

世界バラ会議福山大会2025 大会記念ばら

WFRS 20th World Rose Convention 2025 in Fukuyama

Commemorative Rose

Breeder : Meilland International (メイアン・インターナショナル社)

Country : France (フランス)

Fukuyama International Townscape Rose Trials

ばらのまち福山

まちを彩るばらの新品種国際コンテスト

Judging Result

審査結果

Fukuyama International Townscape Rose Trials

~Selecting the 20th World Rose Convention in Fukuyama 2025 Commemorative Rose~

In Fukuyama City, citizens have planted roses as a symbol of post-World War II reconstruction and a wish for peace, by their own hands. For nearly 70 years, the entire community has worked together to build a “City of Roses.” . Today, roses are grown by children to adults, and the city now boasts one million roses blooming throughout the city, from home gardens to small flower beds along the streets.

To promote a new global image of roses from Fukuyama and foster sustainable rose town development in accordance with SDGs, we held the International Townscape Rose Trials to select roses to enrich urban landscape and promote them as townscape roses.

The Rose Trials called for roses that are easy for anyone to grow in urban environments, are not dependent on the use of pesticides other than insecticides, are suitable for cultivation in towns and cities, and that will add color to any community. These roses were cultivated under uniform conditions for over two years.

Evaluation included expert judging by rose specialists as well as citizen judging based on daily observations by rose enthusiasts. In addition, Convention participants and venue visitors cast their vote during the Convention. Ultimately, the most outstanding variety was designated as the Commemorative Rose of the 20th World Rose Convention in Fukuyama 2025. Special awards were also given to varieties with the highest scores in each category, gold, silver, and bronze prizes awarded to varieties that exceeded specific standards.

○ Basic Concept

Roses must meet all of the following characteristics:

- Roses that have excellent disease resistance, are vigor, can be grown without need for fungicides, and suit the climate of Japan (Fukuyama).
- Roses that colour the town, and create a rich landscape.

○ Result of Submission

Entry From May to December, 2022

Number of Entry : 38 roses from five country

(France, Germany, Republic of Korea, the United Kingdom, Japan)

○ Judging (total 3 times)

May & October 2024 / May 2025

< Judges >

Chair of the Judges

Diane vom Berg (President, World Federation of Rose Societies)

Judging Panel

Nobuo Shirasuna – Professor Emeritus, Kobe International University, Landscape Architect

Yuki Mikanagi – Curator, the herbarium and head of the department of botany,
the Natural History Museum & Institute, Chiba, Japan

Minoru Ishii – Director, Japan Rose Society

Makoto Hiraoka – Rose Garden Designer

Naomi Okubo – Chief, Institute of Vegetable and Floriculture Science,
the National Agriculture and Food Research Organization (NARO)

Kazuhiko Mochizuki – Director, Green Spaces Environment Enhancement Office, Parks, Green Spaces
and Landscape Division, City Bureau, MLIT

Daily Observation

Rose City Development Committee

Yoshihiro Ueda, Project manager, the World Rose Convention Promotion Office

They conduct evaluations of “Pest and disease resistance” and “Continuous flowering” on the
1st of each month, from June to November, 2024.

○ Awards

• **WFRS 20th World Rose Convention 2025 in Fukuyama Commemorative Rose**

The rose recognized as the most outstanding

• **Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Award**

The rose raised by a Japanese breeder that received the highest score

• **Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry Award**

The rose that received the highest score in the categories of “Quality of flowers”, “Fragrance,” and
“Novelty”

• **Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Award**

The rose that received the highest score in the category of “Overall impression”

• **Governor of Hiroshima Prefecture Award**

The rose that received the highest score in the category of “Pest and disease resistance”

• **Mayor of Fukuyama City Award**

The most popular rose among convention participants and venue visitors

Gold, silver and bronze awards were reached the those scores.

- **Gold Award 金賞** more than 205
- **Silver Award 銀賞** more than 192
- **Bronze Award 銅賞** more than 175

Judging Criteria and Rating System

Roses planted at the Fukuyama Gardening Center and along city streets will be judged in order to discover roses that colour the town, and create a rich landscape.

<Judging category A: Total 170 points> Criteria related to the functions of roses

- **Pest and disease resistance (80 points)**
 - Resistance to pests and diseases will be evaluated.
- **Growth vigor (15 points)**
 - Strength of branches and vigor of the entire plant will be evaluated.
- **Self-cleaning (15 points)**
 - Self-cleaning ability, such as petals and flowers falling off naturally will be evaluated.
- **Weather resistance (20 points)**
 - Adaptability to the climate of Fukuyama will be evaluated.
(See precipitation, humidity, temperature, and duration of sunshine on page 6.)
- **Continuous flowering (40 points)**
 - Continuous flowering habit will be evaluated.

Plants (varieties) with 100 points or less in judging category A will not be eligible for Gold, Silver or Bronze Awards.

<Judging category B: Total 120 points> Criteria related to the quality of flowers and fragrance

- **Overall impression (60 points)**
 - Overall impression will be evaluated based on whether the plant gives a good impression including multiple flower buds, blooming flowers, and beautiful appearance.
 - Impression the rose giving to the town will be evaluated.
- **Quality of flowers (30 points)**
 - Uniqueness of flower shapes and beauty of colours will be evaluated.
- **Fragrance (15 points)**
 - Permeation, pleasantness, and intensity of fragrance will be evaluated.
- **Novelty (15 points)**
 - Characteristics not found in existing varieties will be evaluated.

<Voting by Convention participants (10 ~ 2 points)>

- 10 points for the most popular variety, 8 points (2nd), 6 points (3rd), 4 points (4th) and 2 points (5th)
(0 points for 6th place and lower)

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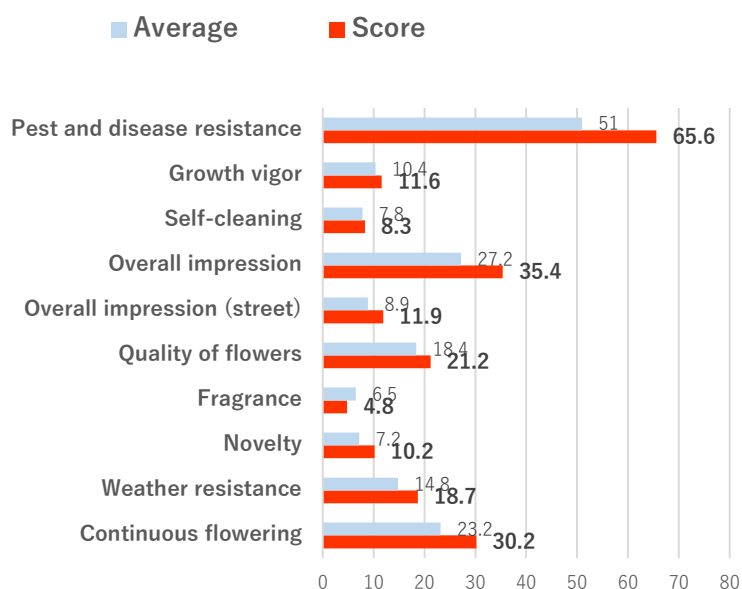
Trial No.26

Meiland International (メイアン・インターナショナル社)



