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## Invitation

We have the pleasure of inviting you to the Fifth Scientific Meeting of the Cassava Biotechnology Network (CBN) at the Donald Danforth Plant Science Center in St. Louis, Missouri, USA, November 4-9, 2001. The conference is entitled **Cassava, an Ancient Crop for Modern Times: Food, Health, and Culture**.

## General Organization

The first day of the conference will be devoted to the presentation of cassava as a crop and constraints that limit productivity. The succeeding four days will be devoted to the status of cassava biotechnology. The program will consist of keynote addresses, general lectures, specialized seminars, and poster sessions. A significant part of these sessions will be reserved for selected oral communications. In addition, there will be several round table sessions to review problems and constraints for the development of cassava productivity and for the transfer of technologies to cassava. All participants will receive abstracts at the beginning of the symposium.

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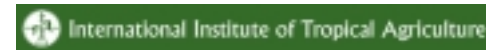
## Fifth International Scientific Meeting of the Cassava Biotechnology Network

**November 4 - 9, 2001**  
**St. Louis, Missouri USA**

## Cassava, an Ancient Crop for Modern Times: Food, Health, and Culture



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International Laboratory for Tropical Agricultural Biotechnology

## General Information

This brochure contains a registration form for those attending the CBN-V conference, those participating in the conference via the Internet, and those attending the satellite workshop on November 10. Please send your registration information as soon as possible--by mail, fax, email, or via online registration.

## Registration Fees

The registration fee for attending the CBN-V conference is \$300.00. Fees will be due September 15, 2001. All payment details will be provided on the website: [www.danforthcenter.org/iltab/cassavanet](http://www.danforthcenter.org/iltab/cassavanet) or by inquiry to the general secretariat, Bernadette Delannay.

The registration fee covers the cost of meals, including the November 7 dinner at the Missouri Botanical Garden and transportation to and from hotels and scheduled local attractions. In addition, registrants will receive all session abstracts.

## Accommodations

The cost of hotel and air fare are not included in the registration fee. Conference organizers will reserve some rooms at local hotels at a cost of approximately \$100.00 per night, and attendees may indicate if they wish to share a room. Hotel information will be provided on the website or by inquiry to the general secretariat.

## Financial Aid

Conference organizers have allocated funds to aid scientists from developing countries to attend the CBN-V meeting. Financial aid will be distributed according to the level of funds raised and the level of participation of scientists registering and requesting aid. Contact the general secretariat for more information.



# Proposed CBN-V Program

**Arrival: November 4, 2001**

REGISTRATION AND WELCOME RECEPTION

**Opening Day: November 5, 2001**

OPENING CEREMONY: 8:30 am- 6:00 pm

*-Introduction-*

Roger Beachy: The Danforth Center and the Developing World  
Missouri Senator Kit Bond (invited): Politics, Science, and Aid  
Peter Raven: Conservation and Sustainability  
Marc Van Montagu: Biotechnology for Tropical Crops  
Keynote, Gordon Conway, President, Rockefeller Foundation:  
Science, Food Crops, and Development

*-Cassava Constraints and Value-*

Felix Nweke: Cassava in Africa  
TBA: Cassava in Asia  
Marcio Porto: Cassava in Latin America  
Alex McCalla: Cassava Economics

*-Special Guest Speakers-*

Gabriel Garcia Marquez (invited), 1982 Nobel Laureate in  
Literature: Science and Society  
Wole Soyinka, 1986 Nobel Laureate in Literature:  
Cassava and Africans  
Evangeline Villegas, 2000 World Food Prize Winner:  
A Higher Protein Diet

*-The Importance of Cassava-*

Chusa Gines: CBN, Past and Present  
Joachim Voss: A Vision for Cassava  
Lukas Brader: Cassava Improvement, Present and Future  
Claude Fauquet: Global Cassava Plan

*-Cassava and IPR-*

Gary Toenniessen: IPR and Development  
Robert Horsch: The Role of the Private Sector

DINNER: 6:00-8:00 pm

Guest Speaker: Roy Vagelos: Research and Business

CONCURRENT ROUND TABLES RT1 & RT2: 8:00-10:00 pm  
RT1. Participatory Research: Chusa Gines and Ann-Marie Thro  
RT2. IPR-Biosafety: Judy Chambers and Victoria Henson-Apollino

## Day Two: November 6, 2001

PLENARY SESSION 1: 8:30-10:00 am  
Cassava and Society

CONCURRENT SESSIONS S1 & S2: 10:30 am-12:30 pm  
S1. Socioeconomics

Chair: John Lynam, Reporter: Linley Chiwona-Karlton  
S2. Biodiversity / Genetics  
Chair: Barbara Schaal, Reporter: Alfred Dixon

