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Prunus padus L.

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**GUIDELINES
FOR THE CONDUCT OF TESTS
FOR DISTINCTNESS, UNIFORMITY AND STABILITY**

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Botanical name	English	French	German	Spanish
<i>Prunus padus</i> L.,	Bird cherry	Merisier à grappes	Traubenkirsche	Cerezo de racimo
<i>Padus racemosa</i> (Lam.) C. K. Schneid.,				
<i>Prunus racemosa</i> Lam.				

The purpose of these guidelines (“Test Guidelines”) is to elaborate the principles contained in the General Introduction (document TG/1/3), and its associated TGP documents, into detailed practical guidance for the harmonized examination of distinctness, uniformity and stability (DUS) and, in particular, to identify appropriate characteristics for the examination of DUS and production of harmonized variety descriptions.

ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

These Test Guidelines should be read in conjunction with the General Introduction and its associated TGP documents.

* These names were correct at the time of the introduction of these Test Guidelines but may be revised or updated. [Readers are advised to consult the UPOV Code, which can be found on the UPOV Website (www.upov.int), for the latest information.]

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1. Subject of these Test Guidelines

These Test Guidelines apply to all varieties of *Prunus padus* L. of the family *Rosaceae*. These Test Guidelines may also be useful for the examination of hybrids between *Prunus padus* L. and other species of *Prunus* L.

2. Material Required

2.1 The competent authorities decide on the quantity and quality of the plant material required for testing the variety and when and where it is to be delivered. Applicants submitting material from a State other than that in which the testing takes place must ensure that all customs formalities and phytosanitary requirements are complied with.

2.2 The material is to be supplied in the form of three-year-old trees grafted on a rootstock. The rootstock to be used is specified by the competent authority.

2.3 The minimum quantity of plant material, to be supplied by the applicant, should be:

8 trees.

2.4 The plant material supplied should be visibly healthy, not lacking in vigor, nor affected by any important pest or disease.

2.5 The plant material should not have undergone any treatment which would affect the expression of the characteristics of the variety, unless the competent authorities allow or request such treatment. If it has been treated, full details of the treatment must be given.

3. Method of Examination

3.1 Number of Growing Cycles

The minimum duration of tests should normally be two independent growing cycles.

3.2 Testing Place

Tests are normally conducted at one place. In the case of tests conducted at more than one place, guidance is provided in TGP/9 "Examining Distinctness".

3.3 Conditions for Conducting the Examination

3.3.1 The tests should be carried out under conditions ensuring satisfactory growth for the expression of the relevant characteristics of the variety and for the conduct of the examination.

3.3.2 The recommended method of observing the characteristic is indicated by the following key in the second column of the Table of Characteristics:

VG: visual assessment by a single observation of a group of plants or parts of plants

VS: visual assessment by observation of individual plants or parts of plants

3.4 Test Design

3.4.1 Each test should be designed to result in a total of at least 6 trees.

3.4.2 The design of the tests should be such that plants or parts of plants may be removed for measurement or counting without prejudice to the observations which must be made up to the end of the growing cycle.

3.5 Number of Plants / Parts of Plants to be Examined

Unless otherwise indicated, all observations should be made on 6 plants or parts taken from each of 6 plants.

3.6 Additional Tests

Additional tests, for examining relevant characteristics, may be established.

4. Assessment of Distinctness, Uniformity and Stability

4.1 Distinctness

4.1.1 General Recommendations

It is of particular importance for users of these Test Guidelines to consult the General Introduction prior to making decisions regarding distinctness. However, the following points are provided for elaboration or emphasis in these Test Guidelines.

4.1.2 Consistent Differences

The differences observed between varieties may be so clear that more than one growing cycle is not necessary. In addition, in some circumstances, the influence of the environment is not such that more than a single growing cycle is required to provide assurance that the differences observed between varieties are sufficiently consistent. One means of ensuring that a difference in a characteristic, observed in a growing trial, is sufficiently consistent is to examine the characteristic in at least two independent growing cycles.

4.1.3 Clear Differences

Determining whether a difference between two varieties is clear depends on many factors, and should consider, in particular, the type of expression of the characteristic being examined, i.e. whether it is expressed in a qualitative, quantitative, or pseudo-qualitative manner. Therefore, it is important that users of these Test Guidelines are familiar with the recommendations contained in the General Introduction prior to making decisions regarding distinctness.