Voting by Convention participants
46votes (2nd place) 8points

Total Score 225.9 (1st place)



農林水産大臣賞

Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Award

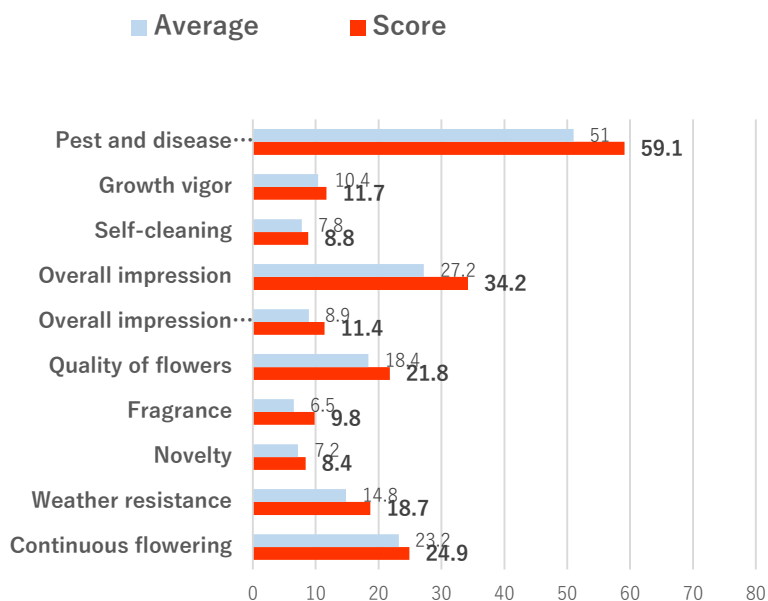
Trial No.14

Yoshiike Teizo (吉池 貞藏)



Voting by Convention participants
72votes (1st place) 10points

Total Score 218.8 (3rd place)



経済産業大臣賞

Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry Award

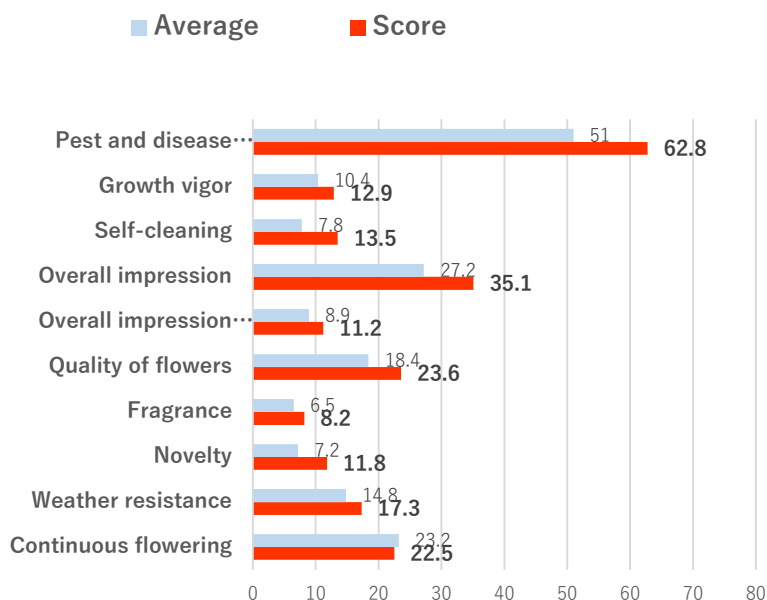
Trial No.32

Rosen-Tantau KG (ローゼン・タンタウ社)



Voting by Convention participants
9votes (15th place)

Total Score 218.9 (2nd place)



国土交通大臣賞

Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Award

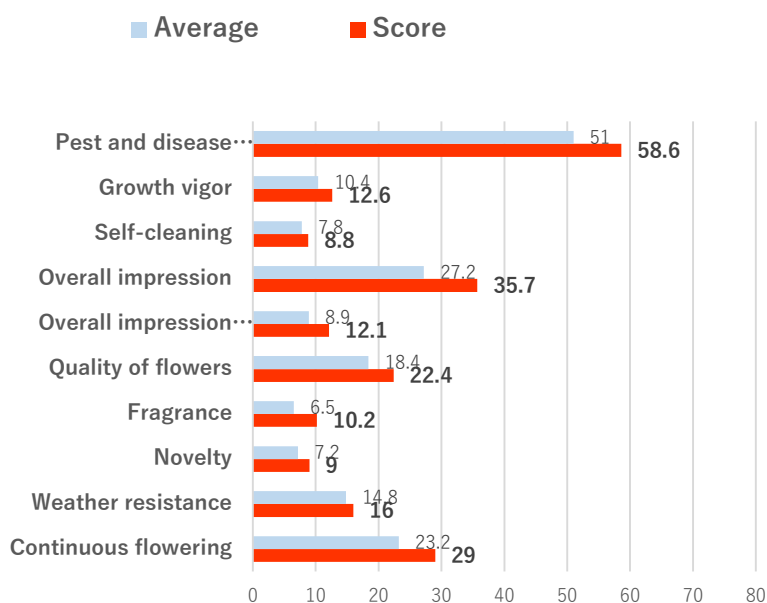
Trial No.10

Roses André Eve (アンドレ・エヴ社)



Voting by Convention participants
24votes (7th place)

Total Score 214.4 (4th place)



広島県知事賞

Governor of Hiroshima Prefecture Award

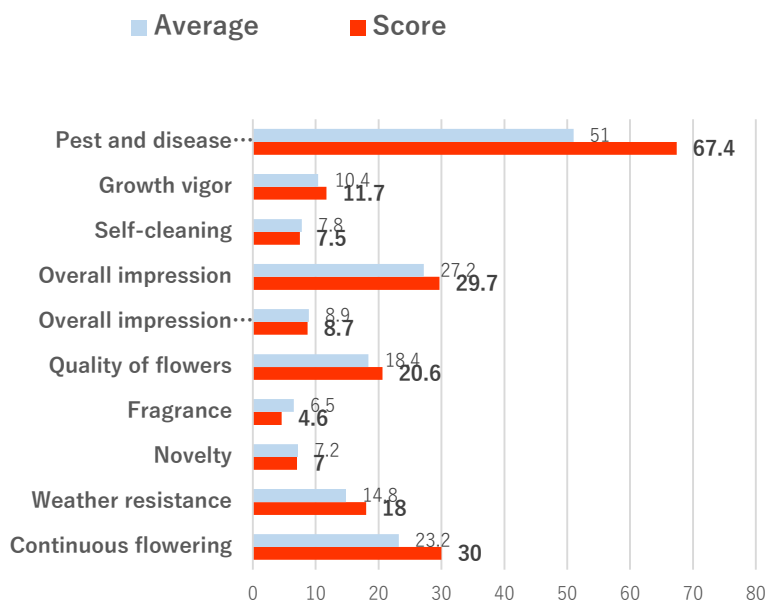
Trial No.35

Nukariya Fuminori (忽滑谷 史記)



Voting by Convention participants
6votes (20th place)

Total Score 205.2 (7th place)



