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**Subject:** [Fall '09 SCSC642600] class on Tuesday, Nov 3  
**Date:** Monday, November 02, 2009 9:50:04 AM

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Students:

The schedule indicates that we will not have class on Tuesday, November 3. However that is INCORRECT. WE WILL HAVE CLASS ON TUESDAY NOVEMBER 3.

I'll see you there.

Regards,

Bill

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**Subject:** Ag Conference  
**Date:** Monday, November 09, 2009 2:52:17 PM

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Dr. Rooney,

The Director has invited you to give an overview of your current and future research during the Research General Session of Ag Conference. The Research General Session will be held on Tuesday afternoon, January 12, from 1:30 – 5:00 PM. You will be allotted 30 minutes. Please confirm your willingness and availability to accept this invitation by the end of this week ([d-lunt@tamu.edu](mailto:d-lunt@tamu.edu)). I will follow up by telephone to further discuss this opportunity.

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**Subject:** Agronomix Software Renewal  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 03, 2009 10:56:44 AM

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Dear Dr. Baltensperger,

It is time to renew the Agrobase Gen II licence. We have licences for Ibrahim (2), B. Rooney (2), Hague/Smith (1), the students' lab (1). Russell Sutton has been being paying for his licence (under Bhoja Raj's name who is doing research in the Commerce area). I am not sure whether or not Seth needs a student licence.

We pay for one main licence. The others are student licenses that cost \$200 each.

All of these licences need to be renewed this month to prevent interrupted use of the database. The total cost is CAD \$1668.10. I am always available to provide a one-day training workshop per semester. Also, each licence comes with great, full technical support. Thanks a lot.

Best regards,  
Amir

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11/3/2009 9:50 AM >>>  
Amir,

The names I have are as follows:

Kerry Mayfield  
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Kind regards,  
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Sent: November-03-09 9:55 AM  
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Can you send me the names of the students on this account? Thanks.

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Dear Amir,

Re: 0212GEN-01

This is a friendly reminder to inform you that we have not yet received payment for Invoice 090800016, dated August 31, 2009. The invoice total is CAD \$1668.10 for the renewal of your AGROBASE Generation II software license. We would greatly appreciate notification of the status regarding this annual renewal.

For your convenience, I have attached an electronic copy of the invoice for your review. If the payment has already been processed, it would be most helpful if you could provide payment details for us to track from our end.

Thank you for your continued support. I look forward to your reply.

Have a great day!

Sincerely,

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**Cc:** [Bill Rooney](#); [Peter B. Harris](#); [James Harris](#); [Lloyd Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** Black Sorghum  
**Date:** Thursday, November 12, 2009 1:21:09 PM

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It is our understanding that Bill Rooney and his staff developed certain varieties of black sorghum but not all black sorghum since we heard that Kansas State had been working on same. Right now, it is believed that these varieties (TAMU's) are lower in phenolics and ORAC value than the variety we are using (NK8830) for our food products but are higher in a special antioxidant, namely, 3-deoxy (short for 3-deoxyanthocyanins) which may be useful in preventing or mitigating colon cancer.

We have two basic objectives:

1. Find a better variety of sorghum to replace NK-8830 owned by Sorghum Partners to equal or beat yield (about 7500 per acre) and that offers higher levels of antioxidants as measured by ORAC testing done by Brunswick labs (patented method).
2. Evaluate developed by TAMU in terms of nutritional and medical benefit. As stated we have ideas on how to use black sorghum in foods and supplements almost immediately and are willing to develop same with our own small test supply with your assistance. We intend to test ORAC values of the current black and yellow as soon as possible.
3. Complete a deal based on NIC/SPK becoming your corporate partner in utilizing test funding by the state within the financial limits discussed.
4. Think carefully about your limiting our rights to only current varieties based on unreasonable expectation of our best efforts (with your best efforts) and not being protected should we fail to achieve objectives with current varieties.

For your interest, I am showing attachments of our print ad and Kroger tie-in ad for 1/31 in our Cincinnati/Dayton test markets. Also, I attach our radio spots to start next week in Cincinnati and Dayton. Ohio.

Bob



**From:** [Helene Farrell](#)  
**To:** ["Robert Harris"](#)  
**Subject:** FW: grain berry.  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 11, 2009 9:50:44 AM

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Attached are the (2) Grainberry spots that were forwarded to you back in June. All I need are the tags.

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**To:** 'Robert Harris'; 'Robert M. Harris'; 'Peter B. Harris'  
**Cc:** 'Jerry Levy'  
**Subject:** grain berry and sliver palate spots..

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**To:** [Carol Rhodes](#)  
**Cc:** [David Baltensperger](#)  
**Subject:** Borlaug Lectures  
**Date:** Monday, November 09, 2009 6:22:20 PM

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Please also note that we'll have two Borlaug Lectures on December 11. The first, on control of rust in grains, particularly Ug99, will be presented by Dr. Ravi Singh. The second, by Martin Frick on Fulbright Opportunities, will be followed by a panel discussion which will include A&M Fulbright scholars.

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**Subject:** CA report Blurbs?? If you want them?  
**Date:** Monday, November 09, 2009 2:05:35 PM

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Ms. L. Taylor , Compatible Technology International (CTI) Volunteer presented workshop on the utilization and production of Omega VI attrition mills for use in grinding sorghum and other grains. This workshop was instrumental in gaining significant interest in locally producing the grinders using blueprints and key parts from CTI. The Omega VIs in Salvador continue to perform efficiently and interest in their use is growing. They are relatively inexpensive to buy and maintain. They are useful for grinding other commodities as well.

The Children's Relief Foundation close to CENTA's headquarters have used the grinders to prepare blends of sorghum flour with wheat/maize to produce more foods with existing resources. The sorghum based foods have been readily accepted and are less expensive.

The WINROCK Foundation approved a two week Farmer to Farmer program for a specialist to spend two weeks in Salvador working with the use of the mills and developing information on food processing using sorghum blends. Ms E. Pinella, Graduate Student, Cereal Lab, TAMU will be the volunteer.

