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

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 The Enlarged Editorial Committee (TC-EDC) at its meeting, organized by electronic means, on October 12 and 13, 2021, considered the draft Test Guidelines for Berberis (document [TG/68/4(proj.5)](https://www.upov.int/meetings/en/doc_details.jsp?meeting_id=60596&doc_id=550471)) and agreed that it required editorial clarifications to be provided by the Leading Expert. The TC-EDC agreed to reconsider the draft Test Guidelines at its meeting to be held in March 2022.

 Recommendations from the TC-EDC on the draft Test Guidelines for Turnip are presented in the table below, including the required editorial clarifications (indicated with “#”) and responses from the Leading Expert, Ms. Stéphanie Christien (France):

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| Cover page | to add “excluding…” (as in Chapter 1.) to name box*Leading Expert: agreed* |
| #Char. 2 | to check whether state 1 to read “upright” (see e.g. TG Lavender)*Leading Expert: agreed, state 1 to read “upright”* |
| Chars. 6, 7 | to add (a)*Leading Expert: agreed* |
| Char. 6 | to be indicated as PQ and VG (as in proj.4; correction)*Leading Expert: agreed* |
| Char. 8 | to read “Stem: type of spines”*Leading Expert: agreed* |
| Char. 9 | to read “Stem: length of spines”*Leading Expert: agreed* |
| Char. 10 | to delete (d) and add explanation “Observations should be made on fully expanded leaves from the middle third of the stem.” *Leading Expert: agreed* |
| Char. 14 | to read “Leaf: spines”*Leading Expert: agreed* |
| Char. 18  | to delete “the”*Leading Expert: agreed* |
| Chars. 22, 23 | to delete (d) *Leading Expert: agreed to delete (d) but add explanation “Observations should be made on fully expanded leaves from the middle third of the stem.” (as for Char. 10)* |
| Char. 23 | to read “Leaf: undulation of margin”*Leading Expert: agreed* |
| #Char. 24  | to check whether to read “Inflorescence: type”*Leading Expert: This point was discussed during the TWO. And the question was could we speak about inflorescence when one level of expression is “solitary” therefore we came to the proposal “Floral type” and would like to keep it as “Floral type”.* |
| Char. 28 | example variety “Electra” in state 1 to read “Erecta”*Leading Expert: agreed* |
| #Ad. 5 | to be improved (current pictures show trees, which is not appropriate for Berberis and to present more clearly the difference from Char. 2)*Leading Expert: Char. 2 refers to the general aspect of the plant. For Char. 5, we look at the branches and how they grow.**For 75-80% of the cases we have a bushy type plant (char. 2-note 2-irregularly rounded) for which branches can be semi-erect (char.5- note 2), horizontal (char.5- note 3) or drooping (char. 5- note 4). We can also have rounded plant, 10-15%, (char. 2-note 3-compact rounded)  with semi erect (char.5- note 2) or erect branches (char. 5- note 1); or spreading plant (char. 2-note 4-speading)  with horizontal branches (char. 5- note 3).* |
| Ad. 29 | to adjust legend of the grid according to TGP/14 (“relative width”, “narrow”, “broad”)*Leading Expert: agreed* |
| #9. | - to correct typo in date of second reference: “Caduc Alain, 2017: …”- to add city and country to both references*Leading Expert: Société Nationale d’Horticulture de France (SNHF), Paris-France* |
| TQ 6. | characteristic name to read “Fruit: shape in lateral view”*Leading Expert: agreed* |

 The TC-EDC will consider the above information on the draft Test Guidelines for Berberis at its meeting to be held in March 2022 and the Test Guidelines be submitted to the TC for adoption by correspondence.

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