



Reviewing laboratory test reports for restricted Apiaceous seed for sowing

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Use this checklist to review laboratory test reports for the following seed species, which are hosts of the pathogen '*Candidatus Liberibacter solanacearum*' (CaLsol):

- *Anthriscus cerefolium*
- *Apium graveolens*
- *Daucus carota*
- *Foeniculum vulgare*
- *Pastinaca sativa*
- *Petroselinum crispum*

When reviewing the laboratory reports, check that:

- the report includes the full botanical name of the species being tested
- testing for CaLsol has occurred for each seed lot using polymerase chain reaction (PCR)
- the test results for all listed pathogens show a 'Negative' or 'Not detected' result for each seed lot
- the correct minimum sample size was used:
 - 20,000 seeds or 20% of the seed lot for small seed lots
- the report includes the seed lot numbers tested
- the seed lot numbers match the seed lot numbers on the phytosanitary certificate and other documentation
- the report includes the name and address of the testing laboratory
- the report includes the date of testing.

Frequently Asked Questions

What happens if the seed lot number/s on the laboratory report do not match the seed lot number/s on the phytosanitary certificate and other documentation?

Seed lot number(s) on laboratory reports must match the seed lot numbers on the phytosanitary certificates. It is not acceptable to use other documentation to create a link between different lot numbers. Laboratory reports that do not use the same seed lot number as the phytosanitary certificate will not be accepted and the seed lot will be provided with options for onshore testing, export or disposal.

What happens if the report indicates that pathogens other than CaLsol were detected?

The department reserves the right to take action to manage the detection of any non-targeted pests. If the seed laboratory report indicates that pathogens other than those specified in import conditions were detected in the seed lot, refer the report to Plant Import Operations via imports@agriculture.gov.au for assessment.

What happens when a laboratory report indicates ‘inconclusive test results’?

Seed laboratory reports indicating an “inconclusive test result” for a pathogen must be referred to Plant Import Operations via imports@agriculture.gov.au for assessment. Generally, inconclusive test results are treated as a positive result, and the seed lot will not be permitted entry into Australia.

Where do I go for further support?

For further assistance, please contact Plant Import Operations via email imports@agriculture.gov.au or phone 1800 900 090.

For more information about importing seeds for planting visit:

www.agriculture.gov.au/import/goods/plant-products/seeds-for-sowing.