



2006-017: Draft Annex to ISPM 27– Genus *Liriomyza*

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1.	G	Editorial		<p>1. The quality of the pictures and drawings should be improved. Better quality files of existing drawings have been prepared and will be provided directly to the IPPC Secretariat. 2. It would also be suitable to have better quality pictures and sometimes additional pictures to illustrate some characters. Comments have been included whenever appropriate. However, it is recognized that specimen must be available for better pictures to be made and this is not always the case. 3. The addition of the figure 14 of PM 7/53 on <i>Liriomyza</i> spp., on male genitalia is suggested, a better quality figure will be provided. It is also suggested that links to figures 9 and 10 of the current Diagnostic Protocol are made.</p>	European Union	<p>1. Noted and accepted</p> <p>2. It is accepted that additional as well as better quality pictures would improve the DP. Grateful for those received.</p> <p>However, taking new photos demands available specimen and cannot be done in the short term</p> <p>3. Considered but not incorporated. The net effect of incorporating all these figures (which are in effect, simple line drawings) in the IPPC DP is that it</p>

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						increasingly resembles the 2005 EPPO DP; a situation the Authors are trying to avoid given the worldwide scope of the IPPC DP
2.	G	Substantive	I support the document as it is and I have no comments		Guyana, Congo, Singapore, Mexico	Comments accepted
3.	G	Substantive	Footnotes related to the use of commercial brands should be included in this draft DP.	The following paragraphs mention commercial brands: 145. The footnote should read as follows: "The use of the brands..... in this diagnostic protocol implies no approval of them to the exclusion of others that may also be suitable. This information is given for the convenience of users of this protocol and does not constitute an endorsement by the CPM of the chemical, reagent and/or equipment named. Equivalent products may be used if they can be shown to lead to the same results"	Uruguay, Argentina, Chile	Considered but not incorporated. This is a standard paragraph common to all DPs and included in the <i>Instructions to Authors</i> The footnote is used where a specific brand name is mentioned in the DP
4.	6	Technical	Agromyzidae is a family of small flies whose larvae feed on the internal tissue of plants, often as leafminers and stem miners. The majority of agromyzid species are either host-specific or restricted to a small group of plants that are related to each other. However, a few highly polyphagous species have become agricultural and horticultural pests of economic importance in many	to be more specific	Kenya	Considered but not incorporated. The suggested inclusion is a re-iteration of what was already clearly

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			parts of the world. These include four species of <i>Liriomyza</i> that are listed in plant quarantine legislation in various countries: <i>L. bryoniae</i> , <i>L. huidobrensis</i> , <i>L. sativae</i> and <i>L. trifolii</i> . These are all polyphagous pests of both ornamental and vegetable crops. The species level identification in this protocol is restricted to these four species.			implied
5.	9	Editorial	<i>Liriomyza huidobrensis</i> is thought to have originated in South America and has now spread throughout much of the world, including parts of North America, Europe, Africa, Asia and the Pacific (Lonsdale, 2011; CABI, 2013). However, the species as formerly taxonomically defined was recently split into two morphocryptic species – <i>L. huidobrensis</i> and <i>L. langei</i> – and there is some uncertainty about the precise delineation of their relative distribution. Currently, <i>L. langei</i> has been confirmed only from the United States and it seems highly likely that all invasive populations outside the United States are <i>L. huidobrensis</i> as now taxonomically defined (Scheffer and Lewis, 2001; Scheffer <i>et al.</i> , 2001; Takano <i>et al.</i> , 2008; Lonsdale, 2011). <i>L. huidobrensis</i> is highly polyphagous and has been recorded from 14 plant families (Spencer, 1990). The most economically important crops it attacks are sugar beets, spinach, peas, beans, potatoes and ornamental (most commonly gypsophila; rarely carnations and chrysanthemums) (Spencer, 1989), as well as lupins, field peas and broad beans.	Minor edit in 3rd sentence - "is" should be "it"	Canada	Incorporated
6.	9	Editorial	<i>Liriomyza huidobrensis</i> is thought to have originated in South America and has now spread throughout much of the world, including parts of North America, Europe, Africa, Asia and the Pacific (Lonsdale, 2011; CABI, 2013). However, the species as formerly taxonomically defined was recently split into two morphocryptic species – <i>L. huidobrensis</i> and <i>L. langei</i> – and there is some uncertainty about the precise delineation of their relative distribution. Currently, <i>L. langei</i> has been confirmed only from the United States and it seems highly likely that all invasive populations outside the United States are <i>L. huidobrensis</i> as now taxonomically defined (Scheffer and Lewis, 2001;	Typo	Australia	Incorporated

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			Scheffer <i>et al.</i> , 2001; Takano <i>et al.</i> , 2008; Lonsdale, 2011). <i>L. huidobrensis</i> is highly polyphagous and has been recorded from 14 plant families (Spencer, 1990). The most economically important crops it attacks are sugar beets, spinach, peas, beans, potatoes and ornamental (most commonly gypsophila; rarely carnations and chrysanthemums) (Spencer, 1989), as well as lupins, field peas and broad beans.			
7.	9	Substantive	<u>Delete all contents of L.langei in the draft.</u> <i>Liriomyza huidobrensis</i> is thought to have originated in South America and has now spread throughout much of the world, including parts of North America, Europe, Africa, Asia and the Pacific (Lonsdale, 2011; CABI, 2013). However, the species as formerly taxonomically defined was recently split into two morphocryptic species – <i>L. huidobrensis</i> and <i>L. langei</i> – and there is some uncertainty about the precise delineation of their relative distribution. Currently, <i>L. langei</i> has been confirmed only from the United States and is seems highly likely that all invasive populations outside the United States are <i>L. huidobrensis</i> as now taxonomically defined (Scheffer and Lewis, 2001; Scheffer <i>et al.</i> , 2001; Takano <i>et al.</i> , 2008; Lonsdale, 2011). <i>L. huidobrensis</i> is highly polyphagous and has been recorded from 14 plant families (Spencer, 1990). The most economically important crops it attacks are sugar beets, spinach, peas, beans, potatoes and ornamental (most commonly gypsophila; rarely carnations and chrysanthemums) (Spencer, 1989), as well as lupins, field peas and broad beans.	It is impossible to identify <i>L.langei</i> and <i>L.huidobrensis</i> based on adult morphology (Spencer 1973) and molecular techniques (Kox et al.2005). And it is still controversial on the synonyms of <i>L.langei</i> with <i>L.huidobrensis</i> . Therefore, the disputed species of <i>L.langei</i> at species level should not be included in draft.	China	Considered but not incorporated. <i>L.langei</i> should not be excluded from the protocol as this taxonomic unit has been incorporated previously by the former concept of <i>L. huidobrensis</i> . The DP, in paragraphs 9 and 27-28 explained the relationship between <i>L.langei</i> and <i>L. huidobrensis</i>
8.	9	Technical	<i>Liriomyza huidobrensis</i> is thought to have originated in South America and has now spread throughout much of the world, including parts of North America, Europe, Africa, Asia and the Pacific (Lonsdale, 2011; CABI, 2013). However, the species as formerly taxonomically defined was recently split into two morphocryptic species – <i>L. huidobrensis</i> and <i>L. langei</i> – and there is some uncertainty about the precise delineation of their relative distribution. Currently, <i>L. langei</i> has been confirmed only from the United States and is seems	Chabi-Olaye et al., 2008; Europhyte, 2015	Kenya	Considered but not incorporated. It is not necessary in a diagnostic protocol to provide a comprehensive list of plant hosts. A check with Spencer (1989) revealed that the

