

PROTOCOL FOR DISTINCTNESS, UNIFORMITY AND STABILITY TESTS

Phaseolus vulgaris L.

FRENCH BEAN

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I - SUBJECT OF THE PROTOCOL

The protocol describes the technical procedures to be followed in order to meet the Council Regulation 2100/94 on Community Plant Variety Rights. The technical procedures have been agreed by the Administrative Council and are based on general UPOV Document TG/1/3 and UPOV Guideline TG/12/9 dated 06/04/2005 for the conduct of tests for Distinctness, Uniformity and Stability. This protocol applies to varieties of *Phaseolus vulgaris* L.

II - SUBMISSION OF SEED AND OTHER PLANT MATERIAL

1. The Community Plant Variety Office (CPVO) is responsible for informing the applicant of:

- the closing date for the receipt of plant material;
- the minimum amount and quality of plant material required;
- the examination office to which material is to be sent.

A sub-sample of the material submitted for test will be held in the variety collection as the definitive sample of the candidate variety.

The applicant is responsible for ensuring compliance with any customs and plant health requirements.

2. Final dates for receipt of documentation and material by the Examination Office

The final dates for receipt of requests, technical questionnaires and the final date or submission period for plant material will be decided by the CPVO and each Examination Office chosen.

The Examination Office is responsible for immediately acknowledging the receipt of requests for testing, and technical questionnaires. Immediately after the closing date for the receipt of plant material the Examination Office should inform the CPVO whether acceptable plant material has been received or not. However if unsatisfactory plant material is submitted the CPVO should be informed as soon as possible.

3. Plant material requirements

The final dates for request for technical examination and sending of Technical Questionnaire as well as submission date of plant material by the applicant, and quantity of plant material to be supplied by the applicant are published on the CPVO website and in the S2 official gazette

Quality of seed: Should not be less than the standards laid down for certified seed in Annex 2 of EC Directive 2002/55/EC.

Seed Treatment: The plant material must not have undergone any treatment unless the CPVO and the examination office allow or request such treatment. If it has been treated, full details of the treatment must be given.

Special requirements: -

Labelling of sample: - Species
- File number of the application allocated by the CPVO
- Breeder's reference
- Examination reference (if known)
- Name of applicant
- The phrase "On request of the CPVO".
- In the case of a split sample, the quantity of seed being submitted

III - CONDUCT OF TESTS

1. Variety collection

A variety collection will be maintained for the purpose of establishing distinctness of the candidate varieties in test. A variety collection may contain both living material and descriptive information. A variety will be included in a variety collection only if plant material is available to make a technical examination.

Pursuant to Article 7 of Council Regulation No. 2100/94, the basis for a collection should be the following:

- varieties listed or protected at the EU level or at least in one of the EEA Member States;
- varieties protected in other UPOV Member States;
- any other variety in common knowledge.

The composition of the variety collection in each Examination Office depends on the environmental conditions in which the Examination Office is located.

Variety collections will be held under conditions which ensure the long term maintenance of each accession. It is the responsibility of Examination Offices to replace reference material which has deteriorated or become depleted. Replacement material can only be introduced if appropriate tests confirm conformity with the existing reference material. If any difficulties arise for the replacement of reference material Examination Offices must inform the CPVO. If authentic plant material of a variety cannot be supplied to an Examination Office the variety will be removed from the variety collection.

2. Material to be examined

Candidate varieties will be directly compared with other candidates for Community plant variety rights tested at the same Examination Office, and with appropriate varieties in the variety collection. When necessary an Examination Office may also include other candidates and varieties. Examination Offices should therefore make efforts to co-ordinate the work with other offices involved in DUS-testing of French bean. There should be at least an exchange of technical questionnaires for each candidate variety, and during the test period, Examination Offices should notify each other and the CPVO of candidate varieties which are likely to present problems in establishing distinctness. In order to solve particular problems Examination Offices may exchange plant material.

3. Characteristics to be used

The characteristics to be used in DUS tests and preparation of descriptions shall be those referred to in Annex 1. All the characteristics shall be used, providing that observation of a characteristic is not rendered impossible by the expression of any other characteristic, or the expression of a characteristic is prevented by the environmental conditions under which the test is conducted. In the latter case, the CPVO should be informed. In addition the existence of some other regulation e.g. plant health, may make the observation of the characteristic impossible.

The Administrative Council empowers the President, in accordance with Article 23 of Commission Regulation N° 1239/95, to insert additional characteristics and their expressions in respect of a variety.

4. Grouping of varieties

The varieties and candidates to be compared will 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 and which in their various states of expression are fairly evenly distributed throughout the collection. In the case of continuous grouping characteristics overlapping states of expression between adjacent groups is required to reduce the risks of incorrect allocation of candidates to groups. The characters used for grouping could be the following:

- a) Plant: growth type (characteristic 2)
- b) Flower: colour of standard (characteristic 15)
- c) Pod: shape of cross-section (through seed) (characteristic 21)
- d) Pod: ground colour (characteristic 22)
- e) Pod: stringiness on ventral suture (characteristic 27)
- f) Seed: number of colours (characteristic 41)
- g) Seed: main colour (largest area) (characteristic 42)
- h) Seed: predominant secondary colour (characteristic 43)
- i) Resistance to Bean anthracnose (*Colletotrichum lindemuthianum*), Race Lambda (characteristic 47.1)
- j) Resistance to Bean anthracnose (*Colletotrichum lindemuthianum*), Race 6 (characteristic 47.2)
- k) Resistance to Bean Common Mosaic Virus (BMCV) (characteristic 48)

5. Trial designs and growing conditions

The minimum duration of tests will normally be two independent growing cycles. Tests will be carried out under conditions ensuring normal growth. The size of the plots will be such that plants or parts of plants may be removed for measuring and counting without prejudice to the observations which must be made up to the end of the growing period.

The test design is as follows:

As a minimum each test should include a total of 150 plants for dwarf beans and 60 plants for climbing beans, divided between two replicates.

All observations determined by measurement or counting should be made on 20 plants or parts of 20 plants.

The time of observation:

- (i) - leaf: all observation on the leaf should be made at the time of full flowering (all plants with flowers in bloom);
- (ii) – pod: all observation on the pod should be made at the time of fresh market maturity;
- (iii) – pod: observations on the secondary colour of the pod should be made at maturity;
- (iv) – seed: all observations on the seed should be made on dry seed harvested from the plots.

6. Special tests

In accordance with Article 83(3) of Council Regulation No. 2100/94 an applicant may claim either in the Technical Questionnaire or during the test that a candidate has a characteristic which would be helpful in establishing distinctness. If such a claim is made and is supported by reliable technical data, a special test may be undertaken providing that a technically acceptable test procedure can be devised.

Special tests will be undertaken, with the agreement of the President of CPVO, where distinctness is unlikely to be shown using the characters listed in the protocol.

7. Standards for decisions

a) **Distinctness**

A candidate variety will be considered to be distinct if it meets the requirements of Article 7 of Council Regulation No. 2100/94.

b) **Uniformity**

For the assessment of uniformity a population standard of 1% for both dwarf beans and for climbing beans with an acceptance probability of at least 95% should be applied.

A candidate will be considered to be sufficiently uniform if the number of off-types does not exceed the number of plants as indicated in the table below.

Table of maximum numbers of off-types allowed for uniformity standards

Number of plants	off-types allowed
36-82	2
83-137	3
138-198	4

c) **Stability**

A candidate will be considered to be sufficiently stable when there is no evidence to indicate that it lacks uniformity.

IV - REPORTING OF RESULTS

After each recording season the results will be summarised and reported to the CPVO in the form of a UPOV model interim report in which any problems will be indicated under the headings distinctness, uniformity and stability. Candidates may meet the DUS standards after two growing periods but in some cases three growing periods may be required. When tests are completed the results will be sent by the Examination Office to the CPVO in the form of a UPOV model final report.

