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5月13日, 旱区作物逆境生物学国家重点实验室第四届研究生学术论坛在国际交流中心104会议室顺利举办。

本次论坛由旱区作物逆境生物学国家重点实验室、农学院、植保学院、园艺学院、资环学院、生命学院主办,校研究生会、旱作国家重点实验室团工委承办,邀请了马锋旺、刘同先、黄丽丽、宋卫宁、冯永忠、郭军、李志、林雁冰、胡胜武、王晓峰、赵天永、文颖强、江元清13位教授担任论坛评委。

论坛以旱区逆境农业的"根"和"果"主题,面向旱作国家重点实验室的全体研究生征集投稿,共收到了论文摘要 62 篇,论坛组委会从中遴选出 16 篇论文。会上进入论坛汇报环节的 16 位研究生围绕"遗传发掘和种质创新"、"环境胁迫与逆境适应"、"生态改良同病害防治方面"三个议题进行汇报交流。现场评委认真听取了研究生的汇报后,从选题、论据、研究成果、汇报与答疑及 PPT制作与演示等方面对报告进行了点评,并提出了很好的意见和建议。

经评审组评议,最终张强同学获得一等奖,胡洋、樊光进、李程三位同学获得二等奖,马福利、孙逊、贾

津布三位同学获得三等奖, 燕敬利、吴建辉、吕士凯、 池青、吕金洋、李志谦、张庭、穆京妹、陈守坤八位同 学获得优秀奖。

自 2014 年研究生学术论坛举办以来,刘同先教授已经多次担任论坛评委,他说"从论坛情况汇报来看,广大同学的研究与本实验室的主题衔接的越来越紧密,研究水平也总体有了很大的提升,也希望广大研究生在之后的学习、研究中勇于创新、多看一些资料,多参加一些会议,尤其是好的项目,不断提高自身的研究水平与创新能力。也希望主办单位能够多举办此类学术论坛,为研究生搭建一个相互交流的学术平台,促进优秀研究成果的交流。"

校长助理兼研究生院副院长霍学喜教授出席论坛并 致辞。本次论坛评委专家组组长马蜂旺教授对论坛进行 了点评,他充分肯定了研究生的学术研究水平,对论坛 中存在的问题提出了有建设性的意见和建议,并鼓励研 究生积极努力投入到科研工作中,取得更大成绩。

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第四届研究生学术论坛 会议议程



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硕士阶段:

2009年9月至2012年6月,就读于西北农林科技大学生命科学学院微生物学专业,师从孙广宇教授,研究主要涉及苹果霉心病病原真菌多样性及侵染特性等方面的内容。

博士阶段:

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2、博士期间的研究内容主要涉及禾谷镰刀菌分泌蛋白 Sup、自噬相关蛋白 FgAtgs 及稻瘟菌光周期蛋白 MoFrq 功能分析等多个方面的内容。



第二名获奖者 胡 洋

学历:博士研究生 专业:果树学专业 科学研究

Yang Hu, Yong-Tao Han, Kai Zhang, Feng-Li Zhao, Ya-Juan Li, Yi Zheng, Yue-Jin Wang, Ying-Qiang Wen*. (2016) Identification and expression analysis of heat shock transcription factors in the wild Chinese grapevine (Vitis pseudoreticulata). Plant Physiology and Biochemistry, 99: 1-10. 等

研究生学术论坛参赛选手比赛现场









选 手 **参 赛 感 想**

1. 进行科研实验过程中,您是怎么做的,有什么体会想和大家分享?

在导师安排相应的课题之后还是需要主动去查资料,对开展这个课题的目的意义要有一定了解,还需要了解相关研究的前沿,这样才能更好的开展后续研究。在开始试验的过程中一定会遇到之前没有学过的操作方法,那么就需要和周围同学多交流,掌握试验流程和技巧,从而增加试验成功的可能性。在获得试验数据后,要及时整理分析,如果与之前设想的不一致则需要查找原因,对获得的结果要有合理的解释。撰写论文不一定要等所有试验做完才进行,有些问题可能会在写的过程中才会被发现,所以边做边写也有一定道理。在写论文的过程中仍然需要阅读大量文献,这样会对introduction 和 discussion 两个部分的写作有很大帮助。

2. 摘要是论文中写作中比较重要的一部分,您在撰写文献摘要通常会注意哪些地方?