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			highly likely that all invasive populations outside the United States are <i>L. huidobrensis</i> as now taxonomically defined (Scheffer and Lewis, 2001; Scheffer <i>et al.</i> , 2001; Takano <i>et al.</i> , 2008; Lonsdale, 2011). <i>L. huidobrensis</i> is highly polyphagous and has been recorded from 14 plant families (Spencer, 1990). The most economically important crops it attacks are sugar beets, spinach, peas, beans, potatoes add herbs and ornamental (most commonly gypsophila; rarely carnations and chrysanthemums) add eryngium, solidago and Dahlia (Spencer, 1989), as well as lupins, field peas and broad beans.			suggested plant groups are not major hosts of <i>L. huidobrensis</i>
9.	11	Editorial	<i>Liriomyza trifolii</i> , also originally from North, Central and South America, has been spread to large parts of Europe, Africa, Asia and the Pacific, most likely as the result of trade in <i>Chrysanthemum</i> cuttings (Martinez and Etienne, 2002; EPPO, 2009; Lonsdale, 2011; CABI, 2013). It is highly polyphagous and has been recorded from 25 plant families (Spencer, 1990). The most economically important crops it attacks are beans, celery, chrysanthemums, cucumbers, gerberas, gypsophila, lettuce, onions, potatoes and tomatoes (Spencer, 1989), as well as peanuts, groundnuts, soybeans, lentils, lupins, broad beans and chickpeas.	The reference EPPO 2009 is not included in the reference list The EPPO Secretariat was not able to identify a possible reference that could match the text	European Union	Incorporated
10.	12	Editorial	A further (fifth) species, <i>L. strigata</i> , is closely related to both <i>L. bryoniae</i> and <i>L. huidobrensis</i> , and is as such a species that a diagnostician must be able to eliminate when seeking to positively identify the four quarantine species. <i>L. strigata</i> is a Eurasian species (Pitkin <i>et al.</i> (2013) quoting Spencer (1976), Dempewolf (2001), Ellis (2013) and Pape <i>et al.</i> (2013)). The eastern borders of its distribution are not clearly defined, but the range extends beyond the Ural Mountains (Spencer, 1976) and it has been doubtfully recorded in Southeast Asia (Dempewolf, 2004). It is highly polyphagous, having been recorded from 29 plant families worldwide (Spencer, 1990).	Minor edit in first sentence - "an" should be "a"	Canada	Incorporated
11.	12	Editorial	A further (fifth) species, <i>L. strigata</i> , is closely related to both <i>L. bryoniae</i> and <i>L. huidobrensis</i> , and is as such a species that a diagnostician must be able to eliminate when seeking to positively identify the four quarantine	Regarding 'Pitkin et al. (2013)': The reference is dated 2014 but using the link the page is dated 2015-05-31.	European Union	Modified. Corrected to in text

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12.	12	Technical	A further (fifth) species, <i>L. strigata</i> <u>is included in this protocol because it</u> is closely related to both <i>L. bryoniae</i> and <i>L. huidobrensis</i> , and is as such a species that a diagnostician must be able to eliminate when seeking to positively identify the four quarantine species. <i>L. strigata</i> is an Eurasian species (Pitkin <i>et al.</i> (2013) quoting Spencer (1976), Dempewolf (2001), Ellis (2013) and Pape <i>et al.</i> (2013)). The eastern borders of its distribution are not clearly defined, but the range extends beyond the Ural Mountains (Spencer, 1976) and it has been doubtfully recorded in Southeast Asia (Dempewolf, 2004). It is highly polyphagous, having been recorded from 29 plant families worldwide (Spencer, 1990).	A modification of this paragraph is suggested to explain why <i>L. strigata</i> is specifically mentioned in the introduction. This paragraph has caused confusion with the experts as some understood that <i>L. strigata</i> was considered as the only species which can be confused with the quarantine species.	European Union	Incorporated
13.	13	Technical	<u>Change <i>Liriomyza sativae</i> (Blanchard, 1938) to <i>Liriomyza sativae</i> Blanchard, 1938.2. Taxonomic Information</u>	This species has never been newly combined.	China	Refer to comment 19 on paragraph 30
14.	24	Substantive	Common name: tomato leafminer	Possibility of confusion with other pests, proposing to add fly to specify this insect so the name will be tomato leafminer fly	Tunisia	Considered, but not incorporated. There is more value in retaining the long established common name that making one up for the

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						purposes of the DP
15.	26	Technical	Synonyms: <i>Liriomyza cucumifoliae</i> Blanchard, 1938; <i>Liriomyza decora</i> Blanchard, 1954; <i>Liriomyzadianthi</i> Frick, 1958. <i>Agromyza huidobrensis</i> Blanchard, <i>Liriomyza langei</i> Frick.	Mentioned as a synonym in the EPPO Database as well as <i>Liriomyza langei</i> Frick. However we understand that all may not need to be listed.	European Union	Considered, but not incorporated.
16.	27	Substantive	<u>Delete all contents of L.langei in the draft.</u> The taxonomic relationship between <i>L. huidobrensis</i> (Blanchard) and <i>L. langei</i> Frick is complex. <i>L. huidobrensis</i> was originally described from specimens taken from <i>Cineraria</i> in Argentina by Blanchard (1926). Frick (1951) described <i>L. langei</i> from California as a species that he noted was primarily a pest of peas although it had also damaged <i>Aster</i> . In 1973, Spencer then synonymized the two species as they were (and de facto remain) morphologically indistinguishable. Following a study of their mitochondrial and nuclear DNA sequences (Scheffer, 2000; Scheffer and Lewis, 2001), supported by later rearing experiments (Takano <i>et al.</i> , 2008), the two species were formally separated as two cryptic species (Lonsdale, 2011). The name <i>L. langei</i> Frick was resurrected and applied to the cryptic species from California, and the name <i>L. huidobrensis</i> (Blanchard) was applied to the cryptic species from South and Central America.	It is impossible to identify <i>L.langei</i> and <i>L.huidobrensis</i> based on adult morphology (Spencer 1973) and molecular techniques(Kox et al.2005). And it is still controversial on the synonyms of <i>L.langei</i> with <i>L.huidobrensis</i> . Therefore, the disputed species of <i>L.langei</i> at species level should not be included in draft.	China	Considered but not incorporated. See response to comment #7
17.	28	Editorial	Lonsdale (2011) attempted to delineate diagnostic morphological characters that could differentiate “most” specimens of the two species, but found the characters “subtle and sometimes overlapping” so he recommended the use of molecular data to support identification whenever possible. Scheffer and her collaborators consider that the ranges of the two species do not overlap (although Lonsdale (2011) recorded <i>L. huidobrensis</i> from California, once in 1968 and once in 2008, he states that it is unknown if the populations established), and that all of the invasive populations that they had studied were <i>L. huidobrensis</i>	For clarification	Japan	Incorporated

