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(*Apium graveolens* L. var. *rapaceum* (Mill.) Gaud.)

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I. Subject of these Guidelines

These Guidelines apply to all varieties of Apium graveolens L. var. rapaceum (Mill.) Gaud.

II. Material Required

1. The competent authorities decide when, where and in what quantity and quality the seed required for testing the variety is to be delivered. Applicants submitting material from a State other than that in which the testing takes place must make sure that all customs formalities are complied with. As a minimum, for each year of the test the following quantity of seed is recommended:

4 g.

The seed should at least meet the minimum requirements for germination capacity, moisture content and purity for marketing standard seed in the country in which the application is made. The germination capacity should be as high as possible.

2. The plant material must not have undergone any treatment unless the competent authorities allow or request such treatment. If it has been treated, full details of the treatment must be given.

III. Conduct of Tests

1. The minimum duration of tests should normally be two similar growing periods.
2. The tests should normally be conducted at one place. If any important characteristics of the variety cannot be seen at that place, the variety may be tested at an additional place.
3. The tests should be carried out under conditions ensuring normal growth. The size of the plots should be such that plants or parts of plants may be removed for measurement and counting without prejudice to the observations which must be made up to the end of the growing period. Each test should include a total of 40 plants which should be divided between two or more replicates. Separate plots for observation and for measuring can only be used if they have been subject to similar environmental conditions.
4. Additional tests for special purposes may be established.

IV. Methods and Observations

1. Unless otherwise indicated, all observations determined by measurement, weighting or counting should be made on 40 plants or parts taken each of 40 plants.
2. For the assessment of uniformity of open pollinated and hybrid varieties relative uniformity standards should be applied.

3. All observations on the plant and the leaf should be made on fully developed plants before harvest maturity. All observations on the leaf should be made on leaves in the middle of the rosette of leaves.

4. All observations on the tuber should be made at harvest maturity.

V. Grouping of Varieties

1. The collection of varieties to be grown should be divided into groups to facilitate the assessment of distinctness. Characteristics which are suitable for grouping purposes are those which are known from experience not to vary, or to vary only slightly, within a variety. Their various states of expression should be fairly evenly distributed throughout the collection.

2. It is recommended that the competent authorities use the following characteristics for grouping varieties:

(a) Petiole: anthocyanin coloration (characteristic 11)

VI. Characteristics and Symbols

1. To assess distinctness, homogeneity and stability, the characteristics and their states as given in the Table of Characteristics should be used.

2. Notes (in most cases 1 to 9), for the purposes of electronic data processing, are given opposite the states of expression for each characteristic.

3. Legend:

(*) Characteristics that should be used on all varieties in every growing period over which the examinations are made and always be included in the variety descriptions, except when the state of expression of a preceding characteristic or regional environmental conditions render this impossible.

(+) See Explanations on the Table of Characteristics in chapter VIII.

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

English	français	deutsch	español	Example Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Varieties	Note/ Nota
1. (*)	Plant: height	Pflanze: Höhe				
	short	niedrig		Ofir		3
	medium	mittel		Ibis, Monarch		5
	tall	hoch	Bergers weisse Kugel, Mars			7
2. (*)	Foliage: attitude	Laub: Haltung				
(+)	erect	aufrecht		Mars, Regent		1
	erect to semi-erect	aufrecht bis halbaufrecht	Bergers weisse Kugel, Monarch			2
	semi-erect	halbaufrecht	Alba, Anita, Ibis			3
	semi-erect horizontal	halbaufrecht waagerecht	bis	Ofir		4
	horizontal	waagerecht				5
3.	Plant: number of leaves	Pflanze: Anzahl Blätter				
	low	gering		Alba		3
	medium	mittel		Ibis, Prinz		5
	high	groß	Mars			7
4.	Foliage: green coloration of inner leaves	Laub: Grünfärbung der inneren Blätter				
	light	hell		Alba, Ortho		3
	medium	mittel	Bergers weisse Kugel, Cesar, Prinz			5
	dark	dunkel	President			7

