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Results from the

UNIFORM OAT WINTER HARDINESS NURSERY

2017-2018

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COOPERATING AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATIONS AND PERSONNEL

| Country | State | AES Location | Personnel |
|----------------|--------------|--|-----------------------------|
| USA | AR | Fayetteville | E. Mason |
| USA | IL | Lawrenceville | L. Phillippe |
| USA | NC | Raleigh | D. Marshall / M. Fountain |
| USA | TN | Knoxville | D. West |
| USA | SD | Brookings | M. Caffé-Tremi |
| USA | OK | Ardmore | J. Anderson |
| Austria | Edelhof | Saatzucht Edelhof | S. Berger & H. Hofbauer |
| Canada | Saskatchewan | Oat Advantage | J. Dyck |
| Czech Republic | Kromeriz | Agricultural Research Inst. Kromeriz, Ltd. | M. Zavřelová |
| Germany | Bad Vilbel | Dottenfelderhof 1 | B. Schmehe |
| Hungary | Martonvasar | Agric. Res. Inst. of Hungary Academy | O. Veisz |
| Poland | Blonie | Plant Breeding and Acclimatization Ins. | B. Plonkowski / B. Lapinski |
| UK | Wales | IBERS Aberystwyth University | S. Cowan |

DIGEST

NUMBER OF TEST LOCATIONS: 13 (6 US States, 7 foreign countries)

NUMBER OF ENTRIES: 12

EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN: Single-row, 5-foot plot
Two replications
Randomized complete block

DATA RECORDED: Percent winter survival

DATA NOT USED IN ANALYSIS:

| | |
|----------------------|---------------|
| Wales, UK | No Data |
| Fayetteville, AR | No Data |
| Knoxville, TN | No Data |
| Brookings, SD | 0% Survival |
| Saskatchewan, Canada | 0% Survival |
| Ardmore, OK | 100% Survival |
| Bad Vibel, Germany | 100% Survival |
| Laurenceville, IL | 100% Survival |

| US STATE/COUNTRY | LOCATION | COOPERATORS' COMMENTS |
|------------------|-----------------|--|
| Okalahoma | Ardmore | Planted Nov 6 into clean till. 100% senescence on all plots. 7 days of high temperatures below 32 F and 4 days with lows below 10 F. Winter survival notes taken on March 11. |
| North Carolina | Raleigh | 2017-18 plots flooded after planting, 0 plants emerged for all plots in field. |
| Austria | Edelhof | Very warm winter with very few precipitation. Cold period in March with few snow. |
| Germany | Dottenfelderhof | The winter began very mild with temperatures mostly over 0°C in December and January. Although the temperatures dropped significantly in February with minimum temperatures around -10°C (which killed all wild mustard) no losses in winter oat nursery occurred. In NC12-3742 and Wintok, loose smut was spotted both in the second replication. |

Table 1. Entries in the 2017-2018 Uniform Oat Winter Hardiness Nursery.

| Entry No | Entry name | Pedigree | Yrs in Nursery | Contributors |
|-----------------|-------------------|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | Fulgum (ck) | CI 708 | 80 | |
| 2 | Norline (ck) | CI 6903 | 57 | |
| 3 | Wintok (ck) | CI 3424 | 76 | |
| 4 | Winter Turf (ck) | CI 3296 | 77 | |
| 5 | NC12-3578 | SS76-40 / NC02-7989 // LA98105B | 4 | Murphy NC |
| 6 | NC12-3742 | NC02-7989 / SC961246 // Gerard 224 | 4 | Murphy NC |
| 7 | NC12-3922 | Rodgers / NC03-2421 | 3 | Murphy NC |
| 8 | NC15-4180 | Gerard 224 / Gerard 229 | 1 | Murphy NC |
| 9 | Gerard 224 | Rodgers/Txab29923//Rodgers (=NC03-2421v) | 1 | Murphy NC |
| 10 | Win/Nor-1 | Wintok x Norline | 10 | Livingston, Murphy NC |
| 11 | Win/Nor-10 | Wintok x Norline | 11 | Livingston, Murphy NC |
| 12 | Win/Nor-10b | Selection from Win/Nor-10 | 9 | Livingston, Murphy NC |

Top Ten Ranked Survival Entries

Top 10 ranked survival entries for 2017-2018

| Rank | Ent No. | Entry | Pedigree | % Survival (across locations) |
|-------------------|---------|--------------|--|----------------------------------|
| 1 | 3 | Wintok (ck) | CI 3424 | 67 |
| 2 | 2 | Norline (ck) | CI 6903 | 65 |
| 3 | 10 | Win/Nor-1 | Wintok x Norline | 65 |
| 4 | 8 | NC15-4180 | Gerard 224 / Gerard 229 | 64 |
| 5 | 6 | NC12-3742 | NC02-7989 / SC961246 // Gerard 224 | 63 |
| 6 | 12 | Win/Nor-10b | Selection from Win/Nor-10 | 62 |
| 7 | 5 | NC12-3578 | SS76-40 / NC02-7989 // LA98105B | 62 |
| 8 | 11 | Win/Nor-10 | Wintok x Norline | 59 |
| 9 | 9 | Gerard 224 | Rodgers/Txab29923//Rodgers (=NC03-2421v) | 58 |
| 10 | 7 | NC12-3922 | Rodgers / NC03-2421 | 55 |
| LSD (0.05) | | | | 12 |

