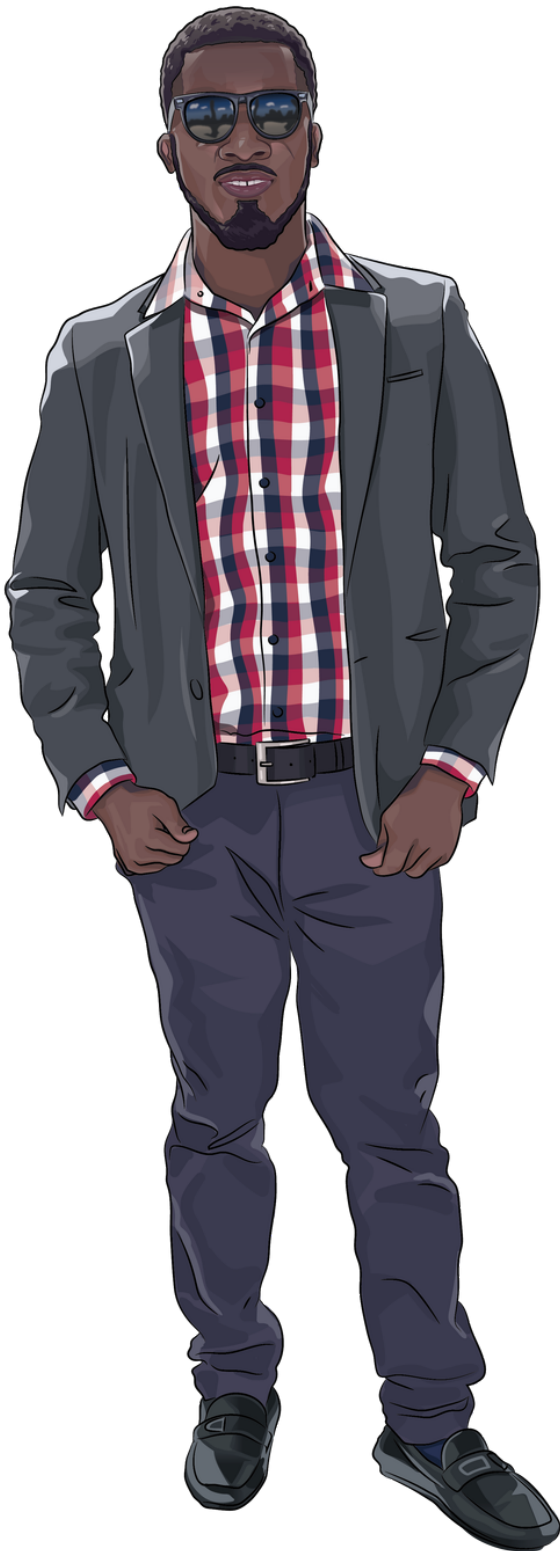


Meet Thomas Cobbinah

What do you do?

I help make sure we have enough food in the future by finding super-strong plants that grow lots of food. I use science to check how healthy they are and then figure out the best way to grow them so everyone can have enough to eat.



How did you get into that job?

I worked really hard and studied in three different countries! I learned about plants, genes, and farming. Then I did lots of hands-on work to figure out how to take what I learned in the lab and use it to help farmers grow food in the best way.



What do you love about your job?

My job is to take cool science discoveries about plants and turn them into real ways to grow more food. It makes me happy because I'm helping farmers grow enough food for everyone, now and in the future.

How does your job help people/the community/the world?

My job is to use smart science to help make sure the world has enough food. I figure out the best ways to grow lots of healthy crops without hurting the planet, so families everywhere can have good food to eat.

What are two things you're not good at?

Sometimes my job is tricky. I have to stop myself from trying to make everything perfect so I don't take too long. And I have to figure out how to use science from the lab in the real world, even though farms can be full of surprises!

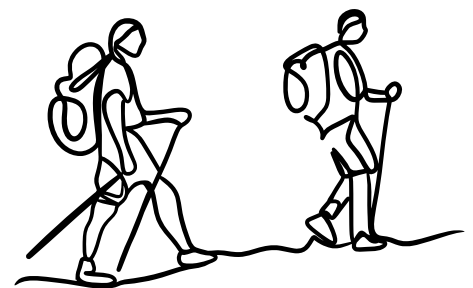
What are two things you are good at?

I'm really good at turning tricky science about plants into easy plans for farmers. I can solve big puzzles about how crops grow by looking at things like their genes, the weather, and the soil, and then putting it all together to make the best solution.



What makes you happy (outside of work)?

What makes me happiest is finding time to relax and enjoy life outside the lab. I love walking and hiking because it helps me feel calm and close to nature. I also really enjoy cooking food from different countries. It's fun, creative, and a great way to share tasty meals with friends and family.



Where do you want your career to take you?

One day, I want to be a leader who uses science to help the whole world grow food in smart ways. My big dream is to make sure strong, healthy crops that can handle tough weather are shared fairly, so everyone, especially people who need it most, has enough to eat.