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**To:** [Stannard, Eric, Springer US](#)  
**Cc:** [Varshney, Rajeev \(ICRISAT-IN\)](#); [Scott Jackson](#); [Manjula, B \(ICRISAT-IN\)](#); [Richard Jorgensen](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Book Series on Plant Genetics and Genomics  
**Date:** Thursday, November 13, 2014 11:42:24 AM

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I don't have hard copies, but I think all i really need is a Table of Contents for several of them. -scott

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**From:** Stannard, Eric, Springer US <Eric.Stannard@springer.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 13, 2014 11:36 AM  
**To:** Scott Allen Jackson  
**Cc:** rajeev varshney; Scott Jackson; Manjula, B (ICRISAT-IN); Richard Jorgensen  
**Subject:** RE: Book Series on Plant Genetics and Genomics

Hello Scott and Rajeev,

Thank you for your email and I hope my response finds you well! I recall our discussion last year, and Scott's cold, and I'm pleased to hear that this book is something you can handle now. It's good to think about your approach, what topics to cover, who may be a potential contributor, and so on, and PAG will be a good place to gauge potential scholars interest in a topic as well as willingness to contribute a chapter later next year (or at a time convenient to your schedule next year). As the PAG Meeting draws closer, I will contact you again to set-up a specific meeting time, *if you like*, and we can further discuss the publishing process, although I think you are very familiar with what we do. If you have any immediate questions or concerns, please do let me know.

In Dr. Jorgensen's email I noticed he suggested copies of specific books in our *PGG Series*. Do you have these at hand, or would you like me to send you any of them for your reference? If so, simply let me know which book(s) you would like and I will have them sent to you.

With best wishes!

Eric

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**From:** Scott Allen Jackson [<mailto:sjackson@uga.edu>]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 10, 2014 11:53 AM  
**To:** Richard Jorgensen  
**Cc:** rajeev varshney; Scott Jackson; Stannard, Eric, Springer US; Manjula, B (ICRISAT-IN)  
**Subject:** Re: Book Series on Plant Genetics and Genomics

Hi Rich,

After talking to Rajeev, I think we are up to this.

Shall we talk at PAG?

scott

On Nov 5, 2014, at 5:20 PM, Richard Jorgensen <[rajorgensen@mac.com](mailto:rajorgensen@mac.com)> wrote:

Dear Scott and Rajeev,

Just checking in to see if you might feel ready to start on the Legume Genetics and Genomics book. It seems to me that this would be very timely, and we'd really like to have such a book in the series, especially with you guys as editors.

Both Eric and I will be at PAG, so if that is a good time to discuss, we'll be available.

Bests,  
Rich

On Jan 23, 2014, at 7:40 PM, Rich Jorgensen <[rajorgensen@mac.com](mailto:rajorgensen@mac.com)> wrote:

No rush. The timeframe is at your discretion and convenience!

via iPhone

On Jan 23, 2014, at 6:24 PM, Scott Allen Jackson <[sjackson@uga.edu](mailto:sjackson@uga.edu)> wrote:

This Rich, if we end up doing it this is good advice and a copy of the Saccharinae would be useful.

scott

On Jan 22, 2014, at 2:48 PM, Richard Jorgensen <[rajorgensen@mac.com](mailto:rajorgensen@mac.com)> wrote:

Rajeev and Scott,

It's great that you're ready to take on a legume book. Just as a reminder about the purpose and nature of the series, I forward the original invitation to you that is at the bottom of this string from 2010. Since that time, we've published books on Rice, Papaya and the Saccharinae. The latter is one of the best books in the series, so it's useful to have a look at it (the book, not just the Table of Contents - Eric can send you a copy) as a guide for breadth, depth and quality. A key point is to include genetics, not just genomics. Although a few books in the series are strictly genomics, the best books, and the intent of the series is to include genetic diversity, resources, etc.

The proposal form that Eric sent you doesn't have to be dealt with until I've approved your ToC - we may have to go back and forth on that a bit, so don't worry about the book proposal form yet. (In fact, I hope Eric's office can enter much of the information for you so you don't have to deal with all of it.)

Also, we should mention that Gary Stacey is doing a second volume of the Soybean book. This shouldn't be a major problem, but there could be some overlap with your authors, so you might want to coordinate with Gary via Eric. Gary told me that he plans to use about 80% of the authors from the first edition and replace others whose chapters he wasn't happy with. He may also add some chapters.

Bests,  
Rich

On Jul 24, 2010, at 7:45 AM, Varshney, Rajeev (ICRISAT & GCP) <[r.k.varshney@cgiar.org](mailto:r.k.varshney@cgiar.org)> wrote:

Dear Rich and Scott

In my opinion, we can give a gap for at least 1-2 years for the new book on legume genomics. May be – we may get in touch with each other sometimes late next year to take the stock of the situation.

Many thanks and kind regards

Rajeev

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**From:** Rich Jorgensen <[raj@Ag.arizona.edu](mailto:raj@Ag.arizona.edu)>  
**Date:** Fri, 23 Jul 2010 10:25:53 -0700  
**To:** Scott Jackson <[sjackson@purdue.edu](mailto:sjackson@purdue.edu)>  
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Scott and Rajeev,

I appreciate your thoughtful consideration of this project. Given the saturation, waiting several years may be best? Soybeans have already been done in this series (by Gary Stacey) so that's definitely out. But you didn't comment on Phaseolus - is that also something to wait on, or still a possibility?

