Instructions for Submitting Club Samples for Testing

Download and complete the Club Sample Submission Form (.docx .pdf). All the fields in the table must be completed. Include a copy of the form in the package with your samples going to WSU and send a copy of the form to baronminer@aol.com.

Please sample and send leaves from 30 plants on the date included with your authorization. The "location, garden" column is to make certain that you can accurately associate the virus results with a specific plant in a specific garden. The last column is to let us know if the plant has excellent (E) foliage or if the foliage has some yellowing that could be associated with virus; i.e., is questionable (?). We recommend sending samples from plants with excellent foliage to maximize the number of clean results and thus maximizing the number of clean tubers you will have to grow and distribute next spring.

Samples from each plant should consist of about 15 sq. in. (think of a 3×5 card) of leaf material and should not include the oldest leaves at the bottom of the plant. Smaller leaves should be selected from each of the four quadrants around the plant. Pack the set of samples from each plant in an unsealed Zip-Loc® Freezer bag along with a dry piece of paper towel and a sample tag printed from the "tag" file available here (.docx.pdf).

Include a check for \$150 payable to the Clean Dahlia Center in the sample box. If you choose to send more than 30 samples, you can send up to 30 additional samples in the same box but add \$10 for each of those samples, in addition to the \$150 for the first 30 samples. The package of samples must reach Dr. Pappu's lab within 2 days of removal from your plants. Keep the samples in your refrigerator (not freezer) if you can't send them on the day you cut them. Mark the box "Refrigerate upon Arrival!"

Ship the samples, overnight or priority mail as appropriate, to:

By United States Post Office:

Dr. Prabu Gnanasekaran Department of Plant Pathology Washington State University P.O. Box 646430 Pullman WA 99164-6430

By FedEx/UPS:

Dr. Prabu Gnanasekaran Washington State University Vogel Plant Biosciences Building, Lab # 123 100 Dairy Road Pullman WA 99164

Remember to include a check payable to the "Clean Dahlia Center" and the sample submission form with the samples. Send a copy of the submission form to the ADS at baronminer@aol.com.