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Awards Program

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Northeastern Weed Science Society

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NEWSS Awards Committee

Randall Probstak (chair), Shawn Askew, Rakesh Chandran, Greg Armel, Dwight Lingenfelter

Awards of the Northeastern Weed Science Society

The **Fellow Award** (formerly Distinguished Member Award) is one of the highest honors the Society presents. The purpose of this award is to recognize those members, at any point in their tenure, who have made significant contributions to the NEWSS. Criteria for eligibility are simple: the recipient must have been a member of the NEWSS and have made significant contributions to the NEWSS and to Weed Science in the Northeast.

The **Award of Merit** recognizes career contributions to the NEWSS and weed management in the Northeast. Qualifications for the Award of Merit include: at least five years of participation at the annual meeting, service to the NEWSS on the executive committee or as a section chair, and presentation and authorship of papers at the annual meetings. The Award of Merit is normally awarded at or near an individual's retirement.

The **Outstanding Educator Award** was established to recognize outstanding contributions to outreach education or resident instruction in Weed Science and weed management. Accomplishments that may be considered include (but are not limited to) excellence in Cooperative Extension education, resident instruction, or other educational programs; or the development of novel and effective educational resources in Weed Science.

The **Outstanding Researcher Award** was established to recognize NEWSS members for their outstanding research contributions, in the public or private sector, that have had (or have the potential to have) a significant impact on weed management practices in the Northeast.

The **Robert D. Sweet - Outstanding Graduate Student Awards** were established to recognize outstanding NEWSS students at the M.S. and Ph.D. levels for their work and contributions to the field of weed science in research, teaching, extension, and to the society.

The **M. Garry Schnappinger - Service Recognition Award** was established to recognize outstanding service, above and beyond the call of duty, from someone who works in the area of weed science under the direction of university, federal, industry or private sector scientists. The nominee must demonstrate significant contributions to the field of weed science and/or to NEWSS. "Special Recognition Award" can be presented to service personnel who are not members of NEWSS but support members of NEWSS.

NEWSS Executive Committee & Board 2017

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NEWSS Fellow Award

Antonio (Toni) DiTommaso



Antonio (Toni) DiTommaso is a Professor of Weed Science and Chair in the section of Soil and Crop Sciences in the School of Integrative Plant Science at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, USA. Dr. DiTommaso received his B.S. in Environmental Sciences (1986) and Ph.D. in Weed Ecology (1995) from McGill University in Montréal, Canada, and M.S. in Plant Ecology (1989) from Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario, Canada. He joined Cornell as an Assistant Professor in 1999.

DiTommaso's primary areas of scholarship have focused on the effects of biotic (e.g. plant competition; selective disease and insect/vertebrate predation) and abiotic factors (e.g. tillage, light, fertility, salinity) on the seed biology, growth and reproduction of important agricultural weeds (including velvetleaf, pigweeds, common ragweed) and introduced invasive plant species (e.g. swallowworts (*Vincetoxicum* spp.), spotted and meadow knapweeds) of natural and semi-natural areas in the northeastern U.S. and southern Canada.

DiTommaso has published over 110 peer-reviewed scientific articles and 10 book chapters. He served as an Associate Editor of *Weed Technology* from 2007-2013 and *Invasive Plant Science and Management (IPSM)* from 2013-2015. DiTommaso has been Editor of *IPSM* since 2015. He has served as Major Professor for 14 PhD and MS graduate students and has been a Minor Research Committee Member for 35 graduate students. In 2018, DiTommaso received the Outstanding Researcher Award from the Northeastern Weed Science Society for his research contributions to the advancement of the weed science discipline.

In 18 years at Cornell, more than 1,200 undergraduate and 65 graduate students have enrolled in Dr. DiTommaso's weed science and integrated pest management courses. He advises more than 30 undergraduate students per year in four different majors. He has received numerous teaching and advising awards including the Outstanding Educator Award from the Northeastern Weed Science Society (NEWSS) in 2005, Outstanding Teacher Award from the Weed Science Society of America (WSSA) in 2008, and Crop Science Society of America Teaching Award in 2015.