Ms. Eliette Palacios, INTA, in Nicaragua has utilized the Omega VI mill to improve sorghum processing similar to what has been done in El Salvador. The interest is high and a substantial increase in consumption of sorghum foods is occurring where the technology has been introduced. Ms Palacios received \$2500 from FAO to expand her activities. The results in Salvador are being transferred to Nicaragua with similar positive results especially for the small producers and bakeries. The bland flavor and white color of the major sorghum varieties allow sorghum flour to compete favorably for use in foods. Thus it can be used as a substituet or diluent of rice. There is increasing interest in use of sorghum for gluten free diets.

**From:** [Travis W Janak](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)  
**To:** [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)  
**Subject:** Chris Lein  
**Date:** Sunday, November 01, 2009 7:16:38 PM

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Dr. Rooney,

I wanted to let you know in a separate email that Chris Lein seems to be of the venture capitalist type and you may not want to waste a lot of time on him. He was very interested in jatropha in the Rio Grande valley a while back but I think they have found cheaper avenues in other countries. United Growers from what I understand is a big company in CA but the guy talks a pretty good talk as a lot of those guys do. You may be interested but if not somebody in Ag Engineering may be better to help him with the potassium deal.

Thanks,

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**From:** [Ken Davenport](#)  
**To:** [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)  
**Subject:** Chromatin Visit  
**Date:** Monday, November 02, 2009 8:12:19 PM

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Bill, we are beginning to make arrangements for your visit next Friday, 13 November. Because I am arranging for Larry Lambright to fly in from Lubbock and our folks to drive down from Chicago, knowing your departure time that Friday would facilitate planning. Steve Rounsley (U AZ) bioinformaticist will be with us in Chicago and drive down with us for your seminar. Please advise at your earliest opportunity or feel free to give me a call (214,215.2984) tomorrow if you wish. . Thanks, Ken

**From:** [Lloyd Rooney](#)  
**To:** [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)  
**Subject:** need info?  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 10, 2009 8:56:16 AM

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1. Do the GCP funds have a deadline to be spent by May 31? Our check off funds finally were approved and now they say they need to be spent by May 31. ??? Is this really true?

2. Anything going on with Harris? I have not heard anything?

3. Are you going to the INTSORMIL Tech Transfer mtg?

4. Are you going to CA in Dec?

Thanks lwr

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**Subject:** Fwd: sorghum  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 10, 2009 11:47:03 AM

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George,

As I read this, There are no restrictions for importation of sorghum seed. Large lots (assume commercial seed) may require inspection. Vegetative propagules require a permit and quarantine. Susan Schenck is the HARC pathologist.

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From: [REDACTED]  
Reply-to: [REDACTED]  
To: [REDACTED]  
Sent: 11/10/2009 7:13:00 A.M. Hawaiian Standard Time  
Subj: sorghum

Bob, Stevie

Sorghum is subject to some restrictions because it is a host of the European Corn Borer. Non-propagative plant parts require a certificate of origin or certificate of treatment depending on where they were grown. Propagative parts (except seed) for planting require an import permit and quarantine. Usually seeds in small packets need no inspection or anything, but large seed lots need inspection. There is no mention of this for sorghum though. Seedlings could have no soil with them and will have to be quarantined at the Plant Quarantine Branch facility.

Susan

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**To:** [Bill L. Rooney](#)  
**Cc:** [Barbara Bracken](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Your NOV has been moved to Opened - Nilesh"s position  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 10, 2009 11:50:33 AM

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Your vacancy is posted on GreatJobs and guess what.....you already have an applicant.

Please follow the guidelines below. The easiest way to access your applicants is by going to the site from our home page at <http://greatjobs.tamu.edu/hr>, log in with user name "GU59850" and password "sorghum2".

Let me know when you are ready to hire, as there are now some reports I can generate from the site for you which may speed your process.

>>> <GreatJobs@ag.tamu.edu> 11/10/2009 9:01 AM >>>  
Notice of Vacancy Number: 04582  
Position Title: Postdoctoral Research Associate  
Action PAD or PIN: A08141

The NOV shown above has been posted on the Texas A&M AgriLife employment website.

Please review the appropriate agency Recruiting & Employment procedure. Remember to retain documents related to the hiring decision as they will comprise the Recruiting File (<http://hrtoolbox.tamu.edu/compliance/Recruiting-File-Checklist.pdf>) which is required for every position.

Applicants may view this posting by going to <<https://greatjobs.tamu.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=185242>>



**From:** [Timothy Swaller](#)  
**To:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**Cc:** [Jeff Gwyn](#); [Walter Nelson](#); [John Mullet](#)  
**Subject:** TAMU sweet sorghum study  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 10, 2009 12:17:23 PM

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Thanks

Tim

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**To:** [Lloyd Rooney](#); [Bill Rooney](#)  
**Cc:** [Rene Clara](#)  
**Subject:** important information  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 10, 2009 1:13:09 PM

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CENTA's New director's name is Rene Rivera Magana.

Please let me know if you think is convenient or not to send this letter.

thanks

Vilma Ruth Calderon

**From:** [Rene Clara](#)  
**To:** [Vilma Ruth Calderon](#); [Lloyd Rooney](#); [Bill Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** Re: important information  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 10, 2009 1:46:36 PM

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I have chatted with the new CENTA Director and it is very interested in the sorghum flour and thinks to give him more importance to the works of the INTSORMIL.

Really he has announced changes for the next year, but also he has said to me that it will support the CENTA-INTSORMIL

I believe that it is not yet suitable that Dr. Lloyd orders this letter, so if some signs of changes happen, I am going to speak with him to remind him that supports the team of work, as the support that he has promised.

Also Dr. Bill will speak with him next December 4 and also we can tackle this topic.

Regards,

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**Cc:** [Peter L. "Schuerman"; Bill "McCutchen"; Bob Avant; Shay "Simpson"; John E" "Mullet; Patricia Klein](#)  
**Subject:** Re: TAMU sweet sorghum study  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 10, 2009 2:36:30 PM

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I have no problem sharing the raw data of what we published summaries of (brix, height). There is additional unpublished data on composition (NIRs) and I plan to summarize that for a book chapter, but I do not plan to publish the raw data.

