**1. Education background:**

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| Ph.D., Plant Pathology, 2008, NC State University “Etiology, epidemiology, and management of Pythium root dysfunction of creeping bentgrass”, Major Advisors: Lane P. Tredway and H. David Shew  M.S., Soil and Crop Science, 2004, Texas A&M University. Influence of Composted Dairy Manure Applications on Leaching of Nutrients and Microbiology of St. Augustinegrass Sod Production.  B.S., Agronomy, 2002, NC State University |
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**2. Professional experience:**

Associate Professor & Extension Specialist, 2016-present, NC State University, Department of Entomology and Plant Pathology

Assistant Professor & Extension Specialist, 2012-2016, NC State University, Department of Entomology and Plant Pathology

Assistant Professor & Extension Specialist, 2008-December 2012, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Department of Plant Pathology

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**3. Scholarly and creative activities:**

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| Journal Articles | 51 |
| Book Chapter | 2 |
| PDMRs | 55 |

***Non-Refereed Activity******Number***

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| Trade Journal Articles | 67 |
| Newsletters | 19 |
| Series Publications (Disease Profiles) | 49 |
| Presentations | 422 |

***Grant and Industry Support*** $4,136,750

**4. Membership in professional organizations:**

American Phytopathological Society

American Society of Agronomy/Crop Science Society of America

Golf Course Superintendents Association of America

Carolinas Golf Course Superintendents Association

Triangle Turfgrass Association

International Turfgrass Society

Turfgrass Council of North Carolina

Society of Nematologists

European Turfgrass Society

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**5. Scholarly and professional honors and invitations:**

Invited Speaker, American Phytopathological Society Annual Meetings, Turfgrass and Ornamental Special Session, Boston, MA (2018)

Invited Speaker, American Phytopathological Society Annual Meetings, Turfgrass

Disease Diagnosis Workshop, Providence, RI (2012)

Invited Speaker, American Phytopathological Society Annual Meetings, Special Session, Honolulu, HI (2011)

Seminar Speaker, Department of Horticulture, University of Tennessee, (2011)

Seminar Speaker, Department of Plant Pathology, University of Florida, (2011)

Seminar Speaker, Department of Entomology and Plant Pathology, Stillwater, OK (2010)

Invited Speaker, Sustainable Turfgrass Management Seminar for South East Asia, Thailand, Philippines, Malaysia (2009)

**6. Professional service in department and on campus:**

Co-Director of Turfgrass Center for Environmental Research and Education, 2018 - present

Member of the Lonnie Poole Golf Course Advisory Committee, 2017 - present

Member of Departmental Advisory Committee, 2017-2020

Chair of Search and Screen Committee for Field Nematology Extension Specialist, 2017

Member of Plant Pathology Curriculum and Graduate Affairs Committee, 2017-2019

Member of Plant Pathology Seminar Committee, 2015-2019

Member of Graduate Faculty

Member of Varsity Research Building Feasibility Study Committee, 2015-2016

Member of CALS Innovation and Efficiency Committee, 2014

Member of Search and Screen Committee for Wood Destroying Insects Position, 2016

Member of Search and Screen Committee for Tobacco and Field Crops Extension Specialist, 2015

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**7. Professional service off campus:**

Chair Turfgrass Working Group for American Phytopathological Society 2009-2010

Vice-Chair Turfgrass Working Group for American Phytopathological Society 2008-2009

Associate Editor for Applied Turfgrass Science 2013-2016.

Plant Pathology Society of NC – Vice President 2013 – 2014

Plant Pathology Society of NC- President 2014-2015

*Editorial Duties*:

Plant Disease 22 manuscripts and 12 plant disease notes

Crop Science 17 manuscripts

International Turfgrass Research Journal 4 manuscripts

Crop Protection 8 manuscripts

Plant Health Progress/Applied Turfgrass Science 9 manuscripts

Hort Science 3 manuscripts

Phytopathology 3 manuscripts

*Extension Duties:*

422 presentations at various grower meetings

2 workshops at Golf Course Superintendents Association of America National Conference

18 international presentations in Mexico, Canada, Thailand, Malaysia, Philippines

241 site visits since 2008

4,059 samples submitted to Turfgrass Diagnostic Labs at UW-Madison and NCSU

9,417 followers on social media outlets (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn)

Actively post blog material on website that receives on average 26,403 impressions and 5,000 engagements

with our tweets.

