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

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* <i>Solanum tuberosum L.*,  <i>S. tuberosum L. sensu lato</i></i>	Potato	Pomme de terre	Kartoffel	Papa, Patata

**ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS**

These guidelines should be read in conjunction with document TG/1/3, “General Introduction to the Examination of Distinctness, Uniformity and Stability and the Development of Harmonized Descriptions of New Varieties of Plants” (hereinafter referred to as the “General Introduction”) and its associated “TGP” documents.

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\* 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](http://www.upov.int)), for the latest information.]

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1. Subject of these Test Guidelines

1.1 These Test Guidelines apply to all vegetatively propagated varieties of *Solanum tuberosum* 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 tubers, within the size range 35 to 50 mm.

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

100 tubers for each year of testing.

2.4 The tubers supplied should be visibly healthy, not lacking in vigor or 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 *Duration of Tests*

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

3.2 *Testing Place*

The tests should normally be conducted at one place. If any characteristics of the variety, which are relevant for the examination of DUS, cannot be observed at that place, the variety may be tested at an additional place.

3.3 *Conditions for Conducting the Examination*

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.

3.3.1 Timing of the examination

The optimum stage of development for the assessment of each characteristic is indicated by a number in the second column of the Table of Characteristics. The stages of development denoted by each number are described in Chapter 8.3.

### 3.3.2 Type of observation – visual or measurement

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  
MG: single measurement of a group of 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 60 plants, which should be divided between two or more replicates.

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 60 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 minimum duration of tests recommended in Section 3.1 reflects, in general, the need to ensure that any differences in a characteristic are sufficiently consistent.

#### 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, a population standard of 1 % and an acceptance probability of at least 95 % should be applied. In the case of a sample size of 60 plants, 2 off-types are allowed. 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 is 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) Lightsprout: proportion of blue in anthocyanin coloration of base (characteristic 4)
- (b) Flower corolla: intensity of anthocyanin coloration on inner side (characteristic 33)
- (c) Flower corolla: proportion of blue in anthocyanin coloration on inner side (characteristic 34)
- (d) Plant: time of maturity (characteristic 36)
- (e) Tuber: color of skin (characteristic 39)

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 Section 6.1.2

QL Qualitative characteristic – see Section 6.3

QN Quantitative characteristic – see Section 6.3

PQ Pseudo-Qualitative characteristic – see Section 6.3

(a) – (d) See Explanations on the Table of Characteristics in Chapter 8, Section 8.1

(+) See Explanations on the Table of Characteristics in Chapter 8, Section 8.2

Stage of development: see Section 3.3.1

VG-MG: see Section 3.3.2

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

		English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties	
						Exemples	Note/ Nota
						Beispielsorten	
<b>1.</b>	<b>VG</b>	<b>Lightsprout: size</b>	<b>Germe: taille</b>	<b>Lichtkeim: Größe</b>	<b>Brote: tamaño</b>		
(*)	(a)						
<b>QN</b>		small	petit	klein	pequeño	Grata	3
		medium	moyen	mittel	medio	Diamant	5
		large	grand	groß	grande	Gloria	7
<b>2.</b>	<b>VG</b>	<b>Lightsprout: shape</b>	<b>Germe: forme</b>	<b>Lichtkeim: Form</b>	<b>Brote: forma</b>		
(*)	(a)						
<b>PQ</b>		spherical	sphérique	kugelförmig	esférica	Albas	1
		ovoid	ovoïde	eiförmig	ovoide	Marabel	2
		conical	conique	kegelförmig	cónica	Bintje	3
		broad cylindrical	cylindrique large	breit zylindrisch	cilíndrica ancha	Diamant	4
		narrow cylindrical	cylindrique étroit	schmal zylindrisch	cilíndrica estrecha		5
<b>3.</b>	<b>VG</b>	<b>Lightsprout: intensity of anthocyanin coloration of base</b>	<b>Germe: intensité de la pigmentation anthocyane de la base</b>	<b>Lichtkeim: Intensität der Anthocyanfärbung des Unterteils</b>	<b>Brote: intensidad de la pigmentación antociánica de la base</b>		
(*)	(a)						
<b>QN</b>		absent or very weak	absente ou très faible	fehlend oder sehr gering	ausente o muy débil	Estima	1
		weak	faible	gering	débil	Santé	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Grandifolia	5
		strong	forte	stark	fuerte	Granola	7
		very strong	très forte	sehr stark	muy fuerte	Red Duke of York	9
<b>4.</b>	<b>VG</b>	<b>Lightsprout: proportion of blue in anthocyanin coloration of base</b>	<b>Germe: proportion de bleu dans la pigmentation anthocyane de la base</b>	<b>Lichtkeim: Anteil der Blaufärbung der Anthocyanfärbung des Unterteils</b>	<b>Brote: proporción de azul en la pigmentación antociánica de la base</b>		
(*)	(a)						
<b>QN</b>		absent or low	absente ou faible	fehlend oder gering	ausente o baja	Desiree	1
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Pamina	2
		high	élevée	hoch	elevada	Agria	3

		English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
<b>5.</b> <small>(*) (+)</small>	<b>VG (a)</b>	<b>Lightsprout: pubescence of base</b>	<b>Germe: pubescence de la base</b>	<b>Lichtkeim: Behaarung des Unterteils</b>	<b>Brote: pubescencia de la base</b>		
<b>QN</b>		absent or very weak	absente ou très faible	fehlend oder sehr gering	ausente o muy débil	Santé	1
		weak	faible	gering	débil	Diamant	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Junior	5
		strong	forte	stark	fuerte	Duke of York, Rikea	7
		very strong	très forte	sehr stark	muy fuerte	Carmona	9
<b>6.</b> <small>(+)</small>	<b>VG (a)</b>	<b>Lightsprout: size of tip in relation to base</b>	<b>Germe: taille du sommet par rapport à la base</b>	<b>Lichtkeim: Größe des Oberteils im Verhältnis zum Unterteil</b>	<b>Brote: tamaño del extremo en relación con la base</b>		
<b>QN</b>		small	petite	klein	pequeño	Quinta	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	medio	King Edward, Ukama	5
		large	grande	groß	grande	Erntestolz	7
<b>7.</b> <small>(+)</small>	<b>VG (a)</b>	<b>Lightsprout: habit of tip</b>	<b>Germe: aspect du sommet</b>	<b>Lichtkeim: Wuchsform des Oberteils</b>	<b>Brote: porte del extremo</b>		
<b>QN</b>		closed	fermé	geschlossen	cerrado	Quinta	1
		intermediate	moyen	mittel	intermedio	Rita	3
		open	ouvert	offen	abierto	Diamant	5
<b>8.</b> <small>(+)</small>	<b>VG (a)</b>	<b>Lightsprout: anthocyanin coloration of tip</b>	<b>Germe: pigmentation anthocyanique du sommet</b>	<b>Lichtkeim: Anthocyanfärbung des Oberteils</b>	<b>Brote: pigmentación antociánica del extremo</b>		
<b>QN</b>		absent or very weak	absente ou très faible	fehlend oder sehr gering	ausente o muy débil	Estima	1
		weak	faible	gering	débil	Duke of York	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Spunta	5
		strong	forte	stark	fuerte	Agria	7
		very strong	très forte	sehr stark	muy fuerte	Red Duke of York	9

