
Plant Pathology Guest Seminar

“How (and why) root-knot nematodes make feeding sites in their host”



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Dr. David Bird is a leading figure in Plant Nematology. He holds a William Neal Reynolds Distinguished Professorship in the Department of Entomology and Plant Pathology at NC State University. Over the past decade Dr. Bird has been a key figure in establishing (and using) the root-knot nematode (RKN) *Meloidogyne hapla* as a tractable genetic model. His program emphasizes responses to nematode infection, yielding well-cited and high-impact publications. Dr. Bird is a founding member of the Bioinformatics Research Center, and serves as the Director of the university's interdepartmental Genomic Sciences Graduate Program. Dr. Bird was named the Stoll-Stunkard Memorial Lecturer by the American Society of Parasitologists and was elected Fellow of the Society of Nematologist in 2013.

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