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(*Pastinaca sativa L.*)

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GUIDELINES
FOR THE CONDUCT OF TESTS
FOR DISTINCTNESS, UNIFORMITY AND STABILITY

Alternative Names:^{*}

<i>Latin</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>French</i>	<i>German</i>	<i>Spanish</i>
<i>Pastinaca sativa L.</i>	Parsnip	Panais	Pastinake	Chirivía

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), 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:

100 g or 15,000 seeds.

2.4 The seed should meet the minimum requirements for germination, species and analytical purity, health and moisture content, specified by the competent authority.

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 request 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*

The recommended method of observing the characteristic is 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 200 plants, which should be divided between two or more replicates.

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 on single plants should be made on 60 plants or parts taken from each of 60 plants and any other observations made on all plants in the test.

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*

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.

4.2.1 Cross-pollinated varieties

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

4.2.2 Single cross hybrids and self-pollinated varieties (inbred lines)

For the assessment of uniformity of single cross hybrids and self-pollinated varieties (inbred lines), a population standard of 2% and an acceptance probability of at least 95% should be applied. In the case of a sample size of 200 plants, 7 off-types are allowed.

4.2.3 Hybrids

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. In the case of single cross hybrids, the uniformity standards are set out in Section 4.2.2.

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 material supplied.

4.3.3 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 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:

- (a) Root: length (characteristic 15)
- (b) Root: width (characteristic 16)

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

MG Single measurement of a group of plants or parts of plants – see Section 3.3.1

MS Measurement of a number of individual plants or parts of plants – see Section 3.3.1

VG Visual assessment by a single observation of a group of plants or parts of plants – see Section 3.3.1

VS Visual assessment by observation of individual plants or parts of plants – see Section 3.3.1

(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/Tabla de caracteres

		English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties/ Exemples/ Beispielssorten/ Variedades ejemplos	Note/ Nota
1.	VG	Foliage: attitude	Feuillage: port	Laub: Haltung	Follaje: porte		
QN		erect	dressé	aufrecht	erecto	MS 2	1
		erect to semi erect	dressé à demi-dressé	aufrecht bis halbaufrecht	erecto a semierecto	Countess	2
		semi erect	demi-dressé	halbaufrecht	semierecto	Gladiator	3
		semi erect to prostrate	demi-dressé à étalé	halbaufrecht bis liegend	semierecto a postrado	Guernsey	4
		prostrate	étalé	liegend	postrado		5
2.	VG	Foliage: intensity of green color	Feuillage: intensité de la couleur verte	Laub: Intensität der Grünfärbung	Follaje: intensidad del color verde		
QN		light	claire	hell	claro	Avonresister	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	medio	Alba, Guernsey	5
		dark	foncée	dunkel	oscuro	Andover	7
3.	VG	Foliage: glossiness	Feuillage: brillance	Laub: Glanz	Follaje: brillo		
QN		weak	faible	gering	débil	Avonresister	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	medio	Polar	5
		strong	forte	stark	fuerte	Imperial Crown	7
4.	VG/ MS (+)	Foliage: width of basal leaves at crown	Feuillage: largeur des feuilles basales de la partie supérieure	Laub: Breite der basalen Blätter an der Krone	Follaje: anchura de las hojas basales de la corona		
QN		narrow	étroite	schmal	estrecha	Alba	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	New White Skin	5
		broad	large	breit	ancha	Tender and True	7
5.	VG	Foliage: blistering	Feuillage: cloûture	Laub: Blasigkeit	Follaje: abullonado		
QN		weak	faible	gering	débil	Imperial Crown	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	medio	Avonresister	5
		strong	forte	stark	fuerte	Paragon	7

		English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties/ Exemples/ Beispielssorten/ Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
6.	VG/ MS	Leaf: length	Feuille: longueur	Blatt: Länge	Hoja: longitud		
(*)							
(+)							
QN	(a)	short	courte	kurz	corta	Alba	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	New White Skin	5
		long	longue	lang	larga	Tenor	7
7.	VG/ MS	Leaf: width	Feuille: largeur	Blatt: Breite	Hoja: anchura		
(*)							
(+)							
QN	(a)	narrow	étroite	schmal	estrecha	Arrow	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	New White Skin	5
		broad	large	breit	ancha	Tenor	7
8.	MS	Leaf: distance from widest point to tip	Feuille: distance du point le plus large au sommet	Blatt: Abstand von breitest Stelle bis zur Spitze	Hoja: distancia del punto mas ancho al extremo		
(+)							
QN	(a)	short	petite	klein	pequeña	Alba	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Avonresister	5
		long	grande	groß	grande	Tenor	7
9.	VG	Leaf: division	Feuille: division	Blatt: Fiederung	Hoja: división		
(+)							
QN	(a)	weak	faible	gering	débil	Andover	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Lancer	5
		strong	forte	stark	fuerte	Tender and True	7
10.	VG	Leaflet: division	Foliole: division	Blattfieder: Fiederung	Folíolo: división		
(+)							
QN	(a)	weak	faible	gering	débil	Countess	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	White King	5
		strong	forte	stark	fuerte	Paragon	7