摘要部分是论文的简要概述,要包含论文中主要的研究结果和讨论的主要问题。 要把阅读文献作为习惯,可以通过阅读文献去解决试验过程中遇到的问题,而且会开 拓思维,寻求后续新的研究内容。有些文献只需要有选择的进行阅读,抓住自己所需 的重点即可。试验数据要详实,而且需要有合理的解释。

——张强

1、关于撰写文献摘要您有什么分享的吗?

摘要既是对一篇文章背景、结果、讨论的总结,也是对全篇研究内容的升华。在撰写摘要时要注重提炼要点、精准用词,尽量用最少的词准确表达想称述的观点。此外,句子与句子的衔接,即逻辑,是写好一段摘要的保障。

撰写英文摘要,就是多读、多比较、上下文连贯思考,从别人的陈述方式中找到最适合自己语境、最能表达自己思想的表达方式与句型。

平时阅读英文文献,一般先看图表,大致了解作者讲了一个什么故事,和自己的研究内容有无联系;如果有联系,再看摘要明确作者的研究内容与结果;如果对自己研究有参考意义,再去看他的试验结果与采用的研究方法。至于引言和讨论,一般是和自己研究内容关系非常密切的文献才回去深读,带着问题与思考去读。

数据处理首先要严格遵从科学性原则,实事求是;其次是追求美观、大气的图表效果,将复杂的科学规律用最简单、最浅显易懂的方式呈现出来,用我导师的话说,就是要把科学规律做到像白居易的诗一样。

2、在研究生学习生活中遇到的困难及解决方式,请谈谈您的收获。

科学试验,失败的次数总比成功的次数多,所以困难总会在下一个角落邂逅你,但是作为农业与生命科学的研究生,解决困难就是我们的工作。我觉得做生命科学研究,除了受技术与研究条件的限制外,其他所谓的困难都是包裹科学规律的"外壳",只是我们现在不能打开它或者是打开方式不对而已。所以,多思考、多尝试、神马困难都是浮云。

科研能带给我无限的乐趣,就是因为真理藏得很深。

——胡洋

收获与感想: 很感谢学校和重点实验室举办这次研究生论坛,增进研究生与导师们交流与学习。研究生的学习与工作本身是在相对封闭的实验室环境,通过这种高质量的论坛平台,增进研究生们的交流,能够积极促进研究工作的开展,打开思维的大门,碰撞智慧的火花。同时,对于汇报研究工作的同学自身而言是一种锻炼,对实验室的研究工作是一种检验,在相互的交流与比较中促进科研工作的进一步推进,同时点评的老师们也给出了很多宝贵的值得参考借鉴的意见。多学科的交叉交流也是非常重要而有意义的。希望学校多多举办这样的高质量活动,促进研究生群体的活跃性,提升我校的科研工作交流与质量。

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MoFRQ is important for conidiation, appressorium penetration in the rice blast fungus

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Circadian rhythm organizes inner physiology with respect to the external world. Circadian rhythm organizes inner physiology with respect to the external world. Providing life with the ability to anticipate and thereby better prepare for major fluctuations in its environment. To determine the importance of the circadian rhythm in the fluctuations in its environment. To determine the importance of the circadian rhythm in the time in the time in the standard providing life with the ability to anothelog of fire that is the central component of the Neuroporal conditions in comparison with cultures grown in the dark. Exposure to light stimulated challenges of the expression of MoFRO and localization of MoFRO was up-regulated under light the expression of MoFRO and localization of MoFRO was presented under the expression of MoFRO and localization of MoFRO was significantly reduced in conditation. MoFrq interacted deletion mutant displayed a light-dependent growth defect on oatmeal agar cultures in with and Htfl and, like the htfl mutant, conidiophore development was not affected in unable of conida. The Mofrq mutant was significantly reduced in conidation. MoFrq interacted under unamber of conida. The Mofrq mutant was significantly reduced in virulence and caused only rare, smaller lesions on rice or barley leaves. Consistent with its defects in plant infection, the Mofrq mutant were reduced 40% in appressorium premation and 80% in appressorium penetration. The mobilization and degradation of glycogen flow in appressorium penetration. The mobilization and degradation of glycogen flow in condition of the standard consistent with its defects in appressorium penetration. The mobilization and degradation of glycogen mobilization. Like from the condition of the standard condition of the plant infection. Taken together, these results indicate that

