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## GUIDELINES

## FOR THE CONDUCT OF TESTS

## FOR DISTINCTNESS, UNIFORMITY AND STABILITY

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<i>Pastinacasativa L.</i>	Parsnip	-	-	-

## ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

These guidelines should be read in conjunction with document TG/1/3, "General Introduction to the Examination of Distinctness, Uniformity and Stability and the Development of Harmonized Descriptions of New Varieties of Plants" (hereinafter referred to as 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](http://www.upov.int)), for the latest information.]

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1. Subject of these Test Guidelines

These Test Guidelines apply to all varieties of *Pastinaca sativa* L.

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 seed.

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

50g.

[DE 50g (addition of „number of seeds“?)]

[UK Propose to increase seed weight to 100g and add 15,000 seeds]

2.4 These seeds should meet the minimum requirements for germination, species and analytical purity, health and moisture content, specified by the competent authority. [In cases where the seed is to be stored, the germination capacity should be as high as possible and should, be stated by the applicant.]

2.5 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 requests such treatment. If it has been treated, full details of the treatment must be given.

3. Method of Examination

3.1 *Duration of Tests*

The minimum duration of tests should normally be two independent growing cycles.

3.2 *Testing Place*

The tests should normally be conducted at one place. If any characteristics of the variety, which are relevant for the examination of DUS, cannot be observed at that place, the variety may be tested at an additional place.

3.3 *Conditions for Conducting the Examination*

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.

### 3.3.1 Type of observation –visual or measurement

There is a recommended method of observing the characteristic indicated by the following key in the second column of the Table of Characteristics:

MG: single measurement of a group of plants or parts of plants

MS: measurement of a number of individual plants or parts of plants

VG: visual assessment by a single observation of a group of plants or parts of plants

VS: visual assessment by observation of individual plants or parts of plants]

## 3.4 Test Design

3.4.1 Each test should be designed to result in a total of at least 60 plants, which should be divided between two or more replicates].

[UK Propose to increase the number of plants to 100]

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 40 plants or parts taken from each of 40 plants.]

[UK Propose to increase the number of plants to 60]

## 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 minimum duration of tests recommended in section 3.1 reflects, in general, the need to ensure that any differences in a characteristic are sufficiently consistent.

#### 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.x] The assessment of uniformity should be according to the recommendations for cross-pollinated varieties in the General Introduction.]

[4.2.x] The assessment of uniformity for hybrid varieties depends on the type of hybrid and should be according to the recommendations for hybrid varieties in the General Introduction.]

[4.2.x] For the assessment of uniformity of seed-propagated varieties, the recommendations in the General Introduction for [self-pollinated]/[cross-pollinated]/[hybrid] varieties should be followed, as appropriate.]

[4.2.x] For the assessment of uniformity, a population standard of { x }% and an acceptance probability of at least { y }% should be applied. In the case of a sample size of { a } plants, [ { b } off-types are ]/[ 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 seed stock to ensure that it exhibits the same characteristics as those shown by the previous materials supplied.

[4.3.3] **ASW 10** [The stability of a hybrid variety may, in addition to an examination of the hybrid variety itself, also be assessed by examination of the uniformity and stability of its parent lines.]

## 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 is 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 others 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 trials so that similar varieties are grouped together.

5.3 The following have been agreed as useful grouping characteristics:

- (a) Root: bulbous shape of upper part (characteristic 19)
- (b) Root: shape (characteristic 20)

