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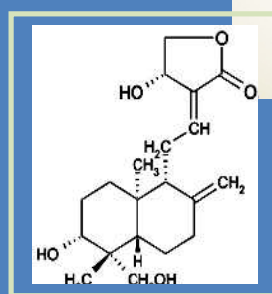
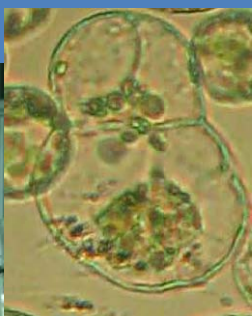
Wisdom of the Land

The Overseas Internship Course @ MUSC-2013

The Faculty of Science, Mahidol University

March 18-24th, 2013

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Mahidol University



His Royal Highness Prince Mahidol of Songkla

"Father of Modern Medicine and Public Health of Thailand"

.... The resounding message affirming the dignity and the value of life, so forcefully translated into action by Prince Mahidol, was enunciated in 1948 with the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights. His teaching of the spirit of brotherhood towards all human beings without discrimination of any kind is well-known. Many of his exhortations and pronouncements given to his medical students have been highly respected for their wisdom and their eternal moral values. For instance:

"I don't want you to be only a doctor, but I also want you to be a man" "True success is not in the learning, but in its application to the benefit of mankind."

Mahidol University originates from Thailand's first hospital, Siriraj Hospital, found in 1888. The hospital's medical school is the oldest institution of higher learning in Thailand, granting its first medical degree in 1893. After becoming the University of Medical Sciences in 1942, the University was later renamed with the great honor in 1969 by **H.M. King Bhumibol Adulyadej** after his own father, H.R.H. Prince Mahidol of Songkla. Mahidol University has since developed into one of Thailand's leading universities, internationally renowned for its high caliber of teaching and research.

Philosophy:

"True success is not in the learning, but in its application to the benefit of mankind."

Motto: "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you"

Determination Statement: Wisdom of the Land

Vision: "Mahidol University is determined to be a World Class University"

Mission: "To excel in Health, Sciences, Arts, and Technological Innovation with integrity for the benefit of Thai society and benefit of mankind"



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Framework and Reasoning

The greater internationalization of academic institutions and the expansion of regional and global connections and networks has become an important strategy in developing academic institutions across every field of study. Following the global educational trend, including Mahidol University mission to sustain its goal of creating transformative education and actively increasing role in driving relationship and cooperations with our partners, we encourage the exchange of knowledge and offering beneficial courses to the students, both for Thai and Overseas. Refer to its philosophy motto "*True success is not in the learning, but in its application to the benefit of mankind*", and as one of Thailand's leading universities, Mahidol University continues to develop and diversify its high caliber of teaching and research for both Thai and foreign students, especially increase the activities among our partners who involve in collaborative degree programs.

The 2013 Overseas Internship Course is a program organized by the Faculty of Science, Mahidol University (MUSC), to provide the oversea studies in Thailand for foreign students, and further promote scientific communication and better understanding about Thailand from cultures, language, and society through the course, cultural tour and exchanging activities. This program provides most of local expenses (hotel, meals, transportation, and trip) during 8 days of staying in Thailand. The program offer classes and other activities as lecture, seminar, field trip and culture tour. All programs will be conducted in **English**. The scope of the 2013 Overseas Internship Course, this year is mentioned as follows;

1. Lectures in topic of "Science in Sufficient Economy Theory" – Impacts on Agriculture, Food Security and Environment

The modern development has caused changes in all aspects of world society. The positive impacts of the development are economic growth, progress of material and public utilities, modern communication systems, and improvement and expansion of education. However, few of these results have reached rural areas or the underprivileged in the society.

On the other hand, rapid economic growth and the rise of consumerism has led to a state of economic dependence and deterioration of natural resources as well as the dissolution of existing kinship and traditional groups to manage them. The traditional knowledge and wisdom that have been employed to solve problems and accumulated in the past are forgotten and have started to disappear.

Thai Royal Initiative of the 'Philosophy of Sufficiency Economy': Although His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej of Thailand has been promoting self-reliant or sustainable farming since the 1950s, it is generally accepted that the idea of Sufficiency Economy had been brought up in the 1970s during His Majesty's speeches.

Sufficiency Economy is a philosophy based on the fundamental principle of Thai culture. It is a method of development based on moderation, prudence, and social immunity, one that uses knowledge and virtue as guidelines in living. Significantly, there must be **intelligence and perseverance** which will lead to real **happiness** in leading one's life. The Philosophy of Sufficiency Economy comprises with three pillars as moderation, reasonableness, and risk Management. Sufficiency Economy does not mean that one must constantly be frugal. A person can indulge himself in luxury once in a while, provided that it is within his capacity to do so. But the majority of the country's population often overspends beyond their means. Sufficiency Economy can lead to the goal of establishing economic stability. Fundamentally, Thailand is an agricultural country; therefore, the country's economy should be keyed towards agro-economy and food stability in order to establish a stable economic system to a certain degree. This is an economic system that can help lessen the risk or economic instability in the long run. Sufficiency Economy can be applied to all levels, branches, and sectors of the economy. It is not necessarily limited to the agricultural or rural sectors, or even the financial, the real estate, and the international trade and investment sectors by using similar principles of emphasizing moderation in performance, reasonableness, and creating immunity for oneself and society. The lectures will provide fundamental of the Sufficiency Economy Philosophy, its impacts on National development and give example of best practice cases focussing on Agriculture, Food Security and Environment.

2. Field trip

The field trip will include the overview of several projects under the Royal initiation and the case study at research stations of the Royal Project outside Bangkok, as well as the Thai historical and culture tour.

3. Student Joint Seminar

The graduate students of MUSC and collaborative institutes in study areas of agricultural science and technology, food science, and environmental science are encouraged to join the course and perform their research presentations in the Joint Seminar "Scientific Impacts on Agriculture, Food Security and Sustainable Environment" in order to promote the scientific link and knowledgeable shares among young scholars. The students are requested to present his/her '**Oral presentation**', each with 15 min plus 5 min of Q&A.

Objectives

1. To provide participants the opportunities to exchange knowledge in the related field.
2. To encourage both Thai and overseas students to learn actively by reciprocating knowledge and experiences during the course.
3. To promote the better understanding of Thai cultures, language, and society.
4. To foster relationship between the overseas students with Thai students, scholars, and further strengthening the integration of academic network, that would be beneficial for the future establishment of academic strategic partner.

Duration of the overseas internship course: March 18-24th, 2013

Expected Results/Outcomes

By attending this program, participants will be able to learn from professional lecturers. Besides, participants will have opportunities to mutually exchange knowledge and opinion with Thai students, including foster the better understanding of Thai cultures, language, and society among the foreign students which will contribute to the future cooperation among participants, both personally and institutionally.

