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**Subject:** Re: Invitation to Speak at CROPS 2015 - Reply Requested by 11/25/14  
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John is a good suggestion. Peggy, Jeremy and I can prep him:)

Jeremy/Peggy?

scott

> On Nov 19, 2014, at 1:11 PM, Rieseberg, Loren <[loren.rieseberg@botany.ubc.ca](mailto:loren.rieseberg@botany.ubc.ca)> wrote:

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> Hi Scott,

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> Sorry about this. I have a meeting Saskatoon that overlaps partly with these dates, and I told my brother I would stop by and see him during my visit. My mom found out and decided she wanted to visit at the same (and told me that I to bring her grand-kids as well). Thus, what was intended to be a quick visit has turned into a mini-family reunion.

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> With respect to a possible replacement, I think Ken Olson or John Burke bring the same sort of perspective and both are good speakers.

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> My apologies again.

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> Loren

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> Nov 19, 2014, at 9:51 AM, Scott Allen Jackson <[sjackson@uga.edu](mailto:sjackson@uga.edu)> wrote:

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>> This is a bummer, Loren. I thought your ecological/evolutionary perspective would be important to set the tone and discussion for the meeting. Can you suggest someone else that thinks along these lines and is reasonably articulate? Particularly with a crop perspective.

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>> scott

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>>> On Nov 18, 2014, at 6:23 PM, Loren Rieseberg <[loren.rieseberg@botany.ubc.ca](mailto:loren.rieseberg@botany.ubc.ca)> wrote:

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>>> Hi Deborah et al.,

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>>> Unfortunately, I have a conflict. For various complicated reasons, we will be visiting my brother (and family) in Saskatchewan that week.

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>>> I am very sorry about this, since I was on the organizing committee and had hoped to attend the conference.

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>>> My apologies, loren

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>>> On Nov 18, 2014, at 1:48 PM, Deborah Powell <[dpowell@hudsonalpha.org](mailto:dpowell@hudsonalpha.org)> wrote:

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>>>> Dear Dr. Rieseberg,

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>>>> Thank you for participating on our CROPS organizing committee. On behalf of rest of the scientific

organizing committee for The University of Georgia/HudsonAlpha 2015 CROPS Genomics Enabled Crop Breeding & Improvement conference, we would like to invite you to be a speaker at the 2015 CROPS event.

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>>>> The CROPS conference will be held Monday, May 18 - 21, 2015 on the HudsonAlpha biotechnology campus in Huntsville, Alabama. We expect an estimated 300 attendees at the event.

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>>>> As one of the leading researchers in emerging genomic technologies and their application to crop improvement, your talk promises to be a compelling example of applying new genomic technology to crop improvement and of great interest to the CROPS audience.

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>>>> A copy of the tentative conference agenda is attached along with some information about HudsonAlpha and the city of Huntsville, Alabama.

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>>>> HudsonAlpha will cover your round-trip airfare, and travel expenses for this event. We would be most grateful if you could reply with your acceptance by Tuesday, November 25, 2014.

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>>>> Sincerely,

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>>>> Deborah Powell

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