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PROGRAMME

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Wednesday 17th June, 2015

09:00-14:00 *Registration*
14:00-15:00 *Lunch*

Section I: **Plant Biotechnology**

15:00-15:30 *Opening Ceremony*
15:30-16:00 (Invited talk) **Alain Tissier** Systems biology of a plant cell factory, the tomato glandular trichomes
16:00-16:20 (Invited talk) **Jules Beekwilder** Biotechnological production of plant compounds
16:20-16:40 (Invited talk) **Milen Georgiev** Metabolomics, lead, discovery and plant biotechnology: perfect holistic match?
16:40-17:00 (Invited talk) **Dragana Božić** Exploring the secondary metabolism in trichomes of *Salvia fruticosa* and *Rosmarinus officinalis*: the case of carnosic acid
17:00-17:30 *Coffee break*
17:30-17:45 (Selected talk) **Milica Bogdanović** Problems in detecting activity of fluorescent reporter genes – case of DsRED and GFP
17:45-18:00 (Selected talk) **Stevan Jeknić** Alteration of flower color in *Solanum lycopersicum* through ectopic expression of a gene for capsanthin-capsorubin synthase from *Lilium lancifolium*
18:00-18:15 (Selected talk) **Miloš Prokopijević** Characterization of soybean hull peroxidase immobilized on glycidyl methacrylate copolymers
18:30-19:30 *Poster session: Plant Biotechnology*
20:00-21:00 *Dinner*
21:00- *Wine tasting*

Wednesday 17th June, 2015

08:00-09:00 *Breakfast*

Section II: **Plant Growth, Development, Metabolism and Nutrition**

09:00-09:30 (Invited talk) **James Giovannoni** Harnessing genetic diversity to better understand regulation of tomato fruit ripening and nutritional quality
09:30-09:50 (Invited talk) **Christian Fankhasuer** Photosensory receptor-mediated growth responses in Arabidopsis
09:50-10:10 (Invited talk) **David Honys** Male germline development: lesson from the -omics
10:10-10:30 (Invited talk) **Dragan Vinterhalter** Acid growth theory, auxin and potato phototropism
10:30-10:50 (Invited talk) **Bojana Banović** How to avoid self-fertilization in plants- a buckwheat story
10:50-11:20 *Coffee break*

11:20-11:50	(Invited talk) Hrvoje Fulgosi	Revisiting alternative electron partitioning pathways in photosynthesis
11:50-12:10	(Invited talk) Miroslav Nikolić	The rhizosphere: perspective and challenges for plant nutrition
12:10-12:30	(Invited talk) Jelena Samardžić	Silicon alleviates oxidative stress in cucumber plants grown under copper excess
12:30-12:45	(Selected talk) Lidija Begović	Lignin deposition and synthesis in the internodes during barley (<i>Hordeum vulgare</i> L.) development
12:45-13:00	(Selected talk) Milan Dragičević	DUF1070 is a conserved signature domain of some arabinogalactan peptides
13:00-13:15	(Selected talk) Jan Fíla	Phosphoproteomics profiling of tobacco mature pollen and pollen activated <i>in vitro</i>
13:15-13:30	(Selected talk) Václav Motyka	New findings about the role of <i>cis</i> -zeatin-type cytokinins in plant physiology and evolution
14:00-15:00	<i>Lunch</i>	

Section III: Plant and Fungal Natural Products in Human Nutrition and Medicine

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15:50-16:10	(Invited talk) Marina Soković	Alternative sources of natural products: mystery of mushrooms and beyond
16:10-16:25	(Selected talk) Miloš Đorđević	<i>Centaurium erythraea</i> extract improves redox-status and antioxidant enzyme activity of STZ-treated pancreatic β -cells and diabetic rat liver and kidney
16:25-16:40	(Selected talk) Bojan Jevtić	Effects of cucumber extracts on cytokine production in encephalitogenic cells
16:40-16:55	(Selected talk) Filis Morina	Quercetin 7- <i>O</i> -glucoside inhibits the formation of dinitrocatechins and their quinones in catechin/nitrite systems under stomach simulating conditions
16:55-17:10	(Selected talk) Milica Pešić	Development of natural product drugs in a sustainable manner
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Section IV: Phytochemistry

