



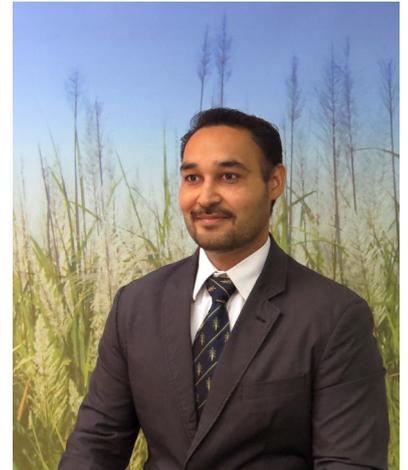
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American Society of Agronomy Announces 2017 Award Recipient

MADISON, WI, Jun 05, 2017 – The American Society of Agronomy (ASA) announces the following 2017 award recipient to be formally presented at the ASA Awards Ceremony on 2017-10-25 during the scientific society's Tampa Marriott Waterside Hotel. The annual awards are presented for outstanding contributions to agronomy through education, national and international service, and research.



Hardev Sandhu, Everglades Research & Education Center, Belle Glade, FL – ASA Early Career Award: Hardev Sandhu is an assistant professor at the University of Florida, Everglades Research and Education Center, Belle Glade, FL. Dr. Sandhu received BS and MS from Punjab Agricultural University, India and Ph.D. from the University of Florida. He is well recognized in national and international sugarcane community for his research in sugarcane cultivar development and their management. He was also invited internationally to present his research on development of sugarcane for bioenergy purposes.

Dr. Sandhu has authored and co-authored 51 refereed publications and 47 extension articles in last 7 years. He is mentoring two Ph.D. and two Master's students and serves on committees of eight other graduate students. He is a member of technical program committee of agronomy section in the International Society of Sugar Cane Technologists, regular member of American Society of Agronomy, International Society of Precision Agriculture, and American Society of Sugar Cane Technologists.

ASA Early Career Award

The ASA Early Career Award recognizes individuals who have made an outstanding contribution in agronomy within seven years of completing their final degree (B.S., M.S., Ph.D.). The award consists of a certificate, a complimentary ticket to the award ceremony, and \$2,000.

Evaluation:

- Evidence of quality teaching at the undergraduate and/or graduate levels.
- Effectiveness in extension and outreach activities.
- Significance and originality of basic and/or applied research.
- Achievements in private sector application of agronomy, crop and/or soil science.
- Contributions to the public or professional organizations and institutions.

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more information on the Societies' Annual Meetings, visit: www.acsmeetings.org.