

## Fall 2008 Seminar Series

Aug 18	"Factors contributing to resistance of tea varieties against <i>Exobasidium vexans</i> , the blister blight pathogen." Kamalpreet Kaur, PhD Student, Major Professor: James Buck
Aug 25	Post-Tenure Review Seminar - Title TBA Jean Williams-Woodward, Associate Professor, UGA Plant Pathology
Sept 1	No Seminar -- Labor Day
Sept 8	Graduate Student Invited Speaker - Title TBA
Sept 15	"Elucidation of host pathogen interactions between <i>Acidovorax avenae</i> subsp. <i>citrulli</i> and watermelon during seed germination and seedling development. " Kameka Johnson, PhD Student, Major Professor: Ron Walcott
Sept 22	"Going bananas: use of biological control methods for managing banana diseases." Erika Scocco, PhD Student, Major Professor: James Buck & Ron Walcott
Sept 29	"Control of tomato bacterial spot with bacteriophages." Jia Qiu, M.S. Student, Major Professor: Albert Culbreath & Katy Stevenson
Oct 6	"Development of rapid in vitro and molecular assays for fungicide sensitivity and current status of fungicide sensitivity in the pecan scab pathogen <i>Fusicladium effusum</i> ." Murat Seyran, M.S. Student, Major Professor: Katy Stevenson
Oct 13	"Insight into gummy stem blight resistance to strobilurins in the gummy stem blight fungus <i>Didymella bryoniae</i> ." Jeff Garton, M.S. Student, Major Professor: David Langston
Oct 20	"Panspermia: is there a biological risk to earth's biosphere from sample return missions to mars?" Andrew C. Schuerger, Plant Pathology, University of Florida, IFAS
Oct 21	"Hubbert's peak: the effects of peak oil on agriculture and the emergence of novel pathogens." Andrew C. Schuerger, Plant Pathology, University of Florida, IFAS
Oct 27	"TTKST: Identification of a new race of <i>Puccinia graminis</i> f. sp. <i>tritici</i> and the implication for increased vulnerability in wheat to stem rust." <b>Cancelled</b> Lorna Nissen, M.S. Student, Major Professor: C.J. Chang
Nov 3	"Pathogens associated with blueberry cutting failure in south Georgia nurseries and their control." Jeremy Haralson, M.S. Student, Major Professor: Phil Brannen & Harald Scherm
Nov 10	"A barcoding system for identification of potential plant pathogenic dark-spored <i>Aspergillus</i> species." Edwin Palencia, PhD Student, Major Professor: Charles Bacon
Nov 17	"Factors affecting the efficacy of yeasts as biological control agents on the phylloplane." Kimberly Jackson, M.S. Student, Major Professor: Pingsheng Ji & Alex Csinos
Nov 24	No Seminar -- Thanksgiving Holiday
Dec 1	Dr. Gopal (Scott Gold Visitor) - Title TBA
Dec 5 2:00 p.m.	<i>Seminar will be held in Room 2104 Miller Plant Science Bldg</i> "Biological and epidemiological significance of the disease transmission threshold of Bacterial Fruit Blotch of watermelon, caused by <i>Acidovorax avenae</i> subsp. <i>citrulli</i> ." Bhabesh Dutta, Proposal Seminar (switching from M.S. to Ph.D. program), Major Professor: Ron Walcott
Dec 8	"Spatial distribution of brown rot symptom types within and among tree canopies and fine-scale genetic structure of populations of <i>Monilinia</i> spp. in stone fruit orchards." Sydney Everhart, Ph.D. Proposal Seminar, Major Professor: Harald Scherm