	English	français	deutsch	español	Example Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Varieties	Note/ Nota
5.	Foliage: green coloration of fully developed leaves		Laub: Grünfärbung der ausgewachsenen Blätter				
	light		hell				3
	medium		mittel				5
	dark		dunkel		Bergers weisse Kugel, Mars, Monarch, Prinz		7
6.	Leaf: length (including petiole)		Blatt: Länge (einschließlich Blattstiel)				
(*)	short		kurz		Ofir, Ortho		3
	medium		mittel		Anita		5
	long		lang		Bergers weisse Kugel		7
7.	Leaf blade: length		Blattspreite: Länge				
(+)	short		kurz		Ortho		3
	medium		mittel		Anita, Cesar, President		5
	long		lang		Bergers weisse Kugel		7
8.	Leaf blade: distance between 1. and 2. pair of leaflets		Blattspreite: Abstand zwischen 1. und 2. Blattfiederpaar				
(+)	short		kurz		Alba		3
	medium		mittel		Monarch, President, Prinz		5
	long		lang		Bergers weisse Kugel		7
9.	Petiole: length		Blattstiel: Länge				
(+)	small		klein		Prinz		3
	medium		mittel		Cesar, Diamant		5
	large		groß		Bergers weisse Kugel, Hochdahler Markt		7

English	français	deutsch	español	Example Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejempl	Varieties	Note/ Nota
10. Petiole: width		Blattstielaufschwung: Breite				
(+)	narrow	schmal		Alba		3
	medium	mittel		Cesar, Prinz, Regent		5
	broad	breit		Bergers weisse Kugel		7
11. Petiole: (*) anthocyanin coloration		Blattstielaufschwung: Anthocyianfärbung				
	absent	fehlend		Alba, Mars, Regent		1
	present	vorhanden		Bergers weisse Kugel, Hochdahler Markt		9
12. Leaf: size of the (*) terminal leaflet		Blatt: Größe des Endfiederblattes				
(+)	small	klein		Ortho		3
	medium	mittel		Ibis, Kojak		5
	large	groß		Regent		7
13. Leaflet: shape of (*) tips of margin		Blattfieder: Form der Spitzen des Randes				
(+)	acute	spitz		Ibis, Dolvi		3
	pointed	zugespitzt		Monarch, President	Prinz,	5
	truncate	stumpf		Radiant		7
14. Leaflet: density of (+) incisions of margin		Blattfieder: Dichte der Randeinschnitte				
	low	locker		Cesar, Hans, Rex		3
	medium	mittel		Ibis, Prinz		5
	high	dicht		Diamant, Kojak		7
15. Leaflet: arrangement (*) of lobes		Blattfieder: Anordnung der Blattlappen				
(+)						
	detached	freistehend		Cascade		1
	touching	sich berührend		Monarch		2
	overlapping	überlappend		Kojak		3

English	français	deutsch	español	Example Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejempl	Varieties	Note/ Nota
16. (*)	Tuber: size	Knolle: Größe				
	small	klein		Ofir		3
	medium	mittel		Anita, Bergers weisse Kugel		5
	large	groß		Ibis		7
17. (+)	Tuber: protrusion	Knolle: Wulstbildung				
	absent or very weak	fehlend oder sehr gering				1
	weak	gering		Alba, Ortho, Regent		3
	medium	mittel		Bergers weisse Kugel, Monarch, President		5
	strong	stark		Anita, Dolvi		7
	very strong	sehr stark				9
18. (+)	Tuber: grooving of surface	Knolle: Riefung der Oberfläche				
	absent or very weak	fehlend oder sehr gering				1
	weak	gering		Diamant		3
	medium	mittel		Cesar, Monarch		5
	strong	stark		Kojak, Ortho		7
	very strong	sehr stark				9
19. (*)	Tuber: ground color of skin	Knolle: Grundfarbe der Haut				
	white	weiß		Alba, Mars, Monarch		1
	brown	braun		Anita, Bergers weisse Kugel		3

