

Cultivation of the Red Seaweed *Asparagopsis* spp.

Period: 6-9 months, starting in September 2024

Location: Hortimare BV, Heerhugowaard

Has the seaweed industry caught your attention? Do you want to work in a sustainable and innovative environment? Then Hortimare is your place to be!

What will you do / the assignment:

As an intern, you will have the opportunity to contribute to groundbreaking projects focused on the sustainable cultivation of *Asparagopsis* spp., and its potential to mitigate greenhouse gas emissions in the livestock sector. This position offers a unique hands-on learning opportunity on the techniques and challenges behind seaweed cultivation. You will learn how to set up and maintain long term *Asparagopsis* spp. cultures, while supporting the team with production and ongoing research.

What Hortimare is looking for:

- Background in Biotechnology, Marine Sciences, or equivalent.
- Basic laboratory skills.
- Capable of working with cultivation systems.
- Responsible, systematic, and proactive.
- Communicative and team player.
- Fluent in English, verbal and written.

Our offer:

Hortimare offers a challenging internship in a unique and passionate work environment. Our team is committed to providing a supportive and engaging environment for your internship thesis/assignment. Travel expenses will be reimbursed, and we offer a maximum of € 650,- per month to cover accommodation costs.

Information:

If you are excited about contributing to a sustainable future and joining Hortimare, please contact Ana Campos for more information: ana.campos@hortimare.com

You can also learn more about one of our ongoing projects here: www.greenergrazing.org

Applications:

To apply for this position, please send your application letter together with your resumé as soon as possible to hrm@hortimare.com for the attention of Ms. Nanouk van Eijk.



Why seaweed?

Seaweed has great potential to have a positive impact on global (environmental) challenges. It is one of the fastest growing plants, and can be used for a variety of applications, such as food, packaging, and as raw material. Seaweed farming does not require added fertilizers or fresh water and can provide a much more sustainable alternative to land farming.

The demand for seaweed is increasing by about 8% per year worldwide, all the reason to cultivate it responsibly and professionally.

Hortimare BV is the supplier of high-quality starting material (seed) for seaweed farmers. Our mission is to contribute to a sustainable future, by making seaweed a competitive alternative for land-based products. To accomplish this we advise, support, and collaborate closely with seaweed farmers. In addition, we contribute to (international) research projects with our scientific knowledge of breeding and propagating various species of seaweed.