Ectopic expression of FvWRKY42, a WRKY transcription factors from the diploid woodland strawberry (Fragaria vesca), enhances resistance to powdery mildew and osmotic stress, and improves abscisic acid sensitivity in Arabidopsis

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Biotic and abiotic stresses has been shown to significantly limit the growth and Biotic and abiotic stresses has been shown to significantly limit the growth and productivity of crops. WRKy transcription factors play essential roles in response to biotic and abiotic stresses. However, only little information regarding stress-related WRKY genes is available in strawberry. Here, we isolated and functionally characterized a various stress-inducible WRKY gene (FvWRKY47) from the wild diploid woodland strawberry accession Heilongjiang-3. Multiple sequence alignment analysis indicated that FvWRKY42 contained two WRKY domain, a D domain and an SP cluster in the N terminal. Protein interaction network analysis showed that FvWRKY42 protein interact with various stress-related proteins. FvWRKY42 protein interactional activation in yeast FwWRKY42 was verossed preferentially in roots. FvWRKY42 protein interact with various stress-related proteins. FvWRKY42 protein has transcriptional activation in yeast. FvWRKY42 was expressed preferentially in roots, young leaves and floral buds, and its expression was induced in response to treatment with powdery mildew, salt, drought and exogenous hormones. Over-expression of FvWRKY42 in Arabidopsis showed enhanced resistance to powdery mildew presumably via the SA-signaling pathway. Ectopic over-expression of FvWRKY42 in Arabidopsis showed enhanced salt and drought stress tolerance, which is accompanied by increase of the seedling root mass and protection of the integrity of plasma membrane, as well as more effective active oxygen removal system. Additionally, Over-expression of FvWRKY42 in Arabidopsis enhanced ABA sensitivity and promototed leaf closure after ABA and drought treatments. Stress-responsive genes such promoted leaf closure after ABA and drought treatments. Stress-responsive genes such as RD29A, RD29B and NCED3 showed higher expression levels in FvWRKY42 transgenic lines than in WT Arabidopsis under salt and drought stresses. The above results showed that the FvWRKY42 genes may improve the osmotic stress resistance via ABA-dependent signaling pathway. Together, these findings suggest that the FvWRKY42 transcription factor plays an important, positive role in plant response to powdery mildew and osmotic stress.

Improvement of drought tolerance by overexpressing MdATG18a is mediated by modified antioxidant system and activated autophagy in transgenic apple

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Abstract

Autophagy is a major and conserved pathway for delivering and recycling unwanted proteins or damaged organelles to be degraded in the vacuoles. Autophagy-related protein ATG18a has been established as one of the essential components for autophagy occurrence in Arabidopsis thaliana. We previously cloned the ATG18a homolog from datus domestica (MAATG18a) and monitored its responsiveness to various abiotic stresses at the transcriptional level. However, it is still unclear what its function is under abiotic stress in apple. Here, we found that heterologous expression of MAATG18a in abiotic stress in apple plants improved their tolerance to drought. Overexpression (OE) of that gene in apple plants improved their drought tolerance as well. Under drought conditions, the photosynthesis rate and autioxidant capacity were significantly elevated in OE lines when compared with the untransformed wild type (WT). Transcript levels of other important apple autophagy-related genes were more strongly up-regulated in transgenic MAATG18a OE lines than in the WT. The percentage of insoluble protein in transgenic MAATG18a ober and less oxidized protein accumulated in the OE ilines than in the WT under drought stress. This was probably due to more autophagosomes being formed in the former. These results demonstrate that autophagosomes being formed in the former. These results demonstrate that overexpression of MAATG18a in apple plants enhances their tolerance to drought stress, overexpression of MAATG18a in apple plants enhances their tolerance to drough stress, overexpression. The processes help degrade protein aggregation and limit the oxidation damage, thereby suggesting that autophagy plays important roles in the drought response.