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Overall Schedule for the Overseas Internship Course @ MUSC 2013

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	NOTE
Monday 18 Mar, 2013	08.30-9.00 h	Registration for Opening Ceremony and Lectures at meeting Room, 1 st floor, Stang Mongkolsuk Bld	- Pick up at 8.00 am (hotel → MUSC) - Refreshment Breaks and Lunch are provided at MUSC
	09.00-9.30 h	Opening Ceremony and Welcome Address of the Special Lectures "Science in Sufficient Economy Theory" by Dean, MUSC	
	09.30-10.30 h	"Hornbill Research for Sustainable Forest Ecosystems" by Emeritus Prof. Pilai Poonswad, Faculty of Science, Mahidol University	
	10.30-10.45 h	Refreshment	
	10.45-11.45 h	"Self Sufficiency Economy: Theory and Practice for Sustainable Development" by Assist. Prof. Rawin Rawiwong The Chaipattana Foundation	
	12.00-13.00 h	Lunch@ Satang Mongkolsuk Bld.	- Hotel vans pick up at 4.00 pm from MUSC to hotel and MUSC vans are arranged for dinner for inter-participants (pick up at hotel lobby at 6 pm).
	13.00-14.00 h	"Nanotechnology for Precision Agriculture and Intensive Farming" by Assist. Prof. Teerakiat Kerdcharoen Faculty of Science, Mahidol University	
	14.00-14.15 h	"Relevance Approaches for Invasive Pest Control: from Genetics to System Biotechnology for ASEAN" by Assist. Prof. Sujinda Thanaphum Faculty of Science, Mahidol University	
	14.15-15.15 h	Refreshment	
Tuesday 19 Mar, 2013	08.30-9.30 h	Registration for Student Joint Seminar "Scientific Impacts on Agriculture, Food Security and Sustainable Environment" at meeting Room, 1 st floor, Stang Mongkolsuk Bld	- Pick up at 8.00 am (hotel → MUSC) - Hotel vans pick up at 4.00 pm from MUSC to hotel
	09.30-11.30 h	1st Session: Computational and Materials Sciences (S1-S5) - Refreshment (10.30-10.50 h)	
	11.30-13.00 h	Lunch	
	13.00-15.00 h	2nd Session: Science & cultures, Biodiversity, Ecology (S6-S10) - Refreshment (14.20-14.40 h)	
	15.00-16.00 h	Campus Tour	
Wednesday 20 March, 2013	08.30-9.30 h	Registration for Seminar at meeting Room, 1 st floor, Stang Mongkolsuk Bld	- Pick up at 8.00 am (hotel → MUSC) - Hotel vans pick up at 4.00 pm from MUSC to hotel
	09.30-11.30 h	3rd Session: Bioscience, Biochemistry, Biomedical Sciences (S11-S15) - Refreshment (10.30-10.50 h)	
	11.30-13.00 h	Lunch	
	13.00-15.20 h	4th Session: Gene and Cell Technology (S16-S21) - Refreshment (14.20-14.40 h)	

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	NOTE
Thursday 21 March, 2013	08.30 h	Arrival at MUSC and go for study trip of the Royal projects at "Royal Chitralada Palace" IMPORTANT NOTE **Suggestion for visitor - Please wear polite clothes. - T-shirt, sleeveless shirt, short pants, slippers are not allowed. - Wearing pants are not allowed for female, please wear skirt that's long enough to cover the knees. - Total black, including black and white, tone clothes are not allowed. - Please wear polite and comfortable shoes for a long way walk. - Taking photo is allowed, but taking VDO is a taboo. - Umbrella is allowed.	- Pick up at 8.00 am (hotel → MUSC) - MUSC vans are arranged as transportation for visiting
	11.30 h	Depart for MUSC	
	13.00 h	Lunch (is provided at MUSC canteen)	
Friday 22 March, 2013	07.30 h	Arrival at MUSC, prepare to go for a field trip at C Bld.	- Pick up at 7.00 am - Please take BF at hotel earlier enough to depart on time at 7.30 am
	08.00 h	Depart for Phetchaburi Province by Bus	- Snack and bottle of water are provided - Lunch are excluded
	11.00 h	Visit Hua Hin Sam Phan Nam Floating Market	** Clothing notes: - Polite cloth for visiting the Palace
	13.00 h	Visit Phra Ratchaniwet Mrigadayavan Summer Palace	
	14.00 h	Visit The Sirindhorn International Environmental Park and join CSR activity for Mangrove planting	- Comfortable cloth for planting activities - Swimming suit
	17.00 h	Hotel check-in and dinner	- Casual dress
	18.30 h	Cultural activities and games + dinner	
Saturday 23 March, 2013	07.00 h	Breakfast at hotel	- Bus pick up 8.00 am
	09.00 h	Visit Chang-Hua-Mun Royal Project	- Dress up casually
	11.00 h	Souvenir shopping	
	12.00 h	Lunch at restaurant	
	13.00 h	Visit Phra Nakhon Khiri or Khao Wang Palace	
15.00 h	Departure from Phetchaburi to Bangkok	- Exclude dinner	
Sunday 24 March, 2013	10.00 h	Free day to allow you to visit and shopping at Sunday Market ** for person who leaves on 24th night must check-out from hotel before the 12.00 h	- Exclude meals, check out time is before 12.00

Special Lectures

"Science in Sufficiency Economy Theory"

Impacts on Agriculture, Food Security and Environment

March 18th, 2013

**Meeting Room, 1st floor, Stang Mongkolsuk Bld
Faculty of Science, Mahidol University, Bangkok**

The modern development has caused changes in all aspects of world society. The positive impacts of the development are economic growth, progress of material and public utilities, modern communication systems, and improvement and expansion of education. However, rapid economic growth and the rise of consumerism has led to a state of economic dependence and deterioration of natural resources as well as the dissolution of existing kinship and traditional groups to manage them. The traditional knowledge and wisdom that have been employed to solve problems and accumulated in the past are forgotten and have started to disappear. Thai Royal Initiative of the **'Philosophy of Sufficiency Economy'**, although **His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej** of Thailand has been promoting self-reliant or sustainable farming since the 1950s, it is generally accepted that the idea of Sufficiency Economy had been brought up in the 1970s during in His Majesty's speeches. Sufficiency Economy is a philosophy based on the fundamental principle of Thai culture and, fundamentally, Thailand is an agricultural country; therefore, the country's economy should be keyed towards agro-economy and food stability in order to establish a stable economic system to a certain degree.

