

## Agricen Sciences Announces Hiring of Dr. Shaohua Guan

Noted fermentation scientist to direct company programs in bioprocessing and formulation development

**PILOT POINT, TX - November 1, 2013 - Agricen Sciences**, an applied sciences research company leading the development of novel microbial and biochemical solutions for plant nutrition and health, announced today the hiring of Shaohua ("Steven") Guan, PhD.

Dr. Guan, who joined the Agricen Sciences team as Director of Bioprocessing R&D, leads the Company's efforts in the areas of fermentation research and development, bioprocessing innovation and formulation sciences. His work will directly support Agricen Sciences' initiatives in new product development for crop nutrition and protection.

"We are really excited about the distinctive capabilities in fermentation sciences that Dr. Guan brings to us," said Dr. Maud Hinchee, Chief Science Officer, Agricen Sciences. "His expertise, spanning the disciplines of anaerobic and aerobic fermentation in the development of microbial-based products, will serve as a strong base for our novel product technologies. His addition to our research team is a strong complement to our existing team; and allows for multi-disciplinary collaborations across a broad range of programs."

Prior to joining Agricen Sciences, Dr. Guan led fermentation process development programs at Bayer CropScience and AgraQuest. He is an active member of the Society for Industrial Microbiology and Biotechnology.

## **About Agricen Sciences**

Agricen Sciences is an applied sciences research company leading the development of novel microbial and biochemical solutions for plant nutrition and health. The company's cutting-edge research programs on soil-plant systems are yielding new insights for crop nutrition, soil science and nutrient management. By applying this knowledge, Agricen Sciences is developing innovative solutions to address the sustainability and production challenges facing modern agriculture. For more information, please visit **www.agricensciences.com**.