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## ASSIGNED DUTIES

**W. A. Jr. & C. Dozier Endowed Professor and Extension Specialist**, Department of Horticulture, Auburn University, Auburn, AL. *60% Extension, 40% Research*. October 2020 – present.

**Extension Specialist and Professor, Fruit Crops**, Department of Horticulture, Auburn University, Auburn, AL. *60% Extension, 40% Research*. August 2016 – present.

**Extension Specialist and Associate Professor, Fruit Crops**, Department of Horticulture, Auburn University, Auburn, AL. *60% Extension, 40% Research*. August 2011 – August 2016.

**Extension Specialist and Assistant Professor, Fruit Crops**, Department of Horticulture, Auburn University, Auburn, AL. *60% Extension, 40% Research*. October 2006 - August 2011.

Graduate Faculty Member, Level II. February 2010 – present.

**Postdoctoral Research Associate**, Department of Plant Agriculture, University of Guelph, ON, Canada. May 2004 - May 2006.

**Natural Science and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) of Canada Postdoctoral Fellow**, Department of Plant Agriculture, University of Guelph, ON, Canada. April 2002 - April 2004.

**Research Associate**, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, Southern Crop Protection and Food Research Center, St. Catharines, ON, Canada. June 2001 – October 2001.

**Research Scientist**, Agricultural Academy, Apricot Research Station, Silistra, Bulgaria, March 1988 – October 2000.

**Agronomist – Specialist**, Elite Seeds and Nursery Stock State Company, Silistra, Bulgaria, February 1985 – February 1988.

**Agronomist – Specialist**, Agricultural Cooperative Drustar, Silistra, Bulgaria, August 1984 – January 1985.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2025 Blue Ribbon Extension Communication Award, SR ASHS, Irving, TX, January 31-February 2, 2025, for the Communication “Muscadine Grape Management”.
- 2024 National finalist in the applied research poster category by the Professional Excellence Council of the National Association of County Agricultural Agents (NACAA).
- 2024 Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents and Specialists (AACAAAS) Professional Excellence Council First Place Award for Applied Research Poster.
- 2024 SR SFC Travel Award to attend the Steering Committee Meeting and the SE Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA (\$1,440).
- 2023 ASHS Outstanding Education Materials Award presented at the 2023 ASHS Conference, July 31-August 4, Orlando, FL for the Outstanding Leaflet: “Making a Difference in the Food System, 2021 Impacts”.
- 2023 Southern Region Small Fruit Consortium Travel Award to attend the SFC Steering Committee Meeting in Savannah, GA, January.
- 2023 International Travel Award, to present a research paper at the International Agriculture and Food Conference, Burgas, Bulgaria. AU Office of Global Programs, College of Agriculture.

- 2022 Professional Excellence Award for Applied Research Poster Presentation at the Annual Professional Development Meeting of the AACAAAS, ACES.
- 2022 Diversity/Multicultural Team Recognition – Alabama Beginning Farmer Program presented by The Alpha Pi Chapter of the Epsilon Sigma Phi (ESP), the National Honorary Extension Fraternity Award
- 2022 Southern Region Small Fruit Consortium Travel Award to attend the SFC Steering Committee Meeting in Savannah, GA, January
- 2022 International Travel Award to present a research paper at the International Agriculture and Food Conference, Burgas, Bulgaria. AU Office of Global Programs, College of Agriculture.
- 2021 Outstanding Website Award, American Society of Horticultural Science (ASHS) Extension Division Outstanding Education Materials Award for the Alabama Beginning Farmer Website.
- 2021 Outstanding Webinar Award, ASHS Extension Division Outstanding Education Materials Award for the Alabama Extension Commercial Horticulture Webinar Series.
- 2021 Epsilon Sigma Phi, Alpha Pi Chapter Award for Diversity/Multicultural Team Recognition of the Commercial Horticulture Team, Auburn University, for the Alabama Beginning Farmer Program.
- 2021 International Travel Award, AU Office of Global Programs, College of Agriculture, 2021.
- 2020 - 2023 Awarded W. A. Jr. & C. Dozier Endowed Professorship.
- 2020 Awarded Auburn University's College of Agriculture Project Team Award for the Beginning Farmer Program.
- 2019 SR SFC Travel Award to the SE Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, \$1,270.
- 2019 Professional Excellence Award, Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents and Specialists (AACAAAS).
- 2019 National Viticulture Extension Education Leadership (NVEEL) Travel Award (\$800).
- AAES travel award (\$1,000) to present AL state report and attend the multistate NC-140 Annual Meeting in Geneva, NY, November 13-14, 2019.
- AU College of Agriculture Office of Global Programs International Travel Award (\$500) to present research papers at the VI International Horticultural Research Conference, Venice, Italy, Oct. 1-5, 2019, and the International Symposium on Precision Management of Orchards and Vineyards, Palermo, Italy, Oct. 7-12, 2019.
- AU College of Agriculture Office of Global Programs International Travel Award (\$1,000) to present research paper at the Eucarpia Symposium on Fruit Breeding and Genetics, Prague, Czech Republic, June 3-7, 2019.
- 2019 SR SFC Travel Award to the SE Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA (\$1,370).
- AU College of Agriculture Office of Global Programs \$500 Travel Award to present research paper at the XII International Grapevine Breeding and Genetics Symposium, Bordeaux, France, July 15-20, 2018.
- First Regional Extension Muscadine Grape Team Meeting, Elizabethtown, NC, August 14, 2018 travel award (\$681.16).

- AAES travel award (\$750) to present AL state report and attend the multistate NCCC212 Small Fruit and Viticulture Cooperative Research Annual Meeting in Mount Vernon, WA, October 23-25, 2018. Due to an overlap with the SR PFW conference in Manchester, TN, the trip to WA was cancelled.
- AAES travel award (\$750) to present AL state report and attend the multistate NC-140 Annual Meeting in Mills River, NC, November 14-15, 2018. Due to an overlap with the AFVGA Conference in Clanton, AL, the trip to NC was cancelled.
- AAES travel award (\$750) to present AL state report and attend the multistate NCCC212 Small Fruit and Viticulture Cooperative Research Annual Meeting in State College, PA, October 24-26, 2017.
- AAES travel award (\$750) to present AL state report and attend the multistate NC-140 Annual Meeting in, Wenatchee, WA, November 14-15, 2017.
- AU College of Agriculture Office of Global Programs \$500 Travel Award to present research paper at the XI International Peach Symposium, Bucharest, Romania, July 2-6, 2017.
- AU College of Agriculture, Office of Global Programs \$1,000 Award to invite distinguished international lecturer, Dr. Amnon Erez, Volcani Center, Israel, 2017.
- AU College of Agriculture, Associate Dean for Research \$500 Award to invite distinguished international lecturer, 2017.
- AU College of Agriculture, Department of Horticulture \$500 Award to invite distinguished international lecturer, 2017.
- AVFGA \$2,100 Award to invite distinguished international lecturer, 2017.
- AAES travel award (\$750) to present AL state report and attend the multistate NCCC212 Small Fruit and Viticulture Cooperative Research Annual Meeting in Virginia Beach, VA, October 21-24, 2016.
- Awarded the Second Place in the 2016 American Pomological Society (APS) UP Hedrick Award competition for a grad student paper entitled “Exploring the Growth and Cropping Potential of Pierce’s Disease Resistant *Vitis vinifera* L. Selections for Enhanced Viticultural Sustainability in Alabama and the Southeast”.
- AU College of Agriculture Office of Global Programs \$1,000 Travel Award to present research paper at the XI International Orchard Systems Symposium, Bologna, Italy, August 28-Sept. 2, 2016.
- North Carolina Winegrowers Travel and Registration Award to present an invited paper at the Annual North Carolina Winegrowers Conference, Greensboro, January 22-24, 2016.
- Georgia Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Travel and Registration Award to present an invited paper at the Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, January 7-10, 2016.
- 2015 National Winner of the Experiment Station Section Excellence in Multistate Research Award for the Multistate Cooperative Research Project NC-140 “Improving Economic and Environmental Sustainability in Tree-Fruit Production Through Changes in Rootstock Use”.
- Regional Winner for the Applied Research Poster Award at the Annual Conference of the National Association of County Agricultural Agents, Sioux Falls, SD, July 12-16, 2015.
- Awarded a Certificate of Achievement for a Research Paper presentation at the Horticulture Section of the National Association of County Agricultural Agents Annual Conference, Sioux Falls, SD, July 12-16, 2015.

- State recipient of the 2015 Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents and Specialist Professional Improvement Poster First Place Award for the Applied Research Program presented at the Annual AACAAAS Meeting in Auburn, AL on June 15, 2015.
- State recipient of the 2015 Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents and Specialist Professional Improvement Poster Overall Best Award for the Applied Research and Extension Education Program presented at the Annual AACAAAS Meeting in Auburn, AL on June 15, 2015.
- Georgia Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Travel and Registration Award to present an invited paper at the Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, January 8-11, 2015.
- Recipient of the 2014 Southern Region of the American Society for Horticultural Science Henry M. Covington Extension Award presented to me at the Annual Meeting in Atlanta, GA, February 1, 2015.
- Recipient of the 2014 Auburn University College of Agriculture's Dean Award for Excellence in Extension and Outreach presented at the Annual Award Ceremony, December 2, 2014.
- 2013 Friends of Southern IPM Pulling Together Award for Contributions to the Alabama IPM Communicator Newsletter presented by the Southern IPM Center on March 20, 2013.
- Horticulture and Turfgrass Certificate of Accomplishment awarded for presenting a research paper at the 2013 Galaxy IV Conference, National Association of County Agricultural Agents, a full partner in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, September 16-20, 2013.
- The National Association of County Agricultural Agents Achievement Award in Recognition of Excellence in Extension Service Educational Programs presented July 17, 2012.
- The Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents and Specialists Achievement Award, Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents and Specialists, Outreach/Extension, State, June 2012.
- Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station travel awards to attend the Annual Meetings of the Multistate Research Projects I am the state leader including "NC-140 - Improving Economic and Environmental Sustainability in Tree-Fruit Production through Changes in Rootstock Use", "NCCC212-Small Fruits and Viticulture Multistate Research", and "Research on Viruses and Virus-like Diseases of Small Fruits and Grapes" 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014.
- Louisiana State University AgCenter/USDA-SCRI travel awards to attend the X<sup>th</sup> International *Vaccinium* and Other Superfruit Symposium, Maastricht, Netherlands, June 17-22, 2012; Annual "All about Blueberries" eXtension CoP Advisory Board Meeting, MS, November, 2011; Annual Meeting of the NCCC212 - Small Fruits and Viticulture Multistate Research, Arkansas, October, 2011; Annual Meeting of the ASHS, HI, September, 2011; Annual Meeting of the Multistate Research on Viruses and Virus-like Diseases of Small Fruits and Grapes, Oregon, July, 2011; Third Annual eXtension National Meeting and Workshop, KY, June, 2011.
- Oklahoma State University/USDA-SCRI travel award to attend the Annual "Grapes" eXtension CoP Meeting, MO, June, 2011.
- Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) of Canada Post Doctoral Fellowship, Canada, 2002-2004.
- Travel and Registration Award, Eucarpia Symposium on Fruit Breeding and Genetics, Dresden, Germany, 1999.
- Travel and Registration Award, International Symposium on Plant Dormancy, Angers, France, 1999.



- Research Paper Presentation Award, National Fruit Growing Seminar, Kyustendil, Bulgaria, 1998.
- Travel and Registration Award, International Symposium on Apricot Culture, Veria, Greece, 1997.
- Academic Excellence Scholarship, Agricultural University, Plovdiv, Bulgaria, 1979 - 1984.

## **SCHOLARLY CONTRIBUTIONS TO TEACHING**

### ***GRADUATE STUDENTS WHOSE WORK HAS BEEN COMPLETED***

#### ***Major Advisor of 10 MS Graduate Students***

- Jagjit Singh, M.S., 2024-2025. Assessing Recently Released Rabbiteye Blueberry [*Vaccinium virgatum* (Ait.)] and Muscadine Grape [*Vitis rotundifolia* (Michx.)] Cultivars for Sustainable Production in Alabama. Department of Horticulture, expected graduation December 2025.
- Samjhana Wagle, M.S. 2024-2025. Determining/Investigating Physiological Responses of Southern Highbush Blueberry (SHB) cultivars grown in alternative and conventional production systems by assessing photosynthesis and yield parameters. Department of Horticulture, expected graduation December 2025.
- Jarrett Price. 2022-2024. Assessing Innovative Production Technologies for Sustainable Fruit Crop Production in Alabama. Department of Horticulture.
- Dylan Teel, 2020. Department of Horticulture. Withdrawn due to Covid conditions.
- Enfeng Xu, 2018. Investigations to Determine Rootstock Cultivar Performance for Sustainable Apple and Bunch Grape Production in Alabama. Department of Horticulture, December 2018.
- Andrej Svyantek, 2016. Assessment of newly developed PD resistant *Vitis vinifera* grape selections for commercial production in Alabama. Department of Horticulture. Major Advisor. December 2016.
- Yilanna Hu, M.S., December, 2012. Feasibility of Growing Pierce's Disease Tolerant American and French-American Hybrid Bunch Grape Cultivars and Advanced Grape Selections in Alabama, 102 pages.
- Pavan Bura, M.S. 2011-2012. Assessment of the distribution of the bacterial leaf scorch on blueberry, a newly emerged disease in Alabama-grown blueberry cultivars. Department of Horticulture. Withdrawn.
- Richard Joel Potter, M.S., May 9, 2011. Rabbiteye blueberry (*Vaccinium ashei*) cultivar performance in Alabama, 136 pages.
- Xing Ma, M.S., August 9, 2010. Survey and biology of the bacterium *Xylella fastidiosa* and its vector, sharpshooter leafhoppers in Alabama fruit orchards and vineyards, 119 pages.

#### ***Major Advisor of Ph.D. Graduate Students (3)***

- Apphia Santy, Ph.D., 2025. Department of Horticulture, expected graduation December 2028.
- Maverick Mariquit, Ph.D., 2024. A Potential Production Model for Strawberry Grown in a Non-Recirculating Hydroponic System. Department of Horticulture, expected graduation December 2026.
- Edgar Vinson, Ph.D. Investigations to determine the feasibility of growing an alternative specialty crop in the southeast region - short cycle and hardy bananas. Department of Horticulture. May 8, 2016.



***Committee Member of 19 Graduate Students whose work has been completed***

- Emily Whismer, M.S. 2021-2023. Evaluating High Tunnel and Field Performance of Early Ripening Blueberry Cultivars in Central Alabama. Department of Horticulture, December 2023.
- Adriana Cifuentes Carvajal, M.S. 2021-2023. Predicting the breaking of dormancy and the transition of floral bud progression for three peach cultivars (*Prunus persica* (L.). Department of Horticulture, Dec.2023.
- Ayodele Amodu. M.S. 2021-2023. Identifying the distribution, causal pathogens, and potential solutions for Botryosphaeria stem blight disease of blueberry in Alabama. Department of Horticulture, December 2023.
- Joshua Cook, M.S. Kiwifruit production technology. Department of Horticulture, August 2020.
- Jacob Kelley, M.S. Improving Flower Production and Reducing Pre-harvest Fruit Drop of Gold Kiwifruit. Department of Horticulture, May 2020.
- Roy Longlois, M.S. 2017. Evaluation of rootstocks for grafted plants as a strategy to manage Southern Blight in tomato (*Solanum lycopersicum*) Department of Horticulture, July, 2017.
- Jonatan Meador, M.S. Effect of Provenance on Substrate pH Tolerance of *Vaccinium*. Department of Horticulture. December 16, 2017.
- Ashley Brantley, M.S. Enhancing Marketable Yield of AU Kiwifruit Cultivars Through EPP Determination and Crop Load Management. Department of Horticulture. May 8, 2016.
- Gabriela Hernandez, M.S. August, 2015. Banana Ripening: Principles and Practice. Department of Horticulture.
- Zhuoyu Wang, Ph.D. April, 2014. Functional Analysis of Two NAC Transcription Factors and transcriptome Analysis Under Drought in *Citrullus colocynthis*. Department of Horticulture.
- Andrew Thompson. M.S. August 2, 2014. Methods to Enhance Marketable Yield of New AU Kiwifruit Cultivars. Department of Horticulture.
- Jonathan Malone, M.S. July 18, 2012. Influence of Fruit Thinning and a Natural Plant Extract Biostimulant Application on Fruit Size and Quality of 'AU Golden Dragon', 'AU Golden Sunshine', and 'Hort16A' Kiwifruit. Department of Horticulture.
- Jessica Bowerman, M.S., April 19, 2012. Propagation of *Vaccinium arboreum* by Stem Cuttings for Use as a Rootstock for Commercial Blueberry Production. Department of Horticulture.
- Jason Stroman, M.S., August 15, 2011. Evaluation of post-harvest quality of kiwifruit varieties. Department of Horticulture.
- Rucha Shevade, M.S., August 16, 2011. Container production systems Rootmaker versus traditional containers. Department of Horticulture.
- Michael Harris, M.S. August 15, 2011. Effect of orchard design on Satsuma mandarin production. Department of Horticulture.
- Xiaowei Li, M.S. August 8, 2011. DNA fingerprinting of *Castanea* species. Department of Horticulture.
- Ying Huang, M.S., April, 2009. Differential gene expression in *Citrus unshui* and *Poncirus trifoliata* in response to cold stress. Department of Horticulture.
- Yingfang Xiao, PhD. October 15, 2009. Biology, ecology and management of key pests of Satsuma citrus in Alabama. Department of Entomology and Plant Pathology.

## ***GRADUATE STUDENTS WHOSE WORK HAS NOT YET BEEN COMPLETED***

### ***Committee Member of 3 Graduate Students whose work has not been completed***

- Eugene Asare, M.S., 2024. Assessing the Effects of Biochar and Plant-growth-promoting Rhizobacteria on Reducing (controlling) Soil Borne Pathogens on the Production of Strawberries. Department of Horticulture.
- Clarisse Chipura, M.S., 2024. Postharvest Shelf-life Studies on Rabbiteye Blueberries with Southern Highbush for Comparison. Department of Horticulture.
- Mula Pavani, M.S., 2024. Evaluating new rabbiteye blueberry cultivars. Department of Horticulture.

## ***OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS TO TEACHING***

- Served as a judge at the SR ASHS Southern Fruit Workers Annual Meeting Graduate Student 3-minute Thesis Presentation Competition, 2023.
- Served as a judge at the SR ASHS Southern Fruit Workers Annual Meeting Graduate Student 3-minute Thesis Presentation Competition, 2022.
- Served as a judge at the SR ASHS Southern Fruit Workers Annual Meeting Graduate Student 3-minute Research Presentation Competition, Virtual, March 9, 2021.
- Served as a judge at the SR ASHS Southern Fruit Workers Annual Meeting Graduate Student 3-minute Research Presentation Competition, Louisville, KY, Jan. 31- Feb. 2, 2020.
- Served as a judge at the Auburn University ‘This is Research’ Graduate Symposium, for the Oral Paper Research Competition session, Auburn, AL, April 13-16, 2015.
- Served as a judge at the SR ASHS Annual Meeting Undergraduate Student Poster Competition, Dallas, TX, Jan. 31- Feb. 2, 2014.
- Served as a judge at the Auburn University Graduate Symposium at Research Week April 14-17, 2014.
- Directed Study - Anna Hartnett. Pierce’s Disease Resistant Grape Rootstocks (Review), October 2011.
- Directed Study - Anna Hartnett. Grape Grafting Techniques (Review). Completed May 2012.
- Guest lecturer for the Experimental Methods in Horticulture (HORT 7910) class in 2010, 2011, and 2013.
- Served as a judge at the SR ASHS Graduate Student Paper Competition Annual Meeting, Corpus Christi, TX, 2009.
- Served as a judge at the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Auburn University Graduate Scholars Forum, March 6, 2010.
- Served as a judge at the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Auburn University Graduate Scholars Forum, March 11, 2009.

## ***GRAD STUDENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS***

- Jagjit Singh won the American Society for Horticultural Science Graduate Student Travel Award, May, 2025.

- Jagjit Singh won the Outstanding Graduate Student Award, College of Agriculture, Auburn University, May, 2025.
- Jagjit Singh won First Place Award for the '3 Minute Thesis MS Competition' at the Southern Fruit Workers Group of the SR ASHS Annual Meeting in Irving, TX, January 31- February 2, 2025.
- Jagjit Singh won First Place Award for the Graduate Student Poster Competition at the Professional Agriculture Workers Conference, Montgomery, AL, November 2024.
- Clarisse Chipura won Third Place Award for the '3 Minute Thesis MS Competition' at the Southern Fruit Workers Group of the SR ASHS Annual Meeting in Irving, TX, January 31- February 2, 2025.
- Jarrett Price was awarded First Place in the Graduate Student 3-Minute Poster Competition at the Fruit Crops Working Group session, SR ASHS Annual Meeting, February, 2023, Oklahoma City, OK.
- Jarrett Price was awarded Second Place in the N. Childers M.S. Graduate Student Paper Competition at the SR ASHS Annual Meeting, February, 2023, Oklahoma City, OK.
- Jacob Kelley\*, J.D. Spiers, J. Raymond Kessler, E. D. Coneva, and E.L. Vinson: Second Place Winner of the 2022 Graduate Student Ulysses P. Hedrick Best Paper Award of the American Pomological Society Award for the paper titled: "Effect of Hydrogen Cyanamide on Floral Production of 'A.U. Golden Sunshine' and 'A.U. Gulf Coast Gold' Kiwifruit."
- Andrej Svyantek, a M.S. student in my lab was awarded the American Wine Society Educational Foundation (AWSEF) scholarship funded by the North Alabama Chapter of the American Wine Society, or "North Alabama AWS Chapter Scholarship in Honor of Bonnie & Dennis Dilworth". This Scholarship (\$3,500) is awarded for the purpose of professionally developing scientists and educators to encourage continued growth of the American wine industry. It is an annual award to support graduate student pursuing degrees in enology, viticulture, and healthy aspects of wine.
- Svyantek is a recipient of The American Society for Enology and Viticulture-Eastern Section Grape and Wine Industry Student Scholarship (\$1000), awarded to university students enrolled in the eastern United States in a curriculum that emphasizes wine or grape studies. ASEV-ES also covered Andrej's registration and housing costs (>\$1200) at the annual conference in St. Louis, MO July 18-21, 2016.
- Andrej Svyantek is also awarded The American Society for Enology and Viticulture Scholarship. This national Program annually awards scholarships (\$4,500) to support students pursuing a degree in enology, viticulture, or a curriculum emphasizing sciences basic to the wine and grape industries. As a scholarship recipient, Svyantek also received a Complimentary General Registration for the National Conference in Monterey, California, June 27-30, 2016.
- Svyantek was awarded \$150 as a second place winner for a research paper entitled "Exploring the Growth and Cropping Potential of Pierce's Disease Resistant *Vitis vinifera* L. Selections for Enhanced Viticultural Sustainability in Alabama and the Southeast" in the 2016 American Pomological Society (APS) UP Hedrick Award competition.
- Svyantek was awarded a \$500 travel award by the ASHS to present his research at the ASHS Annual Meeting in Atlanta, GA, August 8-11, 2016.
- Svyantek was awarded a \$500 Graduate Thesis Research Grant by the AU Grad School, June, 2016.
- Edgar Vinson won second place at the American Pomological Society U.P. Hedrick Grad Student Paper Award, New Orleans, LA, August 3-7, 2015.

- Edgar Vinson was awarded a \$500 graduate student travel award to present his research paper at the Annual Meeting of the ASHS in New Orleans, LA, August 37, 2015.
- Edgar Vinson was awarded a \$500 graduate student travel award to present his research paper at the 29 International Horticultural Congress, Brisbane, Australia, August 17- 23, 2014.
- Yilanna Hu won second place at the American Pomological Society U.P. Hedrick Grad Student paper competition award, Miami, FL, August 2012.
- Yilanna Hu was awarded a \$500 graduate student travel award to present her research paper at the Annual Meeting of the ASHS in Miami, FL, August 31, 2012.
- Yilanna Hu was nominated by the AU Department of Horticulture Head for the prestigious International Grad Student Award, July, 2012.
- Pavan Bura was awarded \$500 travel award by the Auburn University Graduate School to attend the Indian Phytopathological Society Annual Meeting in Anand, Gujarat, India, December, 14-16, 2010.
- Xing Ma was awarded second place at the Grad Student poster competition at the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Auburn University Graduate Scholars Forum, March 11, 2009.
- Michael Harris won a third place award in the graduate student paper competition at the SR ASHS Annual Meeting in Orlando, FL, February 6-8, 2011.

## **SCHOLARLY CONTRIBUTIONS TO RESEARCH AND CREATIVE WORK**

### ***ARTICLE-LENGTH PUBLICATIONS***

#### ***ARTICLES IN REFEREED JOURNALS***

***Currently, I am a primary author or co-author on 63 refereed journal published articles.***

For all publications (including abstracts and proceedings) the first author listed made the largest contribution (> 60% contribution in all aspects of research and preparation) and receives the most credit for that publication. Other authors are listed in descending order of contribution. An asterisk (\*) indicates a graduate student. When the first author listed is a graduate student, the second author listed receives the highest credit. Two asterisks (\*\*) indicate first Auburn University author and receives the highest credit.

