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of Grapevine flavescence dorée (FD) and validation of different

diagnostic procedures for GFD GRAFDEPI

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Summary

The Project EUPHRESCO GRAFDEPI plans to increase the knowledge about Flavescence dorée (FD) disease epidemiology, with special focus on the role of reservoir hosts of the phytoplasma alternative to grapevine and on presence of potential insect vectors beside the reported *Scaphoideus titanus*. Moreover the project has the aim to harmonize the phytoplasma detection techniques within the EU performing interlaboratory comparison of the most common diagnostic procedures to verify their reliability towards validation parameters. All these approaches ensure elements for a more efficient control of the disease. Also achieved international collaboration will provide opportunities for different new projects.