

News

Dr. Simon Diffey wins \$400K to support Australian canola

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The National Brassica Germplasm Improvement Program - Phase 2 (NBGIP-II) is a major Grains Research & Development Corporation (GRDC) project targeted at providing Australian canola breeders advanced germplasm with improved blackleg resistance (blackleg is a serious fungal disease which costs the industry an estimated \$80M a year), heat tolerance, and drought resistance. NBGIP-II involves researchers in New South Wales, Victoria and Western Australia. This project includes funding of \$400K over 5 years for Dr. Simon Diffey (Research Fellow, CBB) to undertake research in the following areas: design and analysis of field trials, glasshouse and controlled environment room experiments, construction of genetic linkage maps, quantitative trait loci identification and marker trait association.



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