DiTommaso has been active within both NEWSS and the WSSA serving as President of the Northeastern Weed Science Society in 2012-13 and NEWSS representative on the WSSA Board of Directors from 2006-2009.

Award of Merit

Matthew J. Mahoney



Education:

- MS Plant Pathology University of Massachusetts 1979
- PhD Plant Pathology Virginia Tech 1982

Professional History:

- Chevron Chemical Co., Gilberts, IL 1983-1986. Field Research
- Hoechst Roussel Agri Vet, Oxford MD 1983-1994. Technical Service
- FMC Corporation, Oxford, MD, 1994-2000. Technical Service
- Bayer Corp, Oxford, MD 2000-Present. Field Development/Technical Service
- Thirty one years covering all aspects of herbicide, fungicide and insecticide development/technical support in the Northeastern US. Working on corn, soybeans, wheat, vegetables, potatoes, cranberries, blueberries, tree fruit, turf and ornamentals.

Outstanding Researcher Award

Michael Flessner



Dr. Michael Flessner is currently an assistant professor and extension weed science specialist in the School of Plant and Environmental Sciences at Virginia Tech. He grew up in Chattanooga, Tennessee and graduated from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. He obtained both his masters and doctoral degrees from Auburn University where he also served as research associated under the direction of Dr. Scott McElroy.

Michael has research and extension responsibilities for weed management in corn, soybeans, small grains, and other crops as well as pastures and forages. His research efforts focus on herbicide effectiveness, crop safety, and herbicide resistance. Additional research efforts include optimization of integrated weed management techniques for effectiveness, adoptability, and profitability with a current emphasis on high residue cover crops and harvest weed seed control. To date, Michael is an author of 28 peer-reviewed publications in scientific journals, over 115 abstracts presented at professional meetings, and 9 extension publications. He has collaborated in the region since 2014 to bring in \$4.4 million in funding, including over \$1 million to his program. Michael's extension activities involve over 30 presentations per year, training county agents, farmers, and agricultural professionals throughout Virginia and at times in neighboring states. Michael has advised or co-advised 5 graduate students and currently chairs or serves on 6 student committees. His students have won numerous scholarships and awards, notably enjoying success in the Society's annual weed contest. Michael is also actively engaged in regional weed science societies and the Weed Science Society of America, including service on committees, section chairperson or moderator, and current Editor for NEWSS.

Michael resides in Blacksburg, Virginia with his wife Chelsea Flessner and their two children, Davidson and Everett.

Outstanding Educator Award

HILARY A. SANDLER



Hilary Sandler started her career at the UMass-Amherst Cranberry Station, East Wareham, as an Extension Educator in 1990, with a focus on IPM and plant pathology. After a few years, she ‘saw the light’ and turned her attention to Weed Science. She is currently an Extension Associate Professor in the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at UMass-Amherst, State Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Coordinator for Massachusetts, and the Director of the UMass Cranberry Station. Her educational efforts are primarily directed to cranberry growers, but she is regularly invited to share her extension and research experiences with weed

management to growers of other crops (e.g., grapes, blueberry); she is also a guest lecturer for UMass Stockbridge School sustainable agriculture and small fruit production undergraduate classes.

Hilary began her tenure in NEWSS in 1996 and was elected as an officer and served as NEWSS President in 2010-2011. With a strong belief that the future of NEWSS lies with young students and upcoming scientists, Hilary is committed, along with other Past Presidents, to the NEWSS Foundation. Hilary has represented NEWSS as Secretary of the Weed Science Society of America and currently serves as a member of the WSSA Publications Board. She is an Associate Editor of Weed Science and served on the WSSA Strategic Planning, Outstanding Graduate Student Award, Nominating, and Science Policy Committees. Hilary is current the NEWSS representative for Council for Agricultural Science and Technology (CAST). Hilary has published over 40 peer-reviewed articles and more than 80 abstracts on cranberries, citrus, and grapes; she recently translated and edited a 293-page identification guide for weeds in cranberry. Hilary received her PhD in Plant and Soil Sciences from UMass-Amherst in 2004, her MS in Plant Pathology from the University of Delaware in 1983, and her BA in Biology and Environmental Science from the University of Pennsylvania in 1981. Hilary has a special fondness for rescuing racing greyhounds and has thus far shared her Cape Cod home with 6 lucky dogs (not all at one time!!) and enjoys “teaching” them how to enjoy their new post-retirement life.

