



**Part-time research team leader position for a 3 year experiential science project with organic dairy producers**

The Organic Dairy Producers Group has a part-time position available for a research team leader for their project "Grow Organic Dairy". This farmer led research project aims to identify the key management practices of successful organic farmers. This project uses the experiential science methodology.

As research leader you would be the facilitator between the farmers and the multi disciplinary team of researchers involved in the project. Further more the research leader would be responsible for implementing the experiential science approach and play a mentoring/coaching role.

The research team leader needs to have a background in:

- Organic or sustainable farming systems (Minimum Masters degree and working experience)
- Extension, advisory and research or adaptive management (working experience)
- On-farm research or participatory research or experiential science
- Holistic or systems thinking and approaches

The research leader requires the following skills;

- Excellent communication and facilitation skills
- Pattern recognition in it's broadest sense
- Be able to work multi disciplinary environment
- Be a practical thinker and a self starter

The closing date for this position is **Friday 5 of September 2008, 12 noon.**

For more information about this position, please contact Esther Dijkstra.

Your CV and covering letter can be emailed to [esther@ecoagrilogic.co.nz](mailto:esther@ecoagrilogic.co.nz).