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Graft recovery of *Piper nigrum* L. runner shoots on *Piper colubrinum* Link. rootstocks as influenced by varieties and month of grafting

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Abstract

Grafting black pepper (*Piper nigrum*) on resistant rootstocks of *Piper colubrinum* is a widely accepted technique to manage the problematic *Phytophthora* disease. To evaluate the influence of varieties and season on graft recovery, a preliminary study was conducted in 2000, in which the runner shoots of eight P. nigrum varieties were grafted on *P. colubrinum* rootstocks. Results show that regardless of the varieties, February and March are the best periods for graft production.

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