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Mint Industry
Research Council



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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 - 2:15p.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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Ballroom Foyer

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. **Chewing Gum Market Campaign**

Mars Snacking (Invited Speaker)

9:30 - 10:00 a.m. **Grower Panel - Production Topics**

Scott Setniker, Oregon • 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. **Plant Nutrition**

(Speaker Pending)

4:00 - 4:45 p.m. **Flavor & Fragrance Consumer Trends Perspective**

Takasago (Invited Speaker)

Backyard / Tempo + Grace / Lobby

6:00 - 7:30 p.m. **Industry Reception**

Reception Beverage Sponsor - **Norwest Ingredients**



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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



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Annual Meeting

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