EDI Report for 2008

SST’s role as an educational institution

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New scope

Original papers and review articles on

seed quality and physiology

– as related to seed production, harvest, processing, sampling, storage, distribution and testing.
Submitted papers 2008 (195 in total)

Papers submitted to SST 1998-2000, (437 in total)

Africa
North America
Latin America
Europe
Oceania
Asia
Pacific
North America
Latin America
Percentage of submitted papers

- Africa: 0%
- Asia: 40%
- Europa: 20%
- Latin America: 30%
- North America: 10%
- Oceania: 10%

Legend:
- Green: 1998-2002
- Yellow: 2008
Accepted and rejected papers, completed in 2008

- Accepted
- Rejected by editor
- Rejected after review
Completed papers in 2008 (171 papers in total)

- Asia: 35 accepted, 30 rejected by editor, 25 rejected after review
- Europe: 25 accepted, 20 rejected by editor, 15 rejected after review
- Latin America: 10 accepted, 5 rejected by editor, 1 rejected after review
- N. America: 5 accepted
- Oceania: 5 accepted
Completed papers from countries of more than 10 papers

- Accepted
- Rejected by editor
- Rejected after review

- Brazil: 10
- China: 23
- India: 25
- Iran: 12
- Spain: 11
- Turkey: 13
Completed papers from countries with more than 10 papers

- Brazil: 100% Accepted, 0% Rejected
- Turkey: 80% Accepted, 20% Rejected
- Spain: 60% Accepted, 40% Rejected
- China: 20% Accepted, 80% Rejected
- India: 40% Accepted, 60% Rejected
- Iran: 0% Accepted, 100% Rejected
Chance of acceptance

- Africa 9
- Asia 83
- Europe 42
- Latin America 19
- N. America 9
- Oceania 9
- Mean 171

Mean chance of acceptance: 0.55
Exposure on Ingenta
Abstracts and content lists viewed

- January 2007: Abstracts viewed 1000, Content lists viewed 1000, Downloaded papers 0
- March 2007: Abstracts viewed 1500, Content lists viewed 1500, Downloaded papers 0
- May 2007: Abstracts viewed 2000, Content lists viewed 2000, Downloaded papers 0
- July 2007: Abstracts viewed 2500, Content lists viewed 2500, Downloaded papers 0
- September 2007: Abstracts viewed 3000, Content lists viewed 3000, Downloaded papers 0
- November 2007: Abstracts viewed 3500, Content lists viewed 3500, Downloaded papers 0
- January 2008: Abstracts viewed 4000, Content lists viewed 4000, Downloaded papers 0
- March 2008: Abstracts viewed 4500, Content lists viewed 4500, Downloaded papers 0
- May 2008: Abstracts viewed 5000, Content lists viewed 5000, Downloaded papers 0
- July 2008: Abstracts viewed 5500, Content lists viewed 5500, Downloaded papers 0
- September 2008: Abstracts viewed 6000, Content lists viewed 6000, Downloaded papers 0
- November 2008: Abstracts viewed 6500, Content lists viewed 6500, Downloaded papers 0
Abstracts viewed more than 100 times by research institutions or companies

+ 32000 views by individuals
Most downloaded papers, 2007-2009

• v35n3s1 - Towards new computer imaging techniques applied to seed quality testing and sorting, "43"
• v36n1s2 - Mean germination time of pepper seed lots (Capsicum annuum L.) predicts size and uniformity of seedlings in germination tests and transplant modules, "38"
• v36n2s13 - Drying and storage of cauliflower (Brassica oleracea var. botrytis) hydroprimed seeds, "30"
• v35n1s19 - Tetrazolium test to assess viability and vigour of tomato seeds, "28"
• v35n2s22 - Evaluation of seed priming methods to improve seed performance of tomato (Lycoperison esculentum), egg plant (Solanum melongena) and chilli (Capsicum annum), "27"
> 10 submissions  > 100 downloaded papers  >50% acceptance
<20% acceptance

China
Iran
Spain
Brazil
India

NORTH AMERICA
LATIN AMERICA
EUROPE
AFRICA
ASIA
OCEANIA
Impact factors

Impact Factor: 0.2, 0.2, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9, 1.0, 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4
The editor’s impression (1)

• Many ‘me too’-papers from developing countries
• Many papers with linguistic problems from developing countries
• Many papers on salt tolerance
• Many papers from undergraduates (from China)
• Strong pressure to publish in China
Editor’s impression continued (2)

• Impressive input from associate editors
• Authors express gratitude
• Long journey towards experience in publication
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• Page charges accepted (one paper withdrawn, two papers postponed)
• Monetary problems from Iran
Editor’s impression continued (3)

• Production papers appear (in small numbers)
• Quality of seed is a good and practical scope
Proposals

• DOI numbers on Ingenta
• Writing workshop in Asia (India/China/Iran)
• Set of guidelines on how to write a clear paper on the ISTA web (a mini handbook?)
• Firm handling of potential Research Notes
• E-mail survey to our subscribers asking for what they find most interesting in SST and what they may want in the future
Associate editors

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Thank you!