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 Section 6.1.2

(QL) Qualitative characteristic –see Section 6.3

(QN) Quantitative characteristic –see Section 6.3

(PQ) Pseudo-qualitative characteristic –see Section 6.3

(a) See Explanations on the Table of Characteristics in Chapter 8, Section 8.1

(+) See Explanations on the Table of Characteristics in Chapter 8, Section 8.2

7. Table of Characteristics/Tableau des caractères/Merkmalstabelle/Tablă de caractere

	English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties/ Exemples/ Beispielssorten/ Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
<b>1.</b>	<b>Foliage:attitude</b>	<b>Feuillage:port</b>	<b>Laub:H altung</b>	<b>Follaje:porte</b>		
	erect	dressé	aufrecht	erecto		1
	erect to semi -erect	dressé à demi-dressé	aufrecht bis halbaufrecht	erecto a semi erecto	MS2	2
	semi-erect	demi-dressé	halbaufrecht	semi erecto	Countess	3
	semi-erect to horizontal	demi-dressé à horizontal	halbaufrecht bis waagrecht	semi erecto a horizontal	Guernsey	4
	horizontal	horizontal	waagrecht	horizontal		5
<b>2.</b>	<b>Foliage:number of leaves</b>	<b>Feuillage:nombre de feuilles</b>	<b>Laub:Anzahl Blätter</b>	<b>Follaje:número de hojas</b>		
	few	petit	gering	bajo		3
	medium	moyen	mittel	medio		5
	many	grand	groß	alto		7
<i>UK: Should we retain? there is some variation, but the character is not very useful?</i>						
<b>3.</b>	<b>Foliage:intensity of green color</b>	<b>Feuillage: intensité de la couleur verte</b>	<b>Laub:intensität der grünfärbung</b>	<b>Follaje:intensidad del color verde</b>		
	light	claire	hell	claro	Avonresister	3
	medium	moyenne	mittel	medio	Alba, Guernsey	5
	dark	foncée	dunkel	oscuro	P14	7
<b>4.</b>	<b>Foliage:glossiness</b>	<b>Feuillage: brillance</b>	<b>Laub:Glanz</b>	<b>Follaje:brillo</b>		
	weak	faible	gering	débil	Avonresister	3
	medium	moyenne	mittel	medio	Polar	5
	strong	forte	stark	fuerte	Imperial Crown	7



	English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties/ Exemples/ Beispielssorten/ Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
<b>5.</b>	<b>Foliage:width of basal leaves at crown</b>					
(+)	narrow				Alba	3
	medium				NewWhiteSkin	5
	broad				TenderandTrue	7
<i>DE:An explanation would be helpful . UK:Drawing is copied from carrot guideline. change order to follow 6?</i>						
<b>6.</b>	<b>Foliage:blistering</b>	<b>Feuille:cloqure</b>	<b>Laub:Blasigkeit</b>	<b>Follaje: abullonado</b>		
	weak	faible	gering	débil	ImperialCrown	3
	medium	moyenne	mittel	medio	Avonresister	5
	strong	forte	stark	fuerte	Paragon	7
<b>7.</b>	<b>Leaf:length</b>	<b>Feuille:longueur</b>	<b>Blatt:Länge</b>	<b>Hoja:longitud</b>		
(+)	(a) short	courte	kurz	corta	Andover	3
	medium	moyenne	mittel	media	NewWhiteSkin	5
	long	longue	lang	larga	Tenor	7
<i>CZ:Including or excluding petiol. UK: 'leaf' would include the petiole and 'lamina' would exclude the petiole</i>						
<b>8.</b>	<b>Leaf:width</b>					
(+)	(a) narrow				Arrow	3
	medium				NewWhiteSkin	5
	broad				TenderandTrue	7
<b>9.</b>	<b>Leaf:distance from widest point to tip</b>					
(+)	(a) short				Alba	3
	medium				Avonresister	5
	long				TenderandTrue	7