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			as so defined (Scheffer and Lewis, 2001; Scheffer <i>et al.</i> , 2001). This means that reports from California in the literature predating Scheffer's papers should almost certainly be considered as applying to <i>L. langei</i> . <i>L. langei</i> is predominantly a Californian species although it has apparently been introduced into Hawaii, Oregon and Washington; populations found in Florida, Utah and Virginia in the mid-1990s did not establish (Lonsdale, 2011). Only <i>L. huidobrensis</i> has been confirmed in Mexico (Lonsdale, 2011), but Takano <i>et al.</i> (2005) reported that specimens of <i>L. langei</i> (described as the Californian clade) were intercepted in Japan in a package at Japanese inspection site on fresh vegetables originating from Mexico.			
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19.	30	Technical	Change <i>Liriomyza sativae</i> (Blanchard, 1938) to <i>Liriomyza sativae</i> Blanchard, 1938. Name: <i>Liriomyza sativae</i> (Blanchard, 1938)	This species has never been newly combined.	China	Incorporated
20.	34	Technical	Synonyms: <i>Agromyza phaseolunulata</i> Frost, 1943; <i>Liriomyza alliovora</i> Frick, 1955	More synonyms are listed in databases such as Q-bank and EOL. However we understand that all may not need to be listed.	European Union	Considered but not incorporated. A search of literature revealed no additional synonyms
21.	38	Substantive	Female flies use their ovipositor to puncture the leaves of the host plants, causing wounds that serve as sites for feeding (by both female and male flies) or for oviposition. Feeding punctures of <i>Liriomyza</i> species are rounded, usually about 0.2 mm in diameter, and appear as white speckles on the upper surface of the leaf. Oviposition punctures are usually smaller (0.05 mm) and more uniformly round. Feeding punctures made by the polyphagous agromyzid pest species <i>Chromatomyia horticola</i> and <i>C. syngenesiae</i> are distinctly larger and more oval than those made by <i>Liriomyza</i> flies. The appearance of feeding and oviposition punctures does not differ among <i>Liriomyza</i> species, and the pattern of their distribution on the leaf cannot be used to identify species. Feeding punctures cause the destruction of a large number of cells and are clearly visible to the naked eye (EPPO, 2005).	It is not clear because there is no reference to possibility of confusion between <i>Liriomyza</i> sp and <i>Chromatomyia</i> species before this paragraph	Tunisia	Considered but not incorporated. The paragraph describes the <i>Liriomyza</i> feeding puncture and includes a description of those of the <i>Chromatomyia</i> species as comparison. The paragraph stands on its own merit
22.	38	Technical	Female flies use their ovipositor to puncture the leaves of the host plants, causing wounds that serve as sites for feeding (by both female and male flies) or for oviposition. Feeding punctures of <i>Liriomyza</i> species are rounded, usually about 0.2 mm in diameter, and appear as white speckles on the upper surface of the leaf. Oviposition punctures are usually smaller (0.05 mm) and more uniformly round. Feeding punctures made by the polyphagous agromyzid pest species <i>Chromatomyia horticola</i> and <i>C. syngenesiae</i> are distinctly larger and more oval than those made by <i>Liriomyza</i> flies. The appearance of feeding and	The comparison of feeding punctures between <i>Chromatomyia</i> and <i>Liriomyza</i> would be more obvious with figures that would show the differences of punctures. Consider adding appropriate figures.	European Union	See response to comment 1

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23.	40	Editorial	There are three larval stages, all of which feed within the leaves. The larvae predominantly feed on the plant in which the eggs are laid. The larvae of <i>Liriomyza</i> spp. leave the leaf when ready to pupariate (Parrella and Bethke, 1984), and their exit hole characteristically takes the form of a semicircular slit; in contrast, the larvae of <i>C. horticola</i> and <i>C. syngenesiae</i> pupate inside the leaf at the end of the larval mine, with the anterior spiracles usually projecting out from the lower surface of the leaf. <i>Liriomyza pupariae</i> , therefore, may be found in crop debris, in the soil or sometimes on the leaf surface.	Minor edit to the final sentence - "pupae" should be "puparia"	Canada	Incorporated
24.	40	Technical	There are three larval stages, all of which feed within the leaves. The larvae predominantly feed on the plant in which the eggs are laid. The larvae of <i>Liriomyza</i> spp. leave the leaf when ready to pupariate (Parrella and Bethke, 1984), add L. sativae and L. trifolii may pupate on plant leaves and their exit hole characteristically takes the form of a semicircular slit; in contrast, the larvae of <i>C. horticola</i> and <i>C. syngenesiae</i> pupate inside the leaf at the end of the larval mine, with the anterior spiracles usually projecting out from the lower surface of the leaf. <i>Liriomyza</i> pupae, therefore, may be found in crop debris, in the soil or sometimes on the leaf surface.	Literature is available to support	Kenya	Considered but not incorporated. The final sentence of the paragraph states that "puparia may be found...sometimes on leaf surfaces." The inclusion of the additional line is therefore not required
25.	44	Editorial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> pupariae: in crop debris, in the soil or sometimes on the external leaf surface 	Replace "pupae" with "puparia"	Canada	Considered but not incorporated. The discussion is on the insects' life stages. While the puparia is the visible portion, the life stage

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						is the pupa and therefore consistent with the format of the list
26.	45	Technical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> adult: free-flying, on leaf surfaces while producing feeding and oviposition punctures. more diagrams needed 	include diagrams for an egg inserted below the leaf surface, larvae inside mines on leaves, pupae and adult liriomyza	Kenya	<p>See response to comment 1</p> <p>In addition , illustration of egg in plant tissue would have little value in the DP</p>
27.	47	Substantive	<p>Delete Line 3,"Adult females are often identifiable with certainty only to genus level". <i>Liriomyza</i> flies can be collected as immature life stages in association with mined leaf samples or as adults. Because the morphological characters used to diagnose species are based on male genitalia, adult males are needed in order to confirm species identification. Adult females are often identifiable with certainty only to genus level. Collecting multiple specimens from a plant or a location will increase the likelihood of obtaining male flies, which is important unless molecular methods are to be used for diagnosis of immature life stages.</p>	Morphology characters of both male and female adults may be applied to diagnosis.	China	<p>Considered but not incorporated.</p> <p>The statement provided does not logically preclude the statement that is requested to be deleted. Both are true</p>
28.	49	Substantive	<p>1.Add the rearing method for <i>Liriomyza</i> spp. in the draft. 2.Change“they can be collected by using sticky traps” to “they can be collected by using yellow sticky traps”. Adult flies are normally found on the foliage, and can be collected by hand or swept from the foliage with a hand net into glass vials, or collected with a vacuum sampler. Alternatively, they can be collected by using sticky traps, particularly in glasshouses. However, the most practical and reliable method for collecting leafminer flies such as <i>Liriomyza</i> species is to collect mined leaves containing live larvae. These can be placed in a large jar for rearing to adult flies in the laboratory. Techniques for rearing agromyzids are</p>	1.A great number of references had been cited in the draft standard. It is difficult to find the references for user and not advantage to the use of the standard. Some literatures just for information may not be listed in the draft. 2.The speices of <i>Liriomyza</i> were strongly attracted by color of yellow.	China	<p>1. Considered but not incorporated. References are provided for detailed methodology</p> <p>2. Incorporated</p>

