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Title	Tree domestication in tropical agroforestry. (New vistas in agroforestry: a compen
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Abstract

We execute tree 'domestication' as a farmer-driven and market-led process, which matches the intraspecific diversity of locally important trees to the needs of subsistence farmers, product markets, and agricultural environments. We propose that the products of such domesticated trees are called Agroforestry Tree Products (AFTPs) to distinguish them from the extractive tree resources commonly referred to as non-timber forest products (NTFPs). The steps of such a domestication process are: selection of priority species based on their expected products or services; definition of an appropriate domestication strategy considering the farmer-, market-, and landscape needs; sourcing, documentation and deployment of germplasm (seed, seedlings or clonal material); and tree improvement research (tree breeding or cultivar selection pathways). The research phase may involve research institutions on their own or in participatory mode with the stakeholders such as farmers or communities. Working directly with the end-users is advantageous towards economic, social and environmental goals, especially in developing countries. Two case studies (*Prunus africana* and *Dacryodes edulis*) are presented to highlight the approaches used for medicinal and fruit-producing species. Issues for future development include the expansion of the program to a wider range of species and their products and the strengthening of the links between product commercialization and domestication. It is important to involve the food industry in this process, while protecting the intellectual property rights of farmers to their germplasm.

Author A. N. Waruhiu, J. Kengue, A. R. Atangana, Z. Tchoundjeu and R. R. B. Leakey
Title Domestication of *Dacryodes edulis*. 2. Phenotypic variation of fruit traits in 200 tr
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Reference 2(1): 340-346

Abstract

Within a wider tree domestication programme, the purpose of this study was to quantify the tree-to-tree variation in fruit traits as an aid to plus-tree selection. Detailed measurements of 10 fruit traits for 24 fruits from each of 200 *Dacryodes edulis* trees were made from 4 villages in the humid lowlands of Cameroon. Highly significant differences were observed in mean fruit length (33.5 to 122.4 mm), fruit width (23.3 to 53.5 mm), flesh depth (0.6 to 11.1 mm), fruit mass (10.0 to 114.0 g) and flesh mass (12.5 to 106.0 g). For each of these traits, continuous variation was evident. In addition, the fruits displayed differences in skin and flesh colour, taste and oiliness. The most frequent skin colour was greyish-violet (Methuen Colour Code 18D) and for flesh colour was yellowish (Methuen Colour Code 29A7). With the exception of kernel mass, the traits differed significantly between the 4 villages but there were no significant differences between the different land use systems (home garden, cocoa farms, forest fallow or crop field). This paper provides the first quantified description of tree-to-tree variation in fruit characteristics within populations of *D. edulis* in Cameroon, and also describes a methodology for evaluating future collections from which to select superior phenotypes for cultivar development.

Author C. E. Missang, A. Baron and C. M. G. C. Renard
Title Cell wall-degrading enzymes and changes in cell wall polysaccharides during ripe
Year 2004
Source title Journal of Horticultural Science and Biotechnology
Reference 79(5): 797-805

Abstract

Activities of cell wall-degrading enzymes and amounts of pectins and hemicelluloses were measured in bush butter fruits (harvested from Gabon, France, in April 2002) at seven stages of ripeness, from unripe to soft fruits. Enzyme assays showed that only polygalacturonase (PG) and pectinmethylesterase (PME) were present in high amounts. The PME activity remained almost constant throughout ripening while that of PG drastically increased. The other enzymes assayed, including cellulases and hemicellulases, appeared to be absent or present only in very low quantities. Chelator-soluble pectin was the only class of polysaccharides that underwent degradation during ripening. The apparent molecular weight of chelator-soluble pectin decreased during ripening while those of alkali-soluble hemicelluloses remained unchanged.

Author L. Jirovetz, G. Buchbauer, M. Geissler, M. B. Ngassoum and M. Parmentier
Title Pulp aroma compounds of untreated, boiled and roasted African pear [Dacryodes
Year 2004
Source title European Food Research and Technology
Reference 218(1): 40-43

Abstract

The pulp aroma composition of untreated, boiled and roasted *Dacryodes edulis* (G. Don) H.J. Lam (Burseraceae) fruits from Cameroon was investigated by headspace solid phase microextraction (HS-SPME) coupled with gas chromatographic-spectroscopic (GC/FID and GC/MS) and olfactoric methods to identify those volatiles responsible for the characteristic aroma of these different samples. In particular, monoterpenes, such as alpha -pinene (untreated/boiled/roasted fruits: 60.3%/44.9%/37.1%), beta -pinene (8.2%/21.1%/16.2%), myrcene (15.0%/7.3%/20.9%), limonene (3.6%/6.3%/3.4%) and sabinene (1.4%/3.8%/1.1%) were found to be main compounds of these essential oils. In addition, dimethyl sulfide (4.1%/7.0%) and hexanal (4.6%/8.1%) could be identified in the pulp headspace of boiled and roasted *D. edulis* fruits. A correlation of the identified constituents of these three pulp headspace samples of this commonly known "African pear" from Cameroon with their single odour impressions is also given.