If it is considered that the candidate complies with the DUS standards, the final report will be accompanied by a variety description in the format recommended by UPOV. If not the reasons for failure and a summary of the test results will be included with the final report.

The CPVO must receive interim reports and final reports by the date agreed between the CPVO and the examination office.

Interim reports and final examination reports shall be signed by the responsible member of the staff of the Examination Office and shall expressly acknowledge the exclusive rights of disposal of CPVO.

V - LIAISON WITH THE APPLICANT

If problems arise during the course of the test the CPVO should be informed immediately so that the information can be passed on to the applicant. Subject to prior agreement, the applicant may be directly informed at the same time as the CPVO particularly if a visit to the trial is advisable.

The interim report and final report shall be sent by the Examination Office to the CPVO.

VI - ENTRY INTO FORCE

The present protocol enters into force on **12 March 2009**. Any ongoing DUS examination of candidate varieties started before the aforesaid date will not be affected by the approval of the new TP. Technical examinations of candidate varieties are carried out according to the TP in force when the DUS test starts. The starting date of a DUS examination is considered to be the due date for the submission of plant material for the first growing period.

In cases where the CPVO requests to take-over a DUS report for which the technical examination has either been finalized or which is in the process of being carried out at the moment of the request, such report can only be accepted if the technical examination has been carried out according to the CPVO TP which was in force at the moment when the technical examination started.

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Note: For the CPVO numbered characteristics, all characteristics in the table are compulsory; notwithstanding, in the case of disease resistance characteristics, only those resistances marked with an asterisk (*) in the CPVO column are compulsory. The asterisks in the UPOV numbered characteristics are there for information purposes and denote those characteristics which should always be observed when a UPOV guideline is utilised.

In general for the assessment of resistance characteristics, the facilities of other Examination Offices or specialised institutions might be used, subject to previous arrangements.

Some characteristics may be discarded: if there are already phytosanitary restrictions.

C = climbing bean variety

D = dwarf bean variety

(+) See explanations on the table of characteristics

G Grouping characteristic

Types of expression of characteristics:

QL – Qualitative characteristic

QN – Quantitative characteristic

PQ – Pseudo-qualitative characteristic

Type of observation 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

When a method of observation is attributed to a certain characteristic, the first differentiation is made depending if the action taken is a visual observation (V) or a measurement (M).

The second differentiation deals with the number of observations the expert attributes to each variety, thus the attribution of either G or S.

If a single observation of a group consisting of an undefined number of individual plants is appropriate to assess the expression of a variety, we talk about a visual observation or a measurement made on a group of plants, thus we attribute the letter G (either VG or MG). If the expert makes more than one observation on that group of plants, the decisive part is that we have at the end only one data entry per variety which means that we have to deal with G (e.g. measurement of plant length on a plot – MG, visual observation of green colour of leaves on a plot – VG).

If it is necessary to observe a number of individual plants to assess the expression of a variety, we should attribute the letter S (thus either VS or MS). Single plant data entries are kept per variety for further calculations like the variety mean (e.g. measurement of length of ears – MS, visual observation of growth habit of single plants in grasses – VS). The number of individual plants to be observed in such cases is stated in section III.5.

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Technical Questionnaire

ANNEX I

TABLE OF CHARACTERISTICS TO BE USED IN DUS-TEST AND PREPARATION OF DESCRIPTIONS

CPVO No.	UPOV No.	Stage, method	Characteristics	Examples	Note
1.	1.	VG	Plant: anthocyanin colouration of hypocotyl		
QL	QL		absent	Tuf (D)	1
			absent	Delinel (D), Vilbel (D)	9
2.	3.	VG	Plant: growth type		
QL	QL		dwarf	Callide (D), Capitole (D)	1
G			climbing	Phenomene (C), Bacle (C)	2
3.	4.	VG	<u>Climbing beans only</u>: Plant: architecture		
PQ	PQ		pyramidal	Haricot mais	1
			rectangular	Hilda	2
4.	5.	VG	<u>Dwarf beans only</u>: Plant: dwarf type		
PQ	PQ		non-vining	Callide, Capitole	1
			vining	Great Northern, Felspar, Spinel	2
5.	6.	MG/ MS/VG	<u>Dwarf beans only</u>: Plant: height		
QN	QN		low	Goldfish	3
			medium	Fori	5
			high	Nerina, Rote von Paris	7
6. (+)	7. (+)	MG/ MS/VG	<u>Climbing beans only</u>: Plant: start of climbing (80% of plants)		
QN	QN		early	Perle von Marbach	3
			medium	Trebona	5
			late	Record	7
7. (+)	8. (+)	VG	<u>Climbing beans only</u>: Plant: speed of climbing		
QN	QN		slow		3
			medium	Meicy	5
			rapid	Perle von Marbach	7

CPVO No.	UPOV No.	Stage, method	Characteristics	Examples	Note
8. QN	9. QN	VG	Leaf: intensity of green colour		
			very light		1
			light	Rote von Paris (D), Goldelfe (C)	3
			medium	Fori (D), Valja (D)	5
			dark	Dubra (D), Goldfish (D), Silvia (C)	7
			very dark	Diva (D)	9
9. QN	10. QN	VG	Leaf: rugosity		
			absent or very weak	IPR Gruana (C), IPR Uirapuru (C)	1
			weak	Goldfish (D), Groffy (D), Valja (D), Record (C)	3
			medium	Butterzart (D), Fillety (D), Fiori (D), Neckarkönigin (C)	5
			strong	Loma (D)	7
			very strong	Brede Z.dr (D)	9
10. QN	11. QN	VG	Terminal leaflet: size		
			small	Goldfish (D)	3
			medium	Prelude (D)	5
			large	Facta (D), Longking (D), Rote von Paris (D)	7
11. (+) PQ	12. (+) PQ	VG	Terminal leaflet: shape		
			triangular	Aber (D), Candide (D)	1
			triangular to circular	Facta (D)	2
			circular	Acarli (D), Felix (D), Niver (D)	3
			circular to quadrangular	Calas (D), Capitole (D), Dorabel (D)	4
			quadrangular	Ace (D), Carlyn (D), Madrigal (D)	5
12. (+) QN	13. (+) QN	VG	Terminal leaflet: apex		
			short acuminate		3
			medium acuminate	Goldfish (D), Tuf (D)	5
			long acuminate	Flo (D), Nerina (D), Prelude (D)	7

CPVO No.	UPOV No.	Stage, method	Characteristics	Examples	Note
13.	14.	VG	<u>Dwarf beans only</u>: Inflorescences: location (at full flowering)		
QN	QN		in foliage	Ryco	1
			partly in foliage	Valja, Tuf	2
			above foliage	Daisy, Goldetta	3
14.	15.	VG	Flower: size of bract		
QN	QN		small	Fanion (D), Nerina (D), Ryco (D), Fidel (C), Markant (C)	3
			medium	Torrina (D), Meicy (C)	5
			large	Label (D), Pfälzer Juni (D), Toplong (C)	7
15.	16.	VG	Flower: colour of standard		
PQ	PQ		white	Tuf (D)	1
			pinkish white		2
			pink	Maxi (D), Vilbel (D)	3
G			violet	Delinel (D), Purple Teepee (D)	4
16.	17.	VG	Flower: colour of wing		
PQ	PQ		white	Tuf (D)	1
			pinkish white	Signal (D)	2
			pink	Maxi (D), Vilbel (D)	3
			violet	Delinel (D), Purple Teepee (D)	4
17.1	18.	MS	<u>Dwarf beans only</u>: Pod: length (excluding beak)		
QN	QN		very short		1
			short	Prelude, Tuf	3
			medium	Amity, Lusía	5
			long	Dubra, Loma	7
			very long	Daisy, Longking, Maja	9