Robert D. Sweet Outstanding Ph.D. Student Award

Shawn C. Beam



Shawn Beam grew up in Concord, North Carolina. His first introduction to agriculture was working in the family garden in the summers with his great grandfather. Throughout high school and college, he worked on a small vegetable production farm learning more about production agriculture and the basics of weed science. He received his B.S. in Horticulture from N.C. State University in 2014. Shawn completed his M.S. in Horticulture with a focus in vegetable weed management in 2016 at N.C. State University. After completing his M.S., he decided to move away from vegetable crops and work with agronomic crops at Virginia Tech. Shawn is a Ph.D. candidate under the advisement of Dr. Michael Flessner. His dissertation research revolves around integrated weed management techniques in Virginia cropping systems. During his time at Virginia Tech, Shawn has competed at the NEWSS student weed contest and the SWSS student weed contest multiple

times. He was a member of the 1st place team and placed 3rd and 1st individually at the NEWSS contest in 2017 and 2018, respectively. Shawn was also a member of the 2nd, 1st, and 2nd place team at the SWSS contest and placed 8th, 4th, and 2nd individually in 2016, 2017, and 2018, respectively. Shawn has been recognized for his academic and extracurricular achievements with awards such as placing 3rd in the Ph.D. student oral contest at the 2017 WSSA meeting, Virginia Crop Production Association graduate scholarship in 2017, and the SWSS endowment enrichment scholarship in 2017. In his free time, Shawn likes to spend time with family and friends, hunt, and enjoy being outdoors.

Robert D. Sweet Outstanding M.S. Student Award

Kara B. Pittman



Kara Pittman is originally from Pine Level, North Carolina and completed her B.S. in Horticultural Sciences from NC State University in 2015. Her interest in weed science developed after internships at a pick-your-own fruit and vegetable farm and with Bayer CropScience where she was first exposed to research trials. After graduating, she began a M.S. in Weed Science at Virginia Tech. Her projects revolved around utilizing cover crops for weed management in corn and soybean systems with a focus on cover crop selection to suppress horseweed, the role of cover crop components on weed suppression, and management strategies to reduce the weediness of hairy vetch. During graduate school, she also served as the diagnostician for the Virginia Weed Identification Clinic. Kara has been involved with the NEWSS, SWSS, and

WSSA, where she has presented at meetings, competed in weed contests, and served as WSSA GSO Secretary. Currently, Kara is a Research Associate at Virginia Tech in the row crop and forage weed management program. Her responsibilities include writing journal articles, creating extension materials, giving extension presentations, and managing the greenhouse facilities. Even more recently, she has begun work with a USDA area-wide project to increase awareness and adoption of integrated weed management.

M. Garry Schnappinger Service Recognition Award

Erin M. Hitchner



Dr. Erin Hitchner is a Research and Development Scientist for Syngenta serving the Mid-Atlantic region. Her research focuses on developing novel insecticides, herbicides, fungicides as well as traits across agronomic, fruit and vegetable crops. Additionally, she coordinates research trials with University cooperators throughout the Mid-Atlantic Region.

Erin's interest in agriculture and entomology began at an early age while exploring the vegetable farm she grew up on in New Jersey. She attended Rutgers University where she studied Biology with a concentration in Entomology, receiving her B.A. in 1999. Following graduation she began her career as an IR-4 Field Director with the IR-4 Program, stationed at the Rutgers Agricultural Research and Development Center in Bridgeton, NJ. She eventually returned to college in pursuit of her PhD in entomology studying under Dr. Thomas Kuhar at Virginia Tech. Her research focused on investigating the integrated pest management of Colorado potato beetle (*Leptinotarsa decemlineata*) utilizing host plant preference, development of semiochemical-based strategies as well as a novel insecticide.