In order to praise **HM King Bhumibol Adulyadej** for his compassion, knowledge, and high reputation, Mahidol University, the Faculty of Science would like to promote the capability of the practical Sufficiency Economy Philosophy in professional level research in science, and provide the special lectures in the view points of the successful scientific researchers that well applied the Sufficiency Economy Philosophy with science, especially in the field of Agriculture for food security and sustainable environment. Beside the appropriate implementation of advanced scientific knowledge and technology to support the Self Sufficiency Economy Theory, its implications to sustainable development of the regions will also be demonstrated. Faculty of Science, Mahidol University is please to invite you to join these special lectures. This program is one of the series activities in The Overseas Internship Course@ MUSC- 2013 organized by Faculty of Science, Mahidol University.



Special Lectures

**“Science in Sufficient Economy Theory”
Impacts on Agriculture, Food Security and Environment**

Meeting Room, 1st floor, Stang Mongkolsuk Bld., Faculty of Science, Mahidol University

In honouring His Majesty the King Bhumibol Adulyadej for his compassion, knowledge, and dedication to helping Thai people, the Faculty of Science, Mahidol University would like to honour HMK’s principle of “Self Sufficiency Economy Philosophy” in science by organizing a series of distinguished lectures. The lecturers and topics are as followed;

Schedule: Monday, March 18th, 2013

TIME	ACTIVITY	NOTE
08.30-9.15 h	Registration for Opening Ceremony and Lectures	
09.15-9.30 h	Opening Ceremony and Welcome Address By Prof. Skorn Mongkolsuk Dean, Faculty of Science, Mahidol University	
9.30-10.30 h	“Hornbill Research for Sustainable Forest Ecosystems” by Emeritus Prof. Pilai Poonswad, Faculty of Science, Mahidol University (Biodata provided at p. 36-42)	
10.45-11.45 h	“Self Sufficiency Economy: Theory and Practice for Sustainable Development” by Assist. Prof. Rawin Rawiwong The Chaipattana Foundation (Biodata provided at p. 43-45)	
11.45-13.00 h	Lunch	
13.00-14.00 h	“Nanotechnology for Precision Agriculture and Intensive Farming” by Assist. Prof. Teerakiat Kerdcharoen Faculty of Science, Mahidol University (Biodata provided at p. 46-62)	
14.00-15.00 h	“Relevance Approaches for Invasive Pest Control: from Genetics to System Biotechnology for ASEAN” by Assist. Prof. Sujinda Thanaphum Faculty of Science, Mahidol University (Biodata provided at p. 63-65)	

*Online Registration URL: www.sc.mahidol.ac.th (No Registration Fee)

All programs are in English, *Coffee Breaks are available at 10.30-10.45 am., and 15.00 pm.

Hornbill Research and Sustainability of Forest Ecosystem

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Abstract

Hornbills are ancient and very large birds of tropical Africa and Asia. Most Asian hornbills inhabit in pristine evergreen forests of various types. They have secretive and intriguing nesting habit by the nesting female seals herself into a cavity of a large tree leaving a small gap for her mate to feed her and later the chick(s). Since she is unable to create her own nest cavity she must rely on a cavity which created by others, including wood decay fungi, woodpeckers. Majority of nest cavities are found in trees of families Dipterocarpaceae, Myrtaceae and Datistaceae depending on forest habitat type. Hornbills are omnivorous, but fruits are their main food. Over 100 species of plants are recorded in the diet of hornbills. Interaction between hornbills and food plants is obvious, where unharmed and viable seeds regurgitated along their flyways making them the efficient forest seed dispersal agents and are named 'farmers of the forest'. Due to ongoing forest destruction and hornbill poaching in certain areas hornbill populations have become threatened to extinction. Besides threats caused by human activities hornbills also face unfavorably natural situation within their habitat, that is the shortage of suitable nest cavity, the important limiting factor for breeding. In order to increase and sustain hornbill population and their habitats, research and community based conservation are strongly recommended.

Keywords: Hornbill, forest ecosystem, sustainability, conservation

Self Sufficiency Economy: Theory and Practice for Sustainable Development

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Abstract

Sustainable development is simply achieving development while minimizing its impact on resources and environmental quality. In recent years, many countries around the world have considered sustainable development a national agenda and have deployed several policies, strategies, and tools on this issue. In Thailand, "Self Sufficiency Economy (SSE)", initiated by H.M. King Bhumibol Adulyadej, is one of the proven strategies that can enhance the quality of Thai people and pursue sustainable development goal. Its philosophy is based on the fundamental principle of Thai culture and aims to balance between the local way of life and the rapid cultural and economic transitions. SSE can be applied to all levels and sectors of economy, emphasizing Moderation, Reasonableness, and Risk Management at the appropriate level depending on Knowledge and Virtue conditions.

SSE has been applied in Thailand's agricultural sector since the 1970s. After the 1997's economic crisis, SSE many non-agricultural sectors started to learn how to utilize SSE in their business as a tool for creating their immunity. This presentation aims to share the idea of SSE from theory into practice. One Chaipattana's project, The Tea Oil and Other Plant Oil Research Center in Chiang Rai province, is brought up for discussion as an example of applying SSE into operation towards sustainable development.

Nanotechnology for Precision Agriculture and Intensive Farming

Application of Precision Agriculture for Vineyard in Thailand

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Abstract

Thailand is in the New Latitude Wine regions, which are outside the traditional winemaking countries located between the 30th and 50th degrees latitude north and south. Therefore, the impact of environmental conditions of Thailand is different from the traditional winemaking countries. In this research, we investigated various types of sensors and developed software to make a so-called "smart vineyard" system within the framework of precision agriculture (PA). The system features (1) the capability to monitor microclimate condition for selection of proper time of various farming activities, for example, the ability to measure wind speed, relative humidity and temperature to select optimal times for spraying; (2) soil moisture monitoring for proper irrigation management in the vineyard; (3) display image from web camera to monitor the areas of vineyard that winemaker would like to monitor; (4) web-based technology for online vineyard monitoring. This system was successfully tested in a real vineyard at GranMonte vineyard, Nakhon Ratchasima, Thailand. It is hoped that such system will be widely adopted by various types of agriculture, e.g., tea and coffee plantation and fruit orchard.

Keywords: Precision agriculture, smart farm, viticulture, vineyard management

Acknowledgements

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Relevance Approaches for Invasive Pest Control: from Genetics to System Biotechnology for ASEAN

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Abstract

The tephritid fruit flies are both organisms with high level of modality for basic research, and economic pests causing reductions of fruit yields and generating constrains in the international market. Many of these flies are invasive due to their apparent wide host ranges, high fecundity, dispersal tendency, bioclimatic adaptive abilities, and globalization of fruit trade. The genetics research have been initiated and carried out to gain knowledge in the field of molecular χ olchicine, molecular ecology, chemical ecology, population genetics, cytogenetic, gene linkage mapping, and molecular biology of sex determination pathways from these insects. Subsequently, translational research with system biotechnology approach has been conducted to modernize Integrated Pest Management (IPM) using Sterile Insect Techniques (SIT) for ASEAN. Genetic tools such as genetic sexing strains, sperm-marking technology, and application of microsatellite DNA with mathematical analyses for practicing IPM using SIT were validated in a pilot-scale pest control programme with economic feasibility and sustainability assessment.

