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### experience

	2016–Present	University of Southern Queensland	Associate Professor
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	2012–2015	International Rice Research Institute	Scientist I
		Los Baños, Laguna, PHL	
	2011–2012	International Rice Research Institute	Post-Doctoral Fellow
		Los Baños, Laguna, PHL	
	2009–2010	Kansas State University	Post-Doctoral Research Associate
		Manhattan, Kansas, USA	
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@adamhsparks 🏏	1999–2000	Purdue University	Assistant Director
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#### education

1997-1999

skills

modelling

agricultural statistics

2009	<b>Ph.D.</b> Plant Pathology Epidemiology and Ecology of Plan	<b>Ph.D.</b> Plant Pathology Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, U Epidemiology and Ecology of Plant Pathogens		
	<b>Dissertation:</b> Disease risk mapping with metamodels for coarse resolution predictors: global potato late blight risk now and under future climate corditions			
2007	<b>Post Graduate Certificate</b> Geography Geographic Information Science	Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, USA		
2000	<b>B.Sc.</b> Agronomy Soil and Crop Management	Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana, USA		

### selected publications

#### previous five years

Spatial modelling of rice yield losses in Tanzania due to bacterial leaf blight and leaf blast in a changing climate

Confidence Duku, Adam H. Sparks, Sander J. Zwart

Climatic Change 135.3 (2016) pp. 569-583. DOI: 10.1007/s10584-015-1580-2

Decision tools for bacterial blight resistance gene deployment in rice-based agricultural ecosystems

S G Dossa, A H Sparks, C M Vera Cruz, R Oliva

Frontiers in Plant Science 6.305 (2015). DOI: 10.3389/fpls.2015.00305

Farmers' preference for rice traits: Insights from farm surveys in Central Luzon, Philippines,

A G Laborte, N C Paguirigan, P F Moya, A Nelson, A H Sparks, G B Gregorio PLOS ONE e0136562 (Aug. 2015). DOI: DOI: 10.1371/journal.pone.0136562

#### Climate change may have limited effect on global risk of potato late blight

A H Sparks, G A Forbes, R J Hijmans, K A Garrett

Global Change Biology 20 (2014) pp. 3621-3631. DOI: 10.1094/PDIS-04-11-031

## A review on crop losses, epidemiology and disease management of rice brown spot to identify research priorities and knowledge gaps

M K Barnwal, A Kotasthane, N Magculia, P K Mukherjee, S Savary, A K Sharma, H B Singh, U S Singh, A H Sparks, M Variar, N Zaidi

European Journal of Plant Pathology 136.3 (2013) pp. 443-457. DOI: 10.1007/s10658-013-0195-6

### Complexity in climate-change impacts: an analytical framework for effects mediated by plant disease

K A Garrett, G A Forbes, S Savary, P Skelsey, A H Sparks, C Valdivia, A H C van Bruggen, L Willocquet, A Djurle, E Duveiller, H Eckersten, S Pande, C Vera Cruz, J Yuen Plant Pathology 60.1 (2011) pp. 15–30. DOI: 10.1111/j.1365-3059.2010.02409.x

## International agricultural research tackling the effects of global and climate changes on plant diseases in the developing world

Serge Savary, Andrew Nelson, Adam H. Sparks, Laetitia Willocquet, Etienne Duveiller, George Mahuku, Greg Forbes, Karen A. Garrett, David Hodson, Jon Padgham, Suresh Pande, Mamta Sharma, Jonathan Yuen, Annika Djurle

Plant Disease 95.10 (2011) pp. 1204-1216. Scientific Societies. DOI: 10.1094/PDIS-04-11-0316

### A metamodeling framework for extending the application domain of process-based ecological models

A H Sparks, G A Forbes, R J Hijmans, K A Garrett Ecosphere 2.8 (2011) art90. DOI: 10.1890/ES11-00128.1

#### service to profession

currently reviewing for Global Change Biology European Journal of Plant Pathology Annals of Applied Biology

### organizational service

2014–2015 Crop and Environmental Sciences Division Seminar Committee Chair

2015 IRRI OCS Advisory Group Member

### professional certifications

PRINCE2 Foundation (2014) candidate number: P2R/009385 – HiLogic Pty Ltd.

### professional affiliations

Australasian Plant Pathology Society (APPS) American Phytopathological Society (APS) International Society for Plant Pathology (ISPP)