Author M. Dzondo-Gadet, J. M. Nzikou, A. Kimbonguila, M. Linder and S. Desobry
Title Solvent and enzymatic extraction of Safou and Kolo oils.
Year 2004
Source title European Journal of Lipid Science and Technology
Reference 106(5): 289-293

Abstract

Safou (*Dacryodes edulis*) pulp oil became a new hope for fragile economics of central Africa countries. *Raphia sese* palm tree (Kolo) produces also an edible vegetable oil of well nutritious value. Various extraction methods were checked for the best yields. By soxhlet extractor using petroleum ether best yields were attained (47% for Safou and 52% for Kolo; dry weight) followed by the Bligh and Dyer method (43.2% for Safou and 50.8% for Kolo). No further improvement was obtained by the enzymatic treatment with Viscozym L (42% for Safou, 51.3% for Kolo). The application of enzyme added to the preservation of oil from oxidation during extraction process.

Author P. Mbile, Z. Tchoundjeu, A. Degrande, M. L. Avana and A. C. Tsobeng
Title Non-mist vegetative propagation by resource-poor, rural farmers of the forest zone
Year 2004
Source title Forests, Trees and Livelihoods
Reference 14(1): 43-52

Abstract

The vegetative propagation of leafy stem cuttings of high-value tropical trees using non-mist propagators is an important part of the World Agroforestry Centre's tree domestication programme. As the programme develops in the region, the need to scale-up the technology is becoming urgent. A vegetative propagation technology that is robust, adaptable and attractive to small-scale rural farmers without the need for an expensive extension system is crucial for success. This report is part of a larger on-going study to evaluate the constraints in the practice of vegetative propagation of poor rural farmers in the forest and humid savannah zones of southern, central and western Cameroon, and to tailor technology to their means and realities. The study was carried-out, through participatory on-the-spot analysis and practical evaluation of innovations with farmers following end of year group reflection meetings within the course of agroforestry research and development activities at pilot nurseries in Cameroon. The main findings were that among the farmers who practice vegetative propagation of high-value fruit (*Dacryodes edulis*) and medicinal trees under non-mist conditions: (1) the problem of water level management inside the non-mist propagator ranks very high; (2) the adoption of non-mist vegetative propagation by poor farmers will be greatly enhanced by: (a) reducing costs of materials, using locally available materials where possible, and (b) tailoring the technology to farmer capacities, time management schedules and household division of labour.

Author R. Achard, E. Malezieux, P. Robin and J. Ganry
Title Role and status of plantain in agroforestry systems of South West Cameroon: whi
Year 2004
Source title Acta Horticulturae
Reference 638, 101-108

Abstract

A study was conducted in the main cocoa-growing region in Cameroon to determine recent trends and identify sustainable cropping systems. The characterization of the present agricultural situations, was combined with a historical study of crop successions and intercrop structure. Data were collected by both oral surveys and observations in farmers' fields. Twenty-three cropped species were observed. Fruit trees were mandarin (*Citrus reticulata*), orange (*Citrus sinensis*), lime (*Citrus aurantiifolia*), kola nut (*Cola anomala*), African pear (*Dacryodes edulis*), avocado (*Persea americana*) and mango (*Mangifera indica*). Pineapple (*Ananas comosus*) was a non-fruit tree. Cocoa (*Theobroma cacao*), coffee (*Coffea canephora*) and oil palm (*Elaeis guineensis*) were the cash crops. Food crops were diverse: yam (*Dioscorea* sp.), banana (*Musa* sp. subgroup banana AAA cv. Gros Michel), plantain (*Musa* sp. subgroup plantain AAB), cassava (*Manihot utilissima* [*Manihot esculenta*]), cocoyam (*Xanthosoma sagittifolium*), taro (*Colocasia antiquorum*), maize (*Zea mays*), groundnut (*Arachis hypogaea*), melon (*Cucumeropsis mannii*), okra (*Hibiscus esculentus* [*Abelmoschus esculentus*]), sweet potato (*Ipomoea batatas*) and chilli pepper (*Capsicum frutescens*). Only 4% of plots were single-cropped (cocoa or plantain), and 20% exceeded 7 associated species. The more frequent woody perennial crops were cocoa (73% of the observed plots), citrus (36%) and coffee (30%). The most frequent annuals or semi-perennials (non-woody) were plantain (82% of the plots), cocoyam (66%) and cassava (32%). Plantain and cocoyam were observed, respectively, on 84 and 71% of plots with cocoa, 98 and 83% of plots with coffee, 95 and 74% of plots with oil palm, and 89 and 61% of plots with fruit trees. In coffee plots, plantain and cocoyam were more frequent. Cocoa, coffee, oil palm, fruit trees, and cocoyam were observed on 84, 98, 95, 89 and 74%, respectively, of the plantain plots.

