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GUIDELINES

FOR THE CONDUCT OF TESTS

FOR DISTINCTNESS, UNIFORMITY AND STABILITY

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<i>Nerium oleander L.</i> ,	Oleander, Rose Bay,	Laurier rose, Oleandre	Oleander	Adelfa, Balandre,
<i>Nerium indicum</i> Mill.	Rose-Laurel			Laurel Rosa, Pascua

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 vegetatively propagated varieties of *Nerium oleander* L. of the family *Apocynaceae*.

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 two-year-old plants.

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

6 plants

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, including in particular treatment with dwarfing compound, 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 Because daylight varies, color determinations made against a color chart should be made either in a suitable cabinet providing artificial daylight or in the middle of the day in a room without direct sunlight. The spectral distribution of the illuminant for artificial daylight should conform with the CIE Standard of Preferred Daylight D 6500 and should fall within the tolerances set out in the British Standard 950, Part I. These determinations should be made with the plant part placed against a white background.

3.4 *Test Design*

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

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, 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:



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

(a) 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 caracteresticas

	English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplar	Note/ Nota
1.	Plant: Growth type	Plante: Type de croissance				
QL	dwarf	nain			Petite Red, Petite Pienk	1
	normal	normal			Alassio, Altini	2
2.	Plant: growth habit	Plante: port				
QL	upright	érigé			Belle Hélène	1
	semi- upright	demi dressé			Fiesta Pink	2
	sparse	lâche			Altini	3
3.	Plant: height	Plante: hauteur				
QL	short	courte			Nana Rosso	3
	Medium	moyenne			Papa Gambetta	5
	tall	haute			Belle Hélène	7
4.	Shoot: color of upper part (year's shoot)	Rameau: couleur de la partie supérieure (rameau de l'année)				
QL	light green	vert clair			Belle Hélène	1
	medium green	vert moyen			Altini	2
	dark green	vert foncé			Papa Gambetta	3
	reddish brown	brun rougeâtre			Virginie	4
	brown	brun			Fiesta Rodi	5
5.	Shoot: rigidity	Rameau: rigidité				
QL	weak	faible			Mrs Roeding	3
	medium	moyenne			Splendens Giganteum	5
	strong	forte			Belle Hélène	7

				Example Varieties	
	English	français	deutsch	español	Note/ Nota
6.	Leaf: main colour	Feuille: couleur principale			
QL	light green	vert clair		Petite white	1
	medium green	vert moyen		Alassio	2
	dark green	vert foncé		Papa Gambetta	3
	bluish-green	vert bleuté		JR 95-1	4
7.	Leaf: secondary colour (not chlorophylliar)	Feuille: couleur secondaire (non chlorophyllienne)			
QL	absent	absente		Marie Gambetta	1
	present	présente		Splendens Foleis Variegata	9
8. (*)	Leaf: length of blade	Feuille: longueur du limbe			
QL	short	courte		Petite Pink	3
	medium	moyenne		Hardy Red	5
	long	longue		Alassio	7
9. (*)	Leaf: width of leaf blade	Feuille: largeur du limbe			
QL	narrow	étroite		Papa Gambetta	3
	medium	moyenne		Emile Sahut	5
	broad	large		Emilie	7
10. (+)	Leaf: cross section	Feuille: section transversale			
QL	flat	plate		Nana Rosso, Pink Beauty	1
	concave	concave		Petite Red	2
11. (+)	Leaf blade: rolling	Limbe: enroulement			
QL	absent	absent		Nana Rosso	1
	present	présent		Pink Beauty	9

				Example Varieties	
	English	français	deutsch	español	Note/ Nota
12.	Leaf: brillance (in shade observation)	Feuille: brillance (observation à l'ombre)			
QL	absent	absente		Petite Red	1
	present	présente		Papa Gambetta	9
13.	Leaf: pubescence	Feuille: pubescence			
QL	absente	absente		Petite Red, Papa Gambetta	1
	present	présente		JR 95-1	9
14. (*) (+)	Inflorescence: shape of upper part	Inflorescence: forme de la partie supérieure			
QL (a)	flat	plat		Petite White	1
	rounded	arrondie		Petite Red	2
	elliptical	elliptique		Petite Pink	3
15.	Inflorescence: position in relation to foliage	Inflorescence: position par rapport au feuillage			
QL (a)	outer	à l'extérieur		East End Pink	1
	same level	au même niveau		Petite Red	2
	inner	à l'intérieur		Alassio	3
16.	Floriferousness:	Floribondité:			
QL (a)	weak	faible		Neridem	3
	medium	moyenne		Soleil Levant	5
	strong	forte		Altini	7