Keywords: the oriental fruit fly, genetic sexing strain, microsatellite DNA, Sterile Insect Techniques, *doublesex* genes



Student Joint Seminar
Scientific Impacts on Agriculture, Food Security and Sustainable Environment

19 – 20 March 2012

Organized by Faculty of Science, Mahidol University (MUSC)
Rama VI Rd., Bangkok 10400, the Kingdom of Thailand

Tuesday 19 March 2013 Venue: meeting Room, 1st floor, Satang Mongkolsuk Bld.

- 08.30 – 09.30 h **MC** – Mr. Phithak Inthima, MUSC
Registration
- Session 1: Computational and Materials Sciences**
Chairperson: Assist. Prof. Dr. Tanakorn Osothchan
- 09.30 – 09.50 h **S1** – “Image Analysis on the Surface Color of Fruits During Post-ripening”
by Honghua Ma, Niigata University
- 09.50 – 10.10 h **S2** – “An Electronic Nose for Amine Detection Based on Polymer/SWNT-COOH Nanocomposite”
by Panida Lorwongtragool, MUSC
- 10.10 – 10.30 h **S3** – “Portable Optical-based Electronic Nose using LEDs Array and Its Applications for Volatile Discrimination”
by Treenet Thepudom, MUSC
- 10.30 – 10.50 h **Refreshment**
- 10.50 – 11.10 h **S4** – “Application and Study of Poly Para-xylene Chloride Coating for Protection Properties”
by Dong Li, Niigata University
- 11.10 – 11.30 h **S5** – “CaO-looping process for CO₂ capture”
by Caiyun Gao, Niigata University
- 11.30 – 13.00 h **Lunch** (for speakers, chairpersons)
- Session 2: Science & cultures, Biodiversity, Ecology**
Chairperson: Assist. Prof. Dr. Aussanee Pichakum
- 13.00 – 13.20 h **S6** – “Unexpected relation of fruit cultivation methods and Japanese Traditional culture”
by Kensho Shimizu, Chiba University
- 13.20 – 13.40 h **S7** – “Elucidation of various factors affecting the symbiosis between soybean and arbuscular mycorrhizal fungi”
by Akiko Nihei, Chiba University
- 13.40 – 14.00 h **S8** – “Regeneration and clonal growth of natural Japanese cedar forest after typhoon disturbance in a snowy region of Japan”
by Takashi Nagashima, Niigata University
- 14.00 – 14.20 h **Refreshment**
- 14.20 – 14.40 h **S9** – “Effects of patch size on species diversity, species composition and trophic types of aquatic insects associated with floating plants in a wetland”
by Rungtip Wonglersak, MUSC
- 14.40 – 15.00 h **S10** – “Saltwater Wedge Intrusion and Its Control methods in the Estuary of Shinkawa River”
by Haisheng Liu, Niigata University

Wednesday 20 March 2013 Venue: meeting Room, 1st floor, Satang Mongkolsuk Bld.

MC – Mr. Phithak Inthima, MUSC

- 08.30 – 09.30 h Registration
Session 3: Bioscience, Biochemistry, Biomedical Sciences
Chairperson: Dr. Wisuwat Songnuan
- 09.30 – 09.50 h **S11** – “Studies on the detection of autophagy in the gastrointestinal tract”
by Koya Shinohara, Niigata University
- 09.50 – 10.10 h **S12** – “Variation in autophagic control to different genotypic families of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* in host macrophages”
by Fazlul Haque, MUSC
- 10.10 – 10.30 h **S13** – “Characterization of Major Allergens from Amaranthus Pollen among Thai Patients”
by Umaporn Siriwatanakul, MUSC
- 10.30 – 10.50 h Refreshment
- 10.50 – 11.10 h **S14** – “Metabolomic Analysis of *Artemisia annua* L. Plant in Responses to Ethephon”
by Netiya Karaket, MUSC
- 11.10 – 11.30 h **S15** – “Physiological and biochemical responses after molasses application to salt stress exposure of *Eucalyptus camaldulensis* seedling”
by Pacawee Daengkaew, MUSC
- 11.30 – 13.00 h Lunch (for speakers, chairpersons)
- Session 4: Gene and Cell Technology**
Chairperson: Assist. Prof. Dr. Sasivimon Swangpol
- 13.00 – 13.20 h **S16** – “Development and evaluation of the oriental fruit fly, genetic marker strain for the SIT”
by Siriwan Isasawin, MUSC
- 13.20 – 13.40 h **S17** – “Phylogenetic Study of the Banana Family (Musaceae) in Thailand
Based on *trnL-F* Region”
by Wandee Inta, MUSC
- 13.40 – 14.00 h **S18** – “Production of Polyploid plants in Kale and Raphanobrassia with olchicines and amyprophosmethyl treatments with the aid ethylene inhibitors”
by Hiroyuki Niimi
- 14.00 – 14.20 h Refreshment
- 14.20 – 14.40 h **S19** – “*Agrobacterium*-mediated transformation of Dendrobium Orchid”
by Wasana Phlaetita, Chiba University
- 14.40 – 15.00 h **S20** – “Transgenic tomato plants expressing two antifungal protein genes driven by a root specific *AtNRT2.1* promoter confer resistant against root pathogen”
by Kynet Kong, Chiba University
- 15.00– 15.20 h **S21** – “Identification of alpha-galactosidase gene in normal and curd coconuts (*Cocos nucifera* L.)”
By Chanrith Phoeurk, MUSC

S1 – Image Analysis on the Surface Color of Fruits During Post-ripening

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Abstract

Among the most significant factors in cultivation management and quality control of agricultural products is the evaluation of the color and shape of the product. Color evaluation of fruits, in particular, has been practically used not only as an effective method to determine the quality of fruits but also as an index of grade sorting and in determination of harvesting time. In order to produce high quality products, an intensive quality management during post-ripening processes is also highly considered.

Interestingly, one of the brand local specialties of Niigata Prefecture is the European pear '*Le Lectier*' which has been regarded as a highly valuable fruit due to its appearance, good taste, and its rich fragrance. Because of the increasing interest on the management of the quality of '*Le Lectier*' before shipment, hence in this work, we analyzed the changes in surface color and shape of the fruits of '*Le Lectier*' during post-ripening period by using color image processing. The technique involves the development of fruit color chart for '*Le Lectier*' that illustrates the condition on the fruit surface and the corresponding color patterns ranging from green to yellow. Discussions on the acquisition of the final fruit color chart of '*Le Lectier*' from the comparison between the experimentally derived prototype color charts and reference traditional color charts will be elaborated in the presentation.

