# **Special Issue**

# Molecular Mechanisms and Signal Transduction Pathways of Plant Immunity

## Message from the Guest Editors

In nature, to cope with pathogens and survive, plants evolved a complex immune system composed by pattern-triggered immunity (PTI) and effector-triggered immunity (ETI). PTI is activated by the plasma membrane-localized pattern recognition receptors (PRRs) through sensing the conserved pathogenassociated molecular patterns (PAMPs), ETI is mediated by the intracellular nucleotide-binding site (NBS) leucine-rich repeat (LRR) domain receptors (NLRs) through recognizing pathogen effectors. Both PRRs and NLRs belong to immune receptors that play important roles in activating and initiating plant immune networks. The aim of this special issue is to highlight recent advances in the underlying molecular mechanisms and signal transduction pathways of plant defense response. New molecular approaches or tools to study plantpathogen interactions are also welcome. Identification Role of key proteins downstream of immune receptors

Dynamic distribution of immune receptors upon pathogen infection

Interactions between immune components in plant defense

Target and modification of host proteins by pathogen effectors.

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