SPR-PHYTOPIA

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(A Newsletter by Society for Plant Research)



Society for Plant Research (SPR) is seeking your contributions to its first Newsletter, SPR-PHYTOPIA, being published with quarterly periodicity as per approval by the Executive Body, SPR. It is meant to share with the scientific community various issues of scientific interest in order to keep the younger faculty updated.

We invite members/students/scientific fraternity/renowned academicians to submit a short article or announcement that fits into any of the following categories:

The Biscope: Brief articles which should be short, topical, news-oriented, not more than 150 words including Title. The news must be trailed with the source where from the details can be sought by the readers.

The ArtPart: Welcome original creativity. Be it cartoon, poem, scientific fiction, exhibits or any other art form that deals with science or is about science or uses plants or microorganisms to create artistic masterpieces.

The CityZone: Concerns of the built environments. This is to highlight the problems of urbanisation/modernisation that our villages/hometowns/metros are facing or creating. The concern should be backed by data and photographs. Information must be there on what has been done, what the town planners or corporations or government have done or are doing or are planning to do and what may be the solutions based on experience of other cities/towns/villages and

is there any solution available through scientific quests?

The FolkLure: The treasure of knowledge on the tongue. Every language/culture has information on diseases, medicine, weather, food preparation, food and feeding habits, care of mother, child and the aged and what not. This box is meant to give space to such information that has either been tested or has potential to be tested for its validity along with cultural details and source of information.

The BioScope: Biographical sketch or interview of stalwarts in biological sciences.

The FaultLine: Based on true cases but will be presented anonymously to show what is the deficiency or fault in a particular experimental plan. The format will be Objective, Experimental plan proposed, inference drawn (if required) and what would have been the correct methodology or addition of what could have given it a different or stronger interpretation.

This may be based on our own rejections/thesis evaluation (all anonymous, presented in our own language). The purpose is to point out how experimental plans defeat us and also to help new learners on how to look into minor details of the experimental plans.

Opportunities: To learn and move forward. Events, conferences, announcements, job opportunities etc.

Columns specifically for SPR members:

- Award recognitions
- SPR Around the World SPR Group activity and event reports
 - O Please include a short summary of 200-250 words about your event or activity with photos for inclusion in the SPR-PHYTOPIA Newsletter
- SPR Member Profile

Guidelines for Contributions

- All articles must be submitted in Word format and include a title.
- Photos, images, or graphics are encouraged, and may be resized for placement.
- Please include links (URLs) to gather additional information.
- Word count:
 - O News items, reports, and announcements upto 200 words
 - All articles have a limit of up to 200 words.

Newsletter Deadlines:

Please submit your contributions to the email: phytopianewsgrp@gmail.com not later than the dates indicated below.

March Issue: 15th March June Issue: 15th June September Issue: 15th September December Issue: 15th December

Please note:

By submitting a contribution to the SPR-PHYTOPIA Newsletter, you are agreeing that the content submitted will be publicly available. SPR reserves the right not to publish all submitted content in the SPR-PHYTOPIA Newsletter. SPR may also use submitted content in a future newsletter issue. Minor editorial changes and spelling corrections will be made. To establish the identity of contributors, your name and/or your group's name may be published with your article or contribution. By submitting images to be used with your articles, you authorize SPR to use these images in our publications.

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