

2013 WSSA Committee Report Summary for 2012 and Action Plan for 2013

Committee Code and Name: P3 – Weed Technology

Committee Chair: J.K. Norsworthy

Board Coordinator: J.V. Anderson

Committee Members Rotating Off:

Pam Hutchinson, Donnie Miller
Trey Koger, Christy Sprague,
Al Hamill, Hugh Beckie
Toni DiTomassio, Eric Prostko

Appropriate Replacements:

Daniel Stephenson, Brad Hanson,
Vince Davis
Additional new AEs will be recruited by
the Editor J.K. Norsworthy

Summary of Activities

- What were the committee's goals for 2012?
Review and publish submitted manuscripts in a timely manner.
- List the committee's accomplishments (since the last annual meeting):
There were 194 manuscripts submitted to Weed Technology in 2012 compared to 191 submissions in 2011. The average time from submission to first decision was 54 days in 2012, which is down from 69 days in 2011.

The manuscript acceptance rate was 63% in 2012, which is slightly lower than the 69% acceptance in 2011. The impact factor for Weed Technology continues to improve. In 2012, the impact factor was 1.212 compared to 0.925 in 2011, a 31% increase. Additionally, the five-year average impact factor continues to increase and is currently 1.129. In comparison, the 2011 impact factor for Weed Biology and Management and Crop Protection was 0.707 and 1.402, respectively.

- What information was posted on the WSSA website?
Manuscripts are posted on the WSSA website immediately following acceptance. Additionally, manuscript submission instructions are available.
- What amount of funds were requested? How much was spent?
Editor's stipend.
- What was the impact of the committee activities/accomplishments on the following: membership, publication, policy, legislation, and/or education?
Publication of scientific research is critical to the success of our society and its members.

- What is the current state of the committee's projects and activities?

2013 Plan for Committee Activities

- Goals for 2013:
Continue to offer weed scientists throughout the world Weed Technology as a high quality journal for publishing applied weed science research.
- Plan of Action:
Recruit new Associate Editors and continue to increase the quality of research published in Weed Technology. Further improve the impact factor and continue to shorten the turnaround time from submission to first decision.

Recommendations for Board/Society Action:

- Funds requested for 2013:
Editor's stipend.
- Other requests for the Board:
None.

Weed Technology Associate Editors:

Name	Region	Start	To
Randy L. Anderson	NC	1994	2016
Jason Bond	S	2010	2016
Kevin Bradley	NC	2012	2015
James Brosnan	S	2010	2016
Ian Burke	W	2007	2016
Vince Davis	NC	2013	2016
Jeffrey Derr	NE	2002	2015
Steve Fennimore	W	2004	2016
Jason Ferrell	S	2009	2015
Brad Hanson	W	2013	2016
Aaron Hager	NC	2012	2015
W. Carroll Johnson III	S	2007	2014
William Johnson	NC	2007	2016
Scott McElroy	S	2012	2015
Darren Robinson	C	2008	2014
Bill Simmons	NC	2005	2014
Larry Steckel	S	2007	2016
Daniel Stephenson	S	2013	2016
Glen Wehtje	S	2002	2015