				Example Varieties	
	English	français	deutsch	español	Note/ Nota
17.	Flower bud: shape (*) (+)	Bouton floral: forme (24h before opening) (24 heures avant l'ouverture)			
QL	ellipsoidal	ellipsoïde		Mont Rose	1
	ovoid	ovoïde		Hawaï	2
	rhomboid	rhomboïde		JR	3
	globular	globuleux		Splendens Giganteum	4
18.	Flower bud: main colour (24h before opening)	Bouton floral: couleur principale (24 heures avant l'ouverture)			
QL	white or nearly white	blanc ou presque blanc		Petite white	1
	yellow	jaune		Sœur Agnès	2
	light pink	rose clair		Alsace	3
	medium pink	rose moyen		Nana Rosso	4
	dark pink	rose foncé		Louis Pouget	5
	magenta	magenta		Hardy Pink	6
	red	rouge		Italia	7
	light violet	violet clair		Barcelona	8
19,	Flower bud: swelling before opening	Bouton floral: gonflement avant l'ouverture			
QL	absent	absent		Alsace	1
	present	présent		Angiolo Pucci	9

				Example Varieties	
	English	français	deutsch	español	Note/ Nota
20.	Flower: colour group	Fleur: groupe de couleur			
QL	(a) white or nearly white	blanc ou presque blanc		Petite white, Alsace, Mont-Blanc	1
	yellow	jaune		Isle of Capri, Luteum Plenum	2
	salmon	saumon		Angiolo Pucci	3
	pink salmon	rose-saumon		Tito Poggi, Hawaï, Mrs Roeding	4
	light pink	rose-clair		Magaly, East End Pink	5
	medium pink and dark-pink	rose-moyen et rose-foncé		Alassio, Emilie, Roseum plenum	6
	light violet	violet clair		Barcelona	7
	magenta	magenta		JR, Commandant Barthélémy	8
	red	rouge		Altini, Petite Red, Tamouré	9
21.	Flower: type (*)	Fleur: type			
QL	(a) single	simple		Emilie	1
	double	double		Professeur Granel	2
	treble	triple		Mrs Roeding	3
22.	Flower: diameter total (*)	Fleur: diamètre total			
QL	(a) small	petit		Petite Red	3
	medium	moyen		Mrs Roeding	5
	large	grand		Roseum Plenum	7

				Example Varieties	
	English	français	deutsch	español	Note/ Nota
23. ^(*) ⁽⁺⁾	Flower: shape (view from above)	Fleur: forme (vue de dessus)			
QL (a)	round	ronde		Mrs Roeding	1
	pinwheel-shaped	turbinée		Emilie	2
	irregular	irrégulière		Splendens Foleis Variegata	3
	star-shaped	étoilée		Isle of Capri	4
24. ^(*) ⁽⁺⁾	Flower: profile of upper part of corolla (fully opened flower)	Fleur: profil de la partie supérieure de la corolle (fleur complètement ouverte)			
QL (a)	flat	droit		Hawaï	1
	wide-mouthed	évasé		Isle of Capri	2
	funnel-shape	en entonnoir		Petite Pink	3
25.	Flower: fragrance	Fleur: parfum			
QL (a)	absent or very weak	nul ou très faible		Jordan Valley	1
	weak	faible		Arizona	3
	medium	moyen		Alassio	5
	strong	fort		Louis Pouget	7
26.	Petal: size	Pétale: taille			
QL (a)	small	petite		Petite white	3
	medium	moyenne		Mont Blanc	5
	large	grande		Claudia	7

				Example Varieties	
	English	français	deutsch	español	Note/ Nota
27. (*) (+)	Petal: predominant shape	Pétale: forme prédominante			
PQ	(a) type 1	type 1		Belle Hélène	1
	type 2	type 2		Italia	2
	type 3	type 3		Neguev	3
	type 4	type 4		Red Beauty	4
	type 5	type 5		Splendens Foleis Variegata	5
	type 6	type 6		Luteum Plenum	6
28. (*) (+)	Petal: margin of blade	Pétale: bord du limbe			
PQ	(a) entire	entier		Hardy Red	1
	échancré	notched			2
	sinuate	sinué		Commandant Barthélémy	3
	lobed	lobé		Madame Allen	4
29. (*)	Petal: colour of inner side	Pétale: couleur de la face interne			
PQ	(a) RHS Color Chart (indicate référence number)	code RHS des couleurs (indiquer le numéro de référence)			
30. (*)	Petal: streaks				
PQ	(a) absent	absentes		Ville de la Londe	1
	present	présentes		Commandant Barthélémy	9

				Example Varieties	
	English	français	deutsch	español	Note/ Nota
31. (+)	Petal: streaks repartition	Pétale: répartition des stries			
PQ	(a) isolated	isolées		Emilie	1
	regularly distributed	distribuées régulièrement		Harriet Newding	2
	random	aléatoires		Commandant Barthélémy	3
	variegations	panachures		JR 95-1	4
32.	Petal: margin zone on the left of upper side	Pétale: liseré sur le côté gauche de la face supérieure			
PQ	(a) absent	absent		Professeur Granel	1
	present	présent		Virginie	9
33. (*)	Petal: colour of the lower side base	Pétale: couleur de la base de la face inférieure			
PQ	(a) white	blanc		Splendens Giganteum	1
	pinkish white	blanc rosé		Tamouré	2
	cream (witish yellow)	crème (jaune blanchâtre)		Emilie	3
	light yellow	jaune clair		Petite Pink	4
	yellow	jaune		Marie Gambetta	5
	greenish yellow	jaune verdâtre		Alsace	6
	orange-yellow	jaune orangé		Isle of Capri	7
	orange	orange		Luteum Plenum	8
	pink	rose		Petite Red	9
	purplish pink	rose violacé		Petite White	10
	red	rouge		Neridem	11

