Crops, Descriptors, & Observations

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Today

Creating Ancillary (Related) Records and Standards – Session 2

Review selected material from FAO and USDA...

- Methods agreeing on standards for Methods at NordGen
 - Citations
 - Literature
- Review recommended conventions for Descriptors
 ... USDA GG crop curators and ... in Bioversity Internationals' Descriptor Guideline: http://cropgenebank.sgrp.cgiar.org/images/file/learning_space/technicalbulletin13.pdf
- Discuss MIAPPE: Minimum Information About Plant Phenotyping Experiments
- Scales Best Practices for Coded Values

Method

- Crop
- Crop Mapping Taxonomy Species Map
- Trait

• Code

- Language table: Trait Language and Code Language
- Attachments tables: Crop, Trait

GG Terminology

What is a Method?

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the method environment and/or procedure

Method

What is a Method?

Why start with Method? (when planning evaluations / observations) Method

In GG, are Methods only used for recording Observations?

...no...

The method table is linked to / from 13 places in the database

table_name	field_name
accession_action	method_id
crop_trait_observation	method_id
Inventory_action	method_id
method_map	method_id
genetic_annotation	method_id
inventory_quality_status	method_id
crop_trait_observation_data	method_id
feedback_result_trait_obs	method_id
inventory	preservation_method_id
inventory	regeneration_method_id
citation	method_id
method_attach	method_id
accession_inv_group	method_id

Methods provide a narrative – details for later reference

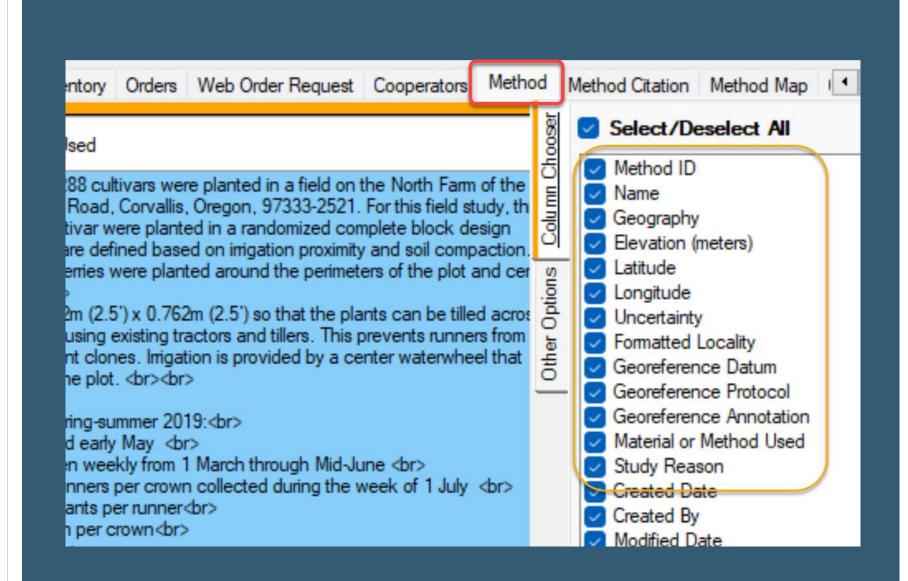
before any observations are recorded, the relevant method must be defined

GG observation records w/ method highlighted

_	Crop Trait					Coded	Trait	Numeric	ls	Text	Hummer%2019%
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	11789818	PI 616501	CFRA 288 .001 PL	STRAWBERRY	Fruit harvest date			141.00000	N		Hummer et al.Strawberry Evaluation 2019
	11790301	PI 616501	CFRA 288 .001 PL	STRAWBERRY	FIRST_BLOOM			99.00000	N		Hummer et al. Strawberry Evaluation 2019
	11790307	PI 616511	CFRA 1027 .001 PL	STRAWBERRY	FIRST_BLOOM			101.00000	N		Hummer e
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Hummer et al. Strawberry Evaluation 2019

Hummer et al Strawberry Evaluation 2019



Method Record

Editing the method record text...