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18:00-18:20	(Invited talk) Sokol Abazi	Chemical analysis of secondary metabolites isolated from endemic Albanian plants with subcritical CO ₂
18:20-18:40	(Invited talk) Vuk Maksimović	Composition and therapeutic values of berry wines - bitter truth about sweet product
18:40-19:00	(Invited talk) Maja Natić	Phenolic profiles of wild fruits grown in Serbia
19:00-19:15	(Selected talk) Dorisa Cela	NMR structure elucidation of a new alkaloid isolated from <i>Gymnospermium maloi</i>
19:15-19:30	(Selected talk) Đura Nakarada	Thapsic acid, a rarely found natural product among bryophyte species
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20:30-21:00	Dinner
21:00-21:30	Presentation of Petnica Science Center
21:30-22:30	Tour around Petnica Science Center

Friday 19th June, 2015

08:00-09:00 Breakfast

Section V: Biodiversity and Conservation

09:00-09:30	(Invited talk) Goran Anačkov	Phenotypic plasticity or new taxa?
09:30-09:50	(Invited talk) Jelena Aleksić	What does Balkan Peninsula has to offer to conservation biologists?
09:50-10:10	(Invited talk) Maja Lazarević	Plant diversity drivers in the Balkans: ploidization, hybridization and cryptic speciation
10:10-10:25	(Selected talk) Zora Dajić Stevanović	Conservation of floristic and vegetation diversity in Southeast Europe: sustainable use and ecosystem services approach
10:25-10:40	(Selected talk) Mihailo Jelić	Assessment of genetic integrity and diversity of <i>Populus nigra</i> in protected areas along the Danube River
10:40-10:55	(Selected talk) Marko Sabovljević	Conservation biology of European bryophytes
11:10-11:30	Coffee break	

Section VI: Evolutionary Plant Biology

11:30-12:00	(Invited talk) Petr Smýkal	Past legume crop domestication and agriculture of tomorrow
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12:40-12:55	(Selected talk) Aleksej Tarasjev	Population scale multi-year monitoring of <i>Iris pumila</i> in Deliblato Sand: flowering phenology
12:55-13:10	(Selected talk) Vukica Vujić	Light induces variation in size and shape of <i>Iris pumila</i> flower parts in two natural habitats
13:10-13:25	(Selected talk) Sanja Manitašević Jovanović	How do <i>Iris pumila</i> plants respond to photo-oxidative stress in the wild: the variation of leaf functional traits?
13:30-13:45	Group photo	
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Section VII: Molecular mechanisms underlying health compounds biosynthesis in fruits (COST ACTION FA1106)

11:50-15:40	(Invited talk) Angelos Kanellis	Introduction to Session Genetic improvement of fruits and vegetables for health
15:40-16:10	(Invited talk) Mondher Bouzayen	Cross-talk between multiple hormone signaling pathways associated with the ripening of tomato fruit
16:10-16:40	(Invited talk) Julia T Vrebalov	The role of transcription factors in regulation of tomato fruit ripening and quality

16:40-17:10	(Invited talk) Cathie Martin	Engineering the production of health-promoting metabolites in tomato for studies of comparative nutrition
17:10-17:40	(Invited talk) Giovanni Giuliano	Tomato fruit carotenoid biosynthesis: regulation and evolutionary aspects
17:40-18:10	(Invited talk) Panagiotis Kalaitzis	Suppression of a tomato prolyl 4 hydroxylase results in multiple alterations on fruit development, ripening and health components
18:10-18:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
18:30-19:30	Poster sessions: <i>Biodiversity and Conservation; Evolutionary Plant Biology</i>	
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08:00-09:00 *Breakfast*