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			described in Griffiths (1962) and Fisher et al. (2005).			
29.	49	Technical	Adult flies are normally found on the foliage, and can be collected by hand or swept from the foliage with a hand net into glass vials, or collected with a vacuum sampler. Alternatively, they can be collected by using sticky traps, particularly in glasshouses. However, the most practical and reliable method for collecting leafminer flies such as <i>Liriomyza</i> species is to collect mined leaves containing live larvae. These can be placed in a large jar for rearing to adult flies in the laboratory. Techniques for rearing agromyzids are described in Griffiths (1962) and Fisher et al. (2005). <u>However, live material should not be moved out of quarantine areas.</u>	e.g. <i>L. sativae</i> is in a quarantine zone in the Torres Strait and moving them live for rearing to an uninfested area would be prohibited and risk spreading the pest further	Australia	Considered but not incorporated. Different political units have different regulations and this is out of scope of the DP
30.	50	Substantive	<u>Add dry needle specimens as another stored method for adult.</u> Adults and larvae can be placed in 70% ethanol and stored indefinitely, although their colour fades gradually with time. Vials of specimens in ethanol should be sealed to avoid leakage and packed with cushioning material in a strong box.	Because the gray pubescence of leafminer adults on mesonotum is easily dissolved at 70% ethanol, some key characters are disappeared. Therefore, the dry needle specimens for adult are suggested to be added.	China	Incorporated
31.	50	Technical	Adults and larvae can be placed in 70% ethanol and stored indefinitely, although their colour fades gradually with time. Vials of specimens in ethanol should be sealed to avoid leakage and packed with cushioning material in a strong box. <u>Dry storage is also possible.</u>	The fact that dry storage is possible should also be mentioned.	European Union	Incorporated
32.	51	Editorial	Specimens required for molecular diagnostic work should be killed and either preserved in 96–100% ethanol and stored frozen (at about –20 or –80 °C) or preserved on FTA cards (M. Blacket, personal communication, September 2014). <u>New text not submitted</u>	Specialist comments that specimens do not have to be frozen when in 96-100% ethanol for diagnostic work to be carried out. So the and of and/or could be deleted.	New Zealand	Incorporated
33.	53	Editorial	If the intention is to collect and preserve plant samples, leaves with suspect feeding punctures or mines should be picked and placed between sheets of newspaper to permit slow drying. For laboratory rearing of adult flies, mined leaves containing larvae, or pupae, can be placed in a large jar and kept in a constant temperature room for regular checking.	Specialist comments that this is not relevant for this section. The same material is mentioned above under collection of adults - therefore could be removed here.	New Zealand	Incorporated
34.	53	Technical	If the intention is to collect and preserve plant samples, leaves with suspect feeding punctures or mines should be picked and placed between sheets of newspaper to	Literature available for support	Kenya	Considered but not

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			permit slow drying. For laboratory rearing of adult flies, mined leaves containing larvae, or pupae, can be placed in a large jar and kept in a constant temperature room for regular checking. <u>add after emergence, adults should be preserved after, not more than 12 hours</u>			incorporated Suggested addition does not add any value to the section. On the contrary, for genitalia dissection and external morphological study, older and well sclerotized specimens are preferred.
35.	56	Substantive	Identification of leafminer species by morphological examination is restricted to adult male specimens because there are no adequate keys for the species-level identification of adult females or for eggs, larvae or pupae. Identification of adult material is possible by examination of morphological characters, in particular the genitalia of the male fly. The morphological characters of the male genitalia are examined under a high-power microscope (at about 100× magnification). Using this protocol with good quality preparations should allow adults of the four quarantine species of <i>Liriomyza</i> to be identified with certainty by morphological examination alone (with the exception of <i>L. huidobrensis</i> and <i>L. langei</i> for the reasons discussed in section 1).	As it is mentioned, identification of leafminer species by morphological examination is restricted to adult male specimens because there are no adequate keys for the species-level identification of adult females or for eggs, larvae or pupae. In case of infested imported plants with different life stages or adult other than adult male, what countries (which do not use the molecular methods) can use for identification?	Bahrain	Considered but not incorporated. The DP provides all relevant information; gender-specific/life stage diagnostic constraints are an inherent part of entomological diagnostics.
36.	57	Substantive	Molecular methods for identification can be applied to all life stages, including the immature stages for which morphological identification to species level is not possible. Additionally, in cases where adult specimens are atypical or damaged, molecular assays may provide further relevant information about identity. However, the specificity of molecular assays may be limited as they will have been developed for a purpose and evaluated against a restricted number of species,	As it is mentioned, the specificity of molecular assays may be limited as they will have been developed for a purpose and evaluated against a restricted number of species, using samples from different geographic regions. It is required to give more clarification about using samples from different geographical regions.	Bahrain	Considered but not incorporated. The source references give the details of where specific samples

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38.	64	Technical	The abdomen should be removed from the body to enable clearing of tissues and observation. This can be accomplished by using fine dissecting needles (which can be made by gluing the blunt end of pointed micro pins into the end of a wooden matchstick, first making a shallow hole with a normal pin), to carefully separate the abdomen from the rest of the fly. The abdomen can be boiled in 10% potassium hydroxide (KOH) for 2–4 min or, alternatively, left in cold 10% KOH overnight to clear the tissues. Transferring the treated abdomen to cold (about 4 °C) glacial acetic acid for 2–3 min will neutralize the KOH. Excess glacial acetic acid can be removed by blotting the abdomen. The abdomen is then ready for transfer to a drop of Hoyer's medium (50 ml water, 30 g gum arabic, 200 g chloral hydrate, 20 ml glycerine) on a cavity slide.	1. Alternative procedure of temporary preparation is proposed to avoid or reduce the use of harmful or toxic solutions 2. IPPC protocol should avoid as much as possible recommending chemistry that is known to be toxic (e.g. Hoyer's medium).. In any case there is more than one way for clearing or mounting procedures and whatever is proposed in the IPPC text should be indicated as one of many possibilities. We suggest the addition of the following sentence 3. Alternative methods and chemicals can also produce suitable slide mounts. A procedure recommended in French laboratories involves less toxic chemical and is presented below. The abdomen can be boiled in 10% potassium hydroxide (KOH) for 2–4 min or, alternatively, left in cold 10% KOH overnight to clear the tissues. Transferring the treated abdomen in a bath of distilled water will neutralize the KOH. The abdomen is then ready for transfer to a drop of glycerol on a cavity slide.	European Union	Incorporated
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40.	65	Substantive	Under a binocular stereoscopic microscope and using the fine dissecting needles, the genital complex is carefully dissected out from the surrounding membranes, cuticle and associated musculature. Using the fine dissecting needles, the genital complex is positioned for lateral viewing under a compound microscope at up to 400x magnification. The genital complex is repositioned for ventral viewing of the distiphallus at 400x magnification. <u>New text not supplied</u>	Specialist comments: Dissections are better done in ethanol or if on a cavity slide in glycerol. Hoyer's is too viscous and would be difficult to transfer to Hoyer's again when making semi-permanent slides and may be damaged.	New Zealand	Incorporated
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42.	66	Technical	To make semi-permanent slides (e.g. for routine identification), the genital complex should be transferred to a drop of Hoyer's medium glycerol on a clean flat slide. The genitalia are immersed gently in the mountant, and a round coverslip is lowered	To avoid the use of toxic product, we suggest to replace the Hoyer's medium by glycerol	European Union	Incorporated

