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Dr. Henry T. Nguyen is Curators' Distinguished Professor of Plant Genetics and Endowed Chair in Soybean Biotechnology. He served as Director of the National Center for Soybean Biotechnology established by the United States Congress from 2004 to 2016. He holds honorary visiting professorships at different international institutions including the University of Western Australia. Prior to the current position, Dr. Nguyen was a professor of genetics at Texas Tech University and Texas A&M University System for 18 years. The Board of Regents at Texas Tech University awarded him the Paul Whitfield Horn distinguished professorship. He has a distinguished career in plant genetics and biotechnology and is internationally recognized for his research in plant adaptation to stress environments. His research team conducts genetic analysis of plant traits and applies molecular marker technology to crop improvement. Dr. Nguyen has gained recognition through many awards such as the National Science Foundation's Presidential Young Investigator Award and the Young Crop Scientist Award. He was elected as Fellow of the Crop Science Society of America, Fellow of the American Society of Agronomy, and Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Dr. Nguyen was an elected Vice President of the Global Pant Council. He served as Chair of the Molecular Genetics, Genomics, and Biotechnology Division of the Crop Science Society of America and member of the Board of Directors of the CSSA. He has edited 5 books and served on several editorial boards and published more than 275 refereed articles and 40 book chapters. He chairs the Abiotic Stress Workshop and co-chair the Crop Genomics for Global Food Security at the International Plant and Animal Genome Conference. He coordinates a large scale soybean genome sequencing project funded by the United Soybean Board and seed industry aimed toward the development of next generation genomic resources for gene discovery and crop genetics improvement. He is President and CEO of SoyTech Alliance.