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Genetic and Genomic Resources for Wheat Improvement

Message from the Guest Editors

Wheat is the largest cultivated crop in the world, with more than 80% of worldwide production used for human consumption, comprising 19% of everyday calories and 21% of protein requirements for humans. In order to meet the increasing requirements of a growing population and tackle the challenges of global climate change, there is a greater need for further genetic improvement to secure the future food supply. The most efficient way is to exploit beneficial genes or alleles from gene pools of wheat and its relatives for wheat breeding to increase grain yield and plant tolerance to the fluctuating climate. Therefore, genetic and genomic resources will be important for improving the crop in the 21st century. This Special Issue focuses on wheat improvement in plant architecture, grain yield, development stage, and stress resistance. Studies on the latest resources in wheat genetics and genomics (or other omics) for trait mapping, gene cloning and allele mining of these agronomical important traits are therefore essential. We welcome novel research and reviews covering all the related topics.

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