		English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
<b>9.</b>	<b>VG (a)</b>	<b>Lightsprout: pubescence of tip</b>	<b>Germe: pubescence du sommet</b>	<b>Lichtkeim: Behaarung des Oberteils</b>	<b>Brote: pubescencia del extremo</b>		
<b>(+)</b>							
<b>QN</b>		absent or very weak	absente ou très faible	fehlend oder sehr gering	ausente o muy débil		1
		weak	faible	gering	débil	Quinta	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Princess	5
		strong	forte	stark	fuerte	Elles	7
		very strong	très forte	sehr stark	muy fuerte		9
<b>10.</b>	<b>VG (*) (+)</b>	<b>Lightsprout: number of root tips</b>	<b>Germe: nombre de radicelles</b>	<b>Lichtkeim: Anzahl der Wurzelhöcker</b>	<b>Brote: número de radículas</b>		
<b>(+)</b>							
<b>QN</b>		few	petit	gering	bajo	Estima, Sarina	3
		medium	moyen	mittel	medio	Bintje	5
		many	grand	groß	alto	Belladonna	7
<b>11.</b>	<b>VG (a)</b>	<b>Lightsprout: length of lateral shoots</b>	<b>Germe: longueur des ramifications latérales</b>	<b>Lichtkeim: Länge der Seitentriebe</b>	<b>Brote: longitud de las ramificaciones laterales</b>		
<b>(+)</b>							
<b>QN</b>		short	courtes	kurz	cortas	Producent	3
		medium	moyennes	mittel	medianas	Estima, Princess	5
		long	longues	lang	largas	Spunta	7
<b>12.</b>	<b>1 VG</b>	<b>Plant: foliage structure</b>	<b>Plante: structure du feuillage</b>	<b>Pflanze: Laubstruktur</b>	<b>Planta: estructura del follaje</b>		
<b>(+)</b>							
<b>QN</b>		stem type	tige	Stieltyp	tipo ramificado	Agria, Estima	1
		intermediate type	intermédiaire	Zwischentyp	tipo intermedio	Premiere	2
		leaf type	feuille	Blatttyp	tipo foliar	Kennebec	3
<b>13.</b>	<b>1 (*) VG</b>	<b>Plant: growth habit</b>	<b>Plante: port</b>	<b>Pflanze: Wuchstyp</b>	<b>Planta: porte</b>		
<b>(+)</b>							
<b>QN</b>		upright	dressé	aufrecht	erecto	Quinta	3
		semi-upright	semi-dressé	halbaufrecht	semierecto	Desiree, Secura	5
		spreading	étalé	breitwüchsig	rastrero	Gloria	7

						Example Varieties	
		English	français	deutsch	español	Exemples	Note/ Nota
<b>14.</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Stem: anthocyanin coloration</b>	<b>Tige: pigmentation anthocyanique</b>	<b>Stengel: Anthocyansfärbung</b>	<b>Tallo: pigmentación antociánica</b>		
(*)	VG						
(+)							
QN		absent or very weak	absente ou très faible	fehlend oder sehr gering	ausente o muy débil	Estima	1
		weak	faible	gering	débil	Atlantic	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Saturna	5
		strong	forte	stark	fuerte	Desiree	7
		very strong	très forte	sehr stark	muy fuerte	Red Duke of York	9
<b>15.</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Leaf: outline size</b>	<b>Feuille: taille de la découpe</b>	<b>Blatt: Umrissgröße</b>	<b>Hoja: contorno</b>		
(+)	VG						
(b)							
QN		small	petite	klein	pequeño	Kingston, Natalie	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	medio	Grata	5
		large	grande	groß	grande	Kennebec	7
<b>16.</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Leaf: openness</b>	<b>Feuille: ouverture</b>	<b>Blatt: Öffnung</b>	<b>Hoja: apertura</b>		
(+)	VG						
(b)							
QN		closed	fermée	geschlossen	cerrada	Likaria	1
		intermediate	intermédiaire	mittel	intermedia	Premiere	3
		open	ouverte	offen	abierta	Grandifolia	5
<b>17.</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Leaf: presence of secondary leaflets</b>	<b>Feuille: présence de folioles secondaires</b>	<b>Blatt: Vorhandensein von sekundären Fiederblättern</b>	<b>Hoja: presencia de folíolos secundarios</b>		
(+)	VG						
(b)							
QN		weak	faible	gering	débil	Solara	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Grata	5
		strong	forte	stark	fuerte	Hercules	7

					Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
		English	français	deutsch	español	
18.	1 VG (+)	Leaf: green color	Feuille: couleur verte	Blatt: Grünfärbung	Hoja: color verde	
QN		light	légère	hell	claro	Angela
		medium	moyenne	mittel	medio	Ulme
		dark	foncée	dunkel	oscuro	Spunta
19.	1 VG (+)	Leaf: anthocyanin coloration on midrib of upper side	Feuille: pigmentation anthocyane sur la nervure médiane de la face supérieure	Blatt: Anthocyanfärbung an der Mittelrippe der Oberseite	Hoja: pigmentación antociánica del nervio central del haz	
QN		absent or very weak	absente ou très faible	fehlend oder sehr gering	ausente o muy débil	Grata
		weak	faible	gering	débil	Russet Burbank
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Camilla
		strong	forte	stark	fuerte	Felicitas
		very strong	très forte	sehr stark	muy fuerte	Bildstar, Roseval
20.	1 VG (+)	Second pair of lateral leaflets: size	Seconde paire de folioles latérales: taille	Zweites Paar Seitenfiederblätter: Größe	Segundo par de folíolos laterales: tamaño	
QN		very small	très petite	sehr klein	muy pequeño	Inca Sun
		small	petite	klein	pequeño	Grata
		medium	moyenne	mittel	medio	Redstar
		large	grande	groß	grande	Bintje
		very large	très grande	sehr groß	muy grande	Kennebec
21.	1 VG (+)	Second pair of lateral leaflets: width in relation to length	Seconde paire de folioles latérales: largeur par rapport à la longueur	Zweites Paar Seitenfiederblätter: Breite im Verhältnis zur Länge	Segundo par de folíolos laterales: anchura en relación con la longitud	
QN		narrow	étroite	schmal	estrecha	Russet Burbank
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Desiree
		broad	large	breit	ancha	Agria

						Example Varieties	
		English	français	deutsch	español	Exemples	Note/ Nota
						Beispielssorten	
22.	1 VG (+)	Terminal and lateral leaflets: frequency of coalescence	Folioles terminales et latérales: fréquence de la coalescence	End- und Seitenfiederblätter: Häufigkeit der Verwachsung	Folíolos terminales y laterales: frecuencia de la coalescencia		
QN		absent or very low	absente ou très faible	fehlend oder sehr gering	ausente o muy baja	Cherie	1
		low	faible	gering	baja	Bildtstar, Premiere	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Agria	5
		high	élevée	stark	elevada	Romano	7
		very high	très élevée	sehr stark	muy elevada	Riviera	9
23.	1 VG (+)	Leaflets: waviness of margin	Folioles: ondulation du bord	Fiederblätter: Randwellung	Folíolos: ondulación del borde		
QN		absent or very weak	absente ou très faible	fehlend oder sehr gering	ausente o muy débil	Umatilla Russet	1
		weak	faible	gering	débil	Grata	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Marabel	5
		strong	forte	stark	fuerte	Aiko	7
		very strong	très forte	sehr stark	muy fuerte	Sava	9
24.	1 VG (+)	Leaflets: depth of veins	Folioles: profondeur des nervures	Fiederblätter: Tiefe der Adern	Folíolos: profundidad de los nervios		
QN		shallow	peu profondes	flach	poco profundos	Pirol	3
		medium	moyennes	mittel	medios	Premiere	5
		deep	profondes	tief	profundos	Bernadette	7
25.	1 VG (+)	Leaflets: glossiness of the upperside	Folioles: brillance de la face supérieure	Fiederblätter: Glanz der Oberseite	Folíolos: brillo del haz		
QN		dull	mâtre	matt	mate	Bildtstar, Salome	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	medio	Grata	5
		glossy	brillante	glänzend	brillante	Christa	7