福山市長賞

Mayor of Fukuyama City Award

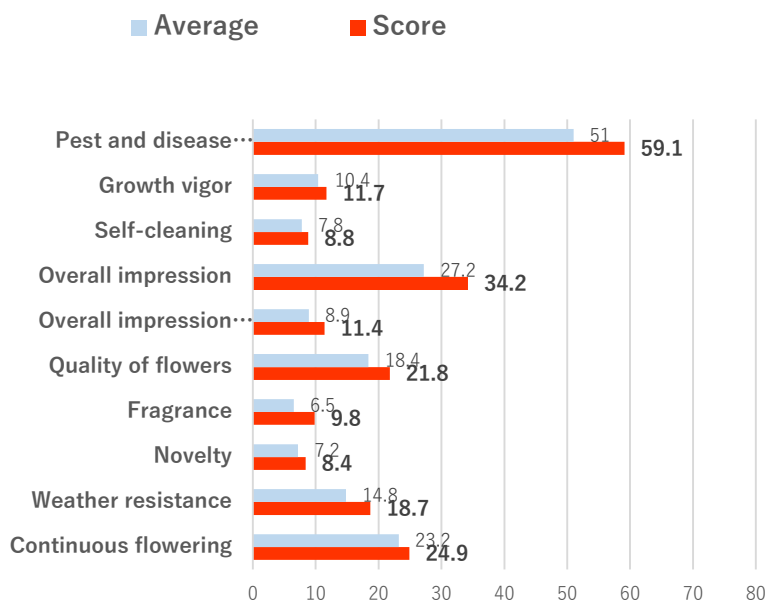
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金賞

Gold Award

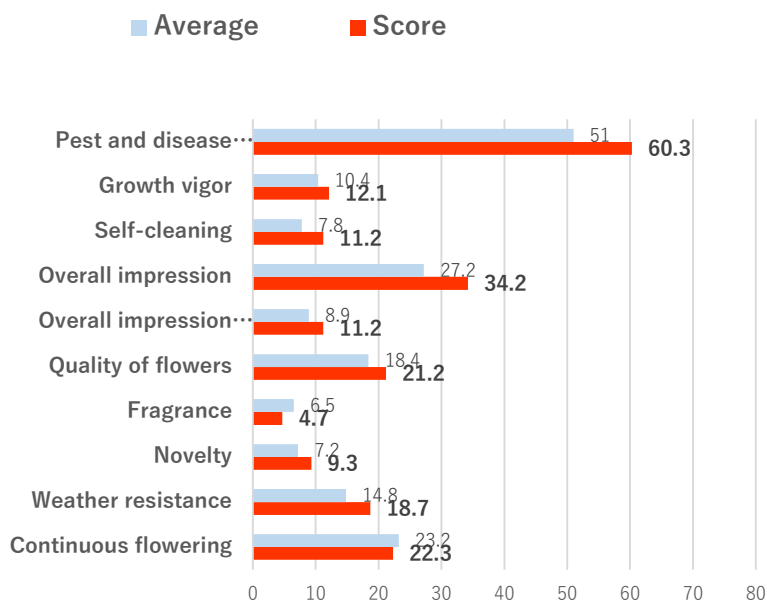
Trial No. 7

Kimura Takunori (木村 卓功)



Voting by Convention participants
31votes (5th place) 2 points

Total Score 207.2 (5th place)



金賞

Gold Award

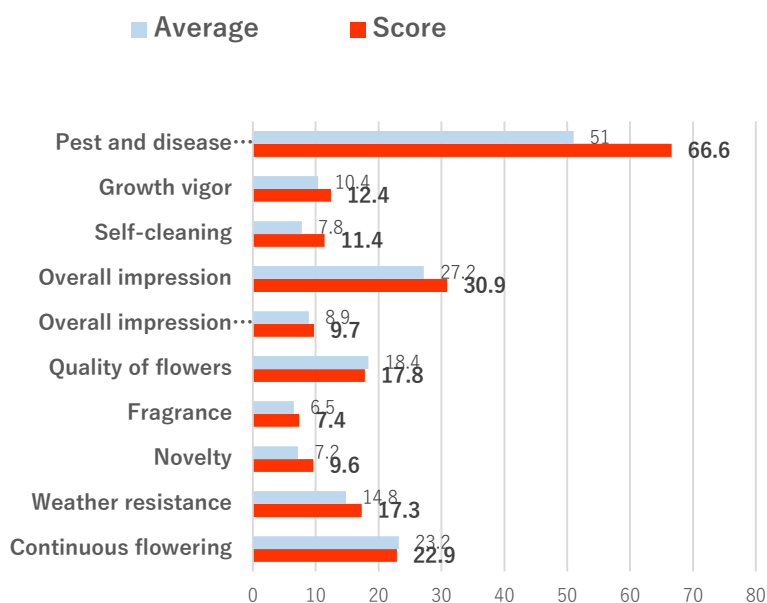
Trial No. 9

Roses André Eve (アンドレ・エヴ社)



Voting by Convention participants
0vote (35 place)

Total Score 206.0 (6th place)



金賞

Gold Award

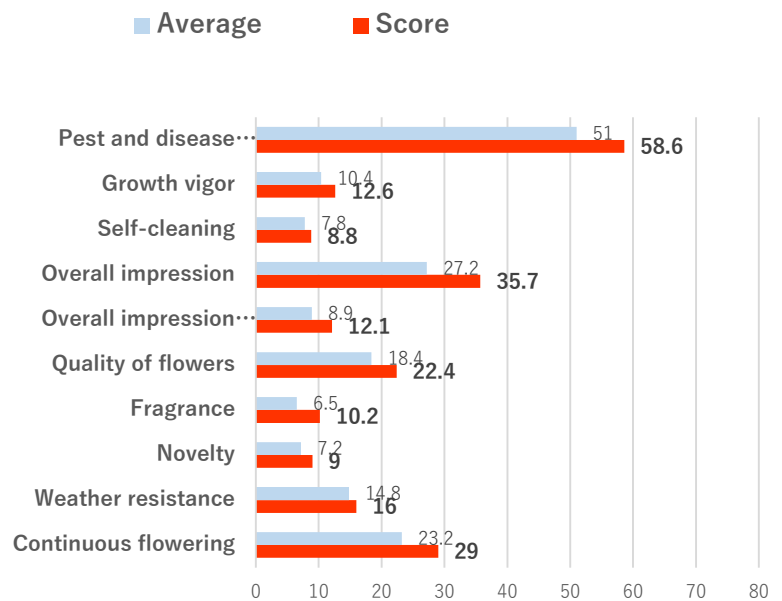
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Total Score 214.4 (4th place)



