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ADDENDUM TO UPOV INFORMATION DATABASES

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1. The purpose of this addendum is: to report on a request from the ISTA Nomenclature Committee to provide UPOV Codes for the ISTA stabilized list of botanical names of crops; to report on developments concerning the proposal to amend the UPOV Code for *Neotyphodium lolii* and to present proposals to amend UPOV Codes for hybrid between *Helleborus foetidus* and *Helleborus niger*, and for *Lavandula xheterophylla*.

REQUEST FROM THE ISTA NOMENCLATURE COMMITTEE

2. On June 30, 2019, the Office of the Union received a request from the International Seed Testing Association (ISTA) Nomenclature Committee, to provide UPOV Codes for all botanical names listed in the ISTA stabilized list of botanical names of crops (ISTA stabilized list) which had not previously been allocated a UPOV Code. On October 3, 2019, the Office of the Union provided the ISTA Nomenclature Committee with a list of UPOV Codes covering all botanical names in the ISTA stabilized list.

3. *The TC is invited to note that the Office of the Union received a request from ISTA Nomenclature Committee to provide UPOV Codes for all botanical names listed in the ISTA stabilized list of botanical names of crops, as set out in paragraph 2 of this document.*

UPOV CODE AMENDMENTS

UPOV code for *Neotyphodium lolii*

4. The TWA, at its forty-eighth session, held in Montevideo, Uruguay, from September 16 to 20, 2019, considered document TWP/3/4 Add. and the proposal to amend the UPOV code NEOTY_LOL, in accordance with the reclassification of *Neotyphodium lolii* to *Epichloe festucae*. The TWA agreed with the proposal to delete UPOV code NEOTY_LOL and create EPICH_FES. The TWA noted that *Neotyphodium lolii* would be covered as a synonym of *Epichloe festucae*, under UPOV code EPICH_FES (see document TWA/48/9 "Report", paragraph 95).

5. *The TC is invited to note the comments of the TWA, at its forty-eighth session, on the proposal to amend the UPOV Code NEOTY_LOL, as set out paragraph 4 of this document.*

UPOV code for hybrid between *Helleborus foetidus* and *Helleborus niger*

Background

6. The Office of the Union was informed of a duplication of UPOV codes for hybrid between *Helleborus foetidus* and *Helleborus niger*.

7. The current entries in the GENIE database for hybrid between *Helleborus foetidus* and *H. niger*, the taxa in GRIN and the numbers of entries in the PLUTO database, are as follows:

UPOV code	Principal botanical name in GENIE	Botanical name(s) in GRIN	Common name(s) in GENIE	Numbers of entries in PLUTO
HELLE_FNI	<i>Helleborus foetidus</i> L. x <i>H. niger</i> L.	<i>Helleborus xsahinii</i> Grimshaw (with a comment " <i>= Helleborus niger</i> x <i>H. foetidus</i> ")	n.a.	1
HELLE_SAH	<i>Helleborus xsahinii</i> Grimshaw	<i>Helleborus xsahinii</i> Grimshaw	n.a.	1

Proposal

8. It is proposed to delete the UPOV Code HELLE_FNI.

9. The TC is invited to consider the proposal to delete the UPOV Code HELLE_FNI, as set out in paragraph 8 of this document.

UPOV code for *Lavandula xheterophylla*

Background

10. The Office of the Union was informed of a duplication of UPOV codes for *Lavandula xheterophylla*.

11. The current entries in the GENIE database for *Lavandula xheterophylla*, the taxa in GRIN and the numbers of entries in the PLUTO database, are as follows:

UPOV code	Principal botanical name in GENIE	Botanical name(s) in GRIN	Common name(s) in GENIE	Numbers of entries in PLUTO
LAVAN_HET	<i>Lavandula xheterophylla</i> Viv.	<i>Lavandula xheterophylla</i> Viv.	n.a.	3
LAVAN_XAL	<i>Lavandula xallardii</i>	<i>Lavandula xheterophylla</i> Viv. (synonym: <i>Lavandula xallardii</i> Hy)	n.a.	3

Proposal

12. It is proposed to delete the UPOV Code LAVAN_XAL. *Lavandula xallardii* Hy would be covered by the UPOV Code LAVAN_HET, as follows:

Current			Proposal		
UPOV code	Principal botanical name	Other botanical name(s)	UPOV code	Principal botanical name	Other botanical name(s)
LAVAN_XAL	<i>Lavandula xallardii</i>	n.a.	[to delete]	n.a.	n.a.
LAVAN_HET	<i>Lavandula xheterophylla</i> Viv.	n.a.	LAVAN_HET	<i>Lavandula xheterophylla</i> Viv.	<i>Lavandula xallardii</i>

13. The TC is invited to consider the proposal to delete the UPOV Code LAVAN_XAL, as set out in paragraph 12 of this document.