



CryoConnect Training School on Fruit Germplasm Cryopreservation *In Vitro*

Fruit Research Institute, Čačak, Serbia

25–29 August / 2–6 September 2025

Agenda

Day 1 (25 August / 2 September 2025)

- Arrival of participants
 - Accommodation and registration
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Day 2 (26 August / 3 September 2025)

09:00 – 09:30 – Welcome reception with the Director of the Fruit Research Institute
09:30 – 10:30 – Presentation of the FRI, and guided tour of the Institute's laboratories
11:30 – 12:30 – Discussion on cryopreservation techniques and preparation of necessary solutions
12:30 – 14:00 – Lunch break
14:00 – 15:00 – Preparation of necessary solutions (continuation)
15:00 – 17:00 – Explant isolation procedure

Day 3 (27 August / 4 September 2025)

09:00 – 12:30 – Practical training in the droplet-vitrification technique (with plant material provided by the FRI, unless participants bring their own)
12:30 – 14:00 – Lunch break
14:00 – 17:00 – Continuation of droplet-vitrification training
18:00 (optional) – Cultural and historical sightseeing tour of Čačak and surroundings

Day 4 (28 August / 5 September 2025)

09:00 – 12:30 – Practical training in V and D cryo-plate techniques (with plant material provided by the FRI, unless participants bring their own)
12:30 – 14:00 – Lunch break
14:00 – 17:00 – Continuation of V and D cryo-plate training

Day 5 (29 August / 6 September 2025)

- Departure of participants