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### About AgroSavfe

The growing demand for healthy, safe and sustainable food has increasingly imposed restrictions on agricultural practices. Therefore, improving production efficiency in a sustainable way, while safeguarding the environment and its natural resources, is essential.

AgroSavfe has the ambition to contribute to a sustainable production of safe and healthy food. The company focuses on the discovery, development and commercialization of effective and safe biocontrols to tackle plant pests and diseases using its ground-breaking, scalable, proprietary AGROBODY™ Foundry Platform.

AgroSavfe's products are a novel class of biocontrols based on AGROBODY™ bioactive proteins that effectively and selectively target pests' and pathogens' essential molecules. AGROBODY™ bioactives combine the high-performance characteristics of chemicals with the clean safety profile of biologicals, making them ideal crop protection agents for both pre- and post-harvest applications.

Based on its unique AGROBODY™ platform, AgroSavfe has built a versatile product pipeline against key pests and diseases, with the first product expected to enter the US market in 2022.

More information can be found on [www.agrosavfe.com](http://www.agrosavfe.com).

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To strengthen our team, AgroSavfe is looking for a Head Manufacturing Process Development. He/she will lead the full manufacturing process cycle covering strain engineering, fermentation, product recovery and formulation. The incumbent will own the design, development and implementation of the process and lead the scale up from lab, over pilot to commercial scale production (>100m<sup>3</sup>). With the “begin with the end in mind” principle, this role will closely partner with our Discovery, Analytics, Regulatory and Business Leads and reports to the COO.

#### Key activities:

- Responsible for the planning, coordination, approach and results within the manufacturing process development team; provides operational and strategic guidance for multiple simultaneous product development programs within the timelines for delivery;
- Further build a strong team having all the know-how, expertise, as well as access to state-of-the-art technology to be successful in the goal to produce AGROBODY™ biocontrols at scale and market-tuned COGS;
- Leading the team by example, with the “begin with the end in mind” principle, in partnering closely with colleagues in Discovery within the AGROBODY™ bioactives early developability assessments;
- Driving the development of functional excellence within the Manufacturing Function;
- Complementing the *in-house* expertise with accessing adjacent or enabling technologies through a diverse network of experts and enabling technology companies to enhance the manufacturing efficiency of AGROBODY™ biocontrols;
- Create competitive advantage through identification of new IP supporting the entire Platform;
- Interacting with external contract organizations as required in the context of outsourced manufacturing/ analytical/ formulation activities;
- People management: drives recruitment, training, continuous development and performance management of (senior) scientists and researchers.



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**Skills, expertise and contribution:**

- Hold a PhD or MSc in Biology, Biotechnology, (Bio)Chemistry, or be a Bio(chemical)-engineer; 6 - 10 years relevant industry experience;
- Expertise in the large-scale production of heterologous protein-based products, and more specifically be sufficiently familiar with proteins and state-of-the-art technologies for their recombinant production, analysis and characterization as well as formulation;
- Experience of working in fundamental areas of (Agro)biological product development technology, and translating this into the manufacturing process development, with continuous optimization, of innovative, high quality products;
- Create and protect company IP that secures competitive advantage;
- Previous experience with large-scale commercial bio-manufacturing is a must;
- Previous experience in Ag-biotech and/or white biotech;
- Proven leadership and ability to manage a team of highly qualified technology professionals; ability to inspire and motivate others; creates an environment that supports creativity and sparks innovation; gains commitment of individuals and stakeholders in a compelling way;
- Collaborates effectively across organizational and functional boundaries (matrix organization), and complement internal expertise with external technologies; ability to build strong networks;
- Excellent reporting and communication skills (fluent in English, written and spoken).

**Our offer:**

We offer a challenging job in an exciting environment, working with top innovators in the Agro-Biotech industry, developing the next generation Ag Biocontrols. You will be part of a professional team that will support you to further develop and grow your personal skills. You will be challenged to take initiative, contributing to the success of the company. We offer a competitive compensation package.

**Interested?**

Please apply by e-mail and send your resume and motivation letter to [jobs@agrosavfe.com](mailto:jobs@agrosavfe.com).  
For more information visit the AgroSavfe web site: [www.agrosavfe.com](http://www.agrosavfe.com).

