

Navigating One's Way Through Peanut Innovation Lab Projects in Africa:

Opportunities Create Challenges

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Half empty or half full? How much does it really matter?















This audience

And some Epicurean and Stoic philosophers came across him as well and said, "What would this seedpecking ditherer like to say?"

David Bentley Hart





The speaker



Role of Agriculture

Produce adequate amounts of high-quality foods

Enhance the natural resource base and environment

Contribute to well-being of farmers and their communities

Make farming economically viable

NRC 2010 in Crowder and Reganold, 2015





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Seminar Topics

- Getting started
- Value to US and host country
- Quick overview of global peanut production systems
- Variety release (*Peanut CRSP*)
- IPM manual (Peanut CRSP)
- PMIL (Peanut Mycotoxin or Peanut and Mycotoxin)
- Brief overview of aflatoxin (US Africa contrast)
- Value chain results from Ghana
- Aflatoxin book chapter (assumptions)
- Ag Diversification project in Malawi









International Journey

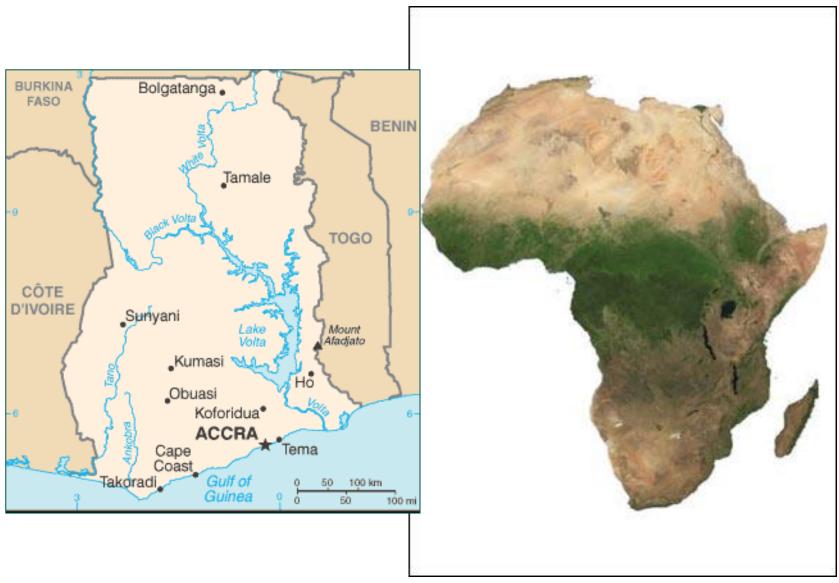
UNI 323 (STS 323)

- World Hunger Day
- Church projects in Central America and Mozambique
- Farmer to Farmer Exchange Program in Mozambique
- Peanut CRSP in Ghana (2 cycles)
- EHELD project in Liberia
- PMIL (Ghana Value Chain, Southern Africa Value Chain, Haiti Value Chain)
- Peanut Innovation Lab (current)
- Ag Diversification in Malawi (current)















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Value of USAID Projects Host Country

- Operating funds
- Professional development
- Discovery, verification and delivery of technologies
- Recommendations to farmers









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Value of USAID Projects **United States - NCSU Operating funds Professional development** Appreciation of budgeting The bigger picture Case studies for STS 323 Knowledge of aflatoxin Getting along with people Reading books







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Perceptions of Undergraduate Students Regarding Global Hunger¹

Robert Patterson², David Jordan², Carla Cave², Gary Moore³, Wendy Warner³, Emily Sugg², Lori Unruh-Snyder² and Matthew Vann² North Carolina State University Raleigh, NC

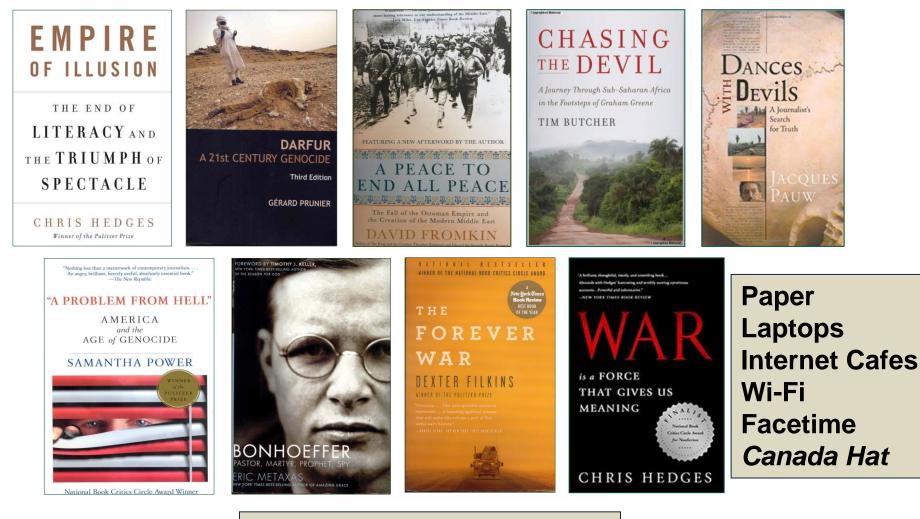
- 1) Distribution and transportation
- 2) Awareness of the problem
- 3) Improve farmer education
- 4) Government and politics
- 5) Population dynamics
- Ten years, 20 semester, ~4,000 students