English	français	deutsch	español	Example Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejempl	Varieties	Note/ Nota
20. <u>Varieties with brown ground color only</u> Tuber: intensity of ground color of skin		Nur Sorten mit brauner Grundfarbe Knolle: Intensität der Grundfarbe der Haut				
light		hell		Anita	3	
medium		mittel		Ortho	5	
dark		dunkel		Balder/Bali	7	
21. (+) Tuber: insertion of roots		Knolle: Wurzelansatz				
low		tief		Cesar, Ortho	3	
medium		mittel		Monarch, Hochdahler Markt	5	
high		hoch			7	
22. Tuber: mass of roots		Knolle: Wurzelmasse				
low		gering		Cesar, Ortho	3	
medium		mittel		Bergers weisse Kugel, Brilliant, Monarch	5	
high		groß			7	
23. Tuber: thickness of roots		Knolle: Wurzeldicke				
thin		dünn		Cesar, Ortho	3	
medium		mittel		Diamant, Monarch, Bergers weisse Kugel	5	
thick		dick		Hochdahler Markt	7	
24 (*) Tuber: shape in longitudinal section		Knolle: Form im Längsschnitt				
(+) broad elliptic		breit elliptisch		Kojak	1	
round		rund		Alba, Monarch	2	
transverse broad elliptic		quer breit elliptisch		Bergers weisse Kugel, Anita	3	
truncate conical		kegelstumpfförmig		Dolvi	4	
transverse ovate		quer eiförmig		Alabaster 3/Juwel	5	

English	français	deutsch	español	Example Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades	Varieties	Note/ Nota
25. Tuber: color of flesh		Knolle: Fleischfarbe				
white		weiß		Monarch, Diamant		1
ivory		elfenbeinfarben		Ofir, Hochdahler Markt		2
26. Tuber: cavity in the middle of the tuber		Knolle: Hohlheit in der Mitte der Knolle				
weak		gering		Alba		3
medium		mittel		Mars, Regent		5
strong		stark		Ortho		7
27. Tuber: sponginess		Knolle: Schwammigkeit				
weak		gering		Monarch, Prinz		3
medium		mittel		Bergers weisse Kugel, Cesar, Regent		5
strong		stark		Ortho		7
28. (+) Tuber: internal rust spot of flesh (after cut open)		Knolle: Eisenfleckigkeit des Fleisches (nach dem Aufschneiden)				
weak		gering		Monarch, Brilliant		3
medium		mittel		Bergers weisse Kugel, Mars		5
strong		stark		Ortho		7

VIII. Explanations on the Table of Characteristics/Explications du tableau des caractères/Erklärungen zu der Merkmalstabelle

Ad/zu 2

Foliage: attitude
Laub: Haltung



1 erect
 aufrecht

3 semi-erect
 halbaufrecht

5 horizontal
 waagerecht

Ad/zu 7, 8, 9, 10, 12

Leaf blade: length(7)
Blattspreite: Länge (7)

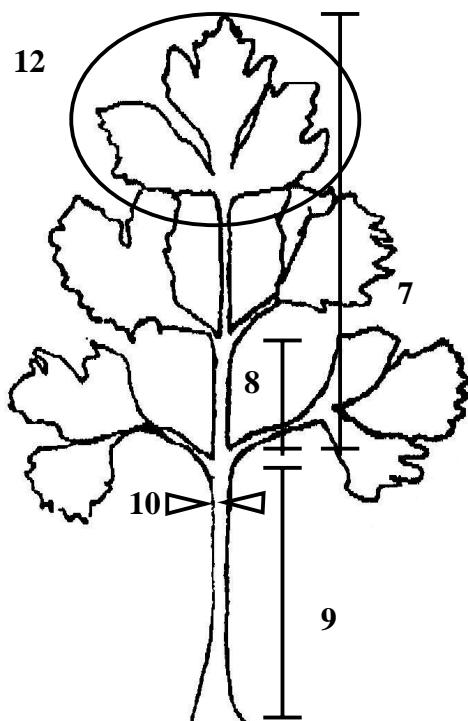
Leaf blade: distance between
1 and 2. pair of
leaflets (8)

Blattspreite: Abstand zwischen
1. und 2. Blattfieder-
paar (8)

Petiole: length (9)
 width (10)

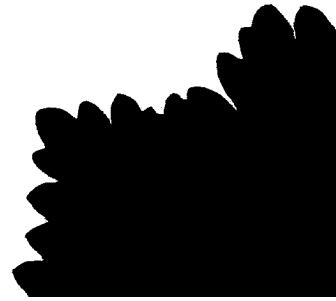
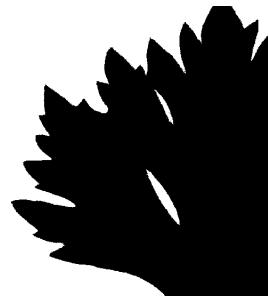
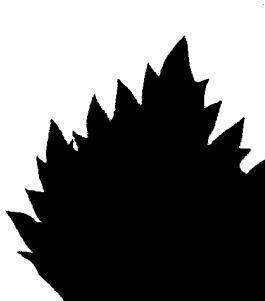
Blattstiell: Länge (9)
 Dicke (10)