*Teaching Duties: (All spring courses)*

Co-teach PP 506 – Plant Disease Epidemiology and Management

Co-teach CS 470 – Integrated Pest Management in Turfgrass Systems

***Publications:***

1. Stephens, C., Ahmed, K., Gannon, T.W., and Kerns, J.P. 202x. Influence of post-application irrigation and mowing timing on fungicide fate on a USGA golf course putting green. Journal of Environmental Quality. *Accepted with minor revision.*
2. Hutchens, W.J., Henderson, C.A., Bush, E.A., Kerns, J.P., and McCall, D.S. 202x. Geographic distribution of *Ophiosphaerella* species in the Mid-Atlantic United States. Plant Health Progress. *Submitted.*
3. Reeves, E.R., Kerns, J.P., and Shew, B.B. 202x. *Pythium* spp. associated with root rot and stunting of winter crops in North Carolina. Plant Disease. *Accepted.*
4. Galle, G.H., Shew, H.D., Opperman, C., and J.P. Kerns, 202x. Population dynamics of *Belonolaimus longicaudatus* and *Meloidogyne* spp. in North Carolina. Journal of Nematology. *Accepted.*
5. Reeves. E.R., Kerns, J.P., Cowger, C., and Shew, B.B. 202x. *Pythium* spp. associated with stunting and root rot of winter wheat in North Carolina. Plant Disease. *Accepted.*
6. Dant, L., Martin, S.B., Kerns, J.P., and L. McCarty. 2021. Nitrogen Source Impacts *Rhizoctonia* Leaf and Sheath Spot Severity in Ultradwarf Bermudagrass. International Turfgrass Research Journal. *In Press.*
7. Carroll, D.E., J.T. Brosnan, E.H. Reasor, J.P. Kerns, C. Stephens, B.J. Horvath, and K.H. Dickson. 202x. Effects of Growing Degree Day Based Trinexapac-Ethyl Applications on Ultradwarf Hybrid Bermudagrass Putting Green Quality and Ball Roll. Crop Science. *In Press*
8. Rioux, R., C. Stephens, P.L. Koch, and J.P. Kerns. 202x. Symptom development, histological examination, and whole plant oxalate quantification identify model plants with potential for studying *Clarireedia jacksonii*- host interactions. Plant Pathol J. *In Press.*
9. Hampy, H., VanRyzin, B., E.L. Butler, and J.P. Kerns. 2021. Etiology and Management of Pythium Root Rot. International Turfgrass Research Journal. *In Press.*
10. D’Arcangelo, K.N., Adams, M.L., Kerns, J.P., and Quesada-Ocampo, L.M., 2020. Assessment of fungicide product applications and program approaches for control of downy mildew on pickling cucumber in North Carolina. Crop Protection. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cropro.2020.105412.
11. Tredway, L.P., Soika, M.D., Butler, E.L., and Kerns, J.P. 2021. Impact of Nitrogen Source, Fall Fertilizers, Preventative Fungicides on Spring Dead Spot Caused by *Ophiosphaerella korrae* and *O. herpotricha*. Crop Science. *In Press.*
12. Crouch, J., Beirn, L.A., Boehm, M.J., Carbone, I., Clarke, B.B., Kerns, J.P., Malapi-Wright, M., Mitchell, T.K., Venu, R.C., and Tredway, L.P. 2020. Genome resources for seven fungal isolates that cause dollar spot disease in turfgrass, including *Clarireedia jacksonii* and *C. monteithiana*. Plant Disease. <https://doi.org/10.1094/PDIS-06-20-1296-A>
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14. Rioux, R., Townsend, R., J.P. Kerns, C. Stephens, and P.L. Koch. 2020. Oxalic acid production in *Clarireedia jacksonii* is dictated by pH and host specific signals. Frontiers in Microbiology. DOI=10.3389/fmicb.2020.01732*.*
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16. Stephens, C and Kerns, J.P. 2020. First report of *Gaeumannomyces graminicola* causing bermudagrass decline of ultradwarf bermudagrass putting greens in North Carolina. Plant Disease: doi:10.1094/PDIS-10-19-2147-PDN.
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3. C.M. Stephens, E.L. Butler, G.H. Galle, J.N. Ploetz, and J.P. Kerns, 2020. Evaluation of fungicides for control of fairy ring on a bermudagrass putting green, 2019. PDMR. *Accepted.*
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7. Freund, D.R., Butler, E.L., Ploetz, J.N., and Kerns, J.P. 2019. Evaluation of fungicides for control of spring dead spot on a bermudagrass putting green, 2017-2018. PDMR 13: T005.
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2019- $353,485