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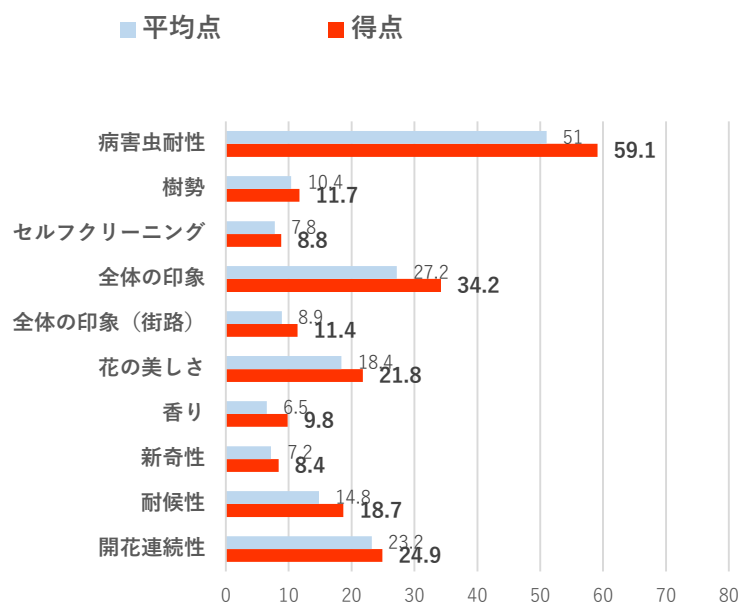
Trial No.14

Yoshiike Teizo (吉池 貞藏)



Voting by Convention participants
72votes (1st place) 10points

Total Score 218.8 (3rd place)



金賞

Gold Award

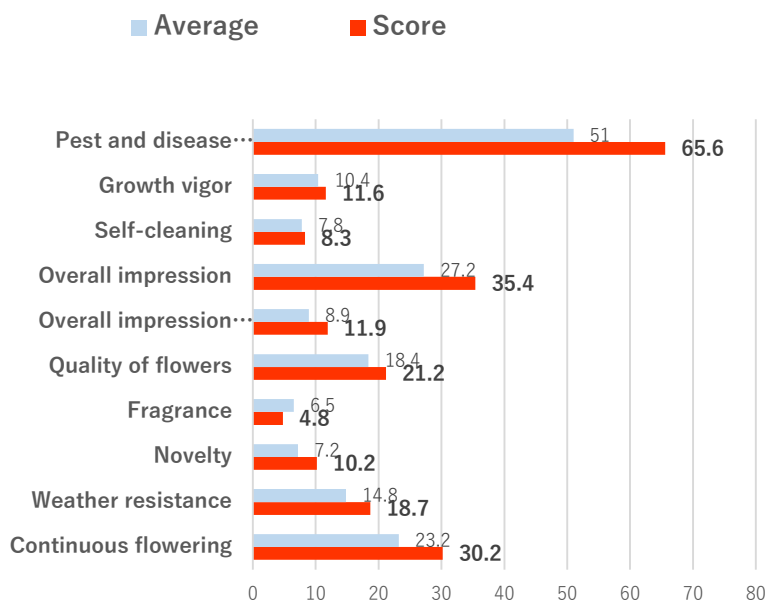
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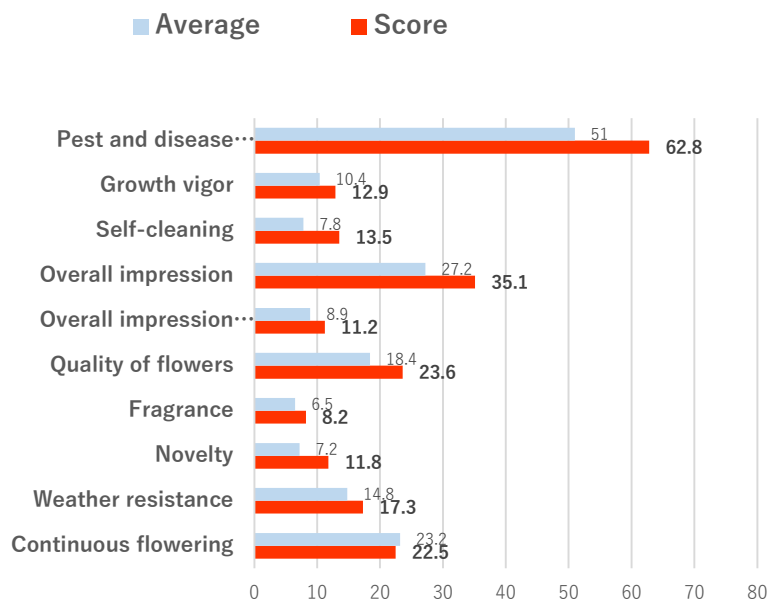
Trial No.32

Rosen-Tantau KG (ローゼン・タントウ社)



Voting by Convention participants
9 votes (15th place)

Total Score 218.9 (2nd place)



金賞

Gold Award

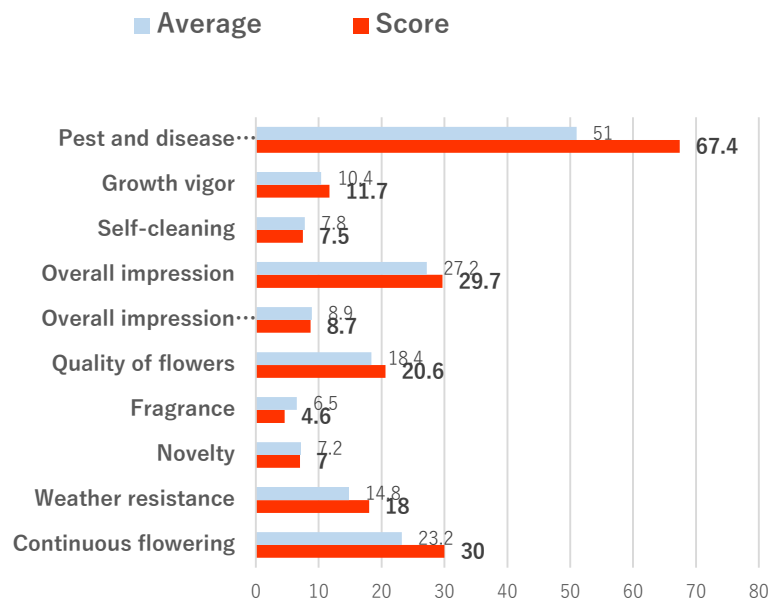
Trial No.35

Nukariya Fuminori (忽滑谷 史記)



Voting by Convention participants
6votes (20th place)

Total Score 205.2 (7th place)



銀賞

Silver Award

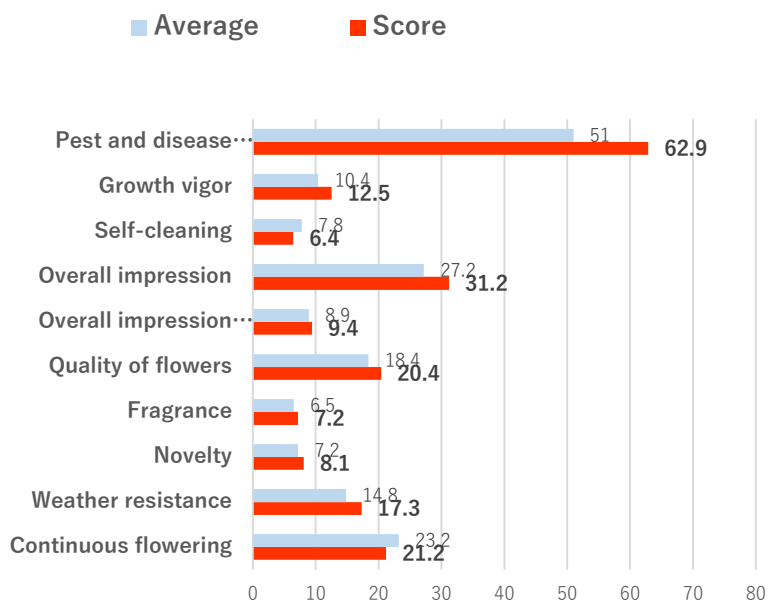
Trial No. 8

Kimura Takunori (木村 卓功)



