

International Society for Plant Pathology

(Dr Greg Johnson, President 2013-2018)



Report to ISPP from the Israeli Phytopathological Society 2013-2018.

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Name of Society: (English and National/regional language)

Israeli Phytopathological Society (IPS)

Year Established: 1968

Web address for Society:

http://phytopathology.org.il/%D7%90%D7%95%D7%93%D7%95%D7%AA-%D7%94%D7%A2%D7%9E%D7%95%D7%AA%D7%94/

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Nominated Officers. Is the list for your society on the ISPP website correct? (http://www.isppweb.org/societies.asp) Yes

(If Yes, there is no need to list them here. If listing is not correct, please list here President, Secretary, Treasurer, Business Manager/Office and ISPP councillors (address, telephone and email contacts).

Will a Society member be making corrections to the ISPP entry for your society on-line?

Society Contact: Dr. Omer Frenkel, Secretary Email omerf@volcani.agri.gov.il

Society membership: ~400 members in 2015; ~400 members in 2016; ~400 members in 2017

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• Society Activities and publications. A brief background, and information about the aims and achievements of the Society or indicate that the information is on the society website.

Each year the IPS organises a two day annual meeting. This conference is held in February during the university winter break in order to facilitate M.Sc and Ph.D students to attend the meeting and present their work. In addition the IPS organises field trips aimed at showing various pathological topics. The IPS members are researchers, students, extension service personal, commercial companies and growers. This mix allows undisturbed flow of knowledge from the field to the lab and vice versa.

The Society publishes the abstracts of the annual conference in the journal *Phytoparasitica*. The Hebrew abstracts are published in a booklet. Both English and Hebrew publications are published in the website.

• Society Conferences and Workshops. 2013-2018

Every year, a 2-day conference is held in the Volcani Center, Rishon LeZion, Israel, where talks are presented in Hebrew by students, researchers, extension specialists as well as company representatives. In addition, a field trip is organized every year by the IPS, open to members, where visits are conducted to experimental sites and disease outbreaks.

• Funding opportunities
Fellowships are available to MSc and PhD students in the area of plant pathology. Sponsors of the grants are awarded by chemical companies, seed companies and other commercial entities, dealing mainly in the area of plant protection.