



News Flash

March 2023



Dear ANBP Members and Friends:

Time for Spring and a quick ANBP update! Keep us posted with any news you would like us to post on our website or distribute!

ANBP Board of Directors to Zoom Meet in March.

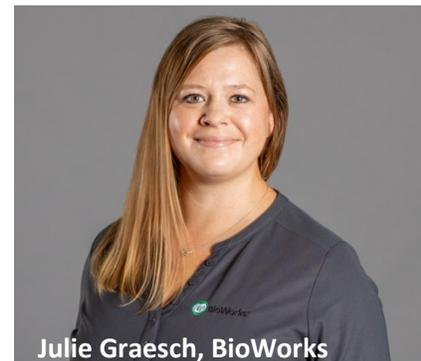
Our Spring Board of Directors meeting is usually in late February or early March and we have been meeting in-person, most frequently, at the BIOCONTROLS meeting in the west. This year we were waiting to see if we could meet with our USDA, APHIS regulatory professionals near Riverdale, and that is still our plan in 2023, but not for our Spring Board meeting. We have decided to meet virtually and will do so on **March 28, 2023**. If you would like to join us, drop us a line for more information. We'll be planning our 2023 activities and any discussing any pressing issues.

ANBP Award of Excellence

Nominations are now being accepted for our *ANBP Award of Excellence*. This award recognizes an individual who has made, or is making, extraordinary contributions to the field of augmentation biological control and its use in integrated pest management (IPM). The nominee need not be a member of ANBP. Check out the details on the [ANBP website](#).

Julie Graesch, BioWorks, Joins ANBP Board of Directors

We are pleased to welcome Julie Graesch, BioWorks, to the ANBP Board of Directors. Julie is a Biological Program Manager for insect management at BioWorks responsible for technical support to internal and external stakeholders. Julie has experience as a biological scientist and entomologist, practiced in laboratory, greenhouse, and field research as well as biological technical service support for the integrated pest management industry. She has a B.S. degree in Biology and a Master of Agriculture degree with a focus in Entomology from Iowa State University. She has previously held positions at BASF, Becker Underwood, and Iowa State University. Julie has been a valuable member of the ANBP community for quite a few years now, so we are very happy to have her formally represent BioWorks on the Board.



Julie Graesch, BioWorks

2023 Events of Interest

A number of conferences/workshops may be of interest to our members. Check them out below.

- May 31 – June 2, 2023 **Diversifying Business Models for Biocontrol Deployment.**
Paris, FRANCE. Organized by the French national program “Growing and Protecting Crops Differently”. Watch for the [website](#) for more information.
- June 4-9, 2023 **Insect Pathology Short Course.** Cornell University and International Organization for Biological Control (IOBC), Nearctic Regional Section.
Registration is on a first come, first served basis, starting immediately. Email Dr. Ann Hajek at aeh4@cornell.edu for a registration form. Registration deadline is May1, 2023. [More information here.](#)
- August 27–31, 2023 **Joint meeting of the IOBC-WPRS Working Groups, "[Integrated control in protected crops, Temperate climate](#)", "[Integrated control in protected crops, Mediterranean climate](#)".** Brest, FRANCE. <http://iobc2023.astredhor.fr/>
Registration is open now.

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