Keywords: image analysis; '*Le Lectier*'; post-ripening management; surface color

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S2 – An Electronic Nose for Amine Detection Based on Polymer/SWNT-COOH Nanocomposite

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Abstract

An electronic nose (e-nose) system based on polymer/carboxylic-functionalized single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWNT-COOH) was developed for sensing various volatile amines. The SWNT-COOH dispersed in the matrix of different polymers; namely, PVC, cumene-PSMA, PSE and PVP, were deposited on interdigitated gold electrodes to make the gas sensors. The response of these sensors to volatile amines was studied by both static and dynamic flow measurements. It was found that all sensors exhibited behavioral response to volatile amines. Real-world application was demonstrated by applying this e-nose to monitor the odor of sun-dried snakeskin gourami that was pre-processed by salting-preservation. This electronic nose can discriminate sun-dried fish odors with different stored days using a simple pattern recognition based on the principal component analysis (PCA).

Keyword Electronic Nose, Volatile Amine, CNT/Polymer Gas Sensor, Fish Freshness Monitoring

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S3 – Portable Optical-based Electronic Nose using LEDs Array and Its Applications for Volatile Discrimination

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Abstract

Olfaction is critically important for all mammals including human for survivability. Recently, this natural capability has been mimicked as electronic nose (e-nose), thus widely utilized in many industries including environment monitoring, health care, securities, food quality assessment etc. Although several types of e-nose have been developed and demonstrated for their usefulness and efficiency, the optical-based method can provide some advantages over other counterparts. However, the optical based e-nose has been known for its high cost and large size to be widely realized by most users. In this work, we have developed a low-cost portable optical-based e-nose. The system was designed to have a compact size and simple to use. In this study, we have divided this works into 3 parts; gas sensing fabrication, molecular interactions underlying the sensing mechanism and the e-nose set up. The experimental results have shown that the optical e-nose successfully classifies various types of alcoholic odors, to be applied for health and food areas. Finally, we hope that this affordable instrument will be adopted for many industries in the future.

Keyword portable electronic nose, optical electronic nose, thin film gas sensor, LEDs light source, gas monitoring.

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S4 - Application and Study of Poly Para-xylene Chloride Coating for Protection Properties

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The environment is not only closely related to human life, but also impact stability of the various types of products. Under the influence of sunlight and rain, the failure of electronic components, such as the destruction of cultural heritage issues are caused. To develop the technology of the material surface protection is considered to be very important. Poly Para-xylene Chloride (Parylene) film is a kind of electrical insulation and corrosion resistance to a variety of excellent protective polymer materials, and Parylene deposition process is completely environmentally friendly, will not have any negative impact on humans and the environment. In our research, the deposition device was originally made to prepare poly Para-xylene Chloride thin film with better uniformity, integrity and protective performance.

Keyword: environment; Chemistry vapor deposition; PolyPara-xylene Chloride Coating; Protective Performance

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S5 - CaO-looping process for CO₂ capture

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Abstract

Nowadays, the global warming is a keen problem discussed in all over the world, thus the reduction of emissions of greenhouse gases from fossil fuel combustion is of great concern. CO₂ emission to the atmosphere from combustors of fossil fuels is one of the reasons of the increased concentrations of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere, so new combustion technologies are needed to solve this problem. In this study, three kinds of coal were burned in an oxygen-enriched atmosphere using a twin-fluidized bed solid circulation system under a condition of Calcium Looping process. This twin-fluidized bed system consisted of a fast bed regenerator (calciner) into which fuel and oxygen-enriched gas were fed and a bubbling bed absorber (carbonator) into which air was fed. Inert quartz sand was employed as the bed material to evaluate the combustion behavior of coal, including char transportation from regenerator to absorber and formation of CO and CO₂ there. The results showed that high volatile coal was reactive and low emissions of CO and CO₂ were observed in absorber, but the emission of NO_x from the regenerator was a little higher than those of low volatile coal, also knew that consideration of only the volatile matter is not sufficient for coal selection, choice of bed material and process controlling parameter are also important.

Keyword: Calcium looping, Nitric oxide, Coal combustion, Fluidized bed

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S6 - Unexpected relation of fruit cultivation methods and Japanese traditional culture

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The cultivation area of Japanese apple 'fuji' has been extending in China, Korea, USA, and Australia in recent year. However, a lack of winter chilling for breaking bud endodormancy has been occurring in the low-latitude regions. We revealed the unexpected relation of fruit cultivation methods and Japanese traditional culture.

Keywords

Fruit cultivation methods, Japanese traditional culture

S7 - Elucidation of various factors affecting the symbiosis between soybean and arbuscular mycorrhizal fungi

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Abstract

Roots of soybean (or soya bean) establish symbiosis with nodule-inducing rhizobia and AM fungi. AM fungi absorb phosphate ion and some minor elements in soil and supply them for its host plant. At the same time, AM fungi obtain carbon compounds from host plant as an energy source. In this association, AM fungi generally promote the growth of host plant. The research on AM fungi contributes to the sustainability of agricultural production in the world as well as the resolution of environmental problems, such as forest conservation.

(1) Host specificity of AM fungi in the root of soybean

Soybeans were inoculated with four species of AM fungi (*Gigaspora rosea*, *Gigaspora margarita*, *Glomus etunicatum*, and *Glomus clarum*). The number of AM fungal spore multiplied in potting soil was counted by wet sieving method. A large difference in the spore number multiplied in soil was observed among four AM fungal species. This may be due to the difference in the mycorrhizal formation among four AM fungal species tested.

(2) Influence of phosphate application on the AM fungal colonization rate in the root of soybean

Root samples of soybean colonizing an AM fungus, *Gigaspora rosea*, were stained with trypan blue in this experiment. The F% (Frequency of mycorrhizal colonization), the M% (Intensity of mycorrhizal colonization), and the A% (Arbuscule abundance) in the roots of soybean were investigated. I found that the F%, M% and A% in the roots of soybean decreased with an increase in the rate of phosphate application.

Keyword: soybean, AM fungi, Host specificity, phosphate application

S8 - Regeneration and clonal growth of natural Japanese cedar forest after typhoon disturbance in a snowy region of Japan

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Abstract

Japanese cedar (*Cryptomeria japonica*) is the coniferous, endemic tree species in Japan. The purpose of this study is to clarify the effects of disturbance on regeneration by seeds and clonal growth of Japanese cedar forest. By comparing two plots (stable and disturbed), the seedlings and clonal growth of Japanese cedar were investigated in a natural forest in a snowy region of Japan. The disturbed plot had been attacked by a large typhoon in 1999 and had the large canopy gap while the stable plot might never been taken any critical disturbance. In the disturbed plot, the number and the length of cedar seedlings are greater than the stable plot, especially on mounds and on fallen trees. It was estimated that fifty-seven trees (/ha) have been fallen in the disturbed plot. Eighty-three percent of fallen trees are alive, and their buds and sprouts have grown as large as other trees. This result shows Japanese cedar reproduces their stems not only by layering but also buds of fallen trees. This study suggests that the large gap formation promotes seedling growth, and that fallen trees may have a strong effect on the regeneration of the forest.

