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# New Project

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**FV 369**

Broad bean: evaluation of  
varieties

**Project Number:** FV 369

**Title:** Broad bean: evaluation of varieties

**Start and end dates:** Start: 01.03.10  
End: 29.02.12

**Project Leader:** Barrie Smith, Shona Johnson, Processors and Growers Research Organisation  
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**Project Co-ordinator:** TBA

**Location:** PGRO trial ground, Thornhaugh Peterborough

**Background and project objectives:** The project will provide information on agronomic and quality factors relating to varieties of broad beans and their suitability for freezing or fresh market. Varieties will be sown during March and all varieties harvested as they reach an appropriate stage for the respective markets. Assessments of yield of vined beans, pod weight, pod:seed ratio, pods per plant, pod appearance and length will all be made. Where appropriate, information on the relative resistance to downy mildew, rust, chocolate spot and any other factor which affects pod quality will be made. The results will enable growers, processors and retailers to have information on new varieties of beans. The results will also be published in an updated PGRO List of Broad Bean Varieties.

Further information

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