				Example Varieties	
	English	français	deutsch	español	Note/ Nota
34. (*)	Petaloids inside of throat	Pétaloïdes à l'intérieur de la gorge			
PQ	(a) absent	absents		Grandiflorum	1
	present	présents		Roseum Plenum	9
35. (*)	Petaloids at level of the first inner corolla	Pétaloïdes au niveau de la première corolle interne			
PQ	(a) absent	absents		Mont Blanc	1
	present	présents		Splendens Giganteum	9
36.	Tube of corolla: length	Tube de la corolle: longueur			
PQ	(a) absent or very short	nulle ou très courte		Roseum Plenum	1
	short	courte		Tamouré	3
	medium	moyenne		Emilie	5
	long	longue		Hardy Red	7
37. (*)	Tube of corolla: colour	Tube de la corolle: couleur			
PQ	(a) white or nearly white	blanc ou presque blanc		Splendens Foleis Variegata	1
	pinkish white	blanc rosé		Petite Red	2
	light yellow	jaune clair		Sœur Agnès	3
	yellow	jaune		Marie Gambetta	4
	pinkish yellow	jaune rosé		Alsace	5
	orange-yellow	jaune orangé		Angiolo Pucci	6
	orange	orange		Luteum Plenum	7
	pink	rose		Petite White	8
	purplish pink	rose violacé		Virginie	9
	mauve	mauve		Barcelona	10
	red	rouge		Pirate des Caraïbes	11

				Example Varieties	
	English	français	deutsch	español	Note/ Nota
38. (*)	Corolline appendages: length	Appendices corollins : longueur			
PQ	(a)	very short	très courte	Neguev, Tavira	1
		short	courte	Maurin des Maures	3
		medium	moyenne	Emilie	5
		long	longue	Rosa Bartolini	7
		very long	très longue	Jannoch	9
39. (*)	Crown of corolline appendages: shape	Couronne des appendices corollins: forme			
PQ	(a)	tubular	en tube	Ville de Carpentras	1
		wide-mouthed	évasée	Sœur Agnès	2
		adhered to the petal	appliquée	East End Pink	3
40. (*)	Corolline appendages lobes: denticulation	Lobes des appendices corollins: découpage			
PQ	(a)	absent or very weak	absente ou très faible	Neguev	1
		weak	faible	Maurin des Maures	3
		moderate	moyenne	Emilie	5
		strong	forte	Rosa Bartolini	7

				Example Varieties	
	English	français	deutsch	español	Note/ Nota
41. (*)	Corolla throat: inner colour (opened throat)	Gorge de la corolle: couleur de l'intérieur (gorge ouverte)			
PQ	(a)	white	blanche	Petite Pink	
		cream	crème	Grandiflorum	
		yellow	jaune	Marie Gambetta	
		orange	orange	Luteum Plenum	
		light pink	rose clair	Virginie	
		medium pink	rose moyen	Belle Hélène	
		magenta	magenta	Hardy Red	
		red	rouge	Fiesta Rodi	
42.	Corolla throat: inner colour of bottom (opened throat)	Gorge de la corolle: couleur du fond à l'intérieur (gorge ouverte)			
PQ	(a)	white	blanc	Petite White	1
		cream	crème	Claudia	2
		yellow	jaune	Angiolo Pucci	3
		orange-yellow	jaune orangé	Luteum Plenum	4
		orange	orange	Mont Blanc	5
43. (*)	Corolla throat: inner distribution of colour	Gorge: répartition de la couleur à l'intérieur			
PQ	(a)	uniform	unie	Mont Blanc	1
		striate	striée	Louis Pouget	2
		one striped	unirayée	Hardy Red	3
		multistriped	multirayée	Angiolo Pucci	4
		striped and streaked	rayée et striée	Madame Allen	5

				Example Varieties	
	English	français	deutsch	español	Note/ Nota
44.	Corolla throat: diameter	Gorge de la corolle: diamètre			
PQ	(a) small	petit		Mrs Roeding	3
	medium	moyen		Rosita	5
	large	grand		Alassio	7
45.	Stamens: extrusion of plumose appendix of anther	Etamines: extrusion des appendices plumeux des anthères			
PQ	(a) absent or very weak	nulle ou très faible		Professeur Granel	1
	weak	faible		Mont Blanc	3
	medium	moyenne		Altini	5
	strong	forte		Hardy Red	7
46.	Calyx: colour	Calice: couleur			
PQ	(a) green	vert		Mont Blanc	1
	green and red	vert et rouge		Alsace	2
	red	rouge		Fiesta Pienk	3
	purple	violet		Haïfa	4
	reddish brown	brun rougeâtre		Roseum Plenum	5
	dark brown	brun foncé		Commandant Barthélémy	6
47.	Sepals: length	Sépales: longueur			
PQ	(a) short	courte		Luteum Plenum	3
	medium	moyenne		Altini	5
	long	longue		Petite White	7
48. (*) (+)	Sepals: position in relation to corolla tube	Sépales: position par rapport au tube de la corolle			
PQ	(a) adpressed to the tube	appliquée		Rosa Bartolini	1
	spaced	écartée		Grandiflorum	2
	curving outwards	recourbée		JR	3