Author R. R. B. Leakey, Z. Tchoundjeu, R. I. Smith, R. C. Munro, J. M. Fondoun, J. Ken
Title Evidence that subsistence farmers have domesticated indigenous fruits (*Dacryode*
Year 2004
Source title Agroforestry Systems
Reference 60(2): 101-111

Abstract

Ten fruit and kernel traits were measured in 152 *Irvingia gabonensis* and 293 *Dacryodes edulis* trees from 6 villages in Cameroon and Nigeria. Frequency distribution curves were used to examine the range of variation of each trait of each species in each village and aggregated into national and regional populations. There were differences between the village sub-populations, with regard to the normality (e.g., mean kernel mass of *D. edulis*) or skewness (e.g., mean flesh depth of *D. edulis*) of the distribution curves and in the degree of separation between the individual village populations along the x axis, resulting in the development of a bimodal distribution in the regional population. For all traits, populations of both species differed significantly between countries, but only in *D. edulis* were there significant differences between the Cameroon populations. On the basis of the results of this study, *D. edulis* can be said to be virtually wild in Nigeria but semi-domesticated in Cameroon, while *I. gabonensis* is wild in Cameroon and semi-domesticated in Nigeria. These results are discussed with regard to a hypothesis that the range and frequency of variation in the different populations can be used to identify five stages of domestication. From a comparison of the frequency distribution curves of desirable versus undesirable traits, and statistically identifiable changes in skewness and kurtosis, it is concluded that as a result of the farmers' own efforts by truncated selection, *D. edulis* is between Stages 2 and 3 of domestication (with a 67% relative gain in flesh depth) in Cameroon, while *I. gabonensis* in Nigeria is at Stage 2 (with a 44% relative gain in flesh depth). In this study, genetic diversity seems to have been increased, and not reduced, by d o m e s t i c a t i o n .

Author A. Kiyindou
Title Contribution to the knowledge of the ecology and biology of homopterous pests o
Year 2003
Source title Tropicultura
Reference 21(1): 10-15

Abstract

A study was conducted to estimate the infestation frequencies of *Aleurodicus dispersus* on 20 host plant species in the Republic of Congo. Observations carried out revealed the role of host species and their phenology on the seasonal abundance of the pests. The magnitude of the infestations seemed to be correlated with the number of elderly leaves. *Hura crepitans*, *Persea americana*, *Acacia auriculiformis*, *Elaeis guineensis* and *Eucalyptus alba* x *Eucalyptus urophylla* hybrid were very attractive for *Aleurodicus dispersus* oviposition, while *Mangifera indica*, *Citrus reticulata*, *Carica papaya* and *Dacryodes edulis* were less attractive for the whitefly oviposition.

Author K. Schreckenber

Title Shifting from forestry to agriculture: indigenous fruit trees in Cameroon and Nige

Year 2003

Source title Tropical Agriculture Association Newsletter

Reference 23(2): 6-9

Abstract

Household interviews and fruit tree inventories were conducted in 20 households in a total of 6 communities in Cameroon and Nigeria. Alongside this, the variation existing within the farm and forest populations of *Irvingia gabonensis* and *Dacryodes edulis* was characterized and monthly market surveys of the prices and volume of the fruit sold at 11 markets around Cameroon were carried out. Tenure was complex and variable in the study sites but was not a general constraint in tree planting in the communities surveyed. The mean number of fruit trees per farm was 80. Fruit tree density increased as the farm size decreased. The most popular fruit tree species in the communities studied was *D. edulis*. Also popular were mango, avocado and various citrus species. Half of the 17-28 fruit tree species planted were indigenous. The benefits of the indigenous fruit trees as food and source of income both for the individual farmers and the country are presented. Several factors preventing farmers from maximizing the benefits of fruit tree cultivation are also p r e s e n t e d .

Author Onana, J. M. and M. Cheek

Title A new species of *dacryodes* (Burseraeae) from Zambia

Year 2003

Source title Kew Bulletin

Reference 58(1): 219-224

Abstract

Author P. Mbile, Z. Tchoundjeu, A. Degrande, E. Asaah and R. Nkuinkeu
Title Mapping the biodiversity of the "Cinderella trees" in Cameroon.
Year 2003
Source title Biodiversity
Reference 4(2): 17-21

Abstract

The domestication of indigenous tropical trees starts with the identification of germplasm collection sites. Collecting from a wide genetic base enhances the ecological quality of each collection activity. Determining species occurrence, potential collection sites, and distribution by relying too heavily on published information based on their biophysical limits has shown itself to be full of practical challenges. Within the tree domestication process, the identification and illustration of the geographic re-distribution of high-value tropical trees through their cultivation by farmers, enriches the process of tree germplasm collection. This paper draws parallels between tree cultivation by farmers in Cameroon and the inadvertent testing of the trees in niches and habitats often different from the natural homes of the species. By forcing species to adapt in regions other than those in which they might have been naturally selected, farmers force certain genetic attributes of individual trees, necessary for their survival, to be expressed in one form of adaptation or another. The surviving trees may subsequently constitute unique stands with peculiar genetic and/or phenotypic characteristics. As these resilient man-made stands spread across broad geographical areas, mapping them becomes equivalent to recording an expression of that resilience factor in the species. Recording these sites with the rest of its natural range of occurrence is thus equal to mapping species diversity or its domestication range. The methodology used in this study utilized published biophysical information on vegetation, precipitation, temperature and altitude, as well as geographic data on germplasm collection, cultivation sites and natural stands. These data layers were then used to suggest zones of possible occurrence and distribution. Field collections and survey activities were later used to verify the incidence and cultivation sites of four sample tropical tree species in Cameroon: *Irvingia gabonensis*, *Cola nitida*, *Prunus africana*, and *Dacryodes edulis*.

