



FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS

The 8th International Symposium on Fungal Endophyte of

Grasses (ISFEG)

13-16 August 2012

Lanzhou, China

Organized by

State Key Laboratory of Grassland Agro-ecosystems, China

College of Pastoral Agricultural Science and Technology, Lanzhou

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INVITATION

We cordially invite you to attend the “The 8th International Symposium on Fungal Endophyte of Grasses (ISFEG)”, conference which will be held in Lanzhou, China, between 13-16 August 2012 organized by State Key Laboratory of Grassland



Agro-Ecosystems; College of Pastoral Agricultural Science and Technology, Lanzhou University.

The conference will provide you with a valuable opportunity not only to share experiences and engage in open and meaningful dialogue about the interaction of endophyte, grass and animal among colleagues from across the globe, but also to enjoy the cultural inheritance and distinguished landscapes of central geography of China, where the ancient silk road, grassland ecosystems of alpine, loess plateau dryland farming and mountain-desert-oasis. It will generate interest and international linkages between endophyte colleagues.

The conference will provide a stage for young and established researchers to present their works in front of the welcoming international audience by both oral and poster presentation.

We are looking forward to seeing you at Lanzhou!

Professor Zhibiao Nan

Chair, 8th ISFEG Organizing Committee

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SESSIONS AND TOPICS

Session 1: Fungal Endophytes

1. Diversity
2. Evolution and Systematics
3. Biotechnology

Session 2: Agronomy and Ecology

1. Biotic Responses
2. Abiotic Responses
3. Role of Endophytes in Pastoral Ecosystems

Session 3: Interactions of Endophyte, Grass and Herbivore

1. Alkaloids
2. Invertebrates
3. Vertebrates

Session 4: Application of Endophyte Technologies

1. Novel Endophyte Breeding
2. Seeds and Technology Transfer
3. Safety Assurance

CALL FOR PAPERS

All papers are to be submitted electronically and are limited to a size of no more than three A4 pages, including introduction, materials & methods, results & discussion, conclusions and selected references. Times new roman with a size of 12 points is to be used, with line spacing of 18 points.

The authors are requested to provide their papers in MS Word (.doc) format, submitting to: grasscenter@lzu.edu.cn.

LANGUAGE

The official language of the conference will be English.

PROGRAM

Day	Date	Time	Activity
1	13 Aug (Mon)	10:00 – 21:00	Reception / Onsite registration
2	14 Aug (Tue)	8:30 – 9:10	Opening ceremony
		9:30 – 12:00	Presentation, invited speakers
		14:00 – 18:00	Presentation, Session 1 Welcome banquet
3	15 Aug (Wed)	8:30 – 12:00	Presentation, Session 2
		14:00 – 18:00	Field trip to Yuzhong campus, LZU
4	16 Aug (Tur)	8:30 – 12:00	Presentation, Session 3
		14:00 – 18:00	Presentation, Session 4
5-8	17-20 Aug	7:30	Field tour, route 1 – Silk road
5-6	17-18 Aug	7:30	Field tour, route 2 – Labrang monastery

REGISTRATION

The registration fee will be as the follows:

Category	Before April 30, 2012	After May 1, 2012
Standard	US\$ 400	US\$ 500
Student	US\$ 300	US\$ 400

The registration fee will cover the costs of the publication, reception, banquet and regular meals during the conference.

The participants can pay the registration fee by the information below.

Beneficiary's Bank: BANK OF CHINA, GANSU BRANCH BANKING DEPARTMENT

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Postscript: 8th ISFEG meeting registration fee

HOTEL

The participants have to pay for hotel by themselves. Please indicate hotel room requirement in the registration form.

The Hotel Information

Hotels	Price	Address
Xilan International Hotel ★★★★	Single room: 70 US\$ /night, Twin room: 60 US\$ /night. Breakfast included.	39 Dingxilu Road, Lanzhou 730000 (200 m west to our college)
Lanzhou Aviation Hotel ★★★★	Single room: 70 US\$ /night, Twin room: 60 US\$ /night. Breakfast included. (Credit card is not available)	399 Jiayuguanxilu Road, Lanzhou 730000 (Just opposite to our college)

FIELD TRIP AND TOUR

Route 1. Silk road. To view symbiosis of endophytes and *Achnatherum inebrians*, *Hordeum brevisubulatum* in desert-mountain-oasis ecosystem through the ancient silk road and visit the Mogao Grottoes.

Route 2. Alpine grassland. To view symbiosis of endophytes and *A. inebrians*, *Festuca sinensis* in alpine grassland system in the Qinghai-Tibet Plateau and visit the Labrang Buddhism Monastery.

IMPORTANT DATES

Registration begins	January 15, 2012
Paper submission deadline	April 30, 2012
Early-bird registration ends	April 30, 2012
Onsite registration	August 13, 2012
Conference	August 14-16, 2012
Conference tour	August 17-20, 2012

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