				Example Varieties	
	English	français	deutsch	español	Note/ Nota
49.	Flower pedicels: colour	Pédicelles floraux: couleur			
PQ	(a) green	vert		Neguev	1
	green and red	vert et rouge		Belle Hélène	2
	green and purple	vert et violet		Barcelona	3
	red	rouge		Altini	4
	brown	brun		Maréchal Grazziani	5
50.	Flowering: type	Floraison: type			
PQ	once flowering	fleurit une fois		JR 95-2	1
	twice flowering	fleurit deux fois		Splendens Giganteum	2
	almost continuous flowering	floraison presque continue		Altini, Belle Hélène	3
	Time of beginning of flowering				
51.	Time of beginning of flowering	Epoque du début de la floraison			
PQ	early	précoce		Italia	3
	medium	moyenne		Marie Gambetta	5
	late	tardive		Hawaï	7
52.	Fruit: length	Fruit: longueur			
PQ	short	courte		Rosita, Marie- Mauron	3
	medium	moyenne		Sœur Agnès, Italia	5
	long	longue		Pink Beauty, Roseum Plenum	7
53.	Fruit: diameter	Fruit: diamètre			
PQ	small	petit		Roseum Plenum	
	medium	moyen		Pink Beauty	
	large	grand		Marie Mauron	

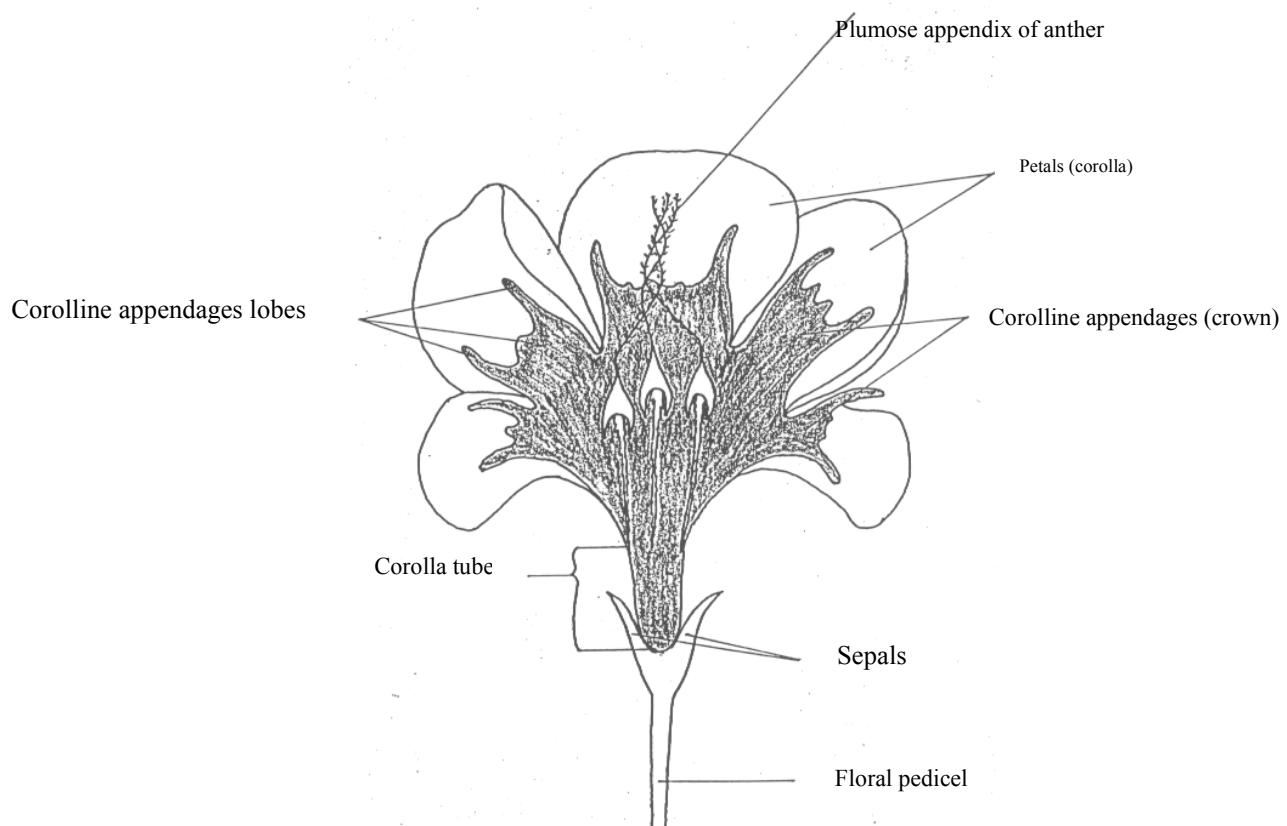
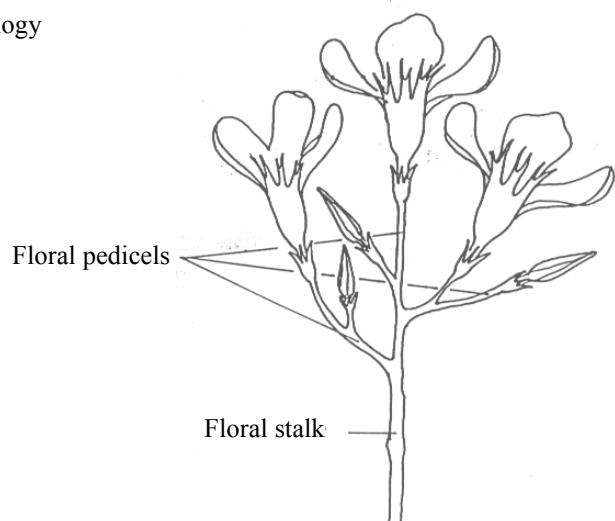
				Example Varieties	
	English	français	deutsch	español	Note/ Nota
54. (+)	Fruit: predominant shape	Fruit: forme prédominante			
PQ	straight	droit		Maurin des Maures	1
	sickle	en faufile		Italia	2
	irregular	irrégulier		Emilie	3
55.	Fruit: colour	Fruit: couleur			
PQ	light green	vert clair		Alsace	1
	green and red	vert et rouge		Docteur Raggioneri	2
	red	rouge		Nana Rosso	3
56.	Time of beginning of fructification	Epoque du début de la fructification			
PQ	very early	très précoce			1
	early	précoce			3
	medium	moyenne			5
	late	tardive			7
	very late	très tardive			9

