

Resources for Organic Farming Research

Reports on Funded Research

- **Integrated Organic Program (IOP)**—where the majority of federal organic research dollars have been invested since 2001. Go to <http://www.csrees.usda.gov/fo/integratedorganicprogramicgp.cfm> and click on “abstracts of funded projects” to pull up list of projects with links to project reports.
- **Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE)**—Federally funded program that has been making grants in “sustainable agriculture” since 1988. Searchable database of project reports is online at <http://www.sare.org/projects/index.htm>
- **Organic Farming Research Foundation (OFRF)**—non-profit foundation that has funded organic research and education since 1990. Project reports may be found at <http://ofrf.org/funded/funded.html>
- **Current Research Information System (CRIS)**—database of all federally funded research. Can customize searches to find specific topics in organic research. <http://cris.csrees.usda.gov/>

Websites Compiling Links to Research

- **OrganicAgInfo.org**—links to hundreds of research reports on organic-related topics. Can be searched by region, commodity, and other parameters. <http://www.organicaginfo.org/>
- **Organic Eprints**—international open access archive for papers related to research in organic agriculture. <http://www.orgprints.org/>
- **Upper Midwest Organic Tree Fruit Growers Network**. Features organic fruit tree research links, including links to proceedings from the 3rd and 4th Organic Tree Fruit Research Symposia (2005 and 2007, respectively). <http://www.mosesorganic.org/treefruit/research.htm>
- **Organic-research.com**—commercial organic research abstracting and indexing database. International in scope. Very up-to-date yet expensive (starts at \$755/year). <http://www.organic-research.com/>
- **New Agriculture Network**-- Offers seasonal advice to field crop and vegetable growers interested in organic agriculture from farmer contributors and researchers at three universities: Michigan State University, Purdue University, and the University of Illinois. <http://www.new-ag.msu.edu/>
- **University of Minnesota's Organic Ecology website** has page with links to research reports: <http://organicecology.umn.edu/research/>
- **National Agricultural Library's Alternative Farming Systems Information Center (AFSIC)**. Has list of organic resources. http://afsic.nal.usda.gov/nal_display/index.php?info_center=2&num_to_skip=0&tax_level=1&tax_subject=296&want_id=0&target=0&topic_id=0&level3_id=0&level4_id=0&level5_id=0

Other Research-Related Resources

- **Organic Farming Research Foundation's 2007 National Organic Research Agenda** —a compendium of organic research priorities with scientific and farm-level context. <http://ofrf.org/publications/publications.html>
- **New Farm**—Rodale's online farm magazine. Regularly covers organic production research and education. <http://www.newfarm.org/>
- **Organic Center**—primarily focuses on organic food quality and safety research. <http://www.organic-center.org/>
- **ATTRA**—provides information and other technical assistance to those involved in sustainable agriculture in the United States. <http://www.attra.org/organic.html>
- **USDA Economic Research Service (ERS)**—conducts economic and market analyses of the organic industry. <http://www.ers.usda.gov/Briefing/Organic/>
- **Organic Trade Association website** on how to go organic. An online collection of existing resources for anyone exploring how to transition to organic. <http://www.howtogoorganic.com/>
- **International Society of Organic Agricultural Research (ISO FAR)**—recently formed international organic research scientific society. <http://www.isofar.org/adelaide2005/index.html>

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