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Molecular and Physiological Mechanisms Regulating Vegetable Crops Growth under Stressful Conditions

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Vegetable crops are seriously threatened by various stress factors, such as excessive light, extreme temperatures, drought, salinity, waterlogging, heavy metals, and pathogens. Developing vegetable crops with enhanced stress tolerance can help mitigate the harmful effects of these conditions. However, the tolerance phenotypes are generally involved in quantitative traits with interconnecting multiple factors. In addition, various molecular, physiological, and biochemical changes such as gene expression and regulation, protein modification, osmotic stress, oxidative stress, antioxidant enzymes and chemicals, and ROS all contribute to plant acclimation. Therefore, a solid understanding of the molecular and physiology mechanism ranging from stress sensing to cellular responses is essential to improve the stress tolerance of vegetable crops during plant growth and development.

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