4.2 *Uniformity*

4.2.1 It is of particular importance for users of these Test Guidelines to consult the General Introduction prior to making decisions regarding uniformity. However, the following points are provided for elaboration or emphasis in these Test Guidelines:

4.2.2 For the assessment of uniformity of vegetatively propagated varieties, a population standard of 1% and an acceptance probability of at least 95% should be applied. In the case of a sample size of 6 plants, 1 off-type is allowed.

4.3 *Stability*

4.3.1 In practice, it is not usual to perform tests of stability that produce results as certain as those of the testing of distinctness and uniformity. However, experience has demonstrated that, for many types of variety, when a variety has been shown to be uniform, it can also be considered to be stable.

4.3.2 Where appropriate, or in cases of doubt, stability may be tested, either by growing a further generation, or by testing a new plant stock to ensure that it exhibits the same characteristics as those shown by the previous material supplied.

5. Grouping of Varieties and Organization of the Growing Trial

5.1 The selection of varieties of common knowledge to be grown in the trial with the candidate varieties and the way in which these varieties are divided into groups to facilitate the assessment of distinctness are aided by the use of grouping characteristics.

5.2 Grouping characteristics are those in which the documented states of expression, even where produced at different locations, can be used, either individually or in combination with other such characteristics: (a) to select varieties of common knowledge that can be excluded from the growing trial used for examination of distinctness, and (b) to organize the growing trial so that similar varieties are grouped together.

5.3 The following have been agreed as useful grouping characteristics:

- (a) Tree: growth habit (characteristic 2)
- (b) Tree: shape of crown (characteristic 3)
- (c) Young leaf blade: color (characteristic 8)
- (d) Leaf blade: variegation (characteristic 11)
- (e) Leaf blade: color of upper side (excluding variegation) (characteristic 12)
- (f) Petal: color (characteristic 26)

5.4 Guidance for the use of grouping characteristics, in the process of examining distinctness, is provided through the General Introduction.

6. Introduction to the Table of Characteristics

6.1 *Categories of Characteristics*

6.1.1 Standard Test Guidelines Characteristics

Standard Test Guidelines characteristics are those which are approved by UPOV for examination of DUS and from which members of the Union can select those suitable for their particular circumstances.

6.1.2 Asterisked Characteristics

Asterisked characteristics (denoted by *) are those included in the Test Guidelines which are important for the international harmonization of variety descriptions and should always be examined for DUS and included in the variety description by all members of the Union, except when the state of expression of a preceding characteristic or regional environmental conditions render this inappropriate.

6.2 *States of Expression and Corresponding Notes*

States of expression are given for each characteristic to define the characteristic and to harmonize descriptions. Each state of expression is allocated a corresponding numerical note for ease of recording of data and for the production and exchange of the description.

6.3 *Types of Expression*

An explanation of the types of expression of characteristics (qualitative, quantitative and pseudo-qualitative) is provided in the General Introduction.

6.4 *Example Varieties*

Where appropriate, example varieties are provided to clarify the states of expression of each characteristic.

