

## **Evaluation of Germplasm from Guatemala for Resistance to *Phytophthora* (1982-1990)**

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**Abstract.** In the ten-year period from 1981 to 1990, over 20,000 seeds of *Persea americana* and *Persea schiedeana* were collected and sent to Riverside for screening for seedling resistance to *Phytophthora cinnamomi*. Of these, approximately 30 seedlings were identified in a primary screen as showing some early promise as sources of germplasm for resistant rootstocks. These resistant selections include representatives of the Guatemalan and Mexican races of *Persea americana*, possible hybrids of these two avocado races, and two other species of *Persea*, *P. schiedeana* and *P. steyermarkii*.