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Formal Education:

Doctorate of Philosophy, 1980. Michigan State University, Horticulture/Plant Physiology Masters of Science, 1976. The University of Tennessee, Plant & Soil Science/Crop Physiology Bachelors of Science, 1974. The University of Tennessee, Plant & Soil Science

Academic/Professional Experience:

Institute Professor, University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture. 2020

Austin Distinguished Professor, Plant Sciences Department, The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN. 2002-present.

Professor, Department of Plant Sciences and Landscape Systems, The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN. 1994 – 2002.

Associate Professor, Department of Plant and Soil Science, The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN. 1985 – 1994.

Assistant Professor, Department of Plant and Soil Science, The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN. 1983 - 1985.

Plant Physiologist, USDA, ARS, HSI, Horticultural Crops Quality Lab, Beltsville, MD. 1980 – 1983.

Research Program:

Research in Dr. Sams 'group emphasizes the effects of abiotic stress and mineral nutrition on disease resistance, yield, and quality of specialty crops. Related to this effort, investigations involve the effects of environmental, cultural, and genetic interactions on secondary metabolites that are important in human nutrition and plant pest resistance. Current research emphasis is focused on the impact of environmental and genetic factors on plant uptake and partitioning of mineral nutrients, and the metabolism of glucosinolates, carbohydrates, isoflavones, flavonoids. and plant flavor volatiles. Current research also includes projects to improve greenhouse production systems for specialty crops. This research focuses on optimizing fertility in hydroponic systems and developing narrow band LED lighting strategies to optimize yield and nutritional quality of herbs, leafy vegetables, vine crops, and small fruit crops. Other research involves the impact of pre-harvest and post-harvest environments on nutritional quality of specialty crops.

Teaching:

- PSLS 430 Greenhouse Management
- PSLS 537 Plant Nutrition

Professional Recognition:

- Associate Editor: HortScience (1990-1993).
- Associate Editor: Journal of the American Society for Horticultural Science (1990-1993).
- Chairman, Postharvest Working Group of American Society for Horticultural Science (1990-1991).
- Co-Program Chairman, Annual Meeting of American Society for Horticultural Science (1993).
- Chairman, Mineral Nutrition Working Group of American Society for Horticultural Science (1994-1995).
- Chairman, Environmental Stress Physiology working group of the American Society for Horticultural Science (2000-2001).
- Member of Publications Committee of the American Society for Horticultural Science (1993-1998).
- Chairman, Growth Chambers and Controlled Environments Working Group of American Society for Horticultural Science (2009-2010).
- Co-Chairman, Annual Meetings Scientific Program Committee for the American Society for Horticultural Science (1996-2020).
- Gamma Sigma Delta Research Award of Excellence (1998).
- University of Tennessee Graduate Council, The University of Tennessee Graduate School, (1995–1998); Chair, Graduate Council Credentials Committee (1997–1998).
- President of The University of Tennessee Chapter of Sigma XI (1998-1999).
- ESCOP/ACOP Leadership Development Program Class 9 (1999).
- Fellow of the American Society for Horticultural Science (2000).
- UTK Faculty Senate (2004-2007).
- UTK Faculty Senate, Library Committee (2004-2005).
- UTK Faculty Senate, Research Council Committee (2005-2008).
- University of Tennessee Provost's Award for Research and Creative Achievement (2001).
- University of Tennessee, Institute of Agriculture, W.S. Overton Faculty Merit Award (2004).
- NACTA Teaching Award of Merit (2004).
- B. Ray Thompson Jr. Award for Outstanding Faculty Performance, The University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture (2007).

- Outstanding Graduate Educator Award, American Society for Horticultural Science (2005).
- Finance Committee of American Society for Horticultural Science (2004-2010).
- Treasurer and Finance Committee Chair of American Society for Horticultural Science (2008-2010).
- Investment Trustees, American Society for Horticultural Science, (2008-2010).
- Board of Directors of American Society for Horticultural Science (2008-2010).
- President Elect, President, Chairman of Board Directors of the Plant Growth Regulation Society of America (2012-2016).
- Research Impact Award, The University of Tennessee, Institute of Agriculture, Agricultural Experiment Station (2018).
- President Elect (2016-2017), President (2017-2018), Board Chairman (2018-2019), American Society for Horticultural Science.
- The Sylvan Harold Wittwer Outstanding Alumni Lecture for The Department of Horticulture, Michigan State University (2019).
- Invited External Reviewer for the Bachelor of Science Program in Agricultural and Environment Systems Program Review. North Carolina A&T State University. College of Agricultural and Environments Sciences. Greensboro, NC (2019).
- USDA ARS External Program Review Committee (2020).

Publications: Book Chapters: 2, Refereed: Over 200, Non-Refereed: Over 60 (not shown), Abstracts: Over 280 (not shown).

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