Author R. R. B. Leakey, K. Schreckenberg and Z. Tchoundjeu
Title The participatory domestication of West African indigenous fruits.
Year 2003
Source title International Forestry Review
Reference 5(4): 338-347, 395, 397

Abstract

This study obtained quantitative data on fruit and nut traits from two indigenous fruit trees in West Africa (*Irvingia gabonensis* and *Dacryodes edulis*), which have led to the identification of trees meeting ideotypes based on multiple morphological, quality and food property traits desirable in putative cultivars. The same data also indicates changes in population structure that provide pointers to the level of domestication already achieved by subsistence farmers. *D. edulis* represents 21-57% of all fruit trees in farmers' fields and plays an important part in the economy of rural communities. An investigation of the socio-economic and biophysical constraints to indigenous tree cultivation found that indigenous fruits could play an even greater role in the rural economy of West and Central Africa. The opportunity to build on this through further domestication of these species is considerable, especially as retailers recognise customer preferences for certain *D. edulis* fruit traits, although at present the wholesale market does not. This project was linked to a larger participatory tree domestication programme within ICRAF's2 wider agroforestry programme with traditionally valuable indigenous trees. Together these projects provided insights into the value of domesticating indigenous fruit trees, which are of strategic importance to poverty alleviation and sustainable development world wide .

Author A. A. Kasali, A. O. Eshinlokun, W. A. Koenig and S. Adeola
Title Volatile constituents of *Dacryodes edulis* (G. Don) H. J. Lam leaves.
Year 2002
Source title Journal of Essential Oil-Bearing Plants
Reference Bhalla, Dehra Dun, India(2002. 5: 2): 77-82

Abstract

The essential oil of *D. edulis* obtained by hydrodistillation of the leaves was comprehensively analysed by gas chromatography and GC-MS. Forty-two constituents accounting for 86.2% of the total oil were identified by their retention (Kovats) indices on Cpsil-5 and by their mass spectra. alpha -Cubebene (29.8%) and delta -cadinene (14.0%) were the major constituents. Other compounds identified in appreciable amount include gamma -terpinene (6.8%), germacrene-B (4.7%) and (E)-nerolidol (4.4%). A diterpene alcohol, phytol (0.44%) is being reported as the constituent of *D. edulis* volatile leaf oil for the first time .

Author A. Awono, O. Ndoye, K. Schreckenberg, H. Tabuna, F. Isseri and L. Temple
Title Production and marketing of safou (*Dacryodes edulis*) in Cameroon and internatio
Year 2002
Source title Forests, Trees and Livelihoods
Reference 12(1/2): 125-147

Abstract

This paper draws together information from three separate projects on the production of *Dacryodes edulis* (G.Don) H.J. Lam or 'safou' in Cameroon, and its domestic and international trade. The volume of safou fruit commercialised in Cameroon in 1997 was estimated at 11,000 tonnes, equivalent to US\$7.5 million. Exports from Central Africa and Nigeria to France, the United Kingdom and Belgium were worth over US\$2 million in 1999. A study of nine markets in the humid forest zone of Cameroon in 1999 revealed that women dominate the retail trade while men concentrate on wholesale. For both, safou trade is an important long-term livelihood option. Depending on the market and volume traded, weekly marketing margins can be double the minimum wage. Far from being exploited by traders, producers were found to receive 75% of the consumer price on average. The main constraint to both the domestic and international trade is the high p e r i s h a b i l i t y o f s a f o u .

Author Ajayi, I. A. and R. A. Oderinde
Title Studies on the oil characteristics of *Dacryodes edulis* pulp and seed
Year 2002
Source title Discovery and Innovation
Reference 14(1/2): 20-24

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Title Oil extraction from *Dacryodes edulis* (G.Don) H.J. Lam fruit.
Year 2002
Source title Forests, Trees and Livelihoods
Reference 12(1/2): 97-104

Abstract

Drying and extraction are methods used in the processing of safou (*Dacryodes edulis*) fruit to separate oils from other products. Typically, the choice of the processing method is determined by economic rather than technical criteria. The increasing demand for safou oil by cosmetic industries has led to the development of electric driers and presses, which are gradually replacing solar driers and manual presses. These developments have maintained processing efficiency, while increasing the purity and the quality of the oil. Solar driers reduced the moisture content of safou fruit from 70 to 13% after 5 days, while electric driers reduced moisture content from 57 to 7% in just 15 hours. Extraction yields vary according to the size of safou fruit, between 25 to 40% for an electric press in the Congo and between 23 to 28% for a hand press in Cameroon.

Author C. M. F. Mbofung, T. Silou and I. Mouragadja
Title Chemical characterisation of safou (*Dacryodes edulis*) and evaluation of its potent
Year 2002
Source title Forests, Trees and Livelihoods
Reference 12(1/2): 105-117

Abstract

Fruit of *Dacryodes edulis* (commonly called safou), obtained from Cameroon, Congo Kinshasa, Congo Brazzaville and Gabon, were analysed for their lipid, fatty acid, protein and mineral content. In addition, safou pulp was evaluated for its potential as an ingredient for the nutritional enrichment of biscuits. Lipid content varied between 49 and 59%. In all cases, the major fatty acids were palmitic (16:0), oleic (18:1) and linoleic (18:2) acids. Protein content on a dry weight basis ranged between 20 and 30%. The samples contained substantial amounts of potassium, phosphorus, calcium and magnesium and traces of sodium. Varying amounts of the trace elements iron, copper, zinc and manganese were also recorded. Partial replacement of margarine in a biscuit recipe with safou pulp was found to increase the protein content of biscuits by as much as 39% while maintaining its energy level and palatability. However, the in vitro digestibility of protein in biscuits decreased with increasing safou content.

