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

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> 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 Fankhauser**  
 Photoreceptor-mediated growth responses in Arabidopsis
- 09:50-10:10 (Invited talk) **David Honry**  
 Male germline development: lesson from the -omics
- 10:10-10:30 (Invited talk) **Dragan Vinterhalter**  
 Acid growth theory, auxin and potato phototropism

## Anti-cancer activities of jatrophone diterpenoids from *Euphorbia dendroides* in human multi-drug resistant cancer cell lines

PP3-25

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Widely distributed spurge – *Euphorbia dendroides* is a valuable source of new bioactive compounds. Among them, macrocyclic jatrophone diterpenoids, were recognized as new inhibitors of P-glycoprotein (P-gp) leading to modulation of multi-drug resistance (MDR) in cancer cells. In this study, we evaluated the anti-cancer activities of four jatrophone molecules isolated from *Euphorbia dendroides*. The effects of jatrophanes were studied in three different MDR human cancer cell lines developed in our laboratory (NCI-H460/R non-small cell lung carcinoma, DLD1-TxR colorectal carcinoma and U87-TxR glioblastoma cell lines). Tested jatrophanes showed moderate inhibitory effect on cancer cell growth. They significantly increased the accumulation of rhodamine 123 in MDR cancer cells. One of them completely blocked the P-gp pump in DLD1-TxR cells and demonstrated a stronger activity when compared to well-known P-gp inhibitors verapamil and tariquidar. Besides considerably high P-gp inhibiting activity, jatrophone diterpenoids showed significant potential to reverse the paclitaxel resistance in all MDR cancer cell lines. The combinations of jatrophone diterpenoids with low paclitaxel concentrations induced the cell cycle disturbance, which additionally contributed to their chemo-sensitizing activity. Jatrophone diterpenoids isolated from *Euphorbia dendroides* are promising compounds for a potential cancer treatment due to their strong anti-P-gp activity and can be considered as a valuable tool for drug development and the improvement of chemotherapy in MDR cancers.

**Keywords:** jatrophone diterpenoids, multi-drug resistance, P-glycoprotein, paclitaxel

## Drinking of flavonoid-rich juice of *Aronia melanocarpa* may affect fatty acid phospholipid compositions in rat liver

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*Aronia melanocarpa* fruits are among the richest plant sources of phenolic substances, mainly anthocyanins. Aronia fruit juice and derived flavonoids were evaluated in a number of studies for high antioxidative activity, whose sequels were many beneficial physiological and metabolic effects, like hepato-protective, anti-inflammatory and antitumor. This study was designed to explore the effects of one month intensive consumption of aronia juice on phospholipid compositions in rat liver. Three experimental groups of young male rats were being supplied for 34 days with different drinking solutions *ad libitum*: 1. (ARO group) 20% (m/m) master aronia juice in tap water; 2. (MIX) 5% master aronia juice + 15% juice reconstruct (without flavonoids);

1. (PLC) 20% juice reconstruct. The animals were sacrificed on day 35 and their livers were weighed and used for analysis. The average mass of liver in ARO group was somewhat higher (13-14%) than in other two groups. In comparison with PLC, both experimental groups exhibited significantly lower proportions of stearic acid (18:0) and arachidonic acid (20:4), whilst the level of MUFA was increased only in MIX group on account of vaccenic acid elevation (18:1(7)). Also, there was a certain increase of omega-3 PUFA with a decline of omega-6/omega-3 PUFA ratio in both groups that consumed aronia juice. All these changes in the liver phospholipid compositions, which were induced by everyday drinking of flavonoid-rich aronia juice, appeared to be favorable regarding the healthy ratios of the liver fatty acid contents.

**Keywords:** *Aronia melanocarpa*, fatty acids, phospholipid compositions, rat liver

### The influence of edible mushroom *Laetiporus sulphureus* (Bull.:Fr) Murr. extract on certain quorum-sensing regulated functions

PP3-27

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Quorum sensing (QS) is described as a set of behaviour which related with resistance of pathogenic bacteria. So far, biofilm formation, certain types of bacterial motility and production of pigments are most frequently associated with bacterial pathogenicity and ability to withstand the effect of antibiotics. Having in mind the growing trend of microorganisms resistance to known antimicrobial agents, efforts have been made to develop techniques which would indicate potential anti-QS of natural sources. In the last decade, numerous sources have been subjected to these protocols, including plants, algae, and other, marking them as promising agents. In this study, an edible mushroom, *Laetiporus sulphureus*, was tested for its potential as a QS regulator. This white-rot basidiomycete was previously described regarding its biological activity (including antimicrobial). Its methanolic extract showed dose-dependent anti-quorum effect toward *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* PAO1 strain. Effects of the sub-MIC values of *Laetiporus sulphureus* methanol extract regulated production of virulence factor pyocyanin, reducing it by 80.88%, which is in the range of activity of commercial antimicrobial agents (Streptomycin 75.9% and Ampicillin 83.12%). Also, the extract had a significant inhibitory effect on flagella and twitching motility. Results indicate that *L. sulphureus* methanolic extract may be a promising agent for the eradication of pathogenic bacteria.

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