Erin began her career with Syngenta in 2008, and was privileged to have Garry Schnappinger serve as her mentor. Garry introduced Erin to the Northeastern Weed Science Society and the Weed Contest and she has been actively involved in the organization since that time. Erin has served as the NEWSS Treasurer and assisted with the establishment of the Endowment Fund.

Erin was the recipient of the Virginia Tech College of Agriculture and Life Sciences 2009 Outstanding Recent Alumni Award. Erin and her husband reside in New Jersey with their three daughters.

2018 NEWSS Collegiate Weed Science Contest

2018 NEWSS Weed Contest was hosted by BASF held at the Pine Level Research Station

The 2018 NEWSS Weed Contest was hosted by BASF and held at the Pine Level Research Station outside of Smithfield, NC on Tuesday, July 24, 2018. Caren Schmidt from BASF organized the event and with help from many others provided an amazing weed contest

Graduate Team	
First Place	Virginia Tech Grad Team 1 Shawn Beam, Jordan Craft, Lucas Rector, Wykle Greene
Second Place	Guelph Grad Team 1 Lauren Benoit, Andrea Smith, Brendan Metzger, Todd Frey
Third Place	Virginia Tech Grad Team 3 Harrison Ferebee, Hunter Blake Eric Scruggs
Undergraduate Team	
First Place	Guelph Undergrad Team 2 Christena Jenkins-Giffen, Bernard Wierenga, William Kell, Amy Rodenburg
Second Place	Guelph Undergrad Team 1 Luke Hannam, Alan Abdulkader, Allison Bailey, Mackenzie Mahon
Third Place	Guelph Undergrad Team 3 Bryce Ribey, Thomas Bowman, John Flutters, Kyle Rutherford
Graduate Individual	1) Shawn Beam (VA Tech), 2) Lucas Rector (VA Tech), 3) Jordan Craft (VA Tech)
Undergraduate Individual	1) 1 Allison Bailey (Guelph), 2) Aleah Butler-Jones (Cornell), 3) Jonathan Berlinger (Cornell)

NEWSS PAST PRESIDENTS

Gilbert H. Ahlgren 1947-49	Edward R. Higgins 1986-87
Robert D. Sweet 1949-50	Maxwell L. McCormack 1987-88
Howard L. Yowell 1950-51	Roy R. Johnson 1988-89
Stephen M. Raleigh 1951-52	Stanley F. Gorski 1989-90
Charles E. Minarik 1952-53	John B. Dobson 1990-91
Robert H. Beatty 1953-54	Prasanta C. Bhowmik 1991-92
Albin O. Kuhn 1954-55	Stanley W. Pruss 1992-93
John Van Geluwe 1955-56	Ronald L. Ritter 1993-94
L. Danielson 1956-57	Wayne G. Wright 1994-95
Charles L. Hovey 1957-58	Bradley A. Majek 1995-96
Stanford N. Fertig 1958-59	Thomas E. Vrabel 1996-97
Gordon Utter 1959-60	Joseph C. Neal 1997-98
E. M. Rahn 1960-61	David B. Vitolo 1998-99
Lawrence Southwick 1961-62	A. Richard Bonanno 1999-00
Donald A. Shallock 1962-63	Brian D. Olson 2000-01
Anthony J. Tafuro 1963-64	Jeffrey F. Derr 2001-02
Robert A. Peters 1964-65	David J. Mayonado 2002-03
Gideon D. Hill 1965-66	D. Scott Glenn 2003-04
Richard D. Inicki 1966-67	Robin R. Bellinder 2004-05
John E. Gallagher 1967-68	Timothy E. Dutt 2005-06
John A. Meade 1968-69	William S. Curran 2006-07
Homer M. Lebaron 1969-70	Renee Keese 2007-08
John F. Ahrens 1970-71	Jerry Baron 2008-09
George H. Bayer 1971-72	David Yarborough 2009-10
Arthur Bing 1972-73	Hilary Sandler 2010-11
Ralph Hansen 1973-74	Mark VanGessel 2011-12
Walter A. Gentner 1974-75	Antonio DiTommaso 2012-13
Henry P. Wilson 1975-76	Dwight D. Lingenfelter 2013-14
Richard J. Marrese 1976-77	Greg Arnel 2014-15
C. Edward Beste 1977-78	Rakesh Chandran 2015-16
James D. Riggleman 1978-79	Shawn D. Askew 2016-2017
James V. Parochetti 1979-80	Randall G. Prostack 2017-2018
M. Garry Schnappinger 1980-81	Carroll Moseley 2018-2019
Raymond B. Taylorson 1981-82	
Stephan Dennis 1982-83	
Thomas L. Watschke 1983-84	
James C. Graham 1984-85	
Russell R. Hahn 1985-86	

