



SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION AGREEMENT

between

The National Research Council of Italy

and

The National Scientific and Technical Research Council of Argentina

The National Research Council of Italy (CNR) and The National Scientific and Technical Research Council of Argentina (CONICET) (hereinafter referred to as the "Parties") have agreed to draw up the following Agreement

Article I - Purpose

The purpose of this Agreement is to further strengthen cooperation in scientific research between Italy and Argentina. The Parties, on a basis of equality and mutual benefit, will collaborate on the following (but not limited) scientific areas:

- Plant genetics
- Plant breeding
- Plant molecular biology

Article II - Forms of Cooperation

The Parties will collaborate, as a general principle, through the following joint activities:

- Joint laboratories
- Collaborative researches
- Information exchange
- Writing scientific articles

Article III - Financial support

Joint laboratory:

For the joint laboratory

Isolation of the genetic determinants of asexual seed production (apomixis) to maximise crop productivity

Italian Principal Investigator and Institute: Dr. Fulvio Pupilli Institute for Biosciences and Bioresources (IBBR)

Foreign Principal Investigator and Institute: Dr. Juan Pablo Ortiz Institute for Researches in Agriculture of Rosario (IICAR)

selected by CNR for the years 2016-2018,

CNR will grant the Italian research team an annual amount of €35,800;

The CONICET will grant the Argentinean research team an annual amount of € 13,480(PIP;

Article IV - Intellectual Property Rights

The contents and results of the activities carried out under the above mentioned Joint Laboratory may be used or published by CNR and/or CONICET following the normal provisions in force on this issue within the scientific community. Each partner retains the intellectual property rights on the results deriving from the activities performed during the Joint Laboratory.

Article V - Entry into Effect, Duration, and Termination

This Agreement shall enter into effect on the date of its signing by both sides.

This Agreement shall remain in force until the expiration of CNR funding.

Either Party may notify the other of its intention to terminate the Agreement, in which case any existing program will be brought to an orderly conclusion and the funding will be suspended.

Notification will have to be forwarded six months in advance of the termination of the Agreement.

This Agreement is drawn and signed in two originals in English language.

Date:



For the National Research Council of Italy

For the National Scientific and Technical Research
Council of Argentina

President

DR. ALEJANDRO CECCATTO
Presidente CONICET
President or other legal representative
