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**REGIONAL SETS OF EXAMPLE VARIETIES FOR THE
TEST GUIDELINES FOR RICE (TG/16/8)**

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1. During its thirty-second session, held in Tsukuba, Japan, from September 8 to 12, 2003, the Technical Working Party for Agricultural Crops (TWA) agreed that the Test Guidelines for Rice should be submitted to the Technical Committee for adoption on the basis of a minimal set of example varieties which had been verified by the leading expert and on the basis that regional sets of example varieties would be incorporated as these became available.
2. Following the TWA decision, experts from Japan, the People's Republic of China and the Republic of Korea agreed to develop a regional set of example varieties for East Asia. This document is an interim report for the activity to create the above-mentioned set.
3. Japan and the Republic of Korea exchanged candidate varieties of rice, and started a selection program for the set of example varieties for East Asian countries, for UPOV Rice Test Guidelines. The list of candidate example varieties and the testing places are contained in Table 1.

Table 1 List of candidate example varieties and testing places

	JAPAN	REPUBLIC OF KOREA
Candidate example varieties	1. Asamurasaki, 2. Yumetoiro, 3. Koshihikari, 4. Manyomochi, 5. Sariqueen, 6. Hoshiyutaka, 7. Kusahonami, 8. Tsukushiakamochi, 9. Beniroman, 10. Nipponbare	1. Hwaseong, 2. Dasan, 3. Heugnam, 4. Odae, 5. Daerip1, 6. Ilpum, 7. Heugjinju, 8. Hwaseonchal, 9. Hyangnam, 10. Jinboul
Testing place	National Institute of Crop Science (Tsukuba)	DUS testing division, National Seed Management Office (Suwon)

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