2018- $335,120

2017- $303,335

2016- $290,225

2015- $280,650

2014 - $249,650

2013 - $243,635

2012 - $225,300

2011 - $237,400

2010 - $179,300

2009 - $151,400

2008 - $148,700

Extension Support:

*Diagnostic Lab Revenue ($327,175)*

2019- $31,150

2018- $32,450

2017- $28,720

2016- $31,520

2015- $17,950

2014 - $24,720

2013 - $20,760

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2011 - $29,815

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2008 - $29,875

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Extension presentations at Various Grower Meetings:

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| **Year** | **No. of presentations1** | **Attendees2** | **States** |
| 2020 | 14 | 1,035 | DE, FL, NC, MI, WI, TN |
| 2019  2018  2017  2016  2015 | 44  30  52    32  28 | 3,250  2,450  4,040  3,130  4,016 | NC, FL, GA, AL, NY, KY, TX, OK, NJ, SC, VA  CT, FL, TN, KY, CA, NY, KS  NC, NY, FL, MD, CT,  GA, MI, IL  NC, PA, CA, WI, VA, GA, OH  NC, SC, MI, IL, AR |
| 2014 | 40 | 3,350 | SC, OH, KY, NY, NC, IL, MI, CT |
| 2013 | 32 | 5,314 | TN, MN, WI, NY, NC, CA, MI, IL, FL |
| 2012 | 26 | 3,062 | WI, MN, FL, ND, RI, IL, NV, MI, SC |
| 2011 | 32 | 4,026 | KS, WI, IL, OH, CA, TN |
| 2010 | 34 | 3,836 | MN, WI, OK, IL, MO |
| 2009 | 38 | 1,982 | WI, IL  MN, WI, IL, NY, WA, ID |
| 2008 | 5 | 495 | WI, MI, SC |
| **Totals** | **402** | **39,066** |  |

1. Includes presentations that ranged from 30 min to 2 hour in length and made at annual grower meetings, regional conferences, national conferences, webinars, and chemical and distributor meetings.

2. Attendees numbers were collected from registration data when available or from estimates while giving the presentations.

National Workshops: (Did not renew these for 2019 or 2020)

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| **Year** | **Meeting1** | **Attendees** | **Location** |
| 2018  2017  2016  2015 | GCSAA National Education Conference  GCSAA National Education Conference  GCSAA National Education Conference  GCSAA2 National Education Conference | 2103  3003  2403  160 | San Antonio, TX  Orlando, FL  San Diego, CA  San Antonio, TX |
| 2014 | GCSAA National Education Conference | 110 | Orlando, FL |

1 Presenting at this meeting requires a proposal and selection before inclusion at the conference

2 Golf Course Superintendents Association of America

3 Represents two 4 hr workshops: Soilborne Diseases and Turfgrass Microbiology

International Speaking Engagements:

­2019: Golf Course Superintendents Association of Mexico Annual Meeting. 1, 2 hour presentation in Mexico City.

