



## FROM THE LAND OF THE RISING SUN

We were very pleased to show some important visitors from Calbec Foods of Japan around our seed operation during the summer.

Calbec Foods claim to be the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest crisp manufacturer in the world and the team were in Scotland to assess new varieties for possible introduction into their growing programme in Japan.

One variety which caught their attention was Olympus which seemed to meet every criterion they were looking for.



The only drawback is the length of time (13 years) that it takes to introduce new varieties into Japan. Hence why the existing varieties in use are very old.

If their interest in Olympus and its progeny continues, there may be some options to reduce this time period.

With any luck, Dave Scott could be taking Japanese lessons in the near future.