I will default to what others think should be done with it, it obviously has some value.

Thanks,

Seth

----- Original Message -----

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Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2009 2:08:27 PM GMT -06:00 US/Canada Central  
Subject: FW: TAMU sweet sorghum study

Greetings:

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**Cc:** "[Schuerman, Peter L.](#)"; "[McCutchen, Bill](#)"; Avant, Bob; "[Simpson, Shay](#)"  
**Subject:** Re: FW: TAMU sweet sorghum study  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 10, 2009 2:54:00 PM

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Bill

Since I am not working on the sweet sorghum part of the project, I would defer to those who are. With regards to the data from \_\_\_\_\_, if they want the raw marker data for that population I don't have a problem transferring it to them under a standard MTA. However, it sounds as if Tim is talking about material from the association panel.

Thanks  
Trish

At 02:08 PM 11/10/2009, Bill Rooney wrote:

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Dr. William L. Rooney  
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Chair, Plant Release Committee  
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**From:** Timothy Swaller [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 10, 2009 12:17 PM  
**To:** Bill Rooney  
**Cc:** Jeff Gwyn; Walter Nelson; John Mullet  
**Subject:** TAMU sweet sorghum study

Hi Bill



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Thanks  
Tim

**Timothy Swaller**  
Director, IT and Genomics  
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[REDACTED]



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**From:** [Schuerman, Peter L.](mailto:Schuerman, Peter L.)  
**To:** [Bill Rooney](mailto:Bill Rooney); [sethmurray@neo.tamu.edu](mailto:sethmurray@neo.tamu.edu); [Mullet, John E](mailto:Mullet, John E); [Patricia Klein](mailto:Patricia Klein)  
**Cc:** [McCutchen, Bill](mailto:McCutchen, Bill); [Avant, Bob](mailto:Avant, Bob); [Simpson, Shay](mailto:Simpson, Shay)  
**Subject:** RE: TAMU sweet sorghum study  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 10, 2009 3:36:36 PM

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Does turning the information over mean that they need us less? Does retaining it create an opportunity for collaboration?

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**From:** Bill Rooney [mailto:wlr@tamu.edu]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 10, 2009 2:08 PM  
**To:** sethmurray@neo.tamu.edu; 'Mullet, John E'; 'Patricia Klein'  
**Cc:** Schuerman, Peter L.; McCutchen, Bill; Avant, Bob; Simpson, Shay  
**Subject:** FW: TAMU sweet sorghum study

Greetings:

Please forgive me if we discussed this previously, but I need input from the group per the request from I don't remember if we had a discussion pertaining to Cere's request for phenotype information on sweet sorghum (see below). This would affect some the data that Seth collected as well as some of our current data.

I want to be a good collaborator; at the same time we can just turn everything over for the sake of collaboration. I would welcome your input on what level we should participate and what agreements we make any transfers under. Seth, with regard to your information, I'd like to know if you are even interested in sharing that data.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** [John Mullet](#)  
**To:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** Leo's sampling  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 10, 2009 6:48:53 PM

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Bill,

I walked through Leo's germplasm grow out today. Some lines were pretty drought tolerant and recovered well.

What trait data is Leo taking on this material if any? (I know he was assaying flowering time)

Thanks,

John

**From:** [DoKyoung Lee](#)  
**To:** "[Bill Rooney](#)"  
**Subject:** Visiting IL  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 11, 2009 7:09:12 AM

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Dear Bill,

I will pick you up at the air port. If you need me you can call me anytime on my cell, 217-  
Thanks,

D.K.

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**From:** [John Mullet](#)  
**To:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Leo's sampling  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 11, 2009 7:11:39 AM

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Bill,

Did Leo collect any samples for NIR composition analysis on these materials or was this just to select potentially new R-lines?

Thanks,  
John

On Nov 11, 2009, at 6:13 AM, Bill Rooney wrote:

> John:  
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> We noticed the same thing as well, so we went back and looked at his  
> monthly  
> desirability ratings and basically came up with a "recovery" rating  
> - things  
> that weren't all that great in the summer but really responded to the  
> moisture in the fall. From that we coded about 10 lines that we  
> felt were  
> the best and they will be in Puerto Rico this winter.

>  
> Regards,  
> Bill

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> -----Original Message-----  
> From: John Mullet [<mailto:jmullet@tamu.edu>]  
> Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2009 6:30 PM  
> To: Bill Rooney  
> Subject: Leo's sampling

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> Bill,  
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> pretty drought tolerant and recovered well.

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> What trait data is Leo taking on this material if any? (I know he was  
> assaying flowering time)

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> Thanks,

>  
> John  
>

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**Date:** Wednesday, November 11, 2009 7:39:52 AM

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**From:** [CCRemail@bpn.gov](mailto:CCRemail@bpn.gov)  
**To:** [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)  
**Subject:** CCR User ID Request  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 11, 2009 9:45:48 AM

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Dear William,

The User ID is

If you have questions, please contact CCR at <http://www.bpn.gov/ccr/contactccr.aspx> or by telephone at 1-866-606-8220. Dial 334-206-7828 for international calls.

Thank you,  
The CCR Group  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)  
**Subject:** Welcome to Fedconnect!  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 11, 2009 9:53:31 AM

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Welcome to Fedconnect!

Your Fedconnect User ID

Your Fedconnect account has been activated. To sign in, go to <https://www.fedconnect.net/fedconnect> and click the Sign In button.

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Regards,

FedConnect Support Team

Compusearch Software Systems Inc.

**From:** [James L Heilman](#)  
**To:** [Bill L Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** Funding  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 11, 2009 10:34:02 AM

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Bill,

Have you found out if the funding is here?

JLH

**From:** [Rene Clara](#)  
**To:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** My visit to Guatemala  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 11, 2009 10:35:00 AM

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Dear Dr. Bill,

In my visit to ICTA and PROSEMILLAS of Guatemala (October 27-29), I inform you the activities that are realized with the technical assistance of INTSORMIL:

#### **ICTA**

- They are evaluating varieties of double purpose (grain and forage) to be able to liberate one in the short term.
- They are evaluating the hybrids of the PCCMCA 2009 trial, of the seeds companies.
- They are increasing seed of a early variety of Dr. Gilles Troughé, to be validated at national level in Guatemala.