LUNCH: 12:30-2:00 pm

CONCURRENT SESSIONS S3 & S4: 2:00-3:30 pm  
S3. Starch Modification

Chair: Supat Attathom, Reporter: Richard Visser  
S4. Genomics  
Chair: Luis Carvalho, Reporter: Chikelu Mba

POSTER SESSION 1: 4:00-6:00 pm

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS W3 & W4: 4:00-6:00 pm  
W3. Starch Modification

Moderator: Bernardo Ospina, Reporter: Richard Visser  
W4. Genomics  
Moderator: Joe Tohme, Reporter: Chikelu Mba

DINNER: 6:00-8:00 pm  
Guest Speaker: Eugene Terry (invited)

POSTER SESSION 1, continued: 8:00-10:00 pm

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS W1 & W2: 8:00-10:00 pm  
W1. Socioeconomics

Moderator: Guy Henry, Reporter: Linley Chiwona-Karlton  
W2. Biodiversity / Genetics  
Moderator: Rob Bertram, Reporter: Alfred Dixon

## Day Three: November 7, 2001

PLENARY SESSION 2: 8:30-10:00 am  
Cassava Genome and Pests

CONCURRENT SESSIONS S5 & S6: 10:30 am-12:30 pm  
S5. Gene Discovery

Chair: Richard Sayre, Reporter: Monica Hughes  
S6. Postharvest Deterioration and Micronutrients  
Chair: TBA, Reporter: John Beeching

LUNCH: 12:30-2:00 pm

Optional tours of St. Louis attractions and  
scientific institutions: 2:00-5:00 pm  
Monsanto Chesterfield Village Research Center, Genome Sequencing  
Center at Washington University in St. Louis, Gateway Arch, local museums

DINNER AT THE MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDEN:  
7:00-10:00 pm

Guest Speaker: Ambassador Kenneth Quinn, President,  
World Food Prize Foundation

## Day Four: November 8, 2001

PLENARY SESSION 3: 8:30-10:00 am  
New Technologies

CONCURRENT SESSIONS S7 & S8: 10:30 am-12:30 pm  
S7. Micropropagation / Transformation  
Co-chairs: Krit Raemaekers and Paul Chavarriaga, Reporter: TBA  
S8. Biotic Stress / Virus  
Co-chairs: Georges Otim-Nape and Francis Ogbe, Reporter: Valerie Verdier

LUNCH: 12:30-2:00 pm

CONCURRENT SESSIONS S7 & S8, continued: 2:00-3:30 pm

POSTER SESSION 2: 4:00-6:00 pm

WORKSHOPS W6 & W8: 4:00-6:00 pm  
W6. Postharvest Deterioration and Micronutrients  
Moderator: Hernan Ceballos, Reporter: John Beeching  
W8. Biotic Stress / Virus  
Moderator: James Legg, Reporter: Valerie Verdier

DINNER: 6:00-8:00 pm  
Guest Speaker: William Roca

POSTER SESSION 2, continued: 8:00-10:00 pm

WORKSHOPS W5 & W7: 8:00-10:00 pm  
W5. Gene Discovery  
Moderator: Martin Fregene, Reporter: Monica Hughes  
W7. Micropropagation / Transformation  
Moderator: Nigel Taylor, Reporter: TBA

## Day Five: November 9, 2001

PLENARY SESSION 4: 8:30-10:00 am  
Cassava and Food

CONCURRENT ROUND TABLES RT3 & RT4: 10:30 am-12:30 pm  
RT3. Biodiversity: Marcio de Miranda Santos and Jan Salick  
RT4. Technology Transfer: C.S. Prakash and Martina McGloughlin

LUNCH: 12:30-2:00 pm

CLOSING CEREMONY: 2:00-3:30 pm  
Chair: William Danforth

## November 10, 2001

**Intellectual Property Rights /  
Biosafety Satellite Meeting**  
(see insert for details)

detach and mail or fax to 314-516-4582 or send information to [cbn-v@danforthcenter.org](mailto:cbn-v@danforthcenter.org)

## Registration Form

First name \_\_\_\_\_

Surname \_\_\_\_\_

Institution \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State/Province \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Country \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number \_\_\_\_\_

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- I will attend CBN-V but will not send an abstract  
 I will attend CBN-V and will submit an abstract before August 15, 2001  
 I will not attend CBN-V but would like to register for Internet broadcasting of CBN-V  
 I will attend the CBN-V satellite meeting on November 10, 2001

Visit the CassavaNet website of ILTAB for further information and announcements: <http://www.danforthcenter.org/iltab/cassavanet>.  
Information about participating in the conference via the Internet can be found there, as well as further details about registration, poster sessions, abstract submission, hotel registration, and the conference program.