Leaf: size of the terminal leaflet (12)
Blatt: Größe des Endfiederblattes (12)



Ad/zu 13

Leaflet: shape of tips of margin
Blattfieder: Form der Spitzen des Randes



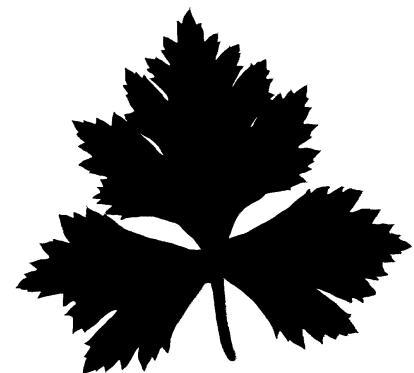
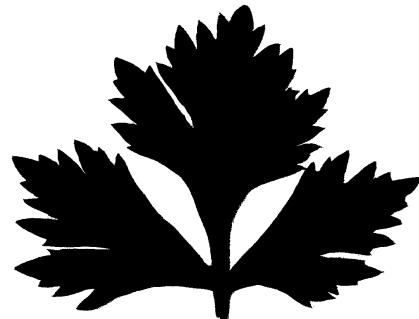
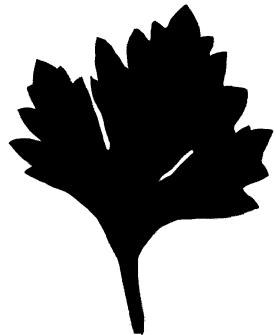
3 acute
spitz

5 pointed
zugespitzt

7 truncate
stumpf

Ad/zu 14

Leaflet: density of incisions of margin
Blattfieder: Dichte der Randeinschnitte



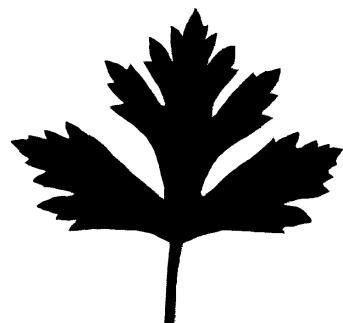
3 sparse
locker

5 medium
mittel

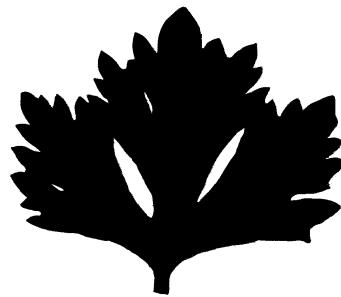
7 dense
dicht

Ad/zu 15

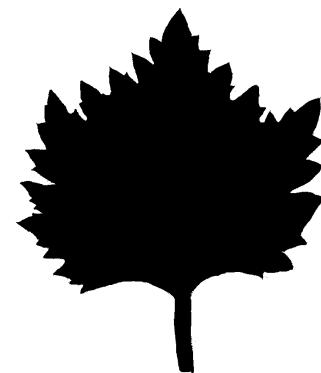
Leaflet: conformation of lopes
Blattfieder: Stellung der Blattlappen



1 detached
freistehend



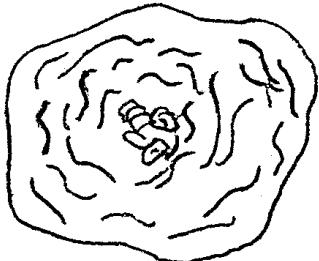
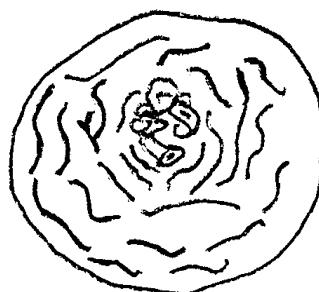
2 touching
sich berührend