- Amanda Lay-Walters, Jayesh Samtani, Gina Fernandez, John Havlin, Elina Coneva, Eric Stafne, Natalie Bumgarner, David Lockwood, Zilfina Rubio Ames, Karen Blaedow, Amanda McWhirt. (2025). Survey of Seasonal Variation of Leaf Tissue Nutrient Concentration of Southeastern Blackberry. *HortScience* 60(1):1928-1937. <https://doi.org/10.21273/HORTSCI18867-25>
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- **Elina Coneva.** 2025. NIFA-USDA-ADAI – SCBG Quarterly Reports.
- **Elina Coneva.** 2024. HATCH Final Report.
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- **Elina Coneva.** 2021. NC-140 AL State Report.
- **Elina Coneva.** 2021. NCCC212 AL State Report.
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- **Elina Coneva.** 2017. HATCH Annual Report.
- **Elina Coneva.** 2016. Pomology Working Group at the ASHS Annual Report.
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- **Elina Coneva.** 2016. NIFA-USDA-ADAI – SCBG Annual Report.
- **Elina Coneva.** 2016 NC-140 Alabama State Report. Improving Fruit Crops Efficiency and Productivity Through Changes in Rootstock Use.
- **Elina Coneva.** 2016 NCCC212 Alabama State Report. Small Fruit and Viticulture Cooperative Research Project.
- **Coneva, E.** NCCC212 Multistate Small Fruit Cooperative Research Annual Meeting, "2015 National Project Annual Report on Small Fruits and Viticulture Research." December 18, 2015.
- **Coneva E.** Improving Economic and Environmental Sustainability in Tree-Fruit Production through Changes in Rootstock Use. Multistate Project NC-140, Davis, CA, November 7-9, 2015.



- **Coneva, E.** NCCC212 Multistate Small Fruit Cooperative Research Annual Meeting, "2015 Alabama State Report on Small Fruits and Viticulture Research." Auburn, AL, OR, October 19-21, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** USDA-ADAI-Specialty Crops Block Grant Annual Progress Report, December 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** USDA-ADAI-Specialty Crops Block Grant Final Progress Report, December 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** Fruit Crops Program Challenges and Accomplishments. Commercial Horticulture Team Professional Development and Plan of Work Meeting, Auburn, AL, October, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** NCCC212 Multistate Small Fruit Cooperative Research Annual Meeting, "2014 Alabama State Report on Small Fruits and Viticulture Research." Corvallis, OR, October 2014.
- **Coneva, E.** Fruit Crops Program Accomplishments. Commercial Horticulture Team Professional Development and Plan of Work Meeting, Auburn, AL, October 17, 2014.
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- **Coneva, E.** Fruit Crops Program Accomplishments. Commercial Horticulture Team Professional Development and Plan of Work Meeting, Auburn, AL, September 2012.
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- **Coneva E.** 2010 Peach Mineral Nutrition Study Update Results. Chilton Area Peach Production Annual Meeting Reports, Clanton, AL, February 2011.
- **Coneva E.** 2010 Peach Rootstock Trial Results. Chilton Area Peach Production Annual Meeting Reports, Clanton, AL, February 2011.

#### **Other Research and Creative Contributions**

- Reviewed two manuscripts for HortScience, 2024.
- Evaluated a T&P packet for a faculty member at the University of Florida, 2023.
- Reviewed 33 research and extension proposals for the SR SFC grant program, 2023.
- Reviewed a manuscript for Journal of the American Pomological Society, 2023.
- Reviewed two manuscripts for the Journal of Agronomy, 2023.
- Reviewed two manuscripts for HortScience, 2023.
- Reviewed 23 research and extension proposals for the SR SFC grant program, 2022.
- Reviewed a manuscript for International Journal of Horticultural Science and Technology, 2022.
- Reviewed two manuscripts for the Journal of Agronomy, 2022.
- Reviewed two manuscripts for HortScience, 2022.
- Reviewed a manuscript for International Journal of Horticultural Science and Technology, 2021.
- Reviewed a manuscript for the Journal of Agronomy, 2021.
- Reviewed manuscript for the International Journal of Plant & Soil Science, 2021.
- Evaluated a T&P packet for a faculty member at the University of Arkansas, 2021.
- Reviewed 19 research and extension proposals for the SR SFC grant program, 2021.
- Reviewed 21 research and extension proposals for the SR SFC grant program, 2020.
- Reviewed a manuscript for the JASHS, 2020.
- Reviewed three manuscripts for HortScience, 2020.
- Reviewed a manuscript for HortTechnology, 2020.
- Reviewed a manuscript for the Journal of Agricultural Sciences, 2020.
- Reviewed 20 research proposals for the SR SFC grant program, 2019.
- Reviewed a HATCH proposal for a colleague in our department, 2019.
- Reviewed a manuscript for the JASHS, 2019.
- Reviewed two manuscripts for HortScience, 2019.

- Reviewed a manuscript for the Journal of Agricultural Sciences, 2019.
- Reviewed a manuscript for Elsevier Crop Protection Journal, 2019.
- Reviewed Extension publication for the University of Georgia, 2019.
- Reviewed a manuscript for the JAPS, 2018.
- Reviewed 39 research proposals for the SR SFC grant program, 2018.
- Reviewed a manuscript for the JAPS, 2018.
- Reviewed two manuscripts for HortScience, 2018.
- Reviewed two manuscripts for the JASHS, 2018.
- Reviewed Extension publication for the University of Georgia, 2018.
- Extension Award Committee Chair, presenting the Extension Award at the SR ASHS Annual Conference, Jacksonville, FL, February 2-4, 2018.
- Served as a 2017 Selection Committee Chair of the Henry M. Covington Extension Award, Southern Region, American Society for Horticultural Science.
- Elected to serve as a Chair-Elect of the Small Fruit and Viticulture Working Group, of the American Society for Horticultural Science, 2017.
- Reviewed four manuscripts for HortScience, a Journal of the ASHS in 2017.
- Reviewed two manuscripts for the Journal of the American Pomological Society in 2017.
- Reviewed three manuscripts for the International Journal of Horticultural Science and Technology in 2017.
- Reviewed 23 grant proposals for the NIFA-USDA- CDRE program in 2017.
- Reviewed a faculty member package for promotion, 2017.
- Reviewed a manuscript for the NM Extension Service, 2017.
- Served as a 2016 Selection Committee Member of the Henry M. Covington Extension Award, Southern Region, American Society for Horticultural Science.
- Reviewed a 5-year Hatch Project Proposal for Clemson University Experiment Station in 2016.
- Co-editor for the Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Newsletter (2006- 2010).
- 2010 – 2013 - Reviewed twenty-seven content pages for the national [www.eXtension.org](http://www.eXtension.org) “All about Blueberries” Community of Practice (CoP), which according to The Scholarship of eXtension guidelines:  
[http://about.extension.org/wiki/The\\_Scholarship\\_of\\_eXtension](http://about.extension.org/wiki/The_Scholarship_of_eXtension) is considered an equivalent to a review of a journal manuscript.
- 2010 – 2013- Reviewed thirty-two content pages for the national [www.eXtension.org](http://www.eXtension.org) “Grapes” web site Community of Practice (CoP), which according to The Scholarship of eXtension guidelines:  
[http://about.extension.org/wiki/The\\_Scholarship\\_of\\_eXtension](http://about.extension.org/wiki/The_Scholarship_of_eXtension) is considered an equivalent to a review of a journal manuscript.
- Reviewed fifteen manuscripts for HortScience, a refereed publication of the American Society of Horticultural Science.
- Reviewed five manuscripts for the Journal of the American Pomological Society, a refereed publication of the American Pomological Society.

- Reviewed seven manuscripts for HortTechnology, a refereed publication of the American Society of Horticultural Science.
- Reviewed fourteen manuscripts for the AU Department of Horticulture members.
- **Coneva, E.** Developed the NCCC212 Multistate Cooperative Research Project Proposal on Small Fruits and Viticulture Research for the Period 2016-2021. Submitted and Approved by NIMSS on November 15, 2015.

### ***GRANTS AND CONTRACTS RECEIVED IN SUPPORT OF RESEARCH***

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- Elina Coneva, and Marlee Trandel. 2025. Assessing the Effect of Postharvest Storage on Fruit Quality Attributes of Recently Released Perfect-flowered Muscadine Grape Cultivars and Advanced Selections. SR SFC, 03/01/2025 – 02/28/2026. \$5,000.
- Elina Coneva, Edgar Vinson, Kassie Conner, Paulo Gimenez Cremonez. 2025. Assessing Novel Pierce's Disease Resistant *Vitis vinifera* Grape Cultivars for Sustainable Production in Alabama and the Southeast. SR SFC, 03/01/2025 – 02/28/2026. \$5,000.
- Elina Coneva, Eric Stafne, Marlee Trandel. 2024. Extension Education on Innovative Bunch Grape Production Technologies for the SE. SR SFC, 03/01/2024 – 02/28/2025. \$5,000.
- Melba Salazar-Gutierrez, Paul Bartley, Edgar Vinson, **Elina Coneva**. 2024. Supporting AL Growers Adapting Current Production Systems for Strawberry Cultivation. USDA-SCBG-ADAI. 10/1/2024-7/31/2026; \$40,000.
- Marlee Trandel-Hayse, S. Ru, E. Coneva, Perkins-Veazie, E. Babiker. 2024. Postharvest and Quality Attributes of Rabbiteye Blueberry for Alabama. SR SFC, 03/01/2024 – 02/28/2025, \$5,000.
- Amanda Lay-Walters, Amanda McWhirt, Jayesh Samtani, Gina Fernandez, John Havlin, Elina Coneva, Eric Stafne, David Lockwood, Natalie Bumgarner, Zilfina Rubio Ames, Karen Blaedow. 2024. Factsheet and How-To Videos Outlining Updated Leaf Tissue Nutrient Monitoring Recommendations for Southeastern Blackberry Production. SR SFC, 03/01/2024 – 02/28/2025, \$5,000.
- Edgar Vinson, Wendiam Sawadgo, Tanzeel Rehman, Elina Coneva. 2024. Enhancing peach orchard health: Exploring a farmer-friendly solution for bacterial spot control. USDA-SCBG-ADAI grant \$39,026.00, 2024-2026.
- Sushan Ru, Elina Coneva, Marlee Trandel. 2024. Introducing Late-Blooming and Early Ripening Blueberry Cultivars for Alabama. USDA-SCBG-ADAI grant \$40,000, 10/01/2024-7/31/2027.
- Elina Coneva, S. Ru, M. Salazar. Overcoming ARR challenge in peach production to sustain family farms. USDA-SCBG-ADAI. 10/01/2023- 9/30/2025. \$40,000.00.
- Sushan Ru, E. Coneva, Y. Bao. Expanding Southern Highbush Blueberries to Underserved Regions of Southeastern U.S. \$497, 827.00. USDA-AFRI. 9/1/2023- 8/31/2026.

- Elina Coneva, S. Ru, M. Salazar. Assessment of improved and newly released muscadine grape cultivars for Alabama vineyards. SR SFC, \$5,000.00. 03/01/2023-02/28/2024.
- Sushan Ru, E. Coneva, K. Lawrence. Screening blueberry cultivars for stem blight resistance. SR SFC, \$5,000.00. 03/01/2023-02/28/2024.
- Elina Coneva, E. Vinson, H. Willis, M. Salazar, C. Rodrigues, S. Ru. Extension education uon newly released blueberry cultivars with improved qualities. SR SFC 03/01/2023-02/28/2024, \$5,000.00.
- M. Salazar, E. Coneva, K. Lawrence. Blueberry performance evaluation in HT as an alternative production system for frost protection. SRSFC, \$5,000.00. 3/01/2023-2/28/2024.
- Renee Threlfall, **et al.**, Through the Grapevine: Building Research and Extension Potential between Subgenera *Vitis* and *Muscadinia* for the U.S. Grape Industry. USDA-NIFA-SCRI Planning Grant. \$50,000. 2022-2023.
- Elina Coneva, S. Ru, M. Salazar, E. Vinson. Cultivar Evaluation and Extension Education on Improved Newly Released Muscadine Grapes for Alabama Vineyards. USDA-NIFA-SCBG-ADAI. 2022-2024, \$40,000.00
- Amanda McWhirt, J. Samtani, G. Fernandez, J. Havlin, E. Coneva, E. Stafne. Multistate Evaluation of Nitrogen Fertilizer Rate Impacts on Blackberry and Survey of Blackberry Crop Nutrient Status in the Southeast. SRSFC, 03/01/2022-02/28/2024, \$54,600.00
- Sushan Ru, E. Coneva, K. Lawrence, Kassie Conner. Mitigating the spread of Botryosphaeria stem blight in Alabama's blueberry farms. USDA-NIFA-SCBG-ADAI, 2022-2024. \$40,000.00
- Melba Salazar-Gutierrez, Elina Coneva, Kathy Lawrence. A novel sustainable approach to growing blueberries for frost protection and mitigation of cold damage. USDA-NIFA-ADAI-SCBG, \$40,000.00, 10/01/2022-9/30/2024.
- Coneva, Elina; Ru, Sushan; Salazar-Gutierrez, Melba; Vinson, Edgar; Rodrigues, Camila; Willis, Harli. Extension Education on Newly Released Blueberry Cultivars with Improved Fruit Quality Characteristics. SRSFC, 2022-2023, \$5,000.
- **Coneva, E.**, Stafne, E., Conner, K., and Babiker, E. Investigating the Potential of Disease Resistant *Vitis vinifera* (European Grape) Hybrids for the Southeast. Southeast Region Small Fruit Consortium Grant, 2022-2023; \$5,000.
- **Elina Coneva**, M. Salazar, E. Vinson, S. Ru. 2021. Blueberry Cultivars with Enhanced Quality for Alabama Family Farms. USDA-ADAI-SCBG, 2021-2023. \$40,000.
- Ru, S., B. Yin, J. Spiers, **E. Coneva**, P. Bartley. Enabling High Throughput Yield Prediction for Efficient Blueberry Production. California Blueberry Commission Research Grant Program. 2021-2023. \$31,008.
- Vinson, E., A. Sans-Saez, M. Salazar, **E. Coneva**. Low tunnel plasticulture use in strawberry production. NIFA-USDA-ADAI-SCBG. 2021-2023; \$40,000.
- **E. Coneva**. 2020. Exploring Innovative Peach Rootstocks and Training Systems for High-Density Highly Efficient Orchards in Alabama. NIFA-USDA-ADAI-SCBG program. \$ 40,000. 2020-2022.



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## SCHOLARLY CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUTREACH

### *ACTIVITIES AND PRODUCTS: STATE AND REGIONAL PRODUCTION GUIDES*

- Section editor for 2025 Southeast Regional Blueberry Integrated Management Guide:  
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- Section editor for the 2025 Southeast Regional Muscadine Grape Integrated Management Guide:  
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- **Elina Coneva. 2021.** Home Gardening: Rabbiteye blueberries. ACES, ANR-1078, Revised April 2021: <https://www.aces.edu/blog/topics/fruits-lawn-garden/home-gardening-rabbiteye-blueberries/>
- Edgar Vinson, **Elina Coneva**, M. Price, Ed Sikora, A. Majumdar. 2021. Peach Insect and Diseases Management Chart. ACES: <https://www.aces.edu/blog/topics/farming/peach-insect-and-disease-management-chart/>
- **Elina Coneva.** 2013. Commercial Muscadine and Bunch Grape Production Guide. ACES, Revised ANR-0774, May 2013.

## ***ACTIVITIES AND PRODUCTS: INSTRUCTIONAL ACTIVITIES***

### ***EXTENSION TEACHING: COUNTY MEETINGS***

***Currently, the total number of county meetings conducted is 103***

*In all situations the first author listed has developed and presented the seminar. The secondary authors assisted with experiment execution.*

- **Coneva, E.** Blueberry Production Workshop, Morgan Co., February 27, 2025.
- **Coneva, E.** Fruit Crops Pruning Basics Workshop, CREC, Clanton, March 6, 2025.
- **Coneva, E.** Blueberry Production Workshop, Macon Co., June 10, 2025.

- **Coneva, E.** Fruit and Vegetable Tour, CREC, Clanton, May 29, 2025.
- **Coneva, E.** Bunch Grape Production and Field Demonstration, March 6, 2024, CREC, Clanton.
- **Coneva, E.** Viticulture and Small Fruit Fall Harvest Workshop and Demonstration, September 10, 2024, CREC, Clanton.
- **Coneva, E.** Small Fruit and Viticulture Workshop and Demonstration, June 6, 2024, CREC, Clanton.
- **Coneva, E.** Assessing the performance of MP-29 rootstock in various production systems. Peach Production Orchard Systems. Chilton County Peach Production Meeting, Jamison, February 7, 2023.
- **Coneva, E.** Small fruit workshop and demonstration, June 6, 2023, CREC, Clanton.
- **Coneva, E.** Blueberry Harvest workshop and demonstration, June 10, 2022, CREC, Clanton.
- **Coneva, E.** Assessing the performance of MP-29 rootstock in various production systems. Peach Production Orchard Systems. Chilton County Peach Production Meeting, Jamison, February 7, 2023.
- **Coneva, E.** Small fruit workshop and demonstration, June 6, 2023, CREC, Clanton.
- **Coneva, E.** Blueberry Harvest workshop and demonstration, June 10, 2022, CREC, Clanton.
- **Coneva, E.** Small fruit and grapes pruning workshop and demonstration, March 1, 2022, CREC, Clanton.
- Strawberry Production Meeting, June 14, 2022, Jamison, AL.
- **Coneva, E.** Research Update on Sustainable Peach Production Orchard Systems. Chilton County Peach Production Meeting, January 27, 2022.
- **Coneva, E.** Research Update on Sustainable Peach Production Orchard Systems. Chilton County Peach Production Meeting, January 26, 2021.
- **Elina Coneva.** Peach Orchard Systems Using Pest Resistant Rootstocks. Chilton Area Peach Production Meeting, Clanton, January 27, 2020.
- **Elina Coneva.** Blackberry and Muscadine Cultivar Selection Update. Gulf Coast Fruit Production Workshop, Fairhope, AL, March 14, 2020.
- **Elina Coneva.** Peach Orchard Systems Using Pest Resistant Rootstocks. Distributed as a handout to peach growers as the Chilton Area Peach Production Meeting, Clanton, scheduled for January 29, 2019, was cancelled due to a forecasted inclement weather.
- **Elina Coneva.** Grape Cultivars for Your Vineyard. Grape and Blueberry Pruning and Demonstration Workshop, March 8, 2019, SMREC, Crossville, AL.
- **Elina Coneva.** New Muscadine Grape Cultivars and Training Systems for Muscadines. Grape and Blueberry Pruning and Demonstration Workshop, March 14, 2019, CREC, Clanton, AL.
- **Elina Coneva.** Blueberry Varieties and Fertilization. Fruit and Vegetable Meeting, Fairhope, AL, March 1, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva.** Best Management Practices: Blueberry Fertilization. Beginning Farmer Webinar, March 25, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva.** Orchard Systems and Viticulture Research Update. ACES Plan of Work Annual Meeting, Auburn, AL, October 28, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva.** Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstock Trial in AL. Chilton County Peach Production Meeting, Clanton, January 30, 2018.

- **Elina Coneva.** Blueberry Production and Research Update. Fruit and Vegetable Meeting, Fairhope, AL, February 22, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Research Update on *Vitis vinifera* grape production in AL. Panel discussion, AWGGA Annual Conference, Huntsville, AL, April 28, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Research Update on hybrid bunch grape production in AL. Panel discussion, AWGGA Annual Conference, Huntsville, AL, April 28, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Strawberry Cultivar Update. Strawberry Production Workshop, Hartselle, AL, June 21, 2018.
- Edgar Vinson, **Elina Coneva**, Jim Pitts, and Steven Li. Strawberry Production Workshop, Hartselle, AL, June 21, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Peach Orchard Systems Research Trial in AL. Beginning Farmer webinar, June 25, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Planting a vineyard; pruning practices; training systems; canopy management; harvesting and fruit quality. Grape Production Practices Workshop and Demonstration, October 21, Chilton Research and Extension Center, Clanton, AL.
- **Elina Coneva.** Muscadine and Bunch Grape Production. Small Fruit and Grape Pruning Demonstration Workshop, Clanton, AL, March 8, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva.** Methods for Sustainable Blueberry Production. Small Fruit and Grape Pruning Demonstration Workshop, Clanton, AL, March 8, 2017.
- Edgar Vinson, **Elina Coneva**. Strawberry Production Meeting, Hartselle, AL, June 8, 2017: <https://auburn.hosted.panopto.com/Panopto/Pages/Viewer.aspx?id=60c986ff-d5f3-42bc-bf23-c964a24b6b02>
- **Coneva, Elina.** Fruit Research Update. Chilton Area Peach Production Meeting. January 24, 2017.
- **Coneva, E.** 2016. Management of SWD. Gulf Coast Fruit and Vegetable Production Meeting, Mobile, AL, January 26, 2016.
- **Coneva, E.** 2016. Peach and Apple Rootstock Update. Chilton Area Peach Production Meeting. Clanton, January 25, 2016.
- **Coneva, E.** 2016. Observations of PD Resistant *Vitis vinifera* Selections in AL. AWGGA Annual Meeting, Birmingham, AL, April 2, 2016.
- **Coneva, E.** 2016. Update on PD Resistant *Vitis vinifera* Selections in AL. AWGGA Fall Meeting, CREC, Clanton, AL, October 2, 2016.
- **Coneva, E.** and A. Svyantek\*. Assessing Rootstocks for Sustainable Hybrid Bunch Grape Production in AL. AWGGA Fall Meeting, CREC, Clanton, AL, October 2, 2016.
- Svyantek\*, A., and **Elina Coneva.** 2016. Rootstock Evaluation for hybrid Bunch Grape Production in the SE. Resistant *Vitis vinifera* Selections in AL. AWGGA Annual Meeting, Birmingham, AL, April 2, 2016.
- **Coneva, E** and A. Svyantek\*. 2016. Production of *Vitis vinifera* grapes in AL. Farm and Home Expo, August 6, Chilton Research and Extension Center (CREC), Clanton, AL, 2016.
- Co-organizer, Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Clanton, Montgomery, AL, October 17-18, 2016.
- Co-authored a talk presented at the Fruit Production Meeting, Guntersville, AL, October 20, 2016.



- Co-authored a talk and a demonstration at the SMREC Field Day, Crossville, AL, August 30, 2016.
- Presented three research papers at the 74<sup>th</sup> Professional Ag Workers Conference, Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, AL, December 4-6, 2016.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Small Fruit and Grape Workshop with Muscadine Pruning and Vineyard Trellis Installment Demonstration. Chilton Research and Extension Center (CREC), Clanton, AL, April 2, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Peach Rootstock Evaluation. Chilton Area Peach Production Meeting. Clanton, January 27, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Small Fruit and Grape Workshop with Cultivar and SWD Trapping Demonstration. North Alabama Horticulture Research Station, Cullman, AL, June 29, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Grape Training and Production Updates. Home, Farm, and Wildlife Expo, CREC, Clanton, August 8, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Small Fruit and Grape Workshop with Cultivar and SWD Trapping Demonstration. Monroe Vineyard, LLC, Five Points, AL, October 19, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Small Fruit and Grape Workshop with Cultivar and SWD Trapping Demonstration. Wiregrass Research and Extension Station, Headland, AL, July 1, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014. Performance of PD Resistant *Vitis vinifera* Selections in Alabama. Alabama Wineries and Grape Growers Association Wine Making Boot Camp, Chilton REC, October 18, 2014.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014. Evaluation of PD Resistant *Vitis vinifera* Selections in Alabama. Alabama Wineries and Grape Growers Association Annual Meeting, Huntsville, March 29, 2014.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014. Peach Rootstock Evaluation. Chilton Area Peach Production Meeting. Clanton, January 27, 2014.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014. Banana Production in Alabama. Gulf Coast Fruit and Vegetable Meeting, Mobile, January 21, 2014.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014. Blueberry Cultivar Evaluation and Spotted Wing Drosophila. Blueberry Production Workshop, Fairhope, May 6, 2014.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014. Blueberry Cultivar Selection. Blueberry Production and Cultivar Demonstration Workshop, Cullman, July 10, 2014.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014. *Vitis vinifera* Grape Production. Home, Farm and Wildlife Expo Field Day, Alabama Cooperative Extension System, Chilton, AL, August 2.
- **Coneva, E.** 2013. Muscadine Grape Workshop. E.V. Smith Research Center, Alabama Cooperative Extension System, August 21.
- **Coneva, E.** 2013. Pierce's Disease Resistant Grape Production. Home, Farm and Wildlife Expo Field Day, Alabama Cooperative Extension System, Chilton, AL, August 3.
- **Coneva, E.** 2013. Muscadine and Bunch Grape Production Workshop. North Alabama Horticulture Research Center, Alabama Cooperative Extension System, September 10.
- **Coneva, E.** 2013. Muscadine and Bunch Grape Production Workshop. Fall Fruit Harvest Workshop. Chilton Research and Extension Center, Alabama Cooperative Extension System, October 17.

