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Regulation of Seed Germination and Dormancy

Message from the Guest Editors

Seed germination is a trait fundamental to the lifecycle of a plant that is also tightly associated with the productivity of agricultural crops. It is controlled by interactions of diverse endogenous and exogenous factors. Levels of physical (e.g., coat) or intrinsic (e.g., embryo) dormancy embedded in the seed variably affect successful germination in many plant species. Although studies using a model plant such as Arabidopsis have begun to shed light on mechanistic insights, the regulation of germination and dormancy for agricultural crops still remains to be elucidated. As the availability of recent technologies to understand biological processes expands, this Special Issue will cover physiological, molecular, metabolomic, transcriptomic, proteomic, and functional studies that control seed germination and dormancy of agricultural crops.

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