Keywords: Clonal growth, Japanese cedar, Regeneration of natural forest, Typhoon disturbance

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S9 - Effects of patch size on species diversity, species composition and trophic types of aquatic insects associated with floating plants in a wetland

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This study was aimed to explore factors influencing community structure by manipulating sizes of habitat patch and monitoring change in community structure through time. Epiphytons (representing by aquatic insects) associated with floating plants (representing by water hyacinth) with different sizes (representing patch sizes increasing from 5%, 10%, 20% up to 80% in each week) were studied in Mahidol University wetlands, Salaya Campus for 9 weeks. Aquatic insects were monitored by examining species or Recognizable Taxonomic Units (RTUs) and abundance. It was found that in natural growth, % cover of floating plants were constant at 5% during the study. The maximum species richness was 16 and 11 in manipulated and natural patches, respectively. Maximum species diversity was found in manipulated patches of 70% cover at 8 weeks from the start time of experiment. Four trophic levels were classified. Invert trophic structures were found in both conditions. Diving beetle and Damselfly nymph were tertiary consumer with highest numbers followed by Water boatman (secondary consumer), Mayfly nymph (primary consumer) and Creeping water bug (quaternary consumer). These results suggest that percent cover of floating plants and time of colonization affect structures of community of aquatic insects in a wetland community in term of number of species, diversity and species that used floating plants as microhabitat. Tertiary consumer may use floating plants as cover to predate other species outside.

Keywords: aquatic insects, floating plants, habitat patches, trophic types, wetland

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S10 - Saltwater Wedge Intrusion and Its Control methods in the Estuary of Shinkawa River

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The seawater intrusion renders the quality of river water unsuitable for agricultural use. To avoid saltwater mixture to the irrigation water, closing the sluice gate at the Shinkawa river mouth and stopping water intake pump stations have been implemented when the wedge is expected to ascend up to the height of pumps' intake opening. However, operating drainage pumps incurs a cost and stopping pumps causes shortage of irrigation water. This study, therefore, aims at analyzing the characteristics of saltwater wedge, evaluating the influence of saltwater intrusion on irrigation water and finding inexpensive but effective countermeasures to control the saltwater intrusion. The shape and behavior of saltwater wedge in Shinkawa River were visualized through field surveys and numerical calculation under different conditions. Then, the one-dimensional and two-layer unsteady flow model was applied to calculate the depth of density interface in 2011. It can be found that the EC value reaches 1500 μ S/cm when the vertical distance between the pump opening and halocline zone becomes less than 1.2m, and this situation was estimated to occur in about 23.0% of the total irrigation period. Based on the research above, the in-situ experiment that push-out the saltwater layer outside the river through a submerged orifice was conducted to control the saltwater wedge. As a result of the experiment, the height of the interface between saltwater and freshwater close to intake of pumps falls about 1.5 m within 4 hours. This method can be adopted to limit or prevent the saltwater intrusion in this river.

Keyword: Saltwater Wedge, Eco-sounding Profiling System, Numerical Simulation, Density Interface

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S11 - Studies on the Detection of Autophagy in the Gastrointestinal Tract

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Autophagy, conserved in all eukaryotes, is a lysosomal bulk degradation process of intracellular components including proteins. It significantly contributes to the turnover and rebuilding of cellular components. Autophagy is induced to supply hosts with energy and amino acids when they are fasted and is known to be regulated by nutrients such as amino acids. Although various organs/tissues are used in studies of autophagy, studies in the gastrointestinal tract are quite limited and the method to assess the autophagy in the small intestine have not established yet. However, some researchers begin to pay attention to the relationship between autophagy and the atrophy of gastrointestinal tract which has become a serious issue recently, because protein metabolism in atrophy of the small intestine of patients is significantly altered by the suppression of protein synthesis and/or the increase of proteolysis. Therefore, we attempted to establish the method to assess autophagy in the small intestine. To investigate the involvement of autophagy in atrophy of the gastrointestinal tract, we employed male Wistar rats fasted for 2 days, a typical condition causing atrophy. The detection of autophagy in the small intestine was undertaken by immunostaining technique, a morphological detection and a western blot, a biochemical determination. As a result, it was proved that autophagy actively works in the small intestine. Therefore, it is suggested that autophagy is potentially involved in the atrophy of the gastrointestinal tract.

Keywords: Autophagy, Small Intestine, Starvation

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S12 - Variation in autophagic control to different genotypic families of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* in host macrophages

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Abstract

Tuberculosis, caused by *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* (Mtb), is a major global health problem in the world. Mtb infection outcomes are thought to depend upon a complex interplay between host and microbial factors. Epidemiological studies have revealed the differences in virulence among Mtb genotypic families, especially the Beijing family which is reported to be more virulent and associated with poor clinical outcomes and drug resistance when compared to those of the Non-Beijing strains. The Beijing family's hyper-virulence is thought to be resulted from the greater ability to block its phagocytic delivery to lysosome. Recently, autophagy induction has been shown to enhance mycobacteria elimination in host cells by promoting the delivery of *Mycobacterium* laboratory reference strains to lysosome. Autophagy is a biological conserved process by which cytoplasmic contents are engulfed in double membrane vacuole called autophagosome which subsequently fuses with lysosome to digest the sequestered contents. However, the difference in autophagic killing ability of Beijing and Non-Beijing clinical isolates by host macrophages remains undetermined. We hypothesize that the Beijing strains possess greater ability to inhibit host cell autophagy when compared to those of the Non-Beijing clinical isolates. To test this hypothesis we used 10 clinical isolates of both Beijing and Non-Beijing families which include 5 different RFLP groups together with 2 different *pks 15/1* characteristics and a virulent laboratory reference strain (H37Rv). The results showed that upon induction of autophagy, the Beijing isolates can greater resist the autophagic killing of mycobacteria by host cells when compared to those of the Non-Beijing strains such as the Nonthaburi and Single-band isolates. Interestingly, the delivery of all mycobacterial strains to lysosomes is increased as expected upon autophagic induction. To our surprise, the percent colocalization of the Beijing isolates with lysosomes upon autophagic induction appears to be greater increased when compared to those of the Non-Beijing families. These results indicated that even though the Beijing isolates are able to greater inhibit the autophagic killing of Mtb, these strains do so not by inhibiting the delivery of the mycobacteria to lysosomes but through another mechanism.