6.5 *Legend*

(*) Asterisked characteristic – see Chapter 6.1.2

QL: Qualitative characteristic – see Chapter 6.3

QN: Quantitative characteristic – see Chapter 6.3

PQ: Pseudo-qualitative characteristic – see Chapter 6.3

VG, VS: See Chapter 3.3.2

(a)-(e) See Explanations on the Table of Characteristics in Chapter 8.1

(+) See Explanations on the Table of Characteristics in Chapter 8.2

7. Table of Characteristics/Tableau des caractères/Merkmalstabelle/Tabla de caracteres

English	français	Deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplos	Note/ Nota
1. VG Tree: vigor (+)	Arbre : vigueur	Baum: Wuchsstärke	Árbol: vigor		
QN (a) weak	faible	schwach	débil	Nana	3
medium	moyenne	mittel	medio	Colorata	5
strong	forte	stark	fuerte	Albertii, Watereri	7
2. VG Tree: growth habit (*) (+)	Arbre : port	Baum: Wuchsform	Árbol: porte		
QN (a) upright	dressé	aufrecht	erecto	Albertii	1
semi-upright	demi-dressé	halbaufrecht	semierecto		2
spreading	divergent	breitwüchsig	extendido	Colorata	3
drooping	retombant	überhängend	colgante	Pendula	4
3. VG Tree: shape of crown (*) (+)	Arbre : forme de la couronne	Baum: Form der Krone	Árbol: forma de la copa		
PQ (a) acute	pointue	spitz	aguda	Albertii	1
obtuse	obtuse	stumpf	obtusa		2
rounded	arrondie	abgerundet	redondeada	Nana	3
4. VG Vegetative bud: color	Bourgeon végétatif : couleur	Blattnospe: Farbe	Yema de madera: color		
QL (a) purple brown	brun pourpre	purpurbraun	marrón púrpura	Colorata	1
greenish brown	brun verdâtre	grünlichbraun	marrón verdoso	Watereri	2
5. VG Young shoot: color (*)	Jeune rameau : couleur	Jungtrieb: Farbe	Vástago joven: color		
PQ (b) green	vert	grün	verde	Nana	1
purple brown	brun pourpre	purpurbraun	marrón púrpura	Colorata, Rózsaszín Május	2
brown	brun	braun	marrón		3

English	français	Deutsch	español	Example Varieties	Note/ Nota
				Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	
6. VG One-year-old shoot: thickness	Rameau d'un an : épaisseur	Einjähriger Trieb: Dicke	Vástago de un año: grosor		
QN (a) thin	fin	dünn	delgado		3
	medium	moyen	mittel	Colorata	5
	thick	épais	dick	Nana	7
7. VG One-year-old shoot: length	Rameau d'un an : longueur	Einjähriger Trieb: Länge	Vástago de un año: longitud		
QN (a) short	court	kurz	corto		3
	medium	moyen	mittel		5
	long	long	lang		7
8. VG Young leaf blade: color (*)	Jeune limbe : couleur	Spreite des jungen Blattes: Farbe	Limbo joven: color		
PQ (b) yellow	jaune	gelb	amarillo	Aurea	1
	green	grün	verde	Albertii	2
	bronze green	vert bronze	bronzgrün	Watereri	3
	brown red	rouge-brun	braunrot	Colorata	4
9. VG Leaf blade: lobing (+)	Limbe : découpure	Blattspreite: Lappung	Limbo: lobulado		
QL (c) absent	absente	fehlend	ausente		1
	present	présente	vorhanden	Heterophylla	9
10. VG Only varieties with leaf blade lobing: (+) absent: Leaf blade: shape	Seulement variétés avec limbe : découpure : absente	Nur Sorten mit Blattspreite: Lappung: fehlend:	Sólo variedades que no presentan limbo lobulado: Limbo: forma		
PQ (c) ovate	ovale	eiförmig	oval	Albertii	1
	elliptic	elliptique	elliptisch	Colorata	2
	obovate	obovale	verkehrt eiförmig		3
11. VG Leaf blade: variegation (*)	Limbe : panachure	Blattspreite: Panaschierung	Limbo: variegación		
QL (c) absent	absente	fehlend	ausente	Watereri	1
	present	présente	vorhanden	Aucubifolia	9

