

## Biosafety Clearing-House (BCH)

ORGANISM (ORGA)

BCH-ORGA-SCBD-12124-3

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### Organism information

Scientific name

Cucumis melo

Taxonomic Classification

Kingdom Plantae  
Phylum Magnoliophyta  
Class Magnoliopsida  
Order Violales  
Family Cucurbitaceae  
Genus Cucumis  
Species Cucumis melo

Common name(s)

Melon

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Melons

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Type of organism

Crops

Domestication

Domesticated

### Characteristics related to biosafety

Centre(s) of genetic diversity

Persia and the trans-Caucasus are believed to be the main center of origin and development, with a secondary center including the northwest provinces of India and Afghanistan.

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Common use(s)

Food

### Additional Information

Other relevant website addresses and/or attached documents

? [Wikipedia - Melon](#) ( *English* )

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## Further Information

Questions about the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety or the operation of the Biosafety Clearing-House may be directed to the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity.

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