

## BIO

Cheng-Ruei Lee is an evolutionary biologist. He started his research by combining field ecology and genetics to investigate the origin of biodiversity. After that, he used population genome data to reveal the evolutionary history of the model plant *Arabidopsis thaliana*. He currently focuses on crops, using genomics, population genetics, and evolutionary principles to investigate the natural variation of wild and cultivar varieties. Integrating genomic, phenotypic, and environmental variations, the works will reveal the genetic basis of crop adaptive traits and contribute to future food security.