

UPOV PRISMA WEBINARS

How to make plant variety applications in China



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- Applications are filed
 - through UPOV PRISMA
 - to PVP Offices
- The **UPOV Office** does not process applications –
 - UPOV PRISMA works as a mailbox
- The **PVP Office** indicated by the applicant will assess the application and take a decision to grant or refuse



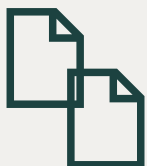
UPOV PRISMA is an on-line tool to assist in making plant variety protection (PVP) applications online to PVP Offices **worldwide**.



UPOV PRISMA is used to file PVP applications to 40 jurisdictions covering **70+ countries**.
UPOV PRISMA provides a one user interface for all applications filed.



The applicant can provide the necessary information in English and a translation tool will automatically generate application forms and technical questionnaires to Chinese.



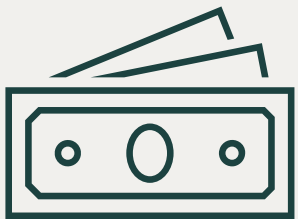
Data already provided in one application form can be pre-filled in subsequent applications by using the **“Copy application”** feature. This allows for automated file preparation.



Payment of the UPOV PRISMA fee is made via the e-pay system (by credit card or bank transfer) at the time of making a submission to a PVP Office.



The fee is **90 Swiss Francs** and covers the PVP application as well as an application for national listing for the same variety.



The fees must be paid in addition to the fee charged by the PVP Office.

How are the national application and examination fees paid?



You can apply for **10 crops and species** in China
(Anthurium, Cucumber, Guzmania, Hot Pepper,
Kiwifruit, Lettuce, Melon, Soya Bean, Sunflower, Tomato)
using **UPOV PRISMA**





How to get started

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How to get access to UPOV PRISMA

4 easy steps

1



Create a WIPO account

If you already use PLUTO, UPOV DL courses or other WIPO services, You may already have one.



2



Request UPOV PRISMA access

Choose the role that applies to you:

- Breeder
- Agent



3



Upload authorization letter

Submit a signed authorization letter from your organization.



4



Receive confirmation

UPOV will review your request and send you a confirmation email. You can then access UPOV PRISMA.

<https://www.upov.int/en/file-and-manage/upov-prisma/get-started>

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How do you organize
your filings?

Per variety and per
country



Start application

Per variety: file a variety
in different territories



Copy application

Start a new application

How to start a NEW application



- 1  Select Crop/Species
- 2  Select Authority & Crop Sector
- 3  Select language
- 4  Complete the form
- 5  Submit



You can save your application at anytime and continue later.

New Application Settings

Fill in the new application for a new species or crop, or search for existing species or crop

1. Select Crop/Species

☐ Crop/species with previous applications ☒ Search all crop/species

2. Select Authority

2.a Crop Sector

☐ Agricultural ☒ Vegetables ☐ Fruit ☐ Ornamental

3. Select Language for answers

Application Form Technical Questionnaire



Authority	CHINA	Proposed Variety Denomination
Crop/Species	Lactuca sativa L.	Breeder's Variety Reference
Language for answers	Chinese	Own reference
		test China

1. Application Form

- APPLICANTS
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- BREEDER(S)
- CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS
- DENOMINATION
- OTHER APPLICATIONS
- PRIORITY CLAIM
- OTHER
- NOVELTY

2. Technical Questionnaire

- BREEDING SCHEME
- VARIETY CHARACTERISTICS
- VARIETY COMPARISON
- ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Can a foreign breeder prepare and submit an application to China directly through UPOV PRISMA? Which parts of the application can the breeder complete in English?

1. Application Form

- ✓ APPLICANTS A
- i REPRESENTATIVE(S)/AGENT(S) A
- i BREEDER(S) A
- i CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS A
- i DENOMINATION A
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- i VARIETY COMPARISON A
- i ADDITIONAL INFORMATION A

3. Declaration And Signature

- i DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE A
- i ATTACHMENTS A

Applicant(s)

Representative 2(b)(ii)

☐ Yes

☒ No

Application number

Name 2(a)(i)

Type of institution

Institution or identity code number

Nationality or origin

Address 2(a)(ii)

Postal code 2(a)(ii)

Contact Person

Telephone 2(a)(iii)

Fax 2(a)(iv)

Mobile Phone

Email 2(a)(v)

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+ Add Applicant

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Agency

Name of agency 2(a)(i)

Institution code number

Address 2(a)(ii)

Postal code 2(a)(ii)

Name of agent 2(a)(i)

Telephone 2(a)(iii)

Fax 2(a)(iv)

Mobile phone

Email 2(a)(v)

Account number **

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+ Add Representative

Is a representative established in China still required when an application is submitted through UPOV PRISMA? If so, at which stages must the representative be involved, and what are their responsibilities?

