



## Vaccinium Planning Meeting

*Research and extension initiative for cranberry and blueberry: Current and future needs*  
April 24-25, 2017, The Laureate Center, NCRC, Kannapolis, NC

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### April 24

8:00 AM **Breakfast**

8:30 AM **Welcome, Introduction and Objectives** - M. Iorizzo (NCSU)

9:00 AM **Results of the survey** - R.K. Gallardo (WSU)

9:30 AM **Overview of the RosBREED** - N. Bassil (USDA-ARS, NCGR)

10:00 AM **Coffee break**

10:30 AM **Invited speakers:**

- 1) David Brazelton: Member of the North America Blueberry Council research commission board and owner of Fall Creek Farm & Nursery;
- 2) Terry Humfeld: Executive director of the Cranberry Institute;

11:30 AM **Pre-breakout groups** - M. Iorizzo (NCSU)

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **Breakout groups (see page 2 for details)**

Objective: discuss status of research in each area and identify feasible projects to address critical needs.

**1:00-2:30 Fruit quality (Council room);**

**Machine harvestability and other plant traits (Executive room);**

**2:30-4:00 Biotic stress (disease and insect) (Council room);**

**2:30-3:30 Tools (Executive room);**

**3:30-4:30 Abiotic stress (Executive room)**

4:30 PM **Group discussion** - Objective: integrate the research plan from each group

5:30 PM **Conclude day 1**

6:00 PM **Group Dinner**

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### April 25

8:00 AM **Breakfast**

8:30 AM **Group discussion** - Objectives: integrate the research plan from each group

10:30 AM **Coffee break**

11:00 AM **International partners** - Objectives: discuss possible links with international collaborators

12:00 PM **Lunch**

**Group discussion** - Objectives:

1:00 PM a) finalize the objectives of a full SCRI grant;

b) plan the preparation of a peer reviewed manuscript (review, or book chapter)

4:00 PM **Closing remarks** - M. Iorizzo

4:30 PM **Visit to DHMRI or PHHI**

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## Breakout group schedule

### Breakout group: Fruit quality

Location: Council room

Coordinator: Nahla Bassil

Time	Suggested breakout time	Session
1:00-2:30	1:00-1:45	Blueberry
	1:45-2:30	Cranberry

### Breakout group: Machine harvestability and other plant traits

Location: Executive room

Coordinator: Hamid Ashrafi

Time	Suggested breakout time	Session	
		Machine harvestability	Other plant traits
1:00-2:30	1:00-1:30	Blueberry	
	1:30-2:00		Blueberry
	2:00-2:30		Cranberry

### Breakout group: Biotic stress (disease and insect)

Location: Council room

Coordinator: Michael Dossett

Time	Suggested breakout time	Disease	Session
			Insect
2:30-4:00	2:30-2:55	Blueberry	
	2:55-3:15		Blueberry
	3:15-3:40	Cranberry	
	3:40-4:00		Cranberry

### Breakout group: Tools

Location: Executive room

Coordinator: Patrick Edger

Time	Suggested breakout time	Session
2:30-3:30	2:30-3:00	Blueberry
	3:00-3:30	Cranberry

### Breakout group: Abiotic stress

Location: Executive room

Coordinator: Lisa J. Rowland

Time	Suggested breakout time	Session
3:30-4:30	3:30-4:00	Blueberry
	4:00-4:30	Cranberry

## List of attendees:

### US scientists

- 1- **Massimo Iorizzo**, North Carolina State University (Organizer)
- 2- **Hamid Ashrafi**, North Carolina State University
- 3- **Chad Finn**, USDA-ARS, HCRU and Oregon State University
- 4- **Nicholi Vorsa**, Rutgers, The State University
- 5- **Amaya Atucha**, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 6- **Megan Bame**, North Carolina State University
- 7- **Nahla Bassil**, USDA-ARS, NCGR, Corvallis, Oregon (speaker)
- 8- **Patrick Edger**, Michigan State University
- 9- **Karina Gallardo**, Washington State University (speaker)
- 10- **Kim Hummer**, USDA ARS, NCGR, Corvallis, Oregon
- 11- **Penelope Perkins-Veazie**, North Carolina State University
- 12- **James Polashock**, USDA-ARS, GIFVL, Chatsworth, New Jersey
- 13- **Robert W. Reid**, University of North Carolina Charlotte
- 14- **Cesar Rodriguez-Saona**, Rutgers, The State University
- 15- **Lisa J. Rowland**, USDA-ARS, BARC-West, Beltsville
- 16- **Harald Scherm**, University of Georgia
- 17- **Juan Zalapa**, USDA-ARS Madison and University of Wisconsin-Madison,
- 18- **Ebrahiem Babiker**, USDA-ARS, SHR, Poplarville Mississippi
- 19- **Stephen J. Stringer**, USDA-ARS, SHR, Poplarville Mississippi
- 20- **Meg Staton**, The University of Tennessee Knoxville

### International Collaborators

- 21- **Michael Dossett**, BC Blueberry Council, Canada
- 22- **Francesco Emanuelli**, FEM-IASMA, Italy
- 23- **Lara Giongo**, FEM-IASMA, Italy
- 24- **David Chagne**, Plant & Food RESEARCH, New Zealand
- 25- **Charles David**, Plant & Food RESEARCH, New Zealand
- 26- **Kathy Schwinn**, Plant & Food RESEARCH, New Zealand

### Stakeholder representatives - invited speakers

- 27- **David Brazelton**, President of Fall Creek Farm and Nursery and Chairman of the United States Highbush Blueberry Health Research committee
- 28- **Terry Humfeld**, Executive Director of the Cranberry Institute