Special Issue

Plant Secondary Metabolites Biosynthesis, Biological Activities and Transcriptional Regulation in Response to Abiotic/Biotic Stresses

Message from the Guest Editor

In the diversification of plants, tens of thousands of plant secondary metabolites (PSMs) evolve, which adapt to their changing surroundings. These metabolites play dominant roles in the interactions between plants and other organisms and endow plants with resistance to pathogens, insects, other herbivores, and abiotic stresses, such as cold/freeze, heavy metal, drought, salt, highlight, ultraviolet, heat, etc. The biological functions and transcriptional regulation of these PSMs have been investigated in model plants; however, fewer advancements have been achieved in cultivated crops. These are worthy of more attention as PSMs usually confer color, smell, taste, and tolerance to abiotic and biotic stresses and enhance the nutritional and health values to grains, fruits, vegetables, teas, herbs, and medicinal and ornamental plants. This Special Issue is aimed at providing the latest research on plant secondary metabolites and advances in the biosynthesis, transcriptional regulation, and characterization, including new technologies, methods, and their interaction with abiotic and biotic tolerance.

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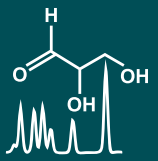

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