Purple Antioxidant Potatoes: Purple-fleshed sweet potato (high in antioxidants)

Sustain Your Health with Purple Potato

The Purple-fleshed sweet potatoes (PFSP) is a sweet potato variety with purplecolored flesh. These PFSP varieties are characterized by their high levels of anthocyanins, a type of flavonoid that imparts the purple color and contributes to their antioxidant properties.





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Technology from

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Commodities

Sweet Potato

Sustainable Development Goals





Categories

Production, Improved varieties, Quality improvement

Best used with

- Community-based multiplication of sweet potato vines and cuttings >
- <u>Tent-style greenhouse for</u> multiplication of sweet potato vines and cuttings >
- Raised beds for sweet potato production and weed management >
- · Specialty blended fertilizers for root and tuber crops >
- Relay intercropping of sweet potato with legumes >
- · Silage production from sweet potato vines and tubers >

Tested/adopted in



This technology is **TAAT1** validated.

(Cost: \$\$\$) 20 USD

A bag of 10 Kg of sweet potato vines

8.8



ROI: **\$\$**\$ 30 %

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Problem

- · Vitamin deficiencies are widespread in subsistence farming and poor communities
- People in these communities face health risks related to heart disease and cancer
- There is a need to address dietary imbalances in these communities.

Solution

· PFSP varieties have two to three times more antioxidant activity compared to white or yellow sweet potatoes.

Increase in better health

- The high levels of antioxidants in PFSP contribute to the body's growth, immune system, and brain
- · Residues from PFSP, such as vines, peels, and deformed tubers, can be repurposed into silage, providing nutritious fodder for ruminants and
- PFSP varieties are rich in potassium, fiber, vitamin C, and vitamin B6

Key points to design your business plan

This technology appeals to seed multipliers and farmers.

- · Seed multipliers can efficiently propagate Purple-fleshed sweet potato (PFSP) vines without needing a license, targeting wholesale distributors and various organizations as potential customers.
- · Farmers benefit from using PFSP, needing reliable sellers of PFSP vines to access the technology. They should estimate the profit potential of incorporating PFSP into their farming practices.

Gender assessment



Climate impact 6 7



