

Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers – Melissa Cregger and Daniel Amador-Noguez

Melissa Cregger (Oak Ridge National Laboratory) and Daniel Amador-Noguez (University of Wisconsin-Madison), of The Center for Bioenergy Innovation, have received the Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers, or PECASE, the highest honor bestowed by the U.S. government on outstanding early-career scientists and engineers.

The award acknowledges innovative and far-reaching developments in science and technology, expands awareness of science and engineering careers, recognizes the scientific missions of participating agencies, enhances connections between research and impacts on society, and highlights the importance of science and technology for the nation's future.

Melissa is a senior staff scientist at ORNL who studies plant-microbe-soil interactions to improve plant growth and ecosystem resilience. Daniel is a Professor at UW-Madison who studies metabolic regulation in biofuel producers, metabolic remodeling during biofilm development, and biochemical activity of the gut microbiome.



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