ESA Science Policy— Raising awareness of the importance of the entomological sciences



Sharing Insect Science Globally

Support

Supporting an engaged community of more than 6,000 members, the Entomological Society of America's public and science policy initiatives focus on raising awareness of the importance of the entomological sciences in policy decisions, educating policymakers, and providing members with a collective voice in important science policy discussions.

ESA provides a broad range of services and support for its science policy program. It helps its members develop their skills as science communicators and effective advocates for the discipline, keeps members abreast of important updates through its monthly publication *Science Policy News*, and develops position statements on important entomological topics. And because entomological issues cross borders, ESA is leading a global initiative to engage and empower stakeholders worldwide to take on grand challenges in which insect science plays an important role.

Outreach

ESA keeps an eye on all opportunities to build its science policy program to increase awareness of the importance of the entomological sciences. To further its initiatives and mission, ESA joins coalitions of other scientific societies; employs policy specialists to assist in decision-making; and provides accurate and current scientific input to lawmakers, agency leaders, and other community stakeholders. The Society also holds policy training workshops throughout the year.

Priorities

As a non-partisan scientific organization, ESA represents a broad spectrum of opinions united under one principle: the promotion and advancement of scientific inquiry, discovery, and communication. ESA solicits input from its members on where to focus its science policy priorities to best serve the broad interests of its community. ESA's Science Policy Committee then leads the implementation of this science policy agenda. For a current listing of ESA science policy priorities, visit www.entsoc.org/policy-priorities.

To learn more about ESA science policy initiatives, news, documents, and reports, visit www.entsoc.org/esa-science-policy.

We welcome your comments on our advocacy efforts here: www.entsoc.org/science-policy-comments.

(Please see reverse side for detail on key ESA Science Policy programs and initiatives)

Science Policy Newsletter

ESA distributes a monthly newsletter, *Science Policy News*, which focuses on science issues being discussed on Capitol Hill, as well as regulatory policies and decisions made by government agencies such as the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Forest Service, and others. ESA members have exclusive access to newsletter archives online.

Science Policy Fellows Program

Now in its fourth year, ESA's Science Policy Fellows program supports and develops scientists as visible and effective advocates for entomology and entomological research through education and visits to Washington, DC, to meet with legislative staff, partnering organizations, and agency leaders. This program has become one of the most prestigious ways to serve the Society and profession. Learn more at www.entsoc.org/science-policy-fellows.

ESA Position Statements

ESA has worked with its membership to author and establish positions on a wide range of subjects, based on sound science, expert consensus, and the highest ethical standards. A Science Policy Subcommittee facilitates the development of these position statements on topics of important entomological interest. View current position statements at www.entsoc.org/resources/position_papers.

ESA Liaison to the EPA Office of Pesticide Programs

ESA supports a Subject Matter Expert (SME) and Liaison to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Office of Pesticide Programs. This SME provides critical input on topics such as the clarity of labels, guidelines for efficacy testing of pesticides on various arthropods, spray drift, invasive arthropod species, insecticide resistance, and the role of insecticides in integrated pest management. The SME also maintains a network of entomological peers to consult to ensure breadth of experience. View current SME reports at www.entsoc.org/epa-reports.

A Grand Challenge Agenda for Entomology — Improving the human condition with insect science

As the largest insect-science society in the world, ESA is leading a global initiative to engage and empower stakeholders worldwide to take on grand challenges in which insect science plays a key role. The effort is bringing together top scientists, policymakers, industry groups, NGOs, funders, and other organizations to create alliance-based coalitions to implement sustainable solutions to some of the world's insect-based problems. View details of these efforts at www.entomologychallenges.org.

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