

Special Issue

New Insight into Crops Defense Responses

Message from the Guest Editors

As sessile organisms, plants are always prone to potential attacks by pathogens. Every year, 20–40% of crop losses occur in global crop production due to pathogen damage. Over time, plants have developed intriguing and intricate defense mechanisms to cope with these pathogen attacks. In addition to their basal defenses, plants have acquired the ability to identify pathogens and produce explicit and dynamic molecular defense responses. There has been tremendous progress in the scientific community in identifying critical components and signaling pathways in such plant defense mechanisms. However, many elements of plant defense remain undiscovered due to complex crosstalk among signaling pathways. With the advent of new technologies, we now have improved tools that can analyze genomics, molecular genetics, metabolomics, and proteomics data to unravel crop defense mechanisms against multiple pathogens. For this Special Issue of *Crops*, we are inviting articles (original research, review, methods, short communication, short reports) to expand our current understanding of the crop defense response.

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