

Special Issue

Genetic Improvements and Germplasm Resources for Fruit and Vegetable Plants

Message from the Guest Editors

Genetic diversity is the cornerstone for crop improvement. The collection, conservation, characterization, maintenance and utilization of plant genetic resources are essential components of crop improvement programs. Genetic resource collections need to ensure that their limited resources are effectively used to conserve the diversity of horticultural plants, making them readily available to support horticultural plant genetic improvement. Recently, with the rapid development of experimental means of biotechnology, significant new research progress has been achieved in the fields of genetics, molecular biology, genomics, transcriptomics, proteomics, metabolomics, phenomics and pangenomics. These approaches will advance and accelerate genetic improvements to facilitate the sustainable global production of these fruit and vegetable plants.

The purpose of this Special Issue aims to present state-of-the-art techniques recently developed by researchers worldwide. Innovative articles on the genetic improvement and germplasm resources of any fruit and vegetable species are welcome in this Special Issue.

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