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- i DENOMINATION
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- NOVELTY

Others

Breeder(s) 5(a)(iii)

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Breeder(s) 5(a)(iii)

✕ Remove

+ Add Breeder



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- i OTHER A
- i NOVELTY A

Information of Recipient

If there is an agent, please indicate the agent's address. If not, please indicate the applicant's address

Postal code 2(a)(ii)

Mail address 2(a)(ii)

Name of recipient(If it is an organization) 2(a)(i) **

Name of recipient 2(a)(i) **

Email

Mobile Phone *



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DENOMINATION

Proposed denomination (in Chinese) 4 (a)

Proposed denomination (in English) 4 (a)



1. Application Form

✓

APPLICANTS

A

i

REPRESENTATIVE(S)/AGENT(S)

A

✓

BREEDER(S)

A

i

CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

A

✓

DENOMINATION

A

✓

OTHER APPLICATIONS

A

i

PRIORITY CLAIM

A

i

OTHER

A

i

NOVELTY

A

OTHER APPLICATIONS

According to the Seed Law of the People's Republic of China or UPOV Convention, have other applications concerning this variety been made?

☒ Yes

☐ No

Application Type (PBR/VCU/Registration)	Date of application 6(a)(i)	Country of application 6(a)(i)	Application No. 6(a)(ii)	Denomination 6(a)(iv)	Status of examination 6(a)(iii)	Date of status



Are plant breeder's rights and national variety listing separate procedures in China?

If so, where can applicants find official guidance, and can the two applications be submitted at the same time or share test results, documents or fees?

<https://zwfw.moa.gov.cn/#/serviceList>

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✓	OTHER APPLICATIONS	A
✓	PRIORITY CLAIM	A
i	OTHER	A
i	NOVELTY	A

PRIORITY

Is there a claim for priority?

☒ Yes

☐ No

Country of the earliest application 7(i)

Date of application (7)(ii)



Denomination (7)(iii)

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☒ DENOMINATION

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☒ OTHER

TECHNICAL EXAMINATION

Region where the candidate variety was developed

Country

Province

City

County

Has the variety been carried out DUS test?

☒ Yes

☐ No

Can China use an existing DUS report, official variety description or certificate of granted rights from another PVP authority instead of conducting its own DUS test? If so, under what conditions?

When China conducts the DUS examination, how long does the examination normally take? Does it usually involve two growing cycles, with an additional cycle when necessary?

✓ OTHER A

✓ NOVELTY A

2. Technical Questionnaire

✓ BREEDING SCHEME A

Test

Method

☒ Applicant self-testing

☐ Applicant entrusts to official DUS institute testing

Do you agree to conduct DUS field on-site examination on this variety (only for fruit tree varieties)?

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please provide details of the expected field on-site.

Time of field on-site



Place of field on-site

Contact person

Contact method

GMO information

☒ Yes

☐ No

Name of GMO biology/Event

Certificate No. of GMO Safety

Name of Parent(s) / hybrid/Event

Propagation materials (standard samples) have been provided to designated storage institutions

☒ Yes

☐ No

Date of Submitting Propagation material



Storage Number

Name of Storage Institute

Must propagating material already be available in China before an application for a plant breeder's right is filed? If this is not mandatory, at what stage must the material be sent to China?

VARIETY SALE

Has the variety been sold in China? 8(0)

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

Date for first sold 8(91)(d)(v), 8(78)(d)(v)

Location(Province/State)

Denomination 8(91)(d)(vi), 8(78)(d)(vi)

Has the variety been sold overseas ? 8(0)

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

Date for first sold 8(91)(d)(v), 8(78)(d)(v)

Country / Region 8(91)(d)(iv), 8(78)(d)(iv)

Location(Province/State)

Has the variety passed VCU test or registration in China 8(91)(a), 8(78)(a)

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

Type (VCU/Registration)

- ☒ VCU
- ☐ Registration

Authority

Certificate No.

Date of issuing certificate 8(91)(c)(ii), 8(78)(c)(ii)

Denomination 8(91)(c)(iii), 8(78)(c)(iii)

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Technical Questionnaire

Which Technical Questionnaire should applicants use when submitting an application to China through UPOV PRISMA?
Does China require any additional national forms or information?

Where can applicants find guidance on completing the Technical Questionnaire?