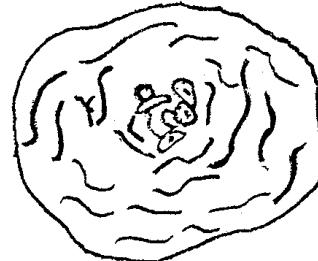
3 overlapping
überlappend

Ad/zu 17

Tuber: protrusion
Knolle: Wulstbildung



3 weak
gering



5 medium
mittel

7 strong
stark

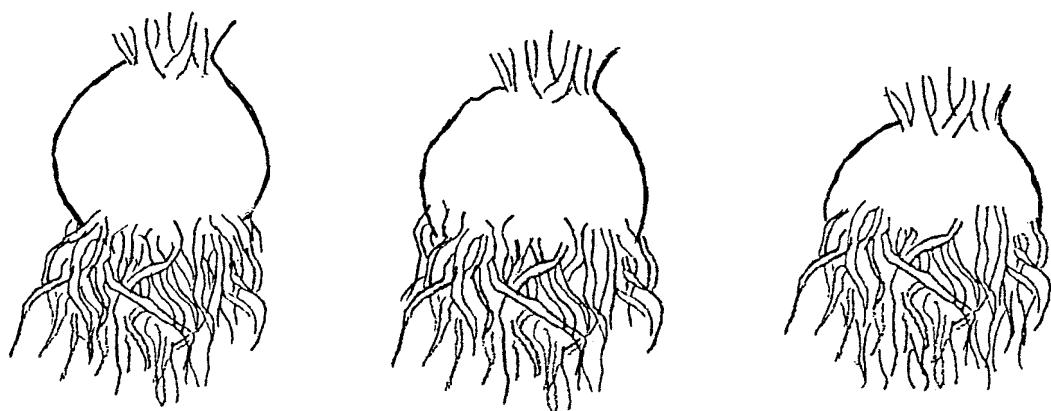
Protrusions are raised/heighthened insertion points of the main roots, which gives the tuber an increasing irregular shape in view from above.

Wülste sind erhöhte Ansatzstellen der Hauptwurzeln, die der Knolle mit zunehmender Stärke ein unförmiges Aussehen in der Draufsicht geben.

