

# Call for Abstracts!



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## **“Advances in Hermetic Storage for Smallholder Farms”**

**Submission Deadline: October 9, 2015**

**Successful Applicant Notification: October 15, 2015**

You are invited to submit an abstract for a poster session as part of the symposium, “Advances in Hermetic Storage for Smallholder Farms”, to be held at the 2016 ICE meeting in Orlando, Florida! The symposium will highlight research that deals with postharvest issues in the developing countries with a focus on smallholder farms. Storage losses to insect pests is a major challenge among smallholder farmers. Hermetic storage technologies including the Purdue Improved Crop Storage (PICS) bag have shown to be effective in protecting dry cereal and legume grains against insect pests. Studies have revealed that farmers’ adoption of hermetic technologies can increase income, improve food security and reduce health risks associated with the misuse of insecticides.

This symposium will consist of two sessions: 1) a series of oral presentations and 2) a poster session. Both sessions will highlight results on efforts to reduce or mitigate postharvest losses on smallholder farms. Submitted abstracts can include, but are not limited to, hermetic storage (all disciplines including entomology, mycology, economics, nutrition, etc.), grain drying and moisture measurement, and other topics. Successful applicants will have space reserved for display of their research during the poster session. Online submission instructions will be provided with abstract feedback.

***Please submit all abstracts and questions to [PICInfo@purdue.edu](mailto:PICInfo@purdue.edu)***