CPVO No.	UPOV No.	Stage, method	Characteristics	Examples	Note
17.2	19.	MS	<u>Climbing beans only</u>: Pod: length (excluding beak)		
QN	QN		very short		1
			short	Juwagold	3
			medium		5
			long	Fidel	7
			very long	Toplong	9
18. (+)	20. (+)	MS	Pod: width at maximum point		
QN	QN		narrow	Cabri (D), Tuf, (D) Necores (C)	3
			medium	Regulex (D), Meicy (C)	5
			broad	Pfälzer Juni (D), Perle von Marbach (C)	7
19. (+)	21. (+)	MS/VG	Pod: transversal width		
QN	QN		very narrow	Booster (D)	1
			narrow	Bergamo (D), Rentegevers (C)	3
			medium	Impact (D), Flagrano (D), Donna (C)	5
			broad	Maxidor (D), Mondiam (D), Emerite (C)	7
			very broad	Kerprim (D), Neckarkönigin (C)	9
20. (+)	23.	MS/VG	Pod: ratio transversal width/width at maximum point		
QN	QN		small	Pascal (D), Pfälzer Juni (D), Regulex (D)	3
			medium	Tuf (D)	5
			large	Tendercrop White Seeded (D)	7

CPVO No.	UPOV No.	Stage, method	Characteristics	Examples	Note
21. (+)	22. (+)	VG	Pod: shape of cross section (through seed)		
PQ	PQ		narrow elliptic		1
			elliptic to ovate	Pascal (D), Pfälzer Juni (D), Regulex (D)	2
			cordate	Daisy (D)	3
			circular	Tuf (D)	4
G			eight shaped	Tendercrop White Seeded (D)	5
22. (+)	24. (+)	VG	Pod: ground colour		
QL	QL		yellow	Goldfish (D), Golddukat (D), Goldmarie (C)	1
			green	Diva (D), Filetty (D), Fortissima (C)	2
G			violet	Purpiat (D), Purple Teepee (D)	3
23. (+)	25. (+)	VG	Pod: intensity of ground colour		
QN	QN		light	Erato (D), Fortissima (C)	3
			medium	Gabriella (D), Filetty (D), Prelude (D)	5
			dark	Decibel (D), Golddukat (D), Purpiat (D)	7
24.	26.	VG	Pod: secondary colour		
QL	QL		absent	Tuf (D)	1
			present	Marbel (D)	9
25.	27.	VG	Pod: hue of secondary colour		
QL	QL		pink	IPR Juriti (C)	1
			red	Borlotto lingua di fuoco 2 (C)	2
			violet	Marbel (D)	3
26.	28.	VG	Pod: density of flecks of secondary colour		
QN	QN		sparse		3
			medium		5
			dense		7

CPVO No.	UPOV No.	Stage, method	Characteristics	Examples	Note
27. (+)	29. (+)	VG	Pod: stringiness on ventral suture		
QL	QL		absent	Cabri (D), Tuf (D)	1
G			present	Facta (D), Marbel (D)	9
28. (+)	30. (+)	VG	Pod: degree of curvature		
			absent or very weak		1
QN	QN		weak	Nerina (D)	3
			medium		5
			strong	Goldfish (D), Groffy (D), Ryco (D)	7
			very strong		9
29. (+)	31. (+)	VG	Pod: shape of curvature		
			concave	Admires (D)	1
PQ	PQ		s-shaped	Ideaal (D)	2
			convex	Calima (D)	3
30. (+)	32. (+)	VG	Pod: shape of distal part (excluding beak)		
PQ	PQ		acute	Aiguillon (D), Calas (D), Cesar (D)	1
			acute to truncate	Aiguille vert (D), Faria (D)	2
			truncate	Afrio (D), Alcade (D), Divel (D)	3
31.	33.	MS/VG	Pod: length of beak		
QN	QN		short	Amity (D), Ryco (D)	3
			medium	Goldfish (D), Optimus (D)	5
			long	Facta (D), Golddukat (D), Vilbel (D)	7
32.	34.	VG	Pod: curvature of beak		
QN	QN		absent or very weak		1
			weak	Nerina (D)	3
			medium		5
			strong	Goldfish (C), Groffy (D), Ryco (D)	7
			very strong		9

CPVO No.	UPOV No.	Stage, method	Characteristics	Examples	Note
33.	35.	VG	Pod: texture of surface		
QN	QN		smooth	Prelude (D), Tuf (D)	3
			moderately rough	Daisy (D), Longking (D), Blauhilde (C)	5
			very rough		7
34.	36.	VS/VG	Pod: constrictions (at dry stage)		
QN	QN		absent or very weak	Pascal (D), Regulex (D)	1
			moderate		2
			strong	Mechelse Tros (C)	3
35.	37.	MS/MG	Seed: weight		
(+)	(+)		very low	Cabri (D), Decibel (D), Label (D)	1
QN	QN		low	Belfin (D), Ingo (D)	3
			medium	Duplika (D), Konservenstolz (D), Juwagold (C)	5
			high	Regulex (D), Fidel (C)	7
			very high	Facta (D), Rote von Paris (D), Precoces (C)	9
36.	38.	VG	Seed: shape of median longitudinal section		
(+)	(+)		circular	Coblan (D), Coco nain blanc précoce (D), Rapsani (D)	1
PQ	PQ		circular to elliptic	Coco noir (D)	2
			elliptic	Nerina (D), Pros (D), Tuf (D)	3
			kidney-shaped	Orex (D), Palmares (D), Re Mida (D), Rubico (D)	4
			rectangular	Polanka (D)	5
37.	39.	VG	<u>Varieties with kidney-shaped seed only:</u> Seed: degree of curvature		
QN	QN		weak	Farcybel (D), Janus (D), Jakar (D)	3
			medium	Faria (D), Farno (D), Niver (D)	5
			strong	Chevrier vert (D), Hador (D)	7

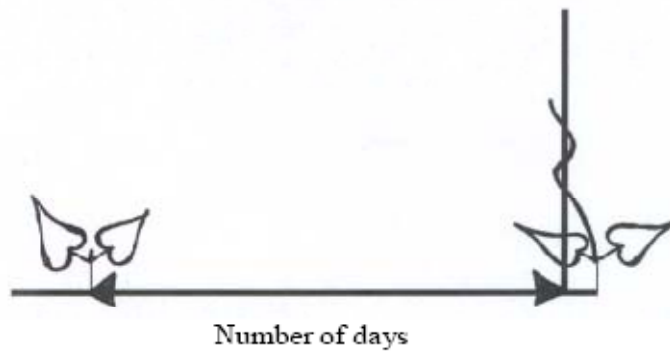
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38.	40.	VG	Seed: shape of median cross-section		
(+)	(+)		flat	Soisson nain hatif (D)	1
PQ	PQ		narrow elliptic	Roi de Belges (D), Samurai (D)	2
			medium elliptic	Orlinel (D), Pluto (D), Rachel (D)	3
			broad elliptic	Obélique (D), Odessa (D), Primanor	4
			circular	Pactol (D), Romulus (D), Starnel	5
39.	41.	MS/VG	Seed: width in cross-section		
(+)	(+)		narrow	Cabri (D), Golddukat (D)	3
QN	QN		medium		5
			broad	Pfälzer Juni (D), Rote von Paris (D)	7
40.	42.	MS/VG	Seed: length		
(+)	(+)		short	Raba (D)	3
QN	QN		medium	Igolomska (D)	5
			long	Nigeria (D)	7
41.	43.	VG	Seed: number of colours		
QL	QL		one		1
			two		2
G			more than two		3
42.	44.	VG	Seed: main colour (largest area)		
PQ	PQ		white	Goldfish (D), Tuf (D)	1
			green or greenish	Muriel (D), Pascal (D)	2
			grey		3
			yellow	Gele Citroen (D)	4
			beige	Purple Teepee (D), Blauhilde (C)	5
			brown	Primel (D), Sunray (D)	6
			red	Flageolet rouge (D)	7
			violet		8
G			black	Delinel (D), Vilbel (D)	9

