

VAR – Variety Committee

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP LIST			
		Country	Active since
1	Chair: Marie-Claude Gagnon	Canada	2020
2	Vice-Chair: Ana Laura Vicario	Argentina	2007
3	Vice-Chair: Sean Walkowiak	Canada	2022
4	Chiara Delogu	Italy	2007
5	Anne Bernole	France	2015
6	Kae-Kang Hwu	S.C.T of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu f	2007
7	Kunusoth Keshavulu	India	2007
8	Ksenija Taski-Ajdukovic	Serbia	2007
9	Mariana Menoni	Uruguay	2021
10	Ksenia Markovic	Serbia	2007
11	Berta Killermann	Germany	2007
12	Ana Patricia Fernandez Getino	Spain	2021
13	Lorella Andreani	Italy	2023
14	Umashankar Bellan	India	2023
15	Beni Kaufman	United States	2024
A. RULES DEVELOPMENT			
<u>A1. Introduction of New Methods</u>			
Method name		proposed	collaboration
subject		finalisation	
1	SSR on barley, tomatoes and rice	2026 barley 2028 tomato, rice	STA
2	Neural network markers (optical markers) on wheat and barley	2027	STA, ATC
3	SNP on <i>Lolium</i> and wheat	2027 Lolium 2028 wheat	STA, ATC
4	DNA-based test for peroxidase activity in soybean	2028	STA
<u>A2. Introduction of New Species</u>			
Species and test		proposed	collaboration

		finalisation	
1	DNA-based tests on tomato, rice and soybean	2028	STA
<u>A3. Introduction of Rules Changes</u>			
Subject		proposed	collaboration
		finalisation	
1	SNP and SSR markers for several crops	2028	
2	Revision of chapter 8 for the introduction of statistical considerations.	2027	STA
3	Neural network markers (optical markers) on wheat and barley	2027	STA, ATC
<u>B2. Training publications on specific seed testing topics</u>			
Publication title		proposed	collaboration
		finalisation	
1	DNA Handbook	2026	STA
D. Proficiency Tests			
Proficiency Test Subject		proposed	collaboration
		finalisation	
1	PT on DNA-based test for wheat - When requested		SEC
2	PT on DNA-based test for barley	2027	SEC
3	PT for DNA-based test: discussion with SEC for setting up a procedure		SEC
F. SPECIAL PROJECTS			
project title / subject		proposed	collaboration
collaborating committees		finalisation	
1	Lolium project: validation of new markers for determination of annual types in perennial varieties.	2027	STA, ATC
2	Neural network markers (optical markers) on wheat and barley	2027	STA, ATC