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Throughout his career, Professor Meinhart H. Zenk has made seminal contributions to plant science. His way of thinking and skills as a great mentor made him a highly influential scientist who imprinted the importance of good scientific practice in numerous plant scientists around the globe.

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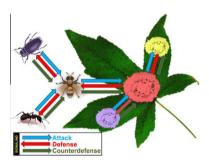
Bio- and chemical diversity of bryophytes and biologically active terpenoids, aromatic compounds and acetogenins found in the Marchantiophyta (liverworts) and Bryophyta (mosses) are reviewed.

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Highlighted are poorly investigated interactions that endophytes have with host plants, insect herbivores and with each other, and the diverse molecular mechanisms that might trigger similar chemical responses in both plants and endophytes. Elucidating such networks can enhance discovery of desirable endophytes and further sustain production of host plant compounds using the isolated endophytes.

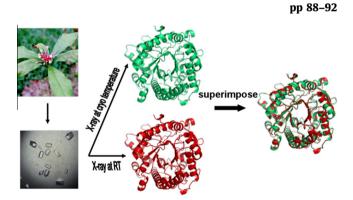


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High speed X-ray analysis of plant enzymes at room temperature

Liqun Xia, Chitra Rajendran*, Martin Ruppert, Santosh Panjikar, Meitian Wang, Joachim Stoeckigt*

X-ray measurements of plant enzyme raucaffricine-O-β-p-glucosidase and several ligand complexes of the enzyme at room temperature (295 K) and typical cryo-conditions (100 K) are highly comparable.



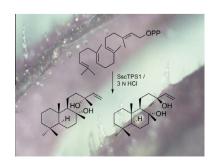
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Nils Günnewich, Yasuhiro Higashi, Xiaohong Feng, Kum-Boo Choi, Jürgen Schmidt, Toni M. Kutchan*

The diterpene synthase SscTPS1 from glandular trichomes of Clary sage catalyzes cyclization of geranylgeranyl diphosphate by a mechanism that introduces oxygen to form (8R)-hydroxy-copalyl diphosphate, which can then be converted to sclareol and 13-epi-sclareol by acid hydrolysis.



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