		English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties/ Exemples/ Beispielssorten/ Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
11.	VG	Leaflet: dentation of margin	Foliole: dentelure du bord	Blattfieder: Zähnung des Randes	Folíolo: dentado del borde		
QN	(a)	weak	faible	gering	débil	Avonresister	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	medio	Javelin	5
		strong	forte	stark	fuerte	Countess	7
12.	VG/ MS (+)	Leaflet: size	Foliole: taille	Blattfieder: Größe	Folíolo: tamaño		
QN	(a)	small	petite	klein	pequeño	Arrow	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	medio	Panache	5
		large	grande	groß	grande	Tenor	7
13.	VG	Petiole: intensity of anthocyanin coloration	Pétiole: intensité de la pigmentation anthocyane	Blattstiell: Stärke der Anthocyanfärbung	Pecíolo: intensidad de la pigmentación antociánica		
QN		weak	faible	gering	débil	Tender and True	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	White Gem	5
		strong	forte	stark	fuerte	MS2	7
14.	VG/ MS (*) (+)	Petiole: length	Pétiole: longueur	Blattstiell: Länge	Pecíolo: longitud		
QN		short	court	kurz	corto	Excalibur	3
		medium	moyen	mittel	medio	New White Skin	5
		long	long	lang	largo	Countess	7
15.	VG/ MS (*) (+)	Root: length	Racine: longueur	Rübe: Länge	Raíz: longitud		
QN		short	courte	kurz	corta	Alba	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	White Gem	5
		long	longue	lang	larga	Paragon	7

		English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties/ Exemples/ Beispielssorten/ Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
16.	VG/ MS	Root: width	Racine: largeur	Rübe: Breite	Raíz: anchura		
(*)							
(+)							
QN		narrow	étroite	schmal	estrecha	Arrow	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Tender and True	5
		broad	large	breit	ancha	White King	7
17.	MS	Root: distance from widest point to crown	Racine: distance du point le plus large à la partie supérieure	Rübe: Abstand von breitest Stelle bis zur Krone	Raíz: distancia del punto mas ancho a la corona		
(+)							
QN		short	courte	kurz	corta	Andover	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Tender and True	5
		long	longue	lang	larga	Avonresister, White King	7
18.	VG	Root: shape	Racine: forme	Rübe: Form	Raíz: forma		
(*)							
(+)							
PQ		narrow obtriangular	obtriangulaire étroite	schmal verkehrt dreieckig	obtriangular estrecha	Arrow	1
		obtriangular	obtriangulaire	verkehrt dreieckig	obtriangular	Guernsey	2
		broad obtriangular	obtriangulaire large	breit verkehrt dreieckig	obtriangular ancha	Tender and True	3
		obovate	obovale	verkehrt eiförmig	oboval	Avonresister	4
19.	VG	Root: depth of crown depression	Racine: profondeur de la dépression de la partie supérieure	Rübe: Tiefe der Einsenkung der Krone	Raíz: profundidad de la depresión de la corona		
(*)							
(+)							
QN		shallow	peu profonde	flach	poco profunda	Polar	3
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	New White Skin	5
		deep	profonde	tief	profunda	Avonresister, White King	7

