

Meeting of the Multinational Arabidopsis Steering Committee
June 25, 2001

1. There should be a Multi-National document of goals for 2010; should include “money and space” statements
2. The chair for 2001-2002 will be Mike Sussman; the vice-chair will be Thomas Altmann.
3. There should be another meeting of the MASC at next year’s meeting in Spain. Two people should be on the committee from each country, with at least one representative present at the 2002 meeting.
4. Jobs for the new coordinator may include:
 - Construction of a web site, either within TAIR or in addition to TAIR, for the MASC
 - Coordination of the International Arabidopsis meeting, at least when it’s in Madison
 - Authoring/ editing of an annual report for the MASC
 - Act as a representative of information about the international community as required for various funding agencies
5. The idea of creating a European Steering Committee in addition to the NAASC and MASC was discussed.
6. Contents of an annual report should include information on where the community is going, what will be needed two years from now, annual progress toward goals, reassessment of goals and a projection of needs. One function of the report is to convince countries that this is a coordinated international effort, and funding is required for each country to stay involved in the project.
7. Countries with interest/ involvement (others as required/ requested):
 - Australia
 - Canada
 - China
 - England
 - European Union
 - France
 - Germany
 - Italy
 - Japan
 - Korea
 - Singapore
 - Sweden
 - The Netherlands