National Clean Plant Network

INNOVATIONS IN PEST RISK MANAGEMENT

CASE STUDIES by Country



USDA

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What is NCPN?

A voluntary association of clean plant centers to promote the production, maintenance and use of pathogen-tested, vegetatively propagated plant material for specialty crops in the United States

NCPN core activities?

- Sustain network of collaborating clean plant centers
- Centers focus on diagnostic and pathogen elimination services
- Produce clean propagative plant material
- Centers maintain blocks of pathogen-tested plant materials in sites throughout the USA

How is NCPN funded?

Dear NAPPO Members, As of September 2015 the **Network has expended** \$29,361,883

Respectfully submitted, Erich S. Rudyj

How is NCPN organized?





Which crops?

Specialty crops generally restricted for entry into the USA:

- *Fruit Trees* Stone, Pome Fruits, Ornamentals
- Grapes Table, Raisin, Juice, and Wine Grapes
- <u>Citrus</u> All Types
- **Berries** Fragaria, Rubus, and Vaccinium
- Hops Reclaiming the 'historical' range
- <u>Roses</u> Several Types >>> Industry Interest
- **Sweetpotato** Food Crops and Ornamentals

Which cooperators? Where?



Benefits?



- Provide clean,
 tested propagation
 stock to nurseries
 throughout the
 United States
- Develop state of the art techniques for detecting pathogens

Benefits?



Eliminate viruses

 (e.g., using heat
 therapy and
 microshoot tip
 culture)



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Benefits?



 Import and quarantine new varieties of interest to growers

 Rigorously test mother plants using standards that are often stricter than state and federal requirements

Benefits!

Fruit Trees

- 2,000 accessions maintained in the
 Foundation; delivered over 350,000
 cutting/scions/plantlets & over 1.2 million
 buds to nurseries & growers
- **625,000** Number of Clean Cuttings, Buds, Plants, or Special Seed Distributed to Industry



Grapes



- Foundation material used by industry to produce 20-30 million clean plants annually
- Over 230 million citrus trees produced from 'clean plant' material in last five years



Over **30%** of the World's hops come from the
 USA –the major source of clean plant material

