



# Crop Protection Network: 2016 Impact

## Mission Statement

The Crop Protection Network (CPN) is a multi-state and international collaboration of university/provincial extension specialists and public/private professionals who provide unbiased, research-based information to farmers and agricultural personnel.

Below, we highlight our activities in 2016 and the impact of our efforts.

## Activities

In 2016, we:

- **Created two new publication series:** *Corn Disease Management* and *Crop Management*.
- **Organized printing of two books through the American Phytopathological Society:** *A Farmer's Guide to Corn Diseases* and *A Farmer's Guide to Soybean Diseases*.
- **Organized a booth** at the Commodity Classic in New Orleans, Louisiana to distribute CPN publications and promote extension activities.
- **Informed plant pathology colleagues about CPN** at the U.S. Wheat and Barley Scab Initiative meeting in Detroit, Michigan, and the Corn Disease Working Group meeting in Chicago, Illinois.
- Developed a set of **informational slides** to create stakeholder awareness of CPN.

- **Secured funding** for additional *Soybean Disease Management* series publications from the North Central Soybean Research Program, the United Soybean Board, and indirectly from the United States Department of Agriculture through the Iowa State University Integrated Pest Management program.

## By the Numbers

In 2016:

- The CPN created **7** publications for the *Soybean Disease Management* series.
- The CPN created **6** publications for the *Corn Disease Management* series.
- The CPN created **2** general pest management publications about fungicide resistance and pest management in cover crops.
- The CPN converted the annual *Corn Disease Loss Estimates* into national CPN publications.
- Website visitors downloaded approximately **19,000 PDFs** of CPN publications.
- The CPN printed and distributed **more than 96,000 copies** of its publications.
- The CPN had input from **60** specialists representing **28** different institutions in the United States and Canada. Specialists contributed as authors and reviewers.

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