SweetGAINS Genome Data Release Policy

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The SweetGAINS project is pleased to make available the pre-publication *I. batatas* Beauregard genome sequence and annotation for use by public and private research communities as a resource to facilitate plant biology discoveries and plant breeding programs.

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