					Example Varieties	
	English	français	Deutsch	español	Exemples	Note/ Nota
					Beispielssorten	
12.	VG	Leaf blade: color of upper side (excluding variegation)	Limbe : couleur de la face supérieure (à l'exclusion de la panachure)	Blattspreite: Farbe der Oberseite (ohne Panaschierung)	Limbo: color del haz (excluida la variegación)	
(*)						
(+)						
PQ	(c)	green	vert	grün	verde	Albertii
		red purple	violacé	rotpurpurn	rojo púrpura	2
		purple	pourpre	purpurn	púrpura	3
		brownish	brunâtre	bräunlich	amarronado	Rózsaszín Május
						4
13.	VG	Leaf blade: color of variegated part of upper side	Limbe : couleur de la partie panachée de la face supérieure	Blattspreite: Farbe des panaschierten Teils der Oberseite	Limbo: color de la parte variegada del haz	
(+)						
PQ	(c)	white	blanc	weiß	blanco	1
		yellow	jaune	gelb	amarillo	Aucubifolia
		purple	pourpre	purpurn	púrpura	3
14.	VG	Leaf blade: distribution of variegated part	Limbe : répartition de la partie panachée	Blattspreite: Verteilung des panaschierten Teils	Limbo: distribución de la parte variegada	
(+)						
PQ	(c)	marginal	marginale	marginal angeordnet	borde	1
		speckled	tachetée	gefleckt	moteado	Aucubifolia
		central zone	zone centrale	Mittelzone	parte central	3
15.	VG	Leaf blade: glossiness of <u>upper</u> side	Limbe : brillance de la face supérieure	Blattspreite: Glanz der Oberseite	Limbo: brillo del haz	
(+)						
QN	(c)	absent or weak	nulle ou faible	fehlend oder gering	ausente o débil	1
		medium	moyenne	mittel	medio	2
		strong	forte	stark	fuerte	3
16.	VG	Leaf blade: color of <u>lower</u> side	Limbe : couleur de la face inférieure	Blattspreite: Farbe der Unterseite	Limbo: color del envés	
(+)						
PQ	(c)	green	verte	grün	verde	Albertii
		purple red	rouge-pourpre	purpurrot	rojo púrpura	Rózsaszín Május
		silvery red	rouge argenté	silbrigrot	rojo plateado	Colorata
						3

English	français	Deutsch	español	Example Varieties	Note/ Nota
				Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	
17. VG Leaf blade: color of veins on <u>lower</u> side	Limbe : couleur des nervures sur la face inférieure	Blattspreite: Farbe der Adern an der Unterseite	Limbo: color de los nervios del <u>envés</u>		
QL (c) green	verte	grün	verdes		1
	reddish	rougeâtre	rötlich	rojizos	Rózsaszín Május
18. VG Petiole: stipules	Pétiole : stipules	Blattstiel: Nebenblätter	Pecíolo: estípulas		
QL (c) absent	absentes	fehlend	ausentes		1
	present	présentes	vorhanden	presentes	Albertii
19. VG Inflorescence: attitude (+)	Inflorescence : port	Blütenstand: Haltung	Inflorescencia: porte		
QN (d) upwards	dressé	aufwärts gerichtet	hacia arriba	Stricta	1
	outwards	perpendiculaire	abstehend	hacia fuera	2
	downwards	retombant	abwärts gerichtet	hacia abajo	Watereri
20. VG Inflorescence: length (excluding peduncle) (+)	Inflorescence : longueur (à l'exclusion du pédoncule)	Blütenstand: Länge (ohne Blütenstandsstiell)	Inflorescencia: longitud (excluido el pedúnculo)		
QN (d) short	courte	kurz	corta		3
	medium	moyenne	mittel	Colorata	5
	long	longue	lang	Watereri	7
21. VG Inflorescence: density	Inflorescence : densité	Blütenstand: Dichte	Inflorescencia: densidad		
QN (d) sparse	faible	locker	escasa		3
	medium	moyenne	mittel	media	5
	dense	dense	dicht	densa	Nana
22. VG Flower bud: color (+)	Bouton : couleur	Blütenknospe: Farbe	Botón floral: color		
PQ (d) white	blanc	weiß	blanco		1
	green yellow	jaune vert	grün gelb	amarillo verdoso	Albertii
	pink	rose	rosa	Colorata	3

English	français	Deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
23. VG Flower: type (*) (+)	Fleur : type	Blüte: Typ	Flor: tipo		
QN (d) single	simple	einfach	sencilla	Albertii	1
	semi double	halbgefüllt	semidoble	Plena	2
	double	gefüllt	doble		3
24. VG Flower: diameter	Fleur : diamètre	Blüte: Durchmesser	Flor: diámetro		
QN (d) small	petit	klein	pequeño		3
	medium	moyen	mittel		5
	large	grand	groß	Watereri	7
25. VG Flower: fragrance	Fleur : parfum	Blüte: Duft	Flor: fragancia		
QN (d) absent or very weak	absent ou très faible	fehlend oder sehr schwach	ausente o muy débil		1
	weak	faible	schwach		2
	strong	fort	stark	fuerte	Rózsaszín Május
26. VG Petal: color (*)	Pétale : couleur	Blütenblatt: Farbe	Pétalos: color		
PQ (d) white	blanc	weiß	blanco	Albertii, Waterii	1
	light pink	rose pâle	hellrosa	rosa claro	2
	medium pink	rose moyen	mittelrosa	rosa medio	Rózsaszín Május
	dark pink	rose foncé	dunkelrosa	rosa oscuro	Colorata
27. VG Time of flowering (*)	Époque de floraison	Zeitpunkt der Blüte	Época de floración		
QN	early	précoce	früh	temprana	Rózsaszín Május
	medium	moyenne	mittel	media	5
	late	tardive	spät	tardía	Nana