	English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties/ Exemples/ Beispielssorten/ Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
<b>10.</b>	<b>Leaf:division</b>					
(a)	weak				Andover	3
	medium				Polar	5
	strong				Yatesnip	7
<b>11.</b>	<b>Leaflet: subdivision</b>					
(a)	weak				Alba	3
	medium				NewWhiteSkin	5
	strong				Paragon	7
<i>PL: to change "much" for "strong". UK accepts</i>						
<i>DE: Unfortunately I did not find a corresponding translation into German; an explanation would be helpful. Remark to „leaf division: in the guidelines for carrot the used states of expression are very fine, medium and very coarse instead of weak, medium and strong.</i>						
<i>UK: Character is not the same as in carrot where subdivision is equivalent to 'featheriness' - the size and density of the pinnae. in parsnip the leaflets subdivide and new leaflets are formed. There may be a better way to define this character.</i>						
<b>12.</b>	<b>Leaflet:dentation</b>					
(a)	weak	lâche	locker	laxa	Avonresister	3
	medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Alba	5
	strong	dense	dicht	densa	Countess	7
<i>DE: The translation of the German wording (I suppose of the other languages as well) does not correspond to „leaflet: dentation“, it should read „leaflet: density of leaf incisions“.</i>						
<i>UK: keep 'dentation'. the depth not the density is being assessed</i>						
<b>13.</b>	<b>Leaflet:size</b>					
(+)	(a)	small			Countess	3
		medium			Panache	5
		large			WhiteKing	7

	English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties/ Exemples/ Beispielssorten/ Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
<b>14.</b>	<b>Petiole:intensity ofanthocyanin</b>	<b>Pétirole:</b>	<b>Blattstiel:</b>	<b>Pecíolo:</b>		
	weak	faible	gering	débil	TenderandTrue	3
	medium	moyenne	mittel	media	WhiteGem	5
	strong	forte	stark	fuerte	MS2	7
<b>15.</b>	<b>Petiole:length</b>	<b>Pétirole :longueur</b>	<b>Blattstiel:Länge</b>	<b>Pecíolo:longitud</b>		
(+)	short	court	kurz	corto	MS5	3
	medium	moyen	mittel	medio	NewWhiteSkin	5
	long	long	lang	largo	Countess,Tenor	7
<b>16.</b>	<b>Root:length</b>					
(+)	short	court	kurz	corto	Alba	3
	medium	moyen	mittel	medio	WhiteGem	5
	long	long	lang	largo	Paragon,Tenderand True	7
<b>17.</b>	<b>Root:width</b>					
(+)	narrow				P14	3
	medium				TenderandTrue	5
	broad				WhiteKing	7
<b>18.</b>	<b>Root:distance fromwidestpoint tocrown</b>					
(+)	short	court	kurz	corto	Andover	3
	medium	moyen	mittel	medio	Paragon,Tenderand True	5
	long	long	lang	largo	Avonresister,WhiteKing	7

DE:Anexplanationwouldbehelpful.

CZ:Whatdoyoumean?Thestages"short, mediumlong"arenotaccordancewith"widestpoint",weproposetochangewordingand  
toaddthedrawing

PL:todelete.Iamnotsurebutthischaracteristicissuefromcharacteristic17&19.

UK:Lengthfromwidestpointtocrown?isagooddiscriminati ngcharacterandwanttokeep

	English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties/ Exemples/ Beispielssorten/ Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
<b>19.</b>	<b>Root:shape</b>					
(+)	narrowobtriangular				Arrow	3
	obtriangular				Guernsey	5
	broadobtriangular				Avonresister,Tenderand True	7

*PLtoadddrawing*

<b>20.</b>	<b>Root:bulbous shapeofupper part</b>					
(+)	absent				Arrow	1
	present				Avonresister	9

*afterchar.20.PL:Weproposetoaddnew:"root:shapeofcrown:3 -concave5 -flat7 -convex".UK:Wearenotawareofvarieties  
whichdonothavesomecrowndepression.maybevariationinshouldershapeorshape oftop?*

<b>21.</b>	<b>Root:depthof crowndepression</b>					
(+)	shallow				Polar	3
	medium				NewWhiteSkin	5
	deep				Avonresister,WhiteKing	7

<b>22.</b>	<b>Root:widthof crowndepression</b>					
(+)	narrow				Alba	3
	medium				Andover	5
	broad				TenderandT rue,Tenor	7

