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THE USE OF MOLECULAR TECHNIQUES FOR ENFORCEMENT*Document prepared by an expert from Peru**Disclaimer: this document does not represent UPOV policies or guidance*

The annex to this document contains a copy of a presentation “Use of DNA techniques for PBR enforcement in Peru”, to be made by an expert from Peru, at the third session of the TWM.

[Annex follows]



Use of DNA techniques
for PBR enforcement in
Peru

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Peruvian institutions in charge of PBR enforcement



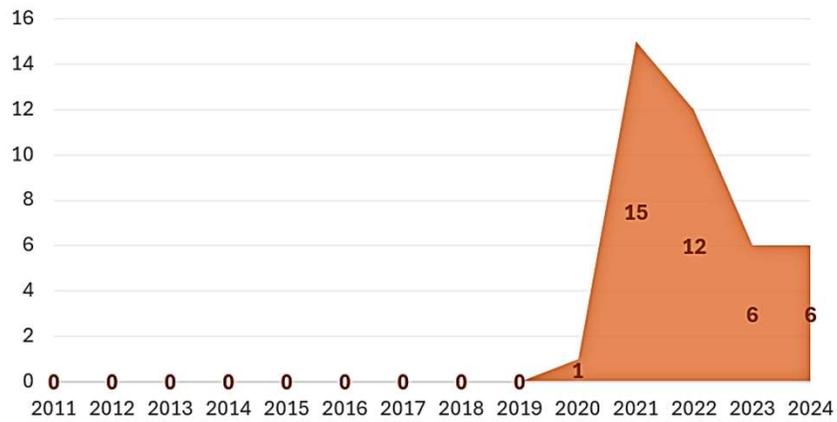
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Inspections based on PBR performed between 2011-2024



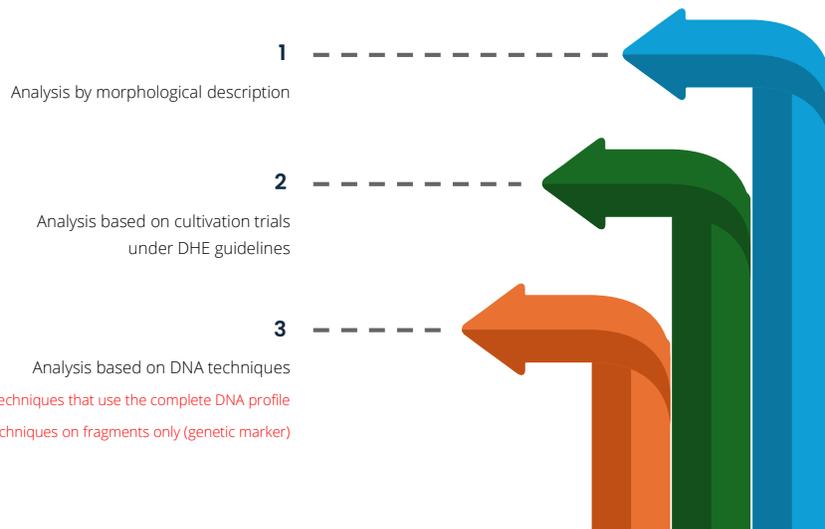
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Issuance of Peruvian guidelines for PBR enforcement in 2022



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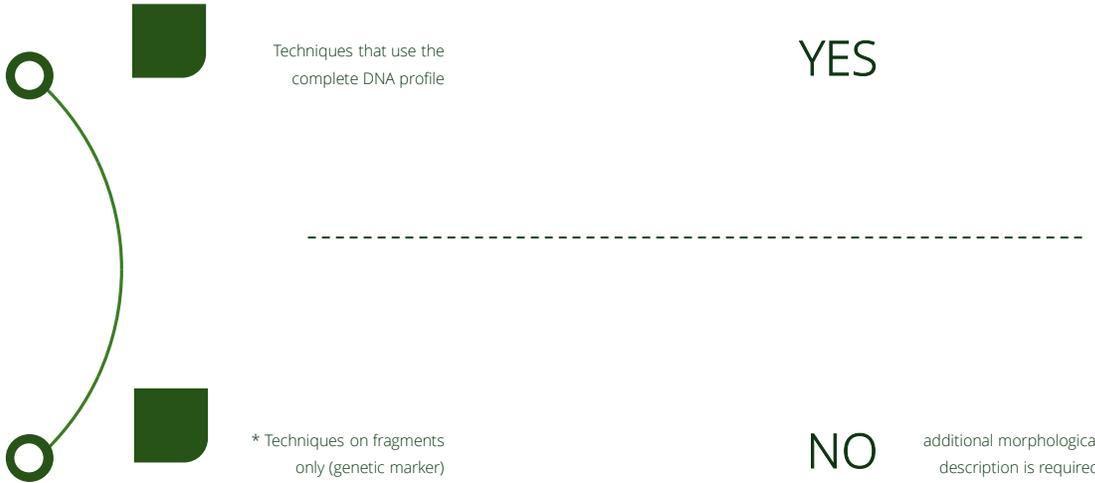
How can an infringement be detected?