- **Coneva, E.** 2013. Peach and Grapes Research Updates. North Alabama Tree Fruit Production Meeting Alabama Cooperative Extension System, Athens, AL, March 6.
- **Coneva, E.** 2013. Muscadines and Pierces Disease Resistant Grapes Production in Alabama. Wine and Grape Production Meeting. Alabama Cooperative Extension System, Kiessel Park, AL, February 22.
- **Coneva, E.** 2013. Peach and Grapes Research Updates. Central West Alabama Peach Production Meeting. Alabama Cooperative Extension System, Chilton REC, Clanton, AL, January 31.
- **Coneva, E.** 2012. Muscadine and Table Grape Production. Alabama Cooperative Extension System, North Alabama Horticulture Research Center, Cullman, AL, September 11.
- **Coneva, E.** 2012. Muscadine and *V. vinifera* Grape Production. Alabama Cooperative Extension System, Chilton REC, Clanton, AL, September 12.
- **Coneva, E.** 2012. Muscadine Grape Production. Home, Farm and Wildlife Expo Field Day, Alabama Cooperative Extension System, Chilton, AL, August 4.
- **Coneva, E.** 2012. Performance of U.C. Davis Developed *V. vinifera* Selections in Alabama. Home, Farm, and Wildlife Expo, Field Day, Alabama Cooperative Extension System, Chilton, AL, August 4.
- **Coneva, E.** 2012. Muscadine Production and Cultivar Display. E.V. Smith REC, Shorter, AL, August 21.
- **Coneva, E.** 2012. Update on Grape Research. Alabama Wineries & Grape Growers Association Meeting, Anniston, AL, March 7.
- **Coneva, E.** 2011. Peach Research updates. Chilton County Peach Production Meeting, Clanton, AL, February 1.
- **Coneva, E.** 2011. Grape Production in Alabama. Farm City Vineyard and Winery Tour, Lee County, AL, November 9.
- **Coneva, E.** 2011. Blueberry Cultivar Field Day. North Alabama Horticultural Research and Extension Center, Cullman, AL, July 7.
- **Coneva, E.** 2011. Muscadine Grape Spotlight. Chilton Research and Extension Center, Clanton, AL, March 23.
- **Coneva, E.** 2011. Fruit Crops Research Update. North AL Tree Fruit Production Meeting. Athens, AL, March 29.
- **Coneva, E.** 2011. Botryosphaeria Stem Blight of Blueberry. Gulf Coast Fruit and Vegetable Meeting, Mobile, AL, January 27.
- **Coneva, E.** 2011. Muscadine and Bunch Grape Production. Home, Farm, and Wildlife Expo, Chilton Research and Extension Center, Clanton, AL, August 6.
- **Coneva, E.** 2010. Muscadine and Bunch Grape Production. Farm, Home, and Wildlife Expo, August 7, Chilton REC.
- **Coneva, E.** Growth and development of PD resistant grapevines in Alabama. Alabama Wineries and Grape Growers Association Meeting, Crossville, October 24, 2010.
- **Coneva, E.** 2010. New Developments in Strawberry Production and Frost Protection. Gulf Coast Fruit Production Meeting, January 27, Mobile, AL.
- **Coneva, E.** 2010. Effect of split nitrogen applications on growth and production of three peach cultivars. Chilton County Regional Peach Production Meeting, February 2, Clanton, AL.

- **Coneva, E.** 2010. Split nitrogen applications increase the growth and production of three peach cultivars with different season of ripening. North AL Peach Production Meeting, February 18, Madison, AL.
- **Coneva, E.** 2010. Blackberry virus in Alabama. Blackberry Spotlight Workshop, June 11, Chilton REC, AL.
- **Coneva, E.** 2010. Citrus variegated chlorosis disease on Satsuma mandarin. Satsuma Production Regional Meeting, June 17, Enterprise, AL.
- **Coneva, E.** 2009. Effect of ReTain on Fruit Quality of ‘Loring’ Peaches. Chilton Area Peach Production Meeting, January 22, Clanton REC, AL.
- **Coneva, E.** 2009. Tree Fruit Research Update. North Alabama Tree Fruit Production Meeting, February 24, Madison, AL.
- **Coneva, E.** 2009. Selecting Muscadine Grape Cultivars. Muscadine Spotlight Workshop, March 6, Chilton REC, AL.
- **Coneva, E.** 2009. Cultural Methods for Sustainable Blueberry Production in the Wiregrass Area of Alabama. Blueberry Production Workshop, May 28, Headland REC, AL.
- **Coneva, E.** Seedless Table Grapes Variety Trial. 2009. Small Fruit Production Meeting, June 29, Cullman REC, AL.
- Caylor, A., J. Sibley, and **E. Coneva.** 2009. Growing Blueberries Successfully. Third Annual Small Fruit Production Workshop, October 29, Guntersville, AL.
- **Coneva, E.,** T. Tyson, and R. Boozer. 2008. Cultural methods for sustainable blueberry production in the Wiregrass area. Blueberry Production Workshop, October 21, Wiregrass REC, AL.
- **Coneva, E.** 2008. Grape research update. Alabama Wineries and Grape Growers Association Quarterly Meeting, March 9, Guntersville, AL.
- **Coneva, E.** 2008. Update on blackberry production and blackberry virus survey. Small Fruit Production Meeting, February 14, Dothan, AL.
- **Coneva, E.** 2008. Muscadine cultivar performance in Alabama and blackberry production update. Small Fruit Production Meeting, February 28, Hartselle, AL.
- **Coneva, E.** 2008. Peach variety update. Fruit Production Meeting, February 19, Oneonta, AL.
- **Coneva, E.** 2008. Effect of Ethrel on fruitlet thinning of Alred peaches. Peach Production Meeting, January 24, Clanton, AL.
- **Coneva, E.** 2007. Overview of the Fruit Research Program. Gulf Coast Fruit and Vegetable Meeting, February 2, Mobile, AL.
- **Coneva, E.** 2007. Overview of the Fruit Research Program. Chilton Area Peach Production Meeting, February 8, Clanton, AL.
- **Coneva, E.** 2007. Overview of the Fruit Research Program. North West Alabama Tree Fruit Production Meeting, 17 January, Athens, AL.
- **Coneva, E.,** J. Cline. 2005. Fall Ethephon Treatments to Delay Peach Bloom. Tree Fruit Twilight Meeting, University of Guelph, Department of Plant Agriculture, Vineland Campus, August 14, Vineland, ON.

- **Coneva, E., J. Cline.** 2003. Alternatives to Thinning Cherries and Peaches to Regulate Cropping, Improve Production Efficiency and Fruit Quality. Apricot and Cherry Twilight Meeting, University of Guelph, Department of Plant Agriculture, July 16, Vineland, ON.
- **Coneva, E., J. Cline.** 2002. Thinning Peaches with Gibberellic Acid. Peach and Plum Twilight Meeting, University of Guelph, Department of Plant Agriculture, August 28, Vineland, ON.
- **Coneva, E.** 1989 – 2000. Updates on apricot hybrids and advanced selections performance and fruit displays organized annually at the Apricot Research Station, Silistra, Bulgaria. Presentations are attended by industry professionals, researchers, farmers, interested individuals.

### ***EXTENSION TEACHING: ON-FARM DEMONSTRATIONS***

- **Coneva, E., and M. Price.** Evaluation of Newly Released, Self-fertile Muscadine Grape Cultivars and Advanced Selections for Sustainable Production in Alabama Conditions.
- **Coneva, E. and M. Price.** Assessment of newly released predominantly *V. vinifera* bunch grapes with resistance to PD.
- **Coneva, E., and M. Price.** Evaluation of hybrid bunch grape rootstocks. Chilton REC, Clanton.
- **Coneva, E., and M. Price.** European pear variety evaluations. Chilton REC, Clanton.
- **Coneva, E., and M. Price.** NC-140 Multistate peach rootstock variety trial. Chilton REC, Clanton.
- **Coneva, E., and M. Price.** Fire Blight Resistant Size Controlling Apple Rootstock Trial. CREC.
- **Coneva, E., and M. Price.** Newly released muscadine grape cultivars for Alabama. Chilton REC.
- **Coneva, E. M. Price.** Evaluation of black spot resistant advanced peach selections from Clemson University peach breeding program.
- **Coneva, E. M. Price.** Comparison of growth and Development of Bounty and Julyprince Peach Cultivars Grafted on ARR Resistant MP-29 Rootstock grown in open field conditions.
- **Coneva, E. M. Price.** Comparison of growth and Development of Bounty Peach Cultivar Grafted on ARR Resistant MP-29 Rootstock grown in pots.
- **Coneva, E. M. Price.** Assessing the performance of recently released large-fruited rabbiteye blueberry cultivars.
- **Coneva, E. M. Price.** Comparison of growth and Development of Bounty and Julyprince Peach Cultivars Grafted on ARR Resistant MP-29 Rootstock grown in open field conditions.
- **Coneva, E. and J. Pitts.** Pluot cultivar evaluations. Chilton REC, Clanton, AL.
- **Coneva, E. and M. Price.** Testing the efficiency of Watson trellis system for *V. vinifera* grape production. Chilton REC, Clanton, 2017- present)
- **Coneva, E.** Production of Fire Blight Resistant European Pears. Chilton Research and Extension Center (CREC), Clanton, AL.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Small Fruit and Grape Workshop with Muscadine Pruning and Vineyard Trellis Installment Demonstration. Chilton Research and Extension Center (CREC), Clanton, AL, April 2, 2015.

- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Small Fruit and Grape Workshop with Cultivar and SWD Trapping Demonstration. North Alabama Horticulture Research Station, Cullman, AL, June 29, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Small Fruit and Grape Workshop with Cultivar and SWD Trapping Demonstration. Monroe Vineyard, LLC, Five Points, AL, October 19, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Small Fruit and Grape Workshop with Cultivar and SWD Trapping Demonstration. Wiregrass Research and Extension Station, Headland, AL, July 1, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014-2018. Hybrid Bunch Grape Rootstocks for AL Growing Conditions. Chilton Research and Extension Center (REC), Clanton.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014-2018. Apple Rootstock Evaluations for Fire Blight Resistance and Alternative Crop Production. Chilton Research and Extension Center (REC), Clanton.
- **Coneva, E., E. Vinson.** 2013 - 2014. Assessing Cover Crops for Sustainable Banana Production. Grand Bay, On-Farm Cooperative Research.
- **Coneva, E., E. Vinson.** 2011- 2014. Investigations to determine the feasibility of growing short season cold hardy bananas in Alabama. Auburn University Plant Science Research Center, Auburn, AL.
- **Coneva, E., and J. Pitts.** 2010 - 2018. NC-140 Multistate Asian pear variety trial. Chilton Research and Extension Center (REC), Clanton.
- **Coneva, E.** 2010-2018. Grape pruning demonstration. Sand Mountain REC, Crossville.
- **Coneva, E., and J. Pitts.** 2009 - 2016. NC-140 Multistate peach rootstock variety trial. Chilton REC, Clanton.
- **Coneva, E., and J. Pitts.** 2009 - 2014. NC-140 Multistate peach physiology trial. Chilton REC, Clanton.
- **Coneva, E., and J. Ducar.** 2008 - 2014. Growing high density dwarfing sweet and sour cherry varieties in Alabama. Sand Mountain REC, Crossville.
- **E. Coneva, and A. Caylor.** 2008 - 2018. Rabbiteye blueberry variety trial. North Alabama Horticulture Experiment Center (HEC), Cullman.
- **J. Spiers, B. Boozer, E. Coneva.** 2008 - 2014. Rabbiteye blueberry variety trial. Wiregrass REC, Headland.
- **Boozer, R., Coneva E., and J. Pitts.** 2008 - 2014. Blackberry cultivation using high tunnel technology. Chilton Research and Extension Center, Clanton.
- **Coneva, E., and R. Dawkins.** Evaluation of selected Pierce's Disease (PD) resistant bunch grape cultivars. 2008 - 2018. Sand Mountain REC, Crossville.
- **Coneva, E., and A. Caylor.** 2008 - 2016. Evaluation of the University of Arkansas bred table grape selections for their resistance to Pierce's Disease (PD). North Alabama Horticulture Experiment Center (HEC), Cullman.
- **Coneva, E., T. Tyson, R. Boozer, G. Dell, G. Goodson, and C. Smith.** 2008 - 2010. Sustainable Irrigation Methods for Alternative Crop Production. On-farm demonstrations in Wiregrass area, AL.
- **Coneva, E., and Jim Pitts.** 2008 - 2014. Muscadine and bunch grape cultivars for Alabama. Chilton REC, Clanton.
- **Coneva, E., and Jason Burkett.** 2007 - 2013. Muscadine grape varieties for Alabama. E.V. Smith REC, Shorter.



## ***EXTENSION TEACHING: SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES ORGANIZED & AGENT TRAINING***

***Current total of 154***

- **Elina Coneva.** Fruit and Vegetable Tour. Commercial Horticulture Team In-Service Agent Training, CREC, AL, May 29, 2025.
- **Coneva, E.** Blueberry Production Workshop, Morgan Co., February 27, 2025.
- **Coneva, E.** Fruit Crops Pruning Basics Workshop and Demonstration, CREC, Clanton, March 6, 2025.
- **Coneva, E.** Blueberry Production Workshop and Demonstration, Macon Co., June 10, 2025.
- **Elina Coneva.** Recently Released Blueberry Cultivar Evaluations. AFVGA Annual Conference, Gulf Shore, AL, February, 2025.
- J. Singh\*, **E. Coneva**, M. Trandel-Hayse, M. R. Salazar-Gutierrez, E. L. Vinson and B. Chaves-Cordoba. 2025. Exploring Improved Rabbiteye Blueberry Cultivars for Sustainable Production in Alabama. SE Regional Fruit and vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, January 2025.
- J. Singh\*, **E. Coneva**, M. Trandel-Hayse, M. R. Salazar-Gutierrez, E. L. Vinson and B. Chaves-Cordoba. 2025. Assessment of New Perfect-flowered Muscadine Grape Cultivars under Alabama Conditions. SE Regional Fruit and vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, January 2025.
- **Elina Coneva** and Ksenija Gasic. 2025. Performance of Newly Released Bacterial Spot Tolerant Advanced Peach Selections in Alabama. SE Regional Fruit and vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, January 2025.
- J. Singh\*, **E. Coneva**, M. Trandel-Hayse, M. R. Salazar-Gutierrez, E. L. Vinson. Assessment of New Perfect-flowered Muscadine Grape Cultivars under Alabama Conditions. SR ASHS Annual Conference, Irving, TX, February, 2025.
- J. Singh\*, **E. Coneva**, M. Trandel-Hayse, M. R. Salazar-Gutierrez, E. L. Vinson. Investigating the Performance of Recently Released Rabbiteye Blueberry (*Vaccinium virgatum* Aiton) Cultivars for Sustainable Production in Alabama. SR ASHS Annual Conference, Irving, TX, February, 2025.
- Clarisse Cochran-Chipura\*, Sushan Ru, **Elina Coneva**, Sungeun Cho and Marlee Trandel-Hayse. Comparison of Rabbiteye to Southern Highbush Blueberry Quality, Flavor, and Sensory Analysis. SR ASHS Annual Conference, Irving, TX, February, 2025.
- Jagjit Singh\*, **Elina Coneva**, Margaret Worthington, Patrick J. Conner<sup>3</sup>, Marlee Trandel-Hayse, Melba R. Salazar-Gutierrez, and Edgar L. Vinson. Evaluating the performance of muscadine grape (*Vitis rotundifolia* Michx.) advanced selections under central Alabama conditions. Annual Conference of the ASEV-ES, Athens, GA, July, 2025.
- Clarisse Cochran-Chipura\*, Sushan Ru, **Elina Coneva**, Sungeun Cho and Marlee Trandel-Hayse. Sensory and Quality Assessment of Rabbiteye and Southern Highbush Blueberry Genotypes. Annual Conference of the ASHS, New Orleans, July 28-August 1, 2025.

- Clarisse Cochran-Chipura\*, Sushan Ru, **Elina Coneva**, Sungeun Cho and Marlee Trandel-Hayse. Postharvest Assessment of Rabbiteye and Southern Highbush Blueberry Color and Fruit Quality. Annual Conference of the ASHS, New Orleans, July 28-August 1, 2025.
- Jagjit Singh\*, **Elina Coneva**, Marlee Trandel-Hayse, Melba R. Salazar-Gutierrez, Edgar L. Vinson and Bernardo Chaves-Cordoba . Exploring the Effect of Postharvest Storage on Composition Changes in Selected Muscadine Grape (*Vitis Rotundifolia* Michx.) Cultivars. Annual Conference of the ASHS, New Orleans, July 28-August 1, 2025.
- Jagjit Singh\*, **Elina Coneva**, Margaret Worthington, Patrick J. Conner, Marlee Trandel-Hayse, Melba R. Salazar-Gutierrez, and Edgar L. Vinson. Evaluating the performance of muscadine grape (*Vitis rotundifolia* Michx.) advanced selections under central Alabama conditions. Annual Conference of the ASHS, New Orleans, July 28-August 1, 2025.
- **Elina Coneva**. Southern Region Small Fruit Consortium In-Service Agent Training, Cultivar Selection and Variety Trials, Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Grower's Conference, Savannah, GA, January 11-14, 2024.
- **Elina Coneva**. Commercial Horticulture Team In-Service Agent Training, Cultivar Selection and Canopy Management for Bunch Grapes, CREC, AL, June 13, 2024.
- **Elina Coneva**. Self-Fertile Muscadine Grape Cultivar Evaluations. AFVGA Annual Conference, Gulf Shore, AL, February 9-10, 2024.
- **Elina Coneva**. ACES Commercial Horticulture In-Service Agent Training, Small Fruit and Grape Production, CREC, Clanton, AL, June 13, 2024
- **Elina Coneva**. Evaluating the Performance of ARR Resistant Peach Rootstock MP-29 for Sustainable Production in Alabama, Alabama Association of County Ag Agents and Specialists Conference, Opelika, AL, June 2024.
- **Elina Coneva**. Evaluating the Performance of ARR Resistant Peach Rootstock MP-29 for Sustainable Production in Alabama, National Association of County Agricultural Agents AM/PD Conference, Dallas, TX, July 14-20, 2024.
- **Elina Coneva**. Professional Development/In-Service agent training viticulture tour, July 27, 2023.
- **Elina Coneva**. Blueberry Cultivar evaluations. AFVGA Annual Conference, Gulf Shore, AL, February 9-10, 2023.
- **Elina Coneva**. Muscadine grape Cultivar evaluations. AFVGA Annual Conference, Gulf Shore, AL, February 9-10, 2023.
- **Elina Coneva**. MP-29 rootstock evaluations in various production systems. AFVGA Annual Conference, Gulf Shore, AL, February 9-10, 2023.
- **Elina Coneva**, J. Price. Planting distance can increase yield and quality of PD resistant predominantly V. vinifera 502-20 grape. NACAA AM/PD Conference, July 17-22, 2023.
- **Coneva, E.**, K. Gasic. First crop of bacterial spot tolerant peach selections in Alabama. Southern Region Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, January, 2023.
- J. Price\*, **E. Coneva**. Performance of PD resistant V. vinifera selection 502-20 in Alabama. Southern Region Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, January, 2023.

- **Coneva, E.** Blueberry Cultivar Selection, Fruit School Short Course 10 webinars I organized and conducted May-June, 2022.
- **Coneva, E., E. Vinson.** Fruit School Short Course on strawberry production, 6 webinars I organized and conducted May, 2022.
- **Coneva, E.** Developing a technology for production of PD resistant, predominantly *V. vinifera* grapes in the SE. Southern Region Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, January, 2022.
- **Coneva, E., Gasic, K.** Evaluation of bacterial spot tolerant advanced peach selections for Alabama conditions. Southern Region Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, January, 2022.
- **Elina Coneva and Bernardo Chaves-Cordoba.** 2022. ‘1103 Paulsen’ Rootstock Increases Yield and Fruit Quality of ‘Chardonnay’ Grape in Alabama Growing Conditions. Southeastern Professional Fruit Workers Conference, Lake Alfred, FL, November 14-16.
- **Elina Coneva and Bernardo Chaves-Cordoba.** 2022. Investigating the Feasibility of ‘MP-29’ Rootstock for Container Peach Production. Southeastern Professional Fruit Workers Conference, Lake Alfred, FL, November 14-16.
- **Elina Coneva and Ksenija Gasic.** 2022. Assessment of Bacterial Spot Tolerant Advanced Peach Selections in Alabama. Southeastern Professional Fruit Workers Conference, Lake Alfred, FL, November 14-16.
- **Elina Coneva and Bernardo Chaves-Cordoba.** 2022. Utilizing Size-Controlling and Disease Resistant ‘MP-29’ Rootstock for Sustainable Peach Production in Alabama. Southeastern Professional Fruit Workers Conference, Lake Alfred, FL, November 14-16.
- **Elina Coneva.** Effect of planting distance on yield and quality of PD resistant predominantly *V. vinifera* 502-20 grape. NACAA AM/PD Conference, July 17-22, 2022.
- **Elina D. Coneva.** 2022. 1103 Paulsen’ Rootstock Increases Yield and Fruit Quality of ‘Chardonnay’ in Alabama Conditions. ASEV-ES annual Conference, Bloomington, MN, July 13-15, 2022.
- **Coneva, E.** Blueberry cultivar selection Master Gardener Training, Auburn, December 7, 2022.
- **Coneva, E.** Performance of PD Resistant Predominantly European Grape in Alabama. SE Regional F&V Conference, Virtual, Savannah, GA, January 5-7, 2021.
- **Coneva, E.** Evaluation of FB Resistant Size-Controlling Apple Rootstocks in Alabama. SE Regional F&V Conference, Virtual, Savannah, GA, January 5-7, 2021.
- **Coneva, E.** Determining the Optimal Planting Distance for PD Resistant Predominantly *V. vinifera* Grape Selections in Alabama. American Society for Enology and Viticulture - Eastern Section Annual Conference, Virtual, July 7-8, 2021.
- **Coneva, E., E. Xu, J.R. Kessler, E. Vinson.** Assessment of Fire Blight Resistant Size Controlling Rootstocks for Sustainable Apple Production in Alabama. IX International Agriculture and Agrifood Conference, Burgas, Bulgaria, August 16-19, 2021.
- **Coneva, E.** Evaluation of Rabbiteye Blueberry (*Vaccinium ashei*) Cultivars in Central Alabama. ASHS Meeting; Denver, CO, Aug. 10-13, 2021.
- **Coneva, E.** Investigating Rabbiteye Blueberry (*Vaccinium ashei*) for Sustainable Production in Alabama. NAACA Annual Meeting/Professional Improvement Conference (Virtual), July 6-9, Philadelphia, PA, 2021.

- **Coneva, E.** Research Updates from Auburn University. Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, November 18-19, 2021, Gulf Shores, AL.
- **Coneva, E., S. NeSmith, A. Caylor.** Assessment of Rabbiteye Blueberry Cultivars in Alabama. Blueberry Cultivars in Alabama. XII International *Vaccinium* Symposium, Halifax, NS, Canada (Virtual), August 30-Sept. 1, 2021.
- **Coneva, E.** Fruit Crops Research Updates from Auburn University. SR ASHS Southern Fruit Workers Meeting (Virtual) March 9, 2021.
- **Coneva, E., E. Vinson, M. Salazar.** Developing a Technology for Vitis vinifera Production in Alabama. SE Professional Workers Meeting, Clemson, SC (Virtual), October 26-28, 2021.
- Ioannis S. Minas, Greg L. Reighard, Brent Black, John A. Cline, Dario J. Chavez, **Elina Coneva**, Gregory Lang, Mike Parker, Terence Robinson, Schupp James, Poliana Francescato, Jaume Lordan, Tom Beckman, William Shane, David Sterle, Jeff Pieper, Cathy Bakker, Bernadette Clark, Dave Ouellette, Andrew Swain, Hans E. Winzeler. XII International Symposium on Integrating Canopy, Rootstock, and Environmental Physiology in Orchard Systems. (Virtual), WA, USA, 2021.
- Gregory L. Reighard, **E. Coneva**, and 70 other NC-140 members. 2020. Thirty-three Years Evaluating Rootstocks for Peach in the NC-140: What Have We Learned. XII International Symposium on Integrating Canopy, Rootstock, and Environmental Physiology in Orchard Systems, Virtual, WA, USA, 2021.
- **Elina Coneva.** Evaluation of Disease Resistant Peach Rootstocks in Alabama. SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 9-12, 2020.
- Dylan Teel\* and **Elina Coneva.** Sensory Analysis of Aztec Fuji Fruit on Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstocks in Alabama. SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 9-12, 2020.
- **Elina D. Coneva.** 2020. Size-Controlling and Disease Resistant Peach Rootstocks for Sustainable Peach Production in Alabama. Annual Meeting and Professional Development Conference of the National Association of County Agricultural Agents, Virginia Beach, VA, September 27-28. Virtual Meeting Proceedings, Page 215: <https://www.nacaa.com/ampic/2020/2020%20Proceedings%20lr.pdf>
- **Elina Coneva.** [First Season Yield of Cresthaven Peach on Semi-Dwarf, Pest resistant Rootstocks.](#) Webinar, ACES, Commercial Horticulture Team webinar series, February 24, 2020, Virtual event and YouTube video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N47sGkVgeqA>
- **Elina Coneva.** Trellising Apple Trees in Alabama. Fruit and Vegetable Webinar, ACES, Commercial Horticulture Team webinar series, November 4, 2020, Virtual event: [https://www.facebook.com/watch/live/?v=278097273542829&ref=watch\\_permalink](https://www.facebook.com/watch/live/?v=278097273542829&ref=watch_permalink)
- **Elina Coneva.** Muscadine Grape and Blackberry Production. Baldwin Co. Fruit and Vegetable Meeting, March 13, 2020.
- **Elina Coneva.** Update on NC-140 Peach Rootstock Study. Chilton Co. Peach Production Meeting, January 28, 2020.
- **Elina Coneva.** Developed and presented two webinars in the Commercial Horticulture Webinar Series that included 21 events via Facebook live and reached 12,159.
- **Elina Coneva.** Contributed to three of the CommHort Q&A Friday series that included 29 events via Facebook and reached 18,617 people.

