

Biosafety Clearing-House (BCH)

ORGANISM (ORGA)

BCH-ORGA-SCBD-100304-3

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Organism information

Scientific name

Musa sp.

Taxonomic Classification

Kingdom Plantae
Phylum Magnoliophyta
Class Liliopsida
Order Zingiberales
Family Musaceae
Genus Musa
Species sp.

Common name(s)

Banana

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Plantain

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Type of organism

Crops

Characteristics related to biosafety

Centre(s) of genetic diversity

The family is native to the tropics of Africa and Asia.

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Habitat range

Widely adapted, growing at elevations of 0-920 m (0-3000 ft) or more, depending on latitude; mean annual temperatures of 26-30°C (79-86°F); annual rainfall of 2000 mm (80 in) or higher for commercial production.

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Common use(s)

Food

Additional Information

Other relevant website addresses and/or attached documents

? [Musa banana plantain.pdf](#) (*English*)

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Further Information

Questions about the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety or the operation of the Biosafety Clearing-House may be directed to the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity.

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