

NPGS HORTICULTURAL GERmplasm EVALUATION PROPOSAL FORMAT

- I. Project title, followed by name, title, and physical and e-mail addresses of germplasm evaluators.
- II. Significance of the proposal to U.S. agriculture, especially its relationship to the priorities cited in the corresponding Crop Vulnerability Statement.
- III. Outline of specific research to be conducted, including the time frame involved. Include the number of accessions to be evaluated.
- IV. Budget for the funding requested, categorized item by item.
- V. Personnel (priority is given to funding students and technical staff):
 - A. What type of personnel will perform the research (e.g., ARS, State, or industry scientist; postdoc; grad student; or other temporary help)?
 - B. Where will personnel conduct the work, and under whose supervision?
- VI. Approximate resources contributed to the project by the cooperating institution(s) (e.g., facilities, equipment, supplies, and funds for salaries).

More Information about the Horticultural Germplasm Evaluations:

Funding is limited to evaluations of horticultural (includes sugar crops) germplasm maintained in or destined for the National Plant Germplasm System (NPGS).

Evaluation proposals must be submitted through the relevant Crop Germplasm Committee (CGC) for review and approval. Proposals should follow the evaluation priorities established by specific CGCs in corresponding Crop Vulnerability Statements or elsewhere.

Evaluation data obtained should be recorded according to standard trait descriptors and codes developed for that crop and will be incorporated into GRIN-Global by the crop curator. Funding for data entry into GRIN-Global should be considered when developing proposals.

Evaluation proposals addressing several traits, such as several diseases, should include the cost and time frame for each trait along with the combined cost. Funding might be available for evaluating only one or several of the total number of traits proposed for the evaluation project.