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Method on the Website

Hummer et al. Strawberry Evaluation 2019

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Plant spacing is $0.762m (2.5') \ge 0.762m (2.5')$ so that the plants can be tilled across rows and within rows using existing tractors and tillers. This prevents runners from contaminating adjacent clones. Irrigation is provided by a center waterwheel that travels the length of the plot.

Traits evaluated in spring-summer 2019: Plant Height measured early May First Flower Date taken weekly from 1 March through Mid-June Average number of runners per crown collected during the week of 1 July Average number of plants per runner

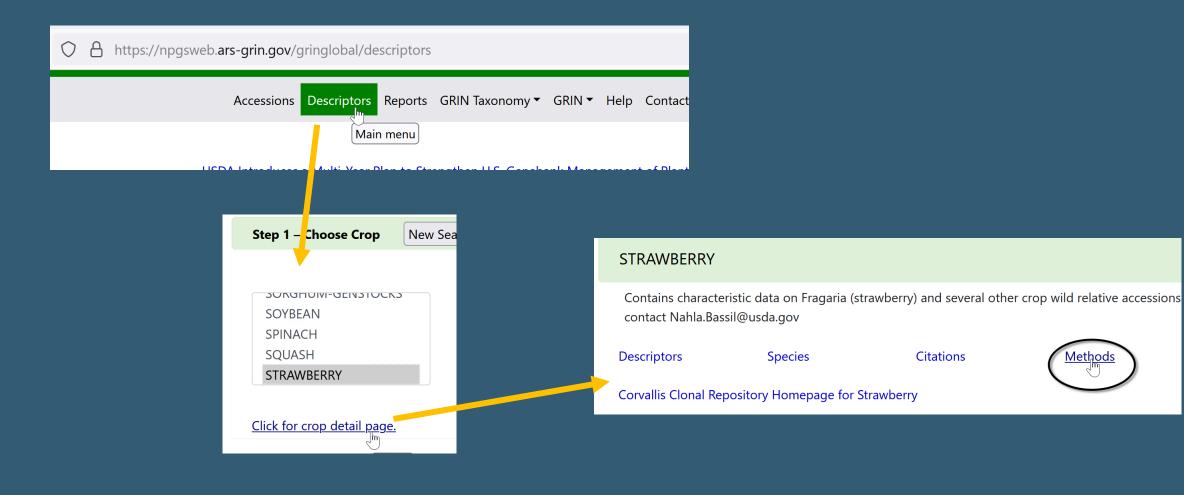
Reviewing NPGS (USDA) Method Examples

https://npgsweb.ars-grin.gov/gringlobal/descriptors

Every Crop page lists Methods for that crop which had observations recorded

Step 1 – Choose Crop	New Search			
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SUNFLOWER	Co	ntains characteristic/evaluation dat	a on Sweetpotato accessions. F	or additional information, contact Ming Li Wang at the Plant Genetic Resources
SWEET-CLOVER	Co	nservation Unit (S-9), Griffin, GA 30	223. Phone: (770) 229-3342. En	nail: MingLi.Wang@ars.usda.gov.
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Click for crop detail page.				
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Strawberry Methods



Method Purpose

For observations - the method typically describes where and how the plant was grown and tested

Method

When creating method records, include details –

... provide specifics and adequate information about the environment, the trial, etc.

Method

- What you measure (e.g., plant height, days to flowering, days to harvest)
- How you measure (using a ruler, instrument, laboratory equipment, etc.)
- When you measure it (early vegetative stage, early reproductive stage, flowering stage, harvest)
- Who you have followed when obtaining descriptors (FAO, Bioversity, UPOV)
- Any changes or additions to the list of descriptors (modified or new descriptors)
- How you have controlled different factors that affect characterization data

In the Curator Tool ... a method tip!

a Method item in the left panel can be used as a "filter" - in the datagrid, in the accession dataview, accessions w/ observations using that method will be listed

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GG Method Tables (In the CT - Method Dataviews)

Method

Method Attach attach images to Methods via attachment wizard

Method Citation always use the Method Citation dataview when making method type citations

Method Map

relates Curators to Methods

Method Attachment

Consider describing the method in a document (PDF) and save as a Method Attachment

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STEMRUST

Method Citation



Use the Method Citation dataview, not the Citation Dataview

... Let's discuss Citations in general...