8. Explanations on the Table of Characteristics

8.1 Explanations covering several characteristics

Characteristics containing the following key in the second column of the Table of Characteristics should be examined as indicated below:

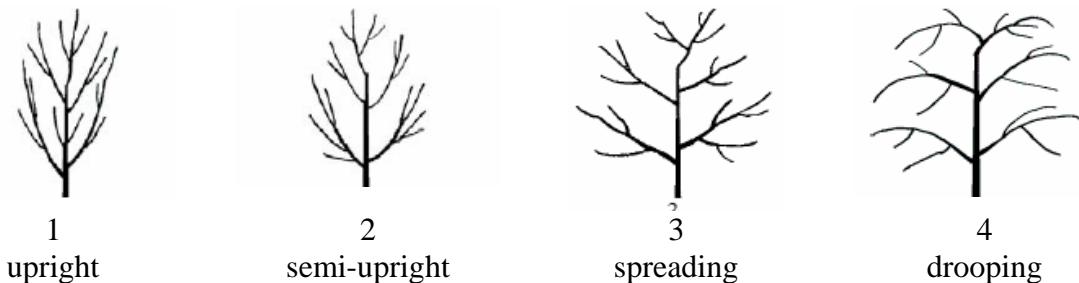
- (a) Tree/One-year-old shoot: Observations on the tree and the one year-old shoot should be made during the dormant season. Observations on the one year-old shoot should be made on the middle third of the shoot.
- (b) Shoot and young leaf: Observations should be made on the young shoot and leaves.
- (c) Mature leaf: Observations on the leaf should be made in summer on fully developed leaves from the middle third of a current season's shoot.
- (d) Inflorescence and flower: Observations should be made on fully developed flowers at full flowering.

8.2 Explanations for individual characteristics

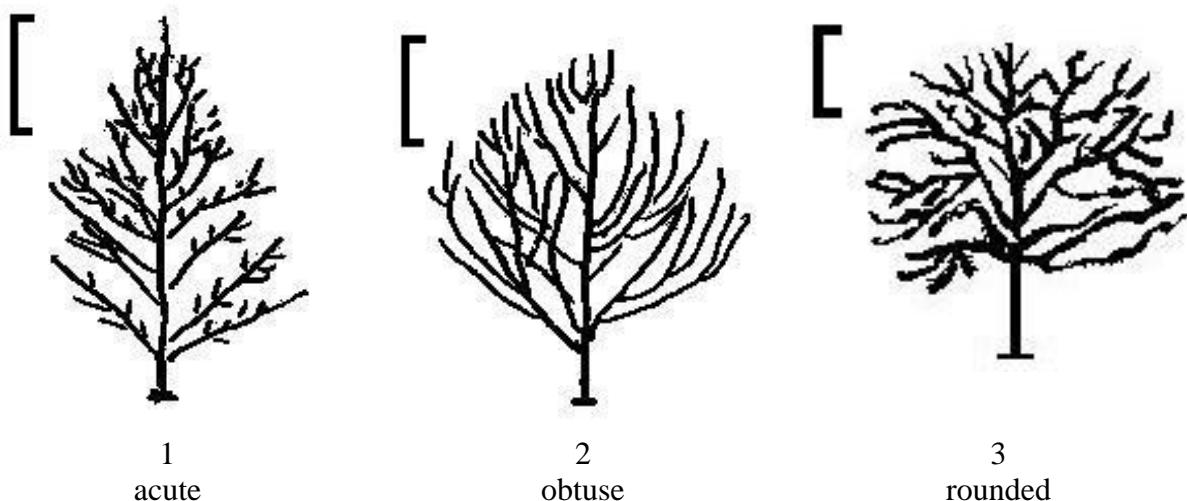
Ad. 1: Tree: vigor

The vigor is observed as the overall abundance of vegetative growth.

