

## Choose the best colonies as larvae donors

It is important to control the quality of the colonies that you plan to produce new queens from. It is equally important to check the quality of the colonies providing the drones for mating with the queens.



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**1**

**Choose strong donor colonies with desired qualities** (strength, honey productivity, gentleness, hygienic behaviour, etc.).

Four days before grafting the larvae, insert an empty comb with a selected queen in single-comb isolators.



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**2**

Transfer the one-day-old larvae into queen cell cups (grafting).



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**3**

Place queen cell cups into the rearing colony.

