

Acronyms	
AASCO	Association of American Seed Control Officials
ABRASEM	Brazil Seed Association
AC21	Advisory Committee on Biotechnology and 21st Century Agriculture
AFBF	American Farm Bureau Federation
AFSTA	African Seed Trade Association
AIB	Anti-Infringement Bureau
AMS	USDA Agricultural Marketing Service
AMSAC	Mexican Seed Trade Association
ANASAC	Chilean Seed Trade Association
AOSA	Association of Official Seed Analysts
AOSCA	Association of Official Seed Certifying Agencies
AP	Adventitious Presence
APHIS	Animal Plant Health Inspection System
APLU	Association of Public Land-grant Universities
APSA	Asian Pacific Seed Association
ARP	Acreage Reduction Program
ASA	American Soybean Association
ASA	Argentine Seed Association
ASTA	American Seed Trade Association
BOD	Board of Directors
BT	Bacillus thuringiensis insect resistant crops
BTA	Bi-Lateral Trade Agreement
CAFTA	Central American Free Trade Agreement
CAS	Southern Agriculture Council
CBD	Convention on Biological Diversity
CCP	Counter Cyclical Payments
CERA	Center for Environmental Risk Assessment
CGIAR	Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research
CGMMV	Cucumber Green Mottle Mosaic Virus
CGRFA	Commission of Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
CNSA	China National Seed Association
CNSTA	China National Seed Trade Association
CSTA	Canadian Seed Trade Association
DUCA	Data Use and Compensation Agreement
DUS	Distinct Uniform Stable
EDV	Essentially Derived Variety
EIS	Environmental Impact Study
EMP	USDA Emerging Market Program
ESA	European Seed Association
FAO	Food Agriculture Organization
FAS	USDA Foreign Agricultural Service
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
FMD	USDA Foreign Market Development
FSMA	Food Safety Modernization Act
G20	Group of 20
GE	Genetically Engineered
GEMAA	Generic Event Marketability and Access Agreement
GIPSA	Grain Inspection Packers & Stockyard Administration
GMO	Genetically Modified Organism
GRAS	Generally Recognized as Safe
GURTS	Genetic Use Restriction Technology System

Acronyms	
HT	Herbicide Tolerant
IEC	ASTA International Executive Committee
ILSI	International Life Sciences Institute
IP	Intellectual Property
IPC	ISF Intellectual Property Committee
IPC	ASTA Innovation and Policy Committee
IPPC	International Plant Protection Convention
IPR	Intellectual Property Rights
ISF	International Seed Federation
ISHI	International Seed Health Initiative
ISTA	Illinois Seed Trade Association
ISTA	International Seed Testing Association
ITPGR	International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
LLP	Low Level Presence
MAP	USDA Market Access Program
MTA	Material Transfer Agreement
MOA	Ministry of Agriculture
NA Product	North American product
NABI	North American Biotechnology Initiative
NAPB	National Association of Plant Breeders
NAPPO	North American Plant Protection Organization
NCGA	National Corn Growers Association
NGO	Non-governmental Organization
NORAM	North American
NOSB	National Organic Standards Board
NPB	National Plant Board
NPGS	National Plant Germplasm System
NSHS	National Seed Health System
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
PBCC	Plant Breeding Coordinating Committee
PBR	Plant Breeders Rights
PRA	Pest Risk Assessment
PVP	Plant Variety Protection
PVPA	Plant Variety Protection Act
QSP	Quality Samples Program
RIB	Refuge in a bag
RUSSL	Recommended Uniform State Seed Law
RVP's	Regional Vice Presidents
SAA	Seed Association of the Americas
SAGARPA	The Secretariat of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fisheries and Food
SCST	Society of Commercial Seed Technologists
SMTA	Standard Material Transfer Agreement
TPP	Trans-Pacific Partnership
TRIPS	Trade-related aspects of intellectual property rights
TTIP	Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership
UES	Unified Export Strategy
UPOV	International Union for the Protection of Plant Varieties
USBCA	US Biotech Crops Alliance
USDA	US Department of Agriculture
VI	Varietal Identity
VNS	Variety Not Stated

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VP	Varietal Purity
WIPO	World Intellectual Property Organization
WTO	World Trade Organization