COMMISSION DECISION

of 5 September 2002

setting out the arrangements for Community comparative trials and tests on propagating and planting material of fruit plants under Council Directive 92/34/EEC

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(Text with EEA relevance)

(2002/745/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 92/34/EEC of 28 April 1992 on the marketing of fruit plant-propagating material and fruit plants, intended for fruit production [1], as last amended by Commission Decision 2002/112/EC [2], and in particular Articles 20(2) and (4) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Directive 92/34/EEC provides for the necessary arrangements to be made by the Commission for Community comparative trials and tests of propagating and planting material.

(2) Adequate representativity of the samples included in the trials and tests should be ensured, at least for certain selected plants.

(3) Member States should participate in the Community comparative trials and tests, in so far as propagating and planting material of *Prunus domestica* is usually reproduced or marketed in their territories, in order to ensure that proper conclusions may be drawn therefrom.

(4) Community comparative trials and tests should be carried out from 2003 to 2007 on propagating and planting material harvested in 2002, and the details of such trials and tests should also be set out.

(5) For Community comparative trials and tests lasting more than one year, the parts of the trials and tests following the first year should be authorised by the Commission without further reference to the Standing Committee on Propagating Material and Plants of Fruit Genera and Species, on condition that the necessary appropriations are available.

(6) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Propagating Material and Plants of Fruit Genera and Species,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Community comparative trials and tests shall be carried out from 2003 to 2007 on propagating and planting material of *Prunus domestica*.

The maximum cost for the trials and tests for 2003 shall be as set out in the Annex.

The details of the trials and tests are set out in the Annex.

Article 2

All Member States shall participate in the Community comparative trials and tests in so far as propagating and planting material of *Prunus domestica* is usually reproduced or marketed in their territories.

Article 3

Subject to budgetary availability, the Commission may decide to continue the trials and tests set out in the Annex in the period 2004 to 2007.

The maximum cost of a trial or test continued on this basis shall not exceed the amount specified in the Annex.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 5 September 2002.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

[1] OJ L 157, 10.6.1992, p. 10.
[2] OJ L 41, 13.2.2002, p. 44.

ANNEX

Trials and tests on *Prunus domestica* (*) to be carried out

Year	Responsible body	Conditions to be assessed	Number of samples	Cost (EUR)
2003	NAKT Roelofarendsveen (NL)	Varietal identity and purity (field), Plant health (laboratory)	50	16 000
2004	Same	Same	Same	8 000 (**)
2005	Same	Same	Same	10 900 (**)
2006	Same	Same	Same	11 100 (**)
2007	Same	Same	Same	29 100 (**)
			Total cost	75 100

(*) Trials and tests lasting more than one year.
(**) Estimated cost.