8. Explanations on the Table of Characteristics

8.1 Explanations covering several characteristics

8.1.1 *Illustration of flower*

General terminology

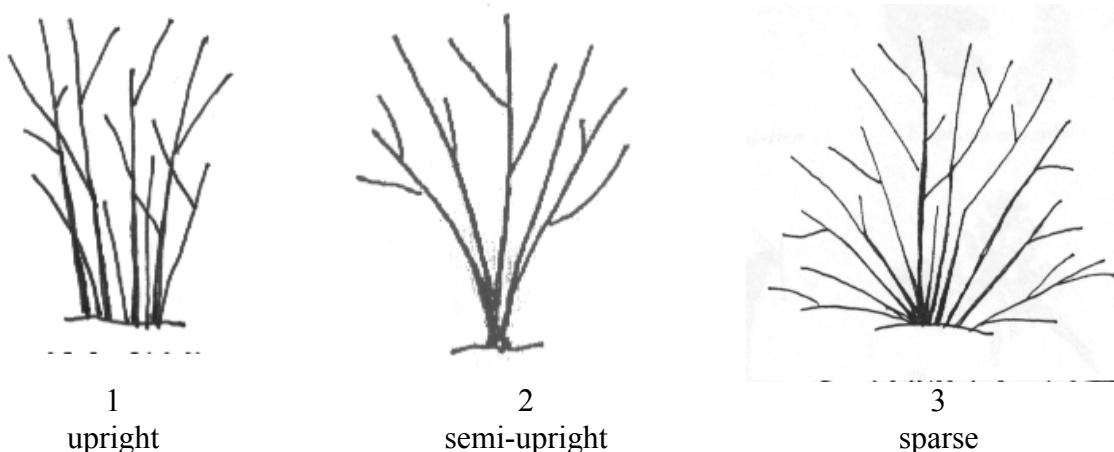


8.1.2 Characteristics containing the following key in the second column of the Table of Characteristics should be examined as indicated below:

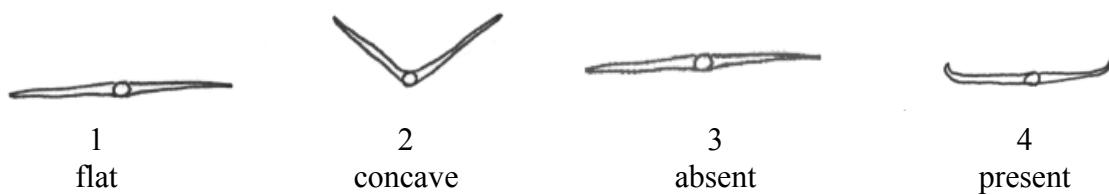
- (a) observations on the flower which should be made on the day of opening at first flush of flower

