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## Organic seed databases

**T**he Organic Materials Review Institute (OMRI) has initiated an organic seeds database in the USA that will be unveiled on 20 July, 2006, at the ASTA Convention in Chicago, where ASTA Organic Seed Committee has its next meeting.

Through the database, organic seed companies can list their varieties for organic certifiers and growers to search for seeds they required.

Below is the list of all organic seed databases available throughout the world. ■

### *Web addresses for organic seeds databases*

**Austria:** [www7.ages.at/institut/saatgut/bio-datenbank/bio\\_db\\_kulturarten.htm](http://www7.ages.at/institut/saatgut/bio-datenbank/bio_db_kulturarten.htm)

**Belgium:** [www.organicXseeds.be](http://www.organicXseeds.be)

**Cyprus:** [www.moa.gov.cy/moa/da/da.nsf/All/EA60CAD9F9D572BBC2257131004005A2?OpenDocument](http://www.moa.gov.cy/moa/da/da.nsf/All/EA60CAD9F9D572BBC2257131004005A2?OpenDocument)

**Czech Republic:** [www.ukzuz.cz/index\\_oos.php?id=osivo](http://www.ukzuz.cz/index_oos.php?id=osivo)

**Denmark:** [www.lr.dk/applikationer/oekosortsd/index.asp](http://www.lr.dk/applikationer/oekosortsd/index.asp)

**Estonia:** [www.plant.agri.ee/default.asp?lng=eng&s=menu&ss=sisu&id=964&news=1256](http://www.plant.agri.ee/default.asp?lng=eng&s=menu&ss=sisu&id=964&news=1256)

**Finland:** [www.kttk.fi/data/sto/uusi\\_nettiluokot/luomu\\_taulukot/Lisaysaineistorekisteri2005.pdf](http://www.kttk.fi/data/sto/uusi_nettiluokot/luomu_taulukot/Lisaysaineistorekisteri2005.pdf)

**France:** [www.semences-biologiques.org](http://www.semences-biologiques.org)

**Germany:** [www.organicXseeds.de](http://www.organicXseeds.de)

**Greece:** [www.minagric.gr/greek/sp.biologikh.html](http://www.minagric.gr/greek/sp.biologikh.html)

**Ireland:** [www.organicseeds.agriculture.gov.ie](http://www.organicseeds.agriculture.gov.ie)

**Italy:** [www.ense.it/biologico-indice/biologic.htm](http://www.ense.it/biologico-indice/biologic.htm)

**Latvia:** [www.vaad.gov.lv/default.aspx?tabID=12&lang=1&id=586](http://www.vaad.gov.lv/default.aspx?tabID=12&lang=1&id=586)

**Lithuania:** [www.vic.lt/ris](http://www.vic.lt/ris) (and go to Seklu sektorius, Ekologisku seklu duomenu bazes and Lietuvos ekologisku seklu duomenu baze).

**Luxembourg:** [www.organicXseeds.lu](http://www.organicXseeds.lu)

**Netherlands:** [www.biodatabase.nl](http://www.biodatabase.nl)

**Poland:** <http://217.153.130.11/cms/upload/akt/wykaznasion.pdf>

**Slovakia:** [www.uksup.sk](http://www.uksup.sk) (and go to 'bioosivo')

**Slovenia:** [www.mkgp.gov.si/fileadmin/mkgp.gov.si/pageuploads/ssk/Podatkovna-zbirka-ekoloskega-semenskega-materiala.pdf](http://www.mkgp.gov.si/fileadmin/mkgp.gov.si/pageuploads/ssk/Podatkovna-zbirka-ekoloskega-semenskega-materiala.pdf)

**Spain:** [www.mapya.es/app/EcoSem/ListadoSemillas.aspx](http://www.mapya.es/app/EcoSem/ListadoSemillas.aspx)

**Sweden:** [www.sjv.se/ekoutsade](http://www.sjv.se/ekoutsade)

**UK:** [www.organicXseeds.co.uk](http://www.organicXseeds.co.uk)

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