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Abstract

Seed quality is an important issue in forest establishment and restoration programs. It has implications on plant adaptation and growth as well on the characteristics of the future forest. The use of plant material is relevant for forest yield, biodiversity, conservation and sustainable forest management. It also involves specific regulations in which concerns production, use and marketing of forest seeds. This article presents several issues related to the collection and processing of fruits and seeds of forest species.

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