

TREE IMPROVEMENT NEEDS IN THE NURSERY INDUSTRY

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Abstract.--There is too little communication between the tree researcher and the nursery industry. Research results pertinent to the needs of the nurseryman should be published in a usable form as quickly as possible. The nurseryman in turn is obligated to provide researchers with his needs, as well as the results of his own experiences. Two tree species of potential value to the nursery trade are red oak and concolor fir, but both have survival problems. In addition, a number of other potentially useful species could be improved for pest resistance, form, and color traits. Advances by tree breeders in these areas would be of great benefit to the nursery trade.

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