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Summary sheet of validation data for a diagnostic test

The EPPO Standard PM 7/98 *Specific requirements for laboratories preparing accreditation for a plant pest diagnostic activity* describes how validation should be conducted. It also includes definitions of performance criteria.

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Short description of the test	Detection of 'Candidatus Phytoplasma prunorum' by real time PCR
Date, reference of the validation report	2013-01-01 - 102 ; 1) www.strateco.it 2)Pasquini et al., 2013. Petria 23(3),491-516
Validation process according to EPPO Standard PM7/98?	yes
Is the lab accredited for this test?	no
Was the validated data generated in the framework of a project?	no
If yes, please specify	
Description of the test	
Organism(s)	'Candidatus Phytoplasma prunorum'(PHYPPR)
Detection / identification	detection
Matrix(ces) tested	Bark, Leaves leaf midribs and bark
Plant species tested	Malus domestica, Prunus armeniaca, Prunus domestica, Prunus persica, Pyrus communis
Method(s)	Molecular Extraction DNA RNA Molecular real time PCR
Method: Molecular Extraction DNA RNA	
Reference of the test description	
As or adapted from an EPPO diagnostic protocol	no
New test being considered for inclusion in the next version of the EPPO diagnostic protocol?	
As or adapted from an IPPC diagnostic protocol	no
Reference of the test	Pasquini et al., 2013. Petria 23(3),491-516
Is the test modified compared to the reference test	

Kit	
Is a kit used	yes
Manufacturer name	QIAGEN
Specify the kit used	DNeasy Plant Mini Kit
Kit used following the manufacturer's instructions?	
Other information	
Other details on the test	Commercial kit (DNeasy Plant Mini kit Qiagen) from leaf midribs or phloem tissue, previously powdered with liquid nitrogen. An alternative protocol has been used in the case of not availability of liquid nitrogen for the initial powdering of plant material. (Pasquini et al., 2013)
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Is the test modified compared to the reference test	
Kit	
Is a kit used	
Other information	
Reaction type	Duplex - Probe
Other details on the test	TaqMan real time PCR specific for the detection and identification of 'Ca. P. prunorum' and an internal control (18S gene)
Are the performance characteristics included in the EPPO diagnostic protocol?	no
Performance Criteria :	
Organism 1.:	'Candidatus Phytoplasma prunorum'(PHYPPR)
Analytical sensitivity	
What is smallest amount of target that can be detected reliably?	The analytical sensitivity was calculated analyzing three samples at seven dilution levels (1/1-1/1.000.000). The dilutions were in DNA from an healthy peach sample. Last dilution level with 100% positive results for all three samples: 1/1000 for bark samples collected in collected in early spring and 1/100 leaf midribs samples collected in late summer
Diagnostic sensitivity	
Proportion of infected/infested samples	

tested positive compared to results from the standard test, see appendix 2 of PM 7/98	
Standard test(s)	
Analytical specificity - inclusivity	
Number of strains/populations of target organisms tested	
Specificity value	
Analytical specificity - exclusivity	
Number of non-target organisms tested	
Specificity value	
Cross reacts with	
Diagnostic Specificity	
Proportion of uninfected/uninfested samples (true negatives) testing negative compared to results from a standard test	
Specify the test(s)	
Reproducibility	
Provide the calculated % of agreement for a given level of the pest (see PM 7/98)	
Repeatability	
Provide the calculated % of agreement for a given level of the pest (see PM 7/98)	
Test performance study	
Test performance study?	yes
Brief details of the test performance study and its output. If available, link to published article/report	ffff
Other information	
Any other information considered useful	-Baric S., J. Dalla-Via, 2004. A new approach to apple proliferation detection: a highly sensitive real-time PCR assay. Journal of Microbiological Methods, 57, 135-145. - Pignatta D., C. Poggi Pollini, L. Giunchedi, M. Gobber, P. Morelli, F. Forno, L. Martedì, E. Ropelato, 2008. A Real-time PCR assay for the detection of European stone fruit yellows phytoplasma (ESFYP) in plant propagation material. Acta Horticulturae, 781, 499-503 - Minguzzi S., C. Ratti, C. Lanzoni, C. Rubies Autonell, N. Reggiani, C. Poggi Pollini, 2010. Detection and relative quantification of 'Candidatus Phytoplasma prunorum' by spot real-time RT-PCR TaqMan assay. Petria, 20 (2), 219-220; -Osman F., C. Leutenegger, D. Golino, A. Rowhani, 2007. Realtime RT-PCR (Taq-Man) assays for the detection of Grapevine leafroll associated virus 1-5 and 9. Journal of virological Methods, 141, 22-29. - Pasquini G., Bertaccini A., Bianco P.A., Casati P., Costantini E., Martini M.,

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