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Molecular Biology, particularly of insects and plants. This covers straight molecular biology and extends to plant and some insect transgenesis together with the expression and analysis of the expression of introduced genes. I have some experience of Biochemistry but do not consider myself an expert. I have a blind spot with Statistics and am most definitely not an expert. I have worked with insect viruses, insect symbionts and insect cell lines for baculovirus expression and other studies. Most of my work has been in the field of Plant Insect interactions looking at this from both sides and usually with a focus on crop protection.

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Stored Products Entomology (crop storage)

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Entomology, crop response, integrated pest management, cotton, rice, field crops

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Biological Control and Integrated Management of Arthropod Pests

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Weed ecology, weed control, integrated weed management, weed control in major field crops, allelopathy for weed control, invasive weeds and climate change

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Abiotic (water, heat and mechanical) and biotic (soil-borne fungi, oomycetes and bacterial pathogens) stresses affecting crop establishment; Integrated Pest Management

S. Liu, Nat.Pingtung University of Sci.& Tech., Pingtung Hsien, Taiwan

Crop eco-physiological adaptation to arid environment; field crops management; ecosystem sustainable designing and the role of human being in restoring and conserving the structure and function of integrated ecosystem especially in the arid and semiarid regions in northwest of China and other similar regions in the world.

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Pesticides and their application; entomology ; integrated pest/ crop management (IPM); crops esp Cotton; control of vectors of human diseases eg malaria but that has only to do with farmers' health and not crop protection.

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IPM of arthropod pests, Insect biological control, insect population ecology, sampling and economic thresholds, risk assessment in GM crops

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Plant hormones and crop enhancement; Weed control; Soil pest control; Behavior of agrochemicals in soil; Rhizosphere signals; Plant phenotyping and remote sensing

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P.C. Stevenson, University of Greenwich, Chatham, UK

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J.C. Streibig, University of Copenhagen, Taastrup, Denmark

Weed science and vegetation management.

M.E. Tobin, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Fort Collins, Colorado, USA
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Epidemiology of pests and diseases in relation to control
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