

Department of Plant Pathology
Spring Semester 2017 Seminar Schedule
Mondays 2:30 – 3:20 PM, 2401 Plant Sciences Building

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| 9 January | Ron Walcott UGA Plant Pathology (post-tenure review) | Bacterial fruit blotch of cucurbits: A model for studying seedborne phyto bacteria |
| 16 January | MLK Holiday – no seminar | |
| 23 January | Caterina Villari UGA Warnell School of Forestry & Natural Resources | Take me with you! Advanced portable tools for in-field real time detection of pathogens and resistance phenotyping |
| 30 January | Alex Blacutt PhD exit seminar | <i>Fusarium verticillioides</i> exhibits global responses to lipopeptide challenge from <i>Bacillus mojavensis</i> RRC101 |
| 6 February | Pingsheng Ji UGA Plant Pathology (promotion) | Biology and management of vegetable and soilborne oomycete diseases |
| 13 February | Bob Kemerait UGA Plant Pathology (post-tenure review) | Getting the message out: The importance of Extension for row-crop growers in Georgia |
| 20 February | Harald Scherm UGA Plant Pathology (post-tenure review) | On the biology of new and old fruit diseases |
| 27 February | Jim Noe UGA Plant Pathology (post-tenure review) | Nematode management in perennial fruit crops |
| 6 March | Spring break – no seminar | |
| 13 March | Clive Bock USDA-ARS, Byron, GA | Progress in managing pecan scab and understanding the causal agent, <i>Fusicladium effusum</i> |
| 20 March | Brian Jordan MS exit seminar | An integrated peanut disease management strategy with an emphasis on organic production systems |
| 27 March | Sara Beth Pelham MS exit seminar | Use of an unmanned aerial vehicle for assessing tomato spotted wilt and leaf spot diseases in peanut mapping populations |
| 3 April | Chang Liu PhD exit seminar | Investigations into the host-parasitic specificity between root-knot nematodes and their parasite <i>Pasteuria penetrans</i> |
| 10 April | Shan Gao PhD exit seminar | Exploring the occurrence of horizontal gene transfer and its role in the evolution and adaptation of <i>Fusarium verticillioides</i> |
| 17 April | Javier Delgado Dow AgroSciences Indianapolis, IN | Career opportunities in industry for plant pathologists |
| 20 April | Manisha Rath PhD exit Seminar | <i>Genetic and functional investigation of the STUA transcription factor in, and a biological control agent of, the mycotoxigenic fungus Fusarium verticillioides:</i> |

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| 24 April | Jon Drake UGA Odum School of Ecology | Infectious disease networks: data, modeling, and prediction |
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Special Summer Seminars:

April 28, 2017

An Odd Group of Tropical Plant Pathogenic Mushrooms: Dr. Jean Lodge, Center for Forest Mycology Research, USDA Forest Service, Forest Products Laboratory & Northern Research Station, Luquillo, Puerto Rico

*Note this seminar occurs Friday, April 28th 12:20 - 1:10pm in Miller Plant Sciences Bldg. Room 2108

May 26, 2017

Tracking a wild path: The use of genomics and wild relatives to incorporate pest and disease resistances into peanut: Soraya Leal-Bertioli, Visiting Scholar The Plant Center

*Note this seminar occurs Friday, May 26th 10:10 - 11:00pm in Miller Plant Sciences Bldg. Room 2108

June 29, 2017

Utilizing -omics technologies to study drought stress related to host resistance against *Aspergillus flavus* colonization and aflatoxin production: Jake Fountain (Exit Seminar PhD Candidate)

*Note this seminar occurs Thursday, June 29th 10:00 am in Miller Plant Sciences Bldg. Room 2401

July 6, 2017

Differentiation, prediction and management of early and late leaf spot of peanut in the southeastern United States and Haiti: Abraham Fulmer (Exit Seminar PhD Candidate)

*Note this seminar occurs Thursday, July 6th 10:00 am in Miller Plant Sciences Bldg. Room 2401

July 13, 2017

A rice and maize N-acetylglucosamine transporter essential for early communication and establishment in arbuscular mycorrhizal symbioses : Marina Nadal, Department of Plant Sciences, University of Cambridge

*Note this seminar occurs Thursday, July 13th 10:00 am in Miller Plant Sciences Bldg. Room 2401