Method Citation

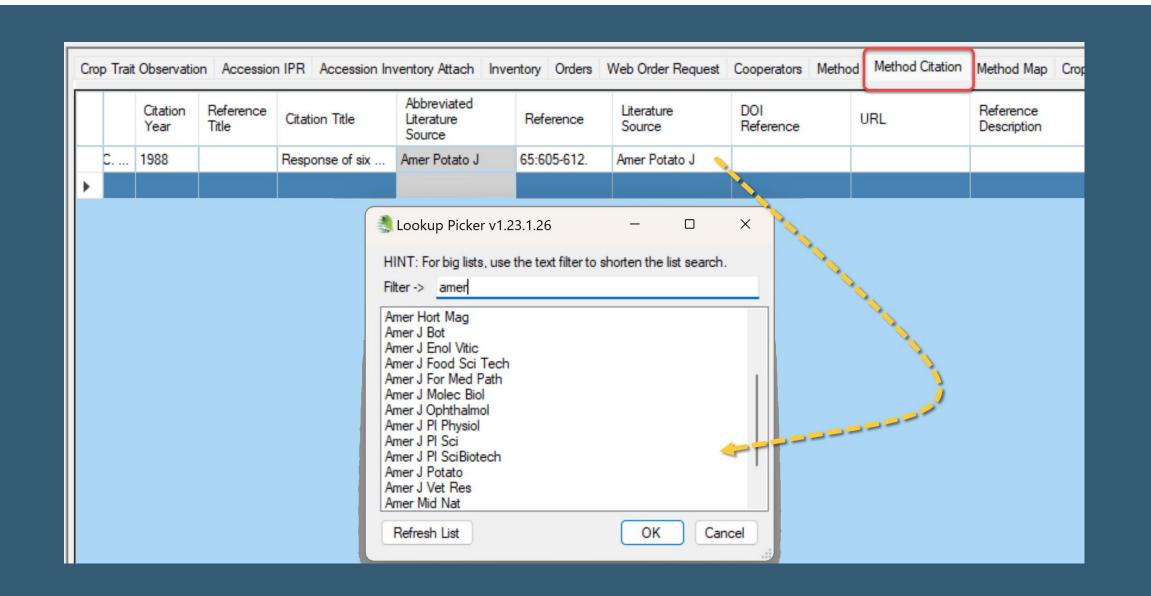
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	831262	POTATO.PHENOLIC.NZARAMBA.20	Nzaramba, M. N.,	2007		Effect of propagu	Amer J Potato	84:323			
	830953	WILD.SOYBEAN.EVAL.1IL85	Juvik, G. A., R. L	1989		Evaluation of the	TBull USDA	1761			

Citations & Literature

• Citation records refer to existing Literature records

 Review Literature records periodically to reduce "duplications"

• Consider a Literature "data manager" who monitors and maintains the table



GG Citations / Literature References

Guide: <u>http://grin-global.org/docs/gg_citations.pdf</u>

Webinar: <u>http://grin-</u> global.org/qna/citations_2021may13_melsch.mp4

Method: Planning

Plan!



https://cropgenebank.sgrp.cgiar.org/images/file/learning_ space/technicalbulletin4.pdf

...excerpts

...In particular, the objectives of experiments are
often too vaguely stated.

 Managers will need to consider practical aspects of the way their crops should be grown.

...excerpts

Do your clients find that the presentation of the information there, on your crops, is adequate for them to choose accessions?

