

## CULTIVATION, REPRODUCTION, AND DISPUTES FOR DIVERSE COMMONS

How are disparate and unequal contexts – from oikos to the market, from agroforestry to urban spaces – articulated for sustainability, through the organization of diverse elements that constitute specific political socialities? By examining varied forms of social, economic, and ecological reproduction in Ecuador, specifically involving the “poor man’s crop” of cassava, I seek to better understand living assemblages and inventions against precarity. Looking at how one specific food product is differentially incorporated into responses to multiple and increasingly acute crises, we find that key to these responses are histories of colonization and exploitation of land and people which shape contemporary social and human-nature relations, understandings of common life and futures, and possibilities for negotiating and disputing existence.



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