CPVO No.	UPOV No.	Stage, method	Characteristics	Examples	Note
43.	45.	VG	Seed: predominant secondary colour		
(+)	(+)		grey		1
PQ	PQ		yellow		2
			beige		3
			brown		4
			red	Fiori (D)	5
			violet	Marbel (D)	6
G			black	Brittle Wax (D)	7
44.	46.	VG	Seed: distribution of secondary colour		
(+)	(+)		around hilum	Brittle Wax (D)	1
QL	QL		on half of grain		2
			on entire grain		3
45.	47.	VG	Seed: veining		
QN	QN		weak	Prelude (D), Ryco (D)	3
			medium	Loma (D)	5
			strong	Daisy (D), Flo (D)	7
46.	48.	VS/VG	Time of flowering (50% of the plants with at least one flower)		
QN	QN		very early	Pfälzer Juni (D)	1
			early	Prelude (D), Fortissima (C), Perle von Marbach (C)	3
			medium	Fanion (D), Groffy (D), Hilda (C), Precores (C)	5
			late	Necores (C)	7
			very late		9
47.	49.	VS/VG	Resistance to Bean anthracnose (<i>Colletotrichum lindemuthianum</i>)		
(+)	(+)				
47.1	49.1		Race Lambda		
QL	QL		absent	Goldrush, Masai, Michelet	1
G			present	Booster, Pastoral	9

CPVO No.	UPOV No.	Stage, method	Characteristics	Examples	Note
47.2 (*)		VS/VG	Race 6		
QL			absent	Goldrush, Masai, Michelet	1
G			present	Booster, Pastoral	9
47.3	49.2	VS/VG	Race Kappa		
QL	QL		absent	Goldrush, Masai, Michelet	1
			present	Booster, Pastoral	9
48. (+) (*)	50. (+)	VS/VG	Resistance to Bean Common Mosaic Virus (BCMV)		
QL	QL		absent	Dufrix, Flandria	1
			present with necrosis	Booster, Odessa	2
G			present without symptoms	Bizet	3
49. (+)	51. (+)	VS/VG	Resistance to Halo Blight (<i>Pseudomonas savastanoi</i> pv. <i>phaseolicola</i>), Race 6		
QL	QL		absent	Michelet	1
			present	Masai , Vaillant	9
50. (+)	52. (+)	VS/VG	Resistance to Common Blight (<i>Xanthomonas campestris</i> pv. <i>phaseoli</i>), Isolate 422		
QL	QL		absent	Echo (D), Keygold (D)	1
			present	Walley (US line) (D)	9

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Ad 6: Climbing beans only: Plant: start of climbing (80% of plants)



Ad 7: Climbing beans only: Plant: speed of climbing

Number of days between the cotyledon leaf stage and reaching a height of 1.5 meters.

Ad 11: Terminal leaflet: shape



1
triangular

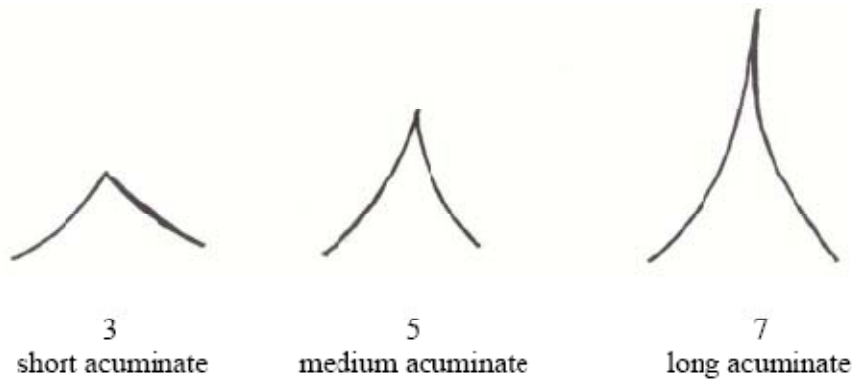


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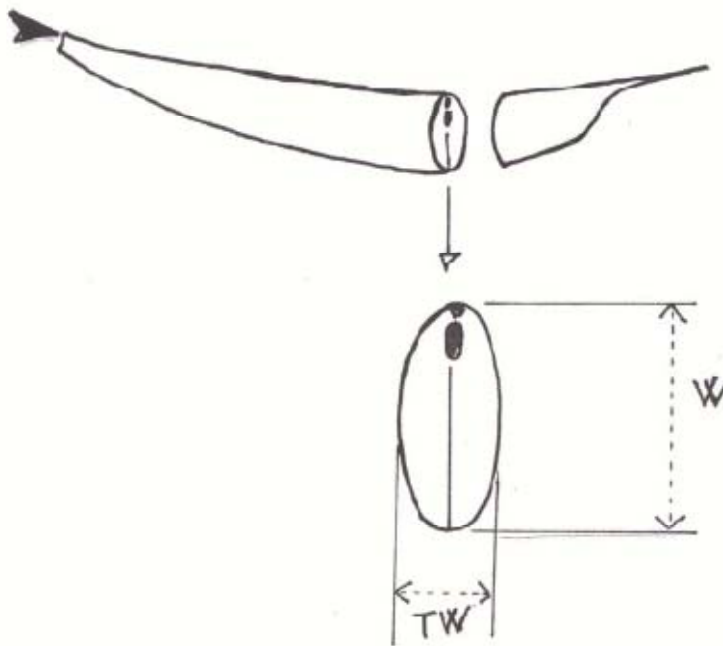


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quadrangular

Ad 12: Terminal leaflet: apex

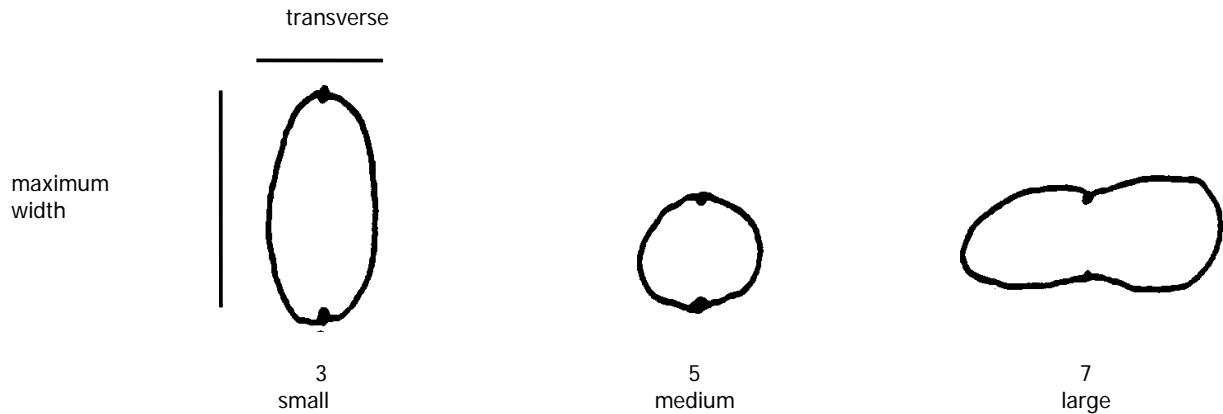


Ad 18, 19: Pod: width at maximum point
Pod: transversal width

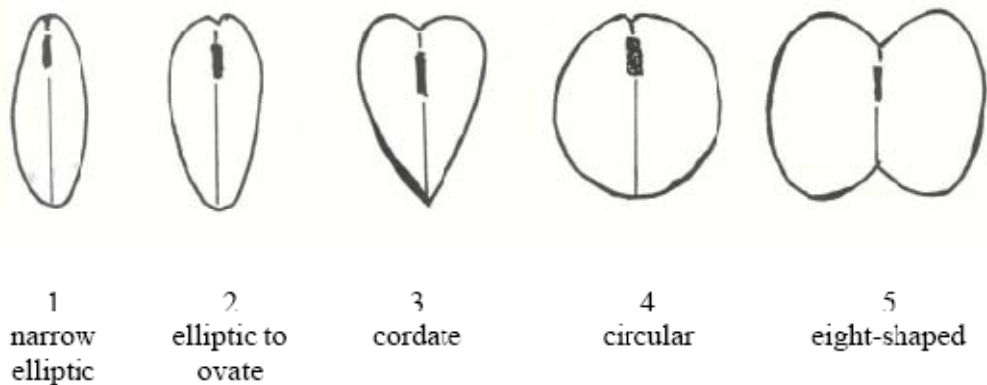


W = width at maximum point (characteristic 18)
TW = transversal width (characteristic 19)