- **Elina Coneva.** Attended Alabama Virtual Farm Tours that included 18 events and reached 4,611.
- **Elina Coneva.** Developed nine articles for the Alabama IPM Communicator E-newsletter that reached 3,494.
- **Elina Coneva.** Developed four Module Courses for the CommHort Farming Basics Mobile App that had 1,000 downloads.
- **Elina Coneva.** Contributed two YouTube videos for the Farming Basics App with a total of 63 video clips that reached 215,727.
- **Elina Coneva,** E. Vinson, J.R. Kessler, and W. Clements. Evaluation of PD Resistant Hybrid Bunch Grapes in Alabama. SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 10-13, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva,** Enfeng Xu, J.R. Kessler, E. Vinson, and M. Price. Exploring Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstocks for Alabama. SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 10-13, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva.** Best Management Practices: Blueberry Fertilization. Beginning Farmer Webinar/Agent Training, March 25, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva.** Viticultural Research and Extension in Alabama. National Viticulture Extension Education Leadership Conference (NVEELC), Fredericksburg, TX, April 6-8, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva,** Enfeng Xu, J.R. Kessler, E. Vinson and M. Price. Viticultural performance of ‘Chardonel’ and ‘Norton’ Grapes on Selected Rootstocks in Alabama. Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents and Specialists (ACAAS) Annual Meeting and Professional Improvement Conference (AM/PIC), AL, June 5-7, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva.** Orchard Systems and Viticulture Research Update. ACES Plan of Work Annual Meeting, Auburn, AL, October 28, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva,** Enfeng Xu, J.R. Kessler, and E. Vinson. Testing Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstocks for Sustainable Apple Production in Alabama. National Association of County Agricultural Agents (NACAA) Annual Meeting and Professional Improvement Conference (AM/PIC), Fort Wayne, IN, September 8-12, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva,** Enfeng Xu, J.R. Kessler, E. Vinson and M. Price. Viticultural performance of ‘Chardonel’ and ‘Norton’ Grapes on Selected Rootstocks in Alabama. National Association of County Agricultural Agents (NACAA) Annual Meeting and Professional Improvement Conference (AM/PIC), Fort Wayne, IN, September 8-12, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva,** Enfeng Xu, J.R. Kessler, E. Vinson and M. Price. Five-Year performance of Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstocks in Alabama. Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Grower Association Annual Conference, Clanton, AL, November 21-22, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva.** Research Update and Demonstration on PD Resistant UC Davis Developed *Vitis vinifera* Grape Selections in AL. AWGGA Annual Conference, CREC, Clanton, AL, September 13, 2019.
- **Coneva, Elina D.,** Xu, Enfeng Kessler, J. Raymond Vinson, Edgar L. III, 2019. Five-Year Performance of Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstocks in Alabama. Auburn University. 2019 ASHS Annual Conference.
- **Vinson, Edgar L. Coneva, Elina D.,** Kessler, J. Raymond Price, Matthew Woods, Floyd M., Auburn University. 2019. Evaluation of Twelve Strawberry Cultivars for Their Production Potential in the Climate of Central Alabama. 2019 ASHS Annual Conference.



- Vinson, Edgar L., Li, Steve, Woods, Floyd M., **Coneva, Elina D.**, Kessler, J. Raymond. 2019. Effect of Selected Herbicides on the Yield and Berry Size of ‘camarosa’ Strawberry (*Fragaria x ananassa*). 2019 ASHS Annual Conference.
- **Elina Coneva**, Enfeng Xu, J. Raymond Kessler, Jr., and Edgar L. Vinson. 2019. Investigations to Determine the Performance of Selected Grape Rootstocks in Alabama. SR ASHS Meeting, Birmingham, AL. HortScience (Abstr.).
- **Elina Coneva**, Edgar L. Vinson, and J. Raymond Kessler Jr. 2019. Evaluation of Pierce’s Disease Tolerant Hybrid Bunch Grapes in Alabama. SR ASHS Meeting, Birmingham, AL.
- Floyd Woods, A. Gebrekidan, **Elina Coneva**, E. Vinson, K. Shetty, D. Sakar, B. Blasius and A. Caylor. 2019. Cultivar, environment and growing season effects on phytochemical properties of Alabama-grown Rabbiteye blueberries (*Vaccinium ashei* Reade). SR ASHS Meeting, Birmingham, AL.
- Jacob T. Kelley\*, James D. Spiers, Raymond J. Kessler, **Elina Coneva**, E. Vinson. 2019. Improving flower production using hydrogen cyanamide on golden kiwifruit. SR ASHS, Birmingham, AL.
- Edgar Vinson, Steve Li, F. Woods, **Elina D. Coneva**, and M. Price. 2019. Effect of selected herbicides on the relative growth rate of ‘Camarosa’ strawberry (*Fragaria x Ananassa*). SR ASHS Meeting, Birmingham, AL.
- **Elina Coneva** presented two research and extension papers at the SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, January 11-14, 2018.
- Presented research updates for the Beginning Farmer/In-Service agent training for Commercial Horticulture Team and Homegrounds Team, January 16, 2018.
- Presented research and extension programs updates at the ALFA Commodity Organizational Meeting, Montgomery, AL, February 7, 2018.
- Presented webinar for the Beginning Farmer/In-Service agent training for Commercial Horticulture Team and Homegrounds Team, June 25, 2018.
- Presented two educational talks at the 76th Professional Ag Workers Conference, Tuskegee University, Opelika/Tuskegee, AL, December 2-4, 2018.
- Co-organizer, Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Clanton, AL, November 16-17, 2018.
- Invited speaker for the Chilton Co. Peach Production Meeting, Clanton, Jan. 30, 2018.
- Attended “Our Farms, Our Future” Extension Conference in Saint Louis, MO, April 2-4, 2018.
- Organizer of the Grape Production and Grape Pruning Demonstration Workshop, October 21, 2018, Clanton, AL.
- Presented four papers at the SR ASHS meeting in Jacksonville, FL, February 2-4, 2018.
- Presented a paper at the ASHS meeting in Washington DC, July 30-August 4, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva**. Co-organizer, Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Clanton, AL, November 17-18, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva**. PD Resistant *V. vinifera* (European) Grape Selections – an Innovation for Alabama and the SE. Beginning Farmer Webinar Series, May 22, 2017.

- **Elina Coneva.** Update on Fruit Crops Research. In-Service Training for Homegrounds and Commercial Horticulture Teams, Clanton, AL, May 15, 2017.
- Presented six research and extension papers at the SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 5-8, 2017.
- Presented research updates for the Beginning Farmer/In-Service agent training for Commercial Horticulture Team and Homegrounds Team, May 15, 2016.
- Presented webinar for the Beginning Farmer/In-Service agent training for Commercial Horticulture Team and Homegrounds Team, May 22, 2017.
- Presented three educational talks at the 75th Professional Ag Workers Conference, Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, AL, December 3-5, 2017.
- Co-organizer, Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Clanton, AL, November 17-18, 2017.
- Invited speaker for the Chilton Co. Peach Production Meeting, Clanton, Jan. 24, 2017.
- Co-organizer of the Small Fruit Production and Grape Pruning Demonstration Workshop, March 8, Clanton, AL.
- Presented papers at the SR ASHS meeting in Mobile, AL, February 2017.
- Presented papers at the ASHS meeting in Hawaii, September, 2017.
- **Coneva, E.** Biology and Management of SWD. In-Service agent training for the Homegrounds Team, webinar, May 6, 2016.
- **Coneva, E.** SWD Update. Beginning Farmer/In-Service agent training for Commercial Horticulture Team webinar, May 23, 2016.
- **Coneva, E.** Presented three educational talks at the 74<sup>th</sup> Professional Ag Workers Conference, Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, AL, December 4-6, 2016.
- **Coneva, E.** 2016. Observations of PD Resistant Bunch Grapes for AL and the Southeast. SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 7-10, 2016.
- Co-organizer, Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Clanton, Montgomery, AL, October 17-18, 2016.
- Invited speaker for the Chilton Co. Peach Production Meeting, Clanton, Jan. 25, 2016.
- Invited speaker for the Gulf Coast Fruit Production Meeting, Mobile, Jan. 26, 2016.
- Presented at the SE Professional Fruit Workers Meeting in Gainesville, FL, October 2-4, 2016.
- **Coneva, E.** Presented a talk for the Home, Farm and Wildlife Expo, Chilton REC, Clanton, AL, August 6, 2016.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Organizer, NCCC212 HATCH Multistate Small Fruits and Viticulture Cooperative Research Group Annual Meeting, Auburn, AL, October 19-21, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Co-organizer, SE Professional Fruit Workers Annual Meeting, Montgomery, AL, October 6-8, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Co-organizer, Alabama Wineries and Grape Growers Association Annual Meeting, Birmingham, March 28, 2015.

- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Co-organizer, IPM for Fruit Crops In-Service Training, Chilton REC, Clanton, August 10, 2015.
- Co-organizer of the Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Annual Conference, Auburn, AL, November 19-20, 2015.
- Co-organizer of the Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Annual Conference, Auburn, AL, February 6 - 7, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Organizer, Small Fruit and Grape Workshop with Muscadine Pruning and Vineyard Trellis Installment Demonstration. Chilton Research and Extension Center (CREC), Clanton, AL, April 2, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Organizer, Small Fruit and Grape Workshop with Cultivar and SWD Trapping Demonstration. North Alabama Horticulture Research Station, Cullman, AL, June 29, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Co-organizer, Small Fruit and Grape Workshop with Cultivar and SWD Trapping Demonstration. Monroe Vineyard, LLC, Five Points, AL, October 19, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Organizer, Small Fruit and Grape Workshop with Cultivar and SWD Trapping Demonstration. Wiregrass Research and Extension Station, Headland, AL, July 1, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Fruit Crops Production Update. Commercial Horticulture Team In-Service Training, Chilton REC, AL, August 11, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** Seminar and Agent Training at the National Association of County Agricultural Agents professional Improvement and Development Annual Meeting, Sioux Falls, SD, July 12-15, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** Seminar and Agent Training at the Annual Conference, Eastern Section of the American Society for Enology and Viticulture, Dunkirk, NY, July 23-25, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Invited Speaker at the Southern Sustainable Agriculture Working Group (SSAWG) Meeting in Mobile, AL, January 14-17, 2015.
- Organizer, Commercial Horticulture Extension Team Professional Development Tour, Tifton, GA, September 2-4, 2014.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014. Co-organizer, Alabama Wineries and Grape Growers Association Wine Making Boot Camp, Chilton REC, October 18, 2014.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014. Co-organizer, Alabama Wineries and Grape Growers Association Annual Meeting, Huntsville, March 29, 2014.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014. Co-organizer, Chilton Area Peach Production Meeting. Clanton, January 27, 2014.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014. Co-organizer, Gulf Coast Fruit and Vegetable Meeting, Mobile, January 21, 2014.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014. Organizer, Blueberry Production Workshop, Fairhope, May 6, 2014.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014. Organizer, Blueberry Production and Cultivar Demonstration Workshop, Cullman, July 10, 2014.
- Co-organizer of the Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Annual Conference, Auburn, AL, February 8 - 9, 2013.
- **Coneva, E.** 2013. Muscadine Grape Workshop. E.V. Smith Research Center, Alabama Cooperative Extension System, August 21.

- **Coneva, E.** 2013. Muscadine and Bunch Grape Production Workshop. North Alabama Horticulture Research Center, Alabama Cooperative Extension System, September 10.
- Co-organizer of the Fall Fruit Harvest Day, CREC, Clanton, October 17, 2013.
- **Coneva, E.** 2012. Fruit Crops Pest Update. In-service training. Fourth Annual Fruit & Vegetable IPM Conference, ACES, Auburn, AL, May 2012.
- **Coneva, E.** 2012. Use of eXtension in Your Daily Operations. In-service training. Commercial Horticulture Team Professional Development Meeting, ACES, Auburn, AL, May 2012.
- **Coneva, E.** 2012. Fruit Crops Production Update. In-service training. Certified Crop Advisors Annual Meeting, ACES, Auburn, AL, December 4.
- **Coneva, E.** 2012. Update on Grape Research at Auburn University. Alabama Wineries and Grape-growers Association Quarterly Meeting, Anniston, AL, March 18.
- Co-organizer of the Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Annual Conference, Auburn, AL, February 10-11, 2012.
- Co-organizer of the Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Annual Conference, Auburn, AL, February 11-12, 2011.
- **Coneva, E.** 2011. Botryosphaeria in Blueberry and Economical Grape Diseases. In-service training. Third Annual Fruit & Vegetable IPM Conference, ACES, Auburn, AL, May 2011.
- Co-organizer of the Area Peach Production Meeting, Clanton, AL, February, 1, 2012.
- Co-organizer of the Gulf Coast Fruit and Vegetable Meeting, Mobile, AL, January 27, 2012.
- Co-organizer of the Home, Farm and Wildlife Expo, Clanton, AL, August 4, 2012.
- Co-organizer of the Blueberry Cultivar Showcase, North Alabama Horticultural Research and Extension Center, Cullman, AL, July 7, 2011.
- Co-organizer of the Muscadine Grape Spotlight workshop, Chilton Research and Extension Center, Clanton, AL, March 23, 2011.
- **Coneva, E.** 2011. Blueberry Pruning Webinar. Offered by the “All about Blueberries” [www.eXtension.org](http://www.eXtension.org) national web portal, December 9.
- **Coneva, E.** 2011. Research Highlights of the Fruit Crops Program at Auburn University. ALFA Organizational Meeting, Birmingham, AL, February 1.
- In-service agent training webinar conducted on May 3, 2010. A research update on New Blueberry Cultivars for growing in Alabama’s environment was provided.
- I have invited a guest speaker to provide an update on emerging and well-established diseases in blueberry orchards – Dr. Phillip Brannen, a plant pathologist, UGA, as part of this In-service training program that was conducted utilizing the web technology for distance educational opportunities.
- Served as a Planning Committee Member for the 2009 Deep South Fruit and Vegetable Growers Conference (a regional multistate conference involving AL, MS, and LS) in Mobile, AL.
- Service contacts with the 6 REA’s with Commercial Horticulture responsibilities on an individual basis through office visits, telephone calls, county visits or personal correspondence.

- Trained and collaborated with Mr. Doug Chapman, a REA for North AL on insect trap collection throughout the growing season as part of a statewide survey on sharpshooter leafhoppers found in fruit orchards.
- In - service county coordinators and agent training provided at the at the 1<sup>st</sup> Alabama IPM Web Conference, April 16, 2009:  
[https://sites.aces.edu/group/crops/peanut/IPM%20Web%20Conference/presentation7\\_coneva2009.pdf](https://sites.aces.edu/group/crops/peanut/IPM%20Web%20Conference/presentation7_coneva2009.pdf)
- Organized a Blueberry Production Workshop for the Wiregrass Blueberry Growers Association members, master gardeners and general public, May 28, 2009. Invited speakers from the Alabama Department of Agriculture, Auburn University, and Alabama Cooperative Extension System. In collaboration with the ACES personnel organized a Fire Ant Management Demonstration in a Blueberry Field Day.
- In collaboration with the AAES and ACES personnel initiated and organized a Muscadine Grape Spotlight Workshop and a Muscadine Grape Pruning Demonstration on March 6, 2009, at the Chilton REC.
- Initiated and assisted in organizing a Fall Fruit Harvest in Alabama Workshop and a Fall Fruit Testing/Demonstration, October 15, 2009, at the Chilton REC. Set up the educational program topics and invited the speakers.
- Assisted in organization of the 2008 Deep South Fruit and Vegetable Growers Conference and Tradeshow. This is an annual conference held in Mobile, AL during the first week of December. This conference represents a multi-state educational meeting for fruit and vegetable producers from Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas. This conference is a collaborative effort among researchers, Extension personnel, farmers, NRCS, and other interested clientele that we serve from Mississippi, Louisiana, and Alabama. Each state has 3 representatives that function as Coordinators and Facilitators for this conference. I was one of Alabama's three delegates.
- Blueberry Production Workshop, Wiregrass Research and Extension Center, Headland, 21 October. 2008. I assisted to organize and plan the event and presented a summary of first year results. This workshop addressed blueberry production problems experienced in high pH soils in Dothan area and I also provided a summary of research-based findings including irrigation water quality requirements, common and emerging pests affecting blueberry production in this region.
- Trained and collaborated with the six commercial Horticulture Regional Extension Agents (REAs) on blackberry virus symptoms/detection and tissues sample collection throughout the growing season as part of a statewide survey on viruses affecting blackberry crop in Alabama, 2007-2008.
- **Coneva, E.** 2007. Plant Growth Regulators in Fruit Production. Alabama Cooperative Extension System Commercial Horticulture Team, and Regional Extension Agent In-Service Training, June 6-8, Clanton, AL.

### ***EXTENSION TEACHING: INVITED PRESENTATIONS AND PAPERS***

***Current total of 228***

- **Elina Coneva**, Patrick Conner, Margaret Worthington, Melba Salazar-Gutierrez, Sushan Ru, Edgar Vinson, and Bernardo Chaves-Cordoba. 2024. Evaluation of Muscadine Cultivars in Alabama.
- **Elina Coneva.** 2024. Evaluating the Performance of Armillaria Root Rot Resistant Rootstock 'MP-29' for Sustainable Peach Production in Alabama. NACAA AM&PD Conference, Dallas, TX.



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- **Elina Coneva**, Jarrett Price, Melba Salazar-Gutierrez, Edgar Vinson, Sushan Ru and Bernardo Chavez-Cordoba. 2024. Effect of Planting Distance on PD Resistant Predominantly *Vitis Vinifera* Grape ‘502-20’ During the Years of Establishment. ASHS Annual Meeting, September 23-27, 2024, Honolulu, HII.
- Melba Salazar-Gutierrez, Kathy Lawrence, **Elina D. Coneva**, Bernardo Chavez-Cordoba. 2024. Photosynthesis of Blueberry Grown in An Alternative Production System. V European Horticultural Congress (EHC), Symposium on Berries in Europe between Opportunities and Challenges, Bucharest, Romania, May 12-16, 2024.
- James D. Spiers, Emily Wismer, **Elina D. Coneva**, Sushan Ru, and Melba Salazar-Gutierrez. 2024. Evaluation of early ripening blueberry cultivars in open field and high tunnel production systems. SR ASHS Annual Meeting, February 2-4, 2024, Atlanta, GA.
- Melba Salazar-Gutierrez, Adriana Cifuentes-Carvajal, Edgar Vinson, **Elina D. Coneva**, Bernardo Chavez-Cordoba. 2024. Models for physiological responses of strawberries cultivated in a hydroponic system. SR ASHS Annual Meeting, February 2-4, 2024, Atlanta, GA.
- Melba Salazar-Gutierrez, Kathy Lawrence, **Elina D. Coneva**, Bernardo Chavez-Cordoba. 2024. Physiological responses of Southern Highbush blueberries grown in alternative production systems. SR ASHS Annual Meeting, February 2-4, 2024, Atlanta, GA.
- Ayodele Amodu, Sejal Patel, Kathy Lawrence, Jenny Kobernick, **Elina Coneva**, Jonathan E. Oliver, Sushan Ru. 2024. Blueberry stem blight survey and cultivar screening in Alabama. SR ASHS Annual Meeting, February 2-4, 2024, Atlanta, GA.
- **Coneva, E**, Gasic, K, 2023. Assessment of Bacterial Spot Tolerant Advanced Peach Selections in Alabama. SR ASHS Annual Conference, Oklahoma City, OK.
- Carvajal, AC\*, Chaves, B, Vinson, E, **Coneva, E**, Chavez, D, Salazar, M. 2023. Evaluation of Floral progression in Three peach Cultivars (*Prunus persica* L.). SR ASHS Annual Conference, Oklahoma City, OK.
- **Coneva, E**. 2023. Early Performance of Newly Released Muscadine Grape Cultivars in Alabama. ASHS Annual Conference, Orlando, FL.
- Carvajal, AC\*, Chaves, B, Vinson, E, **Coneva, E**, Chavez, D, Salazar, M. 2023. Modeling the Effect of Temperature Variation on Peach Dormancy Release. ASHS Annual Conference, Orlando, FL.
- **Coneva ED** and Price J\*. 2023. Effect of Planting Distance on Yield and Fruit Quality of PD Resistant Predominately *Vitis Vinifera* Grapevine ‘502-20’. 2023 Annual Meeting of the ASEV-ES, Austin, TX, June 29-July 4.
- **Coneva E**, and Gasic K. 2023. Early Performance of Bacterial Spot Tolerant Advanced Peach Selections in Alabama. XII International Agriculture and Food Conference, Burgas, Bulgaria, August 12-15.
- **Coneva ED** and Price J\*. 2023. Planting Distance Can Increase the Yield of PD Resistant Predominately *Vitis Vinifera* Grapevine ‘502-20’. Professional Development Annual Meeting of the National Association of County Agricultural Agents, Des Moines, IA.

- **Coneva ED**, and Gasic K. 2023. First Crop of Bacterial Spot Tolerant Advanced Peach Selections in Alabama Conditions. Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, January 5-8, 2023.
- Price J\*, **Coneva E**, Salazar-Gutierrez M, Vinson E, Ru S, and Chaves Cordoba B. 2023. Planting Distance Can Increase the Yield of PD Resistant *Vitis Vinifera* Grapevine ‘502-20’. Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, January 5-8, 2023.
- McWhirt A, Samtani J, Fernandez G, Blaedow KL, **Coneva E**, Stafne E, Lockwood D, Baumgarner N, Ames ZR, Havlin J. 2023. Status of crop fertility management and plant tissue nutrient concentration of blackberry in the southeastern United States. 2023. XIII International Rubus and Ribes Symposium, July 16-21, Portland, OR.
- **Elina Coneva**, E.L. Vinson, and M. Salazar-Gutierrez. 2022. Effect of Planting Distance on Yield and Fruit Quality of PD Resistant Predominantly *Vitis vinifera* Grapevine. SR ASHS Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- Vinson E, Perkins-Veazie P, **Coneva E**, Blythe E, Price M. 2022. Organoleptic Attributes of Best Adapted Strawberry Cultivars for Alabama. SR ASHS Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- **Coneva E**. 2022. Assessment of MP-29 Rootstock for Potted Peach Production. SR ASHS Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA.
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- Ioannis S. Minas, Greg L. Reighard, Brent Black, John A. Cline, Dario J. Chavez, **Elina Coneva**, Gregory Lang, Mike Parker, Terence Robinson, Schupp James, Poliana Francescato, Jaume Lordan, Tom Beckman, William Shane, David Sterle, Jeff Pieper, Cathy Bakker, Bernadette Clark, Dave Ouellette, Andrew Swain, Hans E. Winzeler. XII International Symposium on Integrating Canopy, Rootstock, and Environmental Physiology in Orchard Systems. (Virtual), WA, USA, 2021.
- Gregory L. Reighard, **E. Coneva**, and 70 other NC-140 members. 2020. Thirty-three Years Evaluating Rootstocks for Peach in the NC-140: What Have We Learned. XII International Symposium on Integrating Canopy, Rootstock, and Environmental Physiology in Orchard Systems, Virtual, WA, USA, 2021.
- **Elina Coneva**. 2020. Size-Controlling and Disease Resistant Peach Rootstocks for Sustainable Peach Production in Alabama. Annual NACAA Conference, Virginia Beach, VA, July 19-24, 2020.
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- **Elina Coneva**, Enfeng Xu, J.R. Kessler, E. Vinson, and M. Price. Exploring Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstocks for Alabama. SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 10-13, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva**. Best Management Practices: Blueberry Fertilization. Beginning Farmer Webinar/Agent Training, March 25, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva**. Viticultural Research and Extension in Alabama. National Viticulture Extension Education Leadership Conference (NVEELC), Fredericksburg, TX, April 6-8, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva**, Enfeng Xu, J.R. Kessler, E. Vinson and M. Price. Viticultural performance of 'Chardonnay' and 'Norton' Grapes on Selected Rootstocks in Alabama. Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents and Specialists (AACAA) Annual Meeting and Professional Improvement Conference (AM/PIC), AL, June 5-7, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva**. Orchard Systems and Viticulture Research Update. ACES Plan of Work Annual Meeting, Auburn, AL, October 28, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva**, Enfeng Xu, J.R. Kessler, and E. Vinson. Testing Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstocks for Sustainable Apple Production in Alabama. National Association of County Agricultural Agents

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- **Elina Coneva**, Enfeng Xu, J.R. Kessler, E. Vinson and M. Price. Five-Year performance of Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstocks in Alabama. Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Grower Association Annual Conference, Clanton, AL, November 21-22, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva**. Research Update and Demonstration on PD Resistant UC Davis Developed *Vitis vinifera* Grape Selections in AL. AWGGA Annual Conference, CREC, Clanton, AL, September 13, 2019.
- **Coneva, Elina D.**, Xu, Enfeng Kessler, J. Raymond Vinson, Edgar L. III, 2019. Five-Year Performance of Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstocks in Alabama. Auburn University. 2019 ASHS Annual Conference.
- Vinson, Edgar L. **Coneva, Elina D.**, Kessler, J. Raymond Price, Matthew Woods, Floyd M., Auburn University. 2019. Evaluation of Twelve Strawberry Cultivars for Their Production Potential in the Climate of Central Alabama. 2019 ASHS Annual Conference.
- Vinson, Edgar L., Li, Steve, Woods, Floyd M., **Coneva, Elina D.**, Kessler, J. Raymond. 2019. Effect of Selected Herbicides on the Yield and Berry Size of ‘camarosa’ Strawberry (*Fragaria x ananassa*). 2019 ASHS Annual Conference.
- **Elina Coneva**, Enfeng Xu, J. Raymond Kessler, Jr., and Edgar L. Vinson. 2019. Investigations to Determine the Performance of Selected Grape Rootstocks in Alabama. SR ASHS Meeting, Birmingham, AL. HortScience (Abstr.).
- **Elina Coneva**, Edgar L. Vinson, and J. Raymond Kessler Jr. 2019. Evaluation of Pierce’s Disease Tolerant Hybrid Bunch Grapes in Alabama. SR ASHS Meeting, Birmingham, AL.
- Floyd Woods, A. Gebrekidan, **Elina Coneva**, E. Vinson, K. Shetty, D. Sakar, B. Blasius and A. Caylor. 2019. Cultivar, environment and growing season effects on phytochemical properties of Alabama-grown Rabbiteye blueberries (*Vaccinium ashei* Reade). SR ASHS Meeting, Birmingham, AL.
- Jacob T. Kelley\*, James D. Spiers, Raymond J. Kessler, **Elina Coneva**, E. Vinson. 2019. Improving flower production using hydrogen cyanamide on golden kiwifruit. SR ASHS Meeting, Birmingham, AL.
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- Enfeng Xu\*, **Elina Coneva**, J.R. Kessler, E. Vinson, and James Pitts. Innovative Apple Production System Trial in Alabama. SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 11-14, 2018.
- Enfeng Xu\*, **Elina Coneva**, J.R. Kessler, E. Vinson, and James Pitts. Exploring Rootstocks for Enhanced Viticultural Sustainability in Alabama and the Southeast. SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 11-14, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva**. Assessment of Selected Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstocks for Alabama. 2018 ALFA Commodity Organizational Meeting, Montgomery, AL, February 7, 2018.