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			carefully over it to evenly spread the mountant.			
43.	67	Technical	If permanent slide mounts are required, the abdomen should be cleared in KOH and neutralized in cold glacial acetic acid as described above. Then, the abdomen can be transferred to 70% ethanol and, using the fine dissecting needles under a binocular stereoscopic microscope, the genital complex carefully dissected from the surrounding membranes, cuticle and associated musculature. The dissected genitalia should be transferred first to absolute ethanol for 2–4 min, and then to clove oil (in which, if necessary, the genitalia can be stored for any length of time). The genitalia should be transferred to a drop of Euparal on a clean flat slide and orientated in the mountant. A round coverslip should be lowered carefully onto the drop, commencing at its edge, evenly spreading the mountant. Finally, the slide should be placed in an incubator (about 45 °C) to dry for two weeks. All slide mounts must be labelled with adequate data, detailing host, locality, date of collection and name of collector <u>and code/label to link back to remaining specimen.</u>	Add the phrase "and code/label to link back to the remaining specimen".	Canada	Incorporated
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46.	72	Technical	The following combination of characters define the family Agromyzidae (Hennig, 1958; Spencer, 1987) (Figure 7):	To help using the key illustrations would be useful and correspondence between the key terminology and the figures ensured. The paragraph where pictures would be most useful are indicated	European Union	Considered but not incorporated. These would need to be line drawings or highly detailed photos to illustrate terminology used in the text characterizations of these taxonomic units. These are not currently available See response to comment 1
47.	74	Technical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> vibrissae present 	A new figure should be added	European Union	See Response to comment 46

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48.	75	Technical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1–7 frontal setae present 	A new figure should be added	European Union	See Response to comment 46
49.	76	Technical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> wing with costal break present at the apex of Sc 	A new figure should be added	European Union	See Response to comment 46
50.	77	Technical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> wing cell cup small; wing veins A₁+CuA₂ not reaching wing margin 	A new figure should be added	European Union	See Response to comment 46
51.	78	Technical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> male with pregenital sclerites with a fused tergal complex of tergites 6–8, with only two spiracles between tergite 5 and the genital segment (Fig. 6a). 	This characteristic is illustrated with figure 6a. A reference should be made to it.	European Union	<p>Considered but not incorporated</p> <p>The figure referred to is a simplified drawing of the male abdomen for comparative purposes (cf. female abdomen) It does not illustrate the details mentioned in paragraph 78</p>
52.	79	Technical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> female with the anterior part of abdominal segment 7 forming an oviscape (Fig. 6a). 	This characteristic is illustrated with figure 6a. A reference should be made to it.	European Union	<p>Considered but not incorporated</p> <p>See response to comment 51</p>
53.	83	Substantive	Adult flies of the genus <i>Liriomyza</i> have the following morphological characters (EPPO, 2005):	1. Consider adding appropriate illustration for the different points of the key to allow an easy use. 2. Two figures are available in the current which may improve the understanding EPPO diagnostic protocol Fig 3 and 4	European Union	See Response to comment 1
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						reference is Spencer, 1976 which was added
55.	86	Technical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> scutellum yellow in most species, rarely dark the subcostal vein reaches the costal vein 	Add the following description about the subcostal vein, which is characteristic of Phytomyzinae including <i>Liriomyza</i> . It is appropriate to add this description since it is a useful key and an important point in narrowing down for identification.	Japan	Modified ...subcostal reaching the costa separately, at least as a fold distally
56.	88	Technical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> discal cell (dm) small 	Show where dm is in figure	European Union	Character shown in Figure 9. Wing venation of <i>Liriomyza</i>
57.	89	Technical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> second (outer) crossvein (dm-cu) present in most species 	Show where dm-cu is in figure	European Union	Character shown in Figure 9. Wing venation of <i>Liriomyza</i>
58.	90	Technical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> stridulating organ present in males (a “scraper”, a chitinized ridge on the hind femora; and a “file”, a line of low chitinized scales on the connecting membrane between the abdominal tergites and sternites). 	Could this be shown in a figure?	European Union	See response to comment 46
59.	92	Technical	There are several genera that may be confused with <i>Liriomyza</i> . The closely related genera <i>Phytomyza</i> , <i>Chromatomyia</i> and <i>Phytoliriomyza</i> can generally be separated from <i>Liriomyza</i> by their proclinate (forward pointing) fronto-orbital setulae (always reclinate or occasionally upright or missing in <i>Liriomyza</i>), and by the scutellum, which is generally grey or black but occasionally slightly yellowish centrally (entirely yellow in most <i>Liriomyza</i>). In <i>Phytomyza</i> and <i>Chromatomyia</i> , the costa extends only to R ₄₊₅ , whereas in <i>Phytoliriomyza</i> and <i>Liriomyza</i> it extends to vein M1+2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> To clarify the possible confusion with other genera, it would be appreciated that illustrations are provided Can R₄₊₅ be shown in a figure? 3 vein M is it M1+2? 	European Union	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> See response to comment 1, 46 See response to comment 1, 46 Incorporated

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			(Spencer, 1977). Phytoliriomyza species are gall-forming (on a stem or leaf) internal feeders, whereas Chromatomyia, Phytomyza and Liriomyza species are typically leafminers.			
60.	94	Substantive	<u>Some paragraph should be added to dwell on those morphological characters at species level (including ground color of both outer or inner vertical setae, color of mesonotum and anepisternum ,vein Cu1A) before Table 1. And the corresponding graphs also should be provided.</u> 4.1.4.1 Morphological characters of adult <i>Liriomyza</i> spp.	It is necessary to improve the diagnostic practicability for the four quarantine <i>Liriomyza</i> species.	China	Considered but not incorporated This is asking for the contents of Table 1 to be repeated in paragraph form. The tabular format was used because the information provided is essentially a comparative process between the five species (including <i>L. strigata</i>) considered. A species by species textual listing of these characters would add little given that without consideration of the male distiphallus, none of them on their own would provide complete separation from all of the other c. 300 species of <i>Liriomyza</i> .
61.	97	Technical	Identification of the adults can also be carried out with keys. Malipatil and Ridland (2008) provide a key to 17 species of economic importance, including a few species endemic to Australia. In addition, an	the host plant is important in the diagnostic. The addition of a sentence at the end is proposed	European Union	Incorporated

