

**From:** [Scott Allen Jackson](#)  
**To:** [David Jensen](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Material for review  
**Date:** Thursday, March 19, 2015 9:07:56 PM

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Hi Dave,

I knew IRRI was looking but did not realize you were handling the search. Good luck!

A couple of names:

Susan McCouch (Cornell)—well known rice researcher, international activities

Jan Leach (Colorado State Univ)—same as above

Tony Cavalieri (at Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation)—well known, connected, broad perspectives in Ag

Jean Marcel Ribault (CYMMIT)—international activities in crop research, very active and engaging.

-scott

On Mar 19, 2015, at 5:50 PM, David Jensen <[djensen@krsearch.net](mailto:djensen@krsearch.net)> wrote:

Scott,

I've been retained to find a new Director General for IRRI in the Philippines. This is one of the most impactful positions in all of agriculture. Leading a team of 1400, he or she would be a diplomat as well as a leader. I've enclosed the search profile for this role. Is there a chance you might have some comments on good contacts, or perhaps this could be a fit for you?

Dave Jensen

On Apr 9, 2012, at 7:03 PM, Scott Allen Jackson  
<[sjackson@uga.edu](mailto:sjackson@uga.edu)> wrote:

Dear David

A couple of names:

1) Jane Silverthorne (currently Division Director at NSF).  
Qualifications: worked with Gates to establish joint NSF-Gates program for developing countries. Has done an outstanding job of finding and funding innovative science, especially in plant genetics/genomics.

2) Gary Muehlbauer (Univ of Minnesota). Qualifications: Plant

geneticist working in cereals. Led an international program to integrate genomics with plant improvement. Very thoughtful and insightful.

3) Rajeev Varshney (ICRISAT in India). Qualifications: young, but very energetic and dedicated to international ag improvement. Has worked to integrate molecular tools with traditional breeding programs.

4) Jean Marcel Ribault (CIMMYT/GCP). Qualifications: has been leading a large, mostly Gates-funded project to move molecular breeding tools into Africa. Extremely dedicated.

5) Peter Langridge (Univ Adelaide, Australia). qualifications: cereal genetics/genomics and phenomics. Well respected in the international community and always abreast of cutting edge technologies for plant improvement.

Hope these help.

scott

On Apr 9, 2012, at 3:03 PM, David G Jensen wrote:

Hi Scott,

This is per our discussion a moment ago,

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