# Appendix I. International Flax Data Base (IFDB) descriptors

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# Passport descriptors

The database is using the 28 FAO/IPGRI Multi-crop passport descriptors (see http://www.ipgri.cgiar.org/publications/pubfile.asp?ID\_PUB=124).

Additionally, the following passport descriptors are used:

# A. Year of release [YYYY]

Year of release of the cultivar, or year of registration

#### B. Type of use

- 1 Flax
- 2 Linseed
- 3 Combined/Intermediate

# C. Pedigree

Parentage or nomenclature, and designations assigned to breeder's material

# D. Year of input into IFDB [YYYY]

Year on which the accession data were first entered into the IFDB

#### E. Date of updating [YYYYMMDD]

Date on which the accession data were updated in the IFDB

# Characterization and evaluation descriptors (28)

# Morphological characters (17)

# 1. Plant growth habit

- 1 Prostrate
- 2 Spreading
- 3 Semi-erect
- 4 Erect

# 2. Plant life cycle

- 1 Annual
- 2 Biennial
- 3 Perennial

# 3. Plant natural height

- 1 Very short
- 3 Short
- 5 Medium
- 7 Tall
- 9 Very tall

# 4. Stem length

- 1 Very short
- 3 Short
- 5 Medium
- 7 Long
- 9 Very long

# 5. Flower: size of corolla

- 3 Small
- 5 Medium
- 7 Large

# 6. Flower: shape

- 1 Regular
- 2 Star
- 3 Semi-star

# 7. Sepal dotting

- 1 Absent or very weak
- 3 Weak
- 5 Medium
- 7 Strong
- 9 Very strong

# 8. Petal colour: colour of corolla (when fully developed)

- 1 White
- 2 Light blue
- 3 Blue
- 4 Pink
- 5 Red violet
- 6 Violet

# 9. Petal: longitudinal folding

- 0 Absent
- 1 Present

# 10. Anther colour

- 1 Yellowish
- 2 Bluish
- 3 Greyish
- 4 Orange

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# 11. Stamen: filament colour at top

- 1 White
- 2 Blue
- 3 Violet

#### 12. Style colour at base

- 1 White
- 2 Yellow
- 3 Blue

#### 13. Boll type

- 1 Dehiscent, fully opened
- 3 Dehiscent, half-opened
- 5 Semi-dehiscent
- 7 Weakly dehiscent
- 9 Undehiscent

# **Biological characters (4)**

# 18. Resistance to lodging

- 1 Very low
- 3 Low
- 5 Medium
- 7 High
- 9 Very high

# 19. Fusarium susceptibility

- 1 Very low
- 3 Low
- 5 Medium
- 7 High
- 9 Very high

# Agronomic characters (6)

#### 22. Fibre content in straw

- 9 Very high
- 7 High
- 5 Medium
- 3 Low
- 1 Very low

# 23. Fibre yield

- 9 Very high
- 7 High
- 5 Medium
- 3 Low
- 1 Very low

#### 24. Seed yield

- 9 Very high
- 7 High
- 5 Medium
- 3 Low
- 1 Very low

# Cytological character (1)

#### 28. Ploidy level

(2x, 3x, 4x, etc.)

#### 14. Boll size

- 3 Small
- 5 Medium
- 7 Large

#### 15. Boll: ciliation of septa

- 0 Absent
- 1 Present

#### 16. 1000-seed weight [g]

(In grams, to two decimal places)

# 17. Seed colour

- 1 Yellow
- 3 Light brown
- 5 Brown
- 7 Dark brown
- 9 Green

# 20. Vegetation period (to maturity)

- 1 Very early
- 3 Early
- 5 Medium early
- 7 Medium late
- 9 Late

# 21. Time of beginning of flowering

- 9 Very early
- 7 Early
- 5 Medium early
- 3 Medium late
- 1 Late

#### 25. Oil content

- 9 Very high
- 7 High
- 5 Medium
- 3 Low
- 1 Very low

# 26. Oil yield

- 9 Very high
- 7 High
- 5 Medium
- 3 Low
- 1 Very low

#### 27. Linolenic acid content

- 9 Very high
- 7 High
- 5 Medium
- 3 Low
  - 1 Very low