

Phytonematodes associated with peach (*Prunus persica* L.) seedlings in Balochistan, Pakistan

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Abstract

Sixty six rhizosphere soil samples of peach seedlings were collected from six nurseries of Khuzdar and Kalat districts of Balochistan from December, 2012 to February, 2013. Eight different phytonematodes were found associated with the seedlings. The most predominant nematode was *Helicotylenchus pseudorobustus* and the least frequent were *Meloidogyne javanica* and *Tylenchorhynchus annulatus*. A matrix of similarities with respect to nematode species assemblages, for the six nurseries is given.