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This protein, triggered endoplasmic reticulum (ER) attenuate normal plant immunity. attenuate normal plant immunity. This protein, termed as RIP3 (BxLR interacting protein 3), participates maintaining normal TM triggered endoplasmic reticulum (ER) stress reenonse and FR-stress mediated plant immunity. The enzyme activity of RIP3 is protein 3), participates maintaining normal TM triggered endoplasmic reticulum (ER) is stress response and ER-stress mediated plant immunity. The enzyme activity of RIP3 is innormal for its plant immunity and ER-stress regulator function. Finally, we found stress response and ER-stress mediated plant immunity. The enzyme activity of RIP3 is important for its plant immunity and ER-stress regulator function. Finally, we found that PcAyr3a12 sunness the enzyme activity of RIP3 through erotease-counted assay. important for its plant immunity and ER-stress regulator function. Finally, we found that PcAvr3a12 suppress the enzyme activity of RIP3 through protease-coupled assay in vitro and have no obvious influence on the stabilization of RIP3 in vivo. Taken that PcAvr3a12 suppress the enzyme activity of RIP3 through protease-coupled assay in vitro and have no obvious influence on the stabilization of RIP3 in vitro and have no obvious influence on the stabilization of RIP3 in vitro and have no obvious influence on the stabilization of RIP3 in vitro and the vitro and the results suppose that PcAurAo12 attenuate vitro and immunity by suppose that PcAurAo12 attenuate vitro and immunity by suppose that PcAurAo12 attenuate vitro and immunity by suppose that PcAurAo13 attenuate vitro attenuate vitro and immunity by suppose that PcAurAo13 attenuate vitro attenuate in vitro and have no obvious influence on the stabilization of RIP3 in vivo. Taken together, these results suggest that PcAvr3al2 attenuate plant immunity by suppressing the enzyme activity of RIP3 and this suppression may discorder FR-stress mediate. together, these results suggest that PcAvr3a12 attenuate plant immunity by suppressing the enzyme activity of RIP3 and this suppressing may disorder ER-stress mediated plant immunity. This direct targeting of an ER-located protein and disordering the plant immunity. This direct targeting of an ER-located protein between ER-stress function may reveal a new sight into the relationship between ER-stress. plant immunity. This direct targeting of an ER-located protein and disordering its normal function may reveal a new sight into the relationship between ER-stress signaling pathway and plant immunity.

Stilbene synthase VpSTS26 from Vitis pseudoreticulata is secreted from ER to vacuole by ER-derived oil body throughout autophagy pathway

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Resveratrol and its derivatives, synthesized from the phenylpropanoid pathway in grapes, are natural antimicrobial phytoalexins in plants and benefit for human health. However, the subcellular factory of stilbenoid metabolism is still unclear. Here, we showed that a stilbene synthase 26 (VpSTS26) from Chinese wild Vitis pseudoreticulata traveled to vacuole from ER throughout autophagy pathway during dark-induced senescence. The colocalization of VpSTS26 with glucosyltransferase (RSGT) to the Endoplasmic Reticulum (ER) indicated that ER was the site for the synthesis and transformation of resveratrol. The Nile red staining and colocalization showed VpSTS26-GFP moved to ER-derived bodies underwen darkness treatment. We also observated the budding of VpSTS26-GFP from the ER using the Arabidopsis thaliana mesophyll protoplasts transient gene expression system and the colocalizations of VpSTS26-GFP with organelle markers were in ecordance with those of in grape protoplasts. Furthermore, concanamycin A and wortmannin treatment and Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) analysis confirmed the transport of VpSTS26 from ER to vacuole was via mCherry-ATG8-labelled autophagy pathway but not the prevacuolar compartments-vacuole trafficking. Measurements of protein half-lives showed dark surements of protein half-lives showed dark could induced the degradation of VpSTS26-GFP into free GFP and GFP variant but the degradation was not via the 26S proteasome. Intriguingly, VpSTS26 was partially alated in senescent leaves and dark could also induce a stronger accur of VpSTS26 in young leaf and tender stem. Therefore, our results suggested a novel route of grape stilbene synthase trafficking to vacuole during dark-induced autophagy.