					Example Varieties/ Exemples/ Beispielssorten/ Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
	English	français	deutsch	español		
20.	VG	Root: width of crown depression	Racine: largeur de la dépression de la partie supérieure	Rübe: Breite der Einsenkung der Krone	Raíz: anchura de la depresión de la corona	
(+)	QN	narrow	étroite	schmal	estrecha	Alba
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	Andover
		broad	large	breit	ancha	White Gem, Tenor
21.	VG	Root: external color	Racine: couleur externe	Rübe: Außenfarbe	Raíz: color externo	
	PQ	white	blanche	weiß	blanco	New White Skin
		whitish cream	crème blanchâtre	weißlich cremefarben	crema blanquecino	Gladiator
		cream	crème	cremefarben	crema	Avonresister
22.	VG	Root: surface	Racine: surface	Rübe: Oberfläche	Raíz: superficie	
	QN	very smooth	très lisse	sehr glatt	muy lisa	Javelin
		smooth	lisse	glatt	lisa	Gladiator
		medium	moyenne	mittel	media	White King
		rough	rugueuse	rauh	rugosa	Avonresister
		very rough	très rugueuse	sehr rauh	muy rugosa	Exhibition Long
23.	VG	Root: core width	Racine: largeur du cœur	Rübe: Breite der Mittelzone	Raíz: anchura del corazón	
(+)	QN	narrow	étroit	schmal	estrecho	Arrow
		medium	moyen	mittel	medio	New White Skin
		broad	large	breit	ancho	White King
24.	VG	Root: internal color	Racine: couleur interne	Rübe: Innenfarbe	Raíz: color interno	
	PQ	white	blanche	weiß	blanco	New White Skin
		whitish cream	crème blanchâtre	weißlich cremefarben	crema blanquecino	Gladiator
		cream	crème	cremefarben	crema	Avonresister

8. Explanations on the Table of Characteristics

8.1 *Explanations covering several characteristics*

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

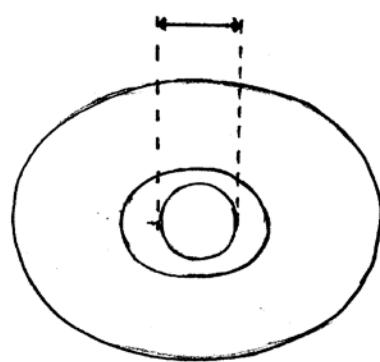
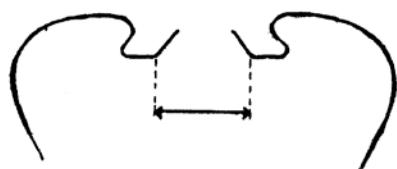
- (a) All observations on the leaf and the leaflet should be made on fully developed plants before harvest maturity.

8.2 *Explanations for individual characteristics*

Ad. 4: Foliage: width of basal leaves at crown

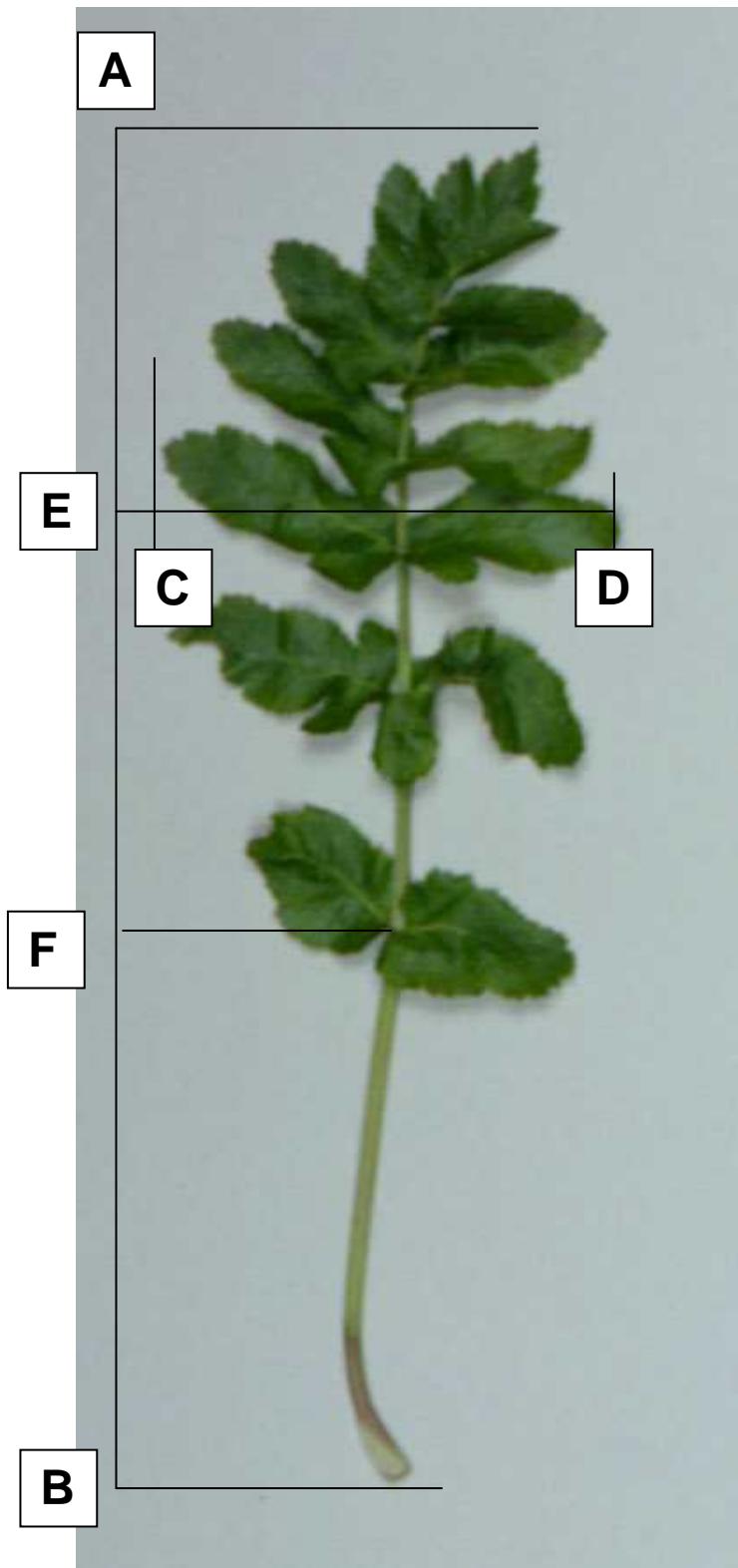
Assessment is easiest when roots are harvested.