Voting by Convention participants
33votes (4th place) 4points

Total Score 200.6 (11th place)



銀賞

Silver Award

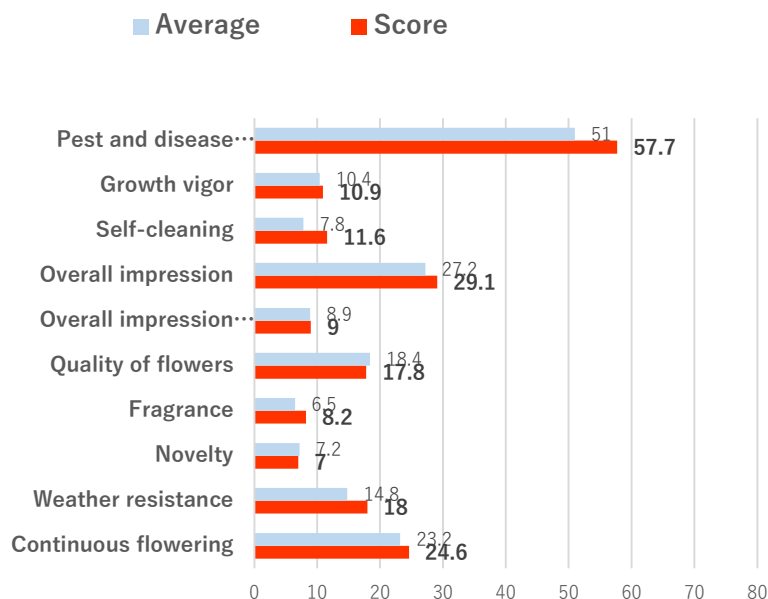
Trial No.18

Samsung C&T Corporation (サムスンC&T株式会社)



Voting by Convention participants
27votes (6th place)

Total Score 193.9 (14th place)



銀賞

Silver Award

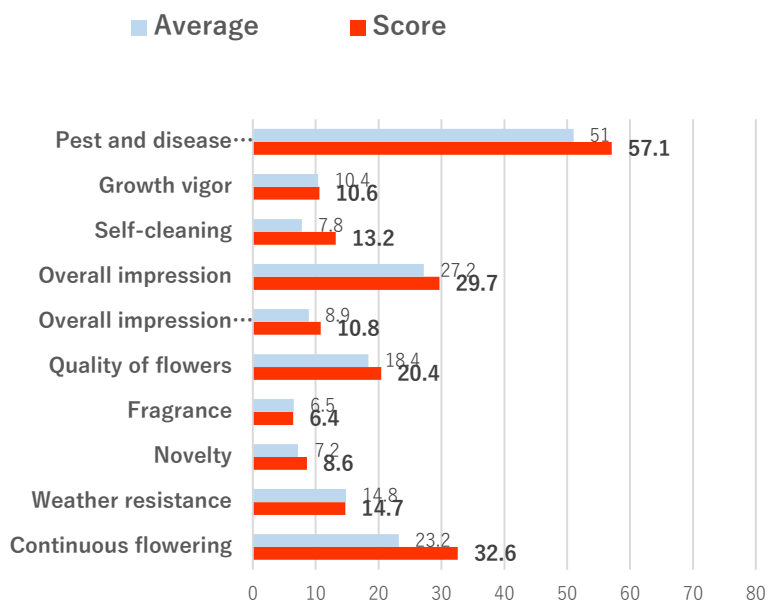
Trial No.19

Samsung C&T Corporation (サムスンC&T株式会社)



Voting by Convention participants
17votes (10th place)

Total Score 204.1 (8th place)



銀賞

Silver Award

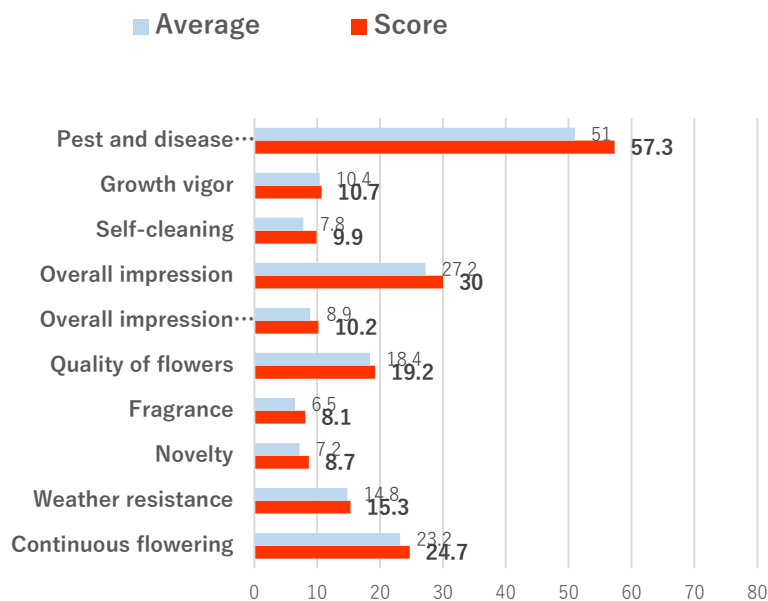
Trial No.23

Murakami Satoshi (村上 敏)



Voting by Convention participants
1vote (32nd place)

Total Score 194.1 (13th place)



銀賞

Silver Award

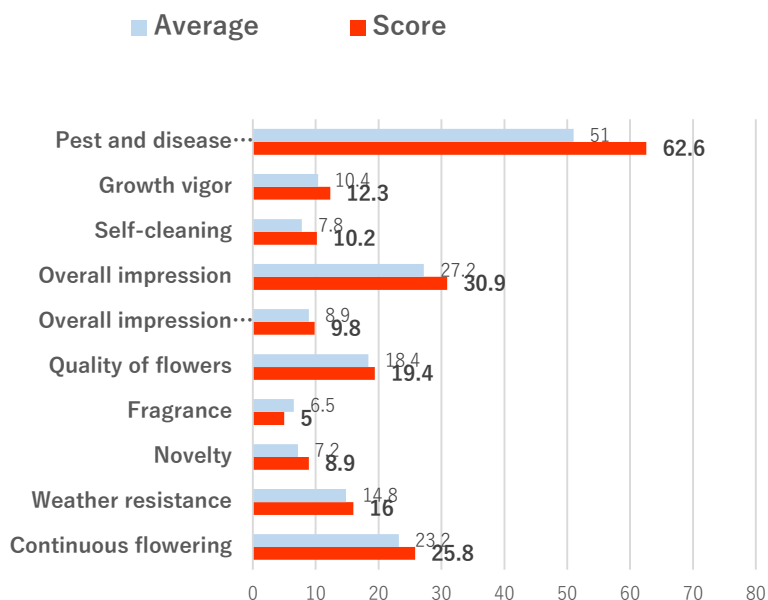
Trial No.29

W.Kordes' Söhne Rosenschulen GmbH & Co KG (W.コルデス・ゼーネ社)



