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Matters to be resolved concerning Test Guidelines put forward for adoption by the Technical Committee: Macadamia

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 The Enlarged Editorial Committee (TC-EDC), at its meeting held in Geneva, on March 26, 2019, considered document TG/111/4(proj.5) and identified certain technical issues concerning the proposed revision of the Test Guidelines for Macadamia that should be addressed by the Technical Working Party for Fruit Crops (TWF).

 The TWF, at its fiftieth session, held in Budapest, Hungary, from June 24 to 28, 2019, considered document TWF/50/6 “Matters to be resolved concerning Test Guidelines put forward for adoption by the Technical Committee: Macadamia,” including the technical issues identified by the TC-EDC (indicated below by “#”). The proposed responses by the Leading Expert, Mr. Nik Hulse (Australia), and the conclusions of the TWF were as follows (see document TWF/50/13 “Report”, paragraph 83):

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| 1. | - to delete “and their hybrids”- to add GN3 from TGP/7: “Guidance on the use of Test Guidelines for interspecific hybrids that are not explicitly covered by Test Guidelines is provided in document TGP/13 ‘Guidance for New Types and Species’”.*Leading Expert: agreed**TWF: agreed* |
| 3.1.2 | to be deleted *Leading Expert: agreed**TWF: agreed* |
| 4.2.2 | delete “varieties” (duplication)*Leading Expert: agreed**TWF: agreed* |
| [[1]](#footnote-2)#T.o.C | - to check coherence of example varieties (e.g. A16 = Hidden Valley A16, A4 = Hidden Valley A4, A38 = Hidden Valley A38, 660 = Keaau)*Leading Expert: see table of corrections to example varieties below:*

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| *Replace* | *With* | *Comment* |
| *A16* | *Hidden Valley A16* | *correct PBR denomination* |
| *A4* | *Hidden Valley A4* | *correct PBR denomination* |
| *A38* | *Hidden Valley A38* | *correct PBR denomination* |
| *246* | *Keauhou (HAES 246)* |  |
| *333* | *Ikaika (HAES 333)* |  |
| *660* | *Keaau (HAES 660)* |  |
| *738* | *HAES 783* | *‘738’ in proj. 5 is a transcription error. It should be ‘783’* |
| *849* | *HAES 849* |  |
| *816* | *HAES 816* |  |
| *H2*  | *H2 Hinde* |  |

*HAES = Hawaii Agricultural Experiment Station**Number in brackets is the HAES reference. When the variety is named the HAES number is often also used in the literature.**TWF: agreed* |
| #Char. 3  | - state 2 to read “right-angle”*Leading Expert: agreed**TWF: agreed*- to add example variety for state 3*Leading Expert: to add example variety “*A203” for state 3*TWF: agreed* |
| #Char. 5 | to add the following example varieties:“MCT1” for state “smooth”, “Hidden Valley A16” for state “medium”, “MiniMaca” for state “rough”*Leading Expert: to be agreed by TWF**TWF: agreed* |
| Char. 9 | - to read “Leaf blade: …” - to be moved after Characteristic 18*TWF: agreed* |
| #Char. 12 | - to review order of states to have states ovate (1), lanceolate (2), elliptic (3), oblong (4), obovate (5), oblanceolate (6) *Leading Expert: agreed**TWF: agreed*- to add (a)*Leading Expert: agreed**TWF: agreed*- to add example varieties for states 1 to 3*Leading Expert: I propose deleting ovate and lanceolate as no existing varieties could be identified. Although some literature refers to lanceolate and ovate leaves these do not seem to be present in known varieties.**For “oblong” I propose the example variety “HAES 781”.**TWF: agreed* |
| #Char. 13 | to add the following example varieties:“H2 Hinde” for state “none”, “HAES 800” for state “apiculate”, “A268” for state “acuminate”, “Hidden Valley A38” for state “mucronate”*Leading Expert: to be agreed by TWF**TWF: agreed* |
| #Chars. 14, 15 | to be deleted*Leading Expert: agreed. Char. 12 “Leaf blade: shape” inherently includes apex and base so Chars. 14 and 15 are superfluous**TWF: agreed* |
| Char. 19 | - to be moved after Char. “Petiole: length”- to read “Young leaf: color”*Leading Expert: agreed**TWF: agreed* |
| Char. 20 | to read “Leaf blade: intensity of green color” and move “on upper side” to explanation in Chapter 8.2*Leading Expert: agreed**TWF: agreed* |
| Char. 24 | to be indicated (b) instead of (a)*Leading Expert: agreed**TWF: agreed* |
| #Char. 25 | to delete (b) and add illustration of apical point and possibly explanation*Provided by Leading Expert:**“The apical point is the protrusion of the husk opposite to the stalk end.”*husk-apical_point_v2*TWF: agreed* |
| [[2]](#footnote-3)#Char. 26 | to read as follows:

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| **26.** |  | **QN** | **VG** |  | **(b)** |  |
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| **Husk: thickness of pericarp** |

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| **Cosse : épaisseur du péricarpe** |

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| **Hülle: Dicke des Perikarps** |

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| **Vaina: grosor del pericarpio** |

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|  |  | medium | moyen | mittel | medio | EMB-1, KMB-3, KRG-15 | 3 |
|  |  | thick | épais | dick | grueso | MRG-20, MRG-25 | 5 |

*Leading Expert: agreed**TWF: agreed* |
| [[3]](#footnote-4)#Char. 27  | to read “Seed: size”*Leading Expert: agreed. The reference to “shell” is not clear as it can be confused with the shell characteristics (Chars. 29, 30 and 31). It is better to use “seed”. Previously the term “nut” was used however macadamia is not a true nut.**TWF: agreed* |
| #Char. 28 | to read “Seed: shape” *Leading Expert: agreed. See comment for Char. 27**TWF: agreed* |
| #Char. 29 | to use a 3 or 5-notes scale to have the mid-point in the middle of the scale*Leading Expert: I propose a 5 note scale:**smooth (1)**slightly rough (2)**moderately rough (3)**moderately rough to very rough (4)**very rough (5)**The example varieties do not change and there are no example varieties for note 4.**TWF: agreed* |
| #Char. 33 | - to add example varieties “A16” for state 1 and “A38” for state 2 - to add example varieties for states 3 to 5 *Leading Expert: I propose to delete this characteristic**TWF: agreed* |
| Char. 34 | to read “Seed: micropyle”*Leading Expert: agreed**TWF: agreed* |
| [[4]](#footnote-5)#8.1 (b) | - “f” to read “seed” instead of “shell”- to improve current illustration of kernel and add indication of shell to new illustration*Provided by Leading Expert*

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| 8_1_b_V2 | a: neckb: huskc: micropyled: pericarpe: suturef: seedg: kernelh: shell |

*TWF: agreed* |
| Ad. 12 | to read “relative width” and remove information on ratio in brackets in the grid*Leading Expert: agreed**TWF: agreed* |
| Ad. 34  | to read “The micropyle is the white spot on the seed that allows….” *Leading Expert: agreed**TWF: agreed* |
| 8.3 | to be moved to the beginning of Chapter 8.1 as standalone paragraph*Leading Expert: agreed**TWF: agreed* |
| TQ 5 | to add Characteristic 18*Leading Expert: agreed**TWF: agreed* |

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