Lateral view (longitudinal section)



Top view (looking down on the crown)

Ad. 6, 7, 8: Leaf: length (6), width (7), distance from widest point to tip (8)
Ad. 14: Petiole: length



6. Leaf: length (A-B)
7. Leaf: width (C-D)
8. Leaf: distance from widest point to tip (A-E)
14. Petiole: length (B-F)

Ad. 9: Leaf: division

Leaf division is the amount of tissue on the leaf relative to the leaf size.

The number of leaflets, the extent to which leaflets overlap and the degree to which leaflets are subdivided (particularly when tissue grows upwards from the plane of the leaf) all contribute to the expression of leaf division.



3
weak

5
medium

7
strong

Ad. 10: Leaflet: division

Assessment should be made on the second leaflet on one side of the midrib for each leaf recorded.



3
weak

4
weak to
medium

5
medium

6
medium to
strong

7
strong

Ad. 12: Leaflet: size

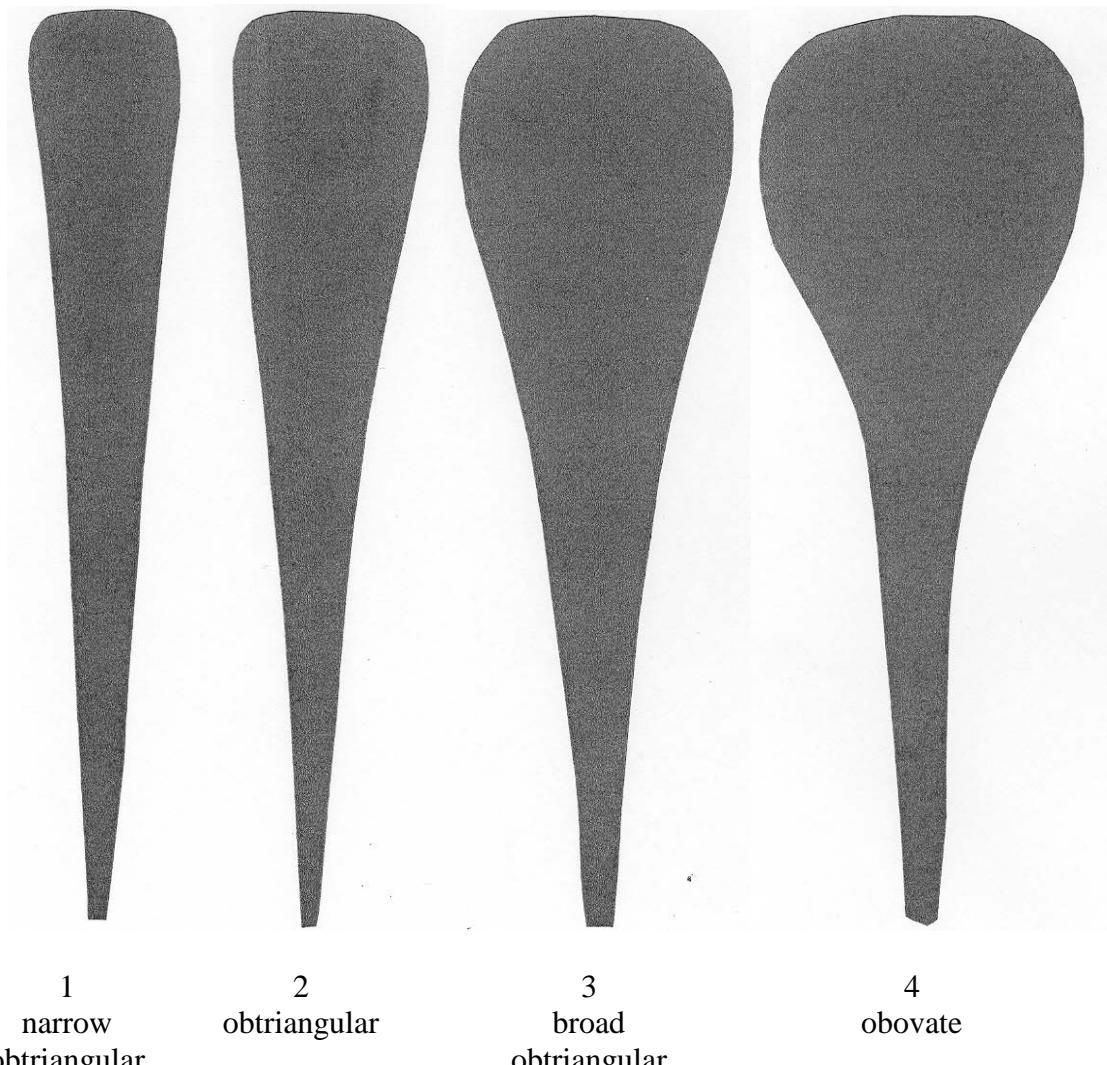
Assessment should be made on the second leaflet on one side of the midrib for each leaf recorded.