... Do you know your clients' general needs...?,

(p. 10)

Descriptors... some guidelines

•<u>https://cropgenebank.sgrp.cgiar.org/images/file</u> /learning_space/technicalbulletin13.pdf

GG differentiates between

• Crop Descriptors

•Source Descriptors

(Crop) Characterization Descriptors

Characterization descriptors pertain to those traits that tend to be highly heritable traits ... visible to the naked eye, allow for quick and easy discrimination between accessions ...

Characterization descriptors may also include a limited number of additional traits considered to be desirable by a consensus of users of a particular crop.

• "For all quantitative descriptors, it is recommended to use actual measurements.

Where resources are insufficient to take actual measurements, quantitative characters that are continuously variable can be recorded on a 1–9 scale, ..."

Example #46

Continuously variable attribute

- 0 Absent
- 1 Very low
- 2 Very low to low
- 3 Low
- 4 Low to intermediate
- 5 Intermediate
- 6 Intermediate to high
- 7 High
- 8 High to very high
- 9 Very high

a few basic guidelines...

• P. 43...

Is the descriptor dealing with one or more traits? Avoid descriptors describing more than one characteristic

Numeric versus alphanumeric coding schemes?

•Numeric

For some qualitative descriptors,

 such as colour descriptors, it is important to know whether ... all states need to be separately recorded or ... can be ranked in a meaningful way ... one group name

Qualitative using a scale

Nominal scales provide code numbers for traits that are defined by text (names or labels).

Examp	Example #29					
Fruit c	olour					
1	Yellow					
2	Orange					
3	Red					
4	Brown					
5	Purple					
99	Other (specify in the descriptor Remarks)					

Mature Leaf Size

Number of accessions (318)

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Equal to

3=SMALL (< 8cm) 5=MEDIUM (8-15cm) 7=LARGE (> 15cm)

Pericarp Example

Avoid developing descriptors that describe more than one characteristic at the same time, (P45, step 3)

??? Definition: THE COLOR AND THE PATTERN OF THE PERICARP. THE FIRST NUMBER IS THE COLOR, THE SECOND NUMBER IS THE PATTERN.

Descriptor: Pericarp Color	(PERICARP-COLOR)	Pericarp Color		
L Download list of ac	cessions evaluated for this trait	Number of accessions (9188)		
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Definition:	THE COLOR AND THE PATTERN OF THE PERICARP. THE FIRST NUMBER I			
	SECOND NUMBER IS THE PATTERN.	23=GREYISH WHITE / HALO		
Crop:	MAIZE	31=RED / UNIFORM		
Category:	Morphological descriptors	32=RED / VARIGATED	52=CHERRY / VARIGATED	
Status:	Crop Germplasm Committee approved	33=RED / HALO	53=CHERRY / HALO	
Data Type:	Alpha/numeric descriptor	JJ-RED / HALO		
Maximum Length:	2		54=CHERRY / TINGE	
Responsible Site:	North Central Regional PI Station (NC7)		59=CHERRY / OTHER	

Numeric Values Ranges vs Actual Measurements

Root Size

Number of accessions (379)

Equal to

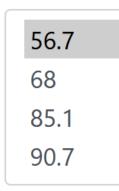
3=550-699 grams 4=700-849 grams 5=850-999 grams 9=Greater than or equal to 1000 grams

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Storage Root Weight

Number of accessions (174)

Equal to	~	
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GG can do both numeric data and a scale at once (sort of)

<u>Flower Length</u>
Number of accessions (106)
Flower length in centimeters, average of ten typical flowers. Taken at growth stages 5-7.
Equal to 🗸
2.5
3
3.3
3.5
5.5

Distribution of Values for Flower Length (FLOWERLEN)

Range	Number of Accessions
2.5 - 2.8	1
2.8 - 3	15
3 - 3.3	15
3.3 - 3.5	35
3.5 - 3.8	34
3.8 - 4	43
4 - 4.3	44
4.3 - 4.5	3
4.5 - 4.8	2
4.8 - 5	5

Define qualitative descriptors

 If possible, add references or standards that illustrate the different descriptor states

 ... starting with '1'. If there is a need for space to list potential further states, add '99 Other' GG – Method & Crop Trait Attachments

Quantitative

On a 1 to 9 scale (start from weak to strong expression of the trait).