ICTA has more needs but it has no funds to extend his program of sorghum.

#### **PROSEMILLAS**

- They are doing investigation in seed production of the hybrid of white grain of excellent grain quality, ESHG-3 (ICSA 613\*86 EO 361), to produce it in the short term as SR-450.
- They are producing 15 tm of the variety Soberano (Diamante) and 15 tm of the RCV variety (Oro Blanco).
- They are producing 8 tm of the sorghum forrajero "Sweet Grass" (ICSA 613\*TX2784).
- They are producing 0.5 tm of the variety Pacific BMR of an Australian company.
- They are evaluating the hybrids of the PCCMCA 2009 of the seeds companies, including the ESHG-3 with the name SR-450.

I think that we should help with few funds to the ICTA next year, therefore the economic crisis has struck enough to that country and themselves do not they recover.

Regards,

**René Clará v.**  
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**From:** [Gerald De La Fuente](#)  
**To:** [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)  
**Subject:** Grad School  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 11, 2009 10:35:35 AM

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Good morning Dr. Rooney:

After exchanging some e-mails with faculty from out of state schools and speaking with current graduate students the consensus seems to be that it would be foolish for me to leave Texas A&M after I finish with my undergrad. You and Dr. Murray are thought of very highly by other schools and the faculty I spoke with said that I would be doing myself a disservice to not get a degree under you or Dr. Murray. So unless something drastically changes I think that it would be wise of me to stay here at Texas A&M for my masters. The faculty from other schools said they would love to have me after this. You had mentioned that if I decided to stay that you wanted me to give your program a shot, so I would like to sit down with you and discuss whether or not you will have a spot available for me and the funding to take me on. Dr. Murray has mentioned to me that he just recieved some funding that might work out for me so I would like to see what you can offer and then go from there.

I managed to finalize my schedule for the next two semesters and managed to put all of my classes except for one into the spring of 2010 and the fall of 2010. You had mentioned that it would be possible for me to start collecting data this upcoming growing season, if this is the case the department has said that I can enroll in a research class over the summer so that I will be available full time to work. That is of course with your approval. I know you are very busy Dr. Rooney, but if you have any free time during the day that you are willing to use to sit down with me I would really appreciate it. I would also like to thank you for all of the advice and guidance you have given me, I really appreciate it. Have a great day.

Regards,

Gerald

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [FFELTUS@clermson.edu](mailto:FFELTUS@clermson.edu)  
**Cc:** [wlr](#)  
**Subject:**  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 11, 2009 11:19:05 AM

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Dear Dr. Feltus,  
My name is [REDACTED] and I am the graduate student working on the QTL mapping project, and I was wondering how much (size or weight) of the ground biomass you wanted. If I have enough of the samples then I will be glad to send them to you.  
Thanks,  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [Pam Wilhelm](#)  
**To:** [James L Heilman](#); [Bill L Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** RE: South Dakota State U account  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 11, 2009 12:06:59 PM

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This is what I found in Laserfiche:  
on 9-1-09 they awarded \$163,000 with a cost share requirement of \$50854 on cost share account . Of that \$144670.00 went into the account , That would have been what was left when you take the Interim funding to Heilman from the total. All of that was moved to 84720 on 9-28-09. So I'm thinking more of it now needs to be moved to Heilman's to bring his total up to \$83,000. But I didn't find a breakdown that shows his budget. I need that in order to know what amounts in what categories go to him.

Back in June of 2009 the interim funding came in to Heilman's \$18,330.00. Nothing else has been moved to this account since. This was done by a Award notice sent here.

I did find an award notice dated 11-17-08 where \$60,000 was put in and if you add that to the \$163000 you get the total awarded of \$223,000 that I told you FAMIS showed.

So bottom line is, if one of you can show me a budget that is broken down between the two of you for the \$163,000 I can move the rest that goes to Heilman into his support account. I looked through the PDF you sent but I didn't see one broken down by PI Did I just miss it?

>>> "Bill Rooney" <[wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)> 11/11/2009 10:21 AM >>>  
Pam:

I'm attaching the proposal for the funding that should have come for the fiscal year that runs from 4/01/09 through 03/31/09. The funding should be subdivided between Heilman and me per the budgets that are provided.

Maybe you can reconcile what we have versus what we don't have in what arrived this year.

Sorry this is such a pain.

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Pam Wilhelm [<mailto:PWilhelm@ag.tamu.edu>]  
Sent: Monday, November 09, 2009 8:07 AM  
To: Bill Rooney  
Subject: RE: South Dakota State U account

According to FAMIS the total award is \$223,000.00. Short Title is Feedstock Partnership Award # 3TA153/Prine: DE-FC36-05G085041  
It only has accounts for you and Heilman  
Here's the printout of the Summary Budget Pool since the account started:

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190696-					
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000	Travel Pool	12500	2110		10390
000	Supplies Pool	27734	3392		24342
000	Other Expense Pool	20700	2588		18112
000	Capital Outlay Pool	19705	2280		17425
**	Total Direct Expense	160537	23547	7272	129718
600	Indirect Cost Pool	62463	8837		53626
***	Total Expenses	223000	32384	7272	183345
*	Account Total	0	80	7272	

This print out might be easier to see but it's by # not name on the categories

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Let me know if you need anything else or I can help.

>>> "Bill Rooney" <wlr@tamu.edu> 11/5/2009 5:52 PM >>>

Pam:

I've been looking at the SDSU proposal we submitted; the numbers don't match with what you've got listed below. According to the attached, we were due 80K and 83K for me and Heilman respectively. The outlay below is a little over 100K, so it doesn't match.

As far as I know this is the only funds that I have coming from SDSU. Can you reconcile this or give me a title or copy of the budgeting instructions?

