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# Genetic and Environmental Factors Affecting Glandular Trichome Development

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#### Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

Plant glandular trichomes are epidermal outgrowths that are present in over one-third of plant species and produce various specialized metabolites. Beyond their roles in plant adaptation to the environments and stresses, glandular trichomes are unique due to their capacity to synthesize, store and sometimes secrete a wide variety of structurally and biosynthetically diverse metabolites. The broad interest in these epidermal "biofactories" is heightened by the fact that many glandular, trichomes-derived, specialized metabolites are commercially important as natural pesticides, but are also used as fragrances, food additives and drugs. This Special Issue of *Plants* aims to highlight recent research that addresses the genetic and environmental factors affecting glandular trichomes development in diverse plant species.

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