Voting by Convention participants
3votes (28th place)

Total Score 200.9 (10th place)



銀賞

Silver Award

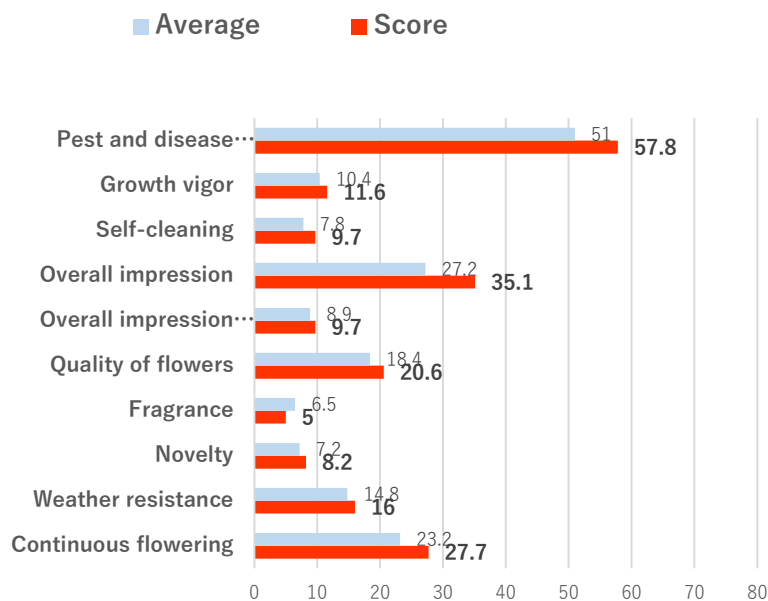
Trial No.30

W.Kordes' Söhne Rosenschulen GmbH & Co KG (W.コルデス・ゼーネ社)



Voting by Convention participants
2votes (29th place)

Total Score 201.4 (9th place)



銀賞

Silver Award

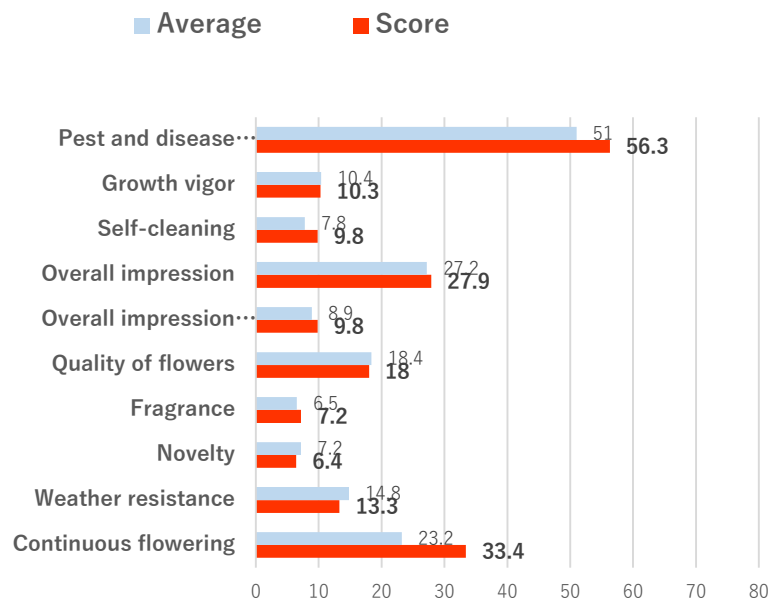
Trial No.34

Nukariya Fuminori (忽滑谷 史記)



Voting by Convention participants
1vote (32nd place)

Total Score 192.4 (15th place)



銅賞

Bronze Award

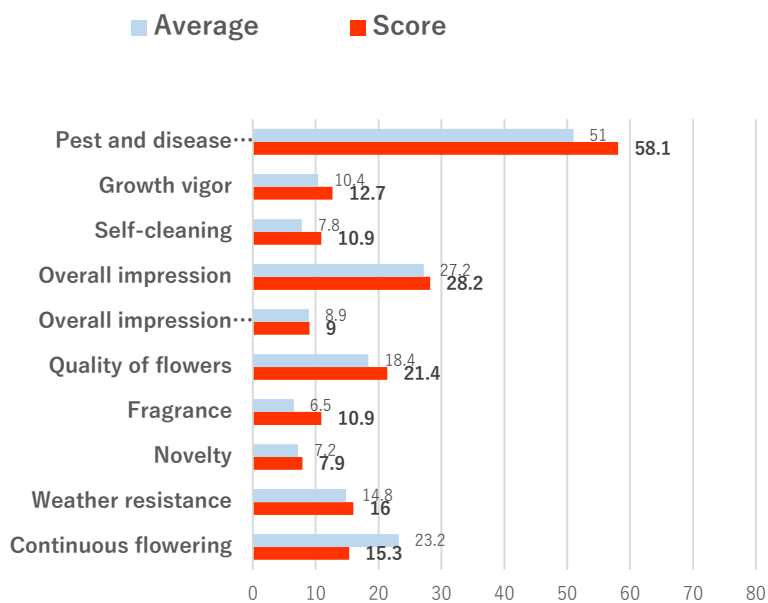
Trial No. 3

David Austin Roses (デビッド・オースチン・ローズ株式会社)



Voting by Convention participants
37votes (3rd place) 6 points

Total Score 196.4 (12th place)



銅賞

Bronze Award

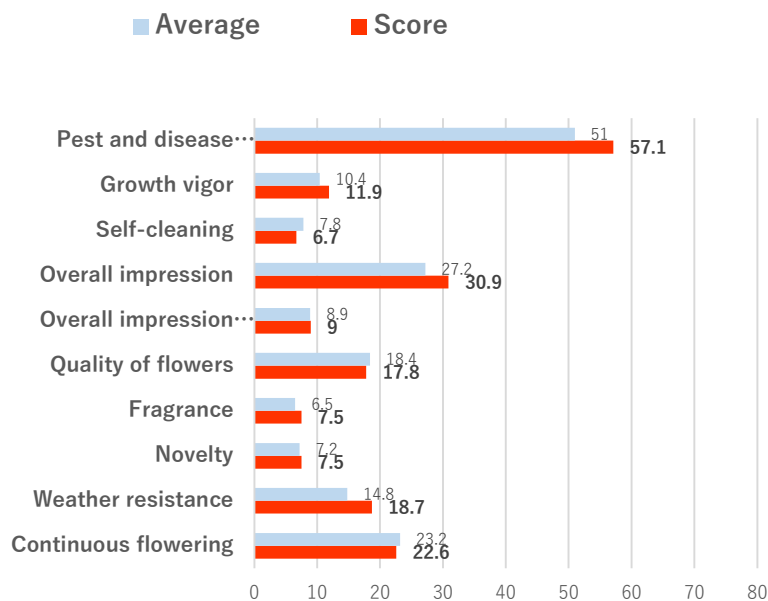
Trial No. 6

Kimura Takunori (木村 卓功)



Voting by Convention participants
5votes (23rd place)

Total Score 189.7 (16th place)