						Example Varieties	
		English	français	deutsch	español	Exemples	Note/ Nota
						Beispielssorten	
26.	1 VG (c)	<b>Leaflets: pubescence of blade at apical rosette</b>	<b>Folioles: pubescence du limbe à la rosette apicale</b>	<b>Fiederblätter: Behaarung der Blattspreite an der Spitzenrosette</b>	<b>Folíolos: pubescencia del haz en la roseta apical</b>	Zagadka	1
	QL	absent	absente	fehlend	ausente		
		present	présente	vorhanden	presente	Alena	9
27.	1 VG (+)	<b>Flower bud: anthocyanin coloration</b>	<b>Bouton: pigmentation anthocyanique</b>	<b>Blütenknospe: Anthocyanfärbung</b>	<b>Botón floral: pigmentación antociánica</b>		
	QN	absent or very weak	absente ou très faible	fehlend oder sehr gering	ausente o muy débil	Grata	1
		weak	faible	gering	débil	Panda	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Quinta	5
		strong	forte	stark	fuerte	Ponto	7
		very strong	très forte	sehr stark	muy fuerte		9
28.	2 VG	<b>Plant: height</b>	<b>Plante: hauteur</b>	<b>Pflanze: Höhe</b>	<b>Planta: altura</b>		
	QN	very short	très courte	sehr niedrig	muy corta	Mimi	1
		short	courte	niedrig	corta	Atica	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Leyla	5
		tall	haute	hoch	larga	Grata	7
		very tall	très haute	sehr hoch	muy larga	Tomba	9
29.	2 VG (*)	<b>Plant: frequency of flowers</b>	<b>Plante: fréquence des fleurs</b>	<b>Pflanze: Häufigkeit der Blüten</b>	<b>Planta: frecuencia de flores</b>		
	QN	absent or very low	absente ou très faible	fehlend oder sehr gering	ausente o muy baja	Achat, King Edward	1
		low	faible	gering	baja	Walli	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Rita	5
		high	élevée	stark	elevada	Aiko, Agria	7
		very high	très élevée	sehr stark	muy elevada	Sibu	9

					Example Varieties		
		English	français	deutsch	español	Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
30.	2 VG (+)	<b>Inflorescence: size</b>	<b>Inflorescence: taille</b>	<b>Blütenstand: Größe</b>	<b>Inflorescencia: tamaño</b>		
QN	small	petite		klein	pequeña	Accent	3
	medium	moyenne		mittel	media	Grata	5
	large	grande		groß	grande	Karakter	7
31.	2 VG (+) (d)	<b>Inflorescence: anthocyanin coloration on peduncle</b>	<b>Inflorescence: pigmentation anthocyane sur le pédoncule</b>	<b>Blütenstand: Anthocyanfärbung am Stiel</b>	<b>Inflorescencia: pigmentación antociánica del pedúnculo</b>		
QN	absent or very weak	absente ou très faible		fehlend oder sehr gering	ausente o muy débil	Grata	1
	weak	faible		gering	débil	Aiko	3
	medium	moyenne		mittel	media	Saturna	5
	strong	forte		stark	fuerte	Desiree	7
	very strong	très forte		sehr stark	muy fuerte	Alhamra	9
32.	2 VG (+)	<b>Flower corolla: size</b>	<b>Corolle de la fleur: taille</b>	<b>Blütenkrone: Größe</b>	<b>Corola de la flor: tamaño</b>		
QN	very small	très petite		sehr klein	muy pequeña	Rhona	1
	small	petite		klein	pequeña	Sommergold	3
	medium	moyenne		mittel	media	Grata	5
	large	grande		groß	grande	Karida	7
	very large	très grande		sehr groß	muy grande	Rioja, Roseval	9

					Example Varieties	
					Exemples	Note/ Nota
					Beispielssorten	
	English	français	deutsch	español		
33.	2	<b>Flower corolla: intensity of anthocyanin coloration on inner side</b>	<b>Corolle de la fleur: intensité de la pigmentation anthocyane sur la face intérieure</b>	<b>Blütenkrone: Intensität der Anthocyanfärbung an der Innenseite</b>	<b>Corola de la flor: intensidad de la pigmentación antociánica de la cara interna</b>	
QN	absent or very weak  weak  medium  strong  very strong	absente ou très faible	fehlend oder sehr gering	ausente o muy débil	Grata	1
		faible	gering	débil	Secura	3
		moyenne	mittel	media	Ponto	5
		forte	stark	fuerte	Artana, Pomeroy	7
		très forte	sehr stark	muy fuerte		9
34.	2	<b>Flower corolla: proportion of blue in anthocyanin coloration on inner side</b>	<b>Corolle de la fleur: proportion de bleu dans la pigmentation anthocyane sur la face intérieure</b>	<b>Blütenkrone: Anteil der Blaufärbung der Anthocyanfärbung an der Innenseite</b>	<b>Corola de la flor: proporción de azul en la pigmentación antociánica de la cara interna</b>	
QN	absent or low  medium  high	absente ou faible	fehlend oder gering	ausente o baja	Granola	1
		moyenne	mittel	media	Pamina	2
		forte	hoch	elevada	Rocket	3
35.	2	<b>Flower corolla: extent of anthocyanin coloration on inner side</b>	<b>Corolle de la fleur: étendue de la pigmentation anthocyane sur la face intérieure</b>	<b>Blütenkrone: Ausdehnung der Anthocyanfärbung an der Innenseite</b>	<b>Corola de la flor: extensión de la pigmentación antociánica de la cara interna</b>	
QN	absent or very small  small  medium  large  very large	absente ou très petite	fehlend oder sehr gering	ausente o muy pequeña	Vitelotte Noir	1
		petite	gering	pequeña	Bildtstar, Rosella	3
		moyenne	mittel	media	Concurrent	5
		grande	groß	grande	Panda	7
		très grande	sehr groß	muy grande	Ponto	9

					Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
		English	français	deutsch	español	
<b>36.</b> (*) (+)	<b>3</b> <b>MG</b>	<b>Plant: time of maturity</b>	<b>Plante: époque de maturité</b>	<b>Pflanze: Zeitpunkt der Reife</b>	<b>Planta: época de madurez</b>	
QN		very early	très précoce	sehr früh	muy temprana	Christa
		early	précoce	früh	temprana	Cilena
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Nicola
		late	tardive	spät	tardía	Aula
		very late	très tardive	sehr spät	muy tardía	Producent
<b>37.</b> (*) (+)	<b>4</b> <b>VG</b>	<b>Tuber: shape</b>	<b>Tubercule: forme</b>	<b>Knolle: Form</b>	<b>Tubérculo: forma</b>	
QN		round	arrondie	rund	redondo	Grata
		short oval	oblongue courte	kurz oval	ovalado corto	Aula
		oval	oblongue	oval	ovalado	Diamant
		long-oval	oblongue allongée	lang oval	ovalado largo	Linda
		long	allongée	lang	alargado	Spunta
		very long	très allongée	sehr lang	muy alargado	Pompadour
<b>38.</b> (*) (+)	<b>4</b> <b>VG</b>	<b>Tuber: depth of eyes</b>	<b>Tubercule: profondeur des yeux</b>	<b>Knolle: Augentiefe</b>	<b>Tubérculo: profundidad de los ojos</b>	
QN		very shallow	très peu profonds	sehr flach	muy poco profundos	Duke of York, Nadine
		shallow	peu profonds	flach	poco profundos	Agria
		medium	moyens	mittel	medios	Erntestolz
		deep	profonds	tief	profundos	Elles
		very deep	très profonds	sehr tief	muy profundos	Vitelotte Noir

