How to request germplasm from the CIP-Genebank

Requesting germplasm from the CIP-genebank one must:

1. Enter our web site (http://genebank.cip.cgiar.org)
   a. Go to the search tool (insert weblink to search tool page here) to access the list of Potato, Sweetpotato, or Andean Roots and Tuber crops
   b. Select the required materials.
   c. Create a user ID and password if you have not previously done so
   d. Go to shopping cart and check out
2. Once your order has been submitted you will be required to accept the Standard Material Transfer Agreement (SMTA). Your request will not be processed until we have an accepted SMTA for your order. Choose any one of the three methods below for acceptance of the SMTA:
   a. Choose to physically sign the SMTA document. CIP will send the document for a signature and you will return the signed SMTA. (filling appropriate data on page 8 http://www.fao.org/3/a-be623e.pdf) to CIP.
   b. Choose the shrink-wrap method to accept the SMTA. A copy of the SMTA will be included in the box of the material and acceptance of the package constitutes acceptance of the SMTA. (http://www.fao.org/3/a-be623e.pdf).
   c. Choose the click-wrap method to accept the SMTA. After reading the displayed terms online you will acceptance the SMTA electronically by clicking on the specified icon to accept the SMTA. (https://mls.planttreaty.org/itt/)
3. Send an import permit from the Plant Protection/Quarantine/Inspection Service of your country, if such a permit is required.

Once these requirements are fulfilled, the CIP-genebank will process your request.

The maximum number of accessions that you can order is 35 accessions per year. If you request more than 35 accessions, this will delay your order and you will be contacted to justify your request.

If you order in vitro (tissue culture) material you will receive:
   o Potato: 2 tubes of 13x100mm (2 plantlets each tube)
   o Sweetpotato: 2 tubes of 13x100mn (1 plantlet each tube)

If you order seeds you will receive:
   o Wild potato: 50 seeds per accession.
   o Wild sweetpotato: 5- 10 seeds per accession.

Expected Delivery Time:

The delivery time of the materials is calculated to be between 6 and 8 weeks after your documentation is received. The material will be accompanied by an Official Phytosanitary Certificate given by SENASA (Peruvian Phytosanitary Entity), CIP- Phytosanitary Statement,
import permit from the country that is receiving the germplasm, a copy of the SMTA, and the list of materials shipped.

Additional Information:

If you need additional information about requesting germplasm or prefer to make your request by sending an email, please send your inquiry to (cip-germplasm@cgiar.org). You also may receive emails from this address to

By requesting germplasm from the CIP-Genebank you are agreeing to periodically send information on your use and maintenance of the germplasm. An initial survey will be sent within a month of shipment and annual surveys will be send thereafter to monitor use of the genebank material.