Ad. 2: Tree: growth habit



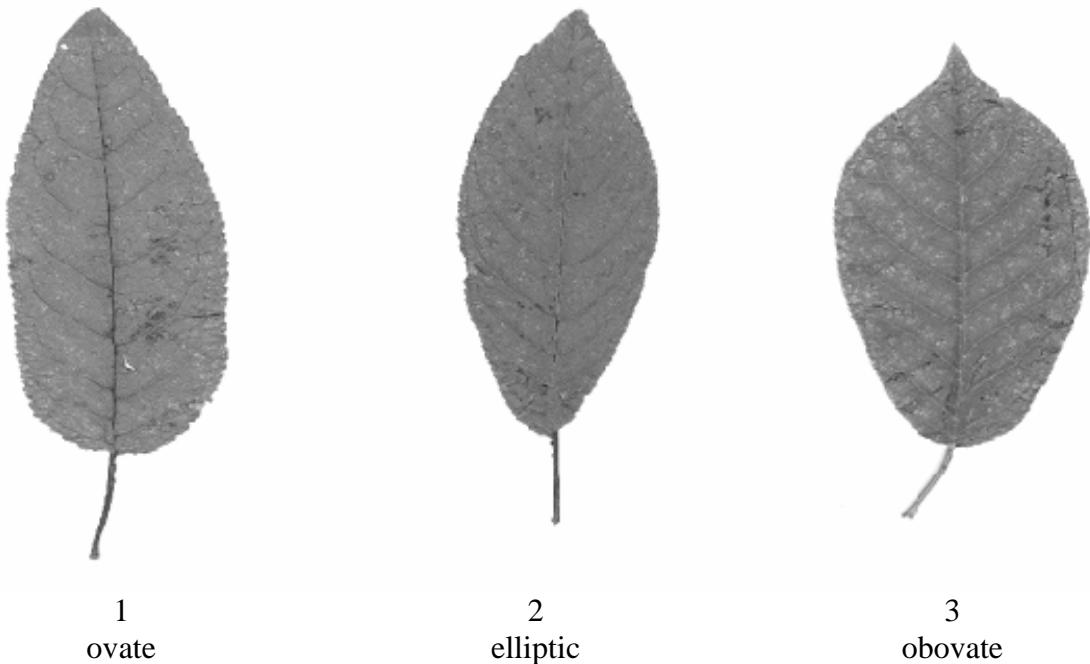
Ad. 3: Tree: shape of crown



Ad. 9: Leaf blade: lobing

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Ad. 10: Only varieties with leaf blade lobing: absent



Ad. 12: Leaf blade: color of upper side (excluding variegation)

Variegation is well-defined areas of different color, with less or no chlorophyll, especially as irregular patches or stripes.