AWARD OF MERIT

1971	Gilbert H. Ahlgren	Rutgers University
	Homer Neville	L.I. Ag. & Tech, Farmingdale, NY
	Claude E. Phillips	University of Delaware
	M. S. Pridham	Cornell University
	Stephen A. Raleigh	Penn State University
1972	Robert Bell	University of Rhode Island
	Stuart Dunn	University of New Hampshire
	Alfred Fletcher	NJ State Dept. of Health
	Frank N. Hewetson	Penn Fruit Res. Lab.

	Madelene E. Pierce	Vassar College
	Collins Veatch	West Virginia University
	Howard L. Yowell	Esso Research Lab.
1973	Moody F. Trevett	University of Maine
1974	Robert H. Beatty	Amchem Products, Inc.
1975	Arthur Hawkins	University of Connecticut
	Philip Gorlin	NY City Environ. Cont.
	Herb Pass	CIBA-GEIGY Corp.
	Robert D. Sweet	Cornell University
1976	C. E. Langer	University of New Hampshire
	Charles E. Minarik	US Dept. of Agriculture-ARS
	Herb Pass	CIBA-GEIGY Corp.
1977	L. L. Danielson	US Dept. of Agriculture-ARS
	Madelene E. Pierce	Vassar College
	Lawrence Southwick	Dow Chemical Company
	John Stennis	US Bureau of Fish & Wildlife
1978	None Awarded	
1979	Carl M. Monroe	Shell Chemical Company
	Charles Joseph Noll	Penn State University
	Jonas Vengris	University of Massachusetts
1980	Otis F. Curtis, Jr.	NY Agricultural Experiment Sta.
	Theodore R. Flanagan	University of Vermont
	Oscar E. Shubert	Virginia University
1981	Dayton L. Klingman	US Dept. of Agriculture-ARS
	Hugh J. Murphy	University of Maine
	John Van Geluwe	CIBA-GEIGY Corp.
1982	Robert D. Shipman	Penn State University
1983	Arthur Bing	Cornell University
	William E. Chappel	Virginia Tech
	Barbara H. Emerson	Union Carbide Agricultural Prod.
1984	William H. Mitchell	University of Delaware
	Roger S. Young	West Virginia University
1985	John A. Jagschitz	University of Rhode Island
1986	John R. Havis	University of Massachusetts
1987	None Awarded	
1988	J. Lincoln Pearson	University of Rhode Island
1989	Robert A. Peter	University of Connecticut
1990	Bryant L. Walworth	American Cyanamid Co.
1991	Don Warholic	Cornell University
1992	Robert Duel	Rutgers University
	Richard Innicki	Rutgers University
	William V. Welker	USDA/ARS
1993	None Awarded	
1994	John F. Ahrens	CT Agricultural Experiment Sta.
	John B. Dobson	American Cyanamid
	J. Ray Frank	USDA-ARS/IR-4
1995	Francis J. Webb	University of Delaware
1996	Robert M. Devlin	University of Massachusetts
	Wilber F. Evans	Rhone-Poulenc Ag. Co.
	Raymond B. Taylorson	University of Rhode Island

