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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 Georgi** 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*

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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 L.</i>) 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
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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
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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-O-glucoside inhibits the formation of dinitrosocatechins 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
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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	<i>Dinner</i>
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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: ploidy, 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	<i>Coffee break</i>	

Section VI: Evolutionary Plant Biology

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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	<i>Group photo</i>	
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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
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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

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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?
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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>	
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Allelopathic effect of aqueous extracts of *Urtica dioica* L. on germination and growth of some cereals

PP8-4

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Allelopathy refers to beneficial or harmful effects of one plant on another plant, from the release of chemicals from plant parts by leaching, root exudation, residue decomposition and other processes in both natural and agricultural systems. Commonly cited effects of allelopathy include reduced seed germination and seedling growth. Nettle (*Urtica dioica* L.) is a species of wild edible plants, which grows on neglected places like weeds, and is encountered along the edges of fields planted with agricultural crops. The allelopathic potential of *U. dioica* aqueous extracts on seed germination, seedling growth and fresh weight of wheat, barley and oat was studied. The experimental design was completely randomized with six treatments (extract concentration of 0%, 5%, 10%, 20%, 40% and 80%) with thirty seeds. Obtained results showed that the effect of aqueous extract of nettle on tested parameters was dependent on the concentration and type of the plant. Different concentrations of extracts stimulated germination of wheat (88.3-93.3%), but inhibited it in barley (56.6-73.3%). Germination in oat was stimulated at lower and inhibited at higher concentrations of extracts. Root elongation was stimulated at concentration of 5%, while higher concentrations had inhibitory effect in all cereals (by 40.2-84.3% less than control). Aqueous extract of *U. dioica* had adverse effect on oat seedling growth (even 63.8% less than control). Contrary, seedling growth was increased at lower concentrations in wheat and barley, and inhibited at concentrations of 40% and 80%. The greatest inhibitory effect on the fresh weight was recorded at concentration of 80% in all investigated cereals.

Keywords: wheat, barley, oat, bioassay

Effects of salt and water stress on wheat root development

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The main objective of this paper was to monitor the development of the root system of wheat cultivars under different levels of water and salt stress. The HAS-RSDS root phenotyping platform is a semi-automatic diagnostic system for continuous monitoring with the rhizocolumn system during the developmental stages. The experiment was conducted with fourteen wheat cultivars (*Triticum aestivum* L.) from Serbia (5), Austria (4) and Azerbaijan (5) which were chosen based on different levels of salt and drought tolerance shown in field trials. The experiment was carried out in a greenhouse under four different watering/salt conditions: 1. well watered (60% field capacity) without salt (NaCl) added (control 1); 2. water limited (20% field capacity) and no salt (NaCl) added (control 2); 3. well watered (60% field capacity) and saline conditions (0.2% NaCl) and 4. water limited (20% field capacity) and saline conditions (0.2% NaCl). Digital images of root architecture were

collected from different side angles, from the bottom view through inside the soil using boroscope technology. Under water limited and salt stress conditions, the varieties *Gallio* and *Capo* showed the best root density at side of rhizocolumn at flowering stage, whereas the half of the varieties poorly tolerated salt and water stresses. The obtained results from root phenotyping together with field investigations could help the breeders in the selection and crossing programs to achieve good level of drought/salt tolerance in wheat genotypes.

Keywords: abiotic stress, root density, *Triticum aestivum* L.

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The effect of lead stress on *Paulownia elongata* biomass production in hydroponics

PP8-6

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Paulownia elongata S.Y.Hu is a fast-growing woody species tolerant to urban pollution, suitable for afforestation of degraded and mining areas and use in intense traffic areas. So far it was shown to be tolerant to increased concentrations of lead in urban atmospheric dust, but its tolerance to increased accessibility of lead in the root zone was not determined. The aim of the present experiments was to determine the effect of lead stress in conditions of adequate nutrients availability as well as under P and Fe deficiency. Shoots of *Paulownia elongata* were used for the establishment of *in vitro* cultures. In multiplication phase MS medium was used with 6 mg L⁻¹ N⁶benzyladenine (BA) and 0.5 mg L⁻¹ indole-3-butyric acid (IBA). MS medium with 0.8 mg L⁻¹ IBA and 0.8 mg L⁻¹ 1-naphthaleneacetic acid (NAA) was used for rooting. Rooted cuttings were further grown hydroponically in modified Hoagland solution. In the pre-treatment plants were exposed to the phosphorus and iron deficiency and then treated with lead, adding Pb(NO₃)₂ at concentration of: 20, 50, 100 and 250 μM. Minimum inhibition of growth was observed in the plants which were provided with all nutrients in the course of treatment. When plants were exposed to a lack of phosphorus, inhibition of growth by lead was most pronounced. At the concentration of 250 μM shoot mass was about three times lower than in the control, while the root mass was two times lower. Pronounced chlorosis and a significant reduction in the concentration of chlorophyll *a* was observed in plants treated with lead after iron deficiency pre-treatment, while there was no significant reduction in dry weight of shoots and roots after lead stress. The results may have potential significance for improving biomass production of this species on soils contaminated with lead.

Keywords: lead, stress, *Paulownia elongata*, hydroponics