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Partial revision of the Test Guidelines for Blueberry

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The purpose of this document is to present a proposal for a partial revision of the Test Guidelines for Blueberry (document TG/137/5).

The Technical Working Party for Fruit Crops (TWF), at its fifty-third session[[1]](#footnote-2), considered a proposal for a partial revision of the Test Guidelines for Blueberry on the basis of documents TG/137/5 and TWF/53/8 “Partial revision of the Test Guidelines for Blueberry” and proposed the following changes (see document TWF/53/14 “Report”, paragraph 105):

1. Expand the scope to include the following species in the scope of the Test Guidelines
   * hybrids between *Vaccinium corymbosum* L. and *Vaccinium darrowii* Camp (UPOV code: VACCI\_CDA)
   * *Vaccinium darrowii* Camp (UPOV code: VACCI\_DAR)
   * *Vaccinium uliginosum* L. (UPOV code: VACCI\_ULI)
2. Char. 14 “Flower: shape of corolla”: to delete example variety ‘Ridley’ from note 2 and replace it with “DrisBlueSeven”;
3. Ad. 8: to replace the illustration for the state of expression “lanceolate”

The proposed changes are presented below in highlight and underline (insertion) and ~~strikethrough~~ (deletion).

Proposal to extend the scope include hybrids between *Vaccinium corymbosum* L. and *Vaccinium darrowii* Camp, *Vaccinium darrowii* Camp and *Vaccinium uliginosum* L.

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| **BLUEBERRY** |
| UPOV Code(s): VACCI\_AMC; VACCI\_ANG; VACCI\_CAN; VACCI\_CAV; VACCI\_CDA, VACCI\_COR; VACCI\_DAR; VACCI\_FOR; VACCI\_MYD; VACCI\_MYR; VACCI\_SIM; VACCI\_ULI; VACCI\_VIR |
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| *Vaccinium angustifolium* x *Vaccinium myrsinites* x *Vaccinium corymbosum*;  *Vaccinium angustifolium* Aiton;  Hybrids between *Vaccinium corymbosum* and *Vaccinium angustifolium*; *Vaccinium corymbosum* x *Vaccinium angustifolium* x *Vaccinium virgatum*;  Hybrids between *Vaccinium corymbosum* L. and *Vaccinium darrowii* Camp; *Vaccinium corymbosum* L.;  *Vaccinium darrowii* Camp; *Vaccinium formosum* Andrews; *Vaccinium myrtilloides* Michx.; *Vaccinium myrtillus* L.;  *Vaccinium simulatum* Small;  *Vaccinium uliginosum* L.; *Vaccinium virgatum* Aiton |

The extension of the scope would also be reflected in the following sections of the Test Guidelines for Blueberry:

1. In the table indicating alternative names on the cover page
2. In Chapter 1 “Subject of these Test Guidelines”
3. In Chapter 10 “Technical Questionnaire”, Section 1 “Subject of the Technical Questionnaire”;

## Proposal to delete example variety ‘Ridley’ from note 2 of Characteristic 14 “Flower: shape of corolla” and replace it with “DrisBlueSeven”

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| **14.** |  | **PQ** | **VG** | **(+)** | **(c)** |  | | | |
|  |  | |  | | --- | | **Flower: shape of corolla** | | | |  | | --- | | **Fleur : forme de la corolle** | | | |  | | --- | | **Blüte: Form der Krone** | | |  | | --- | | **Flor: forma de la corola** | |  |  |
|  |  | globose | | globuleuse | | kugelförmig | globosa | EB 12-19 (L), Farthing (L) | 1 |
|  |  | ellipsoid | | ellipsoïde | | ellipsoid | elipsoidal | ~~Ridley (L)~~  DrisBlueSeven | 2 |
|  |  | cylindric | | cylindrique | | zylindrisch | cilíndrica | Reka (H) | 3 |
|  |  | ovoid | | ovoïde | | eiförmig | ovoidal |  | 4 |
|  |  | urceolate | | urcéolée | | urnenförmig | urceolada | Maru (L) | 5 |
|  |  | campanulate | | campanulée | | glockenförmig | acampanada | Magnolia (L), Scintilla (L), Velluto Blue (H),  Victoria (L) | 6 |

Proposal to replace the illustration for the state of expression “lanceolate” in Ad. 8 “Leaf: shape”

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1. organized by electronic means, from July 11 to 15, 2022 [↑](#footnote-ref-2)