	S. Wayne Bingham	Virginia Tech
1997	Jean P. Cartier	Rhone-Poulenc Ag. Co.
1998	Stan Pruss	Novartis Crop Protection
	Max McCormack, Jr.	University of Maine
1999	None awarded	
2000	Richard J. Marrese	Hoechst-NorAm
2001	Nathan L. Hartwig	Penn State University
	Edward R. Higgins	Novartis Crop
2002	Garry Schnappinger	Syngenta Crop Protection
2003	None Awarded	
2004	C. Edward Beste	University of Maryland-Emeritus
	James C. Graham	Monsanto (retired)
2005	Thomas L. Watschke	Penn State University
2006	Steve Dennis	Syngenta Crop Protection
2007	None awarded	
2008	Domingo Riego	Monsanto
2009	None awarded	
2010	Betty Marose	Marose Ag. Consulting
2011	Scott Hagood	Virginia Tech
2012	Ronald Ritter	University of Maryland
2013	Henry Wilson	Virginia Tech
2014	Russ Hahn	Cornell University
2015	Bradley A. Majek	Rutgers University
2016	Donald Ganske	DuPont
	James Parochetti	USDA-CSREES
	Kathie Kalmowitz	BASF Corporation
2017	Robin Bellinder	University of Massachusetts (posthumous)
	Greg Armel	BASF Corporation
2018	Renee Keese	BASF Corporation
2019	Matthew J. Mahoney	Bayer Corp

NEWS FELLOW

1979	George H. Bayer	Agway, Inc.
	Robert A. Peters	University of Connecticut
	Robert D. Sweet	Cornell University
1980	John F. Ahrens	CT Agricultural Experiment Sta.
	John E. Gallagher	Union Carbide Agric. Prod.
	Richard Ilnicki	Rutgers University
1981	Robert H. Beatty	Amchem Products, Inc.
	Arthur Bing	Cornell University
	John A. Meade	Rutgers University
1982	Walter A. Gentner	US Dept. of Agriculture-ARS
	Hugh J. Murphy	University of Maine
1983	L. L. Danielson	US Dept. of Agriculture-ARS
1984	Barbara H. Emerson	Union Carbide Agric. Prod.
	Henry P. Wilson	Virginia Tech
1985	None Awarded	
1986	Chiko Haramaki	Penn State University
	Dean L. Linscott	USDA-ARS/Cornell University
1987	Gideon D. Hill	E. I. DuPont DE Nemours

	Williams V. Welker	US Dept. of Agric-ARS
1988	Wendell R. Mullison	Dow Chemical
	James V. Parochetti	US Dept. of Agriculture-CSRS
1989	None Awarded	
1990	Robert M. Devlin	University of Massachusetts
1991	John (Jack) B. Dobson	American Cyanamid
	Robert D. Shipman	Penn State University
1992	Gary Schnappinger	Ciba-Geigy Corp.
1993	Steve Dennis	Zeneca Ag. Products
	James Graham	Monsanto Ag. Co.
1994	Russell Hahn	Cornell University
	Maxwell McCormick	University of Maine
1995	Richard Ashly	University of Connecticut
	Richard Marrese	Hoechst-NorAm
1996	Roy R. Johnson	Waldrum Specialist Inc.
	Edward R. Higgins	Ciba Crop Protection
1997	Raymond B. Taylorson	USDA-ARS
	Wayne G. Wright	DowElanco
	Stanley F. Gorski	Ohio State University
1998	Prasanta Bhowmik	University of Massachusetts
1999	C. Edward Beste	University of Maryland
2000	J. Ray Frank	IR-4 Project
	Stanley W. Pruss	Ciba Crop Protection
2001	Ronald L. Ritter	University of Maryland
2002	Bradley A. Majek	Rutgers University
	Thomas L. Watschke	Penn State University
2003	Nathan L. Hartwig	Penn State University
2004	C. Benjamin Coffman	USDA
	Joseph C. Neal	North Carolina State University
2005	David Vitolo	Syngenta Crop Protection
2006	A. Richard Bonnano	University of Massachusetts
	Thomas Vrabel	Eco Soil Systems, Central H.S.
2007	Larry Kuhns	Penn State University
	Brian Olsen	Dow Agrosiences
2008	Jeff Derr	Virginia Tech
2009	David Mayonado	Monsanto Co.
	Andrew Senesac	Cornell University
2010	Scott Glenn	University of Maryland
2011	Robin Bellinder	Cornell University
2012	Timothy Dutt	LABServices
2013	William Curran	Penn State University
2014	Renee Keese	BASF Corporation
2015	Jerry J. Baron	IR 4 Project
	James E. Steffel	LABServices, Inc
2016	David Yarborough	University of Maine
2017	Hillary Sandler	University of Massachusetts
2018	Mark VanGessel	University of Delaware
2019	Antonio DiTommaso	Cornell

