

University of California, Berkeley Urban Pest Management Center

http://nature.berkeley.edu/upmc/

Our Mission:

To develop and transfer knowledge that will lead to an improved understanding of pest organisms in the urban environment and facilitate solutions to the problems they cause by providing strong and innovative leadership by coordinating basic and applied research on urban pest management.

Researching pest control techniques





Left: UCB Richmond Field Station, Villa Termiti field testing facility Right: Lynette Yang and Sara Moore working in the Villa

Providing resources for homeowners





Left: Identifying insects for homeowners at UCB's Cal Day, April 2008 Right: Dr. Vernard Lewis helps a homeowner take care of an unwanted guest

Partnering with the industry

Dean Keith Gilless and Dr. Vernard Lewis at the Pest Control Operators of CA (PCOC) fundraiser golf tournament, December 2008



Educating the next generation



Dr. Vernard Lewis, K-12 Outreach Bug Racing, Summer 2006

Our Purpose:



Research

- Biology & ecology of pests
- Detection technology
- Product testing

Education

- Quarterly newsletter
- Website
- K-12 outreach & scholarship
- Professional workshops
- Identification of pests & pest Damage Media
- Resource to TV, radio, newspaper

Consultants

Consultant referrals available to the industry & legal community





Working with Mike Red, Clark Pest Control, on a State funded research project, May 2008



