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Orlando ANNUAL MEETING

Mint Industry Research Council

JANUARY 20-21, 2027

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Wednesday, January 20

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Ballroom Foyer

1:30 - 5:00 p.m. **Registration**

General Session
Ballroom C/D/E

2:00 - 2:15 p.m. **Welcome**
Steve Salisbury, MIRC Research & Regulatory Coordinator

2:15 - 3:00 p.m. **US Fuel and Energy Market Update**
Tina Hampton, Christensen, Inc.

3:00 - 3:45 p.m. **Progress in Mint Genetics and Varietal Improvement**
Isabelle Henry, University of California, Davis

3:45 - 4:30 p.m. **Verticillium Wilt: Resistance Development and In-Field Sampling Strategies**
Jeremiah Dung, Oregon State University

4:30 - 5:00 p.m. **Flavor Extract Manufacturer's Association (FEMA) Update**
Doug McKalip, FEMA






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Thursday, January 21

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8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	**Registration**	
8:00 a.m.	**Morning Refreshments**	Break Sponsor - **Essex Laboratories**

General Session
Ballroom C/D/E

8:30 - 9:00 a.m.	**Pesticide Regulation Challenges** *Julie Van Alstine, USDA-Office of Pest Management Policy*
9:00 - 9:30 a.m.	**Ensuring Mint is Here to Stay** *Invited Speaker, Mars Inc..*
9:30 - 10:00 a.m.	**Grower Panel - Production Topics** *Oregon, Invited • Craig Gilbert, Washington • Trip Downing, Wisconsin*
10:00 - 10:15 a.m.	**Break**
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	**Federal & International Policy: What's Going On?** *Ted McKinney, National Association of State Departments of Agriculture*
11:15 - 11:35 a.m.	**The Council Update - Chairman's Report** *A.J. Todd, ADM-Mint*

Ballroom A/B

12:00 - 1:30 p.m.	**Lunch**	Luncheon Sponsor - **ADM-Mint**

General Session
Ballroom C/D/E

1:30 - 2:10 p.m.	**MIRC Research & Regulatory Report** *Steve Salisbury, MIRC Research & Regulatory Coordinator*
2:10 - 2:40 p.m.	**Mint Bud Mite - A Review and Going Forward** *Russ Groves, University of Wisconsin*
2:40 - 3:10 p.m.	**Multi-state Entomology Project Report: Isocycloserum** *Navneet Kaur, Oregon State University*
3:10 - 3:30 p.m.	**Break**
3:30 - 4:00 p.m.	**Global Fertilizer Supply Challenges & Factors Affecting Market** *Jad Kabbani, The Fertilizer Institute*
4:00 - 4:45 p.m.	**Flavor & Fragrance Consumer Trends Perspective** *Panat Cherdchu, Takasago*

Backyard / Tempo + Grace / Lobby

6:00 - 7:30 p.m.	**Industry Reception**	Reception Beverage Sponsor - **Norwest Ingredients**

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Make sure to mention you'll be attending the Mint Industry Research Council meeting.

Room rates start at $199 single/double occupancy, + tax

The group rate will be available until Tuesday, December 29, 2026.



The Mint Industry Research Council is a unique organization that brings together all segments of the industry; growers, mint oil buyers and major manufacturers. The goal and objective of the MIRC is to fund and direct the research and activities needed to sustain and enhance the productivity of a high quality and economical North American mint.

This is a MIRC Members Only Event

Mint Industry Research Council

Annual Meeting

Registration is limited to MIRC members.

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