Ad 20: Pod: ratio transversal width/width at maximum point



Ad 21: Pod: shape of cross section (through seed)



Ad 22, 23: Pod: ground colour

Pod: intensity of ground colour

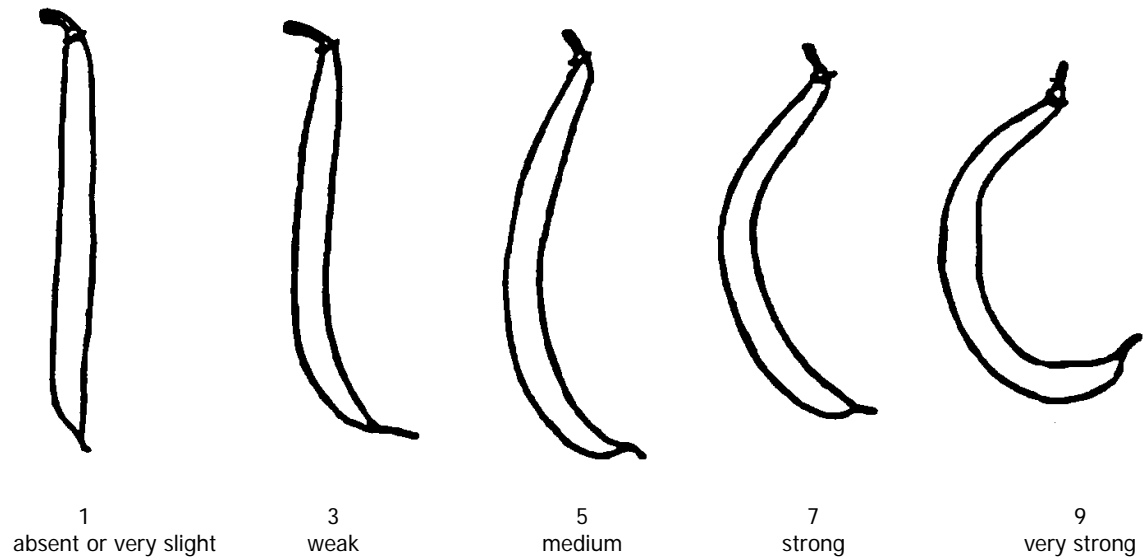
Characteristic 22: Pod: ground colour			
Characteristic 23: Pod: intensity of ground colour	yellow (1)	green (2)	violet (3)
light (3)	Erato (D), Frühe dickfleischige Wachs (D), Goldmarie (C)	Rabl (D), Ragalla (D), Ryco (D), Fortissima (C)	
medium (5)	Gabriella(D), Goldfish (D), Goldelfe (C)	Filetty (D), Prelude (D), Tuf (D)	
dark (7)	Golddukat (D)	Decibel (D), Diva (D), Verona (D), Vilbel (D)	Purpiat (D), Purple Teepee (D), Blauhilde (C)

Ad 27: Pod: stringiness on ventral suture

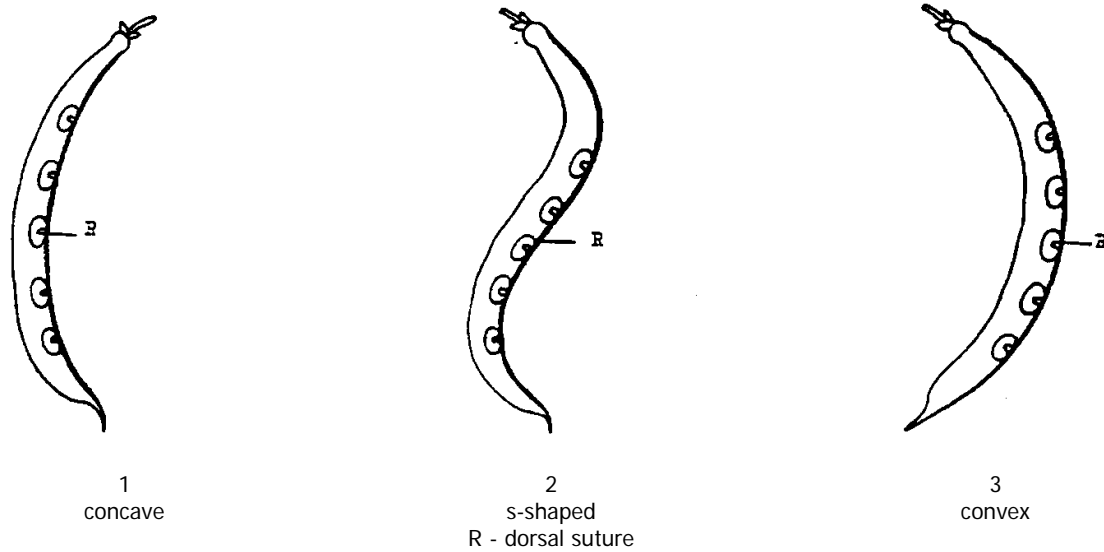
This characteristic should be observed just after the fresh market stage, by breaking the beak and pulling it from the pod. The stringiness emerges from the ventral suture of the pod.

The string is very strong and should not be confused with the oakum, for example, which has a weaker structure.

Ad 28: Pod: degree of curvature



Ad 29: Pod: shape of curvature



Ad 30: Pod: shape of distal part (excluding beak)



3
acute



5
acute to truncate



7
truncate

Ad 35: Seed: weight

The seed weight should be measured on four samples of 100 seeds.

Ad 36: Seed: shape of median longitudinal section



1
circular



2
circular to
elliptic



3
elliptic



4
kidney-
shaped

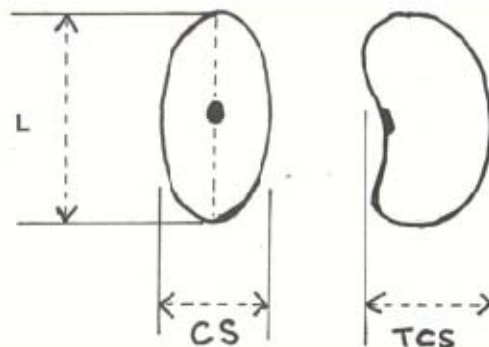


5
rectangular

Ad 38, 39, 40: Seed: shape of median cross section

Seed: width in cross section

Seed: length



CS = shape of median cross section (38)

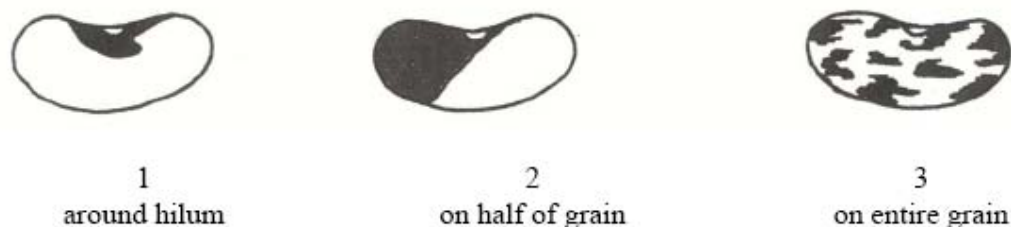
TCS = width in longitudinal cross section (39)

L = length (40)

Ad 43: Seed: predominant secondary colour

The predominant secondary colour is the colour with the second largest area. If several secondary colours exist, the competent authorities will add one or more characteristics as necessary.

