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Makin' Moa Koa. The tests I ran determined which way of germination works quickest for seeds of Acacia koa. Acacia koa is an important native Hawaiian tree that is part of many native plant communities. When land managers need to restore native ecosystems, they often plant koa seedlings. It is necessary for managers to know the best ways to germinate koa seedlings. I am doing this project because I think that koa forests are important. There are not as many koa forests now as there were before people started clearing native forest lands to make cattle pastures. In these tests, I tried three different germination techniques for koa: soaking the seeds in cold water, soaking them in hot water, and clipping an edge of the seed coat and then soaking those seeds in cold water. I ran these tests twice, once in the weeks of November and December 2006, and again in January 2007. My results showed that the hot water germination technique gave the greatest number of germinations. It is my hope that this information will be useful to anyone who wants to grow koa trees from seeds.