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Light as a Growth and Development Regulator to Control Plant Biology

Message from the Guest Editor

Plants, as sessile organisms, adjust their growth and development in response to environmental changes. Light provides both energy for photosynthesis and signals to optimize plant growth strategy throughout the whole life cycle ranging from seed germination to flowering and senescence. Engineering light signal transduction has great potential to improve crop performance in agriculture. This Special Issue aims to publish fundamental discoveries in light regulation of plant biology. We welcome submissions of both research and review articles in the areas of plant photoreceptors, light signalling, photomorphogenesis, shade avoidance, phototropism, photoperiodic flowering, circadian clock, photosynthesis, crosstalk between light and other signalling pathways, and crop improvement based on photobiology.

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