Special Seminar: 

Engineering Nanomaterials for Sustainable Agriculture

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Seminar Summary:

Incomplete understanding of how a nanomaterial’s properties control its activity, fate, and bioavailability in agricultural systems hinders development of novel applications, e.g. agrochemical delivery. My current research aims to develop a more fundamental understanding of how the properties of nanomaterials can be engineered to promote phloem loading in foliar applications, and how nanomaterial and soil properties together affect nanomaterial transformations.