

# NORS-DUC Field Day 2024

**Tuesday, October 1, 2024, 9:00am-2:00pm; lunch provided**  
 Dominican University of California  
 Edgehill Mansion, Garden Room (75 Magnolia Avenue; San Rafael, CA)

NORS-DUC, the National Ornamentals Research Site at Dominican University of California, studies plant diseases caused by invasive pathogens, and develops control strategies for diseases which occur in nurseries. At our annual Field Day we will present new and on-going research, discuss Best Management Practices and have field demonstrations of diagnostic and control methods.

Presenter	Topic	Location	Time
	Coffee and donuts. Welcome.	Edgehill Mansion Garden Room	9:00-9:15
Wolfgang Schweigkofler	Results from multi-seasons monitoring for Phytophthoras in nurseries.	Garden Room	9:15-9:45
Steven Swain	New pests and pathogens in Marin and Sonoma County	Garden Room	9:45-10:15
Tomas Pastalka	New hosts of <i>Phytophthora ramorum</i>	Garden Room	10:15-10:35
Wolfgang Schweigkofler	Effect of steaming on soil biodiversity and plant growth	Garden Room	10:35-10:55
Carolyn Lambert	Information on official sampling and regulations	Garden Room	10:55-11:25
Wolfgang Schweigkofler	Steaming and solarization as a tool for controlling wood boring insects?	Garden Room	11:25-11:40
All participants	General discussion of research needs for nurseries	Garden Room	11:40-12:00
<b>Lunch</b>		Garden Room	12:00-12:45
	<b>Walking from conference room to field site</b>		10-15 minutes
Vernon Huffman	Demonstration of steaming technology	NORS-DUC Research site	1:00-2:00
Haley Liu and Tomas Pastalka	Hands-on demonstration of immunological tests using AGDIA-strips*	NORS-DUC Research site	1:00-2:00
* at the nursery, participants will be divided into two groups and take turns for the two demonstrations.			

**Presenters:**

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**Parking:** free parking is available at the big parking lot in front of the DUC gym, 1475 Grand Avenue, San Rafael

<https://www.dominican.edu/directory/national-ornamentals-research-site-nors-duc>



Free parking at the DUC lot on 1475 Grand Avenue, San Rafael, CA. Please walk along Acacia and Magnolia Avenue to Edgehill Mansion (big yellow building on top of a small hill)

**Participation at the NORS-DUC Field Day is free, but registration by email is needed (maximum of 35 participants)**

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