Ad 44: Seed: distribution of secondary colour



Ad 47: Resistance to Bean anthracnose (*Colletotrichum lindemuthianum*)

Maintenance of strains

Long term storage of strains: at -80°C in 20% glycerol

A strain that does not break the Are gene, for example strain Cl.6.A from SERIDA (Spain), belonging to race 6 is used.

Strains can be subcultured on PDA or Mathur media.

Explanation of differences between races

Colletotrichum lindemuthianum is a pathogen with highly variable virulence characteristics. Races are defined with a set of differential lines coded A-L (Table 1). Some races have been denominated with a Greek letter (e.g. Lambda, Kappa). More recently, all races have been defined by binary race names (the sum of the binary values of susceptible differentials).

Resistance against *Colletotrichum lindemuthianum* is also genetically diverse. For example race 31 (kappa) breaks the resistance in differential D and E and race 55 (lambda) breaks the resistance in differential E and F. Race 6 does not break the resistance in D, E and F.

Race 6, 31 and 55 do not break the resistances in differentials G-L and resistances based on combinations of resistance genes.

There are many more races than the three mentioned here. The importance of races may vary between regions.

		Old race name		-	Lambda	Kappa
		Binary race name		6	55	31
Letter code	Binary value	Gene	Differential			
A	1		Michelite	R	S	S
B	2	Co-1	Michigan Dark Red Kidney	S	S	S
C	4	Co-1-3	Perry Marrow	S	S	S
D	8	Co-2 (Are)	Cornell 49242	R	R	S
E	16	Co-1-2	Widusa	R	S	S
F	32	Co-3	Kaboon	R	S	R
G	64		Mexico 222	R	R	R
H	128		PI 207262	R	R	R
I	256	Co-4	TO	R	R	R
J	512	Co-5	TU	R	R	R
K	1024	Co-6	AB 136	R	R	R
L	2048	Co-4-2/5/7	G 2333	R	R	R

Execution of test

Growth stage of plants

For inoculation by soaking seeds:

Pregermination of seeds in Petri dishes with moistured filter paper or on vermiculite for 4-5 days.

For inoculation by spraying cotyledons:

Seeds are sown on vermiculite or blotter for 2 days and transplanted in soil for 3 days.

The following varieties are used as controls. Each line will be represented by at least one variety which can be chosen in the varieties indicated. Pastoral can be added as resistant control as it has a weaker resistance and can give an indication on aggressiveness of the test

Variety	Resistance phenotype
Goldrush, Michelet à longue cosse, Masai	S
Booster	R

S = resistance absent; deeply sunken lesions or plant death

R = resistance present; superficial lesions or no symptoms

Temperature:

Test performed in climatic chambers or greenhouse at 20 -22°C. A high humidity is important for symptoms development.

Inoculum:

Colletotrichum lindemuthianum is grown on PDA or Mathur media for 7-20 days at 20 to 25°C. Spores are harvested with a scraper and suspension is adjusted to 10⁶sp/ml.

Method of inoculation

Two methods can be used for inoculation:

By soaking seeds:

Pre-germinated seeds are soaked in the inoculum suspension for 2 min. Seeds are transplanted in soil after inoculation.

By spraying cotyledons:

5 days after sowing cotyledons are sprayed with inoculum suspension.

Duration of test

12-14 days from sowing to notation.

Number of plants tested:

At least 20 plants.

Notation:

When symptoms are well developed on S control (usually after 7 to 14 days post inoculation).

Notation scale:

For soaking seeds: 4 qualitative classes

0: no symptoms

1: weak reaction with small superficial necrosis (dots or stripes)

2: deeply sunken necrotic flecks on hypocotyl or stem and /or strong reaction with necrosis larger than 3 mm sunk deeply into the tissue

3: dying plants

For spraying cotyledons:

No symptoms

Necrosis observed on plants (hypocotyls, stems, veins)

Analysis of results:

For soaking seeds:

R: classes 0: no symptoms and 1: superficial lesions
S: classes 2: deeply sunken lesions and 3: plant death

For spraying cotyledons:

R: no symptoms, some flecks of necrosis can occur in the stem and some necrosis in the cotyledons.
S: deep necrosis observed on plants

Ad 48: Resistance to Bean Common Mosaic Virus (BCMV)

Preliminary note on the BCMV/BCMV complex of virus species

Bean common mosaic (BCM) symptoms may be caused by two distinct virus species (BCMV and BCMNV) corresponding with serotype A (BCMV) and B (BCMV) (Mink 1992, 1994; McKern 1992). These two viruses have been classified into seven pathogenicity groups based on their virulence pattern on a differential set of 11 varieties. Pathogenicity group PG-6 comprises the BCMNV strains NL3 and NL5. NL3 and NL5 have the ability to induce necrosis on bean varieties with gene I. Some strains have this ability only at high temperatures. The extent of necrosis may vary from local vein necrosis to top necrosis or in extreme cases whole plant necrosis (commonly called blackroot). Higher temperatures (26-32°C) generally enhance necrosis and mosaic symptom expression compared with lower temperatures (20-25°C) (Drijfhout, 1978; Mavric and Sustar-Vozlic, 2004).

"In response to NL3 strain, the I+bc12 restricts necrosis to the veins of the inoculated leaves, a symptom referred to as localized vein necrosis; I+bc22 restricts necrosis to small lesions on the inoculated leaf, a symptom referred to as local lesion necrosis" (Miklas et al, 2000).

Maintenance of BCMNV strains

Strains are long term stored as desiccated leaves below 10°C (BOS). The Pathogenicity group PG-06 represented by strains NL5 or NL3 are used. Strains should be multiplied on the susceptible control before being used for inoculation of the test.

Execution of test

Growth stage of plants

Plants are grown in greenhouse or growth chamber until the first expanded leaf stage.

The following varieties are used as controls for NL3 and NL5 strains. Each line will be represented by at least one variety which can be chosen in the varieties indicated. Within each class there may be considerable variation in the phenotypic expression of the symptoms.

Variety	Resistance phenotype NL3 or NL5
Dufrix, Flandria	S
Booster, Odessa	RN
Bizet	R

R = resistance present; no symptoms

RN = resistance present with vein or top necrosis

S = resistance absent; mosaic; leaf rolling

Temperature:

Test performed in climatic chambers or greenhouse at 25°C with an optional 5-7 days period at 30°C just after inoculation.

Method of inoculation

Mechanical inoculation by rubbing first expanded leaves with an inoculum solution consisting of symptomatic leaves grinded in a buffer with carborundum added. Leaves can be rinsed after inoculation.

Duration of test

At least 21 days from sowing to notation.

Number of plants tested:
At least 20 plants.

Notation:

When mosaic symptoms are well developed on S control (usually after 13-21 days)

Notation scale: 3 qualitative classes

1: mosaics and/or leaf rolling

2: top necrosis, or vein necrosis and/or small necrotic lesions in the leaf. Top necrosis is a systemic necrosis beginning at the apex of the plant whereas vein necrosis is a brown necrotic netting localized on veins.

3: without symptoms

Analysis of results:

S: 1: mosaics or leaf deformation

R: 2: top or vein necrosis. Top necrosis is a systemic necrosis whereas vein necrosis is a brown necrotic netting localized on veins.

