

Mankind is dependent on plants for their basic requirement of food, fuel, fodder, oxygen and others. To re-iterate the significance of plants in our life, Plant's day was celebrated at the Department of Botany, University of Delhi. The event was held jointly with Department of Botany and Agilent Technologies India Pvt Ltd with lectures of Dr Jorg Dojahn and Dr Renu Deswal. Dr Dojahn discussed the recent trends and development in mass spectrometric workflows for proteomics in which he discussed MS/MS SWATH acquisition using an example of AB SCIEX Triple TOF 5600 system. This session was very interactive as students asked many questions about this new emerging technology. Dr. Deswal introduced International Plant Proteomics Organization (INPPO) and Indo-Nepal Plant Proteomics Chapter. In addition, an overview of plant proteomics research being carried out in India and Nepal was presented and students and researchers were invited to join this organization.

More than 50 students and faculty members from Department of Botany, University of Delhi, Institute of Genomics and Integrative Biology (IGIB) and Jawaharlal Nehru University participated in the event and discussed about the recent trend in plant proteomics.

We finished the event with the hope to meet next year again to celebrate Plant's Day 2014 with more enthusiasm.