- **Elina Coneva.** Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstock Trial in AL. Chilton County Peach Production Meeting, Clanton, January 30, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Blueberry Production and Research Update. Fruit and Vegetable Meeting, Fairhope, AL, February 22, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Research Update on *Vitis vinifera* grape production in AL. Panel discussion, AWGGA Annual Conference, Huntsville, AL, April 28, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Research Update on hybrid bunch grape production in AL. Panel discussion, AWGGA Annual Conference, Huntsville, AL, April 28, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Strawberry Cultivar Update. Strawberry Production Workshop, Hartselle, AL, June 21, 2018.
- Edgar Vinson, **Elina Coneva**, Jim Pitts, and Steven Li. Strawberry Production Workshop, Hartselle, AL, June 21, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Common problems in grape production in Alabama. First Muscadine Grape Extension Team Meeting, Elizabethtown, NC, August 14, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Types of grapes (Muscadine, hybrid bunch, and *Vinifera* (European) grapes) selection, and cultivar selection. Grape Production Practices Workshop and Demonstration, October 21, Chilton Research and Extension Center, Clanton, AL.
- **Elina Coneva.** Planting a vineyard; pruning practices; training systems; canopy management; harvesting and fruit quality. Grape Production Practices Workshop and Demonstration, October 21, **Elina Coneva.** Peach Orchard Systems and Size Controlling Rootstocks Research. Panel discussion, AFVGA Annual Conference, Clanton, November 15-16, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Blueberry Production and Research Update. 76<sup>th</sup> Professional Ag Workers Conference, Opelika, AL, December 2-4, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Spotted Wing Drosophila Management and Research Update. 76<sup>th</sup> Annual Professional Ag Workers Conference, Opelika, AL, December 2-4, 2018.
- **Coneva, E., James Pitts.** 2017. Size Controlling Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstock Trial in AL. SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 5-8, 2017.
- **Coneva, E., James Pitts.** 2017. Best Performing Fire Blight Resistant Asian Pear Cultivars for AL. SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 5-8, 2017.
- Andrej Svyantek\*, **Elina Coneva**, J. Raymond Kessler, E. Vinson, and James Pitts. 2017. Effect of Select PGRs on Yield, Fruit Quality and Morphology of ‘Fireprince’ and ‘Bounty’ Peaches. SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 5-8, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva**, Andrej Svyantek\*, William Clements. Pierce’s Disease Resistant Hybrid Bunch Grapes with High Potential for the SE. SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 5-8, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva**, Andrej Svyantek\*, Edgar Vinson, and James A. Pitts. Pierce’s Disease Resistant *V. vinifera* selections- An Innovative crop for Viticultural Diversification and Sustainability in the SE. SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 5-8, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva**, Scott NeSmith, and Arnold Caylor. 2017. Recently Released Rabbiteye Blueberry (*Vaccinium ashei*) Cultivars for Alabama. SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 5-8, 2017.

- **Elina Coneva.** Fruit Research Update. Chilton Area Peach Production Meeting. January 24, 2017.
- Langlois, R.W., J.M. Kemble, **E.D. Coneva**, and E.J. Sikora. 2017. Evaluation of Rootstocks for Grafted Plants As a Strategy to Manage Southern Blight in Tomato (*Solanum lycopersicum*). SR ASHS Meeting, Mobile, AL, February 2-5, 2017.
- Vinson, E.\*, D. Held, **E. Coneva**, J.R. Kessler, and J.M. Kemble. 2017. Feeding Preference of *Popillia japonica* in Banana Leaf Herbivory. SR ASHS Meeting, Mobile, AL, February 2-5, 2017.
- Svyantek, A.\*, **E. Coneva**, J.R. Kessler Jr., and J. Pitts. 2017. Preliminary Assessment of Selected Grape Rootstocks for Sustainable Viticultural Production in Alabama. SR ASHS Meeting, Mobile, AL, February 2-5, 2017.
- **Coneva, E.**, A. Svyantek, E. Vinson, and J. Pitts. 2017. Evaluation of Selected Pluot Cultivars for Alabama: Preliminary Results. SR ASHS Meeting, Mobile, AL, February 2-5, 2017.
- Vinson, E.L.\*, D.W. Held, **E. Coneva**, J. Kemble, and J.R. Kessler. 2017. Lab Choice and Field Evaluation to Determine Japanese Beetle (*Popillia japonica*) Feeding Preference for Banana Leaves (*Musa* spp.) of Certain Cultivars. ASHS Meeting, Waikoloa, Hawaii, September 18 -24, 2017.
- Vinson, E.L., **E. Coneva**, J. Pitts, and J.R. Kessler. 2017. Efficacy of Hydrogen Cyanamide in Inducing Budbreak in ‘Harvester’ Peach (*Prunus persica*) during an Exceptionally Mild Winter. ASHS Meeting, Waikoloa, Hawaii, September 18 -24, 2017.
- **Coneva, E.** 2017. Long-term Evaluation of Pierce’s Disease resistant Hybrid Bunch Grapes with High Potential for the Southeast. ASHS Meeting, Waikoloa, Hawaii, September 18 -24, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva.** Pierce’s Disease Resistant Hybrid Bunch Grapes With High Potential for the Southeast. AACAAS Annual Conference and Professional Improvement Meeting, Point Clear, AL, May 30 - June 1, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva.** Pierce’s Disease Resistant Hybrid Bunch Grapes With High Potential for the Southeast. NAACA Annual Conference and Professional Improvement Meeting, Salt lake City, Utah, July 9-13, 2017.
- Andrej Svyantek\*, **Elina Coneva**, J. Raymond Kessler, Edgar Vinson and James A. Pitts. 2017. Effect of PGRs on Yield, Fruit Quality and Morphology of ‘Fireprince’ Peaches. IX Peach Symposium, Bucharest, Romania, July 2-6, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva**, Enfeng Xu and James Pitts. Innovative Apple Production System Trial in Alabama. 75th PAW Conference, Tuskegee, AL, December 3-5, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva** and W. Clements. Pierce’s Disease Resistant Hybrid Bunch Grapes with High Potential for the Southeast. 75th PAW Conference, Tuskegee, AL, December 3-5, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva**, Enfeng Xu and James Pitts. Exploring Rootstocks for Enhanced Viticultural Sustainability in Alabama and the Southeast. 75th PAW Conference, Tuskegee, AL, December 3-5, 2017.
- Edgar Vinson, **Elina Coneva**. Effects of Hydrogen Cyanamide on Alabama peach production in a low chill year. AFVGA Annual Conference, Clanton, AL, November 17-18, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva.** Update on Growing UC Davis Developed PD Resistant Grapes. AWGGA Annual Meeting, Bessemer, AL, April 8, 2017.

- **Elina Coneva.** Grape Rootstock Evaluations in Alabama. AWGGA Annual Meeting, Bessemer, AL, April 8, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva.** Muscadine and Bunch Grape Production. Small Fruit and Grape Pruning Demonstration Workshop, Clanton, AL, March 8, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva.** Methods for Sustainable Blueberry Production. Small Fruit and Grape Pruning Demonstration Workshop, Clanton, AL, March 8, 2017.
- Edgar Vinson, **Elina Coneva.** Strawberry Production Meeting, Hartselle, AL, June 8, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva.** PD Resistant *V. vinifera* (European) Grape Selections – an Innovation for Alabama and the SE. Beginning Farmer Webinar Series, May 22, 2017.
- Enfeng Xu\*, **Elina D. Coneva**, J. Raymond Kessler, and Edgar L. Vinson. Rootstock Utilization for Enhanced Sustainability of Bunch Grape Production. AU CoA GS Poster Competition, Auburn, AL October 26, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva.** Update on Fruit Crops Research. In-Service Training for Homegrounds and Commercial Horticulture Teams, Clanton, AL, May 15, 2017.
- Co-organizer, Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Clanton, AL, November 17-18, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva.** Pierce's Disease Resistant Hybrid Bunch Grapes With High Potential for the Southeast. NAACA Annual Conference and Professional Improvement Meeting, Salt lake City, Utah, July 9-13, 2017.
- **Coneva, E.** 2016. Observations of PD Resistant Bunch Grapes for AL and the Southeast. SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 7-10, 2016.
- **Coneva, E.** 2016. Evaluations of PD Resistant European Bunch Grape Selections for AL and the Southeast. North Carolina Winegrowers Conference, Greensboro, NC, Jan. 22-24, 2016.
- **Coneva, E.** 2016. Management of SWD. Gulf Coast Fruit and Vegetable Production Meeting, Mobile, AL, January 26, 2016.
- **Coneva, E.** 2016. Peach and Apple Rootstock Update. Chilton Area Peach Production Meeting. Clanton, January 25, 2016.
- **Elina Coneva**, Andrej Svyantek\*, Andy Walker, and Edgar Vinson. 2016. Performance of UC-Davis Developed Pierce's Disease Resistant *Vitis vinifera* L. Selections in Alabama. American Association of Enology and Viticulture Annual Meeting, Monterey, CA, June 28-July 1, 2016.
- Andrej Svyantek\*, **Elina Coneva**, Andy Walker, and Edgar Vinson. 2016. Performance of UC-Davis Developed Pierce's Disease Resistant *Vitis vinifera* L. Selections in Alabama. SE American Association of Enology and Viticulture Annual Meeting, Saint Louis, MO, July 17-21, 2016.
- **Coneva, E.** 2016. Observations of PD Resistant *Vitis vinifera* Selections in AL. AWGGA Annual Meeting, Birmingham, AL, April 2, 2016.
- **Coneva, E.** 2016. Update on PD Resistant *Vitis vinifera* Selections in AL. AWGGA Fall Meeting, CREC, Clanton, AL, October 2, 2016.
- **Coneva, E.** and A. Svyantek\*. Assessing Rootstocks for Sustainable Hybrid Bunch Grape Production in AL. AWGGA Fall Meeting, CREC, Clanton, AL, October 2, 2016.

- Svyantek\*, A., and Elina Coneva. 2016. Rootstock Evaluation for hybrid Bunch Grape Production in the SE. Resistant *Vitis vinifera* Selections in AL. AWGGA Annual Meeting, Birmingham, AL, April 2, 2016.
- **Coneva, E** and A. Svyantek\*. 2016. Production of *Vitis vinifera* grapes in AL. Farm and Home Expo, August 6, Chilton Research and Extension Center (CREC), Clanton, AL, 2016.
- Attended and presented the 2016 AL state report at the Annual Meeting of the Multistate Research Project NCCC212 Small Fruit and Viticulture Cooperative Research, Virginia Beach, VA, October 24-26, 2016.
- Authored or co-authored four papers at the SE Professional Fruit Workers Meeting in Gainesville, FL, October 2-4, 2016.
- Co-organizer, Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Clanton, Montgomery, AL, October 17-18, 2016.
- Co-authored a talk presented at the Fruit Production Meeting, Guntersville, AL, October 20, 2016.
- Co-authored a talk and a demonstration at the SMREC Field Day, Crossville, AL, August 30, 2016.
- Presented three papers at the American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, August 8-11, 2016.
- Presented five papers at the SR American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, February 4-7, 2016.
- Presented three research papers at the 74<sup>th</sup> Professional Ag Workers Conference, Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, AL, December 4-6, 2016.
- Presented a research paper at the XI International Symposium on Integrating Canopy, Rootstock and Environmental Physiology in Orchard Systems, Bologna, Italy, August 28- September 2, 2016.
- **Elina D. Coneva**, Scott NeSmith, and Arnold Caylor. 2016. Performance of Recently Released Rabbiteye Blueberry (*Vaccinium ashei*) Cultivars in Alabama. Presented at the XI International Vaccinium Symposium, Orlando, FL, April 10-14, 2016.
- **Elina D. Coneva**. 2015. Extension Education on New Technologies in Grape Production for the Southeast. Southern Region American Society of Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA January 30 - February 1, 2015.
- **Elina D. Coneva** and J. Pitts. 2015. Evaluation of Fire Blight Tolerant Asian Pear Cultivars for Alabama. NACAA Annual Meeting, Sioux Falls, SD, July 13-17, 2015.
- **Elina D. Coneva**, Scott NeSmith, and Arnold Caylor. 2015. Evaluation of Recently Released Rabbiteye Blueberry (*Vaccinium ashei*) Cultivars in Alabama. NACAA Annual Meeting, Sioux Falls, SD, July 13-17, 2015.
- **Elina D. Coneva**. 2015. Growing Pierce's Disease Resistant *Vitis vinifera* Selections in the Southeast. NACAA Annual Meeting, Sioux Falls, SD, July 13-17, 2015.
- **Elina D. Coneva** and J. Pitts. 2015. Evaluation of Fire Blight Tolerant Asian Pear Cultivars for Alabama. AACAAS Annual Meeting, Auburn, AL, June 3-5, 2015.
- **Elina D. Coneva**, Scott NeSmith, and Arnold Caylor. 2015. Evaluation of Recently Released Rabbiteye Blueberry (*Vaccinium ashei*) Cultivars in Alabama. AACAAS Annual Meeting, Auburn, AL, June 3-5, 2015.

- **Elina D. Coneva** and J. Pitts. 2015. Fire Blight Tolerant Asian Pear Cultivars for Alabama. Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 8-10, 2015.
- **Elina D. Coneva**, Scott NeSmith, and Arnold Caylor. 2015. New Rabbiteye Blueberry (*Vaccinium ashei*) Releases Tested in Alabama. Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 8-10, 2015.
- **Elina D. Coneva**, Gregory L. Reighard, and J. Pitts. 2015. Assessing Peach Rootstocks in Alabama. Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 8-10, 2015.
- **Elina D. Coneva** and J. Pitts. 2015. Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstock Trial in Alabama. Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 8-10, 2015.
- **Elina Coneva**. 2015. Pierce's Disease Resistant Grapes for the Southeast. Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 8-10, 2015.
- Edgar Vinson\*, **Elina Coneva**, Joseph Kemble, Floyd Woods, Greg Fonsah, Penelope Perkins-Veazie, and Jeff Sibley. 2015. Fruit Production of Cold-Tolerant Subtropical Banana Plants in Coastal Alabama. Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 8-10, 2015.
- **Elina Coneva**. 2015. Muscadine Production in the SE. Southern Sustainable Agriculture Working Group Annual Meeting, Mobile, AL, January 14-17, 2015.
- **Elina D. Coneva**, Edgar L. Vinson, and James Pitts. 2015. Newly Developed Pierce's Disease Resistant *Vitis vinifera* Selections Tested in the Southeast. ASEV-SE Annual Meeting, Dunkirk, NY, July 23-25, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Small Fruit and Grape Workshop with Muscadine Pruning and Vineyard Trellis Installment Demonstration. Chilton Research and Extension Center (CREC), Clanton, AL, April 2, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Peach Rootstock Evaluation. Chilton Area Peach Production Meeting. Clanton, January 27, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Small Fruit and Grape Workshop with Cultivar and SWD Trapping Demonstration. North Alabama Horticulture Research Station, Cullman, AL, June 29, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Small Fruit and Grape Workshop with Cultivar and SWD Trapping Demonstration. Monroe Vineyard, LLC, Five Points, AL, October 19, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2015. Small Fruit and Grape Workshop with Cultivar and SWD Trapping Demonstration. Wiregrass Research and Extension Station, Headland, AL, July 1, 2015.
- **Elina D. Coneva** and J. Pitts. 2015. Evaluation of Fire Blight Tolerant Asian Pear Cultivars for Alabama. National Association of County Agricultural Agents (NACAA) Annual Meeting, Sioux Falls, SD, July 13-17, 2015.
- **Elina D. Coneva**, Scott NeSmith, and Arnold Caylor. 2015. Evaluation of Recently Released Rabbiteye Blueberry (*Vaccinium ashei*) Cultivars in Alabama. National Association of County Agricultural Agents Annual Meeting, Sioux Falls, SD, July 13-17, 2015.
- **Elina D. Coneva**. 2015. Growing Pierce's Disease Resistant *Vitis vinifera* Selections in the Southeast. National Association of County Agricultural Agents Annual Meeting, Sioux Falls, SD, July 13-17, 2015.



- **Elina D. Coneva**, and J. Pitts. 2015. Evaluation of Fire Blight Tolerant Asian Pear Cultivars for Alabama. Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents and Specialists (AACAAS) Annual Meeting, Auburn, AL, June 3-5, 2015.
- **Elina D. Coneva**, Scott NeSmith, and Arnold Caylor. 2015. Evaluation of Recently Released Rabbiteye Blueberry (*Vaccinium ashei*) Cultivars in Alabama. AACAAS Annual Meeting, Auburn, AL, June 3-5, 2015.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014. Update on Fruit Crops Research. Commercial Horticulture Team Plan of Work Meeting, Auburn, AL, October 17, 2014.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014. Performance of PD Resistant *Vitis vinifera* Selections in Alabama. Alabama Wineries and Grape Growers Association Wine Making Boot Camp, Chilton REC, October 18, 2014.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014. Peach Rootstock Evaluation. Chilton Area Peach Production Meeting. Clanton, January 27, 2014.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014. Banana Production in Alabama. Gulf Coast Fruit and Vegetable Meeting, Mobile, January 21, 2014.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014. Blueberry Cultivar Evaluation and Spotted Wing Drosophila. Blueberry Production Workshop, Fairhope, May 6, 2014.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014. Blueberry Cultivar Selection. Blueberry Production and Cultivar Demonstration Workshop, Cullman, July 10, 2014.
- **Coneva, E.** 2014. *Vitis vinifera* Grape Production. Home, Farm and Wildlife Expo Field Day, Alabama Cooperative Extension System, Chilton, AL, August 2.
- **Elina Coneva** and James Pitts. 2014. Asian Pear Cultivar Evaluation. SE Professional Fruit Workers Conference, Clemson, SC, Sept. 15-17.
- **Elina Coneva.** 2014. Growing PD Resistant Grapes in AL. SE Professional Fruit Workers Conference, Clemson, SC, Sept. 15-17.
- **Elina Coneva.** 2014. New production Technologies in Fruit Crops. Alabama Farmers Federation Organizational Meeting, Montgomery, February 5, 2014.
- **Elina Coneva.** 2014. Fruit Crops Research Update. Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Meeting, Auburn, February 7-8, 2014.
- **Elina Coneva**, Y. Hu, R. Kessler, Jr., and J. Spiers. 2013. Feasibility of Growing Pierce's Disease Tolerant American and French-American Hybrid Bunch Grape Cultivars in Alabama. NAACA Galaxy Meeting, Pittsburgh, PA, September 15-20, 2013.
- **Coneva, E.** Use of eXtension in Your Daily Operations. Commercial Horticulture Team Professional Development Meeting, Auburn, AL May 3, 2012.
- **Coneva, E.** Fruit Crops Production Update. Certified Crop Advisors Annual Meeting, Auburn, AL, December 4, 2012.
- **Coneva, E.** 2012 AL State Report on Peach Rootstock and Peach Physiology Study. NC-140 Multistate Research Project, Portland, ME, November 7 - 9, 2012.

- **Coneva, E.** Assessing Newly Released Seedless Table Grape Cultivars and Advanced Selections from the University of Arkansas Breeding Program. Southeastern Professional Fruit Workers (SE PFW) Annual Meeting, Clarksville, AR, October 23-25, 2012.
- **Coneva, E.** Feasibility of Growing Pierces Disease Resistant *Vitis vinifera* Grapes Within the High Disease Pressure Southeastern Region. Southeastern Professional Fruit Workers (SE PFW) Annual Meeting, Clarksville, AR, October 23-25, 2012.
- **Coneva, E.** Assessing the Crop Potential and Vigor of Selected Pierces Disease Tolerant Bunch Grape Cultivars in North Alabama's Environment During the Years of Vineyard Establishment", Southeastern Professional Fruit Workers (SE PFW) Annual Meeting, Clarksville, AR, October 23-25, 2012.
- Hu, Y. \*, **Coneva, E.**, Vinson, E., Kessler, J., Spiers, J., Ducar, J. Vegetative Growth, Cropping Potential and Fruit Quality of Pierce's Disease Tolerant American and French-American Hybrid Bunch Grape Cultivars in Alabama. American Society for Enology and Viticulture Eastern Section (ASEV ES) Annual Conference, ASEV ES, Traverse City, MI, July 19-22, 2012.
- **Coneva, E.** Incidence of *Xylella fastidiosa* in Blueberry Orchards and Evaluation of Table Grapes for Alabama. Alabama Fruit & Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Auburn, AL, February 10-11, 2012.
- **Coneva, E.** Alabama Fruit & Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, "Hybrid Bunch and Table Grapes for AL", AFVGA, ACES, Auburn, AL.(February 2012).
- **Coneva, E.** Highlights of Peach Rootstock Variety Study in AL, and Split - Nitrogen Application on Peaches Study. Chilton Area Peach Production Meeting, Clanton, February 1, 2012.
- Malone, J., Spiers, J., Dozier, W., Woods, F., **Coneva, E.**, Wilkins, B. S. Influence of fruit thinning and BenefitKiwi® on fruit size and quality of 'AU Golden Dragon', 'AU Golden Sunshine', and 'Hort16A' kiwifruit. Southern Region - American Society of Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Birmingham, AL, February 2-5, 2012.
- Bowerman, J. R., Spiers, J., **Coneva, E.**, Tilt, K., Blythe, E. K., Marshall, D. Propagation of *Vaccinium arboreum* by stem cuttings for use as a rootstock for commercial blueberries. Southern Region - American Society of Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Birmingham, AL, February 2-5, 2012.
- **Coneva, E.**, Hummel, N., Attaway, D., Braswell, J., Cline, W., Marshall, D., Ferrin, D., Matchmes, K., Roy, H. Building an "All About Blueberries" Web Portal to Share Knowledge and Sustain Blueberry Production. Southern Region - American Society of Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Birmingham, AL, February 2-5, 2012.
- Hu, Y., **Coneva, E.**, Vinson, E., Kessler, J., Spiers, J., Ducar, J. Evaluation of Selected American and French-American Hybrid Bunch Grape Cultivars in North Alabama. Southern Region - American Society of Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Birmingham, AL, February 2-5, 2012.
- **Coneva, E.**, Spiers, J., Caylor, A. Yield and Quality of Selected Rabbiteye Blueberry (*Vaccinium ashei*) Cultivars. Southern Region - American Society of Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Birmingham, AL, February 2-5, 2012.
- **Coneva, E.** Research Update on Blueberries and Grapes. Gulf Coast Fruit & Vegetable Meeting, Mobile, AL, January 23, 2012.