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Pam Wilhelm [<mailto:PWilhelm@ag.tamu.edu>]  
 Sent: Thursday, September 10, 2009 9:52 AM  
 To: Bill L Rooney  
 Subject: South Dakota State U account

Dr. Rooney, this account has received new funding. I noticed you had set up a support account for Heilman that says Interim funding. Just wanted to check with you as to where the new funds should go.

salary \$55036  
 travel \$6500  
 supplies \$10159  
 other \$18516  
 capital outlay \$11040

**From:** [orfscmail@oro.doe.gov](mailto:orfscmail@oro.doe.gov)  
**To:** [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)  
**Subject:** Electronic Invoice Submission - CID = EE0001326  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 11, 2009 12:20:09 PM

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An invoice was submitted electronically to the Department of Energy through the VIPERS system.

By User = wlr@tamu.edu

Invoice Number = 1007

Invoice Amount = \$9,538.62

**From:** [Vilma Ruth Calderon](#)  
**To:** [Bill Rooney](#); [Joan Frederick](#); [dsulliva@unlnotes.unl.edu](mailto:dsulliva@unlnotes.unl.edu)  
**Subject:** Re: Vilma Calderon  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 11, 2009 1:11:13 PM

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Dear Joan and Dr Rooney

Thats correct. I prefer to receive payment directly from INTSORMIL the same way Ing. Rene Clara gets paid, otherwise CENTA wont add that money to my salary, they will use it for other things.

i will provide the wire transfer information. I think Joan also have this information on file because she used it for PCCMCA arrangements.

Thanks

Vilma Ruth Calderon

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**From:** Bill Rooney <[wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)>  
**To:** Joan Frederick <[jfrederi@unlnotes.unl.edu](mailto:jfrederi@unlnotes.unl.edu)>  
**Cc:** John Yohe <[jyohe@unlnotes.unl.edu](mailto:jyohe@unlnotes.unl.edu)>; Vilma Ruth Calderon <[REDACTED]>; Diane Sullivan <[dsulliva@unlnotes.unl.edu](mailto:dsulliva@unlnotes.unl.edu)>  
**Sent:** Wed, November 11, 2009 11:13:38 AM  
**Subject:** RE: Vilma Calderon

Joan:

Here are my recommendations, pending approval from Vilma as well.

1. We should pay her directly, as we do for Rene's services.
2. It should not go through CENTA, I suspect it would not get added to Vilma's salary.
3. She will have to provide the wire transfer information.

Vilma, please correct anything that is wrong.

Regards,  
Bill

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**From:** Joan Frederick [<mailto:jfrederi@unlnotes.unl.edu>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 11, 2009 9:31 AM  
**To:** Bill Rooney  
**Cc:** 'John Yohe'; 'Vilma Ruth Calderon'; Diane Sullivan

**Subject:** Re: Vilma Calderon

Bill Rooney,

Refresh my memory.....1) do we want to pay her directly like we do for Rene? or 2) does it have to go through the regional program (CENTA) and they add it on to her current salary. Our fiscal year started October 1, 2009.

If 1) we just need her to fill out the wire transfer form and we would send directly to her account - probably 3-4 months at a time, like we handle Rene's.  
(See attached file: Bank Wire Form.doc)

if 2) we can send the funds to CENTA under our MOU, for a one year period, and ask them to facilitate payment directly to her with her regular salary.

Will wait to hear back from you.

=====  
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▼ "Bill Rooney" ---11/10/2009 03:48:06 PM---Joan and John:

From: "Bill Rooney" <wlr@tamu.edu>  
To: "Joan Frederick" <jfrederi@unlnotes.unl.edu>, "John Yohe" <jyohe@unlnotes.unl.edu>  
Cc: "Vilma Ruth Calderon" <[REDACTED]>  
Date: 11/10/2009 03:48 PM  
Subject: Vilma Calderon

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Joan and John:

As we discussed, I need to make arrangements to supplement the salary of Vilma Ruth Calderon of CENTA. We had agreed upon \$600/month payment from the Central American regional funds effective at that beginning of the new fiscal year.

I wanted to follow up and see if there is anything else I need to do and to provide Vilma with some idea of how we will actually make payments.

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** [ted.kabat](mailto:ted.kabat)  
**To:** [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)  
**Subject:** FW: Ted Kabat Sorghum Genetics  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 11, 2009 2:41:31 PM

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Bill, I was referred to you by Rich Kochenower from Ok. I used to work with Terry Pitts from Gustafson and was severed when Bayer purchased the rest of the company. I do project work now and am doing an update on sorghum genetics. Who is developing them, and which cos license them. I understand there are many varieties available from the Univ. system as well. When would be a good time to talk. Below is infomation I have put together thus far. I'd appreciate your comments.

Thanks, Ted Kabat

### Market Size:

The US market is estimated @ 11MM total acres. Including 7MM grain, 1MM forage sorghum and 3MM sorghum sudangrass.

### Of the 21 sorghum-producing states, the top five in 2007 were:

1. Kansas
2. Texas
3. Nebraska
4. Louisiana
5. Oklahoma

The Sorghum Belt runs from South Dakota to Southern Texas and the crop is grown primarily on dryland acres. Over the years, sorghum has been either exported, used in animal feed domestically or utilized in industrial and food uses. In recent years, sorghum's use in the ethanol market has seen tremendous growth, with 30 to 35 percent of domestic sorghum going to ethanol production.

### Seed Genetics

Just a few years ago the market was 95% grain and 5% Sudan Grass, but with the high prices for corn since the government support of corn for ethanol it is now 40% grain and 60% grass. More and more dairy producers have recognized the economics of the brown midrib varieties and the return per acre on most sorghum grasses.

### Seeding Rates

4-7 lb/acre	Grain
4-7 lb/acre	Forage silage
20lb/acre	Sudan Grass

### Cost/50lb unit of seed

\$80/unit	Grain
\$100/unit	Forage silage
\$60/unit	Sudan Grass

### Growth Stages:

#### Refer to Nat'l Sorghum Boards "Checklist for Porfitable Sorghum Production".

Sorghum has a low tolerance for cold and needs a min of 65, 60 min for germination 30 days- Anthesis(flower development)-Key growth stage for high sorghum grain yields is 35 days after emergence.