Author D. J. Sonwa, J. C. Okafor, P. M. Buyungu, S. F. Weise, M. Tchatat, A. A. Adesina
Title *Dacryodes edulis*, a neglected non-timber forest species for the agroforestry system
Year 2002
Source title Forests, Trees and Livelihoods
Reference 12(1/2): 41-55

Abstract

Dacryodes edulis, or safou, is a fruit tree native to Central Africa and the Gulf of Guinea region. It is usually present in agroforestry systems in the region, particularly in homegardens and cocoa and coffee agroforests. It plays an important role in household consumption and the surplus is sold on the rural and urban market. A lack of attention by research and extension services means that there is neither scientific knowledge nor official recommendations for its management in agroforestry systems. The attempt to introduce it into forest fallows in Cote d'Ivoire is a good example of industrial involvement in the development of agroforestry and the expansion of tree production in West Africa. Drawing on experience from Cameroon, Nigeria and Cote d'Ivoire, this paper presents indigenous management techniques and emerging opportunities to promote safou in West and Central African agroforestry systems for food security, income generation and rehabilitation of the environment.

Author D. T. Kalenda, C. E. Missang, T. Kinkela T, H. C. Krebs and C. M. G. C. Renard
Title New developments in the chemical characterisation of the fruit of *Dacryodes edulis*
Year 2002
Source title Forests, Trees and Livelihoods
Reference 12(1/2): 119-123

Abstract

One of the greatest constraints to increased commercialisation of safou, the fruit of *Dacryodes edulis* (G.Don) H.J. Lam, is its perishability. In this paper we report briefly on research in Gabon, which found that the pectins are the only class of polysaccharides involved in the safou softening process. We also report on studies into the chemical constituents of the pulp and seed oils which might provide alternative marketable products. In Congo-Brazzaville, High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC) analysis of triacylglycerols (TAGs) identified two major TAGs in the seed oil (PPO>POO), and confirmed the five major TAGs in the pulp oil (PPO>POO>PPL>POL>PLL). In Kinshasa, three Thin Layer Chromatography (TLC) systems (for analysis of total lipids, TAGs and fatty acids) were proposed to allow for rapid identification of the safou oils and to detect environmental falsifications.

Author Daly, D. C. and M. C. Martinez-Habibe
Title Notes on *Dacryodes vahl*, including a new species from the rio negro basin in Am
Year 2002
Source title Brittonia
Reference 54(4): 266-274

Abstract

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Author F. Mialoundama, M. L. Avana, E. Youmbi, P. C. Mampouya, Z. Tchoundjeu, M.
Title Vegetative propagation of *Dacryodes edulis* (G. Don) H.J. Lam by marcots, cuttin
Year 2002
Source title Forests, Trees and Livelihoods
Reference 12(1/2): 85-96

Abstract

Air layering (or marcotting) of 'safou' (*Dacryodes edulis*) is most successful with large diameter, horizontal branches with thick bark. However, rooting remains slow and severance is only possible five months after setting the marcots. Application of growth regulators helps to accelerate rooting and reduces the severance period from five to three months. The best results were obtained with IBA. The most effective rooting medium for *D. edulis* juvenile leafy stem cuttings was found to be sawdust or a sand/sawdust mixture, but no significant effect of hormonal stimulation on rooting was recorded. A technique for disinfecting mature plant material of *D. edulis* for in vitro propagation is reported. The reputation of *D. edulis* as a species that is difficult to propagate vegetatively is incorrect. This has important implications for the domestication of the species.

Author I. A. Ajayi and R. A. Oderinde
Title Studies on the oil characteristics of *Dacryodes edulis* pulp and seed.
Year 2002
Source title Discovery and Innovation
Reference 14(1/2): 20-24

Abstract

Studies on the oil characteristics of *D. edulis* pulp and seed grown in Nigeria were conducted to determine the proximate composition of the pulp and seed. Oils from the pulp and seed were extracted and analysed for their physicochemical characteristics. The proximate analysis results showed that the seed have similar values with those of the pulp. Similar results were obtained for the physicochemical characteristics of the pulp and seed oils. Oil yield from the pulp and seed were 11.94 and 10.44% respectively. Both pulp and seed were low in protein, 1.93+or-0.20 and 1.40+or-0.18%, but have high crude fibre values of 47.50+or-1.30 and 48.50+or-1.60%, respectively. The acid and saponification values of the pulp and seed oils were 5.61 and 179.52, while their iodine values were 19.87+or-0.45 and 31.50+or-0.50, respectively. The two oils, which are dark yellow in colour, were consistently liquid at room temperature with almost similar specific gravities of 0.8520+or-0.03 and 0.8400+or-0.02 for the pulp and seed, respectively. On the whole, it can be shown that there is not much difference between the proximate and physicochemical composition of the pulp and seed oils of *D. edulis* grown in Nigeria.