Ad. 14: Leaf blade: distribution of variegated part



1
marginal



2
speckled



3
central zone

Ad. 19: Inflorescence: attitude



1
upwards

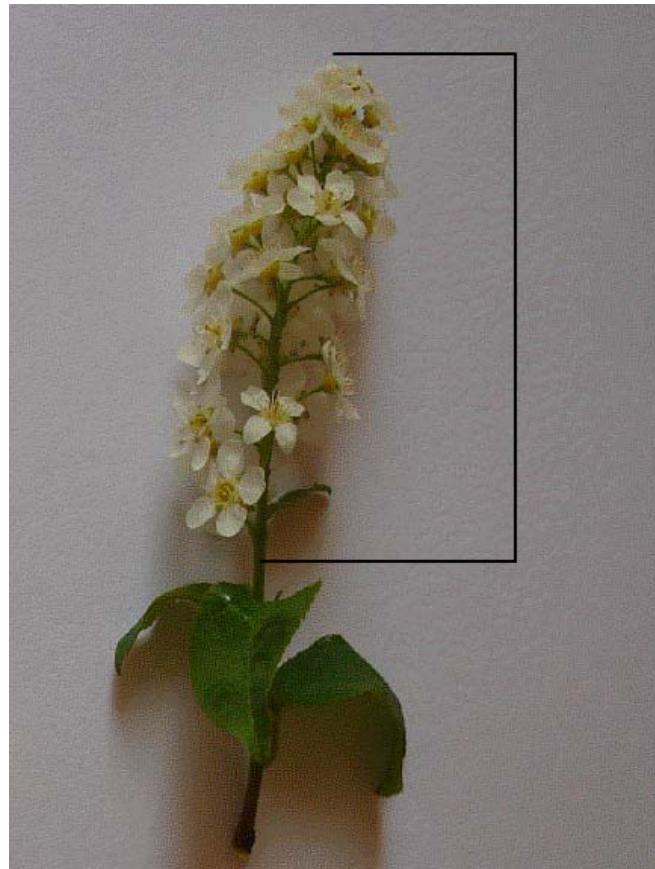


2
outwards



3
downwards

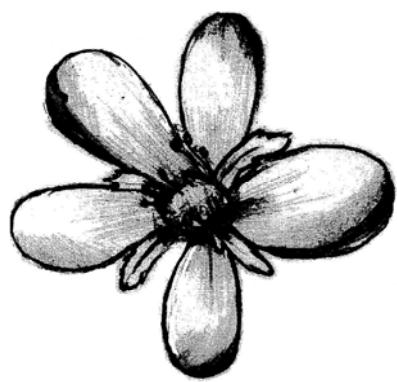
Ad. 20: Inflorescence: length (excluding peduncle)



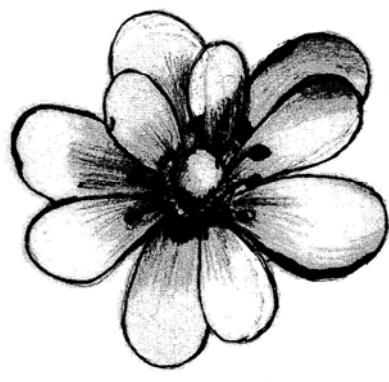
Ad. 22: Flower bud: color

Observations should be made on flower buds on the inflorescence just before opening.

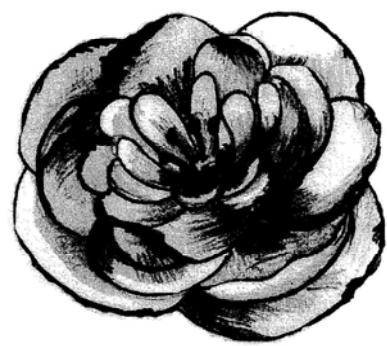
Ad. 23: Flower: type



1
single
(5 petals)



2
semi double
(2 or 3 circles of petals:
maximum of 15 petals)



3
double
(more than 3 circles of petals)

9. Literature

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([www.mtt.fi/met/pdf/met 61.pdf](http://www.mtt.fi/met/pdf/met_61.pdf))

10. Technical Questionnaire

TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE	Page {x} of {y}	Reference Number:
		Application date: (not to be filled in by the applicant)
<p style="text-align: center;">TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE to be completed in connection with an application for plant breeders' rights</p>		
1. Subject of the Technical Questionnaire		
1.1 Botanical name	<i>Prunus padus L.</i>	
1.2 Common name	Bird Cherry	
2. Applicant		
Name		
Address		
Telephone No.		
Fax No.		
E-mail address		
Breeder (if different from applicant)		
3. Proposed denomination and breeder's reference		
Proposed denomination (if available)		
Breeder's reference		

TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE	Page {x} of {y}	Reference Number:
<p>#4. Information on the breeding scheme and propagation of the variety</p> <p>4.1 Breeding scheme</p> <p>Variety resulting from:</p> <p>4.1.1 Crossing</p> <p>(a) controlled cross [] (please state parent varieties)</p> <p>(b) partially known cross [] (please state known parent variety(ies))</p> <p>(c) unknown cross []</p> <p>4.1.2 Mutation [] (please state parent variety)</p> <p>4.1.3 Discovery and development [] (please state where and when discovered and how developed)</p> <p>4.1.4 Other [] (please provide details)</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div> <p>4.2 Method of propagating the variety</p> <p>4.2.1 Vegetative propagation</p> <p>(a) cuttings [] (b) <i>in vitro</i> propagation [] (c) other (state method) []</p> <p>4.2.2 Other [] (please provide details)</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>		

TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE	Page {x} of {y}	Reference Number:
Characteristics	Example Varieties	Note
5.1 Tree: growth habit (2)		
upright	Albertii	1[]
semi-upright		2[]
spreading	Colorata	3[]
drooping	Pendula	4[]
5.2 Tree: shape of crown (3)		
acute	Albertii	1[]
obtuse		2[]
rounded	Nana	3[]
5.3 Young leaf blade: color (8)		
yellow	Aurea	1[]
green	Albertii	2[]
bronze green	Watereri	3[]
brown red	Colorata	4[]
5.4 Leaf blade: variegation (11)		
absent	Watereri	1[]
present	Aucubifolia	9[]

TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE	Page {x} of {y}	Reference Number:	
Characteristics	Example Varieties		Note
5.5 Leaf blade: color of upper side (excluding variegation) (12)			
green	Albertii		1[]
red purple			2[]
purple			3[]
brownish	Rózsaszín Május		4[]
5.6 Flower: type (23)			
single	Albertii		1[]
semi double	Plena		2[]
double			3[]
5.7 Petal: color (26)			
white	Albertii, Watereri		1[]
light pink			2[]
medium pink	Rózsaszín Május		3[]
dark pink	Colorata		4[]

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<p>6. Similar varieties and differences from these varieties</p> <p><i>Please use the following table and box for comments to provide information on how your candidate variety differs from the variety (or varieties) which, to the best of your knowledge, is (or are) most similar. This information may help the examination authority to conduct its examination of distinctness in a more efficient way.</i></p> <table border="1"><thead><tr><th>Denomination(s) of variety(ies) similar to your candidate variety</th><th>Characteristic(s) in which your candidate variety differs from the similar variety(ies)</th><th>Describe the expression of the characteristic(s) for the similar variety(ies)</th><th>Describe the expression of the characteristic(s) for your candidate variety</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td><i>Example</i></td><td><i>Petal: color</i></td><td><i>white</i></td><td><i>light pink</i></td></tr><tr><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr><tr><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr><tr><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr><tr><td>Comments:</td><td> </td><td> </td><td> </td></tr></tbody></table>			Denomination(s) of variety(ies) similar to your candidate variety	Characteristic(s) in which your candidate variety differs from the similar variety(ies)	Describe the expression of the characteristic(s) for the similar variety(ies)	Describe the expression of the characteristic(s) for your candidate variety	<i>Example</i>	<i>Petal: color</i>	<i>white</i>	<i>light pink</i>													Comments:			
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<p>#7. Additional information which may help in the examination of the variety</p> <p>7.1 In addition to the information provided in sections 5 and 6, are there any additional characteristics which may help to distinguish the variety?</p> <p>Yes [] No []</p> <p>(If yes, please provide details)</p> <p>7.2 Are there any special conditions for growing the variety or conducting the examination?</p> <p>Yes [] No []</p> <p>(If yes, please provide details)</p> <p>7.3 Other information</p> <p>A representative color photograph of the variety should accompany the Technical Questionnaire.</p> <p>8. Authorization for release</p> <p>(a) Does the variety require prior authorization for release under legislation concerning the protection of the environment, human and animal health?</p> <p>Yes [] No []</p> <p>(b) Has such authorization been obtained?</p> <p>Yes [] No []</p> <p>If the answer to (b) is yes, please attach a copy of the authorization.</p>		

[#] Authorities may allow certain of this information to be provided in a confidential section of the Technical Questionnaire.

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9. Information on plant material to be examined or submitted for examination.

9.1 The expression of a characteristic or several characteristics of a variety may be affected by factors, such as pests and disease, chemical treatment (e.g. growth retardants or pesticides), effects of tissue culture, different rootstocks, scions taken from different growth phases of a tree, etc.

9.2 The plant material should not have undergone any treatment which would affect the expression of the characteristics of the variety, unless the competent authorities allow or request such treatment. If the plant material has undergone such treatment, full details of the treatment must be given. In this respect, please indicate below, to the best of your knowledge, if the plant material to be examined has been subjected to:

- (a) Microorganisms (e.g. virus, bacteria, phytoplasma) Yes [] No []
(b) Chemical treatment (e.g. growth retardant, pesticide) Yes [] No []
(c) Tissue culture Yes [] No []
(d) Other factors Yes [] No []

Please provide details for where you have indicated “yes”.

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10. I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this form is correct:

Applicant's name

Signature

Date

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