30 days latter Black Layer develops

15-30 days latter grain is dry

**Sorghum Genetics**

15-20 years ago companies exchanged genetics via IPM program that was shut down. NC+ had sourced from Advanta, Sorghum Partners, and Crosbyton.

Pioneer Does not license in or out

Licences to Asgrow, Dekalb, and other ASI cos. Does not license in

Dow Small player

Crosbyton Seed Licenses in approx 10%, none out

Obtains all genetics from the MMR side of the business. Do not license or out. Dr Fred Miller coordinates all aspects of breeding

Does all contract production, major customer is Syngenta. All programs are kept in house 25% licensed in and out

Univ., mainly NE, OK, KS, Tx have developed new varieties but want an upfront fee of \$10,000 and then after the seed company develops the genetics will negotiate an agreement.

Most companies want no part of this approach.

Doane did a study in 2006 re what trait preferences growers wanted most. Clearly 2 BioTech traits were preferred:

BT for Greenbug control (39.5 %)

Roundup Ready Herbicide Tolerance (38.4%)

Other preferences were Poast Herbicide tolerance (11%), and IMI tolerance (6.9%)

Conversations with seed producers indicates there is a need for more post emergent herbicides to clean up weeds once a crop has been established.

Ted Kabat 15 Main Street Hatfield, Mass 01038 tel/fax 413-247-5241 cell 817-366-3118



**From:** [James L Heilman](#)  
**To:** [Bill L Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** RE: South Dakota State U account  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 11, 2009 3:18:33 PM

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So the money's been here for 2 months, and nobody in contracts and grants bothered to notify you. Amazing!

>>> "Bill Rooney" <[wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)> 11/11/2009 1:06 PM >>>  
Pam:

So, it seems the funds are here, but you can't split because there are not any obvious splits in those ridiculously detailed and stupid forms DOE uses.

The SF424 (attached) split the money into sustainability (83K) and testing (80K). Sustainability goes to Heilman; the remainder stays in my account.

The PMC123 unfortunately combines expenses. So, I've gone in and assigned each item to one of us - look at the justification column (or split between us). Jim, please check and make sure I've got this correct as you remember. You can divide based on this and make splits as appropriate to get 83K to Heilman, leaving me 80K.

Again, sorry for all of this - I hope we are almost finished. Next year we'll do it differently.

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Pam Wilhelm [<mailto:PWilhelm@ag.tamu.edu>]  
Sent: Wednesday, November 11, 2009 12:03 PM  
To: James L Heilman; Bill L Rooney  
Subject: RE: South Dakota State U account

This is what I found in Laserfiche:  
on 9-1-09 they awarded \$163,000 with a cost share requirement of \$50854 on cost share account . Of that \$144670.00 went into the account , That would have been what was left when you take the Interim funding to Heilman from the total. All of that was moved to 84720 on 9-28-09. So I'm thinking more of it now needs to be moved to Heilman's to bring his total up to \$83,000. But I didn't find a breakdown that shows his budget. I need that in order to know what amounts in what categories go to him.

Back in June of 2009 the interim funding came in to Heilman's \$18,330.00. Nothing else has been moved to this account since. This was done by a Award notice sent here.

I did find an award notice dated 11-17-08 where \$60,000 was put in and if



you add that to the \$163000 you get the total awarded of \$223,000 that I told you FAMIS showed.

So bottom line is, if one of you can show me a budget that is broken down between the two of you for the \$163,000 I can move the rest that goes to Heilman into his support account. I looked through the PDF you sent but I didn't see one broken down by PI Did I just miss it?

>>> "Bill Rooney" <wlr@tamu.edu> 11/11/2009 10:21 AM >>>  
Pam:

I'm attaching the proposal for the funding that should have come for the fiscal year that runs from 4/01/09 through 03/31/09. The funding should be subdivided between Heilman and me per the budgets that are provided.

Maybe you can reconcile what we have versus what we don't have in what arrived this year.

Sorry this is such a pain.

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Pam Wilhelm [<mailto:PWilhelm@ag.tamu.edu>]  
Sent: Monday, November 09, 2009 8:07 AM  
To: Bill Rooney  
Subject: RE: South Dakota State U account

According to FAMIS the total award is \$223,000.00. Short Title is Feedstock Partnership Award # 3TA153/Prine: DE-FC36-05G085041  
It only has accounts for you and Heilman  
Here's the printout of the Summary Budget Pool since the account started:

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000 Supplies Pool    ,, 27734 3392 , , 24342
000 Other Expense Pool ,, 20700 2588 , , 18112
000 Capital Outlay Pool ,, 19705 2280 , , 17425
** Total Direct Expense,, 160537 23547 , 7272 129718
600 Indirect Cost Pool ,, 62463 8837 , , 53626
*** Total Expenses    ,, 223000 32384 , 7272 183345
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This print out might be easier to see but it's by # not name on the categories

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Let me know if you need anything else or I can help.

>>> "Bill Rooney" <wlr@tamu.edu> 11/5/2009 5:52 PM >>>  
Pam:

I've been looking at the SDSU proposal we submitted; the numbers don't match with what you've got listed below. According to the attached, we were due 80K and 83K for me and Heilman respectively. The outlay below is a little over 100K, so it doesn't match.

As far as I know this is the only funds that I have coming from SDSU. Can you reconcile this or give me a title or copy of the budgeting instructions?

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Pam Wilhelm [<mailto:PWilhelm@ag.tamu.edu>]  
Sent: Thursday, September 10, 2009 9:52 AM  
To: Bill L Rooney  
Subject: South Dakota State U account

Dr. Rooney, this account has received new funding. I noticed you had set up a support account for Heilman that says Interim funding. Just wanted to check with you as to where the new funds should go.

salary \$55036  
travel \$6500  
supplies \$10159  
other \$18516  
capital outlay \$11040

**From:** [Gary C. Peterson](#)  
**To:** [Bill L. Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** Seed Request  
**Date:** Thursday, November 12, 2009 6:13:33 AM

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Bill,

I am at Free State planning future research and graduate training with Neal, John Leslie and Medson.

