

Crop Science Society of America
Membership Information

*Plant Science for a
Better World*



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For over five decades the Crop Science Society of America has provided a professional home for crop scientists from around the world.

Vision

Improve the world through plant science.

Mission

Discover and apply plant science solutions to improve the human condition.

Science Frontiers

The Grand Challenge is to sustainably improve the human condition for a growing global population in a changing environment.

Values

- Excellence in Science and Scholarship
- Science-based Decision Making
- Integrity
- Service
- Diversity
- Environmental Stewardship
- Quality Mentorship
- Professionalism and Collaboration

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Members: 4,958

Founded: 1955

The Crop Science Society of America, is the home for scientists dedicated to advancing the discipline of crop science. Crop science is highly integrative and employs the disciplines of conventional plant breeding, transgenic crop improvements, plant physiology, and cropping system sciences to develop and improve varieties of agronomic, turf, and forage crops to produce feed, fiber, food, and fuel for our world's growing population. A common thread across the programs and services of CSSA is the dissemination and transfer of scientific knowledge to advance the profession.



Publishing Opportunities

Digital Library

www.dl.sciencesocieties.org

The ACSESS Digital Library is a complete collection of all content published by the Crop Science Society of America, American Society of Agronomy, and Soil Science Society of America. A subscription provides full access to all journals, including the complete archives, the full text of 300+ books, annual meeting recordings, robust search features, search "binders," author profiles, and many other features. Subscriptions are available to individual and corporate members and libraries.

Books | Journals | Magazines

www.crops.org/publications

CSSA places a high priority on publishing scientific journals, books, and monographs. Members benefit from having their work both

peer-reviewed and by staying informed on developments in their field. **Excluding *The Plant Genome*, there are no page charges for accepted manuscripts of less than eight pages.** Researchers are encouraged to submit articles to our publications. CSSA publishes books independently and in cooperation with other societies, bringing you new titles in a variety of formats for diverse audiences.

Crop Science

Published continuously electronically, *Crop Science* publishes original research in crop breeding and genetics; crop physiology and metabolism; crop ecology, production, and technology; turfgrass science; crop ecology, management, and quality; genomics, molecular genetics, and biotechnology; plant genetics resources; biomedical, health beneficial, and nutritionally enhanced plants; and pest management.



Journal of Environmental Quality

Published six times per year, the papers are grouped by subject matter: heavy metals in the environment; plant and environment interactions; organic compounds in the environment; surface water quality; ground water quality; ecosystem restoration; vadose zone processes and chemical transport; waste management; atmospheric pollutants and trace gases; landscape and watershed processes; wetlands and aquatic processes; biodegradation and bioremediation; and ecological risk assessment. CSSA jointly publishes the *Journal of Environmental Quality* with ASA and SSSA.

Natural Sciences Education

Written by and for educators, *Natural Sciences Education* (previously *Journal of Natural Resources and Life Sciences Education*) covers all disciplines in the life sciences, natural resources, and agriculture. It also features a year-end compilation CD. It is published continuously online by ASA in cooperation with CSSA, SSSA, and other cooperating societies.

Journal of Plant Registrations

In addition to cultivar, germplasm, parental line, genetic stock, and mapping population registrations, *The Journal of Plant Registrations* also publishes perspective and review papers on historical plant material, the registration process, and related topics. The purpose of JPR is to present new scientific information and impact future research by providing a description of new plant material to scientists worldwide. JPR is published three times per year.

Agricultural & Environmental Letters

Agricultural & Environmental Letters is an open-access, peer-reviewed journal that publishes communications-length, broad-reaching, transformative, and timely research on major scientific, policy, and economic issues that span the entire range of the agricultural and environmental sciences.

The Plant Genome

The Plant Genome features original research with potential for translating genomic technology into agronomic advancement. Readers will find novel reports on innovative genomic applications. The open access electronic format offers our authors the broadest possible exposure to the scientific community and opportunities for short submission-to-online publishing.

