



CALL FOR PAPERS

Plant Canada 2011 “Plant Adaptation to Environmental Change” Halifax, Nova Scotia, July 17–21, 2011 A Joint Colloquium of

Canadian Society of Agronomy, Canadian Society for Horticultural Science, Canadian Botanical Association, Canadian Society of Plant Physiologists, Canadian Phytopathological Society and Canadian Weed Science Society

We are pleased to announce a call for papers for the Plant Canada 2011 colloquium, “Plant Adaptation to Environmental Change,” to take place at Saint Mary’s University, Halifax, from July 17–21. Plant Canada is the largest gathering of plant scientists in Canada with representation from the Canadian Society of Agronomy (CSA), the Canadian Society for Horticultural Science (CSHS), the Canadian Botanical Association (CBA), the Canadian Society of Plant Physiologists (CSPP), the Canadian Phytopathological Society (CPS), and the Canadian Weed Science Society (CWSS).

The Plant Canada 2011 colloquium features invited symposium speakers, contributed papers (oral presentations and posters), competitive presentations for graduate students, society annual meetings, and offsite tours. Saint Mary’s University is located in downtown Halifax with easy access to local entertainment, an historic waterfront, museums and galleries, shopping, dining, and city nightlife. Please visit our website at www.Plantcanada2011.ca for program highlights.

Members are encouraged to submit titles and abstracts of papers and posters to be presented at sessions sponsored by their society. Each society is also hosting a Graduate Student Presentation Competition. All abstracts will be published in the colloquium proceedings and on Plant Canada’s website (www.plantcanada.ca). Following peer review, papers submitted under CSA, CSHS, and CWSS are eligible for publication in a special issue of the *Canadian Journal of Plant Science* (CJPS). Submission of full manuscripts for publication in CJPS is optional. Details are available at: <http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/cjps-aic>.

The deadline for submission of titles and abstracts is: April 15, 2011.

Detailed instructions for submission of titles and abstracts are available at: <http://Plantcanada2011.ca>.

For help using the web-based application form, contact Marilyn Roberts, Department Secretary, Plant and Animal Sciences, NSAC, by phone (902-893-6644) or e-mail (mroberts@nsac.ca).

The Program Committee has planned a stimulating scientific program interspersed with wonderful leisure options, including many events of particular interest to students. Please plan to attend and encourage your students to do likewise.

Maritime hospitality is assured!

Important Announcement - Extending Deadline Dates

The planning committee has extended the deadlines for submission of titles, abstracts and ‘Early Bird’ registration as follows:

-**April 15** will be the new deadline for ‘**Early-Bird**’ Registration. Thereafter, registrations will be accepted as “late registrations”

-**April 15** will be the new deadline for title and abstract submissions for **oral presentations**.

-**May 20** will be the new deadline for title and abstract submissions for poster presentations.



**Canadian Journal of Plant Science
Special Issue
Proceedings of the 2011 Annual Conference
Canadian Society of Agronomy, Canadian Society of Horticultural
Sciences and
Canadian Weed Science Society**

Purpose

The programs of the annual conferences of the sponsoring societies of the Canadian Journal of Plant Science will be merged during the Plant Canada 2011 conference (www.Plantcanada2011.ca), “Plant Adaptation to Environmental Change,” to take place at Saint Mary’s University, Halifax, from July 17–21. Plant Canada is the largest gathering of plant scientists in Canada with representation from the Canadian Society of Agronomy (CSA), the Canadian Society for Horticultural Science (CSHS), the Canadian Botanical Association (CBA), the Canadian Society of Plant Physiologists (CSPP), the Canadian Phytopathological Society (CPS), and the Canadian Weed Science Society (CWSS). The topics covered in the symposia and volunteer papers will contain new information of national or international significance and will be a good fit within the scope of the journal. The aim of this special issue is to facilitate the publication of novel information and critical reviews presented at this scientific gathering. This special issue will contain the abstracts of all oral presentations and posters associated with the CSA, CSHS and CWSS, as well as peer reviewed symposium papers and submitted papers. The participants who are presenting symposia and scientific papers, including posters, are invited to submit reviews and papers for publication.

Associate Editors

Associate Editors for the special issue will be selected and/or nominated by the Editor-in-Chief and appointed by the Scientific Journals Committee (SJC) for a one-year term. Candidates for these appointments are selected from members of the CSA, CSHS and CWSS and preferably will have had formal experience in coordinating the peer reviewing of manuscripts.

Guidelines

The authors who are presenting scientific papers or posters are invited to submit papers for publication. Manuscripts should be written in English or French, and should be succinct. They should describe the original work of the authors that has not been published in a peer-reviewed journal and is not under consideration for publication elsewhere. Submission of papers for publication in the Canadian Journal of Plant Science is optional. Participants can make oral or poster presentations at the meeting without any paper submission, provided that the presentations are pre-approved by the Organizing Committee of the Plant Canada 2011 conference.

The full manuscript should be submitted online no later than July 30 2011 using the following steps:

1. Log on to <http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/cjps-aic> to submit your MS online. Instructions for authors are posted at <http://www.aic.ca/journals/instructions.cfm>;
2. When you submit our manuscript you MUST SELECT [Special Issue Paper (Please select below)] from the 1st pull down menu and then select [Plant Adaptation to Environmental Change Special issue] from the last pull down menu to select the journal section appropriate for Plant Canada 2011 after entering the MS title, abstract and attaching your MS.

You may contact the CJPS head office (journals@aic.ca) or Editor-in-chief Shahrokh.Khanizadeh further information if needed <http://khanizadeh.info/AAFC>

March 7, 2011



Attention graduate students!

The Plant Canada Conference 2011 will be held July 17-21 at Saint Mary's University, Halifax, Nova Scotia. The theme of the conference is "Plant Adaptation to Environmental Change". On behalf of the Graduate Student Organizing Committee it is our pleasure to invite you to participate.

Plant Canada 2011 will be an excellent opportunity to share your original research with the Canadian plant science community. The conference will also feature many special presentations delivered by prominent scientists on current "hot topics" addressing the theme of the conference. Additionally, there will be student oral and poster presentation competitions.

There will be several recreational activities organized for you to attend. Nova Scotia has great music, food, hospitality and natural beauty which we look forward to sharing with you. For further details about the conference please refer to the Plant Canada website <http://www.plantcanada2011.ca/> and our facebook page.

This conference is organized by the Canadian Society of Agronomy (CSA), the Canadian Society of Horticultural Science (CSHS), the Canadian Botanical Association (CBA), the Canadian Society of Plant Physiologists (CSPP), the Canadian Phytopathological Society (CPS), the Canadian Weed Science Society (CWSS), and the Canadian Institute of Food Science and Technology (CIFST) Atlantic Section. The Plant Canada Conference is held every four years and is the most strongly attended plant science conference in Canada.

We warmly welcome you to Halifax and to the Plant Canada Conference 2011!

Sincerely,

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Malinda Thilakarathna, CoChair (PhD. Candidate, Dalhousie University)

Caitlin Porter (MSc. Candidate, Saint Mary's University)

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Graduate Student Organizing Committee

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