8.2 Explanations for individual characteristics

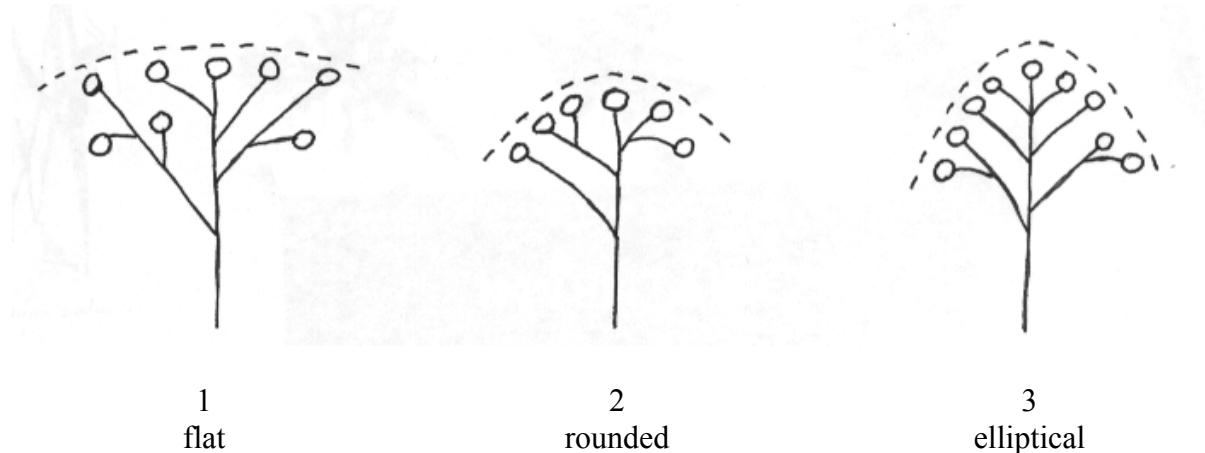
Ad. 2: Plant: growth habit



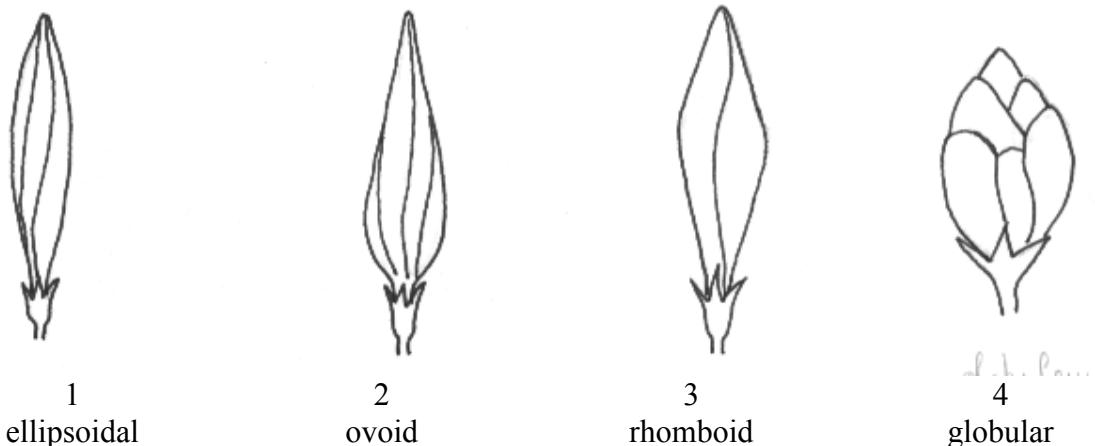
Ad. 10-11 Leaf: cross section



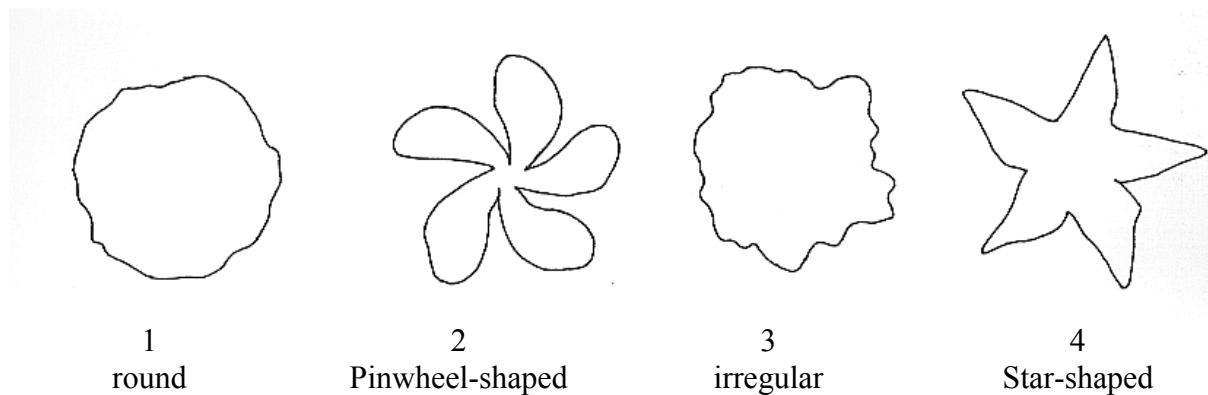
Ad. 14 Inflorescence: shape of upper part