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Apparent draw to somewhat troubling topics









Value of USAID Projects Both Partners

- Lifelong friends and colleagues
- Major and incremental impacts
- Practice and application of science
- Service
- Purpose







Possible Titles

My \$1.4 Million Data Set

Giving Away Your Operating Funds as PI Doesn't Really Help

You Thought NCSU was Getting One Million: How did that Happen?

Wiring Your Personal Money to Africa to Get the Project Going is Not Wise

Really?

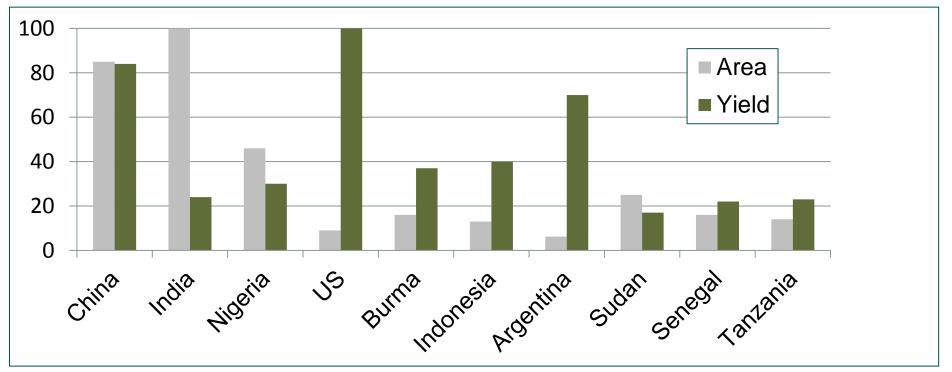
It Seemed to be a Good Idea at the Time







Relative Distribution of Harvested Peanut Land Area (Percent of India) and Relative Yield per Unit Area (Percent of US)



Fletcher and Shi. 2016. An overview of world peanut markets. Pages 267-287 in Stalker and Wilson, eds. *Peanuts: Genetics, Processing, and Utilization*. AOCS Press, Elsevier.









Essential Elements of Efficient and Sustainable Peanut Production

- Crop rotation and sequence
- **Crop genetics**
- Stand establishment
- Pest management
- Fertility
- Adequate water
- Harvesting capacity
- Drying and storing capacity
- Transportation and access to markets
- Others







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Estimated Budgets (% of total) for Peanut Production in US and Argentina

United States		Argentina		
ltem	Percent	Item	Percent	
Seed	14	Seed	14	
Fertilizer	7	Planting	4	
Inoculant	1	Herbicides	9	
Lime	3	Fungicides	8	
Gypsum	3	Spraying	4	
Herbicides	8	Digging	4	
Insecticides	3	Harvesting	8	
Fungicides	13	Transport	8	
Scouting	3	Land rent	40	
Hauling	4	Administration	1	
Dry and clean	14			
Check off	1			
National	1			
Crop insurance	5			
Tractor/machinery	9			
Labor	8			
Interest	2			
Bullen et al. 2016. North	Carolina Cooperati	ve Extension Service. AG-331.		

Bullen et al. 2016. North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service. AG-331 Morichetti. 2016. Personal communication, Argentina.







Estimated Budgets (% of total) for Peanut in India and Ghana				
India		Ghana		
Input	Percent	Input	Percent	
Labor	47	Labor	91	
Seed	28	Plowing	9	
Fertilizer	16			
Insecticide	2			
Irrigation	4			
Interest	3			

Jangid et al. 2016. Comparative Analysis of Groundnut Growing States in Western India. Advances in Social Research. 2:1-6.

Mochia and Abudulai. 2016. Personal communication, Ghana, West Africa.













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Long flights help the transition from US system to Ghana system







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Evaluation and Release of Two Peanut Cultivars: A Case Study of Partnerships in Ghana Owusu–Akyaw et al., Peanut Science, 2019







