Research Technicians assist in the conduct of agricultural field research studies designed to yield agronomic, efficacy, or pesticide residue data. Field duties include application of experimental pesticides and evaluation of pest levels in field trials, collection of field samples, and maintenance of test plots. The company office is 15 miles east of Paso Robles. However, most test plots are located off-site in grower fields. Work occurs in farmer’s fields in northern Santa Barbara, SLO, Monterey, Kings, & Kern counties, or at the CRS research farm.

The Research Technician position is a part-time job, but hours are available year round. Work days and hours are flexible; however, in general summer hours are 30-40 per week, spring and fall hours are 20-30 hours per week, and winter hours are variable. This is a perfect job for college students, and we will always work around class schedules. Internship credit is available for Cal Poly SLO students. Starting pay rate is $15 per hour. This position often leads to a permanent position with more consistent hours and higher pay.

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Candidate requirements:
Able to consistently perform detailed evaluations of pest levels at experimental trial sites (i.e. count insects for hours on end)
Able to work independently at remote work sites in Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, and Monterey Counties
Must be comfortable handling and applying pesticides, using appropriate PPE
Relatively clean driving record (No recent DUIs)
Very detail oriented person
Excellent computer skills

Candidate bonuses:
Education in crop production and/or crop protection
Tractor driving experience
Pesticide application experience
Farming experience
Research experience