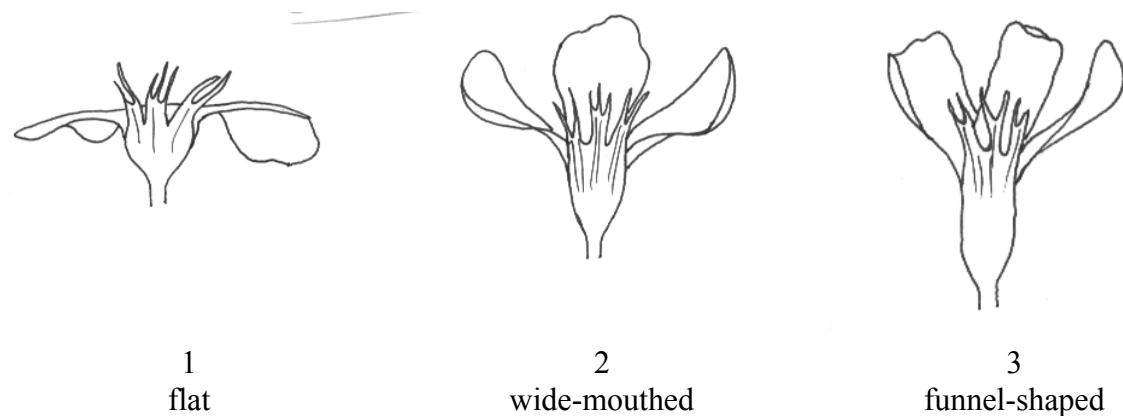
Ad. 17 Flower bud: shape (24h before opening)



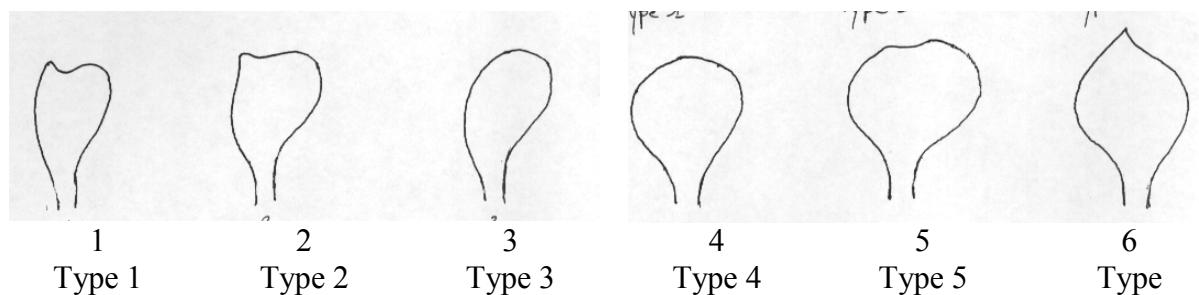
Ad. 23 Flower shape (view from above)



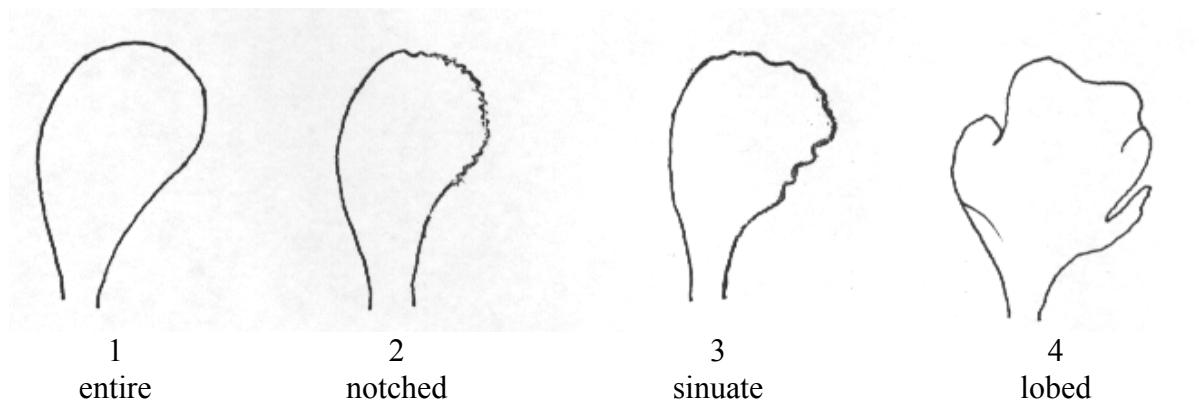
Ad. 24: Flower: profile of terminal part of corolla (fully opened flower)



