February 12-14, 2024
Sheraton Westport Chalet Hotel, 191 Westport Plaza Dr., St. Louis, MO

Registration
Monday, Feb 12  10:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb 13  7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Monday, February 12, 2024 | Room: Versailles 1

1:00 pm  Welcome and opening remarks: Brittney Jones, Bayer Crop Science, and Aaron Lorenz, University of Minnesota

1:10 pm  Keynote speech: Michael Smith, University Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Kansas State University, “A century of insect resistant soybeans: Bussin’ or busted?”

SESSION 1: Market needs and research opportunities  |  Chair: Aaron Lorenz, University of Minnesota

1:40 pm  Tom Slunecka, CEO, AG Management Solutions, “Inspiring innovation: Ag Innovation Campus provides bridge to success”

2:10 pm  Donnell Rehagen, CEO, Clean Fuels Alliance America, “Accelerating to New Heights – The expanding role soybean oil plays in the major growth of clean fuels production”

2:40 pm  Lisa Weaver, Research Director, SmithBucklin, “USB Updates”
SESSION 2: Breeding Innovation | Chair: Aaron Lorenz, University of Minnesota

3:20 pm  Diego Jarquin, Assistant Professor, Univ. of Florida, “Sparse testing designs at the industrial level: An application in soybeans”

3:50 pm  Lucia Gutierez, Associate Professor, Univ. of Wisconsin, “Optimizing resources for genotypic evaluation: Sparse testing for genotype-by-environment interaction modeling”

4:20 pm  Scott Jackson, North America Varietal Breeding Lead, Bayer Crop Science, “Genomics and breeding at scale”

4:50 pm  Housekeeping announcements

5:00-6:30 pm  Graduate Student and Postdoc Professional Development Event

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SESSION 3: Updates in Soybean Entomology | Chair: Robert Koch, Univ. of Minnesota

8:00 am  Robert Koch, Professor, Univ. of Minnesota, Introduction

8:05 am  Justin McMechan, Assistant Professor, Univ. of Nebraska, “Soybean gall midge: Understanding a new and emerging pest of soybean in the Midwest”

8:30 am  Robert Koch, Professor, Univ. of Minnesota, “Biology and management of the soybean tentiform leafminer, a new pest of soybean”

8:55 am  Jeff Davis, Professor, Louisiana State University, “Biology and management of stink bugs in soybean”
9:20 am  Silvana Paula-Moraes, Associate Professor, Univ. of Florida, “Biology and management of caterpillar pests of soybean”

9:45 am  Coffee Break-Foyer

10:10 am  Maria Cramer, Graduate Research Assistant, Univ. of Maryland, “Slugs as pests and prey: Growing practices that impact slugs in soybeans”

10:35 am  Raul Villanueva, Assistant Professor, Univ. of Kentucky, “Comprehensive review of the management of Dectes texanus in soybeans”

11:00 am  Ivair Valmorbida, Assistant Professor, Univ. of Missouri, “Soybean aphid management: Is it becoming more complicated?”

11:25 am  Lunch, On your own

SESSION 4: Genetics of host plant resistance | Chair: Jaimie O’Rourke, USDA-ARS (Iowa State)

1:00 pm  Wayne Parrot, Professor, Univ. of Georgia, “Identifying resistance QTL”

1:25 pm  Dave Hyten, Associate Professor, Univ. of Nebraska, “Stemborer resistance”

1:50 pm  Jeff Davis, Professor, Louisiana State University, “Host Plant Resistance to a Complex of Stink Bugs: Protecting Yield and Quality in Southern Soybean”

2:15 pm  Gustavo MacIntosh, Professor, Iowa State University, “Understanding the molecular mechanisms of plant defense suppression deployed by soybean aphids”

2:40 pm  Coffee Break-Foyer

SESSION 5: Breeding for host plant resistance | Chair: Ben Fallen, USDA-ARS (NC State)

3:05 pm  George Graef, Professor, Univ. of Nebraska, “Genetics of soybean host plant reaction to soybean gall midge infestation”
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SESSION 6: Reports and Announcements | Chair: Aaron Lorenz, University of Minnesota

8:00 am  Cleiton Wartha, Corteva, Announcement of poster winners
8:10 am  Jamie O’Rourke, USDA-ARS, Soybean Genomics Executive Committee Report
8:25 am  Elroy Cober, AAFC, Soybean Genetics Committee Report and SoyBase.org update
8:40 am  Ben Fallen, USDA-ARS, Soybean Germplasm Committee Report
8:55 am  From the floor: Recognitions, retirements, and announcements

SESSION 7: Lightning presentations | Chair: Aaron Lorenz, University of Minnesota

9:00 am  Volunteered presentations
10:00 am  Light Coffee Break-Foyer

SESSION 8: Highlights from Seed Industry | Chair: Brittney Jones, Bayer Crop Science

10:15 am  Speaker TBD
10:40 am  Speaker TBD  
11:05 am  Speaker TBD  
11:30 am  Adjourn  

**Special Meetings**

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