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## Olive and Grape Breeding

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New breeding research is continuously being pursued, mainly focusing on the utilization and preservation of germplasm for genetic improvement. The use of novel genetic diversity, by traditional and/or modern biotechnological tools, and the study of molecular mechanisms underlying key biological processes in these species are considered of paramount importance for obtaining new and improved cultivars of both qualitative and quantitative traits, and adapting them to resilient and sustainable growing systems.



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