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Latest Research

- Brand, T., Beltz, H., Adhikari, U., Daughtrey, M., Luster, D. G., Kong, P., and Hong, C. X. 2022. Evaluation of fungicides for management of boxwood blight caused by *Calonectria* spp. under field conditions in Northern Germany. *Journal of Plant Diseases and Protection* ([open access](#)).
- Omolehin, O., Keller, J., Gouker, F., Daughtrey, M., Luster, D. G., Pscheidt, J., and Hong, C. X. 2022. Combating an invasive boxwood pathogen – *Calonectria pseudonaviculata* – in the United States by shifting production to less susceptible cultivars. *Plant Disease*. Published online as First Look at <https://doi.org/10.1094/PDIS-09-22-2124-RE>.

Extension & Outreach Highlight

- [BBIG Calendar](#) updated.
- International Boxwood Seminar – Calamities of Georgia's boxwood forests, by Dr. Iryna Matsiakh of Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences on December 20, 2022, with at least 126 people and groups in attendance.

Upcoming Event

- BBIG Scientist, Dr. Fulya Baysal-Gurel, was invited to speak on Sanitation for boxwood blight management, at [the 2023 Kentucky Green Industry Winter Conference](#) on January 25, 2023.

Online Resources

- Follow us at <https://twitter.com/boxwoodhealth> for the latest news and research publications.
- [Boxwood Blight Knowledge Center](#).
- [Boxwood Blight Infection Risk Model](#) to help time fungicide treatment.

BBIG Membership

Membership is open to everyone who is interested in fighting against boxwood blight. You can join by sending an email to boxwood-advocate-g+subscribe@vt.edu or chhong2@vt.edu.

Call for Submission

If you have news items to share with the BBIG community, please send to chhong2@vt.edu.

Together we can save boxwood crops and plantings.