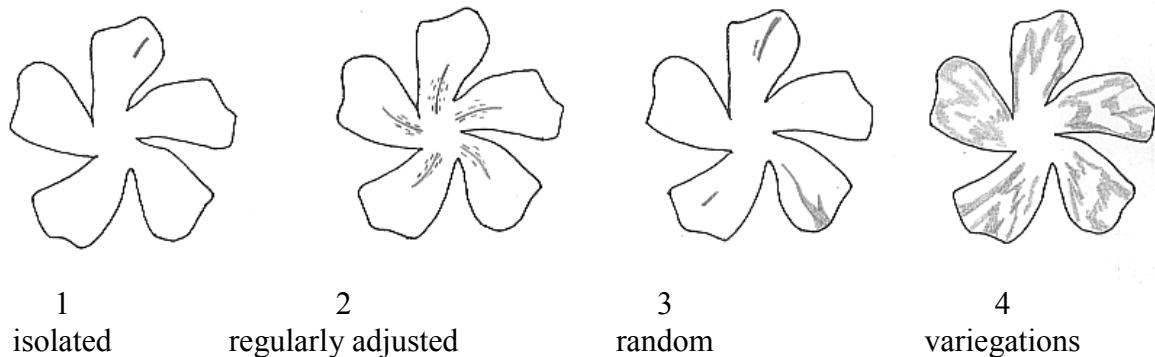
Ad. 27: Petal: predominant shape



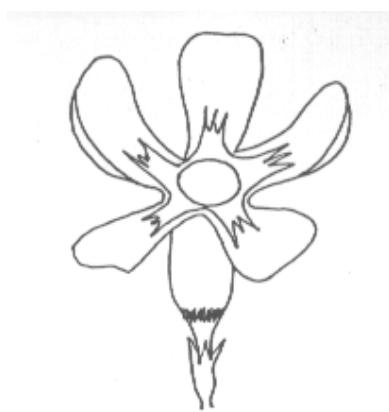
Ad. 28 Petal: margin of blade



Ad. 31 Petal: streaks repartition



Ad. 33 Petal: colour of the lower side base



Ad. 44 Corolla throat: diameter



Ad. 48 Petal: colour of the lower side base



1
adpressed to the tube



2
spaced



3
Curving outwards

Ad. 48 Petal: colour of the lower side base



1
straight



2
sickle



3
irregular

9. Literature

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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>Nerium oleander L.</i>	
1.2 Common name	Oleander	
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:
#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 and development [] (please state where and when discovered and how developed)		
4.1.4 Other [] (please provide details)		
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* Authorities may allow certain of this information to be provided in a confidential section of the Technical Questionnaire.

TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE	Page {x} of {y}	Reference Number:
<p>4.2 Method of propagating the variety</p> <p>4.2.1 Vegetative propagation</p> <p>(a) rootstock [] (please indicate rootstock used) <input type="text"/></p> <p>(b) <i>in vitro</i> propagation []</p> <p>(c) other (state method) []</p> <p>4.2.2 Other [] (please provide details) <input type="text"/></p>		

TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE	Page {x} of {y}	Reference Number:
Characteristics	Example Varieties	Note
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).		
5.1 Plant: growth type		
(1) dwarf	Petite Red, Petite Pienk	1[]
normal	Alassio, Altini	2[]
5.2 Plant: growth habit		
(2) elongated	Belle Hélène	1[]
clustered	Fiesta Pink	2[]
sparse	Altini	3[]
5.3 Flower: type		
(21) single	Emilie	1[]
double	Professeur Granel	2[]
triple	Mrs roeding	3[]
5.4 Flower colour group		
(20) white or nearly white	Petite white, Alsace, Mont blanc	1[]
yellow	Isle of Capri, Luteum Plenum	2[]
salmon	Angiolo Pucci	3[]
pink-salmon	Tito Poggi, Hawaï, Mrs Roeding	4[]
light pink	Magaly, East End Pink	5[]
medium pin and dark pink	Alassio, Emilie, Roseum	6[]
light violet	Barcelona	7[]
magenta	JR, Cdt Barthélémy	8[]
red	Altini, Petite Red, Tamouré	9[]

TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE	Page {x} of {y}	Reference Number:	
6. Similar varieties and differences from these varieties			
<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>			
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>[e.g. Flower color]</i>	<i>[e.g. orange]</i>	<i>[e.g. orange red]</i>
Comments:			

TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE	Page {x} of {y}	Reference Number:
<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>7.3.1 Resistance to pests and diseases</p> <p>7.3.2 Conditions for examining the variety</p> <p>(a) in the open []</p> <p>(b) in pots []</p> <p>7.3.3 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.

TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE	Page {x} of {y}	Reference Number:
<p>9. Information on plant material to be examined or submitted for examination.</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, pesticide) Yes [] No [] (c) Tissue culture Yes [] No [] (d) Other factors Yes [] No []</p> <p>Please provide details for where you have indicated "yes".</p> <p>.....</p> <p>ANSWER 17 ,</p> <p>"9.3 Has the plant material to be examined been tested for the presence of virus or other pathogens?</p> <p>Yes []</p> <p>(please provide details as specified by the Authority)</p> <p>No []"</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 _____</p> <p>Signature _____ Date _____</p>		