We would like to do more research on grain mold and start looking at different aspects. As part of the research we would like to look at a set of genotypes that represent most of the different grain traits in sorghum. Would it be possible for you to send 50g of each line in the Genetics of Pericarp nursery to Neal? We will add a tan, lemon yellow and a couple of tan, red. If you can fill the request Neal will obtain the phyto in next couple of days. Neal needs the seed at Bloem by Nov 30.

Thanks.

Gary

Gary C. Peterson  
Professor  
g-peterson1@tamu.edu  
tel: 806-746-4019  
fax: 806-746-6528

**From:** [Scott Vajdak](#)  
**To:** [Bill L Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** HP netbook  
**Date:** Thursday, November 12, 2009 10:32:45 AM

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Morning Dr. Rooney,

I was able to get your HP Mini back up and running fine this morning. I had to manually remove all traces of Symantec in order for it to successfully complete the install. Once I got it running I reloaded the driver for that internal wireless mobile broadband card. Typically you don't install a driver unless you see the item listed in device manager so that was a little confusing at first. Afterwards things are looking good; you can connect, Symantec is running and updating and all of your files are still in your My Documents folder.

It will be ready for you when you return.  
-Scott-

**From:** [Hall, Susan R](#)  
**To:** [Rooney Bill](#)  
**Subject:** sorghum thresher  
**Date:** Thursday, November 12, 2009 10:56:28 AM

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Good Morning Bill,

Any idea where we can get a small sorghum thresher --- alot of our tilling lines have 2-50 seeds on each head so we can't risk losing much if any of the seed. We are currently doing this by hand but we have so many it is taking tons of time.

Hope all is well in your world!  
Susan

**From:** [George L Hodnett](#)  
**To:** [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)  
**Subject:** trip to Bolivia  
**Date:** Thursday, November 12, 2009 11:27:33 AM

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Bill,

Do you know anything about a trip to Bolivia sponsored by Jean Carlo Landivar?

George

**From:** [McCutchen, Bill](#)  
**To:** [Turner, Nancy](#); [lrooney@tamu.edu](mailto:lrooney@tamu.edu)  
**Cc:** [Keeton, Jimmy](#); [Baltensperger, David](#); [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu); [Nessler, Craig](#); [Schuerman, Peter L.](#)  
**Subject:** CPRIT  
**Date:** Thursday, November 12, 2009 12:19:20 PM

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Nancye and Lloyd,

Any chance that we could share the sorghum CPRIT proposal (confidentially) with Robert Harris? We think he maybe coming around to IP terms.

Thanks,

Bill



**From:** [Lea Dell Morris](#)  
**To:** [Bill Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** Goddard, KS  
**Date:** Thursday, November 12, 2009 1:28:09 PM

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Dr. Rooney,

I'm trying to get lodging receipts for the trip to Goddard, KS (Sept.13 & 14) but I need to know who all went.

Thanks!

**From:** [Robert Harris](#)  
**To:** [Lloyd Rooney](#)  
**Cc:** [Peter B. Harris](#); [Bill Rooney](#)  
**Subject:** Oatmeal with enhanced veg protein and antioxidants  
**Date:** Thursday, November 12, 2009 4:48:05 PM

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I've been making an oatmeal lately at home after reading some very favorable reviews about buckwheat. I used about 70% old fashioned oats (Silver Palate makes very good thicker oat flakes) 20 to 25% buckwheat and 5 to 10% sorghum bran. Oats are good for taste.

Another very important project is using our whole grain HTS perhaps with a little extra bran with whole oats with or without buckwheat.

Using the whole grain HTS is important for us since we paid for 100% of the crop and use only 15% or so of it and hard to make any money at that rate. So, if we can get your help to develop whole grain stuff, that would be just great. What do you think?

How does the Aggie football team look this year? Maybe we can help and get to be the official breakfast of the team. Great on defense. Nothing can get thru with all that fiber.

Bob

Bob

**From:** [McCutchen, Bill](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]; [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu); [Schuerman, Peter L.](#)  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]; [REDACTED]; [lrooney@tamu.edu](mailto:lrooney@tamu.edu); [Turner, Nancy](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Black Sorghum  
**Date:** Thursday, November 12, 2009 6:40:26 PM

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Bob,

Good discussion today, and I believe we are gaining some alignment in our mutual goals.

Bill

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**From:** Robert Harris [REDACTED]  
**To:** McCutchen, Bill; Bill Rooney <[wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)>; Schuerman, Peter L.  
**Cc:** Bill Rooney <[wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)>; Peter B. Harris <[REDACTED]>; James Harris [REDACTED]; Lloyd Rooney <[lrooney@tamu.edu](mailto:lrooney@tamu.edu)>  
**Sent:** Thu Nov 12 13:19:00 2009  
**Subject:** Black Sorghum

It is our understanding that Bill Rooney and his staff developed certain varieties of black sorghum but not all black sorghum since we heard that Kansas State had been working on same. Right now, it is believed that these varieties (TAMU's) are lower in phenolics and ORAC value than the variety we are using (NK8830) for our food products but are higher in a special antioxidant, namely, 3-deoxy (short for 3-deoxyanthocyanins) which may be useful in preventing or mitigating colon cancer.

We have two basic objectives:

1. Find a better variety of sorghum to replace NK-8830 owned by Sorghum Partners to equal or beat yield (about 7500 per acre) and that offers higher levels of antioxidants as measured by ORAC testing done by Brunswick labs (patented method).
2. Evaluate current developed by TAMU in terms of nutritional and medical benefit. As stated we have ideas on how to use black sorghum in foods and supplements almost immediately and are willing to develop same with our own small test supply with your assistance. We intend to test ORAC values of the current black and yellow as soon as possible.
3. Complete a deal based on NIC/SPK becoming your corporate partner in utilizing test funding by the state within the financial limits discussed.
4. Think carefully about your limiting our rights to only current varieties based on unreasonable expectation of our best efforts (with your best efforts) and not being protected should we fail to achieve objectives with current varieties.

