

# Citrus Field Day

**April 10, 2025**      **8:00 am – 1:00 pm**



## Demonstrations and Presentations on the Following Topics:

- ✓ Citrus under Protective Screen (CUPS)
- ✓ Individual Protective Covers (ICPS)
- ✓ Citrus Rejuvenation
- ✓ Trunk Injection and SAR Inducer Spray
- ✓ Cover Crop and Compost Application
- ✓ AI-enabled Precision Ag Technologies
- ✓ Individual Protective Covers (ICPS) in Entomology
- ✓ Weed Management
- ✓ Payment for Water Services Program from Detention Areas
- ✓ Research Update on OTC Injection Costs
- ✓ Citrus Canker Greenhouse Trial

**Thursday**  
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**8:00 am – 1:00 pm**

**UF/IFAS SWFREC**  
2685 SR 29 North  
Immokalee, FL 34142

**Program is free, but pre-registration is required.**

**CEUs will be available**

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# Agenda

## Citrus Field Day

### 8:00 am - Welcome

Welcome - Dr. Mongi Zekri and Dr. Mike Burton  
 Overview of Field Trials - Dr. Fernando Alferez and Dr. Jawwad Qureshi



Dr. Mongi Zekri  
 Multi-County Citrus Agent  
 University of Florida, IFAS  
 Hendry County Extension

### 8:30 am - 11:00 am - SWFREC Grove

8:30 am - Travel to grove and 15-minute stops (2.5 hours)



Dr. Michael Burton  
 Center Director  
 UF/IFAS SWFREC

1. Citrus under Protective Screen (CUPS)—Dr. Fernando Alferez
2. Individual Protective Covers (IPCS)-brassinosteroid trial—Dr. Fernando Alferez
3. Rejuvenation Study—Dr. Fernando Alferez
4. Trunk Injection Trials—Dr. Ute Albrecht
5. Trunk Injection/SAR Inducer Spray Trials—Dr. Ozgur Batuman
6. Cover Crop and Compost Application Trials—Dr. Sarah Strauss
7. AI-enabled Precision Ag Technologies Demonstration—Dr. Yiannis Ampatzidis
8. Individual Protective Covers (IPCS) Entomology Trials—Dr. Jawwad Qureshi
9. Weed Management in Citrus Production—Dr. Ramdas Kanissery



Dr. Ute Albrecht  
 Associate Professor  
 Plant Physiologist



Dr. Fernando Alferez  
 Associate Professor  
 Citrus Horticulturist



Dr. Yiannis Ampatzidis  
 Associate Professor  
 Precision Agricultural  
 Engineering

11:00 am - Travel back to auditorium and break

### 11:20 am - 1:00 pm - SWFREC Auditorium

11:20 am - Auditorium 20 minutes each (1 hour 40 minutes)

1. Payment for Water Services Program from Detention Areas—Dr. Sanjay Shukla
2. Research Update on OTC Injection Costs and Survey Results—Dr. Tara Wade
3. AI-enabled Precision Ag Technologies—Dr. Yiannis Ampatzidis
4. Sponsor Presentations
5. Citrus Canker Greenhouse Trial—Dr. Ozgur Batuman
6. IPC Entomology Trials - Dr. Jawwad Qureshi



Dr. Ozgur Batuman  
 Associate Professor  
 Citrus Pathology



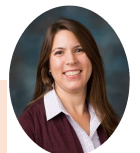
Dr. Ramdas Kanissery  
 Associate Professor  
 Weed Science



Dr. Jawwad Qureshi  
 Associate Professor  
 Entomology



Dr. Sanjay Shukla  
 Professor  
 Water Resources



Dr. Sarah Strauss  
 Associate Professor  
 Soil Microbiology



Dr. Tara Wade  
 Assistant Professor  
 Agricultural Natural  
 Resources Economics

1:00 pm - Adjourn

### 12:00 pm - Lunch Break - Thanks to our Sponsors!

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