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Genetic Approaches to Improve the Flavors and Appearance of Fruits, Vegetables and Herbs

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Message from the Guest Editors

Background: The flavor of agricultural products is the sensorial experience once we eat or drink, which is attributed to the presence of a mixture of chemicals perceived by our taste and olfactory receptors. The composition of this mixture of chemicals is the result of the genetic and genomic make-up of the given plant that brings about the final product we consume.

Aim and scope: To make the research on the genetic basis of flavor production in plants more accessible and communicative; to bring state-of-the-art works dealing with the flavor of agricultural products under the same roof; to create a thoughtful discussion about the opportunities and future of the field.

Cutting-edge research: Available gene pool, present in heirloom accessions and wild relatives of the commonly used cultivars products; transgenic methodologies; recent efforts study the potential of harnessing the genome editing system, CRISPR:Cas9

Papers we are soliciting: Papers describe the involvement of genes or genetic components in the production of flavor in herbs, fruits and vegetables; papers describes methods to evaluate the flavor of agricultural products.













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