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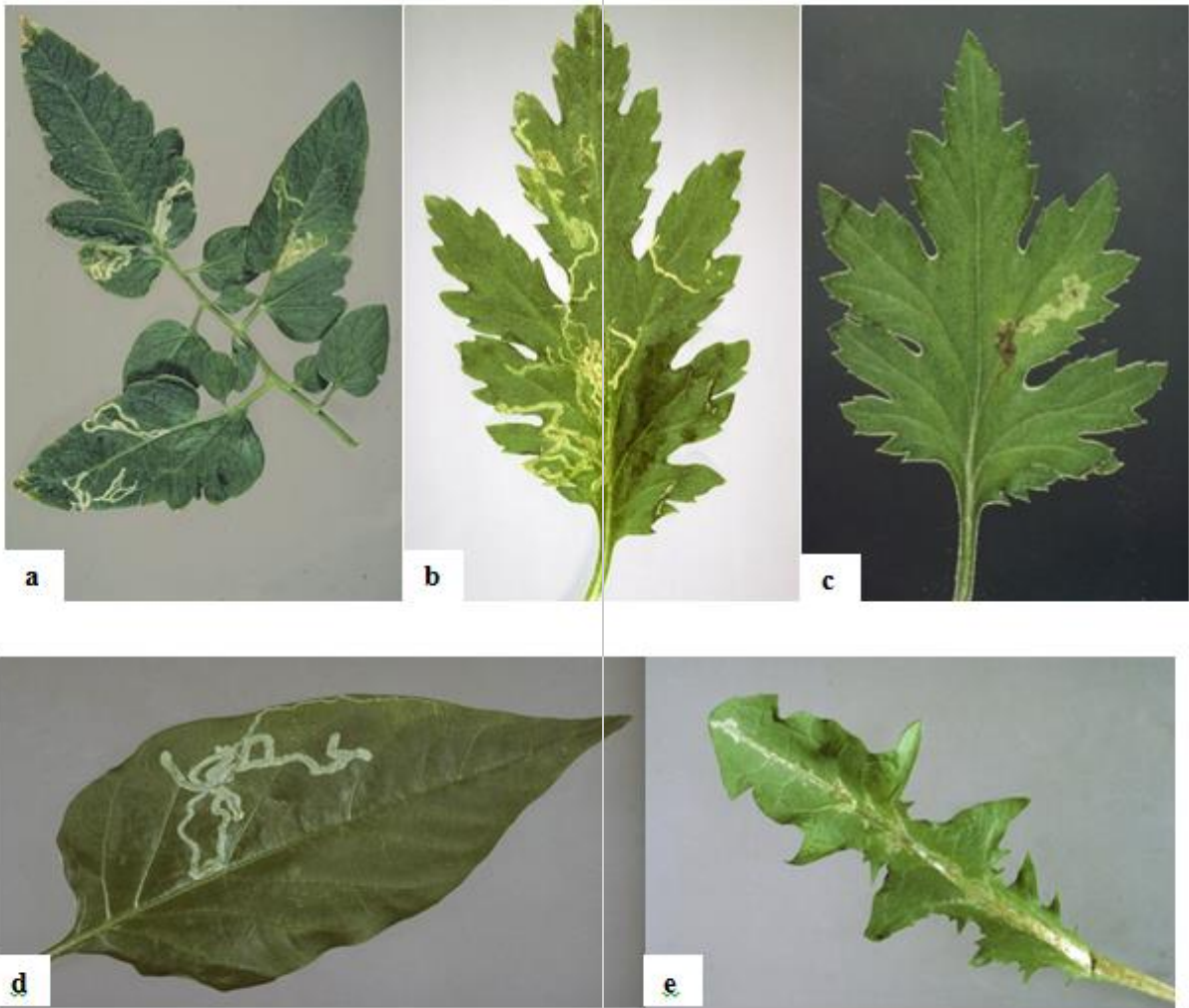
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72.	110	Technical	Delete the key. Diagnostic key for identification of <i>Liriomyza</i> spp. using the male distiphallus	The characters of distiphallus had been described in Para. 108. The key is redundant.	China	Considered but not incorporated The key here is not redundant as paragraph 108 only describes separation between the two natural species groups, and not separation of the different species within each natural species group.
73.	122	Editorial	Of the four life stages (egg, larva, pupa and adult) only the adult male flies can be positively identified to species level using morphological features (the shape of the male genitalia). The morphological characteristics of larvae and pupae can be used to distinguish between the members of the two natural species groups described above (section 4.1.4.2). This information can contribute towards species identification but is insufficient by itself to allow species identification. To complement morphological identification, molecular assays can be used to distinguish between the species included in the protocol (section 4.2)	Remove unnecessary "a" from penultimate sentence.	Canada	Incorporated
74.	126	Technical	There are three larval instars, which feed as they tunnel through the leaf tissue. The newly emerged larvae (Figure 2(a)) are about 0.5 mm long but reach 3.0 mm when fully grown. They are typical of agromyzids in their gross form (see section 4.1.2). Pupae (Figure 2(b)) are oval cylinders in shape, about 2.0 mm in length, very slightly flattened ventrally, with projecting anterior and posterior spiracles. In practice, for larvae and pupae, the two natural groups can be distinguished from each other	1. To allow an easy use of this protocol, an additional illustration could be included from the EPPO current protocol (Figure 12 PM 7/53). 2. Regarding Figure 2(a) : In the legend of Fig 2 this is mentioned as the third larval instar. 3. Regarding "the two natural groups can be distinguished from each other morphologically" : An illustration showing the characteristics of the two species group would help.	European Union	1. See response to comment 1 2. Incorporated 3. See response to comment 1

