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I have one comment regarding the above mentioned draft paper.

In appendix 3 you list transgenic papaya resistant to PRSV as being commercialised in a number of Asian countries, this is not accurate. Field trials are ongoing only in Thailand and in the other countries are still at the experimental stage.