Section VIII: Abiotic and Biotic Stress and Ecophysiology

09:00-09:30	(Invited talk) Harro Bouwmeester	Strigolactones. Key players in the adaptation of plants to the abiotic environment
09:30-09:50	(Invited talk) Miroslav Lisjak	H ₂ S and NO signalling in plants
09:50-10:10	(Invited talk) Jelena Savić	Essential oils elicit defense genes in potato: Can volatiles released from damaged plants prime defense in their undamaged neighbours?
10:10-10:30	(Invited talk) Živko Jovanović	<i>Alyssum markgrafii</i> as a model organism to study metal hyperaccumulation
10:30-10:45	<i>Coffee break</i>	
10:45-11:00	(Selected talk) Dejana Panković	The influence of <i>Trichoderma</i> spp. treatment on water regime, ABA content and gene expression in leaves and roots of tomato in drought conditions
11:00-11:15	(Selected talk) Zorana Katanić	Effect of dynamic changes of vegetative compatibility types in <i>Cryphonectria parasitica</i> populations on biological control of chestnut blight in Croatia
11:15-11:30	(Selected talk) Nevena Nagl	Effect of <i>in vitro</i> induced water deficit on lipid peroxidation intensity and antioxidant capacity of sugar beet
11:30-11:45	(Selected talk) Marija Vidović	High PAR and UV-B radiation-induced differential responses in green and white leaf sectors of <i>Pelargonium zonale</i> in relation to sugar, antioxidative and phenolic metabolism
12:00-13:00	Poster session: <i>Abiotic and Biotic Stress and Ecophysiology</i>	
13:00-13:30	<i>Closing Ceremony</i>	
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16:00-19:30	<i>Excursion (Gradac Canyon and "Čelije" Monastery)</i>	
19:30	<i>Departure</i>	
21:00	<i>Arrival in Belgrade</i>	

Activity of nitrogen assimilation enzymes in soybean seedlings infected with hemibiotrophic fungi

PP8-19

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The purpose of this research was to compare how soybean seedlings (*Glycine max* L., cultivar Bečejka) cope with different nutrition acquisition strategies of hemibiotrophic fungi: *Rhizoctonia solani* Kühn and *Sclerotinia sclerotiorum* (Lib.) de Bary. Severe changes at morphological and histological level after inoculation with both fungi were accompanied by significant changes in nitrogen assimilation enzymes activities in leaves and roots of 21-day-old soybean plants. Infected seedlings had decreased nitrate reductase (NR) (2-fold the amount of control, on average) and glutamate synthase (GS) activity (40-60%), except in leaves infected with *S. sclerotiorum*. Glutamate dehydrogenase (GDH) activity increased 46-75% after the pathogen infection, being highest during *R. solani* infection. High GDH values in infected organs (0.26-0.47 $\mu\text{mol NADH mg}^{-1}$ protein) point to enhanced nitrogen remobilization process from infected tissue, possibly to restrict available nutrients to pathogens, among other things beneficial to plant. Differences in GS and GDH activities in the same organs depending on pathogen infection showed that plants cope differently with these fungi at this stage of development, or that time of switching from bio- to necrotrophic lifestyle differs between investigated pathogens. Due to adaptable lifestyle of hemibiotrophic fungi, mechanistic details that allow pathogen to control host metabolic pathways are unknown, and for this reason the understanding of plant nutrient acquisition could be of great importance in the development of novel disease control strategies.

Keywords: biotic stress, hemibiotrophic fungi, nitrogen metabolism

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Effect of nitrogen nutrition on water use efficiency of wheat cultivars under well-watered and drought conditions

PP8-20

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Optimal nitrogen (N) nutrition has been shown to alleviate the negative effects of drought stress (DS) on plants. In this study, the effects of different ratios of N nutrition on the water use efficiency (WUE) of ten wheat cultivars were investigated under DS and non-DS conditions. The experiment was conducted in a greenhouse with four growth conditions:

1. Well watered (60% field capacity) in the presence of sufficient N (60 mg N kg⁻¹ soil)
2. Well watered (60% field capacity) in the presence of low N (3-4 mg N kg⁻¹ soil)
3. Water limited (20% field capacity) in the presence of sufficient N (60 mg N kg⁻¹ soil)
4. Water limited (20% field capacity) in the presence of low N (3-4 mg N kg⁻¹ soil).