COCOA RESEARCH CENTRE

securing the local, regional and global cocoa industries

Supporting sustainability of cocoa

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CONSERVATION
International Cocoa Genebank, Trinidad

Collection
> 2500 accessions
- Seedlings
- Grafts
- Cuttings

Characterisation
- Morphology
- Agronomy
- Pathology
- Quality

Enhancement
- Hybridisation
- Selection

The Genebank is the foundation for all work in Research, Training and Technical services.
**RESEARCH**

Supporting a sustainable cocoa industry

**Morpho-Physiology**
- Grafting studies
- Rooting of cuttings
- Abiotic stress tolerance
- Assessing agro-economic traits

**Pathology**
- Disease resistance
- Host-Pathogen interaction
- Molecular detection
- Epidemiology

**Genetics**
- DNA Fingerprinting
- Molecular markers
- Quantitative genetics
- Bioinformatics

**Quality**
- Sensory
- Chemical profiling
- Food safety
- Nutraceuticals
OUTREACH
Strengthening capacity and alliances

Training
Disease management
Germplasm management
Germplasm characterisation
Molecular tools for breeding
Flavour profiling

Services
DNA fingerprinting
Organoleptic profiling
Value Addition
Incubators
Certification
Tours

Technical Assistance
Quality management
Post-harvest
Genebank & breeding support
Germplasm sharing

Dissemination
Publications
Annual reports
Newsletters
Website/Facebook
COLLABORATIONS

Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

Cocoa Research Association, UK

Caribbean Fine Flavour Cocoa Industry Commercialisation
Caribbean Region; CAR-RFO
A project of the Centre for the Development of Enterprise
www.cde.int

USDA
DNA Fingerprinting
Molecular characterisation

WCF
Witches’ Broom disease screening

Cocoa Productivity Screening
CFC Project Collection Flavour
Enhancement Assessment
**Mission**

* To support the sustainability of the cocoa sector through management of genetic resources, research, innovation and outreach.

* Maintaining a diverse, representative and well-curated field collection of cocoa genetic resources.

* Creating a learning environment of global excellence with a set of core professional staff, project contract staff, adjunct staff from other institutions, adjunct staff from other departments across faculties, postdoctoral fellows and graduate students.

* Supporting public policy and decision-making with respect to cocoa industries in the region.

* Developing an innovation-oriented research programme, capable of spawning competitive industries.

* Developing a strong outreach programme by serving as a portal to all the University’s resources to support the regional, and international cocoa industries.

**Vision**

To develop Cocoa Research Centre into a globally recognised centre of excellence in research and genetic resources by 2020.

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