

## Special Issue

# Molecular Evolutionary and Comparative Genomics Analyses in Plants

### Message from the Guest Editors

Now, the number of plant genomes available for study increases daily and is in the hundreds. What have we learned in the last ten years? What new questions are we able to ask with this exciting wealth of data? The focus of this Special Issue will be on where plant evolutionary and comparative genomics is going for the next ten years. Of particular interest are papers that address questions of genomic organization from an evolutionary perspective and that examine the genomes of basal plants as well as angiosperms.

Polyploidy and whole genome duplication (WGD) are common within plants, and these events have shaped plant genomes and plant gene families. Submission of manuscripts that describe studies that examine the impacts of both recent and ancient WGD events and the processes of diploidization are encouraged. Population-level studies of genome level variation have informed our understanding of local adaptation and provided needed information on fine-scale evolutionary processes. Manuscripts that focus on comparative genomic studies within species or among closely related species are also encouraged.

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