<b>23.</b>	<b>Root:external color</b>					
	white				NewWhiteSkin	1
	whitishcream					2
	cream					3

*CZ:Isitqualitativeorquantitativechar.Ifisquantitative(asitisstated)thenote2willbe"white"to"whitetocream".We  
propose:white1,whitish -cream2,cream3.UK:accepts*

	English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties/ Exemples/ Beispielssorten/ Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
<b>24.</b>	<b>Root:surface texture</b>					
	smooth					3
	medium					5
	rough					7
<b>25.</b>	<b>Root:corewidth</b>					
(+)	narrow				Alba	3
	medium				NewWhiteSkin	5
	broad				WhiteKing	7
<b>26.</b>	<b>Root:internal color</b>					
	white				NewWhiteSkin	1
	whitishcream					2
	cream					3

*DE:Shoulditread(comparingtochar.23:externalcolor)internalcolorinsteadoffleshcolor?*

*CZ:Isitqualitativeorquantitativechar.Ifitisquantitative(asitisstated)thenote2willbe"white"to"whitetocream".We propose:white1,whitish -cream2,cream3*

*UK:agreetoacceptboththeproposals*

*PL:Weproposetodeleteandaddtwonewcharacteristics:"root:corecolor1 -white2 -whitetocream3 -cream"."root:cortexcolor1 -white2 -whitetocream3 -cream".*

*UK:doesnotagreetoreplace26withtwonewcharactersasthereisinsufficientvariationbetweencoreandcortexcolour.*

*PL:Ourexpertsobservedalsoanothercharacteristics,whichcouldbeuseful.*

*Weproposetoadd:*

*"Plant:hight:3 -low5 -medium7 -hight"*

*"Root:firmnessofflesh:3 -loose5 -medium7 -firm"*

*"Root:weight3 -small5 -medium7 -high".*

*UK:Plantheight:donotthinkthatthisoffersmorediscriminationthanthatalreadyachievedusing leaflengthandfoliageattitude*

*UK:Root:firmness:noexperienceofthischaracter;needtohaveamethodandexamplevarieties*

*UK:root:weight:donotthinkthisisnecessaryfordistinctness*

8. ExplanationsontheTableofCharacteristics

**ASW 12**

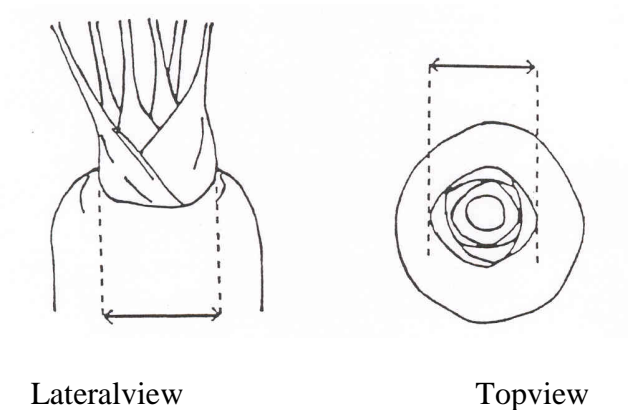
8.1 *Explanationscoringseveralcharacteristics*

CharacteristicscontainingthefollowingkeyinthesecondcolumnoftheTableof  
Characteristicsshouldbeexaminedasindicatedbelow:

- (a) PlantandLeaf : All observations on the plant and the leaf should be made on  
fullydevelopedplantsbeforeharvestmaturity.

