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Report to ISPP from Korean Society of Plant Pathology for 2008-2013.

Name of Society: Korean Society of Plant Pathology (KSPP)

Established:

September 22, 1984 (originally established as Korean Society of Plant Protection in 1962)

Web address for Society:

<http://www.kspp.org/>

Name (s) of personnel preparing report:

Professor Yong-Hwan Lee (Seoul National University), ICPP Council Member of KSPP

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<http://www.isppweb.org/societies.asp> Yes

Will a Society member be making corrections to the ISPP entry for your society on-line? Yes

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Society membership:

650 members in 2010; 700 members in 2011; 800 members in 2012.

Report for 2009-2013:

The KSPP was originally founded in 1962 as Korean Society of Plant Protection together with applied entomology to promote the education and research of plant protection and to spread the knowledge of pest management in Korea. In 1984, current KSPP was re-established to focus more on plant diseases and related disciplines and has grown as an international society with more than 800 members. KSPP celebrated its 50th anniversary in October 2012. KSPP publishes two scientific journals, The Plant Pathology Journal (PPJ) (<http://www.ppjonline.org>) and Research in Plant Disease (RPD) (<http://online-rpd.org>). Both journals are published quarterly and open-accessed on the journals websites. PPJ has been included in Web of Science since 2008. KSPP holds two yearly meetings, spring and fall, and some of them are international conferences with specific themes. KSPP also offers scientific workshops to provide cutting-edge knowledge of rapidly growing research areas such as climate changes and genomics/bioinformatics. KSPP has several affiliated research group meetings including Molecular Plant-Microbe Interactions, Plant Viral Disease, and Fungicides. KSPP has established solid strategic plans not only for education program for next-generation plant pathologists, but also for outreach program for farmers. KSPP has endeavoured on globalization of the society by publishing international journals and collaborating with foreign societies. KSPP had two conferences jointly by The Phytopathological Society of Japan

Plant Pathology in the Region Served by the Society 2008-2013

(1 to 3 pages - A Summary high lighting issues of focus and achievements in plant pathology in the region during 2008-2013 and looking ahead to 2018)

KSPP provides a forum to exchange and promote new knowledge of research and education on plant disease and related disciplines by annual meetings, workshops, research group meetings, and international symposium. Following are the summary of activities by KSPP during the report period.

1. KSPP annual meeting

KSPP hold two yearly meeting in Spring and Fall, since it was founded. Fall meeting is an annual meeting of the society (2 to 3 days) and Spring meeting is more focused area as a form of symposium (1 or 2 days). Both meetings have oral and poster presentation.

2009

April 24, Spring meeting at Kongju University in Chungnam, Korea
October 28-31 Fall meeting at KAL Hotel Convention Center, Jeju, Korea

2010

April 22-24 Spring meeting at Dong A University, Pusan, Korea
October 27-30 Fall meeting at Chonbuk National University, Jeonju, Korea
(Theme: Novel Technology for Plant Pathological Research)

2011

April 21-23 Spring meeting at Kyungbuk National University, Taegu, Korea
October 22-24 Fall meeting at Deokyu Resort, Mooju, Korea
(Theme: Plant Pathology for Sustainable Agriculture)

2012

March 27-28 Spring meeting jointly with The Phytopathological Society of Japan
At Fukuoka International Congress Center
October 24-27 Fall meeting/50th Anniversary International Symposium at Seoul National University
(Theme: Globalization, Climatic Change and Technological Convergence:
Challenge and Opportunity of Plant Pathology)

2. Workshops

During the report period, KSPP provided several workshops on following topics. Each workshop had two full day schedules with lectures and hands on exercise.

1. Introductory statistical analysis
2. Environmental measurement technology
3. Nano-bioimaging and 3D microscopy in plant pathology
4. Next generation sequencing and bioinformatics

3. Research group meeting

KSPP promotes to form research groups and supports their activities. Currently three research groups, Molecular Plant-Microbe Interactions, Plant Viral Disease, and Fungicides, have their activities including at least one research presentation meeting every year. These relatively small size meetings with focused area offer better communications to share their knowledge.