					Example Varieties		
		English	français	deutsch	español	Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
<b>39.</b> (*)	<b>4</b>	<b>Tuber: color of skin</b>	<b>Tubercule: couleur de la peau</b>	<b>Knolle: Farbe der Schale</b>	<b>Tubérculo: color de la piel</b>		
PQ		light beige	beige clair	hellbeige	beige claro	Nadine	1
		yellow	jaune	gelb	amarillo	Agria, Quarta	2
		red	rouge	rot	rojo	Desiree	3
		red parti-colored	rouge panaché	rot gescheckt	parcialmente rojo	Cara	4
		blue	bleu	blau	azul	Vitelotte Noir	5
		blue parti-colored	bleu panaché	blau gescheckt	parcialmente azul	Kestrel	6
		reddish brown	brun rougeâtre	rötlich braun	marrón rojizo	Umatilla Russet	7
<b>40.</b> (*)	<b>4</b>	<b>Tuber: color of base of eye</b>	<b>Tubercule: couleur de la base de l'œil</b>	<b>Knolle: Farbe des Augengrundes</b>	<b>Tubérculo: color de la base del ojo</b>		
PQ		white	blanc	weiß	blanco	Nadine	1
		yellow	jaune	gelb	amarillo	Agria	2
		red	rouge	rot	rojo	Quarta	3
		blue	bleu	blau	azul	Vitelotte Noir	4
<b>41.</b> (*)	<b>4</b>	<b>Tuber: color of flesh</b>	<b>Tubercule: couleur de la chair</b>	<b>Knolle: Farbe des Fleisches</b>	<b>Tubérculo: color de la pulpa</b>		
PQ		white	blanc	weiß	blanco	Russet Burbank	1
		cream	crème	cremefarben	crema	Desiree, Estima	2
		light yellow	jaune clair	hellgelb	amarillo claro	Diamant	3
		medium yellow	jaune moyen	mittelgelb	amarillo medio	Bildstar, Quarta	4
		dark yellow	jaune foncé	dunkelgelb	amarillo oscuro	Princess	5
		red	rouge	rot	rojo	Red Salad	6
		red parti-colored	rouge panaché	rot gescheckt	parcialmente rojo	Early Rose	7
		blue	bleu	blau	azul	Vitelotte Noir	8
		blue parti-colored	bleu panaché	blau gescheckt	parcialmente azul	Herd Laddie	9

					Example Varieties	
		English	français	deutsch	español	Note/ Nota
42.	4 (+)	<b>VG</b> <u>Light beige and yellow skinned varieties only:</u> Tuber: anthocyanin coloration of skin in reaction to light	<b>Variétés à peau beige clair et jaune seulement:</b> Tubercule: pigmentation anthocyane de la peau en réaction à la lumière	<b>Nur Sorten mit hellbeiger und gelber Schale:</b> Knolle: Anthocyanfärbung der Schale als Reaktion auf Licht	<b>Variedades de piel beige claro y amarillo únicamente:</b> Tubérculo: pigmentación antociánica de la piel como reacción a la luz	Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo
QN		absent or very weak	absente ou très faible	fehlend oder sehr gering	ausente o muy débil	Estima
		weak	faible	gering	débil	Diamant
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Charlotte
		strong	forte	stark	fuerte	Granola
		very strong	très forte	sehr stark	muy fuerte	9

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:

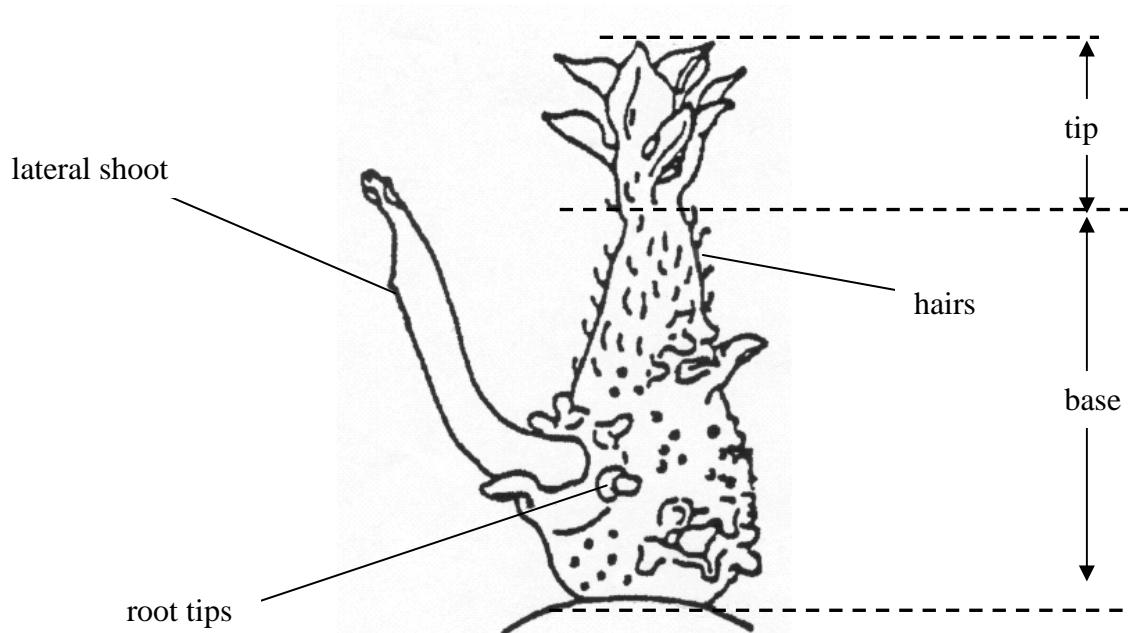
- (a) Lightsprout: All observations on the lightsprout should be made on a total of 6 tubers as a minimum according to the following method:

The spectrum and the intensity of the light source are the most determining factors for the expression of characteristics of lightsprouts. This spectrum is unambiguously defined by the type of lamps and the voltage used. When extremes are avoided the influence of the temperature on the speed of development is small. A good expression of characteristics is obtained with lightsprouts growing in a cabinet at room temperature under exclusion of daylight and under continuous light of small incandescent bulbs (6V AC/0.05 A) giving an intensity of 5 to 10 lux (approximately 8 bulbs per square meter, 25-40 cm above the tubers).