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S13 - Characterization of Major Allergens from *Amaranthus* Pollen among Thai Patients

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Amaranthus is commonly known as careless weed or Phak khom in Thai. It usually grows in agricultural fields, along road sides and waste areas. *Amaranthus* pollen allergy has been recognized as a severe problem in several countries, including Thailand. Although there are several *Amaranthus* species growing abundantly along roadsides in Thailand, no published data about *Amaranthus* allergy is available. So far, only one allergenic component of *Amaranthus* pollen has been identified and sequenced from *A. retroflexus*, Ama r 2 but this species cannot be found in Thailand. Therefore, identification of major allergens from *Amaranthus* pollens species in Thailand is clinically important for allergic disease diagnostics. Samples of *Amaranthus* inflorescence were collected and identified. There are two species of *Amaranthus* of which pollen can be collected—*A. hybridus* and *A. spinosus*. The crude extract of pollen from both species was separated by SDS-PAGE. Allergenic proteins were analyzed by immunoblot with serum obtained from thirteen allergic patients. SDS-PAGE analysis revealed that *A. hybridus* and *A. spinosus* pollen proteins comprised of at least twelve discrete protein bands with molecular weight ranging from 10 kD to 80 kD. Even though protein profiles obtained from SDS-PAGE of two *Amaranthus* species were similar, immunoreactivity was found to be different. The 20 kD, 25 kD and 37 kD bands were major allergens of *A. spinosus*. However, only the 25 kD band was the major allergen of *A. hybridus*.

Keywords: Allergen, *Amaranthus*, Pollen, SDS-PAGE, Immunoblot

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S14 - Metabolomic Analysis of *Artemisia annua* L. Plant in Responses to Ethephon

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Metabolome is the one of major tools for postgenomic analysis besides transcriptome or proteome. With the recent advance technique, mass spectrometry (MS) can apply to identify huge amounts of data set for non-targeted metabolite profiling. The generated data set can give a meaningful interpretation by observed their correlation. In this studied focusing on the effect of ethephon, an ethylene releasing agent on the metabolome of *Artemisia annua* plant. Biochemical responses of different *A. annua* lines to ethephon were observed by gas chromatography-mass spectrometry (GC-MS). The principal component analysis (PCA) of metabolite in each line could distinguish the plant samples into two groups as those that highly respond and slightly respond to ethephon. The variations of metabolic profiles were observed according to different genomic backgrounds of *A. annua* derived from mutant lines. Interestingly, ethephon affect to increase the target compound, artemisinin in most of plant extracts. Since artemisinin is a major useful compound use for antimalarial drug, therefore ethephon can be further applied as elicitor to increase its production.

Keywords: *Artemisia annua*, ethephon, metabolomics, artemisinin, GC-MS

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S15 - Physiological and biochemical responses after molasses application to salt stress exposure of *Eucalyptus camaldulensis* seedling

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Abstract

Eucalyptus camaldulensis is one of the important economic trees with high potential species for rehabilitation of forest. Increasing salt tolerance ability of *E. camaldulensis* is necessary for success plantation at salt - affected area. Molasses; a liquid residue by products of sugar industries has been suggested as soil amendments, plant organic fertilizer and increased population number of soil microorganism throughout growing season (Lee, 2010). The investigation was aimed to study the effect of molasses on physiological and biochemical changes of *E. camaldulensis* seedlings under salt stress condition. Sixty day - old seedlings with 5 pairs leaves were transferred to a culture bottle containing 50 ml half - strength Murashige and Skoog (1962) medium and 30 g L⁻¹ vermiculite supplemented with molasses solution (5, 10 or 20 ml L⁻¹) then exposed to 0 and 300 mM NaCl for 7 days. The results showed that net photosynthetic rate, photosynthetic efficiency and relative water content in leaf significantly increased after exposing to 5, 10 and 20 ml L⁻¹ molasses however the electrolyte leakage and proline content significantly decreased. It was proposed that molasses might act as an exogenous substance to enhance the resistance under salt stress condition of *Eucalyptus camaldulensis* seedlings.

Key words: *Eucalyptus camaldulensis*, molasses, salt stress, physiological response, biochemical response

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S16 – Development and Evaluation of the Oriental Fruit Fly, Genetic Marker Strain for SIT

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The oriental fruit fly, *Bactrocera dorsalis* (Hendel), is a destructive agricultural pest worldwide, causing a loss of quality and quantity of economic crop yields. In pest control, sterile insect technique (SIT) involves field release of large numbers of mass-reared and sterile insects, resulting in successful suppression or eradication of a fruit fly population through infertile matings. Assessment of SIT efficiency requires an accurate identifiable marker for released flies in monitoring, leading to the development and evaluation of a genetic marker strain of this fly. Marker strain development was carried out by characterization of eleven microsatellite DNA markers. Moreover, a test examined the mating effectiveness of the sterile mass-reared strain by egg hatchability. Fruit flies were released into the field cages that simulated different fruit fly control scenarios. The newly developed markers were used to evaluate the maintenance of genetic equilibrium of the strain under mass-rearing conditions. The newly characterized Y-linked microsatellite markers were also used for strain identification to discriminate released sterile males from wild males in order to reduce cost and misidentification in the field monitoring of SIT. Field cage tests suggested that sterile mass-reared males were as competitive as wild males in mating with wild females. Finally, this marker strain can be massively produced, released, and successfully suppress the target wild population in open field testing, and can provide a lower fruit infestation rate. Therefore, the novel microsatellite marker strain will help to increase efficiency and safety of SIT against oriental fruit flies.

Keywords: *Bactrocera dorsalis*, marker strain, SIT, field cage test

S17 - Phylogenetic Study of the Banana Family (Musaceae) in Thailand Based on *trnL-F* Region

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The banana family or Musaceae, an economically important tropical crop plants, distribute in tropical region of Asia, Africa, and Australia. This family comprises of three genera, *Musa* (around 65 species), *Ensete* (8-9 species) and the monotypic genus *Musella*. Phylogenetic study of the banana eases correct and accurate classification of the banana. Moreover, new genetic resources are useful in banana breeding program. In this study, phylogenetic analyses of 30 banana accessions, including 13 species and 4 subspecies in Thailand were analysed along with sequences of 13 banana species from GenBank database based on *trnL-F* sequences on chloroplast genome. *Ravenala madagascariensis* F.J. Gmel. and *Phenakospermum guyannense* (Rich.) Endl. ex Miq. was used as an outgroup. Phylogenetic tree was constructed using Maximum parsimony method and Neighbor-joining method. The analyses showed that the Musaceae is monophyletic and do not support classification of the sections. *Callimusa* species formed a clade with *Australimusa* species, meanwhile, *Musella*, *Ensete*, *Musa ingens* and *Musa* sp. formed a clade with *Rhodochlamys* species. The phylogenetic position of the monospecific *Musella* genus as sister to the clade of *Ensete* suggested that *Musella* is closely related to the *Ensete* species more than to the *Musa* species. However, molecular alone cannot provided reasonable clearly and should be comparison with other characters, such as morphology and anatomy. Next study, we investigate on floral morphology and anatomy to combine with molecular phylogenetic study.

