching and in the supervision of students.

Your tasks

- Establish and lead an independent research programme in agricultural entomology / chemical ecology with the goal of habilitation or an equivalent qualification.
- Acquire competitive third-party funding to support your research.
- Supervise and mentor early-career researchers, including doctoral candidates and Master's and Bachelor's students.
- Design and deliver teaching in agricultural entomology at Bachelor's and Master's level in English (4 hours per week during semester).
- Contribute actively to academic self-governance and committee work.

We offer

- An international, interdisciplinary research environment in an active and collaborative division.
- Substantial scope to develop and shape your own research profile in agricultural entomology / chemical ecology.
- Access to modern laboratory facilities, greenhouses, and agricultural experimental fields.
- Collaborations with leading research institutions and partners from practice and industry in agriculture, crop protection, and plant breeding.

The University of Göttingen is an equal opportunities employer and places particular emphasis on fostering career opportunities for women. Qualified women are therefore strongly encouraged to apply in fields in which they are underrepresented. The university has committed itself to being a family-friendly institution and supports their employees in balancing work and family life.

The University is particularly committed to the professional participation of severely disabled employees and therefore welcomes applications from severely disabled people. In the case of equal qualifications, applications from people with severe disabilities will be given preference. A disability or equality is to be included in the application in order to protect the interests of the applicant.

Application

Please upload your application in one PDF file including the usual documents until 9 July 2026 on the application portal of the university using this link: <http://obp.uni-goettingen.de/de-de/OBF/Index/76528>.

For more information, contact Prof. Dr. Michael Rostás directly via email: michael.rostas@uni-goettingen.de, Tel. 0551 39-29744.

Please note: With submission of your application, you accept the processing of your applicant data in terms of data-protection law. Further information on the legal basis and data usage is provided in the Information General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).