Example #55

Table 2. Numeric codes linked to multilingual descriptor states

Numeric Code	Fruit: apex	Fruit: sommet	Fruto: ápice
1	Indented	Déprimé	Hundido
2	Rounded	Arrondi	Redondeado
3	Pointed	Pointu	Puntiagudo
99	Other	Autre	Otro

Boll Color

Number of accessions (5900)

Equal to

3=light green - lighter color than most of the cotton cultivars. Often seen
4=red - red coloration to the boll color
5=sun red - red coloration to the boll color in areas exposed to the sun
9=seg/off type - plot is segregating or the rating is off the standard scale

Boll Shape

Number of accessions (6333)

Equal to

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2=round - round shape to the bolls. Not necessarily perfectly round but I 3=cone - bolls are wider at the base and overall shape tapers to the tip. C 4=cone oval - bolls show tapering from middle to the tip. The base and n 9=seg/off type - plot is segregating or the rating is off the standard sca

22 Examples for Annex1 crops

see

https://cgspace.cgiar.org/server/api/core/bitstreams/9a b70a0f-1aa8-4df6-b64f-bc68e3891ee1/content22

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<u>http://www.bioversityinternational.org/e-</u> <u>library/publications/detail/key-characterization-and-evaluation-</u> <u>descriptors/</u>



Key Characterization and Evaluation Descriptors:

UPOV Tables of Characteristics

(Union for the Protection of New Varieties)

https://www.upov.int/test_guidelines/en/list.jsp

Lists 333 crops and how to evaluate them in the field for Distinction, Uniformity and Stability

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		004	Ryegrass	Ray-grass	Weidelgras	Raygrás		Lolium perenne L.; Lolium multiflorum	DE EN ES FR

MIAPPE

Minimum Information About a Plant Phenotyping Experiment

list of attributes recommended for the description of phenotypic observations

<u>https://www.miappe.org/</u>

MIAPPE

contains the properties that should be provided

... alongside experimental results to ensure easy and correct interpretation, assessment, review and reproducibility

MIAPPE Table 1:

https://plantmethods.biomedcentral.com/a rticles/10.1186/s13007-016-0144-4/tables/1

MIAPPE

The MIAPPE checklist consists of attributes that can be classified within the following sections:

General metadata,

Timing and location,

Biosource,

Environment,

Treatments,

Experimental design,

Sample collection, processing, management,

Observed variables.



Read:

 <u>http://cropgenebank.sgrp.cgiar.org/images/file/learning_space/</u> <u>technicalbulletin13.pdf</u>

<u>https://plantmethods.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s13007</u>
 <u>-016-0144-4</u>

 <u>https://cropgenebank.sgrp.cgiar.org/images/file/learning_space</u> /technicalbulletin4.pdf

Create a method record

Create a method-attachment record for your method

•Create a method-map record for your method

<u>https://www.upov.int/test_guidelines/en/list.jsp</u>

• Review one or two of your crops

•Find your crop(s) at the USDA NPGS GG website.

Review:
The methods used
The descriptors that were measured

 <u>https://cgspace.cgiar.org/ser</u> ver/api/core/bitstreams/9ab7
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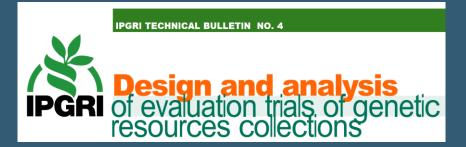
• If your crop is in the list, check it out:

Key Characterization and Evaluation Descriptors: Methodologies for the Assessment of 22 Crops

Read:

https://cropgenebank.sgrp.cgia r.org/images/file/learning_space /technicalbulletin4.pdf

<u>https://www.upov.int/test_guid</u>
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UPOV

ABOUT UPOV MEMBERS		HIP	UPOV SYSTEM	PVP DATA & S	STATISTICS		
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Other References

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