銅賞

Bronze Award

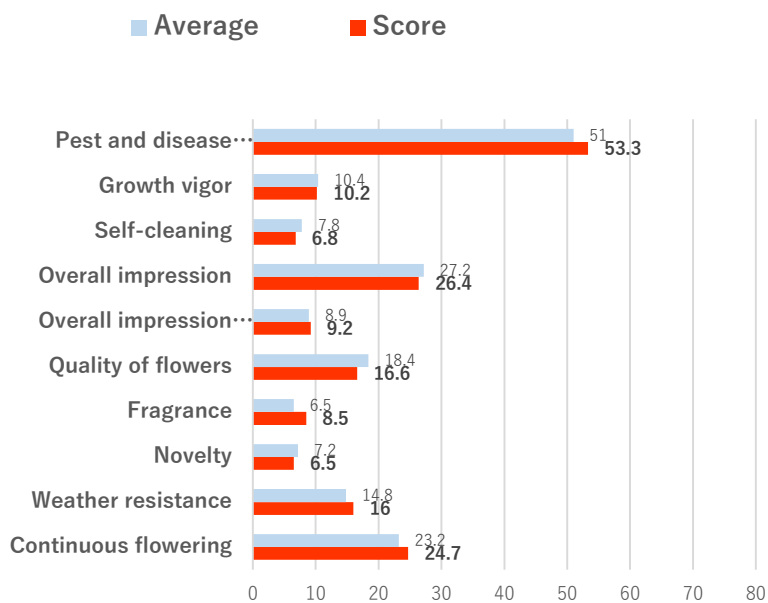
Trial No.13

Yoshiike Teizo (吉池 貞藏)



Voting by Convention participants
10votes (12th place)

Total Score 178.2 (21st place)



銅賞

Bronze Award

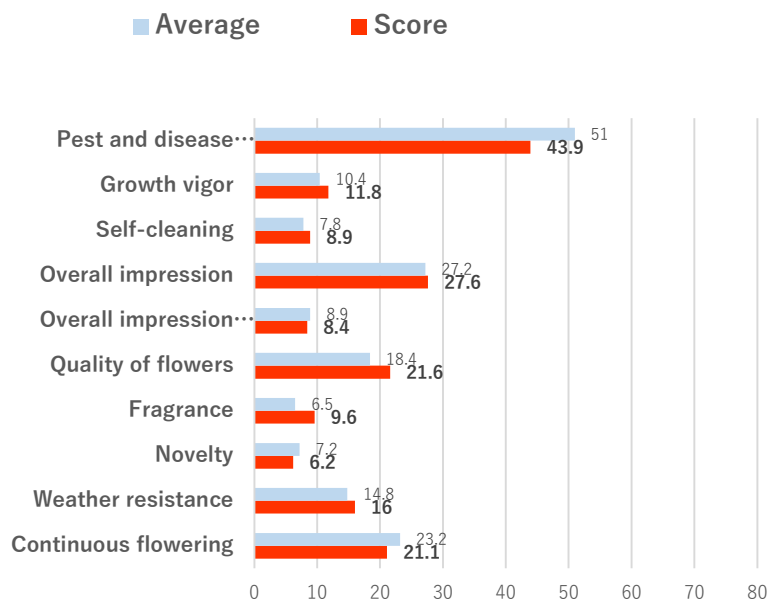
Trial No.17

Yamakawa Hirotomi (山川 弘富)



Voting by Convention participants
21votes (9th place)

Total Score 175.1 (22nd place)



銅賞

Bronze Award

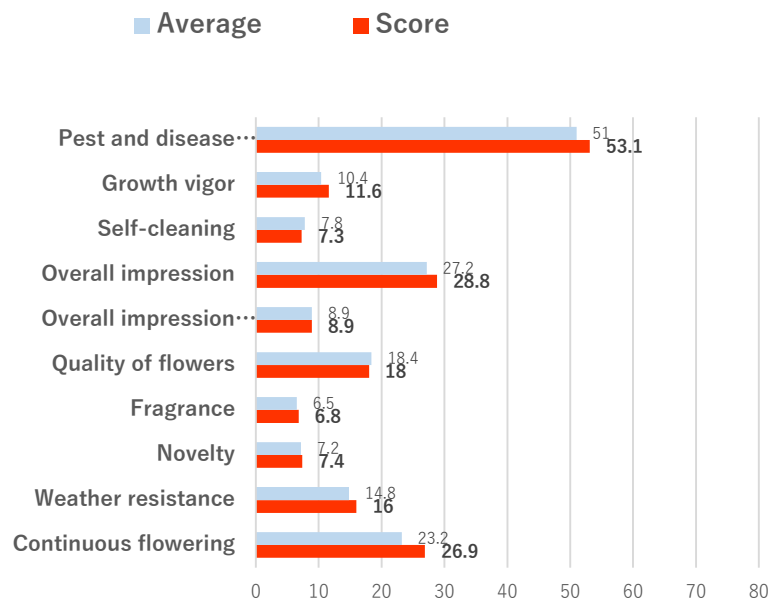
Trial No.20

Samsung C&T Corporation (サムスンC&T株式会社)



Voting by Convention participants
6 votes (20th place)

Total Score 184.8 (18th place)



銅賞

Bronze Award

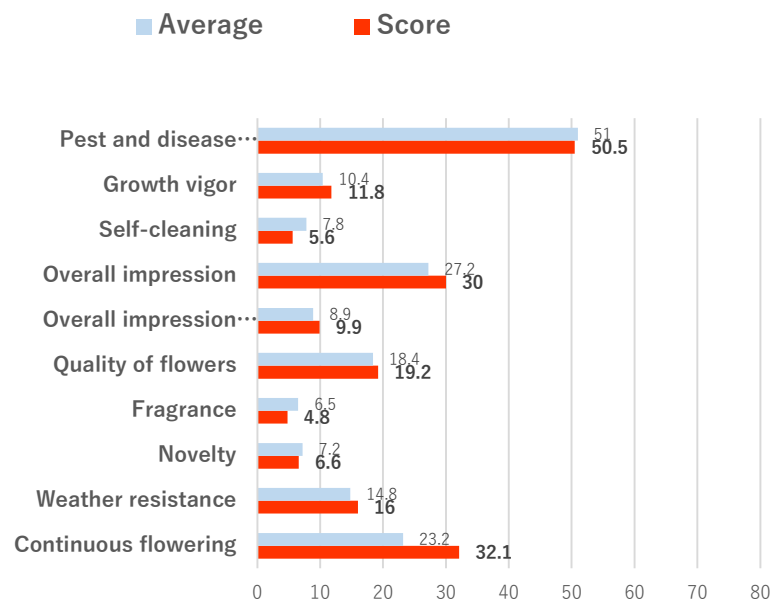
Trial No.24

Murakami Satoshi (村上 敏)



Voting by Convention participants
9 votes (15th place)

Total Score 186.5 (17th place)