A novel protein controls brassinosteroid signaling and adaptation to abiotic stresses

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Brassinosteroid (BR) as one of the major plant hormones, plays a significant roles in plant growth and development. BRI1/BAK1 located on plasma membrane accept and transmit the BR signal from cell surface to inside. We use IP-MS method to find a new component, named it K27, it interacts with BRII/BAK1 in vitro and in vivo. The loss-of-function of K27, showed the BR signal weaker than that in wild type. The overexpression of K27 showed smaller plant and slower growth rate than wild type, but not significant change BR signal in normal plant or bril-5, a BR signal declined plant. Next, we analyze the stress-resistant function of K27. The overexpression K27 plants showed less H2O2 and ROS than wild type, meanwhile more H2O2 and ROS in knock out of K27 plants. Then, we find K27 knock out line becomes more sensitive to cold stress than wild type and some cold-related gene obvious up-regulated. We also cloned the homologous gene SIK27 in tomato, and detected interaction between SIK27 and SISERK3A/ SISERK3B, the homologous proteins of AtBAK1 in tomato. The silence of SIK27 using VIGS in tomato, showed increasing H2O2 and ROS, which also sensitive to paraquat, H₂O₂, and SA treatment in relative ion leakage measurement. Thus, we find a new protein participates in BR signal transduction and stress resistance, as well as the bridge connected BR hormone and adaptation to abiotic stresses

The 25-26 nt small RNAs in Phytophthora parasitica are associated with efficient silencing of homologous endogenous

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ABSTRACT
Small RNAs (sRNAs) are important non-coding RNA regulators, playing key roles in regulation, transposon suppression, eraction and other diverse biological pronost-patriogen interaction and other diverse biological processes. However, their roles in comycetes are poorly understood. Here, we performed sRNA sequencing and RNA sequencing of *P parasitica* at stages of vegetative growth and infection of *Arabidopsis* roots to examine diversity and function of sRNAs in *P. parasitica*, a model toos to examine inversity and function or signals in *P. parasitica*, a model hemibiotrophic oomycete plant pathogen. Our results indicate that there are two distinct types of skNA-generating loci in *P. parasitica* genome, giving rise to clusters of 25-26 nt and 21 nt skNAs, respectively, with no significant strand-biases. The 25-26 of 25-26 nt and 21 nt sRNAs, respectively, with no significant strand-biases. The 25-26 nt sRNA loci lie predominantly in gene-sparse and repeat-rich regions, and overlap with over 7000 endogenous gene loci. These overlapped genes are typically P. parasitica species-specific, with no homologies to the sister species P. Infestans. They include approximately 40% RXLR effector genes, 50% CRN effector genes and some elicitor genes. The transcripts of most of these genes could not be detected at both the expectative mycelium and infection stages as revealed by RNA sequencing, indicating that the 25-26 nt sRNAs are associated with efficient silencing of these genes. The 21 nt sRNA loci typically overlap with the exon regions of highly expressed genes, suggesting that the biogenesis of the 21 nt sRNAs may be dependent on the level of gene transcription and that these sRNAs do not mediate efficient silencing of esting that the progenesis of the 21 nt sRNAs may be dependent on the level of transcription and that these sRNAs do not mediate efficient silencing of ologous genes. Analyses of the published *P. infestans* sRNA and mRNA sequencing data consistently show that the 25-26 nt sRNAs, but not the 21 nt sRNAs, may mediate efficient gene silencing in *Phytophthora*.