R: 3: without symptoms

Genetic background

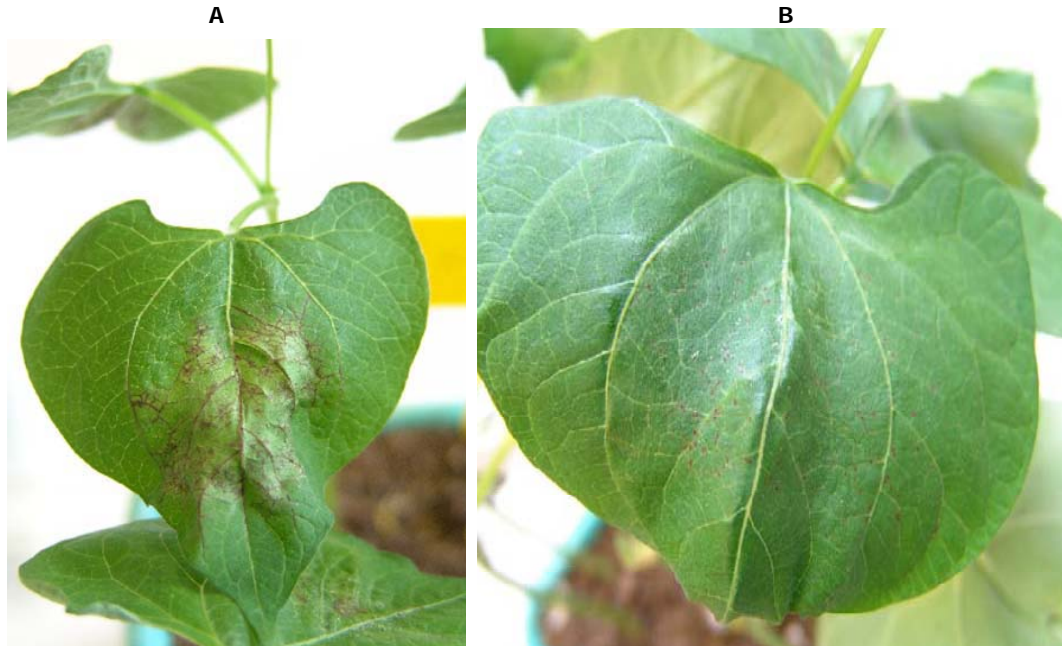
One dominant and several recessive resistance genes have been described. The dominant gene I is responsible for the necrotic response to specific virus strains and absence of symptoms to other strains. Several recessive bc genes may cause resistance without necrotic response.

These bc genes need to be combined with one or more other bc genes for being effective. The presence of bc genes or gene combinations may suppress the necrotic response of the I gene partially or completely. In that case the I gene is said to be "protected" by the action of the bc gene or genes (Strausbaugh et al, 2003; Vandemark and Miklas, 2005).

BCMV Pathogenicity Group VI resistance (example strains: NL3 and NL5)

		Phenotype	Resistance Genes
1	resistance present	healthy	I gene + bc gene(s) or only bc genes
2	resistance present	necrosis	I gene + bc gene(s) or only I gene
3	resistance absent	mosaic; leafroll	

Picture 1: BCMNV: Symptoms of vein necrosis (A) and small necrotic lesions (B)



Ad 49: Resistance to Halo Blight (*Pseudomonas savastanoi* pv. *phaseolicola*)

Maintenance of strains

Isolates are long term stored at -80°C in glycerol (20%) or cryovial.

Race 6 represented by isolates PRI113, 7722a or HRI1299A is used.

Race 6 is the most frequent in Europe. Breeders use a broad (race-nonspecific) specific resistance. The use of an isolate of race 6 confirms broad resistance.

Isolates can be multiplied on King's B or YBC media.

Address of the following laboratories are able to provide isolates:

PRI113,: Naktuinbouw, NL

7722a : GEVES, FR

HRI1299A: HRI Warwick, UK INIA, ES (maintenance lab)

Execution of test

Growth stage of plants

Plants are grown in climatic chamber (or in glasshouse) for 7 to 15 days (first leaves stage just expanded).

The following standard varieties are used as controls. At least one resistant and one susceptible standard variety is necessary.

<u>Standard variety</u>	<u>Phenotype</u>
Michelet à longue cosse	Susceptible
Masai, Vaillant	Resistant

S = resistance absent; water-soaked lesions, with or without halo and with or without systemic chlorosis.

R = resistance present; necrotic spots without water-soaked lesions or no symptom.

Temperature

Test performed in climatic chambers or in glasshouse at 18 to 20°C which represent the best conditions for symptom development. If temperatures are lower, symptoms will take longer time to develop. If temperatures are higher, less symptoms or necrotic symptoms will be obtained. A 100% relative humidity is important for symptoms development, especially in the first 24 hours after inoculation.

Inoculum

Pseudomonas savastanoi pv. *phaseolicola* is grown on King B or YBC medium for 1-4 days at 27°C.
A bacterial suspension with a concentration of 10⁸ cfu/mL is used.

Method of inoculation

An inoculation by spraying leaves with pressure (2 bars) until runoff will be preferred. For this purpose several equipments may be used: atomizer, paint brush, with a pressure supplier (compressor, bottles with propane/isobutene). Otherwise rubbing leaves with carborundum and sponge is possible.

Duration of test

2 to 4 weeks from sowing to notation.

Number of plants tested

At least 20 plants.

Notation

7-14 days after inoculation when symptoms are well developed on susceptible control. If symptoms are recorded later, wrong interpretation could occur.

Notation scale

Results observed on susceptible (resistance absent) and resistant (resistance present):

Resistant:

- no symptoms,
- necrotic pinpoints.

Susceptible:

- halo,
- water-soaked (looking oily) lesions,
 - o few
 - o many
- water-soaked lesions becoming necrotic in time (larger than pinpoints),
- deformation and chlorosis on first trifoliolate leaves (phaseolotoxine),
- necrosis on stems,
- plants dying.

Inoculation may produce some damage on susceptible and resistant plants.

Analysis of results

Analysis of results should be calibrated with results on R and S controls.

Ad 50: Resistance to Common Blight (*Xanthomonas campestris* pv. *phaseoli*), Isolate 422

Method

Maintenance of races

Type of medium: Infected, dry leaves

Execution of test

Growth stage of plants: The first and second trifoliolate leaves of 2 to 3 cm length

Temperature: Day: 26°C; night: 20°C

Humidity: 100% relative humidity during and 1 to 2 days after inoculation, thereafter normal relative humidity

Growing method: In the glasshouse

Inoculum: Bacterial suspension with a concentration of 10⁸ bacterial cells/ml.

Method of inoculation Mechanical, using a camel-hair brush

Duration of test

- from inoculation to reading:..... Until infected leaves are fully developed

Number of plants tested:..... 10-20 plants

Multiplication/propagation of bacteria: 20 g extract of yeast powder, 20 g glucose, 20 g CaCO₃, 20 g agar-agar/1000 ml distilled water)

Remarks: - Isolate 422 can be obtained from the Vegetable Research Institute, 1775 Budapest, P.O.Box 95, Hungary.

- The reaction of pods to *X. phaseoli* is not yet clear enough today.

Legend of illustration following hereafter:



healthy tissue



(2) dying tissues



(1) chlorotic tissue



(3) some cell-size brownish red hypersensitive necrotic spots

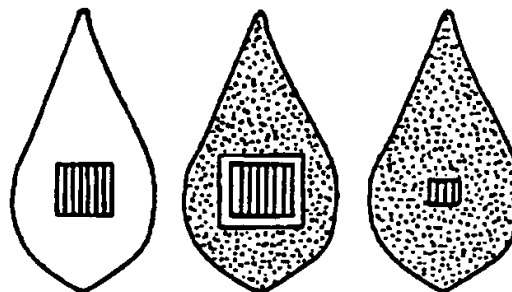
Scheme of observation

If chlorotic tissues (1) and/or dying tissue (2) are observed, the variety should be regarded as non-resistant.

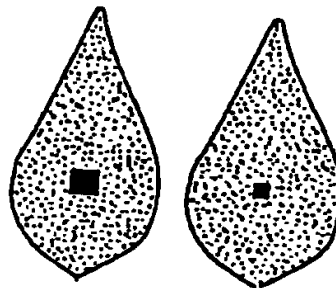
If only some cell-size brownish red hypersensitive necrotic spots (3) are observed, the variety should be regarded as resistant.

