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Education

1964: MS in Plant Breeding and Genetics, Univ. of Agriculture and Horticulture of Bucharest, Romania

1976: PhD in Plant Breeding and Genetics, Univ. of Agriculture and Horticulture of Bucharest, Romania. Subject: "Sunflower hybrid development on genetic and cytoplasmic male sterility".

Work History

1964 – 1976: Oil Crops Breeder and Geneticist (sunflower, castorbean, rapeseed, and safflower), with the Research Institute for Cereal and Industrial Crops – Fundulea, Romania

1976 – 1988: Breeder, Geneticist and Head of the Oil Crops (sunflower, castorbean, rapeseed, and safflower) Research Dpt., of the Research Institute for Cereal and Industrial Crops – Fundulea, Romania

1989 - 1990: N. America Sunflower and Canola Breeder and Research Director for Contiseed Co.

1990 – 1993: N. America Sunflower and Canola Breeder and Research Manager for Garst – ICI Co.

1993 – 1997: N. America Sunflower and Canola Breeder and Research Manager for Zeneca Seed Co.

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Oil Crop Hybrids and Varieties Released

Author or co-author of more than110 sunflower, canola, rapeseed, castorbean and safflower hybrids and varieties, released for commercial production and commercialization in Romania, USA, Canada, and other countries.

Publications

Author or co-author of more than150 scientific papers, published in the main Romanian, European, USA, and Canadian magazines of plant breeding and genetics.