8.2 *Explanationforindividualcharacteristics*

Ad.5:Foliage:widthofbasalLeavesatcrown

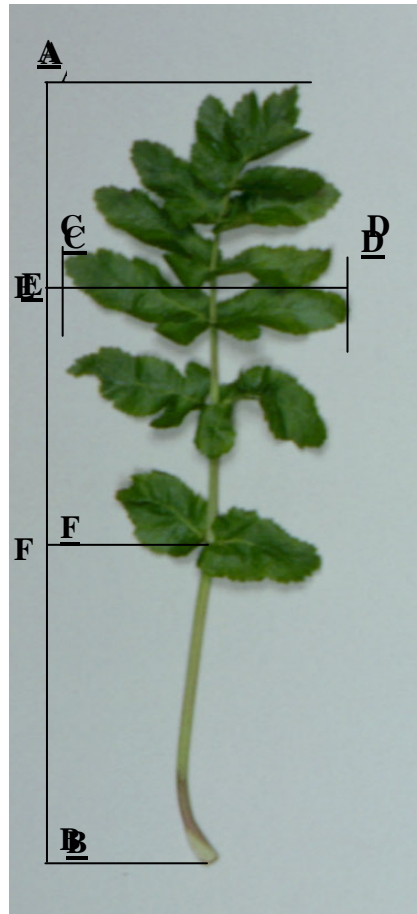


Ad.13:Leaflet:size

Assessmentsshouldbemadethesecondleafletononesideofthemidribforeachleaf  
recorded

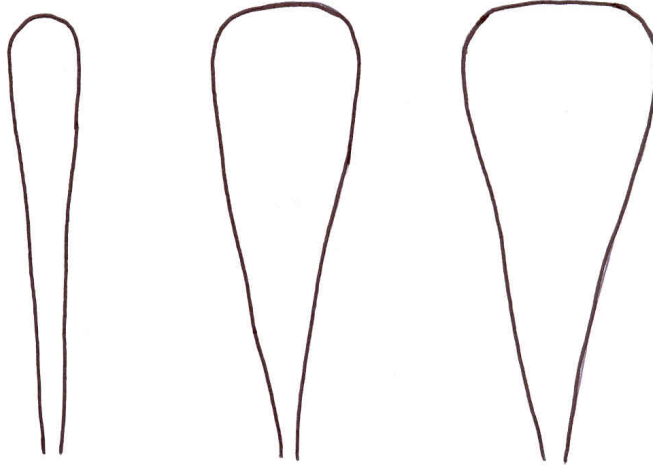
Ad.7,8,9:Leaf:length(7),width(8),distancefromwidestpointtotip(9)

Ad.15:Petiole:length



7. Leaf length(A -B)
8. Leaf:width(C -D)
9. Leaf:distancefromwidestpointtotip(A -E)
15. Petiole:length(B -F)

Ad.19Root:shape

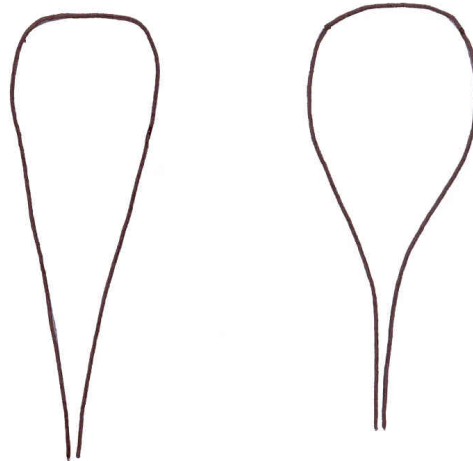


3  
narrow  
obtriangular

5  
obtriangular

7  
broadobtriangular

Ad.20:Root:bulbousshapeofupperpart



1  
absent

9  
present



Ad.16,17, 18,21,22,25:Rootcharacteristics



16. Root: length (A-D)      17. Root: width (C-I)      25. Root: core width (G-H)  
18. Root: distance from widest point to crown (A-C)  
21. Root: depth of crown depression (A-B)  
22. Root: width of crown depression (E-F)

9. Literature

Rubatzky, V.E., Quiros, C.F., Simon, P.W. 1999: "Carrots and Related Vegetable *Umbelliferae*." Crop Production science in horticulture series 10. CAB International, Wallingford, UK. ISBN 0851991297