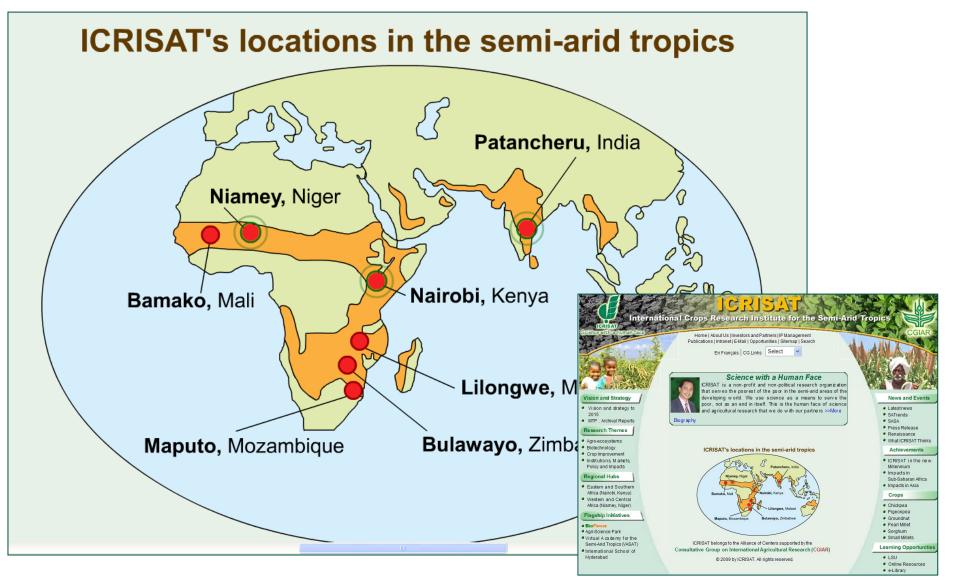


Releas	ed Groundnu			
August 7, 2012				
Breeder Code	Name	Descriptor		
ICG (X) SM 87057	Yenyawoso	There is no one like you		
ICGV 88709	Otuhia	Drives away poverty		
¹ Drs. James Yaw Asibuo and Mike Owusu-Akyaw, Crops Institute, Kumasi, Ghana				























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Comparison of agronomic characteristics of the cultivars Otuhia and Yenyawoso to other cultivars available in Ghana in 2010.^a

Cultivar	Days to 50% flowering	Days to pod maturity	Kernel content	Seed weight	Pod yield
	No.	No		g/100 seed	kg/ha
Otuhia	27 b	105 ab	71 a	71 a	2,140 b
Yenyawoso	23 d	90 c	72 a	64 c	2,350 a
Adepa	28 ab	106 a	65 b	65 c	1,920 c
FMIX 20-1-45	27 b	104 b	67 b	69 ab	1,900 c
GK 7 High Oleic	29 a	106 a	65 b	67 bc	1,900 c
Konkoma/Chinese	24 c	90 c	59 c	54 d	1,160 d
RRR-MDR-8-16	27 b	106 a	65 b	68 abc	1,940 c
Coefficient of variation (%)	3.3	1.0	4.0	5.2	5.5

^aMeans within a column followed by the same letter are not significantly different at $p \le 0.05$ according to Fisher's Protected LSD test. Data are pooled over six locations (Atebubu, Derma, Ejura, Kwadaso, Somanya, and Wenchi) in 2010.









Seed Systems Purity Quality Access Availability Delivery









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Broader Message and Fun with Colleagues





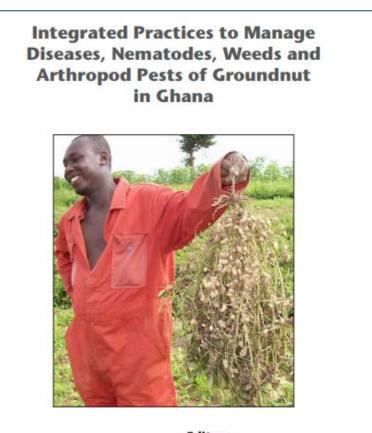






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Letting Perfection be the Enemy of the Good?





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The Contributions of Pesticides to Pest Management in Meeting the Global Need for Food Production by 2050



Considering the inevitability of a growing population, cost-efficient food production must increase; with effective policies, proper regulation, and safely training, pesticide use will continue to play an important role in that food production. (Photo from happykanppy/Shutterstock.)

ABSTRACT

The term *pcsticidc*¹ has been around for centuries, and it describes many different chemicals. The term has also—at times—been maligned and misunderstood. The authors of this publication use extensive data and provide clear examples to establish that pesticide use in agriculture has

- increased crop yield and quality,
 lessened the workload of pest man-
- agement, and

¹ Italicized terms (except genus/species names and published material titles) are defined in the Glossary. improved the prospects for longterm sustainable food production.
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This paper gives a brief background about the use of pesticides and a thorough examination of why they have become popular and widely used. Considering the inevitability of a growing population, cost-efficient food production must increase. Intelligent use of pesticides has led to crop management that is more efficient, sustainable, and productive (United Nations 2012). Of course there are controversies and

challenges, but with effective policies, proper regulation, and safety training, pesticide use will continue to play an

important role in food production. With a special consideration of

catastrophic famines and crop management practices of the past, the authors organize the vast amount of information around several key concepts:

- Fungicide use and its impact both in the United States and around the world
- Herbicide use, weed management, and higher yields that have resulted from sound weed control practices
- Arthropod management involving insecticide use, with a consideration of the problems that have occurred

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