

Abstract of oral presentation

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Handling and preservation of plant seeds for patent purposes

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This presentation gives a brief overview of the facility provided by NCIMB for the deposit and maintenance of plant seeds in an IDA. The needs and requirements posed by seed preservation as opposed to microorganisms are discussed as is the preservation process itself. Pictorial evidence of different modes of germination testing is presented and the difficulties and potential solutions associated with seed germination are also covered in the talk.