- **Coneva, E.** Update on Grape Research. Alabama Wineries & Grape Growers Association Quarterly Meeting, Anniston, AL, March, 2012.
- **Coneva, E.** Developing Content for Commercial Blueberry Producers on the “All about Blueberries” Extension.Org Web Portal. American Society of Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Hawaii, September 2011.
- Attaway, D., Hummel, N., **Coneva, E.**, Braswell, J., Cline, W., Marshall, D., Ferrin, D., Machtmes, K., Roy, H. An Overview of the eXtension “All About Blueberries” Website. Southern Region - American Society of Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Corpus Christi, TX, February 2011.
- **Coneva, E.**, Vinson, E., Ducar, J. Vegetative Growth Differences in Pierce’s Disease Tolerant Hybrid Grapes during the Years of Vineyard Establishment Southern Region - American Society of Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Corpus Christi, TX, February 2011.
- **Coneva, E.** Small Fruit and Grape Research and Development of All about Blueberries CoP. NCCC212 Small Fruit Research Annual Meeting, Fayetteville, AR, October 2011.
- Hummel, N., Attaway, D., **Coneva, E.**, Braswell, J., Cline, W., Marshall, D., Ferrin, D., Machtmes, K., Roy, H. Working Across State-Lines to Create a Multi-Disciplinary SCRI Team Proposal - the All about Blueberries Extension.Org Story. American Society of Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Hawaii, September 23, 2011.
- **Coneva, E.** Emerging Pests in Blueberry and Grape Crops Third Annual Alabama Fruit and vegetable IPM Web Conference. Auburn, AL, May 3, 2011.
- **Coneva, E.** Fruit Variety Update. Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Annual Conference, Auburn, AL, February 11-12, 2011.
- **Coneva, E.** Developing Content for Commercial Blueberry Producers on the “All about Blueberries” Extension.Org Web Portal. American Society of Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Hawaii, September 23, 2011.
- **Coneva, E.**, Vinson, E., Ducar, J. Vegetative Growth Differences in Pierce’s Disease Tolerant Hybrid Grapes during the Years of Vineyard Establishment, Southern Region American Society of Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Corpus Christi, TX, February, 2011.
- **Coneva, E.** Working Across State Lines to Create a Multi-Disciplinary SCRI Team Proposal: The All about Blueberries Extension.Org Story. Southern Region American Society of Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Corpus Christi, TX, February, 2011.
- **Coneva, E.** Muscadine and Bunch Grape Production. Farm, Home, and Wildlife Expo, Chilton REC, August 7, 2010.
- **Coneva, E.** Cultivar Outlook/Research Update. Gulf Coast Fruit and Vegetable Meeting, Mobile, Jan. 27, 2009.
- **Coneva, E.** Seedless Table Grapes Variety Trial. Small Fruit Production Meeting, Cullman REC, June 29, 2009.
- **Coneva, E.** Cultivar Selection as a tool to Sustain Fruit Production. Sunbelt Ag Expo, Oct.20-22, 2009, GA.
- **Coneva, E.** Performance of Rabbiteye Blueberry Cultivars in North Alabama. Sunbelt Ag Expo, October 20-22, 2009, GA.

- **Coneva, E.** Research and Extension Efforts to Improve Sustainability of Blueberry Production in Alabama. Sunbelt Ag Expo, October 20-22, 2009, GA.
- **Coneva, E.** Selecting Muscadine Grape Cultivars for your Vineyard. Fall Fruit Harvest in Alabama Workshop, Chilton REC, October 15, 2009.
- **Coneva, E.** Bunch Grape Cultivars for Alabama. Alabama Wineries and Grape Growers Association Board Meeting, Anniston, April 21, 2009.
- **Coneva, E.** Bunch Grape Production and Research. Third Annual Small Fruit Production Workshop, Guntersville, AL, October 29, 2009.
- **Coneva, E.** Progress on Grape Research. Alabama Wineries and Grape Growers Association Quarterly Meeting, Anniston, Feb. 22, 2009.
- **Coneva, E.** 2008. Delicious backyard fruits. Auburn University, Horticulture Department's Fall Landscape School, August 12-13, Auburn, AL.
- **Coneva, E.** 2008. Grape production, cultivar evaluation, and research outlook. Alabama Wineries and Grape Growers Association Annual Meeting, June 8, Birmingham, AL.
- **Coneva, E.** Muscadine cultivars performance in Central Alabama. Deep South Fruit and Vegetable Growers Conference, Mobile, AL, December 3-4, 2008.
- Boozer, R., **E. Coneva**, and J. Pitts. Blackberry Research Updates from Central Alabama. Deep South Fruit and Vegetable Growers Conference, Mobile, AL, December 3-4, 2008.
- Ma, X.\*, **E. Coneva**, H. Fadamiro, J. Murphy, and R. Boozer. Preliminary results on the incidence and occurrence of *Xylella fastidiosa* and its vector – glassy winged sharp shooters (GWSS) in selected Alabama-grown fruit crops. Deep South Fruit and Vegetable Growers Conference, Mobile, AL, December 3-4, 2008.
- Caylor, A., and **E. Coneva**. Establishment and results of a blueberry variety trial in North Alabama. Deep South Fruit and Vegetable Growers Conference, Mobile, AL, December 3-4, 2008.
- **Coneva, E.**, J. Murphy, and R. Boozer. Blackberry Virus survey in Alabama. Deep South Fruit and Vegetable Growers Conference, Mobile, AL, December 5-6, 2007.
- **Coneva, E.** Use of plant growth regulators (PGR's) to manipulate flowering and cropping in peaches. Deep South Fruit and Vegetable Grower Conference, Mobile, AL, 6-7 December, 2006.

### ***ACTIVITIES AND PRODUCTS- PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS ATTENDED RELATED TO MISSION***

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- Presented three posters at the SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, January, 2025.
- Presented a talk at the Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Gulf Shore, AL, February, 2025.
- Presented six papers at the ASHS Meeting, New Orleans, LA, July 28- August 1, 2025.
- Attended and presented a research paper at the American Society for Enology and Viticulture - Eastern Section Annual Conference, Athens, GA, June, 2025.

- Attended and presented Alabama report at the SR–ASHS Southern Fruit Workers Annual Meeting, Irving, TX, February 2-4, 2025.
- Presented to research papers at the SR ASHS Annual Conference, Irving, TX, February, 2025.
- Attended and presented a poster at the SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, January 11-14, 2024.
- Presented a talk for the Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Gulf Shore, AL, February 9-10, 2024.
- Reported a paper at the ASHS Meeting, Honolulu, HII, September 23-27, 2024.
- Presented a paper at the NAACA Annual Meeting/Professional Improvement Conference, 14-32 July, Dallas, TX, 2024.
- Attended the American Society for Enology and Viticulture Annual Conference, June, 2024.
- Reported at the NC-140 Multistate Cooperative Research Annual Meeting, NM, Nov. 4-7, 2024.
- Attended and presented Alabama report at the SR–ASHS Southern Fruit Workers Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, February 2-4, 2024.
- Presented a research paper at the SR ASHS Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA, February, 2024.
- Attended and presented at the ACES POW Annual Meeting, AL, 2024.
- Attended the monthly webinars and the Annual Planning Meetings of the Commercial Horticulture Team of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System (ACES), 2006-2025.
- Attended and presented two posters at the SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 5-8, 2023.
- Attended and presented at the Chilton County Peach Production Meeting, February 7, 2023, Jamison, AL.
- Presented three talks for the Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Gulf Shore, AL, February 9-10, 2023.
- Reported two papers at the ASHS Meeting; Orlando, FL, Aug. June 29-July 4, 2023.
- Presented a paper at the NAACA Annual Meeting/Professional Improvement Conference, July, June 29-July 3, Austin, TX, 2023.
- Presented a paper at the American Society for Enology and Viticulture - Eastern Section Annual Conference, July, 2023.
- Attended and presented at the X International Agriculture and Agrifood Conference, Burgas, Bulgaria, August 14-17, 2023.
- Reported at the NC-140 Multistate Cooperative Research Annual Meeting, MI, Nov. 4-5, 2023.
- Attended and presented Alabama report at the SR–ASHS Southern Fruit Workers Annual Meeting, Oklahoma City, OK, February 2023.
- Presented two research papers at the SR ASHS Annual Conference, Oklahoma City, OK, February, 2023.
- Attended and presented at the ACES POW Annual Meeting, AL, October, 2023.
- Attended the monthly webinars and the Annual Planning Meetings of the Commercial Horticulture Team of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System (ACES), 2006-2023.
- Attended and presented two posters at the SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, January, 2023.



- Attended and presented at the Chilton County Peach Production Meeting, January 27, 2022, Clanton.
- Presented a talk for the Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Gulf Shore, AL, November 2022.
- Prepared presentation for the International Horticultural Congress, Angers, France, August 2022.
- Reported a paper at the ASHS Meeting; Chicago, IL, Aug., 2022.
- Presented a paper at the NAACA Annual Meeting/Professional Improvement Conference, 2022.
- Presented a paper at the American Society for Enology and Viticulture - Eastern Section Annual Conference, Minnesota, July, 2022.
- Attended and presented at the IX International Agriculture and Agrifood Conference, Burgas, Bulgaria, August, 2022;
- Participated and presented at the SE Professional Workers Meeting, Nov. 13-15, 2022, Lake Alfred, FL.
- Organized and served as Chair at the NC-140 Multistate Cooperative Research Annual Meeting, Auburn, AL, Nov. 2-3, 2022.
- Attended and reported at the NCCC212 Multistate Cooperative Research Annual Meeting, October, 2022.
- Attended and presented Alabama report at the SR-ASHS Southern Fruit Workers Annual Meeting, February 2022.
- Attended and presented at the ACES POW Annual Meeting, AL, October, 2022.
- Attended the monthly webinars and the Annual Planning Meetings of the Commercial Horticulture Team of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System (ACES), 2006-2022.
- Attended and presented two posters at the SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, January, 2022.
- Attended and presented at the Chilton County Peach Production Meeting, January 26, 2021, Clanton.
- Co-authored two paper presentations at the International Symposium on Integrating Canopy, Rootstock and Environmental Physiology in Orchard Systems, Wenatchee, WA, 2021
- Presented a talk for the Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Gulf Shore, AL, November 2021
- Prepared three presentations for the XII International Vaccinium Symposium, Halifax, NS, Canada, 2021
- Reported a paper at the ASHS Meeting; Denver, CO, Aug. 10-13, 2021;
- Presented a paper at the NAACA Annual Meeting/Professional Improvement Conference (Virtual), July 6-9, Philadelphia, PA, 2021;
- Attended International Peach Meeting (Virtual), June 1-4, 2021:  
<https://www.fruitsciences.eu/peach2021/webinar.html>
- Presented a paper at the American Society for Enology and Viticulture - Eastern Section Annual Conference, Virtual, July 7-8, 2021;
- Attended and presented at the IX International Agriculture and Agrifood Conference, Burgas, Bulgaria, August 16-19, 2021;
- Participated and presented at the SE Professional Workers Meeting, Clemson, SC (Virtual), October 26-28, 2021;

- Reported at the NC-140 Multistate Cooperative Research Annual Meeting (Virtual), Denver, CO, Nov. 4-5, 2021;
- Attended and reported at the NCCC212 Multistate Cooperative Research Annual Meeting, NC (Virtual), October 27-28, 2021.
- Attended and presented Alabama report at the SR-ASHS Southern Fruit Workers Annual Meeting, February 2021.
- Attended and presented at the ACES POW Annual Meeting, (Virtual), AL, October, 2021.
- Attended the monthly webinars and the Annual Planning Meetings of the Commercial Horticulture Team of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System (ACES), 2006-2021.
- Attended the NARBA Annual Conference, St. Louis, MO, Feb. 28-March 2, 2020.
- **Elina Coneva.** Size-Controlling and Disease Resistant Peach Rootstocks for Sustainable Peach Production in Alabama. Annual NACAA Conference, Virginia Beach, VA, July 19-24, 2020.
- **Elina Coneva.** Effect of Planting Density on Yield and Fruit Quality of Newly Introduced Pierce's Disease Resistant *Vitis vinifera* Hybrid Grape in Alabama. Annual Meeting ASHS, Orlando, FL, August 9-14, 2020.
- **Coneva, Elina.** Assessment of Size Controlling Peach Rootstocks for High Density Orchards in Alabama. SE Regional Fruit & Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 9-12, 2020.
- Dylan Teel\*, **Elina Coneva**, Floyd Woods, Nylan Holmes and Matthew Price. Assessment of Size Controlling Peach Rootstocks for High Density Orchards in Alabama. SE Regional Fruit & Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 9-12, 2020.
- **Coneva, Elina.** Assessment of Size Controlling Peach Rootstocks for High Density Orchards in Alabama. Annual Meeting SR ASHS, Louisville, KY, Jan. 30 - Feb. 3, 2020.
- Dylan Teel \*, **Elina Coneva**, Floyd M. Woods, and Nylan. Holmes. Effect of rootstock cultivar on consumer quality attributes of "Aztec Fuji" apple. Annual Meeting SR ASHS, Louisville, KY, Jan. 30 - Feb. 3, 2020.
- **Elina Coneva**, E. Vinson, J.R. Kessler, and W. Clements. Evaluation of PD Resistant Hybrid Bunch Grapes in Alabama. SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 10-13, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva**, Enfeng Xu, J.R. Kessler, E. Vinson, and M. Price. Exploring Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstocks for Alabama. SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 10-13, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva.** Best Management Practices: Blueberry Fertilization. Beginning Farmer Webinar/Agent Training, March 25, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva.** Viticultural Research and Extension in Alabama. National Viticulture Extension Education Leadership Conference (NVEELC), Fredericksburg, TX, April 6-8, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva**, Enfeng Xu, J.R. Kessler, E. Vinson and M. Price. Viticultural performance of 'Chardonel' and 'Norton' Grapes on Selected Rootstocks in Alabama. Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents and Specialists (AACAA) Annual Meeting and Professional Improvement Conference (AM/PIC), AL, June 5-7, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva.** Orchard Systems and Viticulture Research Update. ACES Plan of Work Annual Meeting, Auburn, AL, October 28, 2019.

- **Elina Coneva**, Enfeng Xu, J.R. Kessler, and E. Vinson. Testing Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstocks for Sustainable Apple Production in Alabama. National Association of County Agricultural Agents (NACAA) Annual Meeting and Professional Improvement Conference (AM/PIC), Fort Wayne, IN, September 8-12, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva**, Enfeng Xu, J.R. Kessler, E. Vinson and M. Price. Viticultural performance of ‘Chardonel’ and ‘Norton’ Grapes on Selected Rootstocks in Alabama. National Association of County Agricultural Agents (NACAA) Annual Meeting and Professional Improvement Conference (AM/PIC), Fort Wayne, IN, September 8-12, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva**, Enfeng Xu, J.R. Kessler, E. Vinson and M. Price. Five-Year performance of Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstocks in Alabama. Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Grower Association Annual Conference, Clanton, AL, November 21-22, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva**. Research Update and Demonstration on PD Resistant UC Davis Developed *Vitis vinifera* Grape Selections in AL. AWGGA Annual Conference, CREC, Clanton, AL, September 13, 2019.
- **Coneva, Elina D.**, Xu, Enfeng Kessler, J. Raymond Vinson, Edgar L. III, 2019. Five-Year Performance of Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstocks in Alabama. Auburn University. ASHS Annual Conference, Las Vegas, NV, July 20-25, 2019.
- Vinson, Edgar L. **Coneva, Elina D.**, Kessler, J. Raymond Price, Matthew Woods, Floyd M., Auburn University. 2019. Evaluation of Twelve Strawberry Cultivars for Their Production Potential in the Climate of Central Alabama. ASHS Annual Conference, Las Vegas, NV, July 20-25, 2019.
- Vinson, Edgar L., Li, Steve, Woods, Floyd M., **Coneva, Elina D.**, Kessler, J. Raymond. 2019. Effect of Selected Herbicides on the Yield and Berry Size of ‘camarosa’ Strawberry (*Fragaria x ananassa*). ASHS Annual Conference, Las Vegas, NV, July 20-25, 2019.
- **Elina Coneva**, Enfeng Xu, J. Raymond Kessler, Jr., and Edgar L. Vinson. 2019. Investigations to Determine the Performance of Selected Grape Rootstocks in Alabama. SR ASHS Meeting, Birmingham, AL. HortScience (Abstr.).
- **Elina Coneva**, Edgar L. Vinson, and J. Raymond Kessler Jr. 2019. Evaluation of Pierce’s Disease Tolerant Hybrid Bunch Grapes in Alabama. SR ASHS Meeting, Birmingham, AL.
- Floyd Woods, A. Gebrekidan, **Elina Coneva**, E. Vinson, K. Shetty, D. Sakar, B. Blasius and A. Caylor. 2019. Cultivar, environment and growing season effects on phytochemical properties of Alabama-grown Rabbiteye blueberries (*Vaccinium ashei* Reade). SR ASHS Meeting, Birmingham, AL.
- Jacob T. Kelley\*, James D. Spiers, Raymond J. Kessler, **Elina Coneva**, E. Vinson. 2019. Improving flower production using hydrogen cyanamide on golden kiwifruit. SR ASHS Meeting, Birmingham, AL.
- Edgar Vinson, Steve Li, F. Woods, **Elina D. Coneva**, and M. Price. 2019. Effect of selected herbicides on the relative growth rate of ‘Camarosa’ strawberry (*Fragaria x Ananassa*). SR ASHS Meeting, Birmingham, AL.
- Enfeng Xu\*, **Elina Coneva**, J.R. Kessler, E. Vinson, and James Pitts. Innovative Apple Production System Trial in Alabama. SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 11-14, 2018.
- Enfeng Xu\*, **Elina Coneva**, J.R. Kessler, E. Vinson, and James Pitts. Exploring Rootstocks for Enhanced Viticultural Sustainability in Alabama and the Southeast. SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 11-14, 2018.

- **Elina Coneva.** Assessment of Selected Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstocks for Alabama. 2018 ALFA Commodity Organizational Meeting, Montgomery, AL, February 7, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstock Trial in AL. Beginning Farmer webinar, January 16, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Fire Blight Resistant Apple Rootstock Trial in AL. Chilton County Peach Production Meeting, Clanton, January 30, 2018.
- Edgar Vinson, Gary Gray, and **Elina Coneva.** An Introduction to the Dynamic Model in Measuring Chill in Peaches. Beginning Farmer Webinar, January 16, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Blueberry Production and Research Update. Fruit and Vegetable Meeting, Fairhope, AL, February 22, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Research Update on *Vitis vinifera* grape production in AL. Panel discussion, AWGGA Annual Conference, Huntsville, AL, April 28, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Research Update on hybrid bunch grape production in AL. Panel discussion, AWGGA Annual Conference, Huntsville, AL, April 28, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Strawberry Cultivar Update. Strawberry Production Workshop, Hartselle, AL, June 21, 2018.
- Edgar Vinson, **Elina Coneva**, Jim Pitts, and Steven Li. Strawberry Production Workshop, Hartselle, AL, June 21, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Peach Orchard Systems Research Trial in AL. Beginning Farmer webinar, June 25, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Common problems in grape production in Alabama. First Muscadine Grape Extension Team Meeting, Elizabethtown, NC, August 14, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Types of grapes (Muscadine, hybrid bunch, and Vinifera (European) grapes) selection, and cultivar selection. Grape Production Practices Workshop and Demonstration, October 21, 2018, Chilton Research and Extension Center, Clanton, AL.
- **Elina Coneva.** Peach Orchard Systems and Size Controlling Rootstocks Research. Panel discussion, AFVGA Annual Conference, Clanton, November 15-16, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Blueberry Production and Research Update. 76<sup>th</sup> Professional Ag Workers Conference, Opelika, AL, December 2-4, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Spotted Wing Drosophila Management and Research Update. 76<sup>th</sup> Annual Professional Ag Workers Conference, Opelika, AL, December 2-4, 2018.
- **Elina Coneva.** Co-organizer, Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Clanton, AL, November 17-18, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva** presented three papers at the American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Waikoloa, HI, September 18-24, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva** presented four papers at the SR American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Mobile, AL, February 2-5, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva** presented a research paper at the Alabama Agricultural County Agents and Specialist Professional Development Meeting, Point Clear, AL, May 30 – June 2, 2017.

- **Elina Coneva** presented a research paper at the National Association of Agricultural County Agents, Salt Lake City, Utah, July 9-13, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva** attended and presented six research posters at the Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, January, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva** Authored a paper presented at the IX International Peach Symposium, Bucharest, Romania, July 2-6, 2017.
- **Elina Coneva** presented three research papers at the 75th Professional Agricultural Workers Conference, Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, AL, December 3-5, 2017.  
Attended the Annual Meeting of the Multistate Research Project NCCC212 Small Fruit and Viticulture Cooperative Research, Virginia Beach, VA, October 24-26, 2016.
- Authored or co-authored four papers presented at the SE Professional Fruit Workers Meeting in Gainesville, FL, October 4-6, 2016.
- Co-organizer, Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Clanton, AL, October 17-18, 2016.
- Presented two papers at the American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, August 8-11, 2016.
- Presented five papers at the SR American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, February 2-7, 2016.
- Presented a research paper at the Eastern Section of the American Society of Enology and Viticulture (ES ASEV) Annual Conference, Saint Louis, MO, July 17-21, 2016.
- Presented a research paper at the American Society of Enology and Viticulture (ES ASEV) Annual Conference, Monterey, CA, June 28-July 1, 2016.
- Attended and presented a research paper at the Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, January, 2016.
- Co-authored a paper presented at the XI International Symposium on Integrating Canopy, Rootstock and Environmental Physiology in Orchard Systems, Bologna, Italy, August 28- September 2, 2016.
- Attended and presented a research paper at the XI International Vaccinium Symposium, Orlando, FL, April 10-14, 2016.
- Presented three research papers at the 74<sup>th</sup> Professional Agricultural Workers Conference, Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, AL, December 4-6, 2016.
- **Elina Coneva** hosted the Annual Meeting of the Multistate Research Project NCCC212 Small Fruit and Viticulture Cooperative Research, Auburn, AL, October 19-21, 2015.
- **Elina Coneva** co-organizer and presenter of four papers at the SE Professional Fruit Workers Meeting in Montgomery, AL, October 6-8, 2015.
- **Elina Coneva** served as Co-organizer, Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Auburn, AL, February 6-7, 2015.
- **Elina Coneva** served as Co-organizer, Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Montgomery, AL, October 8-9, 2015.
- **Elina Coneva** presented three papers at the American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, August 3-7, 2015.



- **Elina Coneva** presented three papers and four posters at the SR American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, January 30 - February 1, 2015.
- **Elina Coneva** attended and presented a research paper at the Eastern Section of the American Society of Enology and Viticulture (ES ASEV) Annual Conference, Dunkirk, NY, July 23-25, 2015.
- **Elina Coneva** attended and presented research paper and posters at the Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, January 8-11, 2015.
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- Attended the Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, January 8-11, 2014.
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- Presented research findings at the Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents and Specialists Annual Meeting, Montgomery, AL, April 2014.
- Attended an ADAI meeting on Citrus Greening Regulations Change, Montgomery, AL, February 11, 2014.
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- Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Auburn, AL, February 8-9, 2013.
- Southern Region American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, February 2-5, 2013.
- Attended the 2012 SE Professional Fruit Workers Annual Conference, Clarksville, AR, October 2012.
- Presented a paper at the American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Miami, FL, August 31-September 2, 2012.

- Attended and presented papers at the National Association of County Agricultural Agents Improvement and Development Annual Meeting, Charleston, SC, July 2012.
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- Southern Region American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Feb. 2011, Corpus Christi, TX.
- Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents and Specialists Meeting, June 2011, Eufala, AL.
- American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Waikoloa, HI, September, 2011.
- SE Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, January, 2011.
- Third National eXtension Conference, June, 2011, Louisville, KY. SE Professional Fruit Workers Annual Conference, Manchester, TN, October, 2011.
- State Horticulture Division of Alabama Farmers Federation Annual Organizational Meeting, February 2, 2010, Birmingham, AL.
- Southern Region American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Feb. 6-8, 2010, Orlando, FL.
- Alabama Wineries and Grape Growers Association Quarterly Meeting, Whippoorwill Vineyards, February 21, 2010, Notasulga, AL.
- Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents and Specialists Meeting, June 3-5, 2010, Lake Guntersville, AL.
- **Coneva, E.**, and A. Caylor. Rabbiteye blueberry cultivars for North Alabama. Alabama Fruit and Vegetables Growers Association Annual Meeting, Auburn, AL, February 20, 2010.
- **Coneva, E.**, and C. East. Muscadine grape cultivar performance. Alabama Fruit and Vegetables Growers Association Annual Meeting, Auburn, AL, February 20, 2010.
- Second National eXtension Conference, June 6-8, 2010, Austin, TX.
- XXVIII International Horticulture Congress, August 22-27, 2010, Lisbon, Portugal.
- Southern Region American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, January 31- February 2, 2009, Atlanta, GA.
- Alabama Wineries and Grape Growers Association Quarterly Meeting, February 22, 2009, Anniston, AL.

- Horticultural Division of Alabama Farmers Federation Annual Meeting, March 26, 2009, Birmingham, AL.
- Attended the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual AL IPM Web Conference, April 16, 2009.
- Alabama Wineries and Grape Growers Association Quarterly Meeting, April 21, 2009, Anniston, AL.
- Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents and Specialists Annual Meeting, June 3-5, 2009, Demopolis, AL.
- American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, June 24-29, 2009, St. Louise, MO.
- Southern Region Small Fruit Consortium Meeting, August 11-12, Asheville, NC.
- Alabama Wineries and Grape Growers Association Quarterly Meeting, September 27, 2009, Heflin, AL.
- Initiated and organized a Fall Fruit Crops Harvest in Alabama Workshop, Oct. 15, 2009, Chilton REC, AL.
- Attended the Southern Fruit Workers Meeting, October 21-22, 2009, Clemson, SC.
- Presented a talk at the Third Annual Small Fruit Workshop, October 29, 2009, Guntersville, AL.
- Attended the Annual Tree Fruit Rootstock Multistate NC-140 Meeting, Nov. 1-3, 2009, Minneapolis, MN.
- Participated the New Faculty Orientation, November 11, 2009, Auburn, AL.
- Alabama Farmers Federation State Horticulture Committee Teleconference, Nov. 11, 2009, Auburn, AL.
- Attended the Developing of “All About Blueberries” Community of Practice (CoP) Initial/Annual Meeting, December 1, 2009, Baton Rouge, LA, as part of an USDA-SCRG Initiative funded multistate eXtension project.
- Participated the Certified Crop Advisors Conference, December 2, 2009, Auburn, AL.
- Attended the 2009 Gulf Coast Blueberry Growers Conference, December 15, 2009, Hattiesburg, MS.
- Horticultural Division of Alabama Farmers Federation Annual Meeting, February 15, 2008, Birmingham, AL.
- Deep South Fruit and Vegetable Growers Conference, December 3-4, 2008, Mobile, AL.
- Alabama Wineries and Grape Growers Annual Meeting Alabama Wineries and Grape Growers Association Annual Meeting, June 8, 2008, Birmingham, AL.
- Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Quarterly Meetings (March, September, Guntersville, AL, 2008).
- American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, July 21-24, 2008, Orlando, FL.
- Southern Region American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Feb. 2-4, 2008, Dallas, TX.
- Second National Viticulture Research Conference, July 9-11, 2008, Davis, California.
- Southeastern Peach Convention, January 11-13, 2008, Savannah, GA.
- Southeastern Fruit Workers Meeting, 22-24 October, 2008, Quincy, FL.
- Horticultural Division of Alabama Farmers Federation Organizational Meeting, February 15, 2007, Birmingham, AL.
- Deep South Fruit and Vegetable Growers Conference, December 5-6, 2007, Mobile, AL.
- Southern Fruit Workers Meeting, 22-24 October, 2007, Byron, GA.
- Florida Grape Growers Annual Conference, January 18-19, 2007, Ocala, FL.
- North Carolina State University Viticulture Workshop, November 17, 2006, Raleigh, NC.

