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PROTEIN BIOCHEMISTRY AND PROTEOMICS

Antibodies against CKI1_{RD}, a receiver domain of the sensor histidine kinase in *Arabidopsis thaliana*: From antigen preparation to *in planta* immunolocalization

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Polyclonal antibodies raised against receiver domain of sensor histidine kinase CKI1 from *Arabidopsis* are of sufficient specificity and sensitivity to recognize CKI1 protein in both bacterial and plant expression systems.

MOLECULAR GENETICS AND GENOMICS

OsAlba1, a dehydration-responsive nuclear protein of rice (*Oryza sativa* L. ssp. *indica*), participates in stress adaptation

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Screening of the dehydration-responsive nuclear proteome of indica rice identified an Alba-family protein, designated OsAlba1, distantly related to the archaeal DNA/RNA-binding Alba protein. We describe, for the first time, the complete sequence of *OsAlba1*, its genomic organization, and possible function/s.

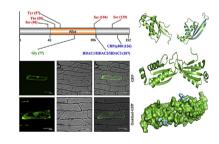
Identification and stress-induced expression of three 3β-hydroxysteroid dehydrogenases from *Erysimum crepidifolium* Rchb. and their putative role in cardenolide biosynthesis

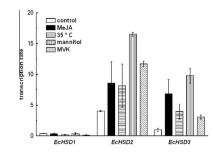
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Three individual cDNAs (*EcHSD1*, *EcHSD2*, *EcHSD3*) encoding functional 3β-hydroxysteroid dehydrogenases (3βHSD) were isolated from *Erysimum crepidifolium* leaves. Various forms of stress enhanced transcription of *EcHSD2*, *EcHSD3* but not *EcHSD1*.



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ECOLOGICAL BIOCHEMISTRY

Lipidomic profiling of snow algae by ESI-MS and silver-LC/APCI-MS

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The development is described of methods enabling a rapid determination of total lipids of algae by lipidomic analysis and detailed identification and quantification of a complex mixture of natural TAGs by silver-LC/APCI-MS and NARP-LC/APCI-MS. This approach can readily identify, both qualitatively and semiquantitatively, triacylglycerols containing 16:3 and 16:4 acids in the molecule. We conclude that the genus Chloromonas is a major producer of C16 PUFAs mostly contained in TAGs. Since more detailed studies in this field have been stymied by the shortage of 16:3 and 16:4 FAs, we decided to study the alga Chloromonas as a potential biotechnological source of C16 PUFAs.

Characterization and heterologous expression of a PR-1 protein from traps of the carnivorous plant Nepenthes mirabilis

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Carnivorous Nepenthes plants catch prey or additional nutrients. The digestive fluid contains hydrolytic enzymes as well as defensive proteins such as PR-1 protein to suppress microbial growth.

Floral scent emitted by white and coloured morphs in orchids

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carthusianorum

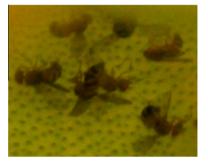
Floral volatiles emitted by white- and coloured-flowered morphs of Orchis mascula, Orchis simia, and Anacamptis coriophora fragrans were not different between white and coloured morphs, except for O. simia.

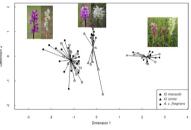
Małgorzata Wójcik*, Anna Tukiendorf

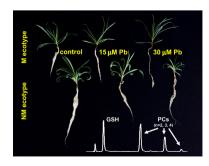
Accumulation and tolerance of lead in two contrasting ecotypes of Dianthus

Growth parameters, Pb accumulation as well as thiol peptide and organic acid concentrations were determined in metalliferous (M) and nonmetalliferous (NM) ecotypes of Dianthus carthusianorum cultivated hydroponically in the presence of Pb.



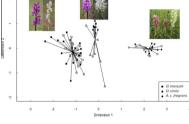








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