銅賞

Bronze Award

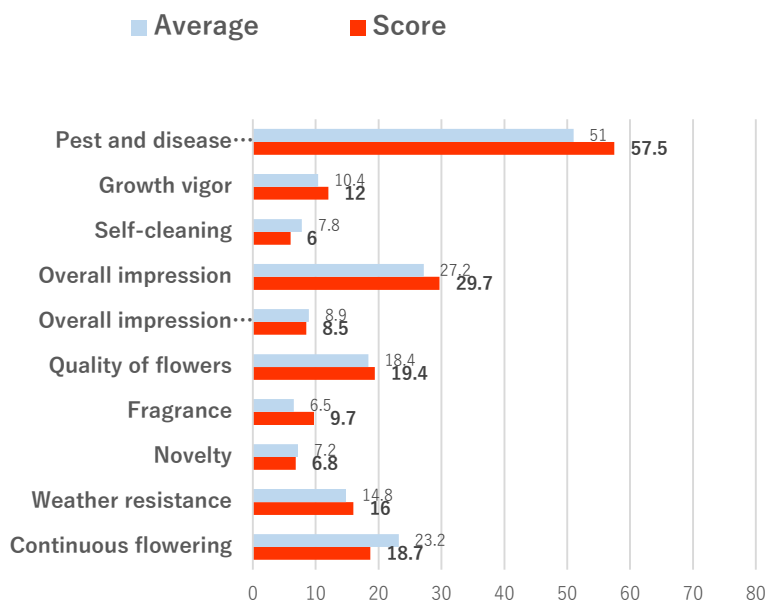
Trial No.31

Rosen-Tantau KG (ローゼン・タンタウ社)



Voting by Convention participants
10 votes (12th place)

Total Score 184.3 (20th place)



銅賞

Bronze Award

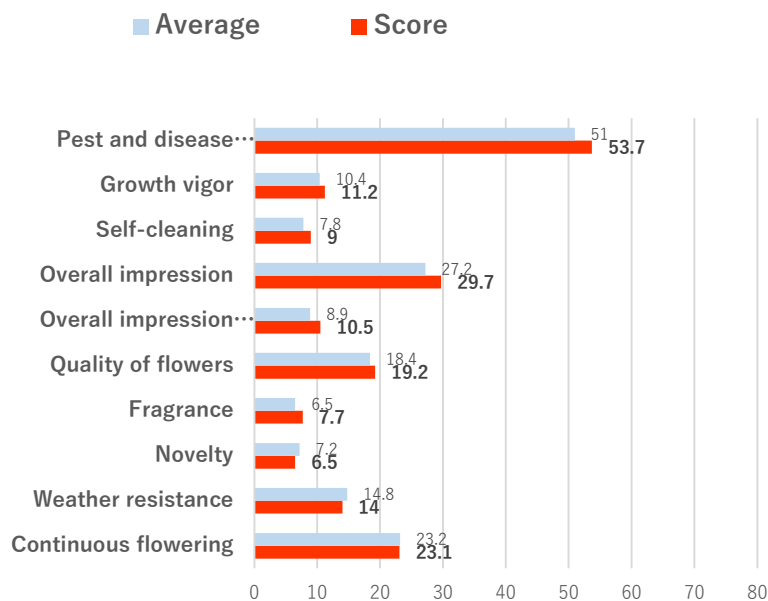
Trial No.33

Nukariya Fuminori (忽滑谷 史記)



Voting by Convention participants
5 votes (23rd place)

Total Score 184.6 (19th place)



Comments from Judge

Chair of the Judges Diane vom Berg (Evaluation on her behalf by Yoshihiro Ueda, Project Manager of the World Rose Convention Promotion Committee)

A total of 38 rose varieties were submitted to this contest: 3 from the United Kingdom, 5 from France, 5 from Germany, 6 from South Korea, and 19 from Japan. By classification, the entries included 6 Hybrid Tea (HT) varieties, 17 Floribunda (F) varieties, 12 Shrub (S) varieties, 2 Miniflora (MinF) varieties, and 1 Climbing (Cl) variety.

During the cultivation period and the first year of evaluation, the weather conditions were challenging with harsh, lingering summer heat and low rainfall. In the fall of last year, after the prolonged summer, an outbreak of the tobacco budworm (*Helicoverpa armigera*) affected the blooming of autumn roses. Despite these conditions, roses were evaluated three times — in the spring and autumn of last year, and the spring this year — by appointed judges. Daily evaluations were also conducted by the Rose City Development Committee. Additionally, voting by day-tour participants and venue visitors was held during the convention. As a result, 7 Gold, 7 Silver, and 8 Bronze prizes were awarded.

The top-scoring variety selected as the Commemorative Rose, was Floribunda variety ‘FE22-003’ (Trial No. WRC-F25-026) from Meilland International. This rose is a vivid pinkish-orange with strong disease and pest resistance and continuous blooming ability. It does not produce excessively long flowering stems and maintains a compact form making it an ideal variety for urban landscaping.

The Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Award given to the highest-scoring variety bred by a Japanese breeder, was awarded to ‘Ame ni mo Makezu – North Ivory’ (Trial No. WRC-F25-014), a Floribunda variety bred by Mr. Yoshiike Teizo. This rose, with its clear cream-yellow flowers, strong resistance to diseases and pests, and high fragrance, also features short flower stems. It received the highest number of votes from participants and also won the Mayor of Fukuyama Award.

The Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry Award for highest scores in “Flower Beauty” and “Novelty” was awarded to the Shrub variety ‘DA22-002’ (Trial No. WRC-F25-032) from Rosen Tantau. This single-petaled, deep crimson flower had a wild and fresh aesthetic, making it entirely new feel.

The Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Award for the highest score in “Overall Impression” went to ‘EVEjanisa’ (Trial No. WRC-F25-010), a Shrub variety from André Eve. This rose featured delicately pale pink, rosette-shaped blooms with fragrance, and its graceful floral form left a strong impression.

The Governor of Hiroshima Award for the highest score in “Disease and Pest Resistance” was awarded to the Shrub variety ‘Globe Meister’ (Trial No. WRC-F25-035), bred by Fuminori Nukariya. This dark red, cupped rose featured glossy foliage, vigorous growth, and strong shoot development.

< Process from Entry to Final Selection >

1 Call for Applications: April 2022

2 Application Deadline: December 2022

Total Entries: 38 Varieties

3 Planted in February 2023



Planting Site (Main): the Fukuyama Horticultural Center

Planting Site (Town): Reed & Rose Planting Zone

4 Management—From April 2023



Fukuyama Horticultural Center
(May 2023)



WFRS Executive Visit
(October 2023)



Fukuyama Horticultural Center
(April 2024)

5 Daily Observation (Judging, Preliminary) From May to November 2024

The secretariat and related staff count the number of blooming flowers and buds on the 1st and 15th of each month.

6 Judging (Three times total) : May & October 2024, May 2025

Judges will conduct three rounds of on-site evaluations before the Convention



7 Daily Observation (Judging) From June to November 2024

The Rose City Development Committee conducts monthly evaluations of Pest and disease resistance and Continuous flowering on the 1st of each month.

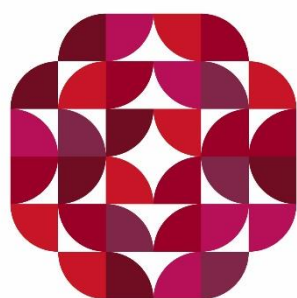


8 Convention Delegates Judging: 20–23 May 2025

Day tour participants and venue visitors will vote.



On 24 May 2025, the “Convention Commemorative Rose” will be announced at the Closing Ceremony.



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