Keyword DNA sequence; molecular phylogeny; Musaceae; *trnL-F*; diversity

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S18 - Production of Polyploid plants in Kale and Raphanobrassica with colchicine and amyprophosmethyl treatments with the aid of ethylene inhibitors

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Brassicaceae plants are known to contain glucosinolates as antioxidants. Recently, we found that some Raphanobrassica plants produced by the cross between radish (*Raphanus sativus*) and Kale (*Brassica oleracea*) showed higher glucosinate contents than both parents. For further breeding of these hybrids, it is necessary to restore the fertility by producing amphidiploid of the hybrids by chromosome doubling. In this study, therefore, we tried to induce chromosome doubling of radish, kale and Raphanobrassica by imbibing the seeds with a solution of colchicine or Tokunol-M (60% amiprophosmethyl) for 24 h, follow by in vitro culture on 1/2 MS medium. In radish and kale, 15 mg/l Tokunol-M induced high polyploidization rate. Chromosome-doubled seedlings could be easily detected by the inhibited growth 7 days after sowing and those having less than 0.1 g fresh weight were all tetraploid, indicating that tetraploid plants can be selected easily one week after initiation of chromosome doubling treatment. In our previous study, we obtained hexaploid and octaploid. All 3 kinds of polyploidy Raphanobrassica (4, 6 and 8X) showed chlorosis of leaves after transfer onto fresh 1/2 MS medium. Addition of 4 mg/l silver nitrate, an ethylene inhibitor, to the medium resulted in decreased number of the chlorotic leaves. AVG (aminoethoxyvinyglycine), another ethylene inhibitor was also effective to prevent chlorosis at 0.2 mg/l in all the 3 kinds of polyploids. By applying these ethylene inhibitors to medium, polyploidization rate was also increased.

Keywords: Chromosome doubling, Antimiotic agents, Ethylene inhibitor

S19 - *Agrobacterium*-mediated transformation of Dendrobium Orchid

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Abstract

Dendrobium orchid is one of the most important ornamental plants as potted plant and cut flower with a variety of color except for blue. In this study, *Agrobacterium*-mediated genetic transformation was carried out by co-cultivating PLBs with *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* strain EHA101 carrying pIG121Hm, which harbored β -glucuronidase (*GUS*) gene as a reported gene and hygromycin phosphotransferase II (*hptII*) gene as selectable gene used for clarifying optimum conditions and 3 kinds of 3 vectors containing flavonoid-3',5'-hydroxylase (F3'5'H) gene, used for producing blue flower color. After selection of the infected PLBs on ND medium containing 1% maltose, 20 mg/l hygromycin and 20 mg/l meropenem for 4 months, regenerated plantlets were obtained from secondary PLBs produced from survived PLBs. The highest efficiencies of PLBs with hygromycin resistance were 15% in the former and 5.9-7.1% in the latter vectors, respectively, when they were inoculated with 10 times diluted *Agrobacterium* solution (OD₆₀₀=0.1) for 30 minutes with shaking culture (80 rpm). Transformation of the hygromycin resistant plantlets was confirmed by GUS histochemical assay and PCR analysis.

Keywords: genetic transformation, *Agrobacterium*- mediated, Dendrobium

S20 - Transgenic tomato plants expressing two antifungal protein genes driven by a root specific *AtNRT2.1* promoter confer resistant against root pathogen

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Abstract

Fusarium wilt is an economically important disease of tomato, caused by the soil-born fungus *Fusarium oxysporum f. sp. lycopersici*. We previously reported that wasabi defensin (WD) gene (0.5 kb) and synthetic chitinase (NIC) gene (1.2kb) were used to confer resistant against soil-borne diseases. In this study, these two antifungal genes were linked to a root-specific promoter (1.1 kb) of *AtNRT2.1* (nitrate transporter 2.1) gene derived from *A. thaliana* then transform into tomato to enhance resistant against *F. oxysporum*. Generated tomato was confirmed by southern hybridization and western blot analysis. The result indicated stable integrations of the transgene into tomato genome with different locations and the protein were accumulated only in root. Disease resistant bioassay against *F. oxysporum* was conducted, all transgenic plants showed increased levels of resistant compared to control. Antifungal activity of protein extract from root or leaf tissue was assayed as CFU (colony forming unit). The CFU values of the control plants did not have significant differences between roots and leaf extracts, however, their values of root extracts in transgenic plants expressing *AtNRT2.1:WD2* and *AtNRT2.1:NIC7* (3.83 and 4.33 CFU respectively) were much lower than those of control (18.25CFU). These results suggest that promoter of *AtNRT2.1* gene successfully trigger the two antifungal genes to be expressed in root and conferred increased level of resistant against root pathogen *F. oxysporum*. On the view of food security, root specific expression of the transgenes is desirable due to T-DNA does not express in the fruit of edible part of tomato.

Key words: *Fusarium oxysporum*, root-specific promoter, Nitrate transporter 2.1

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S21 - Identification of alpha-galactosidase gene in normal and curd coconuts (*Cocos nucifera* L.)

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Abstract

Curd coconut is a mutation of coconut endosperm which its solid endosperm becomes soft, its liquid endosperm remains as jelly, and sometimes filling the entire nut cavity. Curd coconut was found to be single gene homozygous recessive [1-3], and have the accumulation of galactomannan which is caused by the deficiency of a galactomannan degrading enzymes [4]. This coconut is also deficient of alpha-D-galactosidase enzyme activity [5]. In fact, this gene has not been identified yet in coconut. Therefore, this study was aimed to identify the responsible gene (alpha-galactosidase) in both normal and curd coconuts, and the types of mutation which cause the curd coconut phenotype. In our results, two isoforms of alpha-galactosidase gene (Gal I and Gal II) have been found in the endosperm of normal mature coconut. Gal II was predominately expressed while Gal I was expressed in vegetative parts but very low in mature endosperm. The coding cDNA of coconut Gal II contained 1152 bp (383 amino acids), and belonged to GH31 superfamily. The deduced amino acid sequences of coconut Gal II and α -galactosidase from tobacco, grape, rice, maize and Arabidopsis showed over 78%, 76%, 73%, 63% and 70% homology respectively. The size of Gal II gene on genomic DNA was about 7.5kb, and it showed some point mutations in the intron regions of curd coconuts while the coding cDNA contained point mutation of one amino acid. Moreover, the α -galactosidase activity in solid endosperm of normal coconut increased during the development stage of endosperm whereas in the curd coconut could not be detected. The tissue enzyme activity staining also showed the accumulation of the enzyme started from the inner layer of solid endosperm of 8 months age then evenly distributed to the whole layer of mature endosperm when the embryo started to germinate in normal coconut but absent in curd coconut.

Keywords: Curd coconut, galactomannan, α -galactosidase, gene mutation

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Appendix

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