

Proceedings of the Meeting of Scientists for discussing the Breeding Programme in Black pepper

Director chaired the meeting at ATIC Hall by 11 A.M on 16-8-2005 and the following Scientists attended:

1. Mr. B. Krishnamoorthy
2. Dr. M. Anandaraj
3. Dr. B. Chempakam
4. Dr. K.N. Kurup
5. Dr. B. Sasikumar
6. Dr. K. Nirmal Babu
7. Dr. Johnson K George
8. Dr. J. Rema
9. Dr. R. Ramakrishnan Nair
10. Mr. K.V. Saji
11. Dr. John Zachariah
12. Dr. K.S. Krishnamurthy
13. Dr. Santhosh J Eapen
14. Dr. K.N. Shiva
15. Dr. T.E. Sheeja

General Suggestions:

1. Every three months there will be review of the work. Next meeting will be on 16-11-05.
2. Power point presentation may be made by the individual Project Leader
3. Wherever possible molecular biology tools will be utilized to hasten the breeding work.

Projectwise suggestions

1. RAPD markers alongwith ISSR markers will be used for mapping the population. (Action: KNB).
2. Genetics of disease resistance is to be worked out. (Action: KNB).
3. SCAR markers are to be developed to screen the progenies for foot rot disease (Action: MA).
4. Instead of HP-125, HP-39 and C-820 are to be used as donors for burrowing nematode resistance breeding. (Action: JKG and SJE).
5. A subproject on OP progeny selection in cultivar 'Vadakkan' alone is to be prepared as part of the 'Black pepper breeding programme' project headed by Director. (Action: RRN)

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