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Education

PhD: Plant Breeding, Biometric Genetic. Faculty of Agriculture. University of Tabriz, Iran, (2008-2012)

Thesis title: Proteome analysis of sunflower leaf under well-watered and limited irrigation **M.Sc**: Plant Breeding, Faculty of Agriculture. University of Tabriz, Iran, (1996-1998)

Thesis title: Study of relationship between isozymes and seed storage proteins with quantitative traits in sunflower.

B.Sc: Plant production and Plant breeding, Faculty of Agriculture. University of Tabriz, Iran. (1988-1992)

Interests

• Biometry and Experimental Design

Proteomics

• Plant Genetics

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Sunflower Breeding

Employment/Work Experience

Sunflower Breeder, Member of Scientific Board. Agricultural Research, Education and Natural Resources Research Center. Agricultural Research Education and Extension Organization (AREEO), Khoy, Iran. 1998-2015.

Sunflower Breeder, Member of Scientific Board. Seed and Plant Improvement Institute, Agricultural Research Education and Extension Organization (AREEO), Karaj, Iran, 2015- to date.

Awards

Superior Researcher of West Azarbaijan, Iran in 2004 Superior Researcher of West Azarbaijan. Iran in 2006

Publications

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- 12. Hassanzadeh, F., Toorchi, M., Moghadam, M., Aharizad, S. and Ghaffari, M., 2014. Relations of agronomic traits in some hybrids of sunflower (*Helianthus annuus* L.). International Journal of Plant, Animal and Environmental Sciences, 4(3): 266-270.
- 13. Ghaffari, M., Toorchi, M., Valizadeh, M., & Komatsu, S. (2013). Differential response of root proteome to drought stress in drought sensitive and tolerant sunflower inbred lines. Functional Plant Biology, 40(6), 609-617.
- 14. Tabrizi M, Hassanzadeh F, Moghaddam M, Alavikia S, Aharizad S and Ghaffari M. 2012. Combining ability and gene action in sunflower using line × tester method. Journal of Plant Physiology and Breeding, 2(2): 23-32.
- 15. Ghaffari, M., Toorchi, M., Valizadeh, M., & Shakiba, M. R. 2012. Morpho-physiological screening of sunflower inbred lines under drought stress condition. Turkish Journal of Field Crops, 17(2): 185-190.
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