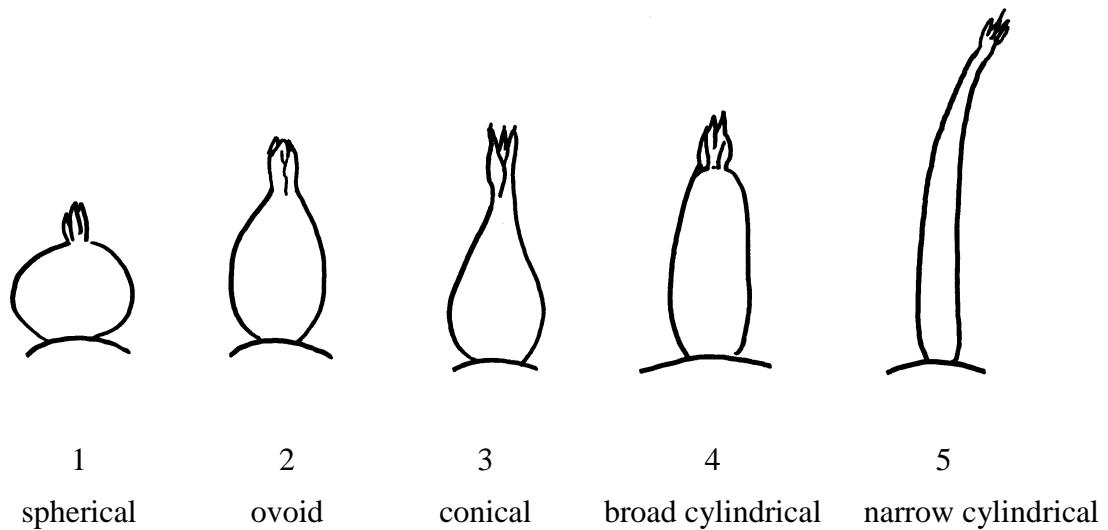
- (b) Leaf: All observations should be made on fully developed leaves from the center of the plant. One leaf from each of 20 plants should be picked from a main stem midway between the top and the bottom of the plant.
- (c) Leaf: All observations on the leaf should be made on fully developed leaves from the center of the plant.
- (d) Flower: All observations of flower color should be made on the inner side of freshly opened flowers.

## 8.2 Explanations for individual characteristics

### Ads. 1 to 11: Lightsprout



### Ad. 2: Lightsprout: shape



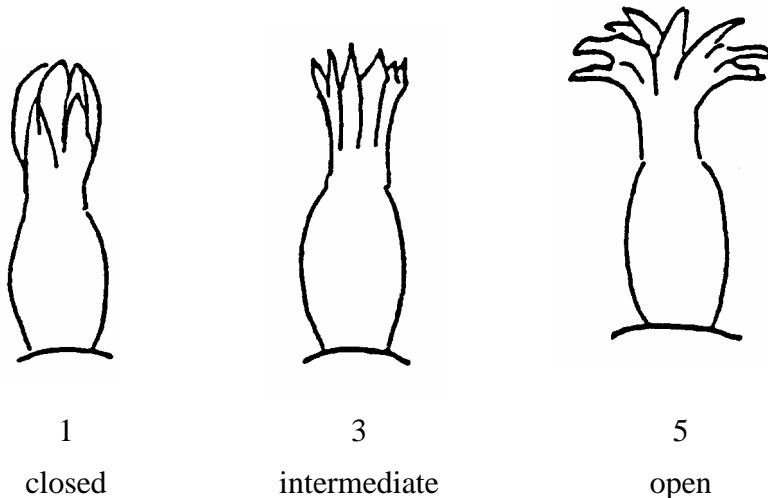
### Ad. 3: Lightsprout: intensity of anthocyanin coloration of base

If the intensity of the anthocyanin coloration is “absent”, the lightsprout appears green.

Ad. 4: Lightsprout: proportion of blue in anthocyanin coloration of base,  
and 34: Flower corolla: proportion of blue in anthocyanin coloration on inner side

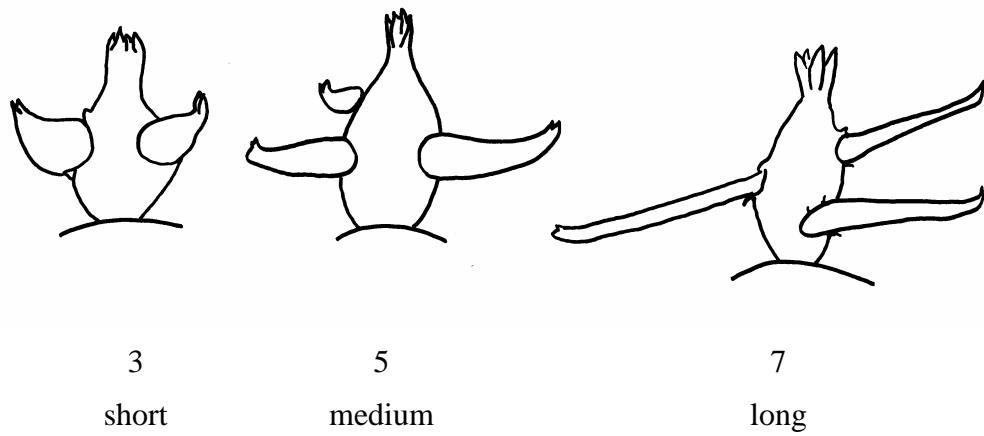
The color of anthocyanin results from a red and a blue component. If the proportion of blue is low the anthocyanin appears red-violet. If the proportion of blue is high the anthocyanin appears blue-violet.

Ad. 7: Lightsprout: habit of tip



The characteristic should be observed after about 10 weeks to obtain a good differentiation in the collection.

Ad. 11: Lightsprout: length of lateral shoots

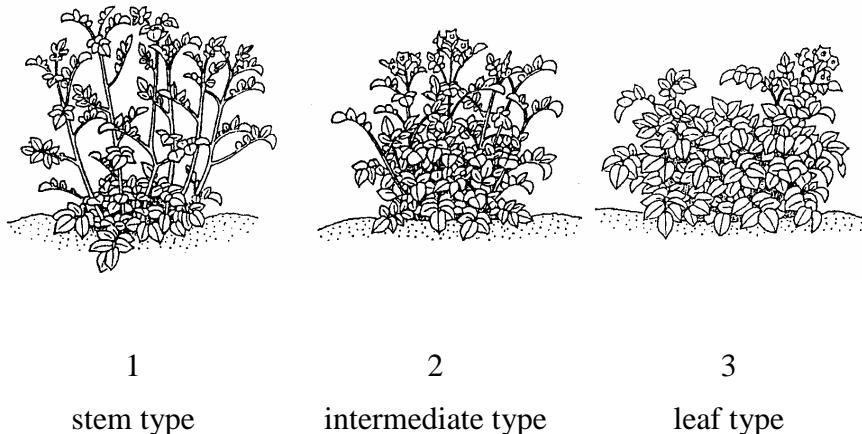


Ad. 12: Plant: foliage structure

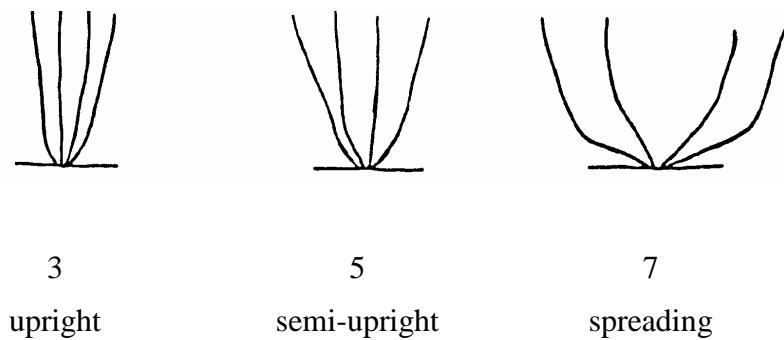
Stem type: foliage open, stems clearly visible

