



Australian Vine Improvement Association Inc.

APRIL 2011 UPDATE AVIA NATIONAL NUCLEAR COLLECTION (NNC) AVAILABILITY OF MATERIAL

The NNC is an under-utilised resource and in order to increase the accessibility of the collection AVIA will offer the following choices in regard to PCR testing.

Vine Improvement Groups affiliated with AVIA

1. PCR testing of woody material prior to taking of cuttings at a non refundable cost of \$250 per PCR test. In the event of a positive PCR test for anything other than GRSPaV the material will not be available.
2. PCR testing of green material at a non refundable cost of \$80 per test. The testing will be carried out in November when the bulk sampling of the AVIA collection is to be carried out.
Vine Improvement groups opting for this option will be required to sign an agreement that if the November sample is positive for anything other than GRSPaV they will destroy the material.

In addition to the virus testing cost there will be a charge of \$2.00 per cutting with a minimum charge of \$100 per variety, an administrative fee of \$50 per order and any other costs associated with the order such as hot water treatment, plant health certificates and transport will also be billed.

Cuttings sold to third parties from material accessed from the NNC is subject to the payment of royalties back to AVIA, in the case of AVIA material for 6 years and for Third Party material 99 years.

Individuals and groups not affiliated with AVIA

Material from the NNC is also available to bodies not affiliated with AVIA but there is an additional cost of an upfront payment of \$500 per variety. No royalty agreement for AVIA owned material is required but there would still be a royalty for cuttings sold from Third party material which would need to be paid for 99 years.

In addition to the upfront payment the following costs would also apply:

1. PCR testing of woody material prior to taking of cuttings at a non refundable cost of \$250 per PCR test. In the event of a positive PCR test for anything other than GRSPaV the material will not be available.
2. A charge of \$2.00 per cutting with a minimum charge of \$100 per variety, an administrative fee of \$50 per order and any other costs associated with the order such as hot water treatment, plant health certificates and transport will also be billed.

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