Possible combinations of symptoms

Resistance absent



Resistance present



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ANNEXE II



TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE

to be completed in connection with an application for Community Plant Variety Rights
Please answer all questions. A question without any answer will lead to a non-attribution
of an application date. In cases where a field / question is not applicable, please state so.

1. **Botanical taxon:** Name of the genus, species or sub-species to which the variety belongs and common name

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2. **Applicant(s):** Name(s) and address(es), phone and fax number(s), Email address, and where appropriate name and address of the procedural representative

3. **Variety denomination**

a) Where appropriate proposal for a variety denomination:

b) Provisional designation (breeder's reference):

<p>4. Information on origin, maintenance and reproduction of the variety</p> <p>4.1 Breeding, maintenance and reproduction of the variety Please indicate breeding scheme, parents, other relevant information</p>		
<p>4.2 Geographical origin of the variety: the region and the country in which the variety was bred or discovered and developed</p>		
<p>4.3 Shall the information on data relating to components of hybrid varieties including data related to their cultivation be treated as confidential?</p> <p>[] YES [] NO</p> <p>If yes, please give this information on the attached form for confidential information.</p> <p>If no, please give information on data relating to components of hybrid varieties including data related to their cultivation:</p> <p>Breeding scheme (indicate female component first)</p>		
<p>5. Characteristics of the variety to be indicated (the number in brackets refers to the corresponding characteristic in the CPVO Protocol; please mark the state of expression which best corresponds).</p>		
Characteristics	Example varieties	Note
<p>5.1 (2) Plant: growth type</p> <p>dwarf</p> <p>climbing</p>	<p>Callide (D), Capitole (D)</p> <p>Phenomene (C), Bacle (C)</p>	<p>1 []</p> <p>2 []</p>
<p>5.2 (15) Flower: colour of standard</p> <p>white</p> <p>pinkish white</p> <p>pink</p> <p>violet</p>	<p>Tuf (D)</p> <p>Maxi (D), Vilbel (D)</p> <p>Delinel (D), Purple Teepee (D)</p>	<p>1 []</p> <p>2 []</p> <p>3 []</p> <p>4 []</p>

Characteristics	Example varieties	Note
5.3.1 (17.1) <u>Dwarf beans only: Pod: length (exclucing beak)</u> very short short medium long very long	 Prelude (D), Tuf (D) Amity (D), Lusia (D) Dubra (D), Loma (D) Daisy (D), Longking (D), Maja (D)	 1 [] 3 [] 5 [] 7 [] 9 []
5.3.2 (17.2) <u>Climbing beans only: Pod: length (exclucing beak)</u> very short short medium long very long	 Juwagold (C) Fidel (C) Toplong (C)	 1 [] 3 [] 5 [] 7 [] 9 []
5.4 (21) <u>Pod: shape of cross section (through seed)</u> narrow elliptic elliptic to ovate cordate circular eight shaped	 Pascal (D), Pfälzer Juni (D), Regulex (D) Daisy (D) Tuf (D) Tendercrop White Seeded (D)	 1 [] 2 [] 3 [] 4 [] 5 []
5.5 (22) <u>Pod: ground colour</u> yellow green violet	 Golddukat (D), Goldfish (D), Goldmarie (C) Filetty (D), Diva (D), Fortissima (C) Purpiat (D), Purple Teepee (D)	 1 [] 2 [] 3 []
5.6 (27) <u>Pod: stringiness on ventral suture</u> absent present	 Cabri (D), Tuf (D) Facta (D), Marbel (D)	 1 [] 9 []

Characteristics		Example varieties	Note
5.7 (35)	Seed: weight		
	very low	Cabri (D), Decibel (D), Label (D)	1 []
	low	Belfin (D), Ingo (D)	3 []
	medium	Duplica (D), Konservenstolz (D), Juwagold(C)	5 []
	high	Regulex (D), Fidel (C)	7 []
	very high	Facta (D), Rote von Paris (D), Precoces (C)	9 []
5.8 (41)	Seed: number of colours		
	one		1 []
	two		2 []
	more than two		3 []
5.9 (42)	Seed: main colour (largest area)		
	white	Goldfish (D), Tuf (D)	1 []
	green or greenish	Muriel (D), Pascal (D)	2 []
	grey		3 []
	yellow	Gele Citroen (D)	4 []
	beige	Blauhilde (C), Purple Teepee (D)	5 []
	brown	Primel (D), Sunray (D)	6 []
	red	Fageolet rouge (D)	7 []
	violet		8 []
black	Delinel (D), Vilbel (D)	9 []	
5.10 (43)	Seed: predominant secondary colour		
	grey		1 []
	yellow		2 []
	beige		3 []
	brown		4 []
	red	Fiori (D)	5 []
	violet	Marbel (D)	6 []
black	Brittle Wax (D)	7 []	

Characteristics		Example varieties	Note
5.11 (46)	Time of flowering (50% of the plants with at least one flower)		
	very early	Pfälzer Juni (D)	1 []
	early	Prelude (D), Fortissima (C), Perle von Marbach (C)	3 []
	medium	Fanion (D), Groffy (D), Labrador (D), Hilda (C), Precoces (C)	5 []
	late	Necores (C)	7 []
	very late		9 []
5.12 (47.1)	Resistance to Bean anthracnose (<i>Colletotrichum lindemuthianum</i>), Race Lambda		
	absent	Goldrush, Masai, Michelet	1 []
	present	Booster, Pastoral	9 []
5.13 (47.2)	Resistance to Bean anthracnose (<i>Colletotrichum lindemuthianum</i>), Race 6		
	absent	Goldrush, Masai, Michelet	1 []
	present	Booster, Pastoral	9 []
5.14 (48)	Resistance to Bean Common Mosaic Virus (BCMV)		
	absent	Dufrix, Flandria	1 []
	present with necrosis	Booster, Odessa	2 []
	present without symptoms	Bizet	3 []
6. Similar varieties and differences from these varieties:			
Denomination of similar variety	Characteristic in which the similar variety is different ¹⁾	State of expression of similar variety	State of expression of candidate variety
<p>¹⁾ In the case of identical states of expressions of both varieties, please indicate the size of the difference</p>			

7. Additional information which may help to distinguish the variety

7.1 Resistance to pests and diseases

	absent	present	not tested
i) Resistance to Bean Anthracnose (<i>Colletotrichum lindemuthianum</i>)			
a) Race Kappa (Characteristic 47.2)	[]	[]	[]
b) Other races (specify)	[]	[]	[]
ii) Resistance to Halo Blight (<i>Pseudomonas savastanoi pv. Phaseolicola</i>)			
a) Race 6 (characteristic 49)	[]	[]	[]
b) Other races (specify)	[]	[]	[]
iii) Resistance to Common Blight (<i>Xanthomonas campestris pv. vesicatoria</i>)			
Isolate 422 (Characteristic 50)	[]	[]	[]
iv) Other resistance to pests and diseases (specify)	[]	[]	[]

7.2 Special conditions for the examination of the variety

- i) Type of culture
- under glass []
- in the open []

- ii) Part mainly consumed
- pod []
- seed []

- iii) Main use
- fresh market or garden []
- canning (indicate type) []

iv) Other conditions

[] YES, please specify

[] NO

7.3 Other information

[] YES, please specify

[] NO

8. GMO-information required

The variety represents a Genetically Modified Organism within the meaning of Article 2(2) of Council Directive EC/2001/18 of 12/03/2001.

[] YES [] NO

If yes, please add a copy of the written attestation of the responsible authorities stating that a technical examination of the variety under Articles 55 and 56 of the Basic Regulation does not pose risks to the environment according to the norms of the above-mentioned Directive.

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:

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

Please provide details of where you have indicated "Yes":

I/we hereby declare that to the best of my/our knowledge the information given in this form is complete and correct.

Date

Signature

Name

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