

Indiana Seed Regulatory Program Staff

Effective: April 2024



Jessica McVay, CSA P&G – Seed Administrator

Jessica was hired in August 2012 as a Seed Analyst/Feed Microscopist. Jessica received certification in germination in 2014 and physical purity in 2016 through AOSA. In her current role of Seed Administrator, Jessica works closely with seedsmen, state and federal regulators, the seed trade industry, and consumers to monitor the compliance of seeds sold and distributed with the Indiana Seed Law. Jessica holds a BS in Interdisciplinary Biology with a minor in Forensic Science and Sociology from Purdue University.



Scottie Pouliot, CSA P&G – Senior Seed Analyst

Scottie was hired in June of 2017 as a Seed Analyst. In 2019, Scottie obtained certification in germination testing and physical purity in 2021 through AOSA. In her current role of Senior Seed Analyst, Scottie is responsible for providing leadership to the lab staff in both physical purity and germination. She holds a MS in soil microbiology, a BS in Entomology and Minors in Plant Sciences and History from Purdue University.



Sam Morgan – Associate Seed Analyst

Sam was hired in January 2023 as an Associate Seed Analyst. Her primary role in the lab is to work with both official and service samples in data entry, sample entry, and official seed reports. She handles violations, stop sales, and seed permits. She will be working to become certified in both germination and purity within the next few years. Before working in the seed lab, she worked in the Purdue Agronomy department in a research lab, then within OISC as a lab assistant in the fertilizer lab. She graduated from Purdue University with a BS in Natural Resources and Environmental Science.



Chase MacPherran – Associate Seed Analyst

Chase was hired in November 2023 as an Associate Seed Analyst. His primary role in the lab is to work with both official and service samples in data entry, sample entry, and official seed reports. He handles violations, stop sales, and seed permits. He will be working to become certified in both germination and purity within the next few years. Before working in the seed lab, he worked in Insecticide Seed Treatment at Corteva AgriScience, grass seed production, and plant pathology research. He graduated from Purdue University with a BS in Plant Biology and Oregon State University with a MS in Crop Science.



Elizabeth Turner - Administrative Coordinator

Elizabeth was hired in April of 2024. With a background of customer service and administration, Elizabeth fills a supporting role in the lab. She is also responsible for label review, database entry and reporting for official and service samples, stop sales, violations, and seed permits. Elizabeth is the main contact for all general communication for the seed lab. She is also an artist, having shown in a few local galleries, as well as being an avid knitter.