Ad/Zu 21

Tuber: insertion of roots

Knolle: Wurzelansatz



3
low
tief

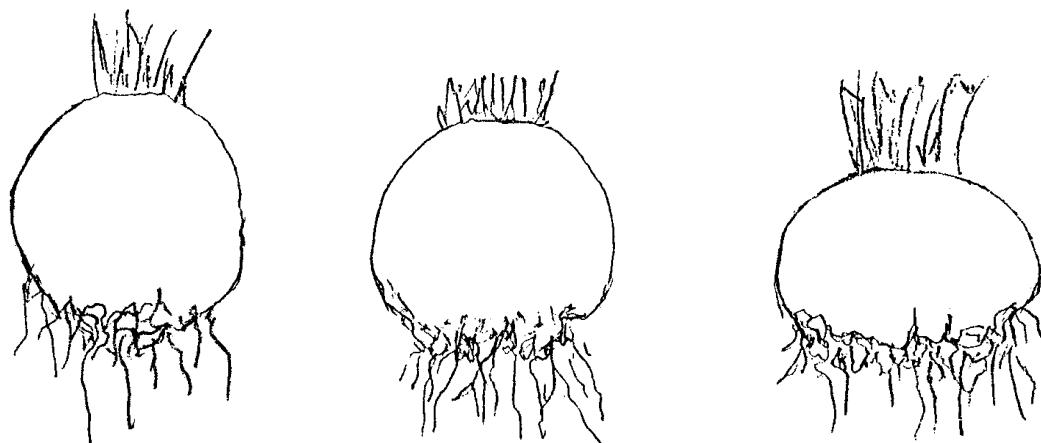
5
medium
mittel

7
high
hoch

Ad/Zu 23

Tuber: shape in longitudinal section

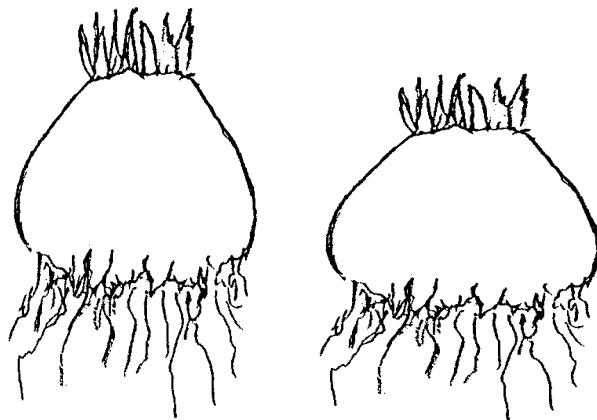
Knolle: Form im Längsschnitt



1
broad elliptic
breit elliptisch

2
round
rund

3
transverse broad elliptic
quer breit elliptisch



4
truncate conical
kegelstumpf

5
transverse ovate
quer eiförmig

Ad/Zu 28

Tuber: internal rust spot of flesh (after cut open)

Knolle: Eisenfleckigkeit des Fleisches (nach dem Aufschneiden)

The tubers should be cut through in longitudinal section. After one hour the internal rust spot of flesh will be judged.

Die Knollen werden längs aufgeschnitten. Nach einer Stunde wird die Eisenfleckigkeit des Fleisches bonitiert.

IX. Literature

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IX. Technical Questionnaire

	Reference Number (not to be filled in by the applicant)
TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE to be completed in connection with an application for plant breeders' rights	
1.1 Species	<i>Apium graveolens L. var. rapaceum (Mill.) Gaud.</i> <i>Celeriac/Knollensellerie</i>
2. Applicant (Name and address)	
3. Proposed denomination or breeder's reference	

4. Information on origin, maintenance and reproduction of the variety

4.1 Method of maintenance and reproduction

(i) hybrid []

(ii) open-pollinated variety []

4.2 Other information

5. Characteristics of the variety to be given (the number in brackets refers to the corresponding characteristics in the Test Guidelines; please mark the state of expression which best corresponds)

Characteristics	Example Varieties	Note
5.1 Plant: height (1)		
short	Ofir	3[]
medium	Ibis, Monarch	5[]
tall	Bergers weisse Kugel, Mars	7[]
5.2 Foliage: attitude (2)		
erect	Mars	1[]
erect to semi erect	Bergers weisse Kugel, Monarch	2[]
semi erect	Alba, Anita, Ibis	3[]
semi erect to horizontal	Ofir	4[]
horizontal		5[]
5.3 Petiole: anthocyanin coloration (11)		
absent	Alba, Mars, Regent	1[]
present	Bergers weisse Kugel	9[]
5.4 Leaf: size of the terminal leaflet (12)		
small	Ortho	3[]
medium	Ibis, Kojak	5[]
large	Regent	7[]
5.5 Leaflet: shape of tips of margin (13)		
acute	Ibis, Dolvi	3[]
pointed	Monarch, Prinz	5[]
truncate	Radiant	7[]

Characteristics	Example Varieties	Note
5.6 Leaflet: conformation of lobes (15)		
detached	Cascade	1[]
touching	Monarch	2[]
overlapping	Kojak	3[]
5.7 Tuber: size (16)		
small	Ofir	3[]
medium	Anita, Bergers weisse Kugel	5[]
large	Ibis	7[]
5.8 Tuber: ground color of skin (19)		
white	Alba, Mars, Monarch	1[]
brown	Anita, Bergers weisse Kugel	2[]
5.9 Tuber: shape in longitudinal section (24)		
broad elliptic	Kojak	1[]
round	Alba, Monarch	2[]
transverse broad elliptic	Anita, Bergers weisse Kugel	3[]
truncate conical	Dolvi	4[]
transverse ovate	Alabaster 3/Juwel	5[]

6. Similar varieties and differences between these varieties

Denomination of similar variety	Characteristic in which the similar variety is different ^{o)}	State of expression of similar variety	State of expression of candidate variety

^{o)} In the case of identical states of expressions of both varieties, please indicate the size of the difference.

7. Additional information which may help to distinguish the variety

7.1 Resistance to pests and diseases

7.2 Special conditions for the examination of the variety

7.3 Other information

A representative photocopy of one or more terminal leaflets in original size of the variety should be included in the Technical Questionnaire.

8. Authorization for release

- (a) Does the variety require prior authorization for release under legislation concerning the protection of the environment, human and animal health?

Yes [] No []

- (b) Has such authorization been obtained?

Yes [] No []

If the answer to that question is yes, please attach a copy of such an authorization.

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