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COMMENTS ON DRAFT TEST GUIDELINES FOR CURLY KALE (TG/90/4(PROJ.)) AND FOR FENNEL (TG/183/1(PROJ.))

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Comments on the Draft Test Guidelines for Curly Kale (TG/90/4(proj.))

We suggest including a new characteristic:

1. Hypocotyl: anthocyanin coloration - absent (example variety) Winterbor - 1 present Redobor - 9

Char.7. Leaf blade: color of young leaf

We suggest adding also intensity of color of young leaf as it was in TWV/31/7.

Char.11 Leaf blade: length

The drawing explaining this observation would be useful.

Char. 14.

There was characteristic Leaf blade: blistering

(char. 14a - TWV/31/7; TWV/33/12) We suggest adding it in TG/90/4 (proj.)

The stages of observations should be included to the table of characteristics.

It is necessary to explain for uniformity assessment of hybrids and open-pollinated varieties

Comments on the draft Test Guidelines for Fennel (TG/183/1(proj.))

Char. 5 Foliage: We don't know varieties with horizontal attitude.

Char 7. Foliage green color

It should be: intensity of green color

If there are not example varieties for notes 1 and 9 - delete these stages.

Char 8. Main stem: height at flowering It should be "tall" instead of "long".

Char 10 and 11 Sheath...

We think that it would be better: Leaf sheath

Char 12 and 13 Leaf...

The drawing with explanation would be useful.

Char 14 Leaf: Curvature of tip It should be absent - 1

present - 9

If there are varieties which have different curvature of tip it should be additional characteristic: expression of curvature of tip (weak - 3, medium - 5, strong - 7)

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Char. 17 Grumolo: height

We think that it should be "length"

Char.19 Grumolo: ratio height/ width it should be length/width

Char 33. Seed: thousand seed weight It is correct for cross-pollinated species? This matter was discuss for dill.

X. Technical questionnaire

It should be included origin and breeding method (open-pollinated variety / hybrid)

Char. 5.4 It should be bolting tendency Example variety for very strong - Di Firenze.

IV. Methods and Observation

It is necessary to explain for uniformity assessment of hybrids and open-pollinated varieties. For the assessment of uniformity of hybrids a population standard of... % with an acceptance probability of at least 95% should be applied. In the case of a sample size of 60 plants the maximum number of off types allowed be. .

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