Author J. Kengue, F. N. T. Fohouo and H. G. Adewusi
Title Towards the improvement of safou (*Dacryodes edulis*): population variation and r
Year 2002
Source title Forests, Trees and Livelihoods
Reference 12(1/2): 73-84

Abstract

In the last two decades, growing interest in the production and utilisation of safou (*Dacryodes edulis*), an indigenous fruit tree species of West and Central Africa, has stimulated work on the selection of genetic resources with desired traits, timing of fruit collection and the tree's reproductive biology. In this context, 58 germplasm accessions were collected in Nigeria during 1998. The periodicity of fruiting was found to vary geographically and a preliminary characterisation showed a wide range of variation in fruit traits. About 4% of fruits were seedless. The importance of this knowledge is discussed with regard to genetic selection and improvement, and the need to extend germplasm collection activities to wild relatives of the species. In the humid forest zone, the main insect pollinator is *Meliponula erythra*. Allogamy has been found to be the main reproduction system of *D. edulis*, while hermaphrodite flowers are self-compatible.

Author K. Schreckenber, A. Degrande, C. Mbosso, Z. B. Baboule, C. Boyd, L. Enyong,
Title The social and economic importance of *Dacryodes edulis* (G.Don) H.J. Lam in So
Year 2002
Source title Forests, Trees and Livelihoods
Reference 12(1/2): 15-40

Abstract

This paper reports on the role played by the indigenous fruit tree species, *Dacryodes edulis* (safou), in four communities in Southern Cameroon. Safou is originally a forest species but has now almost completed the shift on to the farm, where it is particularly planted in association with cocoa and coffee plantations. Its oil-rich fruit are an important item in local diets and are widely marketed. The income is particularly important to women and its timing coincides with the need to pay school fees and associated costs. The reasons why different farmers plant safou are very complex and change over time. Extension services could help farmers obtain greater benefits from this resource by promoting participatory domestication and providing advice on tree management and fruit storage
a n d p r o c e s s i n g .

Author Kalenda, D. T., C. E. Missang, T. Therese Kinkela, H. C. Krebs and C. M. G. C.
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Title Domestication of *dacryodes edulis* in west and central Africa: Characterisation of
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Reference 12(1/2): 57-72

Abstract

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Author M. S. Philip
Title A fruit tree with a future: *Dacryodes edulis* (safou, the African plum). 3rd Internat
Year 2002
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Abstract

This special issue contains 10 papers which are synthesized from 2 or more papers presented at the conference. The papers deal with all aspects of *Dacryodes edulis*, from its propagation and management to processing and marketing. The full proceedings of the conference include papers on other novel oil-producing tree species [See Kengue, J.; Kapseu, C.; Kayem, G. J. (2002) 3eme seminaire international sur la valorisation du safoutier et autres oleagineux non-conventionnels, Yaounde, Cameroun, 3 - 5 octobre 2000 638 pp.].

Author Mbofung, C. M. F., T. Silou and I. Mouragadja
Title Chemical characterisation of safou (*Dacryodes edulis*) and evaluation of its potent
Year 2002
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Author Mialoundama, F., M. L. Avana, E. Youmbi, P. C. Mampouya, Z. Tchoundjeu, M.
Title Vegetative propagation of *Dacryodes edulis* (G. Don) H.J. Lam by marcots, cuttin
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Reference 12(1/2): 85-96

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Author R. K. Egharevba and D. O. Osunde
Title The effect of crude oil on seedling growth of two forest fruit trees: *Chrysophyllu*
Year 2002
Source title Journal of Sustainable Agriculture
Reference 18(2/3): 25-35

Abstract

The effect of oil treatment levels of 0.0, 1.52, 3.04 and 4.56%, respectively, on seedling growth of *Chrysophyllum albidum* and *Dacryodes edulis* were studied under tropical lowland rain forest vegetation in Benin City, Edo State, Nigeria. The soil was of leached, ferrallitic type which is dominantly deep, reddish with clayey subsoil and black organic topsoil. The results showed that oil treatment of soil high concentrations of 3.04 and 4.56% adversely affected the growth performances of these crops in terms of plant height, collar girth leaf area, leaf number and dry weight, r e s p e c t i v e l y .

Author R. R. B. Leakey, A. R. Atangana, E. Kengni, A. N. Waruhiu, C. Usoro, P. O. Ane
Title Domestication of *Dacryodes edulis* in West and Central Africa: characterisation o
Year 2002
Source title Forests, Trees and Livelihoods
Reference 12(1/2): 57-71

Abstract

New initiatives in agroforestry are seeking to integrate trees with marketable products into farming systems. This is being done in order to provide marketable timber and non-timber forest products from farms that will enhance rural livelihoods by generating cash for subsistence farmers. *Dacryodes edulis* (Safou) is one of the candidate tree species in West and Central Africa for domestication, which has commercial potential in local, regional or even international markets. This paper describes: (i) the characterisation of tree-to-tree variation in fruit traits and the opportunities for selecting *D. edulis* cultivars based on the intraspecific variation found in local populations in Cameroon and Nigeria, (ii) the identification of multi-trait ideotypes for potential cultivar development, (iii) the organoleptic attributes which are important traits for selection, and (iv) an assessment of the relationships between fruit mass and market prices in fruit samples from three markets, at the peak of season, in Cameroon.

