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Mark your calendars! The 4th Annual Southern Plant Diagnostic Network Meeting

will be held **October 27-28,
2005 in Atlanta, GA.** More
information will follow in the
coming months.

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Online Offerings

New More updates at the [Asian soybean rust page](#). This site is updated almost daily with news and information.

Soybean Rust Fungicide Manual available for download or purchase at <http://www.oardc.ohio-state.edu/SoyRust/index.htm>. The SPDN will make one of these (printed version) available for each diagnostic lab in the region at no charge. Manuals were mailed out to each lab 5-12-05.

Soybean Rust Identification Short Course

New This half-day hands-on workshop will focus on identification of the disease on the plant and scouting techniques for agricultural professionals across the country. June 1, 2005 [Click here for more information](#)

Pink Hibiscus Mealybug Workshop

New [Pink Hibiscus Mealybug Workshop](#) June 23-24, 2005 in Gainesville, FL. As this workshop is grant-funded, there is no registration fee. Furthermore, a limited number of travel funds for selected participants (\$400/participant) are available.

New **Annual American Phytopathological Society** meeting July 30 - August 3, 2005 Hot issues update - The Annual Update of Priority National Regulatory Issues symposium will offer the latest information on plant diseases that have had a significant public and environmental impact, including [citrus canker](#), [bacterial wilt](#), [plum pox](#), [soybean rust](#), and [sudden oak death](#). A news conference based on this information will be held Monday, August 1. More information can be found at <http://meeting.apsnet.org/default.cfm>.

New **APS Soybean Rust Symposium** November 15-16, 2005 in Nashville, TN For more information, [click here](#). This will be a national forum of leaders in state and federal government, grower organizations, researchers, educators, crop consultants, agribusiness, food industry and others to review the U.S. [soybean rust strategic plan](#) and [coordinated framework](#) in light of knowledge acquired during the first crop season with Asian soybean rust in North America.

USDA Soybean Rust Website: One-stop shopping for tracking, forecasting, and more at <http://www.usda.gov/soybeanrust/>