

Letter to the editor

**ISOLATION AND IDENTIFICATION OF TWO NEW STRAINS OF
Trichoderma IN MATANZAS PROVINCE FOR THE CONTROL OF
PHYTOPATHOGEN FUNGUS**

Dear Sir:

Samples of Ferralitic red soil were collected in sugarcane and forest areas of the CPA Gabriel Valiente in the municipality of Colón, Matanzas province, from January to June 2007. The *Trichoderma* isolates obtained amounted 126 with two of them showing good antagonistic effects against *Rhizoctonia solani* Kühn, *Sclerotium rolfsii* Sacc. and *Fusarium* sp. These isolates were classified as *Trichoderma harzianum* Rifai and *T. longibrachiatum* Rifai according to Gams and Bisset (1998) and they are reported for the first time in this province.

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