Author Schreckenber, K., A. Degrande, C. Mbosso, Z. B. Baboule, C. Boyd, L. Enyong,
Title The social and economic importance of *Dacryodes edulis* (G.Don) H.J. Lam in so
Year 2002
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Reference 12(1/2): 15-40

Abstract

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Author Silou, T., G. Rocquelin, I. Mouragadja and G. Gallon
Title Chemical composition of nutritional characteristics of safou of Cameroon, the Co
Year 2002
Source title Rivista Italiana Delle Sostanze Grasse
Reference 79(5): 177-182

Abstract

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Author Sonwa, D. J., J. C. Okafor, P. M. Buyungu, S. F. Weise, M. Tchatat, A. A. Adesin
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Reference 12(1/2): 41-56

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Abstract

The morphological and physicochemical characteristics of 325 safou (*Dacryodes edulis*) fruits harvested from 33 trees located in different countries in Central Africa: Cameroon, the Congo Brazzaville, the Congo-Kinshasa [Congo Democratic Republic] and Gabon, were evaluated including their nutrient content. The fruits were of medium size about 6-7 cm long by 3-4 cm wide, weighed 40-50 g, and had a pulp thickness of about 0.6 cm. The variation range of moisture, oil, protein and ash content were 55-60, 10-14, and 3-4%, respectively. The mineral contents were P, Na, K, Ca, Mg, Fe, Cu, Zn, Mn. The major constituents of oil extracted from the pulp are palmitic (41-48%), oleic (20-27%) and linoleic (21-29%) acids. The alpha -linoleic acid content was less than 2%. The percentage ratio of polyunsaturated/saturated fatty acids was about 0.6 whereas that of linoleic acid/saturated fatty acids varied for different countries from 15 to 22.

Author Z. Tchoundjeu, J. Kengue and R. R. B. Leakey
Title Domestication of *Dacryodes edulis*: state-of-the-art.
Year 2002
Source title Forests, Trees and Livelihoods
Reference 12(1/2): 3-13

Abstract

Dacryodes edulis is one of the important local fruit tree species of West and Central Africa. This paper reviews the activities of a regional programme to domesticate high-value indigenous fruit trees in the region. This programme is coordinated by the International Centre for Research in Agroforestry (ICRAF) and implemented in Cameroon in collaboration with the Institute of Agricultural Research for Development (IRAD), National Agricultural Extension and Research Programme (PNVRA) agents and NGOs and universities of the region. It is based on a participatory approach to domestication that is in marked contrast to that of food crop domestication under the Green Revolution. The participatory process with farmers started with priority setting between species, progressed to germplasm collection and the establishment of village nurseries for clonal propagation of superior trees, and is currently involved in the selection of superior trees for cultivar development. Work is also in progress on post-harvest processing, market development and the integration of cultivars into agroforestry systems.

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Title The activity of *meliponula erythra* on the flowers of *Dacryodes edulis* and its effe
Year 2001
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Author Kengni, E., Z. Tchoundjeu, F. M. Tchouanguep and C. M. F. Mbofung
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Title Optimisation of the layering conditions of the safu tree (*Dacryodes edulis* "G. Don
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Author Missang, C. E., C. M. Renard, A. Baron and J. F. Drilleau
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Author Missang, C. E., C. M. Renard, A. Baron and J. F. Drilleau
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Author Youmbi, E. and A. Benbadis
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Author Youmbi, E. and A. Benbadis
Title in vitro regeneration of plants from axillary buds and shoot tips of seedlings of Da
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Author Awono, A., O. Ndoye, K. Schreckenber, H. Tabuna, F. Isseri and L. Temple
Title Production and marketing of safou (*Dacryodes edulis*) in Cameroon and internatio
Year 2000
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Reference AB Academic Publishers, 125-148 pp
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Author Kalenda, D. T., C. E. Missang, T. Therese Kinkela, H. C. Krebs and C. M. G. C.
Title New developments in the chemical characterisation of the fruit of *Dacryodes eduli*
Year 2000
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Author Kapseu, C., E. Avouampo and B. Djeumako
Title Oil extraction from *Dacryodes edulis* (G. Don) h.J. Lam fruit
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Source title Rivista Italiana Delle Sostanze Grasse
Reference 77(2): 85-90
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Title [potentiality of in vitro regeneration of cotyledonary nodes at *Dacryodes edulis*]
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Reference 55(6): 409-419
Abstract

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Author Ayuk ET; Duguma B; Franzel S; Kengue J; Mollet M; TikiManga T
Title Uses, Management and Economic Potential of *Dacryodes edulis* (Burseraceae) in
Year 1999
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Author Firmin A
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Author Kapseu C; Mapongmetsem PM; Silou T; Roques M
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Year 1999
Source title Tropicultura
Reference 16/17(1): 37-42
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Title Influence of the host-plant on the development and reproduction of the whitefly A
Year 1999
Source title Fruits (Paris)
Reference 54(2): 115-122
Abstract

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Author Leakey RRB
Title Potential of novel food products from agroforestry trees: a review
Year 1999
Source title Food Chemistry
Reference 66: 1-14

Abstract

The domestication of trees for agroforestry approaches to poverty alleviation and environmental rehabilitation in the tropics depends on the expansion of the market demand for non-timber forest products. This paper reviews published data on the nutritive values of the flesh, kernels and seed oils of the seventeen fruit tree species that have been identified, in four ecoregions of the tropics, by subsistence farmers as their top priorities for domestication. In some species, genetic variation in nutritive value has been reported, but in most species there is still inadequate information on which to base programmes for the genetic improvement of these species. Farmers and agroforesters have identified many of the biological constraints relevant to their viewpoint on production, but there is a need for inputs from the food industry into the identification of the desirable traits and characteristics of potentially novel food products. This paper calls for greater collaboration between agroforesters and the food industry in the effort to promote the domestication and commercialization of under-utilized tree products.

