

## We Need Your Input!

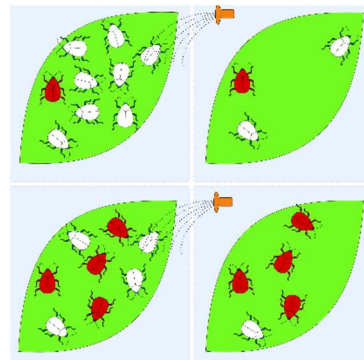
How is PBT serving your needs? Take 5 minutes to answer some questions the PBT Governing Council has for Section Members!! [Take our survey and qualify to win a \\$25 Starbucks gift certificate.](#)



## Get Involved!

### Policy Tour Opportunity – Resistance Management – August 6-7, 2019

For the first time the PBT and P-IE Sections will be collaborating to offer an ESA Science Policy Tour on the topic of resistance management to be conducted in Iowa. ***Interested junior and senior PBT scientists (including graduate students) are encouraged to apply. Spaces are limited!***



**Tour Objectives:** Convene key stakeholders to engage in the possibility of enabling future initiatives aimed at improving implementation of local, community-based, sustainable pest and resistance management. The tour seeks to

- 1) Promote the formation of voluntary, community-based pest resistance management projects.
- 2) Determine the key components for enabling community-based team
  - a. Learn lessons from successful & unsuccessful community-building initiatives
  - b. Understanding the socioeconomic root causes of these “wicked” problems
- 3) Develop action plans (local, regional (state) and national) that will support and sustain local community-based solutions
- 4) Empowered participants by clearly identifying their roles in leading action plans.

**Tour Leaders:** Drs. Clint Pilcher (Corteva Agriscience) and David Shaw (Mississippi State University)

**Tour Participants:** Academics, industry professionals, and government experts

**How to get involved:** Participation in the tour will be by invitation and applications/expressions of interest will be accepted between May 15 – June 1.

**More Information:** Contact Drs. Clint Pilcher ([clint.pilcher@corteva.com](mailto:clint.pilcher@corteva.com)) or Ronda Hamm ([ronda.hamm@corteva.com](mailto:ronda.hamm@corteva.com)) for additional information.

## AWARDS!!!

### ***Promote your career and those of others***

PBT will again offer two awards for outstanding members of our section. The PBT Recognition Award in Insect Physiology, Biochemistry and Toxicology is available exclusively for PBT Section Members. Eligibility and nomination requirements can be found at: <https://www.entsoc.org/pbt/recognition-pbt-award>. We also would like to promote the ESA award - The Lillian and Alex Feir Graduate Student Travel Award in Insect Physiology, Biochemistry, or Molecular Biology. Information about this award can be found at:



<https://www.entsoc.org/awards/student/feir>. **Nominations for both awards are due by June 1st.**  
Your **PBT contact is:** Dr. Joshua Benoit (joshua.benoit@uc.edu).

## Innovative Ideas, Products and Services Wanted!

**Antlion Pit Competition:** This new competition is designed to empower members to develop and present their innovative ideas and to encourage development of the entrepreneurial spirit through idea leadership, innovation, teamwork, and mentorship. Venture ideas may focus on technologies, products, processes, services, or social ventures. **CASH PRIZES!!!**



**When:** November 2019 – Annual Meeting.

**Support:** Participating individuals and teams will receive support in the form of mentorship and webinars to help them identify user groups, ideate problems and solutions, prototype, and test their innovations while competing for cash prizes. Learn more and sign up for the webinar series at the link below.

**More Information:** <https://www.entsoc.org/events/annual-meeting/antlion-pit>

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