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Sufficiency of DNA tests to prove an infringement

Constitute by themselves proof that the suspected material is infringing?



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2024: first decision in a PBR infringement case based on genetic marker testing



Protected variety:

Mandarin Citrus reticulata Blanco registered under the name TANGO



The protected variety was identified by means of a quantitative PCR and detects a variety-specific rearrangement, consisting of a translocation of a segment of chromosome 2 (TT marker).

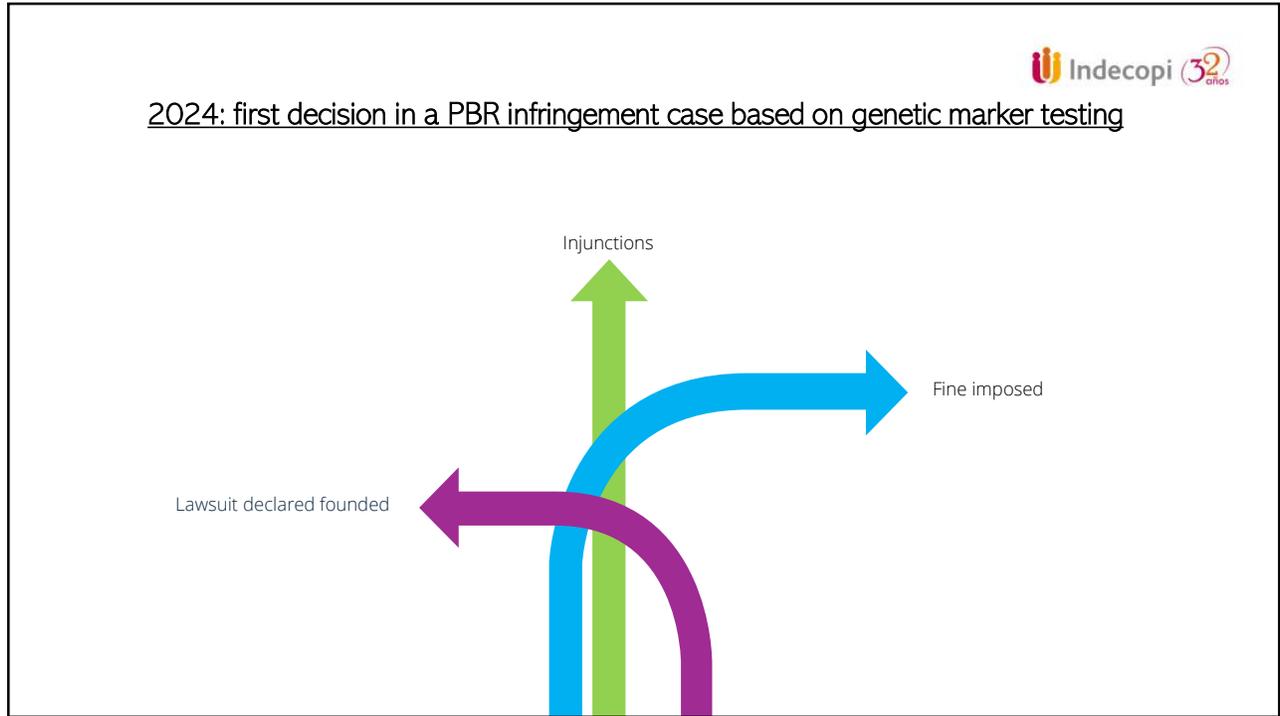
8 out of the 9 samples were positive for the TT marker.



The level of expression of the characters of the sample that was analyzed coincided with that of the protected characters.

**16 qualitative and pseudo qualitative characters
1 quantitative character (number of seeds)**

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1. Logo for 'Indecopi 32 años' in the top right corner.
2. Section title: Effects of PBR enforcement
3. Text: Approach to small farmers as a consequence of inspections
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5. Text: license agreements
6. A photograph of four orange slices arranged in a row on a wooden cutting board.

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Challenges

- * Training on DNA analysis
- * Need to share best practices with other national agencies
- * A worldwide network for the enforcement would be helpful

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