Intermediate type: foliage half open, stems partly visible

Leaf type: foliage closed, stems not, or hardly, visible



Ad. 13: Plant: growth habit

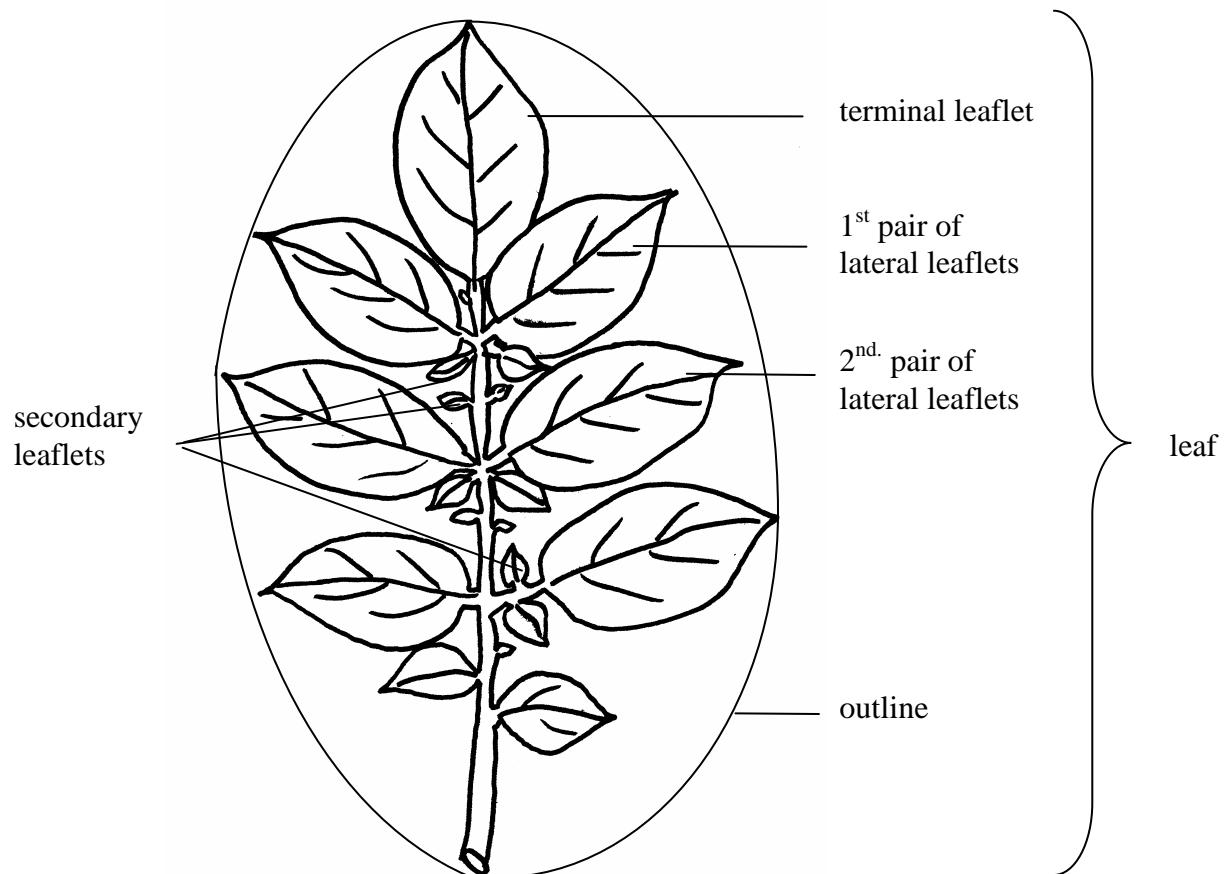


Ads. 14, 19, 27, 31, 35: Anthocyanin coloration

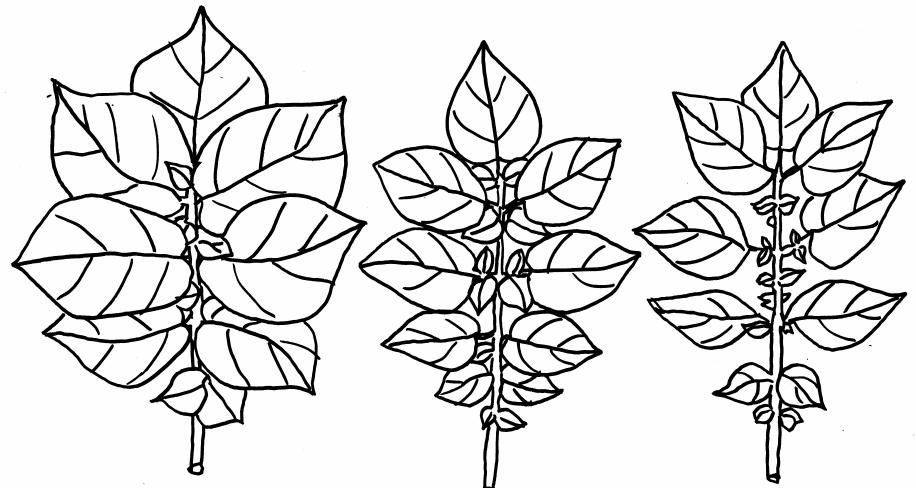
The extent of anthocyanin coloration should be observed in relation to the total area. Distribution and intensity should not be considered.

The extent of anthocyanin coloration of flower buds should be observed on fully developed buds before the corolla is visible.