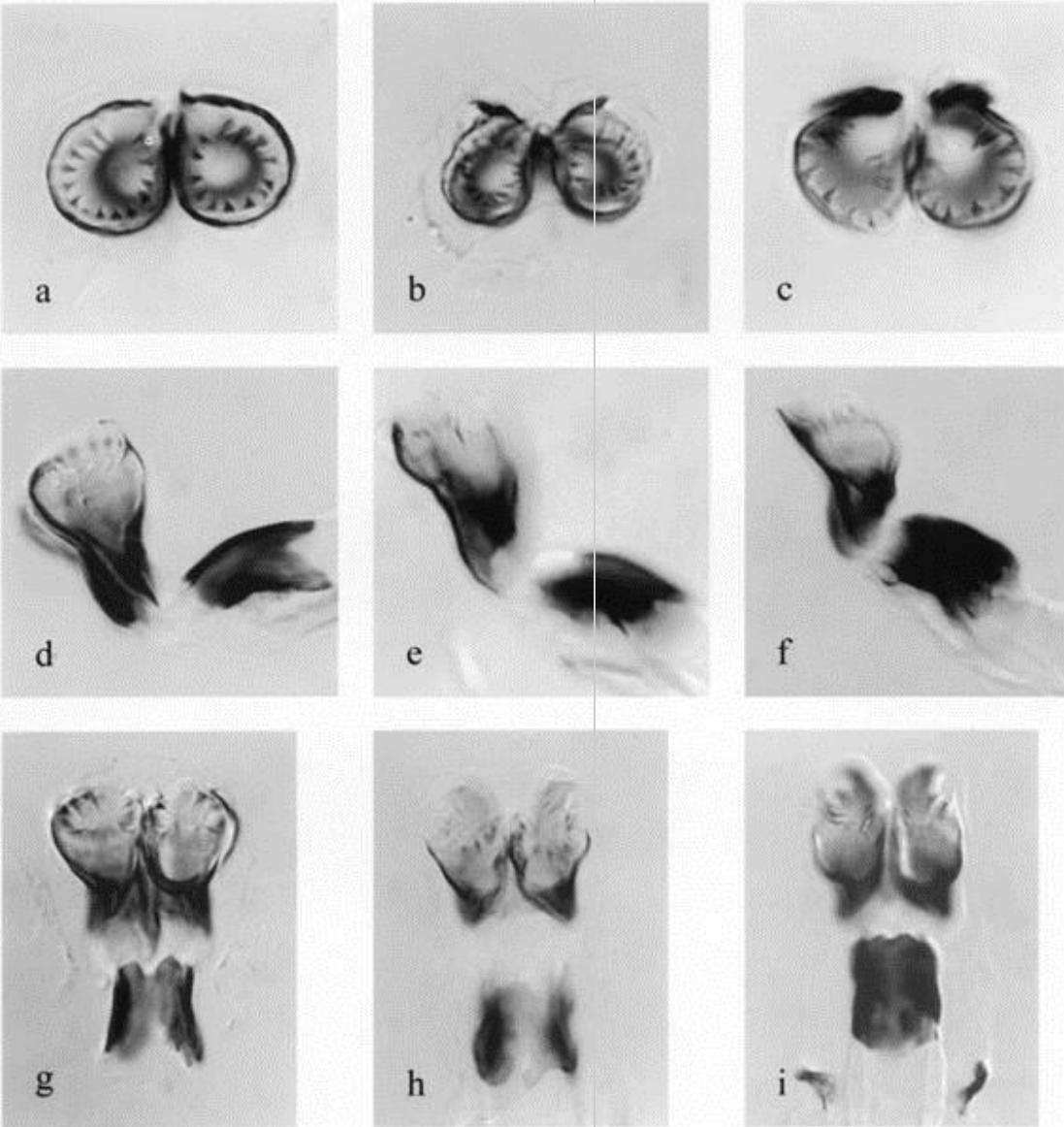

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			morphologically (but not the species within the groups) as follows.			
75.	130	Technical	Larvae of <i>L. sativae</i> and <i>L. trifolii</i> are translucent when newly emerged and yellow-orange later. Each posterior spiracle is tricorn-shaped with three pores, each on a distinct projection, the outer two elongate. Puparia are yellowish-orange, sometimes a darker golden brown. The form of the larval spiracles is retained in the puparium but the detail is less obvious.	Regarding "yellow-orange later.": Is this over the entire body? can this be clarified?	European Union	Incorporated
76.	130	Technical	Add "4.1.4.4 electrophoresis for identification of four species of <i>Liriomyza</i> spp." after Para.130. Larvae of <i>L. sativae</i> and <i>L. trifolii</i> are translucent when newly emerged and yellow-orange later. Each posterior spiracle is tricorn-shaped with three pores, each on a distinct projection, the outer two elongate. Puparia are yellowish-orange, sometimes a darker golden brown. The form of the larval spiracles is retained in the puparium but the detail is less obvious.	According to OEPP/EPPO 1992 "Quarantine procedures No.42, Identification of <i>Liriomyza</i> spp.", the four species of <i>L. bryoniae</i> , <i>L. huidobrensis</i> , <i>L. trifolii</i> and <i>L. sativae</i> , can be identified quickly and exactly by electrophoresis based on other substantiation (eg : morphology, host plants, et al.) . Reference : Ulenberg, S.A. 1992. Quarantine procedure— Identification of <i>Liriomyza</i> spp. Bulletin OEPP/EPPO Bulletin (No. 42) , 22 : 235-238.	China	Considered but not incorporated Technology mentioned has been superseded
77.	132	Substantive	More evidences of confirmation tests for molecular identification should be provided in the draft. Various polymerase chain reaction (PCR)-based molecular methods have been used to identify <i>Liriomyza</i> species, including PCR-restriction fragment length polymorphism (RFLP), end-point PCR using species-specific primers, real-time PCR, and DNA sequence comparison. Of these methods, the ones that can be used to distinguish between the four target species (i.e. <i>L. bryoniae</i> , <i>L. huidobrensis</i> , <i>L. sativae</i> and <i>L. trifolii</i>) or between <i>L. huidobrensis</i> and <i>L. langei</i> are described below. Each assay is described as published, as these conditions define the original level of performance. No assay reported for these species has been formally validated for analytical sensitivity and reproducibility.	The molecular protocol has just been cited from the published. It is not confirmed by reference laboratory or NPPOs/RPPOs.	China	Considered but not incorporated The wording in the paragraph explains the reasoning. The molecular protocols have been cited from published sources, and have not been validated by reference laboratories as part of this IPPC protocol.
78.	133	Technical	In this diagnostic protocol, methods (including reference to brand names) are described as published, as these defined the original level of sensitivity, specificity and/or reproducibility achieved. Use of names of reagents chemicals or equipment in these diagnostic protocols implies no approval of them to the exclusion of others that	Text deleted as per general comment	Uruguay, Argentina, Chile	See response to comment 3

