

# Sugar beet testing in Sweden season 2023

Please find below the instructions for the VCU-testing in Sweden 2023. Special testing offered by NBR. *More information including the charge of testing for NBR trials is given by Desirée Börjesdotter in a separate document from NBR.* 

New this season is that the total number of VCU-trials at SLU (trial plan 102) is reduced to two. Given the three NBR-trials in trial plan 102 this results in a total of five experiments.

In addition, all VCU-varieties will need to be registered to the leaf disease-trial at NBR.

# 1) VCU applications in Sweden

VCU-applications must be sent to the Swedish Board of Agriculture (Jordbruksverket)

<u>Address for applications:</u> Jordbruksverket Växtregelenheten, växt- och kontrollavdelningen SE-551 82 JÖNKÖPING SWEDEN E-mail: <u>vaxtsort@jordbruksverket.se</u>

To ensure a proper start of the trial season, please <u>send copies of your applications</u> by e-mail to the variety testing unit at SLU:

E-mail: <u>sortprovning@slu.se</u>

## 2) Dates, documents, testing fees

<u>Application, last date</u> Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

### **Documents**

Important: Full documentation on characteristics must be given, (e.g. origin, ploidy, type, resistance properties and soil adherence) for new entries. Also specify if withdrawals, 2<sup>nd</sup>-year and 3<sup>rd</sup>-year VCU varieties.

<u>Testing fee:</u> The VCU-testing fee at SLU is 13 000 SEK for the two SLU-trials including VCU-evaluation. The NBR-trials will be invoiced separately by NBR.

## 3) Seed treatment, quantity and delivery address/date (VCU Sweden)

#### Seed treatment

<u>Insecticide</u>: Force 20 SC (10 g a.i. teflutrin per unit) <u>Fungicides</u>: Tachigaren 70 WP (14 g a.i. hymexazol per unit) + Rampart (7 g a.i penthiopyrad per unit) <u>Pellet size</u>: 3.5-4.75 mm.

#### Seed quantity SLU trials

In 2023 all varieties, which means new entries, varieties tested 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year and market varieties, will be tested in two trials at SLU and three trials at NBR, making a total of 5 trials per variety (trial plan 102).

<u>Seed amount SLU trials:</u> 1.5 units per variety. Seed from market varieties will be taken from commercial seed lots.

#### Seed delivery address/date for VCU-varieties:

Mr. Erik Rasmusson Forskningsstationen Lönnstorp SE-234 35 LOMMA SWEDEN Mobile phone +46 (0)708 754 183 erik.rasmusson@slu.se The seed must be at the Lönnstorp station latest on Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

## 4) Testing offered by NBR

NBR carries out special tests on: Leaf diseases, Nematodes, *Aphanomyces* and Bolting according to the invitation by Desirée Börjesdotter.

#### With kind regards

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