For your interest, I am showing attachments of our print ad and Kroger tie-in ad for 1/31 in our Cincinnati/Dayton test markets. Also, I attach our radio spots to start next week in Cincinnati and Dayton. Ohio.

Bob

**From:** [Ken Davenport](#)  
**To:** [wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)  
**Subject:** Re: tomorrow  
**Date:** Thursday, November 12, 2009 10:05:12 PM

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Bill, we will meet you at your hotel at 7:30 a.m. I believe we can have breakfast at the hotel. Larry and Steve Rounsley will join us. We will then head for the Chromatin office for a 9:00 a.m. start. My cell is 214.215.2984. Best regards, Ken

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**From:** Bill Rooney <[wlr@tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@tamu.edu)>  
**To:** Ken Davenport  
**Sent:** Thu Nov 12 21:36:12 2009  
**Subject:** tomorrow

Ken:

I assume we are still on for tomorrow. I'm at the Hilton Garden Inn. You can call me tomorrow morning. I don't remember when we were scheduled to start, but I'll be ready anytime after 7 am. Cell 979 220 1951

Regards,

Bill

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**From:** [Computing & Information Services](#)  
**To:** [wlr@neo.tamu.edu](mailto:wlr@neo.tamu.edu)  
**Subject:** Confirmation of Changes to your NetID Account  
**Date:** Thursday, November 12, 2009 7:15:19 PM

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Dear William Rooney (UIN ending in 1354):

Our records indicate a change has been made to your account:

Account affected:

wlr

Modification made:

Reset forgotten password

Change initiated by:

Rooney, William L

IP address where change was made:

98.228.58.172

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Computing & Information Services

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**From:** [Abernathy, Chris](#)  
**To:** [Clarence Watson \(c.watson@okstate.edu\)](#); [Doug Karlen \(Doug.Karlen@ars.usda.gov\)](#); [Gary Varvel \(gvarvel1@unl.edu\)](#); [Gregory Roth \(gwr@psu.edu\)](#); [Jane Johnson \(Jane.johnson@ars.usda.gov\)](#); [Jeff Novak \(jeff.novak@ars.usda.gov\)](#); [Jim Frederick \(jfrdrck@clemsun.edu\)](#); [John Baker \(John.Baker@ars.usda.gov\)](#); [John Lamb \(johnlamb@umn.edu\)](#); [Lowell Rasmussen \(rasmuslc@morris.umn.edu\)](#); [Paul Adler \(Paul.Adler@ars.usda.gov\)](#); [Richard Ferguson \(rferguson1@unl.edu\)](#); [Shannon Osborne \(shannon.osborne@ars.usda.gov\)](#); [Stuart Birrell \(sbirrell@iastate.edu\)](#); [Tom Schumacher \(Thomas\\_Schumacher@sdstate.edu\)](#); [Bill Anderson \(bill.anderson@ars.usda.gov\)](#); [Brett Rushing \(jbr93@pss.msstate.edu\)](#); [Brian Baldwin \(bbaldwin@pss.msstate.edu\)](#); [Charles Brummer \(brummer@uga.edu\)](#); [Ed Richard \(edward.richard@ars.usda.gov\)](#); [Goro Uehara \(goro@hawaii.edu\)](#); [Jimmy Ray Parish \(jrparish@pss.msstate.edu\)](#); [Juerg Blumenthal \(jblumenthal@ag.tamu.edu\)](#); [Kenneth Gravois \(kgravois@agcenter.lsu.edu\)](#); [Lloyd Wilson \(Ted\) \(lt-wilson@aesrg.tamu.edu\)](#); [Brad Venuto \(brad.venuto@ars.usda.gov\)](#); [Carl Jordan \(cfjordan@uga.edu\)](#); [Chengci Chen \(cchen@montana.edu\)](#); [DK Lee \(leedk@illinois.edu\)](#); [Ezra Aberle \(ezra.aberle@ndsu.edu\)](#); [John Williams \(john.williams@ars.usda.gov\)](#); [Josh Egenolf](#); [Keith Harmony \(kharmony@ksu.edu\)](#); [Robert Kallenbach \(KallenbachR@missouri.edu\)](#); [Vijaya Gopal Kakani \(v.g.kakani@okstate.edu\)](#); [Adam Davis \(adam.davis@ars.usda.gov\)](#); [David Williams \(dwilliam@email.uky.edu\)](#); [Roch Gaussoin \(rgaussoin1@unl.edu\)](#); [Stacy Bonos \(bonos@aesop.rutgers.edu\)](#); [Thomas Voigt \(tvoigt@uiuc.edu\)](#); [Zac Reicher \(zreicher@purdue.edu\)](#); [Bisoondat Macoon \(bmacoon@ra.msstate.edu\)](#); [Jeff Pedersen \(jeff.pedersen@ars.usda.gov\)](#); [Ken Moore \(kimoore@iastate.edu\)](#); [Ronnie Heiniger \(Ron\\_Heiniger@ncsu.edu\)](#); [Scott Staggenborg \(sstaggen@ksu.edu\)](#); [Todd Pfeiffer \(tpfeiffe@uky.edu\)](#); [William Rooney \(wlr@tamu.edu\)](#); [David Bransby \(bransdi@auburn.edu\)](#); [Don Viands \(drv3@cornell.edu\)](#); [John Fike \(jlike@vt.edu\)](#); [Owens, Vance](#); [Rob Mitchell \(rob.mitchell@ars.usda.gov\)](#); [Rodney Farris \(rodney.farris@okstate.edu\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Doolittle, James](#); [Chintala, Rajesh](#); [McCann, Laura](#)  
**Subject:** Data Status  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 04, 2009 10:56:44 AM

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Hello All,

It has been a while since my last email. Now that the 2009 growing season is over and harvest is either in process or complete, I felt it was a good time to send out a reminder about submitting data to the Share Point site.

The data templates for each team/species have been finalized and each of you should have it. However, I will send those out again in a separate email to follow shortly.

It is important that you use the data templates and fill them in as completely as possible. Since the data is going into a common database (KDF), it is necessary that it be uniform and collected in the same units.

Please feel free to call me if you have trouble accessing the Share Point.

-Chris

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