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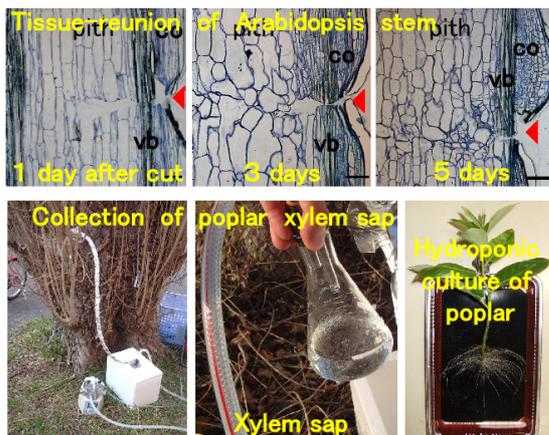
Plant Physiology

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My research focusses on two main topics. 1) Tissue reunion process of injured stem is involved in graft-union of crop plants and the regulation of cell division of cortex and pith is controlled by fine mechanisms. Involvement of hormone signaling, transcription factors and cell wall components in the tissue-reunion process is studied with *Arabidopsis* cut flowering stem. 2) Xylem sap is the fluid flowing in xylem vessels which contains various organic substances including hormones, proteins and sugars as well as metal ions. The production and absorption of those substances are controlled by the seasonally changing environments. Hormonal regulation and the functions of xylem sap components and root-expressed genes are studied in poplar and *Arabidopsis*.



Upper panels show the sections of *Arabidopsis* stem 1 - 5 days after cutting (red arrow). Division and elongation of pith cells occur 3 days and the reunion completes 7 days after cutting.

Lower panels show the collection of xylem sap from a cut branch of poplar with pump and the hydroponic culture of poplar shoot cutting with vigorous growth of roots.

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