CSA News

Members receive a monthly subscription to our news magazine which features research highlights, science policy updates, society and member news, job listings, and several popular columns. Members may submit news on accomplishments and activities, research news, awards, promotions, company announcements, and meeting/symposium dates for publication.

Professional Development

Annual Meeting

CSSA's International Annual Meeting regularly draws several thousand attendees from 50 countries for three days of networking, sessions, field trips, exhibits and events. Hundreds of sessions feature oral/poster papers, specialized lectures, and symposia. Volunteered presentations are generally accepted. The Annual Meeting is held jointly with ASA and SSSA.

Join us for our upcoming Annual Meetings

- Oct. 22–25, 2017 | Tampa, FL
- Nov 4-7, 2018 | Baltimore, MD (ASA, CSSA)
- Nov. 10-13, 2019 | San Antonio, TX

Membership Working for You

Volunteer

www.crops.org/about-society/committees/volunteer

Over 700 CSSA members guide the direction and development of the Society by serving on 100+ committees/boards. Networking connections made while volunteering can lead to research partnerships, job advancement, lifelong friendships, and personal fulfillment or recognition.

Awards | Fellow | Scholarships

www.crops.org/awards

Our members believe that an accolade from their peers is the greatest honor they can receive or bestow. Awards are given for achievements in a variety of disciplines and at all levels of the profession. CSSA also bestows the designation of Fellow. Over \$12,000 in honorariums are awarded annually.

Careers

www.careerplacement.org

Members may access career resources to ensure a successful job search. Resources available are:

- Post a resume online
- Search industry and academic listings
- Advertise available jobs, internships, and assistantships
- Visit the Annual Meeting Career Center to search the job boards and request interviews
- Link to career brochures and job search resources



Science Policy

www.crops.org/science-policy

The Science Policy Office in Washington, DC represents CSSA to Congress, federal agencies, and other organizations. Through congressional briefings, statements, and appointments, the office works to give our science a voice on Capitol Hill and in federal agencies. All of these efforts are aimed at increasing the importance and awareness of research funding and raising the visibility of our sciences.

Undergraduate Student Opportunities

The Undergraduate Student program offers a variety of programs and activities on the local and national level. Undergraduate students, with support from faculty advisors and departments, have the opportunity to:

- Build skills to present research
- Gain leadership skills and training
- Associate with professionals in the soil sciences
- Build and maintain a close relationship with the Society
- Meet their peers and begin developing important contacts
- Compete for scholarships
- Attend national and regional Meetings
- Present in contests

Graduate Student Opportunities

The Graduate Student program focuses on networking, presenting, and career development, including:

- Topic-specific competitions and sessions
- Socials and networking at the Annual Meetings
- Scholarships and fellowships

Outreach

CSSA is proactively working to enhance the recognition of crop science through K12 outreach activities, collaborations with other organizations, and extensive media outreach. Membership in CSSA supports all of these activities.

Divisions of Interest

www.crops.org/membership/divisions

CSSA has nine specialized divisions of interest. The major activities of the divisions are focused on presenting papers and symposia at the Annual Meeting within their specific topic areas. They also hold business meetings at the Annual Meeting and may present student and regular member awards. In addition to these activities, the divisions may host listservs, web pages, and newsletters. As a benefit of membership, you may join as many CSSA divisions as you are interested in. Division members are able to, at their choosing, develop focused peer networks, develop information resources, participate in elections, and serve through leadership opportunities.

- Crop Breeding and Genetics
- Crop Physiology and Metabolism
- Crop Ecology, Management & Quality
- Seed Physiology, Production, & Technology
- Turfgrass Science
- Forage & Grazinglands
- Genomics, Molecular Genetics, and Biotechnology
- Plant Genetic Resources
- Biomedical, Health-Beneficial, and Nutritionally Enhanced Plants

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