



# MARCH 2019 PLP BULLETIN

## **March Seminars**

**\*\* All held in 2318 Fifield Hall at 4:05 p.m. \*\***

- March 5      **NO SEMINAR – SPRING BREAK**
- March 12     **Michelle Justino, *Plant Pathology, University of Florida***  
Heart rot hotel 2: the next generation of tree cavities and fungi
- March 19     **Liliana Cano, *IRREC, University of Florida***  
Transcriptome analysis of *Phytophthora parasitica* during infection in *Nicotiana benthamiana*
- March 26     **Jonathan Jacobs, *Plant Pathology, Ohio State University***  
Host tissue adaptation in plant pathogenic *Xanthomonas* species
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**Our annual graduate student recruitment event part two will be on March 1.**

**The department hosted five prospective Plant Pathology graduate students for interviews and other activities. We will have a small continuation for two additional prospects on March 1.**

**Thank you for your participation.**





## **Recognition and Announcements**

Congratulations to Grace Cook and Alexi Dong who were awarded First Place for their poster at the iPMx5 Conference in Raleigh, N.C. on Feb 5-6. The title of their poster is “A Survey of Florida’s Stakeholder Engagement: Understanding Their Willingness to Share Information”. Grace and Alexi are undergraduate interns with the iPIPE project and Dr. Nick Dufault.

Congratulations to Kelsey Anderson for winning an award two years in a row at the Graduate Student Research Competition held during the 2019 Southern Division-APS meetings. This year marked the 96<sup>th</sup> Southern Division Meeting which was held in Gainesville this year. Kelsey won Third Place for her presentation about analysis of cassava mosaic disease risk in SE Asia, with CIAT and IITA.

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**See link below to find out more on how Automated System Would Deliver Chemicals to Help Ward off Citrus Greening by Brad Buck**

<https://blogs.ifas.ufl.edu/news/2019/02/12/automated-system-would-deliver-chemicals-to-help-ward-off-citrus-greening/>

**See link below to find out more on Florida Hop Trials – Keeping Ahead of Pests and Diseases by Dr. Gary Vallad**

<http://vscnews.com/florida-hop-trials-keeping-ahead-of-pests-and-diseases/>

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For all UF personnel (including paid students), please remember that upon termination from UF, an HR Exit Checklist must be completed and given to Treva Damron or Karri Bishop for our files. For your convenience, there is a supply of these forms on the bulletin board in the downstairs copy room and attached. As always, please work with the IFAS Shared Services Center for all HR related actions.



HR Exit  
Checklist.pdf



## **Positions in Plant Pathology**

Current job listings can now be found via the JOBS button on the front page of our website.

<http://plantpath.ifas.ufl.edu/job-postings>

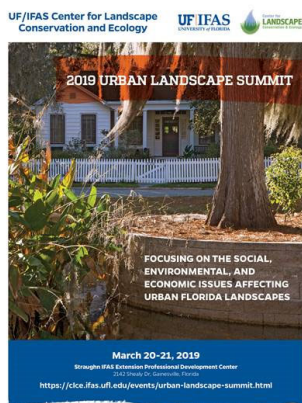
**Recent listings below -**

**Sakata Seed America, Inc. is seeking a Pathology Technologist located in Ft. Myers, FL.** Additional information is available at this website: <https://sakatavegetables.com/careers/pathology-technologist/>

## Dates to remember



March 1	Additional Day for Graduate Recruitment
March 4-8	UF Spring Break ☀️
March 9-10	Marion County - Master Gardeners' Spring Festival – Southeastern Livestock Pavilion
<b>March 15 Date Change</b>	Coffee Break ☕ Hosted by the lab groups of <b>Jones, Smith &amp; Gabriel</b>
March 17	St. Patrick's Day 🍀
March 20-21	2019 Urban Landscape Summit
March 24-27	International Forage & Turf Breeding Conference – Lake Buena Vista, FL
April 18	CALS Scholarship & Leadership Awards Banquet
April 12	Coffee Break ☕ Hosted by <b>Environmental Horticulture Dept.</b>
May 8-10	HOLD the DATE: Florida Phytopathological Society 16 <sup>th</sup> Biennial Meeting



MARCH 20-21

2019 URBAN LANDSCAPE SUMMIT

Registration Cost \$65

- UF Faculty should register through PDEC with IST#31626
- EventBrite registration link <https://2019landscapesummit.eventbrite.com>

Agenda information can be found at <https://clce.ifas.ufl.edu/events/urban-landscape-summit.html>.



## Greenhouse Reminders

For all new personnel and annually for all others, the Worker Protection Standard (WPS) video **must be** viewed **BEFORE** gaining access to any greenhouse. **Please contact Mike Stilwell if you are uncertain of when your renewal is due.**



Wednesdays are “**Spray Days**”. If special arrangements are needed, you must send your request via e-mail to [mstilwel@ufl.edu](mailto:mstilwel@ufl.edu) by 4:30 p.m. Tuesday.

## **Biohazard Waste – Environmental Health & Safety (EH&S) Protocol**



- **Waste Containers**
  - Located in 1311F near loading dock
  - Available after 1pm on Wednesdays
  - Removed at 9am **sharp** on Fridays
  - DO NOT leave bags on the floor. This will result in citation from EH & S
- **Autoclave Bags – please follow ALL steps below**
  - Use only autoclave bags that are rated for at least 132\* Celsius for plant material and soil
  - DO NOT overfill
  - Please secure bag with the twist ties provided, DO NOT use autoclave tape to secure bag or tie in knots!
  - Please place a piece of 3-4 inch autoclave tape on a flat surface of the bag in a place that is easy to see
  - DO NOT include items that will puncture bags
  - Use a permanent marker to identify each bag with name of principal investigator and lab room number

**If you have questions, or need assistance, call Mike Stilwell at (352) 392-4478.**