



# RETRACTED ARTICLE: Expression of a bacterial chitinase (*ChiB*) gene enhances resistance against *E. polygوني* induced powdery mildew disease in the transgenic Black gram (*Vigna mungo* L.) (cv. T9)

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1. Das, Dilip Kumar, Mrinalini Bhagat, and Sangeeta Shree. "Agrobacterium Mediated Transformation of *Vigna mungo* (L.) Hepper with Cry1Ac Gene for Insect Resistance." *American Journal of Plant Sciences* 7.02 (2016): 316.
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