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"Climate Change Effects on Emerging Crop Pests and Pathogens" April 18th at 3:00pm Stephens Room (Thomas Hall, Room 3503)

Refreshments at 2:30 third floor Thomas lobby

Dan Bebber is an ecologist with a special interest in the responses of plant pests and pathogens to global change. He trained in tropical forest ecology at Oxford University, studying the impacts of drought on forest regeneration in Borneo, before working on forest ecology at the University of Toronto and at Oxford University. Some of this work led to an Ig Nobel prize in 2010, on biological networks. He worked with the environmental NGO Earthwatch for five years, on a global citizen science program on carbon sequestration in forests, before returning to academia in 2013. His current focus is on the pests and diseases of crops, with a special interest in bananas, the world's favorite fruit. He maintains collaborations around the world investigating how climate change and anthropogenic activities affect crop-disease interactions in different systems.

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