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Frank Zalom is Professor of Entomology and Extension Entomologist at the University of California-Davis, where he earned his Ph.D. and now teaches and conducts integrated pest management (IPM) research. After serving as Assistant Professor at the University of Minnesota, he began his career at the University of California as Extension IPM Coordinator in 1980, at the inception of the University of California Statewide IPM Program (UCIPM). He served as UCIPM's director for 16 years before returning to the Entomology Department in 2002, and served as the Department's Vice Chair from 2005-2008. He received BS and MS degrees in zoology and ecology from Arizona State University.

A national leader in IPM, Dr. Zalom has served as Co-Chair of the Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities (APLU) National IPM Committee since 1999. He has authored almost 300 peer-reviewed journal articles, book chapters, and books, and served on the USAID Board of Directors for the IPM Collaborative Research Support Program from 2001-2005. He is Past President of the Entomological Society of America (ESA).

Dr. Zalom has received a wealth of awards for his contributions to entomology. He is a Fellow of the California Academy of Sciences (1990), ESA (2008), and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences (2010), and received a Fulbright Senior Research Scholarship (1992-1993). He has been awarded the ESA Achievement Award in Extension (1992), the ESA Recognition Award (2002), the James H. Meyer Award for teaching, research, and service (2004), and the Entomological Foundation's IPM Team Award (2008) and Excellence in IPM Award (2010).

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