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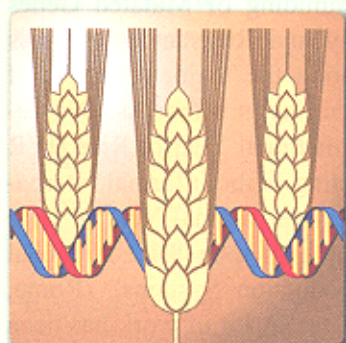
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*Fruiting in micropropagated date palm tree, variety 'Deglect Noor' –TC project RAF/5/035*

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## To Our Readers



*Pierre J.L. Lagoda*

Much has happened in the last six months. It is not difficult to rank these events by order of importance because the major one concerns the retirement of Prof. Miroslaw Maluszynski as Head of the Plant Breeding and Genetics Section of the Joint FAO/IAEA Division (NAFA/AGE). Prof. Maluszynski "retired" to his former position as Head of the Department of Genetics at the University of Silesia (Poland). How to honour a man like Prof. Maluszynski? All words will sound hollow compared to his achievements. So let his achievements speak for themselves, and you counterpart, colleague, consultant or expert, trust your

memories and your heart. I just want to mention that Prof. Maluszynski received the Distinguished Service Award from the IAEA for his dedication in heading the Plant Breeding and Genetics Section. He left grateful Technical Officers who had the honor to serve the Member States under his guidance.



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