



A GLOBAL NETWORK OF TREE
NURSERY COMPANIES WORKING
TOGETHER TO ENHANCE THE
HORTICULTURAL COMMUNITY

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Introduction

The Associated International Group of Nurseries (AIGN®) is a global organization that blends the diverse talents of a number of progressive nurserymen from the major growing regions of the world.

AIGN® is the only company of its kind in the nursery industry. The organization was created to develop beneficial avenues of information flow for new rootstocks and varieties.

In contemporary variety management, where marketing programs, inventory and quality assurance could mean the difference between success or failure of an intellectual property, AIGN® has positioned itself to be an innovator and leader in the introduction of new fruit varieties.

Mission Statement

“To obtain, commercialize and promote new and exciting tree varieties and eating experiences to ensure the best long-term return to the variety owner and all stakeholders.”



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Innovative, Worldwide Commercialization

AIGN® members are spread throughout northern and southern Europe, New Zealand, Australia, Chile, Argentina, Uruguay, South Africa, China, South Korea, India and the United States.

The primary role of AIGN® is that of a co-operator, working with the world's fruit industry to coordinate the availability of trees and products. The company was formed to assist its members with the introduction and distribution of varieties and rootstocks. The members have the opportunity to test and evaluate promising varieties, exchange data and ideas, and receive the technical assistance necessary to remain competitive in the world market. Our goals are to ensure the success of our members within their territory, and to work on behalf of the breeders that we represent to facilitate the best return for their investment.



What can AIGN® do for your business?

- Offer data to make informed decisions about viability and commercial worth of new and existing fruit varieties and rootstocks.
- Assist to expedite testing and introduction of new varieties.
- Help to navigate local laws and regulations for the importation, quarantine and testing of plant materials.
- Provide support for intellectual property protection and enforcement.



The Hertha™ Horticultural Database

Hertha™ is an internet accessible database developed by AIGN® for the purpose of variety management. It is designed to facilitate shipments of plant material, track plantings via GPS, record evaluations in various formats, and manage Intellectual property of varieties across any number of species.

- No software to install, system uses any one of several browsers such as Edge, Chrome, Firefox, etc.
- Multi-language support
- Multi-level security at both the screen form and data level
- Tracks shipping of test material w/contract generation
- Supports both UPOV and Standard evaluations
- Evaluation fields are extensible, and can differ by species
- Tracks evaluation site maps with GPS coordinates for individual sites or trees
- Tracks Trademark and Patent information and associated documents
- Tracks Licensee / Sub-licensee information and associated contracts
- Flexible reporting capabilities with output in PDF format
- Offline evaluation entry tool
- Allows an unlimited number of contracts (i.e., Testing agreements, etc.)
- Stores photos and technical documents by variety
- Companies can store private information or share information with others on a variety- by-variety basis
- An extensive set of storage protocols for post-harvest testing can be used or added as necessary
- Tracks and displays graphical family tree for varieties



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