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✓	PRIORITY CLAIM	A
✓	OTHER	A
✓	NOVELTY	A

2. Technical Questionnaire

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i	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	A

BREEDING HISTORY

Breeding background

Variety resulting from source

Name of parents

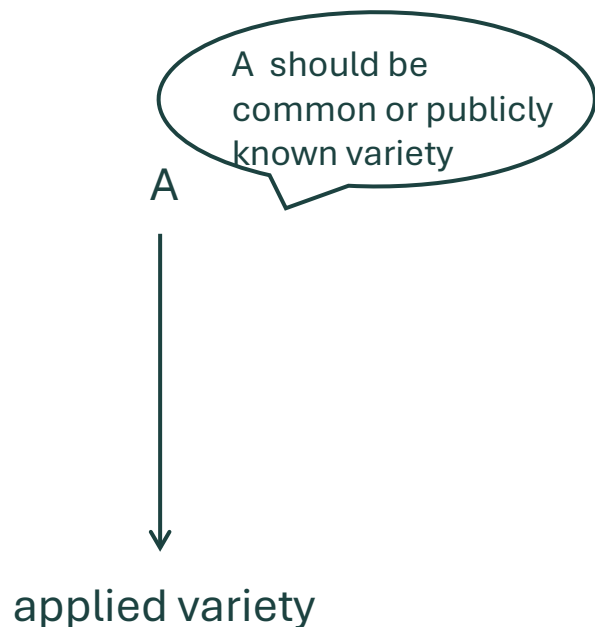
Breeding method

- ☐ Single hybrid :
- ☐ Double hybrid:
- ☐ Three-way hybrid
- ☐ Open-pollinated variety
- ☐ Other information on breeding method, please provide detailed information

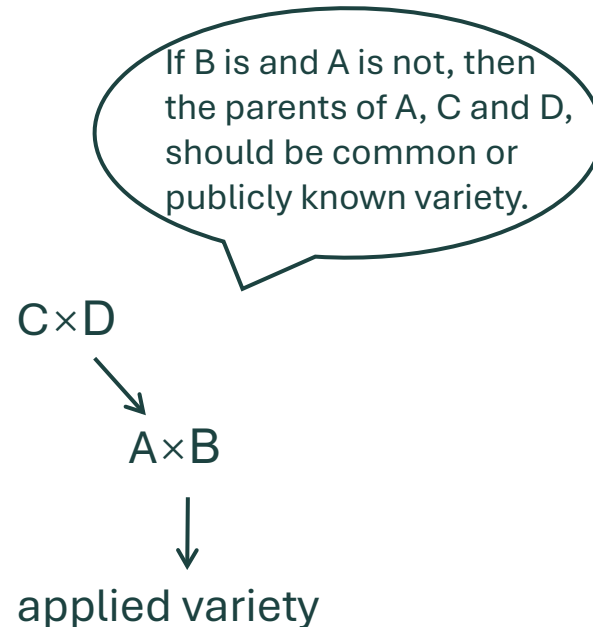
Propagation Method

- ☐ Seed propagated
- ☐ Vegetatively propagated

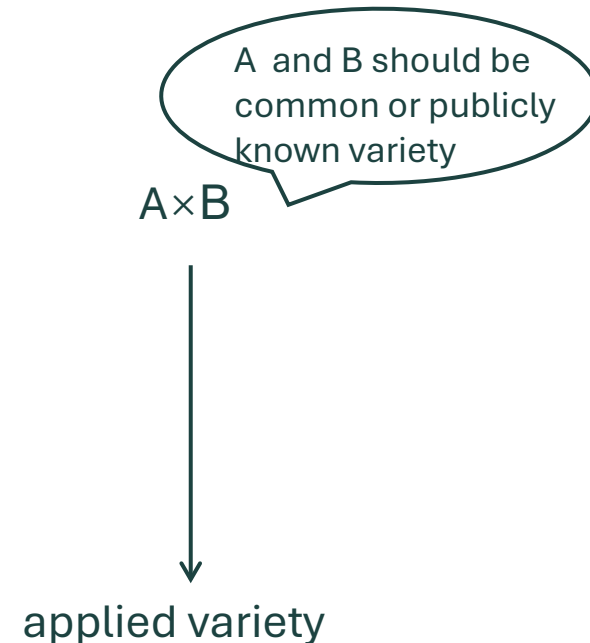
Breeding methods such as mutation, mutagenesis, or genetic modification



Hybrid Breeding



Systematic Breeding



Regardless of the breeding method used, the sources or parents of the applied variety should be common or publicly known varieties;

If any source or parent is not, then trace back until their sources or parents are also common or publicly known varieties.

Does China require applicants to trace the complete breeding history or pedigree of a candidate variety back to a registered and publicly known variety?

If a parent or earlier ancestor was never registered and no variety description is available, what information should the applicant provide instead?

For varieties with a long breeding cycle, how much information must applicants provide about earlier generations, parent lines and the breeding and selection process?
Could the Chinese PVP Office provide an example of an acceptable breeding scheme?

