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Subject: Fwd: IBERS visit
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The group from IBERS that works on Miscanthus (in collaboration with Ceres) would like to meet with us on Friday, Nov. 13th in the morning. Bill Rooney will be out of town, but he asked that David Stelly take the lead on wide hybrid discussions if Dave is in town.

Bill and Bob, do we to develop an NDA? If so, can this be done before Nov. 13th? They will be in CS on Nov 10-12 for discussions with Ceres.

This visit we might work towards a joint project if everyone agrees this is useful. Not sure where funding would come from, but there might be a European angle on this one.

Bob, does you want to take the lead on further contacts at this point?

Thanks,

John

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Iain Donnison [isd]" <isd@aber.ac.uk>
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Dear John

To follow up on our conversation last week, the IBERS group (and their expertise) that will be in College Station next week will be:

Iain Donnison

John Valentine (energy crop breeder)

Kerrie Farrar (Miscanthus morphology)

Paul Robson (Miscanthus plant architecture and resource use)

Elaine Jensen (Miscanthus flowering time)

Gordon Allison (lignocellulose composition in energy grasses)

We will if is OK arrive on the Friday (13th) morning - when would be a convenient time.

From our conversation last week, topics for discussion could include:

- 1) Comparative genomics of Miscanthus and Sorghum
- 2) Miscanthus-Sorghum hybrids
- 3) Flowering time and drought - what can be learnt from Sorghum
- 4) Breeding strategies

Best regards

Iain