OUTSTANDING RESEARCHER AWARD

1999	Garry Schnappinger	Novartis Crop Protection
2000	Prasanta C. Bhowmik	University of Massachusetts
2001	Robin Bellinder	Cornell University
2002	Jerry J. Baron	IR-4 Project, Rutgers University
2003	Arthur E. Gover	Penn State University
2004	Mark J. VanGessel	University of Delaware
2005	Bradley A. Majek	Rutgers University
2006	Grant Jordan	ACDS Research
2007	Peter Dernoeden	University of Maryland
2008	Shawn Askew	Virginia Tech
2009	Joseph Neal	North Carolina State University
2010	Todd Mervosh	Connecticut Ag Experiments Station
2011	Robert Richardson	North Carolina State University
2012	None awarded	
2013	James Brosnan	University of Tennessee
	Richard Stalter	St. John's University
2014	Chuck Moehler	Cornell University
2015	Jacob Barney	Virginia Tech
2016	Stephen Mirsky	USDA-ARS
2017	Wesley Everman	North Carolina State University
2018	Antonio DiTommaso	Cornell University
2019	Michael Flessner	Virginia Tech

SERVICE RECOGNITION AWARD

2009	Thomas Hines	Virginia Tech
2010	Irene Tsontakis-Bradley	Cornell University
2011	Greg Breeden	University of Tennessee
	Robert Dickerson	Penn State University
2012	Sherilynn Novak	IR-4 Project

M. GARRY SCHNAPPINGER SERVICE RECOGNITION AWARD

2013	Quintin Johnson	University of Delaware
2014	Barb Scott	University of Delaware
2015	Todd Davis	Delaware Dept. of Agriculture
2016	Kevin Ashley	
2017	None awarded	
2018	Jose Vargas	University of Tennessee
2019	Erin Hitcher	Syngenta

OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR AWARD

1999	Douglas Goodale	SUNY Cobleskill
2000	Thomas L. Watschke	Penn State University
2001	C. Edward Beste	University of Maryland
2002	E. Scott Hagood	Virginia Tech University
2003	Andrew F. Senesac	Cornell University
2004	William S. Curran	Pennsylvania State University
2005	Antonio DiTommaso	Cornell University
2006	Russell Hahn	Cornell University
2007	Prasanta Bhowmik	University of Massachusetts
2008	Mike Fidanza	Penn State University
2009	Scott Glenn	University of Maryland
2010	Dwight Lingenfelter	Penn State University
2011	None awarded	
2012	None awarded	
2013	Randy Prostack	University of Massachusetts
2014	Dave Mortensen	Pennsylvania State University
2015	Mark Vangessel	University of Delaware
2016	Shawn Askew	Virginia Tech
2017	James Brosnan	University of Tennessee
2018	Rob Richardson	North Carolina State University
2019	Hilary Sandler	University of Massachusetts

DR. ROBERT D. SWEET OUTSTANDING GRADUATE STUDENT

2009	Jacob Barney (PhD)	Cornell University
2010	Matt Ryan (PhD)	Penn State University
	Katherine Ghantous (MS)	University of Massachusetts
2011	Kristine Averill (MS)	Cornell University
2012	Matthew Cutulle (PhD)	Virginia Tech
	Jose Vargas (MS)	University of Tennessee
2013	Angela Post (PhD)	Virginia Tech
2014	Katherine Ghantous (PhD)	University of Massachusetts
2015	Larissa Smith (PhD)	Virginia Tech
2016	Dan Takiela (PhD)	Virginia Tech
	Clair Keene (PhD)	Pennsylvania State University
2017	Kate Venner (PhD)	Virginia Tech
	Jeffery Leibert (MS)	Cornell University
2018	Sandeep Rana (PhD)	Virginia Tech
2019	Shawn C. Beam (PhD)	Virginia Tech
	Kara B. Pittman (MS)	Virginia Tech