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**Figure 1:** Bunches of plantains and cooking bananas from the germplasm collection of CRBP in Njombé, Cameroon: from left to right, a bunch of East Africa cooking banana (AAA), plantains (AAB) with 2 bunches of the French type, a bunch of the false horn type and a bunch of true horn type, a bunch

of cooking banana (AAB), and cooking bananas (ABB) with a bunch of Bluggoe, a bunch of Fougamou, a bunch of Pelipita, and a bunch of Saba (Photo R. Achard).

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**Figure 2a:** Stage involved in harvesting a bunch of plantain I

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**Figure 2b:** Stage involved in harvesting a bunch of plantain II

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**Figure 2c:** Stage involved in harvesting a bunch of plantain III

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**Figure 2d:** Stage involved in harvesting a bunch of plantain IV

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**Figure 3:** Transportation of bunches of plantains to the market by women in the region of mile 20 in the South West province of Cameroon (photo J.

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**Figure 4:** Bunches of plantains piled on one another while awaiting loading in truck at the Mile 20 market in the South West province of Cameroon (photo J. Tchango Tchango)

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**Figure 5:** Loading bunches of plantains in bulk in trucks at the Mile 20 market in the Southwest province of Cameroon for transportation to urban centres  
(photo R. Achard)

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**Figure 6:** Reusable plastic cages, which could be used for packaging and transportation of plantain hands (photo J. Tchango Tchango)

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**Figure 7:** Plantain pastry (*ntuba*) prepared in Cameroon from the pulp of plantain boiled and pounded (photo S. Morelle)

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**Figure 1:** Traditional and industrial packaging of plantain chips produced in Cameroon (photo. J. Tchango Tchango)

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**Figure 12:** Beignets merveilles " and cakes from plantain flour produced in Cameroon (photo. J. Tchango Tchango)

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