9. TechnicalQuestionnaire

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		Applicationdate: (nottobefilledinbytheapplicant)
<p>TECHNICALQUESTIONNAIRE tobecompletedinconnectionwithanappl  icationforplantbreeders'rights</p> <p><b>ASW 13</b> [Inthecaseofhybridvarietieswhicharethesubjectofanapplicationforplant breeders'rights,andwheretheparentlinesaretobesubmittedasapartoftheexaminationof thehybridvariety,thisTechnic  alQuestionnaireshouldbecompletedforeachoftheparent lines,inadditiontobeingcompletedforthehybridvariety.]</p>		
1. SubjectoftheTechnicalQuestionnaire		
1.1 LatinName	<input type="text" value="Pastinacasativa L.)"/>	
1.2 CommonName	<input type="text" value="Parsnip"/>	
2. Applicant		
Name	<input type="text"/>	
Address	<input type="text"/>	
TelephoneNo.	<input type="text"/>	
FaxNo.	<input type="text"/>	
E-mailaddress	<input type="text"/>	
Breeder(ifdifferentfromapplicant)	<input type="text"/>	
3. Proposeddenominationandbreeder'sreference		
Proposeddenomination (ifavailable)	<input type="text"/>	
Breeder'sreference	<input type="text"/>	

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4. Information on the breeding scheme and propagation of the variety

4.1 Breeding scheme **ASW 15**

[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) totally unknown cross

4.1.2 Mutation   
(please state parent variety)

4.1.3 Discovery   
(please state where, when and how developed)

4.1.4 Other   
(please provide details)]

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

5. Characteristics of the variety to be indicated (the number in brackets refer to the corresponding characteristic in Test Guidelines; please mark the note which best corresponds).

Characteristics	Example Varieties	Note
<b>5.1 Leaf: length</b> (7)		
short	Andover	3[]
medium	New White Skin	5[]
long	Tenor	7[]
<b>5.2 Petiole: intensity of anthocyanin</b> (14)		
weak	Tender and True	3[]
medium	White Gem	5[]
strong	MS2	7[]

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Characteristics		ExampleVarieties	Note
<b>5.3 Root:length</b> <b>(16)</b>			
short		Alba	3[]
medium		WhiteGem	5[]
long		Paragon,TenderandTrue	7[]
<b>5.4 Root:shape</b> <b>(19)</b>			
narrowobtriangular		Arrow	3[]
obtriangular		Guernsey	5[]
broadobtriangular		Avonresister,TenderandTrue	7[]
<b>5.5 Root:externalcolor</b> <b>(23)</b>			
white		NewWhiteSkin	1[]
whitishcream			2[]
cream			3[]
<b>5.6 Root:surfacetexture</b> <b>(24)</b>			
smooth			3[]
medium			5[]
rough			7[]

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6. Similar varieties and differences from these varieties

*Please use the table, and space provided for comments, below 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.*

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 <b>similar</b> variety(ies)	Describe the expression of the characteristic(s) for <b>your</b> candidate variety
<i>Example</i>		<i>(example to be inserted)</i>	<i>(example to be inserted)</i>
Comments:			

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7. Additional information which may help in the examination of the variety

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?

Yes  No

(If yes, please provide details)

7.2 Special conditions for the examination of the variety

7.2.1 Are there any special conditions for growing the variety or conducting the examination?

Yes  No

7.2.2 If yes, please give details:

7.3 Other information

**ASW 16** Are representative color photographs of the variety should accompany 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 (b) is yes, please attach a copy of the authorization.

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9. Information on plant material to be examined.

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, scion taken from different growth phases of a tree, etc.

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:

- |   |                              |                             |
|---|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| (a) Microorganisms (e.g. virus, bacteria, phytoplasma)      | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (b) Chemical treatment (e.g. growth retardant or pesticide) | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (c) Tissue culture  | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (d) Other factors   | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |

Please provide details of where you have indicated "yes".

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10. I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this form is correct:

Applicant's name

Signature

Date

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