- Deep South Fruit and Vegetable Growers Conference, December 6-7, 2006, Mobile, AL.
- Great Lake Fruit Workers Conference, November 10, 2005, Guelph, ON.
- Ontario Fruit and Vegetable Convention, February 19-21, 2005, St. Catharines, ON, Canada.
- Ontario Fruit and Vegetable Convention, February 18-19, 2004, St. Catharines, ON, Canada.

***ACTIVITIES AND PRODUCTS- TRAINING/WORKSHOPS ATTENDED RELATED TO MISSION***

***Current total of 167***

- Attended and presented three posters at the SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, January, 2025.
- Presented a talk for the Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Gulf Shore, AL, February 2025.
- Presented six papers at the ASHS Meeting, New Orleans, LA, July 28-August 1, 2025.
- Attended the American Society for Enology and Viticulture – Eastern Section Annual Conference, Athens, GA, June, 2025.
- Attended and presented Alabama report at the SR–ASHS Southern Fruit Workers Annual Meeting, Irving, TX, February, 2025.
- Presented a research paper at the SR ASHS Annual Conference, Irving, TX, February, 2025.
- Attended the monthly webinars and the Annual Planning Meetings of the Commercial Horticulture Team of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System (ACES), 2006-2025.
- Attended and presented a poster at the SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, 11-14 January, 2024.
- Attended and presented a poster at the SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, January 11-14, 2024.
- Presented a talk for the Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Gulf Shore, AL, February 9-10, 2024.
- Reported a paper at the ASHS Meeting, Honolulu, HII, September 23-27, 2024.
- Presented a paper at the NAACA Annual Meeting/Professional Improvement Conference, 14-32 July, Dallas, TX, 2024.
- Presented a research paper at the PAWC, Montgomery, AL, November 2024.
- Attended the American Society for Enology and Viticulture Annual Conference, Portland, OR, June, 2024.
- Reported at the NC-140 Multistate Cooperative Research Annual Meeting, NM, Nov. 4-7, 2024.
- Attended and presented Alabama report at the SR–ASHS Southern Fruit Workers Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, February 2-4, 2024.
- Presented a research paper at the SR ASHS Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA, February, 2024.
- Attended and presented at the ACES POW Annual Meeting, AL, 2024.

- Attended the monthly webinars and the Annual Planning Meetings of the Commercial Horticulture Team of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System (ACES), 2006-2024.
- Attended and presented a poster at the SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, 11-14 January, 2024.
- Attended and presented two posters at the SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, January, 2023.
- Attended and presented at the Chilton County Peach Production Meeting, February 7, Jamison, AL.
- Presented three talks for the Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Gulf Shore, AL, February 9-10, 2023.
- Reported two papers at the ASHS Meeting, Orlando, FL, June 29-July 4, 2023.
- Presented a paper at the NAACA Annual Meeting/Professional Improvement Conference, July, 2023.
- Presented a paper at the American Society for Enology and Viticulture - Eastern Section Annual Conference, July, 2023.
- Presented a research paper at the International Agriculture and Food Conference in Burgas, Bulgaria, August 14-17, 2023.
- Reported at the NC-140 Multistate Cooperative Research Annual Meeting in MI, Nov., 2023.
- Attended and presented Alabama report at the SR-ASHS Southern Fruit Workers Annual Meeting, Oklahoma City, OK, February 2023.
- Attended and presented at the ACES POW Annual Meeting, AL, October, 2023.
- Attended the monthly webinars and the Annual Planning Meetings of the Commercial Horticulture Team of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System (ACES), 2006-2023.
- Attended and presented two posters at the SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 5-8, 2022.
- Attended and presented at the Chilton County Peach Production Meeting, January 27, Jamison, AL.
- Presented a talk for the Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Gulf Shore, AL, February, 2022.
- Reported two papers at the ASHS Meeting; Aug., 2022.
- Presented a paper at the NAACA Annual Meeting/Professional Improvement Conference, July 6-9, Austin, TX, 2022.
- Presented a paper at the American Society for Enology and Viticulture - Eastern Section Annual Conference, July 7-8, 2022.
- Presented a research paper at the International Agriculture and Food Conference in Burgas, Bulgaria, August 17-19, 2022.
- Participated and presented at the SE Professional Workers Meeting, Lake Alfred, FL, Nov. 13-15, 2022.
- Organized and conducted the NC-140 Multistate Cooperative Research Annual Meeting in Auburn AL, Nov. 2-3, 2022.
- Attended and presented Alabama report at the SR-ASHS Southern Fruit Workers Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, February 2022.
- Attended and presented at the ACES POW Annual Meeting, AL, October, 2022.
- Attended the monthly webinars and the Annual Planning Meetings of the Commercial Horticulture Team of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System (ACES), 2006-2022.



- Attended and presented two posters at the SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 5-7, 2021.
- Attended and presented at the Chilton County Peach Production Meeting, January 26, 2021, Clanton.
- Presented a talk for the Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Gulf Shore, AL, November 2021
- Reported a paper at the ASHS Meeting; Denver, CO, Aug. 10-13, 2021;
- Presented a paper at the NAACA Annual Meeting/Professional Improvement Conference (Virtual), July 6-9, Philadelphia, PA, 2021;
- Attended International Peach Meeting (Virtual), June 1-4, 2021:  
<https://www.fruitsciences.eu/peach2021/webinar.html>
- Presented a paper at the American Society for Enology and Viticulture - Eastern Section Annual Conference, Virtual, July 7-8, 2021;
- Participated and presented at the SE Professional Workers Meeting, Clemson, SC (Virtual), October 26-28, 2021;
- Reported at the NC-140 Multistate Cooperative Research Annual Meeting (Virtual), Denver, CO, Nov. 4-5, 2021;
- Attended and reported at the NCCC212 Multistate Cooperative Research Annual Meeting, NC (Virtual), October 27-28, 2021.
- Attended and presented Alabama report at the SR-ASHS Southern Fruit Workers Annual Meeting, February 2021.
- Attended and presented at the ACES POW Annual Meeting, (Virtual), AL, October, 2021.
- Attended the monthly webinars and the Annual Planning Meetings of the Commercial Horticulture Team of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System (ACES), 2006-2021.
- Attended and presented at the SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 9-12, 2020.
- Prepared presentation for the Chilton County Peach Production Meeting, Clanton, Jan. 28, 2020.
- Prepared presentation for the Beginning Farmer Program In-service training, February 24, 2020.
- Attended and presented at the Fruit and Vegetable Meeting, Baldwin, AL, March 13, 2020.
- Attended the North America Raspberry and Blackberry Association (NARBA) Annual Conference, St. Louis, MO, Feb. 28-March 3, 2020.
- Prepared three presentations for the 2020 AFVGA that was cancelled.
- Prepared two presentations for the AWGGA annual Meeting, April 4, 2020. Meeting was cancelled.
- Attended and presented at the SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 10-13, 2019.
- Prepared presentation for the Chilton County Peach Production Meeting, Clanton, Jan. 29, 2019.
- Attended and presented at the Fruit and Vegetable Meeting, Fairhope, AL, March 1, 2019.
- Attended and presented at the AWGGA Annual Conference, Clanton, AL, Sept. 13, 2019.
- Attended and presented at the NACAA AM/PIC, Fort Wayne, IN, Sept., 2019.
- Organized, attended and presented at the Grape Production Practices Workshop and Demonstration, March 14, 2019, Chilton Research and Extension Center, Clanton, AL.
- Organized, attended and presented at the Grape and Blueberry Production Workshop and Demonstration, March 8, 2019, Crossville, AL.

- Attended and presented at the AFVGA Annual Conference, Clanton, November 21-22, 2019.
- Attended and presented at the 77th Professional Ag Workers Conference, Opelika, AL, Dec. 8-11, 2019.
- Attended and presented at the SE Regional F&V Conference, Savannah, GA, Jan. 11-14, 2018.
- Invited speaker at the 2018 ALFA Commodity Organizational Meeting, Montgomery, Feb. 7, 2018.
- Attended and presented at the Chilton County Peach Production Meeting, Clanton, Jan. 30, 2018.
- Attended and presented at the Fruit and Vegetable Meeting, Fairhope, AL, February 22, 2018.
- Attended and presented at the AWGGA Annual Conference, Huntsville, AL, April 28, 2018.
- Presented at the Strawberry Production Workshop, Hartselle, AL, June 21, 2018.
- Attended and presented at the First Regional Muscadine Grape Extension Team Meeting, Elizabethtown, NC, August 14, 2018.
- Organized, attended and presented at the Grape Production Practices Workshop and Demonstration, October 21, Chilton Research and Extension Center, Clanton, AL.
- Attended and presented at the AFVGA Annual Conference, Clanton, November 15-16, 2018.
- Attended and presented at the 76th Professional Ag Workers Conference, Opelika, AL, Dec. 2-4, 2018.
- Attended and presented at the XII International Symposium on Grapevine Breeding and Genetics, Bordeaux, France, July 15-20, 2018.
- Attended and presented at the 2018 ASHS Annual Conference, Washington, DC, August, 2018.
- Attended and presented at the 2018 SR-ASHS Annual Meeting, 2-4 February, 2018.
- Attended the “Our Farm, Our Future” Extension Conference in St. Louis, MO, April 2-4, 2018.
- Attended the Alabama Water Resources Conference, Orange Beach, AL, September 5-7, 2018.
- Co-organizer, Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Clanton, AL, November 17-18, 2017.
- Presented papers at the American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Waikoloa, HI, September 18-24, 2017.
- Presented papers at the SR American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Mobile, AL, February 2-5, 2017.
- Presented a research paper at the Alabama Agricultural County Agents and Specialist Professional Development Meeting, Point Clear, AL, May 30 – June 2, 2017.
- Presented a research paper at the National Association of Agricultural County Agents, Salt Lake City, Utah, July 9-13, 2017.
- Attended and presented six research papers at the Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, January, 2017.
- Authored a paper presented at the IX International Peach Symposium, Bucharest, Romania, July 2-6, 2017.
- Presented three research papers at the 75th Professional Agricultural Workers Conference, Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, AL, December 3-5, 2017.
- Attended the Annual Meeting of the Multistate Research Project NCCC212 Small Fruit and Viticulture Cooperative Research, Virginia Beach, VA, October 24-26, 2016.

- Authored or co-authored four papers presented at the SE Professional Fruit Workers Meeting in Gainesville, FL, October 4-6, 2016.
- Co-organizer, Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Clanton, AL, October 17-18, 2016.
- Presented two papers at the American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, August 8-11, 2016.
- Presented five papers at the SR American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, February 2-7, 2016.
- Presented a research paper at the Eastern Section of the American Society of Enology and Viticulture (ES ASEV) Annual Conference, Saint Louis, MO, July 17-21, 2016.
- Presented a research paper at the American Society of Enology and Viticulture (ES ASEV) Annual Conference, Monterey, CA, June 28-July 1, 2016.
- Attended and presented a research paper at the Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, January, 2016.
- Co-authored a paper presented at the XI International Symposium on Integrating Canopy, Rootstock and Environmental Physiology in Orchard Systems, Bologna, Italy, August 28- September 2, 2016.
- Attended and presented a research paper at the XI International Vaccinium Symposium, Orlando, FL, April 10-14, 2016.
- Presented three research papers at the 74<sup>th</sup> Professional Agricultural Workers Conference, Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, AL, December 4-6, 2016.
- Organized and attended the Annual Meeting of the Multistate Research Project NCCC212 Small Fruit and Viticulture Cooperative Research, Auburn, AL, October 19-21, 2015.
- Co-organized, attended and presented four papers at the SE Professional Fruit Workers Meeting in Montgomery, AL, October 6-8, 2015.
- Co-organized and attended the Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Auburn, AL, February 6-7, 2015.
- Presented three papers at the American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, August 3-7, 2015.
- Presented three papers and four posters at the SR American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, January 30 - February 1, 2015.
- Presented a research paper at the Eastern Section of the American Society of Enology and Viticulture (ES ASEV) Annual Conference, Dunkirk, NY, July 23-25, 2015.
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- Attended and presented research paper and posters at the National Association of County Agricultural Agents Professional Improvement and Development Annual Meeting, Sioux Falls, SD, July 12-17, 2015.
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- Presented research findings at the Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents and Specialists Annual Meeting, Montgomery, AL, April 2014.
- Attended an ADAI meeting on Citrus Greening Regulations Change, Montgomery, AL, February 11, 2014.
- Research papers presented at the Southern Region American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, February 2-5, 2013.
- Attended the Annual Meeting of the Multistate Research Project NCCC212 Small Fruit and Viticulture Cooperative Research, Beltsville, MD, October 15-20, 2013.
- Attended the NAACA Galaxy Meeting, Pittsburgh, PA, September 15-20, 2013.
- Presented at the SE Professional Fruit Workers Meeting in Athens, GA, Sept. 17-19, 2013.
- Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Auburn, AL, February 8-9, 2013.
- Southern Region American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, Feb. 2-5, 2013.
- Attended the 2012 SE Professional Fruit Workers Annual Conference, Clarksville, AR, October 2012.
- Presented a paper at the American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Miami, FL, August 31-September 2, 2012.
- Attended and presented papers at the National Association of County Agricultural Agents Improvement and Development Annual Meeting, Charleston, SC, July 2012.
- Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents and Specialists Annual Meeting, Montgomery, AL, June 2012.
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- Southern Region American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, February 2011, Corpus Christi, TX.
- Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents and Specialists Meeting, June 2011, Eufala, AL.
- American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, Waikoloa, HI, September, 2011.
- SE Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, Savannah, GA, January, 2011.
- Third National eXtension Conference, June, 2011, Louisville, KY. SE Professional Fruit Workers Annual Conference, Manchester, TN, October, 2011.
- State Horticulture Division of Alabama Farmers Federation Annual Organizational Meeting, February 2, 2010, Birmingham, AL.
- Southern Region American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Meeting, February 6-8, 2010, Orlando, FL.
- Attended the Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents and Specialists Annual Meeting (AACASA) Annual Meeting, June 2-5, 2010, Guntersville, AL.
- Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference, January 9-11, 2009, Savannah, GA.
- Clanton Area Peach Production Meeting, January 22, 2009, Clanton, AL.
- Gulf Coast Fruit and Vegetable Production Meeting, January 27, 2009, Mobile, AL.
- Food Safety Training for the Wiregrass Blueberry Growers Association Members, May 26, 2009, Columbia, AL.
- Commercial Strawberry Production Videoconference presented by Dr. A. Straw, VT, June 22, 2009, Auburn, AL.
- Trap Crops Workshop presented by Dr. Russ Mizell, UF, August 25, 2009, Chilton REC, AL.
- Satsuma Production Workshop, August 26, 2009, Mobile, AL.
- Small Fruit Production Meeting, Cullman, June 29, 2009, Cullman, AL.
- Attended a seminar titled: New opportunities for applying entomology’s historic strengths in biomimetics by Dr. T. Baker, PSU, October 12, 2009, Auburn, AL.
- Participated a Writing Winning Grant Proposals Workshop, November 4-5, 2009, Cordele, GA.
- Attended the “All About Blueberry” 1<sup>st</sup> Organizational Meeting, December 1, 2009, Baton Rouge, LA.
- Attended the “Second Life” – Web based seminar, December 10, 2009.
- Pruning and training fruit trees. Agent training workshop, March 12, 2008, Chilton REC, AL.
- Steam peel blaster demonstration and suggestion for use in value-added production workshop, March 27, 2008, Chilton REC, AL.
- Persimmon grafting workshop, April 8, 2008, Neighbors farm, Alex City, AL.
- Methyl bromide alternatives. May 5-7, 2008. University of Georgia, Tifton, GA.



- Auburn University, ACES, and Irrigation Association Irrigation Auditor Course September 18-19, 2008. A series of seminars and irrigation system demonstrations were attended. Auburn, AL.
- Citrus Greening Update. Agent Training workshop, October 3, 2008, Fairhope REC, AL.
- Auburn University, ACES Leadership Challenge Workshop, March 19-20, 2007. Attended series of seminars and interactive class activities focused on application of the five practices of exemplary leadership to a current business challenge, identifying personal leadership strengths and weaknesses, inspiring others to share a common vision; recognize the accomplishments of others; take the risks needed for growth, build collaboration, teamwork, and trust. 4-H Center, Columbiana, AL.
- CRESS-USDA Successful Grantsmanship Writing Workshop, 8-9 October, 2007. Participated seminars focused on principles of grant and proposal preparation, techniques for the generation of new ideas, organizing the proposal, developing the successful Multi-State and Multi-Institutional proposals. Washington, DC.
- How to Use Videoconferencing in your Extension and Educational Programs Training Workshop, 21 February, 2007. Auburn University, ACES, Auburn, AL.
- North Alabama Small Fruit Production Meeting, 26 January, 2007. Belle Mina, AL.
- North Alabama Small Fruit Production Meeting, 26 January, 2007. Cullman, AL.
- Auburn University Human Resource Development Department, On-campus Computer Class on “Microsoft 2007” applications, April, 2008. Auburn, AL.

### ***CONSULTATION/TEACHING ASSISTANCE***

- I answered requests for information from telephone calls and various written and electronic correspondences (762). I also made 138 on-site visits to commercial growers to familiarize with the commercial industry settings in Alabama and to assist in the identification of problems related to fruit production in order to make recommendations. Other specialists and experts were conferred with depending upon the specific problems encountered (153). Made 66 on-site visits to commercial grape growers to familiarize with the challenges in commercial grape production in different Alabama locations. Assisted Plant Diagnostic Lab in identifying abiotic disorders in samples submitted to the lab. Processed plant tissue, water and soil samples through the Plant Diagnostic Lab and Soil Testing Lab to identify problems experienced by commercial fruit growers, or experiment stations. Recommendations are provided to the grower based on test results.
- Education Advisor to the Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association. My contribution is providing the Executive Board of the Association information about the fruit industry, research and extension programs.
- Education Advisor to the Alabama Wineries and Grape Growers Association (2007-present). My contribution is providing the Executive Board of the Association information about the grape industry, research and extension programs.
- Advisor for Alabama Citrus Greening/Vector Working Group Research sub-committee (2008-2011). This is an effort designed to develop a research plan including potential research topics (interdisciplinary), identify relevant funding programs and coordinate proposal development.

## ***EXTENSION PUBLICATIONS***

### ***WEBSITES AND APPS DEVELOPED:***

- **Provided Leadership and Content Enhancement in the Development of Two Federally Funded Extension Websites:**

- **A.) Co-PI and Alabama's PI on an USDA-SCRI funded multi-state, multi-disciplinary eXtension.org project: 'All About Blueberries':**

As Project Leader for Alabama, and "The Blueberry Production" Content Team Leader at the national [www.extension.org](http://www.extension.org) initiative I contribute to the developing an eXtension Community of Practice (CoP) project focused on blueberry production and consumption as part of an USDA- Specialty Crops Research Grant Initiative Program funded proposal. The "All about Blueberries" Community of Practice is adapting the best existing extension publications and developing new research-based extension recommendations related to blueberry production and consumption. The primary goal of the project is to increase blueberry production efficiency and consumption of blueberries, initially in the southeast and, then, nationwide. The experts that are members of our CoP are located in the southeastern United States (Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and North Carolina) where both southern highbush and rabbiteye blueberries are grown. Our CoP initially focuses on southern blueberry production, but will gradually expand to address nationwide blueberry production. Over 470 websites have been built in the website [www.extension.org/blueberries](http://www.extension.org/blueberries) - this includes traditional and innovative teaching methods such as text and picture websites, interactive diagrams, videos and Moodle courses. Currently, I have authored, or co-authored, or reviewed 38 published articles on blueberry production topics, Moodle courses, webinars and contributed numerous pictures with blueberry images to the project Flickr photo sharing account and answered questions through the build in "Ask an expert" option. Our members are also utilizing social media networking tools (i.e. Facebook, Twitter and blogs) to reach out a wider audience. Currently, we have followers from 22 countries.

- **B.) Contributing member of an USDA-SCRI funded multi-state, multi-disciplinary eXtension.org project: 'Grapes':**

Contributed to the development of an eXtension "Grape" Community of Practice (CoP). This new web-based project launched in January, 2011. I would like to present some specific examples of my individual faculty scholarly contributions to the two Communities of Practice listed above: content team leader; national reviewer; published peer reviewed content in eXtension as lead author and as contributing author; made professional presentations on behalf of the national CoP; published in professional journals on behalf of the CoP; high quality interaction with our Community of Interest (CoI) via Ask the Expert tool; gained national and regional recognition for expertise and contributions.

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- According to a Google Analytics stats report in 2015, there were 1,288,356 page views and 1,021,443 unique page views with an average time spent on each page of 2 min 17 seconds since web site launch in 2010.
- Contributed to the development of ACES Commercial Horticulture Team 'Farming Basics' Mobile App:  
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- **Elina Coneva.** 2020. Assisted with CommHort Q&A Friday series which included 29 events via Facebook and reached 18, 617 people.
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- Interview with Donna Raynolds led to an article "Planting Blueberries this Fall" in Extension Daily on 10/3/2018: <https://news.aces.edu/blog/2018/10/03/growing-blueberries-in-your-fall-landscape/>
- Interview with AU Communications resulted in a publication in Auburn Spotlight, 2017: <http://www.auburn.edu/main/spotlight/Elina%20Coneva.html>
- A video clip produced by ALFA highlighting the banana research in my lab led to the development of ALFA- Simply Southern show that has the potential to reach 2.1 Million households. It is also broadcast nationwide on the RFD - TV network, which is available on satellite and cable TV systems across the country, making the show available to an additional 48 Million homes. The show was aired twice in 2017 (January 1<sup>st</sup> and April 2<sup>nd</sup>) doubling the number of potential viewers to over 100 million: [https://filemover.auburn.edu/files/files/1497385970\\_ala-bananas.mp4](https://filemover.auburn.edu/files/files/1497385970_ala-bananas.mp4)
- An interview with Emily Eichhorn led to a publication of 'Growing Grapes in Alabama' in Extension Daily on April 7, 2017: <http://news.aces.edu/blog/2016/04/07/growing-grapes-alabama/>
- An interview with Katie Nichols resulted in a publication titled "Freezing Temperature threaten strawberry and peach crops" in Extension Daily on March 15, 2017: <http://news.aces.edu/blog/2017/03/15/freezing-temperatures-threaten-strawberry-peach-crops/>
- The educational extension program offered at the Fruit Workshop and Grape Pruning Demonstrations at the Chilton REC, Clanton on March 17 was featured in Extension Daily blog:

<https://mg.aces.edu/chilton/fruit-workshop-grape-pruning/>

- Interviewed on insufficient peach chilling hour accumulation on February 1<sup>st</sup> and the story posted in Extension Daily: <http://news.aces.edu/blog/2017/02/16/low-chill-hours-cause-worry-peach-producers/>
- Interview with Emily Eichhorn on June 12 resulted in a publication titled ‘Muscadines- Backbone of Alabama Wine Industry’ published in Extension Daily: <http://news.aces.edu/blog/2017/06/12/muscadines-backbone-alabama-wine-industry/>
- Interviewed by Sarah Partain on successful growing of Jackfruit on April 28, 2017.
- Interview with by Jaci Schreckengost, Agnetmedia in December 2017 on my research program.
- **Coneva, E.** 2016. A video clip developed on grape research in my lab.
- **Coneva, E.** August, 2016. A video clip presenting my service for the Second AL Commercial Wine Competition, Huntsville, AL
- **Coneva, E.** Vinson, E. 2016. A video clip produced by ALFA highlighting the banana research in my lab.
- **Coneva, E.,** T. Tyson, and R. Boozer. 2010. Sustainable Irrigation Methods for Alternative Crop Production. Final Report SR SARE: <http://www.sare.org/MySare/ProjectReport.aspx?do=viewRept&pn=OS08-040&y=2010&t=1>
- **Coneva, E.,** T. Tyson, and R. Boozer. 2010. Sustainable Irrigation Methods for Alternative Crop Production. 2009 Annual Report SR SARE: <http://www.sare.org/MySare/ProjectReport.aspx?do=viewRept&pn=OS08-040&y=2009&t=0>
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- **Coneva, E.** 2007. Ask Aubie: Why are there seeds on the outside of a strawberry instead of on the inside? Opelika-Auburn News. April 25, 2007.
- **Tsoneva, E.** 1994. Selekcja na kaisiata. (Apricot breeding). Zemedelie (4). (Agriculture).

## INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

### *DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES*

- Serving as major advisor for an international student and a member of the advisory committee for three international students.
- Attended and presented a paper at the IX International Agriculture and Agri Food Conference, Burgas, Bulgaria, 2023.
- Attended and presented a paper at the IX International Agriculture and Agri Food Conference, Burgas, Bulgaria, 2022.
- Attended and presented a research paper at the International Horticulture Congress, Angers, France. August, 2022.

- Attended and presented two papers at the XII International Symposium on Integrating Canopy, Rootstock, and Environmental Physiology in Orchard Systems, WA, USA, 2021, (Virtual).
- Attended and presented three papers at the XII International Vaccinium Symposium, Halifax, NS, Canada, 28 Aug.- 3 Sept., 2021 (Virtual).
- Attended and presented a paper at the IX International Agriculture and Agri Food Conference, Burgas, Bulgaria, 2021.
- Published a paper with international collaborators, 2021.
- Prepared to attend the 2020 International Strawberry Symposium, Rimini, Italy (postponed for Covid)
- Prepared to attend the 2020 International Vaccinium Symposium, NS, Canada (postponed for Covid)
- Prepared to attend the 2020 International Symposium on Integrating canopy and rootstock in orchard system research, WA, USA, (postponed for Covid).
- International travel in 2020 was suspended due to the Covid pandemic, activities not allowed.
- Provided outreach and extension services to fruit growers in Bulgaria, 2019.
- Presented research paper at an international symposium in Czech Republic, 2019.
- Presented research paper at an international symposium in Venice, Italy, 2019.
- Presented research paper at an international symposium in Palermo, Italy, 2019.
- Provided outreach and extension services to fruit growers in Bulgaria, 2018.
- Presented research paper at an international symposium in France, 2018.
- Advised an international grad student Enfeng Xu, 2016-2018.
- Provided outreach and extension services to fruit growers in Bulgaria, 2017.
- Presented research paper titled “Effect of PGRs on Yield, Fruit Quality and Morphology of ‘Fireprince’ Peaches” at the IX International Peach Symposium, Bucharest, Romania, July 2-6, 2017.
- Invited a distinguished international lecturer, Dr. Amnon Erez, Volcani Center, Israel. I have also solicited and secured funding in the amount of \$4,200 to cover the international speaker’s travel expenses to Auburn University and present a series of lectures at the Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference in Clanton, November 15-19, 2017.
- Advising an international grad student, Enfeng Xu.
- Presented a paper at the XI International Vaccinium Symposium, Orlando, FL, April 10-14, 2016.
- Co-authored a paper presented at the XI International Symposium on Integrating Canopy, Rootstock and Environmental Physiology in Orchard Systems, Bologna, Italy, August 28- September 2, 2016.
- Provided Outreach/Extension service to fruit growers in Bulgaria, September 7-9, 2016.
- Attended the XXIX International Horticultural Congress in Brisbane, Australia, August 17-23, 2014, and presented two research papers in viticulture and fruit crop production.
- Attended the VIII international Peach Symposium in Matera, Italy, June 16-21, 2013, and presented two research papers as part of the multistate research project evaluating new fruit tree rootstocks.
- As a content development leader I was invited to present the effort done by our multistate team to develop a web site that provides credible science-based information on blueberry production and consumption at the Xth International *Vaccinium* and Other Superfruits Symposium in Maastricht, Netherlands June 17-22, 2012. Additionally, I also presented a second research paper on blueberry production at the same international event.



- I visited fruit growers in Bulgaria and provided consultations on major fruit production problems they have experienced since orchard establishment in July, 2012.
- In the fall of 2012 I toured the Agriculture and Agri Food Canada research facility in Kentville, NS and discussed the challenges and outlook of the Small Fruits and Viticulture Breeding Program team. During my visit to Canada I was invited to present a lecture on tree fruit pomology at the Agricultural College in Truro, NS, Canada.
- Attended the XXVIII<sup>th</sup> International Horticultural Congress, Lisbon, Portugal, August 23-27, 2010, where presented scientific results in a poster format. I was invited by the Congress Organizing Committee to give an oral presentation on my research findings.
- Visited the largest vineyard established in the Karnobat grape growing area of Bulgaria on September 17, 2009. The purpose of the visit was to gather information on the best suited grape cultivars, cultivation methods used, IPM vineyard management, and general production and marketing trends.
- Visited three fruit orchards located in the South, Central and North part of Bulgaria with considerably different environmental conditions to learn about the utilization of various sustainable practices in tree fruit production systems and major fruit production constraints, September 15-16, 2009.
- Attended the NC-140 Annual Meeting in Chihuahua, Mexico, November 14 - 19, 2008, as a member of a NC-140 Peach Rootstock Variety Trial Multistate Project. Multiple peach, cherry, and nut orchards and nurseries, as well as high density orchards were visited during the educational tour.
- Invited to visit the Institute of Fruit and Tea, Hubei Academy of Agricultural Sciences of Hubei Province of the People's Republic of China, October 22-29, 2008. The goal of the visit was to propelling the development of scientific research and especially to promoting scientific and technological exchange and cooperation between the Fruit and Tea Institute and Auburn University. As a result of the visit an agreement of intent on blueberry exchange and cooperation between the two institutions was signed. During my visit to the Fruit and Tea Institute, Hubei Academy of Agricultural Sciences of Hubei Province, People's Republic of China, an update on ongoing blueberry research projects at my research lab was provided. Presentation titled: "Cultural Methods for Sustainable Blueberry Production" was delivered. The province's emerging blueberry industry was provided an update on blueberry cultivation technology.
- Attended the XXVI<sup>th</sup> International Horticultural Congress, Toronto, Canada, 2002, where scientific paper was presented. Participation sponsored by the University of Guelph, Department of Plant Agriculture, Tree Fruit Physiology Program.
- Participated in the International Society of Horticultural Science (ISHS) Eucarpia Symposium on Fruit Breeding and Genetics, Dresden, Germany, 1999. Participation sponsored by the Eucarpia Symposium Organizing Committee.
- Participated in the Second International Symposium on Plant Dormancy, Anger, France, 1999. Participation sponsored by the Mondial Fruit Selection Inc., France.
- Invited to visit Rene Felley and Freres Company, Saxon, Switzerland, 1999. Mr. Felley is a prominent stone fruit grower in Switzerland. His company was interested to test some of the advanced apricot selections resulted from my breeding program that possessed superior biological and horticultural traits. Nine of the selections I originated are being tested under a formal agreement at various sites in Switzerland.

- Visited Agricultural Research Organization, the Volcani Center, Institute of Horticulture, Israel, 1998. Dr. Amnon Erez hosted this visit. Tree fruit research and particularly breeding for low chilling hour requirements in apricot and peach were among the topics discussed. A tour of stone fruit farms and research plots was provided by the host. Ideas were exchanged on different techniques used to manipulate fruit quality.
- Attended the XI<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Apricot Culture, Veria-Makedonia, Greece, 1997. Participation sponsored by Rene Felley and Freres, Switzerland.
- Visited the Stone Fruit Research Station in Konstanza, Romania, 1998. Stone fruit breeding for diversifying and enhancing the gene pool germplasm were highlighted during the visit. Novel ideas were discussed in the field of cultural management in apricots, peaches, cherries, and plums.
- Attended a professional exchange visit to the Fruit Growing Institute, Kiev, Moldova, 1996, hosted by Dr. Maya Isakova. Advanced apricot selections from the Moldovian breeding program were brought and tested under Bulgarian environment for their performance.
- Visited the National Tree Fruit Research Institute, Tzukuba, Japan, May-October 1995. Dr. Massami Yamaguchi hosted the visit. I have volunteered to study the *Prunus mume* germplasm collection at Chiba Research center and an article manuscript was collaboratively developed and presented at the International Apricot Culture Symposium in Greece.
- Attended the X<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Apricot Culture, Izmir, Turkey, 1993.
- Conducted an undergraduate student internship at Mendel University, Brno, Czech Republic, August, 1983.
- Formal Testing Agreement between Mondial Fruit Selection, Angers, France and the Apricot Research Station, Bulgaria has been established to initiate commercial testing of ten apricot selections that originated from my breeding program. These selections will be patented in Europe and Internationally subject to their performance.

### ***OTHER INTERNATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS***

- Formal Testing Agreement between Mondial Fruit Selection, Angers, France and the Apricot Research Station, Bulgaria has been established in August 1998 to initiate commercial testing of ten apricot selections that originated from my breeding program. These selections will be patented in Europe and Internationally subject to their performance.
- Formal Testing Agreement between Rene Felley and Freres, Saxon, Switzerland and the Apricot Research Station, Bulgaria has been established in August 1998 to initiate commercial testing of six apricot selections that originated from my breeding program. These selections will be patented in Switzerland subject to their performance.
- During my visit to the Fruit and Tea Institute, Hubei Academy of Agricultural Sciences of Hubei Province, People's Republic of China, in October, 2008, an update on ongoing blueberry research projects at my research lab was provided. Presentation titled: "Cultural Methods for Sustainable Blueberry Production"

was delivered. The province's emerging blueberry industry was provided an update on blueberry cultivation technology.

## **SCHOLARLY CONTRIBUTIONS TO SERVICE**

### ***SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY***

- Serving a second term as Faculty Senate Representative from the Department of Horticulture, 2025-2028.
- Faculty Senate Representative from the Department of Horticulture, 2022-2024.
- Member, Horticulture Department Head Evaluation Committee, 2021.
- Served as Faculty Senate Representative from the Department of Horticulture, 2019- 2022.
- Auburn University Faculty Senate, Department representative (substitute for Dr. Dane), 2011-2012.
- Reviewed 21 Research Proposals for the Southern Region Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE) On-Farm Research Grant Program, January 5, 2009. Served as a Committee Chair on five Research Proposals and a Committee Member on 19 Proposals.
- Appointed to the Auburn University Faculty Senate Welfare Committee. Member, 2008 – 2011.
- Appointed to the Auburn University, ACES Multicultural Initiative Steering Committee. Member, 2008-2009.
- Auburn University Office of the Vice President for Research Faculty Mentoring Program Selection Committee Member (2007-2009), reviewed 25 grant proposals in 2008.

### ***SERVICE TO THE COLLEGE***

- Appointed to serve a second term as the Department of Horticulture representative on the CoA T&P committee, 2025.
- Served as Chair of the CoA T&P committee, 2019-2022.
- Serves as the Department of Horticulture representative on the CoA T&P committee, 2019-2022.
- Search Committee Member for Director of Statistics at the CoA Position, 2021.
- Serves as the Department of Horticulture representative on the CoA T&P committee, 2020.
- Search Committee Member for Director of Statistics at the CoA Position, 2020.
- Serves as the Department of Horticulture representative on the CoA T&P committee, a three year term starting in 2019.
- Reviewed 12 AU CoA Research Awards applications, 2018.
- Reviewed 19 grant proposals for the AAES- PAR program, 2018.
- Served as a Selection Committee Member for the Assistant Professor Position Search at the Department of Entomology and Plant Pathology, November 2017 – February 2018.
- Served on the Selection Committee for Director of the Chilton Research and Extension Center, 2018.
- Served as a departmental representative for the Spring Commencement Ceremony, May, 2016.

- Served as a departmental representative for the York Lecture Series Selection Committee, Member, 2014-2019.
- Graduate student oral paper presentation judge, This is Research Week, April 13-16, 2015.
- Graduate student oral paper presentation judge, Auburn Research Week, April 14-17, 2014.
- Search Committee for Excellence in Outreach Dean's Award, Committee Member, 2011-2012.
- AgRoundup Event, Volunteer at the ACES booth, November, 2012.

### ***SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT***

- Chair, Department of Horticulture Awards Committee – 2024, 2025.
- Member of the 2024 Southern Professional Fruit Workers Conference Organizing Committee.
- Member of the Teaching Garden Organizing Committee, 2023-2025.
- Chair, Extension Programs Committee, 2018-2025.
- Greenhouse and Nursery Utilization Committee, Member, 2023-2025.
- Seminar Committee, Member, 2023-2025.
- Lab Space Utilization Committee, Member, 2023-2025.
- Reviewed a HATCH proposal for a faculty member, 2024, 2025.
- Reviewed three Third-Year Faculty Review packets, 2024
- Reviewed a Third-Year Faculty Review packet for a department faculty, 2025.
- Reviewed four faculty Graduate Level application packets, 2023.
- Reviewed faculty Graduate Level 2 application packet, 2025.
- Reviewed a HATCH proposal for a faculty member, 2023.
- Chair, Extension Programs Committee, 2022-2025.
- Greenhouse and Nursery Utilization Committee, Member, 2022.
- Seminar Committee, Member, 2022.
- Lab Space Utilization Committee, Member, 2022.
- Reviewed faculty Graduate Level application packets, 2022
- Chair, Extension Programs Committee, 2021.
- Greenhouse and Nursery Utilization Committee, Member, 2021.
- Seminar Committee, Member, 2021.
- Lab Space Utilization Committee, Member, 2021.
- Reviewed four faculty Graduate Level application packets, 2021
- Collaborated on the development of Non-Tenure Track Faculty Promotion Guidelines, 2021.
- Reviewed a HATCH proposal for a faculty member, 2021.
- Chair, Search Committee for the Assistant Professor- Specialty Crop Physiologist Position, 2020.
- Member, Search Committee for the Assistant Professor- Specialty Crop Breeder Position, 2020.
- Member, Search Committee for Director of Statistics at the CoA Position, 2020.
- Departmental Representative on the CoA Tenure and Promotion Committee, 2020.
- Chair, Search Committee for the Assistant Professor- Specialty Crop Physiologist Position, 2019.
- Member, Search Committee for the Assistant Professor- Specialty Crop Breeder Position, 2019.
- Member, Search Committee for Director of Statistics at the CoA Position, 2019.
- Selection Committee Member, Department Head Position Search, September - December 2017.

- Selection Committee Chair, Extension Specialist-Fruit Crops Position Search, August, 2015- May 2016.
- Seminar Committee Member, 2014 – present.
- Greenhouse and Nursery Utilization Committee, Member, 2009 - present.
- Extension Programs Committee, Chair, 2014 - present.
- Extension Programs Committee, Member, 2007 - 2014.
- Flower Committee, Committee Co-Chair 2013 - 2029.
- Flower Committee, Member, 2007-2012.
- Selection Committee Member, Research Assistant Position Search, February, 2012.
- Selection Committee Member, Department Head Position Search, February - July, 2012.
- Leader of the Departmental Faculty and Staff fund raising campaign, 2013.
- Co-leader of the Departmental Faculty and Staff fund raising campaign, 2012.
- Served as a member of the Selection Committee for the Research Assistant Position Search in Fairhope REC, June/July, 2010.
- Serve on the Greenhouse and Nursery Utilization Committee – member, 2009-present.
- Extension Programs Committee Member. Provide insight of Extension to the Department of Horticulture, 2007-present.
- Department of Horticulture Flowers Committee Member, 2007-present.
- Departmental representative for the Summer Commencement Ceremony, August 4, 2007.

### ***PROFESSIONAL SERVICE: SERVICE TO PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS***

- Served as immediate past President of the Southern Region of the ASHS, 2025.
- Served as Chair of the Outstanding Graduate Student Awards Committee, SR ASHS, 2025.
- Served as a member of the Nominations Committee, SR ASHS, 2025.
- Served as President of the Southern Region of the ASHS, 2023-2024.
- Served as a Member of the Executive Committee, SR ASHS, 2024.
- Served on the Steering Committee for the Southern Region Small Fruit Consortium, 2024.
- Served as a Chair of the Outstanding Graduate Student Selection Committee at the SR ASHS, 2024.
- Served as a Member of the Nominations Committee at the SR ASHS, 2024.
- Served as a Member of the Education Paper Award Selection Committee at the ASHS, 2024.
- Served as a Member Representative for the ASAHS, 2024.
- Organized and moderated the N. Childers MS Graduate Student Paper Competition, SR ASHS, 2023.
- Organized and moderated the Barham Ph.D. Graduate Student Paper Competition, SR ASHS, 2023.
- Evaluated a packet for T&P for a colleague from University of Florida, 2023.
- Reviewed an application packet for an Adjunct Professor in our department, 2023.
- Manuscript reviewer for HortScience, HortTechnology, JAPS and other international journals, 2023.
- Served as President-Elect, SR ASHS, 2022.
- Served as the Executive Committee Chair, SR ASHS, 2022-2023.
- President-Elect-Elect, SR ASHS, 2021.



- Served as a judge for the 3-minutes graduate student presentation competition at the Southern Fruit Workers, SR-ASHS, (Virtual), March 2021-2022.
- Reviewed research and extension proposals for the SR SFC grant program, 2021-2023.
- Chair-Elect, for the NC-140 Multistate Collaborative Research Project, 2022.
- Chair-Elect, second term, for the NC-140 Multistate Collaborative Research Project, 2021.
- Reviewed three manuscripts for HortScience, 2021.
- Reviewed a manuscript for International Journal of Horticultural Science and Technology, 2021.
- Reviewed a manuscript for the Journal of Agronomy, 2021.
- Reviewed manuscript for the International Journal of Plant & Soil Science, 2021.
- Evaluated a T&P packet for a faculty member at the University of Arkansas, 2021.
- Reviewed 21 research and extension proposals for the SR SFC grant program, 2020.
- Recording Secretary/Chair-Elect for the NC-140 Multistate Collaborative Research Project, 2020.
- Reviewed a manuscript for the JASHS, 2020.
- Reviewed three manuscripts for HortScience, 2020.
- Reviewed a manuscript for HortTechnology, 2020.
- Reviewed a manuscript for the Journal of Agricultural Sciences, 2020.
- Elected Member of the SR ASHS Executive Committee, 2019-present.
- Southeast Region Small Fruit Consortium (SR SFC) Steering Committee Member, 2018-present.
- Reviewed 20 research proposals for the SR SFC grant program, 2019.
- Volunteered to serve as a Membership representative of the American Society for Horticultural Science, 2014 - present.
- Reviewed a manuscript for the JASHS, 2019.
- Reviewed two manuscripts for HortScience, 2019.
- Reviewed a manuscript for the Journal of Agricultural Sciences, 2019.
- Reviewed a manuscript for Elsevier Crop Protection Journal, 2019.
- Reviewed Extension publication for the University of Georgia, 2019.
- Reviewed 39 research proposals for the SR SFC grant program, 2018.
- Reviewed a manuscript for the JAPS, 2018.
- Reviewed two manuscripts for HortScience, 2018.
- Reviewed two manuscripts for the JASHS, 2018.
- Reviewed Extension publication for the University of Georgia, 2018.
- Served as Acting Chair of the Small Fruit and Viticulture Working Group of the American Society for Horticultural Science, Washington, DC, July 30-August 3, 2018.
- Served as Chair of the Extension Section of the SR ASHS Annual Meeting, Jacksonville, FL, Feb. 4-7, 2018.
- Served as Moderator of the Small Fruit and Viticulture Section, ASHS Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, August 2018.
- Extension Award Committee Chair, presenting the Extension Award at the SR ASHS Annual Conference, Jacksonville, FL, February 2-4, 2018.

- Elected to serve on the Editorial Committee of the International Journal of Fruit Science, 2015- 2019.
- Elected to serve as a Chair of the Pomology Working Group, 2016-2017, ASHS, Waikoloa, HI.
- Elected to serve as a Chair of the Pomology Working Group of the ASHS, September 2017, Waikoloa, HI. Served as a 2016 Selection Committee Member of the Henry M. Covington Extension Award, Southern Region, American Society for Horticultural Science.
- Served as a 2017 Selection Committee Chair of the Henry M. Covington Extension Award, Southern Region, American Society for Horticultural Science.
- Elected to serve as a Chair-Elect of the Small Fruit and Viticulture Working Group, of the American Society for Horticultural Science, 2017.
- Reviewed four manuscripts for HortScience, a journal of the ASHS in 2017.
- Reviewed two manuscripts for the Journal of the American Pomological Society in 2017.
- Reviewed three manuscripts for the International Journal of Horticultural Science and Technology in 2017.
- Reviewed 23 grant proposals for the NIFA-USDA- CDRE program in 2017.
- Reviewed a faculty member package for promotion, 2017.
- Reviewed a manuscript for the NM Extension Service, 2017.
- North American Strawberry Growers Association, Member.
- Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents, Member.
- North American Blackberry and Raspberry Growers Association, Member.
- International Society of Horticultural Science, Member.
- Elected to serve as a Chair of the Fruit Crops Section of the Southern Region, American Society for Horticultural Science, 2016.
- Elected to serve on the Advisory Board of the American Pomological Society, 2014 – 2016.
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- Elected to serve as a Chair of the Pomology Working Group, 2014-2016, ASHS, Dallas, TX.
- Volunteered to serve as a Membership representative of the American Society for Horticultural Science, 2014 - present.
- Volunteered to serve as a 2015 Selection Committee Member of the Henry M. Covington Extension Award, Southern Region, American Society for Horticultural Science.
- Elected to serve as a Secretary of the Blueberry and Small Fruit Working Group Workshop, Southern Region, American Society for Horticultural Science, 2014 - 2016.
- Graduate Student Poster Competition Judge, SR ASHS, Dallas, TX, February 2014.
- Elected to serve as a Chair of the Fruit Crops Section of the Southern Region, American Society for Horticultural Science, 2012.
- Elected to serve as a Chair of the Blueberry and Small Fruit Working Group Workshop, Southern Region, American Society for Horticultural Science, 2010 - 2012.
- Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association, Program Organizer, February 2011-2014.
- Appointed to serve as Session Chair, Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Annual Conference, Auburn, February 2011-2015.
- Reviewed 23 manuscripts for publication in professional domestic and international journals, including HortScience, HortTechnology, International Journal of Fruit Science, Journal of the American

Pomological Society, Canadian Journal of Plant Science, Journal of Horticulture and Biotechnology, and Journal of Horticultural Science.

- Reviewed grant proposals for NIFA-USDA-SBI, Southern SARE, National Strawberry Initiative.
- PhD Graduate Student Competition Judge, SR ASHS, Corpus Christi, TX, February 2011.
- Coordinate the Alabama's research and extension activities pertaining to the NC-140 2010 Asian Pear Trial, including experimental plot establishment, data collection, writing research reports, dissemination of information at grower's meetings, 2010 - present.
- Served on the Professional Improvement Council Horticulture and Turf grass Committee, Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents and Specialists, 2009-2010; Appointed and served on the Extension Development Council Committee, 2010-2011.
- Serves on the Advisory Board of the "All About Blueberries" [www.eXtension.org](http://www.eXtension.org) national extension web site, January 2010 - present.
- Coordinate the Alabama's research and extension activities pertaining to the NC-140 2009 Regional Peach Rootstock Trial. Activities include experimental plot establishment, data collection, writing research reports, dissemination of information at grower's meetings, 2009 - present.
- Coordinate the Alabama's research and extension activities related to the NC- 140 2009 Regional Peach Physiology Study, including experiment establishment, data collection, writing research reports, dissemination of information at professional meetings, 2009 -present.
- Serves as Alabama's Lead PI for the USDA – SCRI funded multistate national eXtension.org initiative to develop "All About Blueberries" Community of Practice, and coordinate the "The Blueberry" Topic section of the project. Due to a current retirement of the "Growers" Topic Leader, the two topics have merged and I have assumed the leadership of the two sections, 2009 - 2013.
- Served as a Chair for the Fruit Section for the Southern Region ASHS Meeting in Orlando, FL, February 6-8, 2010. Solicited titles of research presentations through group and individual invitations, corresponded with presenting authors and reported to the meeting secretary.

### ***SERVICE TO AFFILIATIONS/MEMBERSHIPS***

- Educational advisor for the Alabama Citrus Greening/Vector Working Group Research sub-committee. This is an effort designed to develop a research plan including potential research topics (interdisciplinary), identify relevant funding programs and coordinate proposal development, 2009-2012.
- Served as a member of the 2008 and 2009 Deep South Fruit and Vegetable Growers Conference Planning Committee. It is an annual regional venue involving the states of Alabama, Louisiana, and Mississippi.
- Served as a Co-Chair of the Fruit Production Session at the 2008 Deep South Fruit and Vegetable Growers Conference, Mobile, AL, December 3-4, 2008.
- Educational Advisor, Wiregrass Blueberry Growers Association, AL, 2008 – 2014.
- Alabama Wineries and Grape Growers Association, Educational Advisor, 2007-present.
- Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association Educational Advisor, 2006 - present.
- Alabama Farmers Federation, State Horticultural Committee, Educational Advisor, 2006-2012.

- American Pomological Society, Member, 2010 - present.
- North American Strawberry Growers Association, Member, 2010 - present.
- Alabama Association of County Agricultural Agents, Member, 2009-present.
- North American Blackberry and Raspberry Growers Association, Member, 2009 - present.
- International Society of Horticultural Science, Member, 2008 - present.
- International Tree Fruit Association, Member, 2007 - present.
- American Society for Horticultural Science, Member, 2007 - present.
- Alabama Wineries and Grape Growers Association, Member, 2007- present.
- Alabama Farmers Federation, Member, 2006 – present.
- Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association, Member, 2006 – present.
- American Association of University Professors, Member, 2006 - present.