

2016 International Spinach Conference
November 30 and December 1, 2016
San Antonio, Texas

PROGRAM

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- 7:00 – 8:00 am Registration (time??)
- 8:30 – 8:40 am Welcome – Ed Ritchie, President of the Texas Wintergarden Spinach Producers Board, Grower and Shipper of fresh market spinach, La Pryor, TX.
- 8:40 – 9:00 am Demarcation and History of Vegetables and Spinach in the Texas Wintergarden – David Rodriguez, Bexar CEA – Horticulture, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, San Antonio, TX.
- 9:00 – 9:20 am Transformation of the Texas Spinach Industry – Larry Stein, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Uvalde, TX.
- 9:20 – 9:40 am The Economic Evolution of the Spinach Industry in Texas – Rob Hogan, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Uvalde, TX.
- 9:40 – 10:00 am Texas Wintergarden Spinach Producer’s Board And Current Shippers And Buyers In The Area – Kenneth White, Executive Secretary and retired Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
- 10:00 – 10:20 am Break
- 10:20 – 10:40 am Del Monte Spinach In The Wintergarden: Past, Present, Future – Allen Mize, Director Agriculture and Technical Services at Del Monte Foods, Rochelle, Illinois.
- 10:40 – 11:00 am The History And Significance Of The Popeye Statue To The Texas Spinach Industry – Samantha Korzekwa, Uvalde CEA – Agriculture, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Uvalde, TX.
- 11:00 – 11:20 am Food Safety For The Spinach Industry – A Proactive Approach – Marcel Valdez, Zavala CEA – Agriculture, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Crystal City, TX.
- 11:20 – 12:00 pm Molecular Breeding in Spinach – Ainong Shi, Beiquan Mou, Jim Correll, Dennis Motes, Chunda Feng, Jianbing Ma, Yuejin Weng, Jun Qin, Wei Yang, Gehendra Bhattarai, Waltram Ravelombola, Jessica Chitwood, Haizheng Xiong and Weiguo Lu, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR.

12:00 – 1:00 pm Lunch

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- 1:00-1:20 pm Challenges of Controlling Weeds – Russ Wallace, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Lubbock, TX.
- 1:20 – 1:40 pm Spinach Disease Challenges Of the Texas Winter Garden – Kimberley Cochran, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Uvalde, TX.
- 1:40-2:00 pm Race Diversity Of The Spinach Downy Mildew Pathogen – J.C. Correll, C. Feng, A. Shi, and K. H. Lamour, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR & University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN.
- 2:00 – 2:20 pm Marker Development For Resistance Genes To The Downy Mildew Pathogen Of Spinach – Chunda Feng and J. C. Correll, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR.
- 2:20 – 2:40 pm The Effect Of Fungicide Seed Treatments On Downy Mildew Of Spinach – Katsunori Saito, Chunda Feng, and J. C. Correll, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR.
- 2:40 – 3:40 pm Efficacy Of Fungicides For Management Of Downy Mildew Of Spinach – Mike Matheron and Martin Porchas, University of Arizona, Yuma, AZ.
- 3:00 pm Break (Group Photo)
- 3:40 – 4:00 pm Organic Prevention of Early Damping off in Commercial Organic Spinach Production – Dale Krolkowski, Germans – Head of Operations and Research, Gilroy, CA.
- 4:00 – 4:20 pm Anthracnose And Beyond.....An Australian Perspective – Stuart Grigg Ag-Hort Consulting Pty Ltd, Ballan, VIC.
- 4:20 – 4:40 pm Web Blight Of Spinach In The Desert Southwest Caused By *Pythium aphanidermatum* – Bo Liu, Chunda Feng, Michael E. Matheron, and James C. Correll, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR, University of Arizona, Yuma, AZ.
- 4:40 – 5:00 pm Spinach Fusarium Wilt: Management of a Tenacious, Soilborne Pathogen Based on Achilles' Heel – Lindsey duToit, Washington State University, Mount Vernon, WA.
- 5:00 pm Tour announcements and adjourn