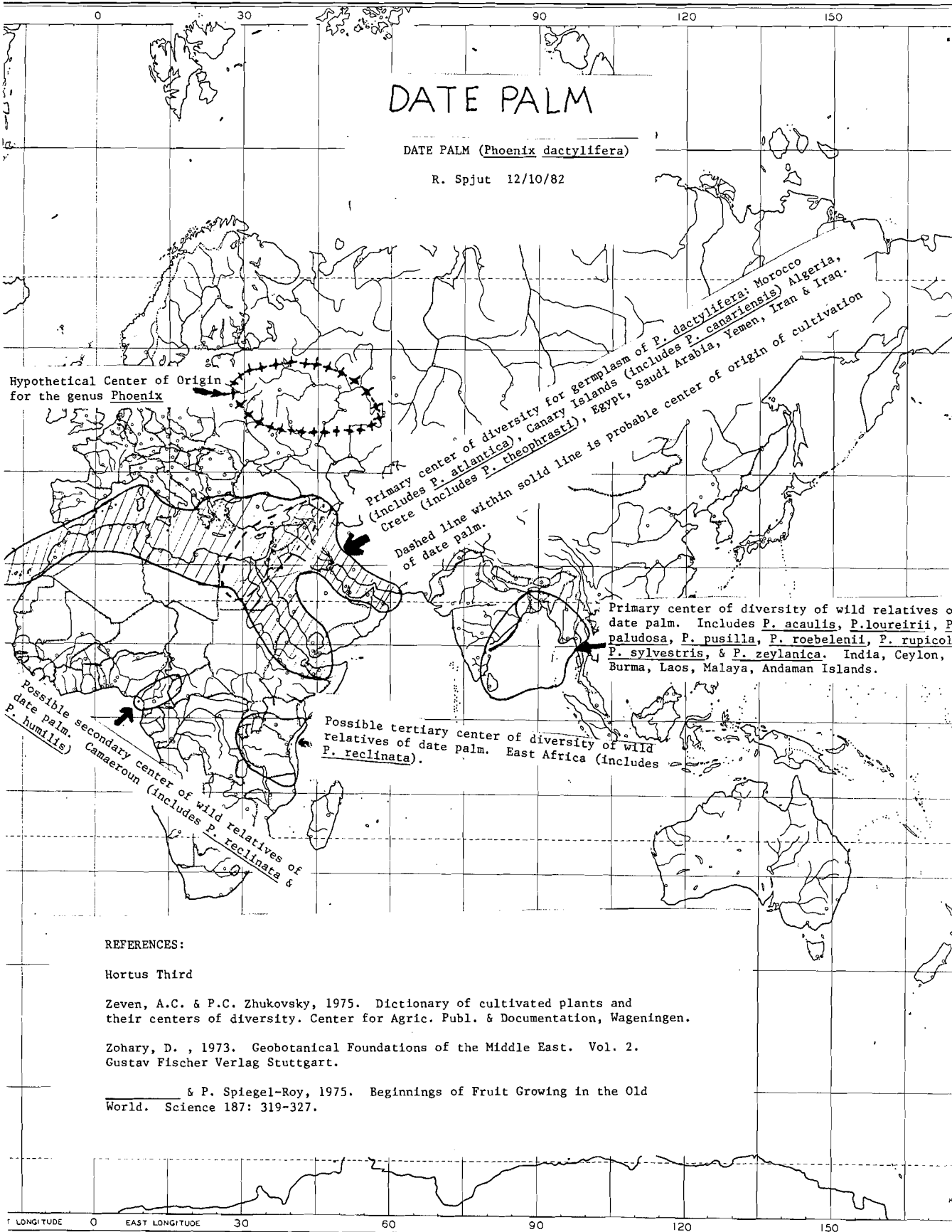


DATE PALM

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Hypothetical Center of Origin for the genus *Phoenix*

Primary center of diversity for germplasm of *P. dactylifera*: Morocco (includes *P. atlantica*), Canary Islands (includes *P. canariensis*) Algeria, Crete (includes *P. theophrasti*), Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Yemen, Iran & Iraq.

Dashed line within solid line is probable center of origin of cultivation of date palm.

Primary center of diversity of wild relatives of date palm. Includes *P. acaulis*, *P. loureirii*, *P. paludosa*, *P. pusilla*, *P. roebelenii*, *P. rupicola*, *P. sylvestris*, & *P. zeylanica*. India, Ceylon, Burma, Laos, Malaya, Andaman Islands.

Possible secondary center of wild relatives of date palm. *P. humilis* Cameroun (includes *P. reclinata* & *P. humilis*)

Possible tertiary center of diversity of wild relatives of date palm. East Africa (includes *P. reclinata*).

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