

**Newsletter article:**

Harmorescoll aims to improve the availability of reference materials (controls, differentials, isolates) in DUS resistance tests. Once a year, all participants of the project co-funded by CPVO meet to discuss the progress, and to set the goals for the next period. The second-year annual meeting was in November 2021, online, with 22 attendants. Discussion of the rules for managing the future network and harmonized procedures for validation and delivery are almost finalised. An online information portal has been drafted and should be developed in a few months. The inventory and availability of reference materials now allows to list candidate material for validation. Once fully defined, experimental tests will start in 2022. Discussion on the future repartition of reference materials among official collections is going on. For details: <https://www.researchgate.net/project/Harmorescoll-Setting-up-an-EU-system-for-harmonized-collections-of-reference-isolates-controls-and-differentials-to-facilitate-disease-resistance-testing>