(Or do you think we should look into a Medicago truncatula book? We'd like to include a model system, and so far have only done that via Arabidopsis which is part of the Brassicaceae book.)

Looking forward to any further thoughts. Or if you both decide a pause of several years is best, that's fine too.

cheers,  
Rich

On Jul 23, 2010, at 10:12 AM, Scott Jackson wrote:

Hi Rich, my feeling is that this is saturated right now, at least for Soybeans and more broadly, the legumes. Moreover, I am headed to NSF for a 1-year stint beginning Aug 1. So I would be hard pressed to do anything this coming year. I am copying Rajeev Varshney as he may have some interest in working with you, and I could help some, in doing something this year.

scott

On Jul 22, 2010, at 11:27 PM, Rich Jorgensen wrote:

Hi Scott,

Any progress on where you might want to go with this idea? We are certainly flexible in terms of the boundaries. For instance, do you think a Phaseolus book would make sense instead? As you know, we already have a Soybean book, and perhaps a Phaseolus book would be a good complement? There was a little coverage of Phaseolus in the soy book, but mostly by way of comparison of soy to Phaseolus.

Or perhaps it might make sense to focus on a subgroup of the legumes? In the grasses, we have done books on the Triticeae and

the Saccharinae (sugarcane, maize, sorghum....). I don't know legume systematics at all, but perhaps a comparative approach in a particular 'tribe' might make sense?

But if you think the area is being saturated right now, we can wait a few years and see if there's a better opportunity to dive in - there will be loads more data in just two or three years and the landscape could be quite different.

Do you know anything about the nature and breadth or focus of the books you've been invited to contribute to?

Cheers,  
Rich

On Jun 25, 2010, at 4:24 PM, Scott Jackson wrote:

Rich, We started talking and I began working on an outline. In that time, though, I've been approached with request from two other editors/publishers for chapters in legume genomics books and I think Rajeev and Doug have been approached as well. So, we thought that the legume genomics might be inundated with books shortly. We will all be at a meeting in Asilomar in a few weeks and will talk then. But my feeling is that we either need to scrap the idea at this point, or recalibrate it. Thoughts?

scott

On Jun 25, 2010, at 11:25 AM, Rich Jorgensen wrote:

Hi Scott,  
How are you guys coming along on the book outline?  
Cheers,  
Rich

On Mar 15, 2010, at 11:11 AM, Ahmad, Amna, Springer US wrote:

Hi Scott,

Great news!

I'm attaching the proposal form for basic info about the volume. I will find and send you the Saccharinae proposal when I'm back in the office tomorrow.

Best,  
Amna

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From: Rich Jorgensen [<mailto:raj@Ag.arizona.edu>]  
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great!  
start on a table of contents - chapter titles and prospective authors. Amna can send you a copy of past proposals, Paterson on Saccharinae is perhaps most apt, but I think she can send you any of the others you want to see. Basically, it's one-two page justification plus ToC.

On Mar 14, 2010, at 11:52 AM, Scott Jackson wrote:

Rich, Rajeev Varshney and Doug Cook will help me with this.  
Please let me know what we need to do and a timeline.  
thanks, scott

On Mar 4, 2010, at 6:49 PM, Rich Jorgensen wrote:

Dear Scott,

As you may remember, we had a brief discussion last November in Guanajuato about the possibility of a book on the Genetics and Genomics of the Legumes for the Plant Genetics and Genomics series that I have been editing for Springer Publishing Co. This series is being handled by Amna Ahmed, Editor, Plant Sciences, Springer US. To date, we have published or commissioned eleven books ranging from Cotton (edited by Andy Paterson), Soybean (edited by Gary Stacey), Tropical Crops (Ray Ming and Paul Moore), the Triticeae (Feuillet & Muehlbauer), the Solanaceae (Dani Zamir and Jim Giovannoni) to the Rosaceae (Kevin Folta and Sue Gardiner), Populus (Stefan Jansson) and the Saccharinae (Andy Paterson, again), as well as two discipline-focused books on Plant Cytogenetics (Hank Bass and Jim Birchler). (Tables of Contents for each of these books are attached.) My hope is that this will be an important series of books that will help advance the field of genomics in the full context of modern genetics, and I think we are well on our way to meeting that goal, as long as we can deliver additional books that fill out the 'diversity-space' appropriately.

In November, I think we both felt that the time is right for a book that brings together all the important approaches and observations regarding the genetics and genomics of the legume family. The right book, properly done, would greatly benefit and influence the field, I'm sure. As I remember, you expressed in at least considering organizing and editing such a book. If you would like to involve a collaborator as co-editor, that would be fine, of course. As Editor, you would develop a list of topics (chapters) and potential authors, invite authors, and edit and approve their contributions for quality and consistency throughout the book. My role as Series Editor is to sign off on the proposed Table of Contents and authors, assist you when necessary and provide some oversight to ensure quality and consistency among the books in this series, but as the expert in legumes, you would have all the flexibility you need to produce the book that is right for the time and the community. I hope you will find it an interesting and important challenge that you will want to take on.

If you have any questions about the nature of the book, I'd be happy to address them. Amna (cc'd) can address the publishing end, including the proposal, approval, contractual and publication processes at Springer. If you're willing to consider this, Amna will

contact you to explain the specifics.

Looking forward to your positive response!

Cheers,  
Rich

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