



Products That Work, From People Who Care®

**Valent U.S.A. Corporation**  
**Job Opportunity**  
**MANAGER, R&D - RESEARCH (JOB # 2016-9531)**

Valent U.S.A Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of Sumitomo Chemical Company, Limited, engages in the development, registration, sales and marketing of integrated technological solutions for crop production and pest management that deliver value for our customers and stakeholders. A leading crop protection firm serving the agricultural and non-crop products markets in North America, Valent products help growers produce safe and abundant food and fiber crops, and horticultural professionals improve the quality of life for their customers. The corporate motto, Products That Work, From People Who Care®, describes the company's business philosophy. Valent seeks out and provides customers with innovative and effective solutions to their production challenges. Our vision is to be the best company delivering integrated solutions of biorational and traditional crop protection solutions to our customers. Valent is dedicated to creating a world that is healthier and more comfortable, and that has a sustainable abundance of quality, affordable food, helping crops to be the ultimate renewable resource. We are currently searching for a Manager, R&D – Research to work with our Field Discovery Team in Seymour, Illinois.

**Description of Job:**

Conduct field and greenhouse research for the development and support of products, projects and programs for various crops, pesticides, and biologicals at Midwest Agriculture Research Station near Seymour, Illinois. Develop strategies, analyze and interpret data to ensure effective achievement of scientific objectives and advancement decisions. Working knowledge of precision agriculture tools (GIS, SSM, VRT, SMS Software, etc) to apply geospatial technologies and others to agricultural production or management activities. Conceives and implements new technologies allowing tasks to be done more efficiently. Execute short term and long term capital improvements at research station. Monitor and evaluate day-to-day completion of tasks and projects to maintain operations in addition to managing cost center budget. Train and supervise the research technicians and seasonal workers. All workers involved in operations must perform the work to the designated quality standards and maintain legal and EHS compliance. Individual will work with Midwest Field Development team to implement and execute training for internal team and external customers. Responsible for maintaining the highest level of confidentiality, customer service and professionalism; responsible for promoting a positive image of the company and the research department.

**Skills:** Basic understanding of weed science, plant pathology and entomology. Customer focus, interpersonal skills, teamwork; required to interact with a large range of internal employees /departments and external customers; must demonstrate excellent research and communication skills. Employee supervision.

**Experience:** 3+ years of related experience, plus 0 – 2 years management experience

**Education:** M.S. or PhD or equivalent desired

**Other:** Internal contacts include the Technology Manager, Marketing Management, Product Development Managers, Sales, QA, R&RA, Formulations, Residue Chemistry, ARC Personnel, Research Manager and other FMD Specialists. External contacts include University and Extension personnel, private test agency scientists, farmers, consultants, the press, ad agencies, commodity group personnel and state regulatory agencies.

Interested candidates can apply by clicking on the link below

<http://www.valent.com/careers/>

By January 8, 2017 or until position is filled

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## **Valent U.S.A. Corporation**

**Sumitomo Chemical Company**, a 20 billion dollar business, includes over 100 subsidiaries and affiliates operating in six business sectors - basic chemicals, petrochemicals and plastics, fine chemicals, IT-related chemicals, agricultural chemicals, and pharmaceuticals - and supplies a broad range of products for global markets. Sumitomo Chemical was thus founded as a company that sought to solve environmental problems while at the same time aiming to contribute to the development of agriculture. Sumitomo Chemical Company conducts research & development to invent new chemistry in agricultural chemicals and new applications of existing chemicals and functional fertilizers in order to provide productive and environmentally friendly crop protection agents and labor-reducing farm technologies. [www.sumitomo-chem.co.jp/english/ir/index.html](http://www.sumitomo-chem.co.jp/english/ir/index.html).