

To: Washington State Crop Improvement Association

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Statement of origin and information of value to field inspectors for 204 Oat:

204 Oat (also known as SW 033204) was bred by Svalof-Weibull of Svalof, Sweden.

Areas of probably adaptability: Where ever spring oats are grown in the US.

Information of value to field inspectors:

- 204 oat has a traditional panicle similar to Monida but coarser.
- Seed husk in the panicle has a silver green color when it starts to enter the soft dough stage.
- Plant growth characteristics are similar to Monida but with a huskier stature and about 4 inches taller.
- 204 oat will be about 4 days later to reach the soft dough stage of maturity than Monida oat.

Information of value to seed analysts:

- Seed of 204 oat are off white in color.
- Seed of 204 oat have traditional oat shape.

Procedures for maintaining seed stock and seed classes to be recognized:

- ProGene Plant Research L.L.C. has received from Svalof-Weibull pre-Breeders seed. ProGene has increased and will maintain Bbreeders seed through plot refinement method. Plantings of Breeders seed will be made and a portion will be carefully inspected and kept separate at harvest to maintain prime seed. Starting with Foundation seed the program will follow the Crop Improvement method of the state that the seed is being produced in.
- Classes of seed to be recognized are "Breeders" as designated by the breeder and their representative in North America (ProGene Plant Research L.L.C.), Foundation, Registered and Certified as designated by the Crop Improvement Association for the state where the seed was produced.