2019: Canadian Superintendents Association Meeting, 2, 2 hour presentations in Calgary and Edmonton.

2016: Asian Turfgrass Sustainability Seminar Series, 2, 3 hour workshops in Thailand.

2016: Golf Course Superintendents Association of Mexico Annual Meeting. 2, 2 hour presentations in Puebla, Mexico.

2015: Canadian Golf Course Superintendents Association National Meeting, 2 presentations

Association of Mexican Golf Course Superintendents Education Meeting, 2 presentations

2014: Guelph Turfgrass Symposium, 2 presentations

Association of Mexican Golf Course Superintendents Education Meeting, 2 presentations

2012: Canadian Golf Course Superintendents Association National Meeting, 2 presentations

2009: Asian Turfgrass Sustainability Seminar Series, 8 total presentations in Thailand, Malaysia and Philippines.

Site Visits to address disease emergencies

2020- 4

2019- 12

2018- 15

2017- 34

2016- 22

2015- 28

2014- 23

2013- 32

2012- 12

2011- 22

2010- 15

2009- 20

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***Service:***

Department of Plant Pathology and NCSU Committees

Co-Director of Turfgrass Center for Environmental Research and Education, 2018-2021

Member of the Lonnie Poole Golf Course Advisory Committee, 2017-present

Member of Departmental Advisory Committee, 2017-2020

Chair of Search and Screen Committee for Field Nematology Extension Specialist, 2017

Member of Plant Pathology Curriculum and Graduate Affairs Committee, 2017-2019

Member of Plant Pathology Seminar Committee, 2015-2019

Member of Graduate Faculty

Member of Varsity Research Building Feasibility Study Committee, 2015-2016

Member of CALS Innovation and Efficiency Committee, 2014

Member of Search and Screen Committee for Wood Destroying Insects Position, 2016

Member of Search and Screen Committee for Tobacco and Field Crops Extension Specialist, 2015

*Department of Plant Pathology and UW-Madison Committees*

Qualifier Exam Committee- 2010 to 2012

Academic Affairs Committee- 2009 to 2012

Space Committee- 2009 to 2010

Curriculum Committee 2008 to 2009

Ad-Hoc Committee to Select New Chair- summer 2010 to spring 2011

*Professional service off campus:*

Chair Turfgrass Working Group for American Phytopathological Society 2009-2010

Vice-Chair Turfgrass Working Group for American Phytopathological Society 2008-2009

Associate Editor for Applied Turfgrass Science 2013-2016.

Plant Pathology Society of NC – Vice President 2013 – 2014

Plant Pathology Society of NC- President 2014-2015

*Editorial Duties*:

Plant Disease 22 manuscripts and 12 plant disease notes

Crop Science 17 manuscripts

International Turfgrass Research Journal 4 manuscripts

Crop Protection 8 manuscripts

Plant Health Progress/Applied Turfgrass Science 9 manuscripts

Hort Science 3 manuscripts

Phytopathology 3 manuscripts

*Grant Panels:*

2009- Southern regional USDA IPM scientific panel member (33 proposals)

2010- Southern regional USDA IPM scientific panel member (39 proposals)

