

**From:** [Scott Allen Jackson](#)  
**To:** [Peggy Ozias-Akins](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Peter Wenzl Topics for CROPS OK?  
**Date:** Thursday, November 20, 2014 5:02:43 PM

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I agree.

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 20, 2014, at 5:02 PM, Peggy Ozias-Akins <[pozias@uga.edu](mailto:pozias@uga.edu)> wrote:

I think this should be of considerable interest to breeders.

Peggy

On Nov 20, 2014, at 1:17 PM, Deborah Powell <[dpowell@hudsonalpha.org](mailto:dpowell@hudsonalpha.org)> wrote:

All,

Before I respond on this one I want to make sure you are okay with his suggest topic?

Thanks,  
Deborah

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**Subject:** Re: Invitation to Speak at CROPS 2015  
- Reply by 11/25/14  
**Date:** November 20, 2014 9:23:49 AM CST  
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Dear Debora,

Many thanks for your invitation!

I'd be pleased to attend. However, please be aware that I'm just about to change jobs and will be working as the coordinator of the Diversity Seek (DivSeek) initiative (<http://www.divseek.org>) at the Global Crop Diversity Trust from January 2015 onwards. I'd be pleased to talk about the DivSeek initiative as well as the Trust's Crop Wild Relative project focusing on pre-breeding.

Please let me know whether this would be of interest to you.

Thanks and regards, Peter

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sent from a device with a limited keyboard

On 18 Nov 2014, at 1:39 pm, Deborah Powell <[dpowell@hudsonalpha.org](mailto:dpowell@hudsonalpha.org)> wrote:

Dear Dr. Wenzl,

On behalf 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.

This international conference is

planned for  
Monday, May 18-  
21, 2015 and will be  
held on the  
HudsonAlpha  
biotechnology  
campus in  
Huntsville,  
Alabama. We  
expect an estimated  
300 attendees at the  
event.

The committee  
believes strongly  
that you are one of  
the leading  
researchers in  
emerging genomic  
technologies and  
their application to  
crop improvement  
and that your talk  
will be a compelling  
example of  
applying new  
genomic technology  
to crop  
improvement.

The CROPS  
program will feature  
presentations on  
topics including:  
Integrated breeding  
platforms, large  
scale GWAS,  
applications,  
genomic selection  
strategies, systems  
biology approaches,  
identifying markers  
for breeding,  
functional  
validation of targets,  
applications to  
developing world  
germplasm, high  
throughput  
phenotyping, and

targeted genome  
modification.

While we know  
there are many  
competing demands  
on your time, we  
hope you will  
seriously consider  
making room for  
this important event  
in your busy  
schedule this spring.

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

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.

Sincerely,

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