

# ISTA Flower Seed Testing Committee (FSC)

Activity Report 2023-2024

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Location: Cambridge, United Kingdom  
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# FLOWER SEED TESTING COMMITTEE



## FSC Composition 2022-2025

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|---|----------------|
| 1. Sarah Dammen (Chair)                     | USA            |
| 2. Meriam Dekalo Keren (Vice-Chair)         | Israel         |
| 3. Rachael Davies                           | United Kingdom |
| 4. Erik van Egmond                          | Netherlands    |
| 5. Alessandra Barbante                      | Italy          |
| 6. Stefanie Krämer                          | Germany        |
| 7. Maria Marin                              | Croatia        |
| 8. Lucele Pretorius                         | South Africa   |
| 9. Shizka Takeuchi                          | Japan          |
| 10. Sylvie Ducournau (ECOM liaison officer) | France         |

Room for  
more  
members.



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- Discussing TSW for some flower species
  - Calendula
  - Begonia
  - Anemone
  - Bellis
  - Sunflower



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- New projects

- Begonia test plan in progress
  - Add 25C as temperature option

- Survey on flower seed testing

- Questions may include: species tested, how many of each, are new methods needed, TSW numbers gathered, native testing.

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- Continued work on adding species to ISTA Handbook on Flower Seed Testing
- 22 Species pages in progress
- Sarah Dammen and Sylvie Ducournau are working on this project. If you would like to contribute, please let one of us know.



# FLOWER SEED TESTING COMMITTEE



- 1 Proficiency Test round every 3 years
- Workshop, seminar
- Answers to questions received from the ISTA community
- Cooperation with other TCOMs (GER, PUR, TEZ, BSC, PTC, RUL)
- Cooperation with AOSA (started in Denver)





Thank you

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