Table 2a. Winter Oat Survival (%) at Various Stations (sorted by entry number)

| Ent. No. | Entry Name | Ranked Means | Means across loc | Edelhof Austria | Martonvasar Hungary | Kromeriz Czech Republic |
|-------------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | Fulgum (ck) | 11 | 55 | 64 | 84 | 17 |
| 2 | Norline (ck) | 2 | 65 | 88 | 94 | 13 |
| 3 | Wintok (ck) | 1 | 67 | 77 | 95 | 30 |
| 4 | Winter Turf (ck) | 12 | 51 | 61 | 86 | 6 |
| 5 | NC12-3578 | 7 | 62 | 68 | 84 | 34 |
| 6 | NC12-3742 | 5 | 63 | 72 | 100 | 18 |
| 7 | NC12-3922 | 10 | 55 | 63 | 89 | 13 |
| 8 | NC15-4180 | 4 | 64 | 66 | 92 | 35 |
| 9 | Gerard 224 | 9 | 58 | 70 | 94 | 10 |
| 10 | Win/Nor-1 | 3 | 65 | 80 | 89 | 26 |
| 11 | Win/Nor-10 | 8 | 59 | 73 | 78 | 26 |
| 12 | Win/Nor-10b | 6 | 62 | 78 | 90 | 18 |
| Average | | | 61 | 72 | 86 | 21 |
| LSD (0.05) | | | 12 | 15 | 36 | 14 |
| CV(%) | | | 9.6 | 9.3 | 19 | 32 |

Table 2b. Winter Oat Survival (%) at Various Stations (sorted by rank)

| Ent. No. | Entry Name | Ranked Means | Means across loc | Edelhof Austria | Martonvasar Hungary | Kromeriz Czech Republic |
|-------------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| 3 | Wintok (ck) | 1 | 67 | 77 | 95 | 30 |
| 2 | Norline (ck) | 2 | 65 | 88 | 94 | 13 |
| 10 | Win/Nor-1 | 3 | 65 | 80 | 89 | 26 |
| 8 | NC15-4180 | 4 | 64 | 66 | 92 | 35 |
| 6 | NC12-3742 | 5 | 63 | 72 | 100 | 18 |
| 12 | Win/Nor-10b | 6 | 62 | 78 | 90 | 18 |
| 5 | NC12-3578 | 7 | 62 | 68 | 84 | 34 |
| 11 | Win/Nor-10 | 8 | 59 | 73 | 78 | 26 |
| 9 | Gerard 224 | 9 | 58 | 70 | 94 | 10 |
| 7 | NC12-3922 | 10 | 55 | 63 | 89 | 13 |
| 1 | Fulgum (ck) | 11 | 55 | 64 | 84 | 17 |
| 4 | Winter Turf (ck) | 12 | 51 | 61 | 86 | 6 |
| Average | | | 61 | 72 | 86 | 21 |
| LSD (0.05) | | | 12 | 15 | 36 | 14 |
| CV(%) | | | 9.6 | 9.3 | 19 | 32 |

**Table 3. Uniform Oat Winter Hardiness Nursery
Under a Controlled Environment Freeze Test**

| Entry # | Entry Name | Survival Rating ¹ | % Survival ² |
|-----------------|------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | Fulgum (ck) | 1.2 | 55 |
| 2 | Norline (ck) | 2.3 | 87 |
| 3 | Wintok (ck) | 2.1 | 79 |
| 4 | Winter Turf (ck) | 1.6 | 66 |
| 5 | NC12-3578 | 1.5 | 72 |
| 6 | NC12-3742 | 0.6 | 29 |
| 7 | NC12-3922 | 1.2 | 51 |
| 8 | NC15-4180 | 1.4 | 63 |
| 9 | Gerard 224 | 0.6 | 29 |
| 10 | Win/Nor-1 | 3.0 | 95 |
| 11 | Win/Nor-10 | 2.8 | 87 |
| 12 | Win/Nor-10b | 2.7 | 89 |
| Average | | 1.7 | 68 |
| LSD (5%) | | 0.5 | 19 |
| CV | | 14 | 12 |

Parameters:

2 reps/10 plants per rep planted in cone-tainers (Livingston et al. 2005, Crop Science, 45:1545-1558)
 5 weeks at 13°C; 12 hours light/dark period; 400µmole light intensity
 3 weeks at 3°C; 12 hours light/dark period; 350µmole light intensity
 3 days @ -3°C in the dark (subzero acclimation)
 Whole plants were frozen @ 1°C/hour to -12°C for 3 hours
 Thawed @ 2°C/hour to 3°C
 Plants were watered once with 0.001% (v/v) Vitavax fungicide solution
 Plants were allowed to recover for 3 weeks in the greenhouse
 Whole Plants were rated for regrowth after 21 days by visually assessing leaves and roots.

¹Rating:

0 = Completely dead
 1 = 1 survived (green) shoot or 1 primary root
 2 = 1 or 2 survived (green) shoots or 1 survived shoot and 1 or 2 primary roots
 3 = 1 or 2 survived shoots with developed roots (primary and secondary roots)
 4 = 95% survived shoots with well developed roots
 5 = 100% survived with very little or no sign of freeze damage; same as unfrozen plants

²Survival (%):

50% of plants with rating of 1 plus all plants rated >2 divided by total number of plants frozen multiplied by 100