Ads. 15 to 25: Leaf characteristics

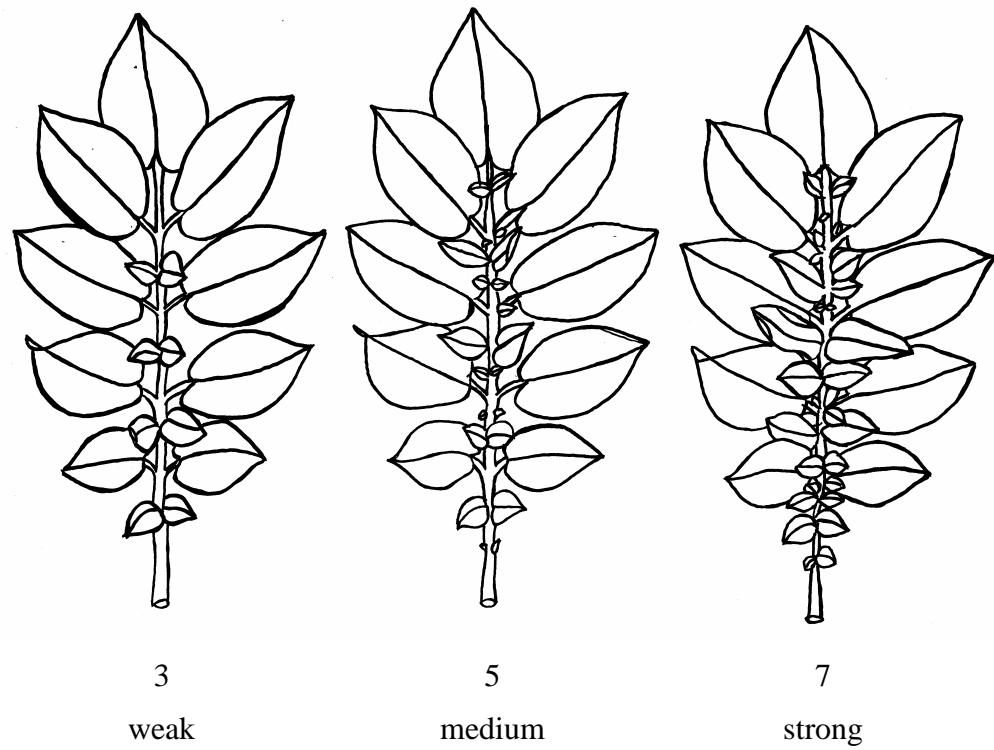


Ad. 16: Leaf: openness

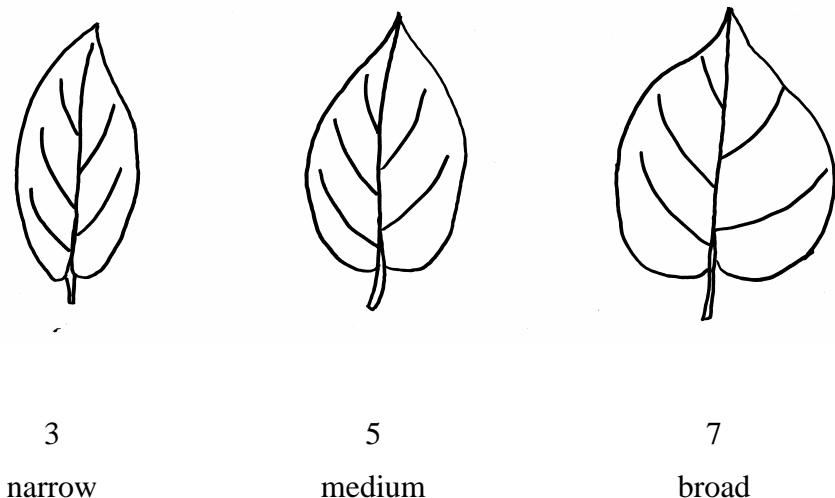


1                    3                    5  
closed              intermediate      open

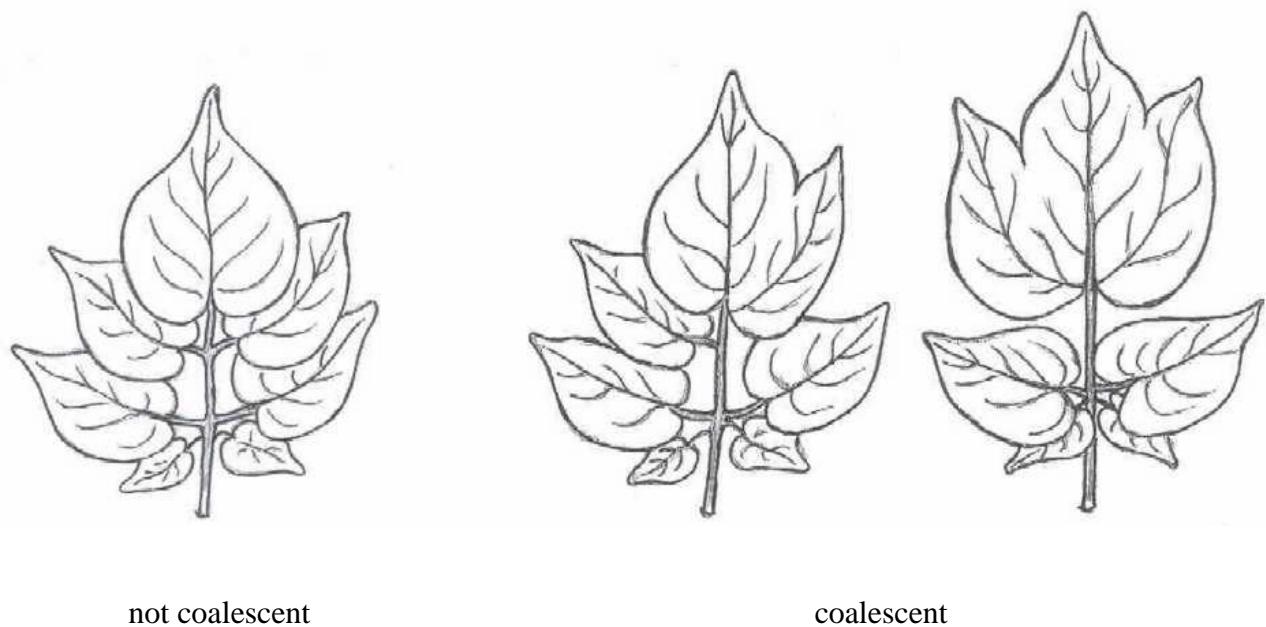
Ad. 17: Leaf: presence of secondary leaflets



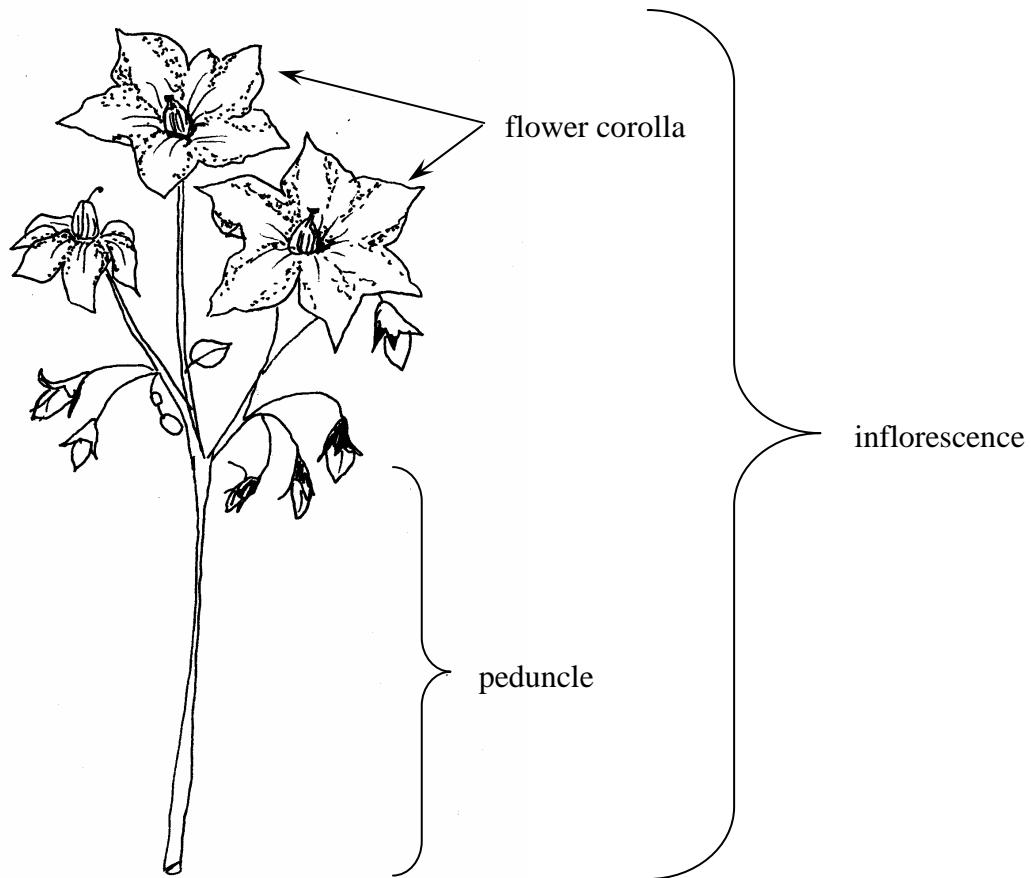
Ad. 21: Second pair of lateral leaflets: width in relation to length



Ad. 22: Terminal and lateral leaflets: frequency of coalescence



Ads. 30–35: Inflorescence and flower characteristics



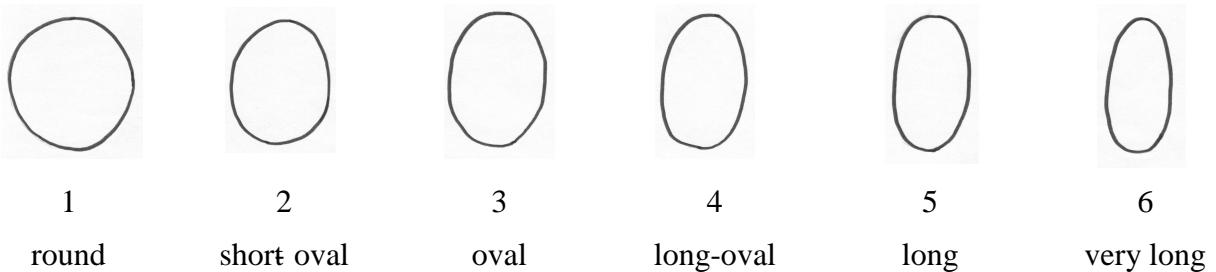
Ad. 33: Flower corolla: intensity of anthocyanin coloration on inner side

If the intensity of the anthocyanin coloration on the inner side is “absent”, the flower corolla appears white.