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DESCRIPTION OF THE VARIETY

The representative color photographs of the candidate variety

(1) The color photographs may help to show one or more characteristics of the whole plant or plant parts (e.g. fruit or flower) of the candidate variety or photograph of comparison of characteristics between the candidate variety and similar varieties

(2) The photograph size should be 8.5 cm*12.5 cm or 10 cm *15 cm. A digital photograph pixel shall not exceed 3M.

(3) More photographs may be attached in another page

(4) Please upload photos in the attachment

*seed: color (Characteristic 1) 1.0

☐ 1_white

☐ 2_yellow

☐ 3_brown

☐ 4_black

Leaf blade: division (Characteristic 4) 6.0

☐ 1_entire

☐ 2_lobed

☐ 3_divided

*Plant : fleshy stem (Characteristic 6)

☐ 1_absent

☐ 9_present

Plant: head (Characteristic 7) 8.0

☐ 1_no head

☐ 2_open head

China uses national characteristics. The screen is showing just an example for lettuce

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✓

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OTHER

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NOVELTY

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BREEDING SCHEME

A

✓

VARIETY CHARACTERISTICS

A

i

VARIETY COMPARISON

A

i

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A

Similar varieties and differences from these varieties

Characteristics differences from candidate variety and similar variety, which the candidate variety may establish its clear distinctness from similar varieties 6.0 **

Name of Similar Variety 6.0 *	Name of the characteristics with differences 6.0 *	Describe the expression of the characteristics for similar variety 6.0 *	Describe the expression of the characteristics for candidate Variety 6.0 *
✖			
+ Add			
Name of the similar variety(ies) selected : 6.0 *			

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Additional information which may help in the examination of the variety

Type of variety
Please put a tick “√” in the box which best corresponds

Classification by variant type

- ☒ Crinkle garden lettuce
- ☐ Stem lettuce
- ☐ Cos lettuce
- ☐ Leaf lettuce
- ☐ Butter head lettuce
- ☐ Head lettuce
- ☐ others

Classification by edible method

- ☐ fresh food
- ☐ processing

Other information which may help to distinguish the candidate variety
(such as usage of variety, quality and resistance)?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

If yes, please provide details

Description of uniformity

Description of stability

The suitable place or environments for growth and Description of cultivation techniques

1.The suitable place or environments for growth

2.Description of cultivation techniques(Whether special conditions are required for planting or testing)

Special conditions for the conservation of the propagating materials of the variety

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-  ATTACHMENTS 

DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE

Signature(s) or seal(s) of all applicant(s) or Agency 11(d) **

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I hereby declare that all material submitted are true and will bear all consequences and legal liabilities in case of falsification. 11(a)

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i	ATTACHMENTS	A

List of additional document(s)

List of application documents 10.0

~~Application forms of PBR~~

PBR rights specification

Photos and brief descriptions

Letter of delegation

GMO certificate

DUS testing report

Notification of Qualified Plant Material

Variety Examination Certificate

English Information of Application forms of PBR

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Where can applicants find guidance on providing the required photographs?
What are China's requirements concerning the number, format and content of photographs?

What is the complete process from submission through UPOV PRISMA to the grant of a plant variety rights?

After an application is submitted through UPOV PRISMA, how does the applicant receive confirmation of the official filing date and Chinese application number?

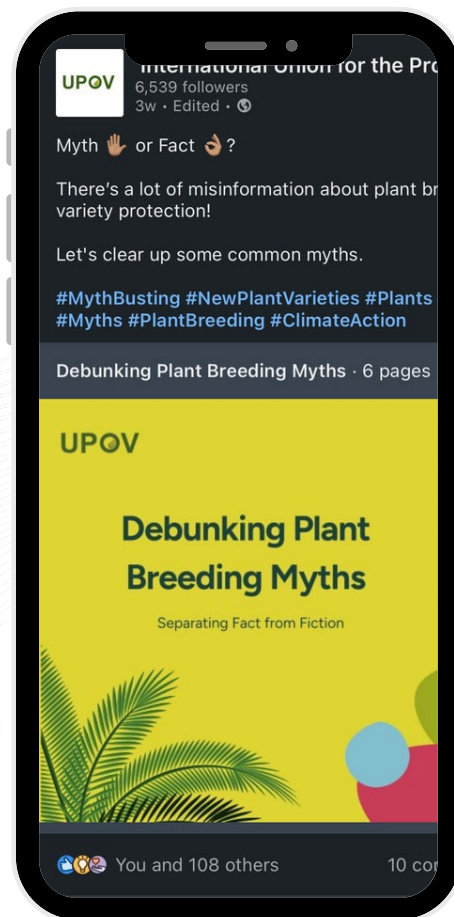
Can the application status be monitored online?

Does the Chinese PVP Office publish an official Gazette or maintain a public online database containing information on PVP applications and granted rights?

If so, where can it be accessed, how frequently is it updated, and is an English-language search available?



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