

# BIOCHEMICAL & MOLECULAR TECHNIQUES IN PLANT BREEDING

November 10-14, 2025

At MARKER ASSISTED BREEDING GROUP

# PAKISTAN ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

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 Marker Assisted Selection (MAS) employs molecular markers to accelerate crop improvement through precise identification of QTLs and desirable alleles. It enables gene pyramiding, maintenance of genetic diversity, and enhanced resistance to biotic and abiotic stresses.

This training course is designed to develop practical understanding in the field of Molecular Plant Breeding and help those working in crop genomics as well as conventional plant breeding.

# **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

#### Lectures:

- Biochemical and Molecular markers in Agriculture
- Anti-oxidants, stress biomolecules and protein markers
- PCR based marker systems
- Crop improvement through Molecular mutation breeding
- TILLING, Eco-TILLING and MutMap
- Genome informatics and mapping techniques
- Genotyping by sequencing and its application for crop improvement
- Omics in agriculture

## Hands on training:

- Extraction/isolation of proteins and DNA with quality and quantity checks
- Non-denaturing and denaturing Gel Electrophoresis of proteins and DNA
- Amplification of RAPD, SSR, SCAR URPs etc. markers by PCR for plant.
- Electrophoretic and staining techniques for amplified DNA fragments
- Gel documentation and analysis for biochemical and molecular markers
- Extraction and quantification of antioxidants and stress biomarkers
- PCR primer designing & Bioinformatics
- Marker and descriptive data analysis and interpretation.



# **SCHEDULE**

## Training dates and venue:

November 10-14, 2025

MAB, Group, P.B.G. Division, NIAB, Faisalabad

# **Submission of Application:**

November 04, 2025.

Submit duly filled Application + CNIC copy + photo available on www.niab.org.pk.

Advance copy of application as scan can be sent by email (amjad46pk@yahoo.com).

## **Registration Fee:**

Students: Rs. 3,000/-

Researchers/Faculty members: Rs. 5,000/-

#### Award of certificates:

Certificates will be awarded to all participants.

## Travel & accommodation:

The nominating institutions/participants themselves shall arrange and bear the cost of travel and stay. Working lunch will be available at NIAB Officers cafeteria on cash payment.

### **ENQUIRIES/INFORMATION:**

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