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			may also be suitable . Laboratory procedures presented in the protocols may be adjusted to the standards of individual laboratories, provided that they are adequately validated.			
79.	173	Substantive	Delete all contents of L.langei in the draft. 4.2.5 Distinguishing cryptic species <i>L. langei</i> and <i>L. huidobrensis</i>	It is impossible to identify <i>L.langei</i> and <i>L.huidobrensis</i> based on adult morphology (Spencer 1973) and molecular techniques (Kox et al.2005). And it is still controversial on the synonyms of <i>L.langei</i> with <i>L.huidobrensis</i> . Therefore, the disputed species of <i>L.langei</i> at species level should not be included in draft.	China	See response to comment 7
80.	187	Technical	Efforts to generate a more taxonomically comprehensive resource of DNA sequence records for the 5' region of the <i>Liriomyza COI</i> gene used in animal DNA barcode studies are ongoing (e.g. Bhuiya <i>et al.</i> , 2011, Maharjan <i>et al.</i> 2014). There are currently DNA barcode records for 31 species of <i>Liriomyza</i> (including the four target species) available on the Barcode of Life database (BOLD) (http://www.boldsystems.org). Alternatives barcodes and procedures are provided on Q-bank (www/q-bank.eu), a curated database, including sequences obtained from reference material. A recent study (Maharjan <i>et al.</i> 2014) included details for the separation of <i>L. huidobrensis</i> ; <i>L. trifolii</i> , <i>L. sativae</i> , <i>L. bryoniae</i> and <i>L. chinensis</i> . Despite these advances in DNA sequencing resources, the methodology is not described in detail here for <i>Liriomyza</i> species identification because interpretation rules for the resources have not yet been published in the scientific literature.	1. QBANK, an European database for barcodes of plant pests and invasive species, provides procedures for DNA amplification of the relevant barcodes, but also reference sequences that were produced from reference material. This database is curated and regularly updated. This provides an additional tool to BOLD. 2. Barcoding note : Recently, a range of problems have emerged using the COI gene for diagnostics. For example, in some groups barcoding primers seem to pick up fragments which might not be the homologous mtDNA and this could result in misidentifications. At this moment "genbank" COI data show that, at least, some of the target species are already mixed in the phylogenetic trees. Whether this is due to misidentifications or because of, e.g., nuclear encoded fragments is not clear to me. Could the authors consider adding a comment?	European Union	1. Incorporated 2. Incorporated
81.	205	Substantive	Boykin, L.M., Armstrong, K., Kubatko, L. & De Barro, P. 2012. DNA barcoding invasive insects: Database roadblocks. <i>Invertebrate Systematics</i> , 26: 506–514. Brown, B. V., Borkent, A., Cumming, J. M., Wood, D. M., Woodley, N. E. & Zumbado, M. 2010. Manual of Central American Diptera, Vol. 2.	To add the paper cited for the subcostal vein mentioned above (after paragraph 86) .	Japan	Incorporated
82.	260	Editorial	Figure 2. Examples of stages of <i>Liriomyza</i> spp.: (a) third larval instar of <i>L. bryoniae</i> ; (b) pupa of <i>Liriomyza</i> sp.; and (c) adult of <i>L. bryoniae</i> .	illustration of the other species can be added	Tunisia	See response to comment 1 A comprehensive matrix of photos of

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						each species against each life stage would add very little value and would be very difficult to obtain
83.	260	Technical	<u>Add the Scale of the three images.</u> Figure 2. Examples of stages of <i>Liriomyza</i> spp.: (a) third larval instar of <i>L. bryoniae</i> ; (b) pupa of <i>Liriomyza</i> sp.; and (c) adult of <i>L. bryoniae</i> .	The scale will provide accurate size of the different stages of <i>Liriomyza</i> spp..	China	Considered but not incorporated. It is impossible to retrospectively insert accurate scale bars into historic photographs
84.	263	Editorial	Figure 3. Typical characteristics of mines of (a) <i>Liriomyza bryoniae</i> , (b) <i>Liriomyza huidobrensis</i> and (c) <i>Liriomyza strigata</i> .	Figures are not clear, differences between the different types of mines are not clear and annotations are unreadable	Tunisia	See response to comment 1
85.	268	Substantive	<u>Change Photo e into that on an identified host.</u>	As the reference object of standard it should be an certain one.	China	Considered but not incorporated The host was an unidentified weed and the photo shows the typical form of the <i>strigata</i> mine, hugging the mid-rib, which is more important than identification of the host for what is a polyphagous species A suitable replacement photo with host identified is not

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86.	272	Editorial	Figure 6. Abdomen in (a) male and (b) female <i>Liriomyza</i> . Source: courtesy Fera Science Ltd.	Addition of the source to be consistent with the other figures.	European Union	Incorporated	
87.	272	Technical	Figure 6. Abdomen in (a) male and (b) female <i>Liriomyza</i> .	Name tergites, referred to in lines 78-79.	European Union	Considered but not	

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						incorporated. The figure referred to is a simplified drawing of the male abdomen for comparative purposes (cf. female abdomen) It does not illustrate the details mentioned in paragraph 78
88.	274	Substantive	Figure 7. Adult morphology of Agromyzidae (<i>Agromyza</i> sp.).	This figure is too complicated (too many arrow and legends) for any easy use. Fig. 3 in PM 7/53 is simpler and only focusses on the essential diagnostic characters. It is proposed to replace the Figure 7 by Figure 3 from PM 7/53. The EPPO secretariat will provide this picture to the IPPC Secetariat.	European Union	See response to comment 1
89.	274	Technical	Figure 7. Adult morphology of Agromyzidae(<i>Agromyza</i> sp.). It would be preferable to have a diagonal view as well as a side view as the morphological figure.	The colors of bases of outer/inner vertical setae are diagnostic characteristics, however, it is difficult to identify the location of the setae with only the side view.	Japan	See responses to comment 1, and 82
90.	280	Technical	Figure 9. Male genitalia of <i>Liriomyza huidobrensis</i> (lateral view).	The information of the type of view is missing.	European Union	Incorporated
91.	282	Substantive	Delete the photo j and k.	Photo j and g, k and h show the distiphallus of the same species, a type specimen is enough here.	China	Considered but not incorporated. The original plate comes as a whole. In any point, photos j and k offer slightly different angles of view in comparison to g and h –for what can be a very subtle distinction

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92.	283	Substantive	Figure 10. Distiphallus of <i>Liriomyza</i> spp. (×400 magnification): (a) <i>L. bryoniae</i> , anterior view; (b) <i>L. huidobrensis</i> , anterior view; (c) <i>L. strigata</i> , anterior view; (d) <i>L. bryoniae</i> , lateral view; (e) <i>L. huidobrensis</i> , lateral view; (f) <i>L. strigata</i> , lateral view; (g) <i>L. bryoniae</i> , dorso-ventral view; (h) <i>L. huidobrensis</i> , dorso-ventral view; (i) <i>L. strigata</i> , dorso-ventral view; (j) <i>L. bryoniae</i> , dorso-ventral view (in a different plane to (g)); and (k) <i>L. huidobrensis</i> , dorso-ventral view (in a different plane to (h)).	The pictures are old and don't offer a high resolution to allow a good identification. Please consider if it is possible to replace them.	European Union	See response to comments 1
93.	286	Substantive	Figure 11. Distiphallus of <i>Liriomyza</i> spp. (×400 magnification): (a) <i>L. sativae</i> , anterior view; (b) <i>L. trifolii</i> , anterior view; (c) <i>L. sativae</i> , lateral view; (d) <i>L. trifolii</i> , lateral view; (e) <i>L. sativae</i> , dorso-ventral view; and (f) <i>L. trifolii</i> , dorso-ventral view.	The pictures are old and don't offer a high resolution to allow a good identification. Please consider if it is possible to replace them	European Union	See response to comments 1