

## **Farmer-Researcher Connect**

Grain Farmers of Ontario Farmer-Researcher Connect is a database that collects and stores information from grain farmers who are interested in working with researchers.

When Grain Farmers of Ontario receives a request from a researcher looking for farmer participants, the request will be reviewed to determine if the project aligns with research priorities.

If a project aligns with Grain Farmers of Ontario's research priorities, the researcher's request will be sent (via email) to the farmers in the database who best meet their research requirements.

Farmers will be invited to review this information and, if interested, to contact the researcher directly to discuss their potential involvement.

**Farmer participation in Farmer-Researcher Connect and with any potential research project is entirely voluntary.**

### **How do farmers join Farmer-Researcher Connect?**

Farmers who wish to register can visit [gfo.ca/Research](http://gfo.ca/Research) and click the farmer registration form button in the Farmer-Researcher Connect space.

Details are used by Grain Farmers of Ontario to identify and match farmers to the requirements of the researchers.

### **How do researchers submit a request to find farmer participants?**

- Researchers go to [www.gfo.ca/research](http://www.gfo.ca/research) and complete a short questionnaire outlining key information about their research project.
- Grain Farmers of Ontario uses this information to determine if the project addresses the research priorities of Grain Farmers of Ontario.
- This information will be emailed to Farmer-Researcher Connect farmers, who will contact the researcher directly if interested.

Grain Farmers of Ontario will not provide researchers with the contact information of the farmers registered with Farmer-Researcher Connect.

**Grain Farmers of Ontario will not provide any compensation to farmers who decide to partner with a researcher; however, researchers may have the capacity to provide some compensation to participating farmers, depending on the project.**

**Farmer-Researcher Connect is maintained by Grain Farmers of Ontario and will only be used to assist researchers looking for potential farmer participants.**

Farmers may have their name removed from the database at any time by contacting Paul Barnard, Research Coordinator ([research@gfo.ca](mailto:research@gfo.ca)).

*At no point will Grain Farmers of Ontario provide researchers with the names and/or contact details of those farmers who have joined.*

**If you have any questions about the project, please email [research@gfo.ca](mailto:research@gfo.ca).**



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