Served as ad-hoc reviewer for 3 Canadian IPM Grant Proposals

Served as ad-hoc reviewer for an Ohio State Hatch Proposal

***Mentoring Activities:***

* Supervise 1 EPA Extension Coordinator, 1 SPA Research Specialist and 1 EPA Research Associate
  + Ernest Lee Butler EPA Extension Coordinator-Manager of Turfgrass Diagnostic Lab
  + Yumiko Nagaoka, EPA Research Associate- Laboratory manager and conducts research projects
  + Jill Ploetz, SPA Research Specialist- Manages fungicide efficacy program
  + Yongsan Zeng, Visiting scholar- 2014-2015- Nematode taxonomy and dynamics
* Supervised 2 academic staff members and 1 Research Intern at UW-Madison. 2008-2012
  + Paul Koch, Research Technician and Manager of Turfgrass Diagnostic Lab
  + P.J. Leisch, Research Technician, 2010-2012
  + Sam Soper, Research Intern, 2011-2012
* Supervised 19 undergraduates at NCSU and UW-Madison
  + Elizabeth Kitchin, Undergraduate Researcher, 2020
  + Peyton Ferguson, Undergraduate Researcher, 2020
  + Nicolas Slipchenko, Undergraduate Research, 2017-present
  + Halle Hampy, Undergraduate Researcher, 2016-2018
  + Kat Nunez, Kelman Research Scholar, 2017
  + Haley Bezerik, Undergraduate Researcher, 2016-2018
  + Daniel Fruend, Undergraduate Researcher, 2016
  + Wendell Hutchens, Undergraduate Researcher, 2015
  + Joseph Doherty, Undergraduate Research Scholar, 2014-2015
  + Megan Botti-Marino, Kelman Scholar, Summer 2013
  + Yan Yan, Undergraduate Research Intern, Fall 2012
  + Jeanette Shultz, Undergraduate Researcher, 2010-2012
  + Jacob Soper, Undergraduate Researcher, 2011-2012
  + Chen Zhang, Undergraduate Research Intern, Fall 2010
  + Michelle Garcia, Undergraduate Research Scholar, Summer 2009
  + Catherine Zhang, Undergraduate Research Intern, Fall 2009
  + Sam Soper, Undergraduate Research Assistant, 2008-2011
  + Ben VanRyzin, Undergraduate Research Assistant, 2009-2012
  + Tom Huncosky, Undergraduate Research Assistant, 2008-2010

D. MS and PhD Graduate Student Committees:

PhDs completed as Chair or Co-Chair (Total = 3: 2 at UW-Madison and 1 at NC State)

1. 2012, Paul Koch. Associate Professor and Extension Specialist of Turfgrass Pathology, UW-Madison Department of Plant Pathology.
2. 2014, Renee Rioux. Assistant Professor of Potato Diseases and Manager of Seed Potato Lab, UW-Madison.
3. 2019, Glenn Galle. Research Scientist. Bayer Environmental Science, Cary, NC.

PhDs in progress as Chair or Co-Chair (Total = 1)

1. Cameron Stephens

PhDs completed as Committee Member (Total = 5)

1. Alyssa Koehler, 2018. Currently an Assistant Professor and Extension Specialist at the University of Delaware.
2. Emma Lookabaugh, 2017. Currently a Technical Service Representative for BASF Turf and Ornamentals.
3. Joseph Roberts, 2014. Currently an Assistant Professor and Extension Specialist of Turfgrass Pathology, Clemson University, Florence, SC.
4. Chakaborty Mattupalli, 2013. (UW-Madison)
5. Lingyun Hao, 2013. (UW-Madison)
6. Saiore Amakie, 2011. (UW-Madison)

Masters completed as Chair or Co-Chair (Total = 5)

1. 2010, Chantel Wilson. Extension Specialist/Associate Professor Steam Educator Virginia Cooperative Extension (UW-Madison)
2. 2011, Yunlong Wang. Owns a major distribution company in China. (UW-Madison)
3. 2016, Ben VanRyzin.
4. 2016, Yan Yan.
5. 2018, Wendell Hutchens. Currently in a Ph.D. program at Virginia Tech University.

Masters in progress as Chair or Co-Chair (Total =3)

1. Daniel Freund (Co-Chair with Dr. Travis Gannon)
2. Ella Reeves (Co-Chair with Dr. Barbara Shew)
3. Halle Hampy

Committee Membership for Ph.D. and MS students

1. Luke Dant, Ph.D. Clemson University, Plant Sciences.
2. Kim D’Arcangelo, Ph.D. NC State, Plant Pathology.
3. Issack Kilway, Ph.D., NC State, Plant Pathology.
4. Sarah Cochran, MS., NC State, Plant Pathology.
5. Wendell Hutchens, Ph.D., Virginia Tech, Turfgrass Pathology.