

Questionnaire with Dr. Xin-Gen (Shane) Zhou

Journal of Plant Pathology and Microbiology

- 1. How many years have you been practicing and/or performing research?**

29 years.

- 2. What is the research topic you are working on now?**

Evaluation and development of innovative biocontrol methods, including beneficial microbes and cover cropping, host resistance, and fungicides for management of diseases in rice.

- 3. What makes an article top quality?**

Importance of the problem to be addressed by the article; innovation of the research.

- 4. What are the qualities you look for in an article?**

proper methodology; clear presentation of the results and proper discussion of the findings; and effectiveness and viability of the new and improved disease control methods.

- 5. Do you have any research funding (NIH or other national funding) now?**

Yes. USDA/NIFA IPM and SARE.

- 6. When did you become an editor of OMICS Journal?**

2010

- 7. What is your greatest career accomplishment?**

Understanding the pathogen populations and development of innovative cover cropping for management of fungal diseases in vegetables and rice.

8. Do you have any patents?

Outreach activities.

9. What is the purpose of serving as an editor?

Serve to improve the quality of scientific journals.

10. Do you have any patents?

No.

11. Have you contributed any editorials or papers (any types) to OMICS Journals in the past two years?

Yes. One of the students.

12. Do you plan to contribute any editorials or papers to OMICS Journals in the next year?

May be

13. Do you have any trouble with OMICS Journals in the past?

No

14. Would you recommend OMICS to your friends or colleagues?

Yes

15. How do you differentiate Journal of Membrane Science and Technology with other journals in the field?

The quality of the journal needs to be improved.