Ad. 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 23: Root characteristics



15. Root: length (A-D)
16. Root: width (C-I)
- 17: Root: distance from widest point to crown (A-C)
- 19: Root: depth of crown depression (A-B)
- 20: Root: width of crown depression (E-F)
- 23: Root: core width (G-H)

Ad. 18: Root: shape



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 0 85199 129 7

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> <p>In the case of hybrid varieties which are the subject of an application for plant breeders' rights, and where the parent lines are to be submitted as a part of the examination of the hybrid variety, this Technical Questionnaire should be completed for each of the parent lines, in addition to being completed for the hybrid variety.</p>		
1. Subject of the Technical Questionnaire		
1.1 Latin Name	<i>Pastinaca sativa L.</i>	
1.2 Common Name	Parsnip	
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:
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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)

4.2 Method of propagating the variety

4.2.1 Seed-propagated varieties

- (a) Self-pollination []
- (b) Cross-pollination
 - (i) population []
 - (ii) synthetic variety []
- (c) Hybrid []
- (d) Other []
(please provide details)

4.2.2 Other []
(please provide details)

TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE	Page {x} of {y}	Reference Number:
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).		
Characteristics	Example Varieties	Note
5.1 Leaf: length (6)		
short	Alba	3[]
medium	New White Skin	5[]
long	Tenor	7[]
5.2 Petiole: intensity of anthocyanin coloration (13)		
weak	Tender and True	3[]
medium	White Gem	5[]
strong	MS2	7[]
5.3 Root: length (15)		
short	Alba	3[]
medium	White Gem	5[]
long	Paragon	7[]
5.4 Root: width (16)		
narrow	Arrow	3[]
medium	Tender and True	5[]
broad	White King	7[]
5.5 Root: shape (18)		
narrow obtriangular	Arrow	1[]
obtriangular	Guernsey	2[]
broad obtriangular	Tender and True	3[]
ovovate	Avonresister	4[]

Characteristics	Example Varieties	Note	
5.6 Root: external color (21)			
white	New White Skin	1[]	
whitish cream	Gladiator	2[]	
cream	Avonresister	3[]	
5.7 Root: surface (22)			
very smooth	Javelin	1[]	
smooth	Gladiator	3[]	
medium	White King	5[]	
rough	Avonresister	7[]	
very rough	Exhibition Long	9[]	
6. Similar varieties and differences from these varieties			
<i>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.</i>			
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>Root: external color</i>	<i>whitish cream</i>	<i>cream</i>
Comments:			

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<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 Special conditions for the examination of the variety</p> <p>7.2.1 Are there any special conditions for growing the variety or conducting the examination?</p> <p>Yes [] No []</p> <p>7.2.2 If yes, please give details:</p> <p>7.3 Other information</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>		

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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, scions 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 [] No []
(b) Chemical treatment (e.g. growth retardant or pesticide) Yes [] No []
(c) Tissue culture Yes [] No []
(d) Other factors Yes [] No []

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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