Author Onocha PA; Ekundayo O; Oyelalola O; Laakso I
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Title Contribution a la caracterisation des safous d'afrique centrale (Dacryodes edulis)
Year 1999
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Year 1998
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Reference 105: 295-298
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Author Kapseu, C., Y. Jiokap Nono, F. Broto and M. Roques
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Year 1998
Source title International Drying Symposium, Halkidiki; Greece
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Year 1998
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Author Rocquelin G; Tapsoba S; Mbemba F; Gallon G; Picq C
Title Lipid content and fatty acid composition in foods commonly consumed by nursing
Year 1998
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Abstract

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Author Youmbi E, Cerceau Larrival MT, Verhille AM, Carbonnier Jarreau MC
Title Morphology and in vitro pollen germination of *Dacryodes edulis* (Burseraceae). O
Year 1998
Source title GRANA
Reference 37(2): 87-92

Abstract

Samples of *Dacryodes edulis* pollen were collected from hermaphrodite plants on the University Campus of Yaounde, Cameroon, for morphological and germination studies. The tree is dioecious and hermaphrodite and female plants do not flower at same time, so pollen storage is necessary to control pollination. Microscopic studies showed that the pollen is isopolar, tricolporate and prolate, and the structural characteristics of the exine indicate the possibility of long-term pollen storage. In vitro, germination is optimal on Brewbaker & Kwack medium containing 15 or 20% sucrose and at pH 5.3. Incubation is carried out at 30 deg C in the dark. Germination is very fast; 60% of the pollen germinated after one hour of incubation but three hours are necessary for optimal germination and pollen tube elongation. After 24 months of storage at -20 deg C, the mean germination percentage is 8 %

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Year 1997
Source title Bioresource Technology
Reference 59(2-3): 259-261

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Source title Fruits (Paris)
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Author Anon
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Author Ejiofor MAN; Okafor JC
Title Prospects for commercial exploitation of Nigerian indigenous trees, vegetables, fr
Year 1997
Source title International Tree Crops Journal
Reference 9(2): 119-129; 13 ref.
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Reference 17(3): 325-331; 10 ref.
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Author Kenmegne Kamdem, A. T., A. Ali, C. Tchiegang and C. Kapseu
Title Problems associated with the production of safou oil in Cameroon
Year 1997
Source title Fruits (Paris)
Reference 52(5): 325-330
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Author Kenmegne-Kamdem-AT; Ali-A; Tchiegang-C; Kapseu-C
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Author Myster RW; Schaefer DA
Title Abiotic vs. biotic control of litter decomposition on a landslide
Year 1997
Source title Bulletin of the Ecological Society of America
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Author Tutin CEG; White LJT, Mackanga Missandzou A
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Year 1997
Source title Conservation Biology
Reference 11(5): 1190-1203; 58 ref.
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Author Angulo MDP; Aide TM
Title Leaf phenology as an antiherbivore defense
Year 1996
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Author Everham EM III; Myster RW; VanDeGenachte E
Title Effects of light, moisture, temperature, and litter on the regeneration of five tree s
Year 1996
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Title A twelve-year comparison of stand changes in a mahogany plantation and a paired
Year 1996
Source title Biotropica, Special issue: Long-term responses of Caribbean ecosystems to distur
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Title Physicval damage and resprouting of neotropical understory shrubs
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Abstract

Fruit charater and the fatty acid composition of pulp oil of two types of Frican Pear (Dacryodes edulis) were determined. African plum oil (63.4% of the pulp) is a rich source of palmitic, oleic and linoleic acids. The triglycerides of this oil are composed mainly of dipalmito-olein, palmito-diolein and palmitolino-olein. The two types of African pear were not significantly different as far as fatty acids and triglycerides composition are concerned, but showed a significant difference in physical

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Abstract

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Author Leakey RRB; Ladipo DO
Title Trading on genetic variation - fruits of *Dacryodes edulis*
Year 1996
Source title Agroforestry Today
Reference 8(2) 16-17; 8 ref.

Abstract

For many thousands of years, people have been harvesting valuable non-timber products from trees. People who use these products are well aware of the value of these indigenous trees that provide them so many things that they use everyday - fruit, oils, nuts, medicines, resins. Researchers still have a lot to learn about these trees and their products, but they also have a lot to offer in the conservation and more productive exploitation of the valuable genetic material found in natural stands of such trees. And as Roger Leakey and David Ladipo write in this report, genetic variation shows clearly in a survey of *Dacryodes edulis* fruit in a market in Cameroon.

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Title Phytotherapy in treatment of benign prostatic hyperplasia: A critical review
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Author McDowell WH; McSwiney CP; Bowden WB; Walker LR (ed.); Silver WL (ed.);
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Year 1996
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Year 1996
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Author Silou T
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Title Engineering properties of two underutilised Cote d'Ivoire species: adjouaba and ni
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Title Litter dynamics along stream, riparian and upslope areas following Hurricane Hug
Year 1996
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Year 1996
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Author Parresol BR
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Year 1995
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Year 1995
Source title Forest Ecology and Management
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