## **Announcement**

## International Symposium on Genetic Manipulation in Crops

The 3rd International Symposium on Haploidy, and at the same time, the 1st International Symposium on Somatic Cell Genetics in Crops, will be held from 22 until 26 October 1984 in Beijing, China. It will be sponsored by the Chinese Association for Science and Technology, the Genetics Society of China, the Institute of Genetics of the Academia Sinica, as well as by the International Rice Research Institute, Manila.

Emphasis will be put on a) Haploidy, and b) Somatic cell genetics, both concerning somaclonal variations.

The five-day symposium will cover the following tentative topics.

- Haploid Production by: a) Anther Culture; b) Chromosome Elimination; c) Unpollinated Ovary Culture; and d) Other Methods.
- 2. Achievements in Using Haploids
- 3. Androgenesis
- 4. Genetic Variability
- 5. Chromosome Instability
- 6. Mutagenesis and Mutant Selection
- 7. Somaclonal Variation
- 8. Somatic Morphogenesis

- 9. Regeneration of Crop Plants
- 10. Chromosomal Manipulation in Cultered Cells
- 11. Species Specificity in Redifferentiation
- 12. Protoplast Fusion and Hybridization
- 13. Somatic Fusion or Cybrids
- 14. Organelle, Nuclear and Chromosomal Behavior in Cultured Cells
- 15. Genetic Modification Through Cells or Protoplasts
- 16. Plant Fungal Pathogens
- 17. Plant/Microbe Interaction
- 18. Propagation of Crop Plants
- 19. "Crown Gall" and Ti Plasmid
- 20. Plant Viruses and Viroids
- 21. Chromosome Mediated Transformation
- 22. Transformation by Microinjection
- 23. Nuclei and Organells'e Transplantation
- 24. Gene Expression in Cultured Cells
- 25. Secondary Metabolites
- 26. Cryopreservation of Cells and Tissues

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