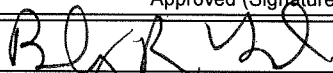


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Outputs: Curators at the S-9 plant germplasm repository at Griffin, Georgia, were advised of user germplasm needs so that appropriate germplasm is obtained and maintained for each respective state and territory in the region. The S-9 committee also advised curators on proper maintenance strategies for the germplasm. A report of state accomplishments and meeting minutes has been disseminated to the regional germplasm use community and curators through the USDA/ARS repository in Griffin, Georgia.			
Outcomes/Impacts: The S-9 Regional Project convened in Griffin, Georgia, during August 2011. Curatorial activities for the various crops maintained at the germplasm repository were reviewed. ARS National Program Staff provided documents on funding and activities throughout the National Plant Germplasm System. ARS germplasm curators presented reports on various research projects involving their germplasm collections. Specifically, discussions dealt with duplicate samples of germplasm, a new storage facility under construction, and a tour to research farms.			
Publications: LaBonte, D.R., C.A. Clark, T.P. Smith, and A.Q. Villordon. 2011. 'Bonita' Sweetpotato. HortScience 46:1-2 Tumwegamire, P.R. Rubaihayo, D.R. LaBonte, F. Diaz, R. Kapinga, R.O.M. Mwanga, and W.J. Gruneberg. 2011. Genetic Diversity in White- and Orange-Fleshed Sweetpotato Farmer Varieties from East Africa Evaluated by Simple Sequence Repeat (SSR) Markers. Crop Science. 51:1132-1142			
Participants: D. LaBonte (PI), LSU AgCenter.			
Target Audiences: Plant breeders.			
Project Modifications: Nothing significant to report during this reporting period.			
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