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Positions & Education

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Publications

Peer-reviewed Publications

- 1. Hsu, S-K., Emmett, B.D., Haafke, A., Costa-Neto, G., Schulz, A.J., Lepak, N., La, T., AuBuchon-Elder, T.M., Hale, C.O., Raglin, S.S., Ojeda-Rivera, J.O., Kent, A.D., Kellogg, E.A., Romay, M.C., & Buckler, E.S. (2025). Contrasting rhizosphere nitrogen dynamics in Andropogoneae grasses. The Plant Journal, 123(1). https://doi.org/10.1111/tpj.70319
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- 9. Hsu, S-K., Jakšić, A.M., Nolte, V., Barghi, N., Mallard, F., Otte, K.A., & Schlötterer, C. (2019). A 24 h Age Difference Causes Twice as Much Gene Expression Divergence as 100 Generations of Adaptation to a Novel Environment. Genes, 10(2), 89. https://doi.org/10.3390/genes10020089
- 10. Lin, P-C., Tsai, Y-C., Hsu, S-K., Ou, J-H., Liao, C-T., & Tung, C-W. (2018). Identification of natural variants affecting chlorophyll content dynamics during rice seedling development. *Plant Breeding*, 137(3), 355-363. https://doi.org/10.1111/pbr.12584
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