

## Differential Sets

### *Bremia lactucae* (Bl) - Lettuce

The International Bremia Evaluation Board (IBEB) is a joint initiative of lettuce breeding companies in France and the Netherlands, the Dutch Inspection Service (Naktuinbouw) and the French National Seed Station (SNES). The companies make available information on the genetic background of the varieties, while Naktuinbouw and SNES serve as independent testing facilities.

The aim of this group is to streamline the process of identifying new races of Bremia and to introduce a well defined and internationally agreed system of race denomination.

Naktuinbouw in the Netherlands and SNES in France maintain new races and interested breeders and researchers can request for strains they wish to use in disease testing. IBEB urges researchers to use the differential set it has developed and send IBEB the results obtained so they can be taken into account in its work. The differential set can also be obtained at Naktuinbouw and SNES.

See <http://www.worldseed.org/our-work/plant-health/other-initiatives/ibeb/>.

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