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Pre-breeding is the first key step in utilizing the genetic diversity present in germplasm collections. It encompasses activities designed to identify agronomic traits and/or genes of interest from unadapted plant materials that cannot be used directly in breeding and introgressing them into an intermediate form of materials that breeders can readily be used to produce improved crop varieties.

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