

Genetic Technology Committee Report
06/10/2016
Brenda Johnson-Chair

The Genetic Technology has had a successful year including many significant accomplishments including the following:

1. Reviewed and updated Chapter 14 of the Seed Technologist Training Manual which was published in January of 2016. Thank you to Sandy Seeman-DuPont Pioneer, Barb Bolan-Syngenta, Carol Betzel-Eurofins BioDiagnostics, Trisha Scott, Mike Stahr-Iowa State Seed Lab, Randy Collins-Dow AgroSciences, Wendy Zillgitt-Eurofins BioDiagnostics, Anna Doornink-Eurofins BioDiagnostics, Dave Rambow-Agdia, Jamie Welch-Envirologix, Emily Dierking-Indiana Crop Improvement, and Jennifer Pernsteiner-Minnesota Crop Improvement.
2. Held Genetic Technology 5-day Super Workshop in Ames-Iowa in February 2016
3. Approved new accreditation areas of Adventitious Presence, Genetic Purity, and Trait Purity for Certified and Registered Genetic Technologists as proposed at the Long Range Planning meeting in Idaho in 2013. Thank you to the Board Members for assisting in navigating this process.
4. Held a Genetic Technology workshop for Seed Health Testing on June 4th, 2016. Thank you to the organizers Dave Rambow-Agdia, Anna Doornink-Eurofins BioDiagnostics, and Harold Armstrong-Monsanto.
5. Currently working with the Proficiency Testing Committee to develop and coordinate a more consistent and robust genetic technology proficiency program.

Anna Doornink replaced Trisha Scott as Genetic Technology Committee co-chair in January 2016. Brad Johnson is replacing Brenda Johnson as Genetic Technology Committee co-chair in June 2016.

Respectfully Submitted,
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Genetic Technology Co-Chair