Ad. 36: Plant: time of maturity

The time of maturity is reached when 80% of the leaves are dead.

Ad. 37: Tuber: shape



The predominant shape should be observed on the harvested material from each plot.

Ad. 42: Light beige and yellow skinned varieties only: Tuber: anthocyanin coloration of skin in reaction to light

The anthocyanin development in the skin of light beige and yellow skinned varieties should be assessed after 10 days of exposure to full daylight or after 150 hours of exposure to artificial light.

*8.3 Optimal Stage of Assessment of Characteristics*

- 1 = bud stage
- 2 = flowering stage
- 3 = ripening stage of tubers
- 4 = after harvest

9. Literature

Houwing, A., R. Suk and B. Ros, 1986: Generation of lightsprouts suitable for potato variety identification by means of artificial light. Acta Hort 182: 359-363

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;"><b>TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE</b> to be completed in connection with an application for plant breeders' rights</p>		
1. Subject of the Technical Questionnaire		
1.1 Latin Name	<i>Solanum tuberosum L.</i>	
1.2 Common Name	Potato	
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:
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4. Information on the breeding scheme and propagation of the variety

4.1 Breeding scheme

Variety resulting from:

4.1.1 Crossing

- (a) controlled cross [ ]  
(please state parent varieties)
- (b) partially known cross [ ]  
(please state known parent variety(ies))
- (c) unknown cross [ ]

4.1.2 Mutation [ ]  
(please state parent variety)

4.1.3 Discovery [ ]  
(please state where, when and how developed)

4.1.4 Other [ ]  
(please provide details)

5. Characteristics of the variety to be indicated (the number in brackets refers to the corresponding characteristic in Test Guidelines; please mark the note which best corresponds).

Characteristics	Example Varieties	Note
<b>5.1 Lightsprout: proportion of blue in anthocyanin coloration of base</b> (4)		
absent or low	Desiree	1[ ]
medium	Pamina	2[ ]
high	Agria	3[ ]

TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE		Page {x} of {y}	Reference Number:
	Characteristics	Example Varieties	Note
<b>5.2</b> <b>(29)</b>	<b>Plant: frequency of flowers</b>		
	absent or very low	Achat, King Edward	1[ ]
	low	Walli	3[ ]
	medium	Rita	5[ ]
	high	Agria, Aiko	7[ ]
	very high	Sibu	9[ ]
<b>5.3</b> <b>(33)</b>	<b>Flower corolla: intensity of anthocyanin coloration on inner side</b>		
	absent or very weak	Grata	1[ ]
	weak	Secura	3[ ]
	medium	Ponto	5[ ]
	strong	Artana, Pomeroy	7[ ]
	very strong		9[ ]
<b>5.4</b> <b>(34)</b>	<b>Flower corolla: proportion of blue in anthocyanin coloration on inner side</b>		
	absent or low	Granola	1[ ]
	medium	Pamina	2[ ]
	high	Rocket	3[ ]
<b>5.5</b> <b>(36)</b>	<b>Plant: time of maturity</b>		
	very early	Christa	1[ ]
	early	Cilena	3[ ]
	medium	Nicola	5[ ]
	late	Aula	7[ ]
	very late	Producent	9[ ]

TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE		Page {x} of {y}	Reference Number:
Characteristics		Example Varieties	Note
<b>5.6</b>	<b>Tuber: shape</b>		
(37)			
round		Grata	1[ ]
short-oval		Aula	2[ ]
oval		Diamant	3[ ]
long-oval		Linda	4[ ]
long		Spunta	5[ ]
very long		Pompadour	6[ ]
<b>5.7</b>	<b>Tuber: color of skin</b>		
(39)			
light beige		Nadine	1[ ]
yellow		Agria, Quarta	2[ ]
red		Desiree	3[ ]
red parti-colored		Cara	4[ ]
blue		Vitelotte Noir	5[ ]
blue parti-colored		Kestrel	6[ ]
reddish brown		Umatilla Russet	7[ ]
<b>5.8</b>	<b>Tuber: color of base of eye</b>		
(40)			
white		Nadine	1[ ]
yellow		Agria	2[ ]
red		Quarta	3[ ]
blue		Vitelotte Noir	4[ ]

TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE	Page {x} of {y}	Reference Number:																
Characteristics	Example Varieties	Note																
<b>5.9 Tuber: color of flesh (41)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>white</li> <li>cream</li> <li>light yellow</li> <li>medium yellow</li> <li>dark yellow</li> <li>red</li> <li>red parti-colored</li> <li>blue</li> <li>blue parti-colored</li> </ul>	Russet Burbank Desiree, Estima Diamant Bildstar, Quarta Princess Red Salad Early Rose Vitelotte Noir Herd Laddie	1[ ] 2[ ] 3[ ] 4[ ] 5[ ] 6[ ] 7[ ] 8[ ] 9[ ]																
<p><b>6. Similar varieties and differences from these varieties</b></p> <p><i>Please use the table, and space provided for comments, below 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" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 25%; padding: 5px;">Denomination(s) of variety(ies) similar to your candidate variety</td> <td style="width: 25%; padding: 5px;">Characteristic(s) in which your candidate variety differs from the similar variety(ies)</td> <td style="width: 25%; padding: 5px;">Describe the expression of the characteristic(s) for the <b>similar</b> variety(ies)</td> <td style="width: 25%; padding: 5px;">Describe the expression of the characteristic(s) for <b>your</b> candidate variety</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> </table> <p>Comments:</p>			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 <b>similar</b> variety(ies)	Describe the expression of the characteristic(s) for <b>your</b> candidate variety												
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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 Special conditions for the examination of the variety</p> <p>7.2.1 Are there any special conditions for growing the variety or conducting the examination?</p> <p>Yes [ ] No [ ]</p> <p>7.2.2 If yes, please give details:</p> <p>7.3 Other information</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>		

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<p>9. Information on plant material to be examined.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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:</p> <p>(a) Microorganisms (e.g. virus, bacteria, phytoplasma) Yes [ ] No [ ] (b) Chemical treatment (e.g. growth retardant or pesticide) Yes [ ] No [ ] (c) Tissue culture Yes [ ] No [ ] (d) Other factors Yes [ ] No [ ]</p> <p>Please provide details of where you have indicated "yes".</p> <p>.....</p>		
<p>10. I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this form is correct:</p> <p>Applicant's name <input type="text"/></p> <p>Signature <input type="text"/> Date <input type="text"/></p>		

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