PROJECT TITLE: Advanced Winter Wheat Nursery

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OBJECTIVE: Evaluation of winter wheat varieties for yield, quality, and disease resistance.

RESULTS: Yields were dramatically reduced this year due to a severe infestation of Septoria. Less severe, yet frequent throughout this nursery were; leaf rust, scab, and powdery mildew. The highest yield from the Advanced Yield nursery was 81.5 bu/A from the variety, MT 91366. Yields averaged 54.7 bu/A with the lowest yield being 18.9 bu/A from the variety, MT 88005. Test weights were also lowered by the high incidence of diseases. The average test weight for the nursery was 49.58 lb/bu with the highest test weight being 55.33 lb/bu (MT91366). Heading dates were 7 to 10 days later than normal. Lodging was severe in eight varieties and light to moderate in more than half of the entries. Winter kill, snow mold and winter injury combined, was light in the trial but was observed in the majority of plots.

FUTURE PLANS: Continued evaluation of new and introduced lines is planned in the future through cooperative state-wide testing.

Table 4. Agronomic data from the Advance Yield Winter Wheat Nursery grown on the Northwestern Agricultural Research Center.

Planted: September 18, 1992 Harvested: August 26,1993

CI NUMBE	CR VARIETY	YIELD BU/A	TESTWT	HEIGHT INCHES	HEADING DATE	LODGING INDEX 1/	WINTER
			TM poo				
CI 17860	NEELEY	57.53	48.23	45.28	164.0	1.6	4.7
MT 91125	TAMW/RRI/MT 7115	23.45	47.40	45.93	162.0	79.5	7.0
MT 91192	WWP 4394/MT7811/	61.05	49.50	40.68	162.0	.0	2.3
MT 91225	KS79H69/MT 79121	63.40	52.37	47.90	159.0	18.9	6.7
MT 91233	HMK/MT79121//MT7	38.70	43.40	41.99	159.0	2.7	2.0
MT 91304	MT 7963/BBY//ODK	62.67	49.33	45.28	158.3	16.6	2.7
MT 91324	MT7823/LOV24//MT	58.17	49.03	41.99	158.3	13.3	7.7
MT 91366		81.85	55.33	49.21	163.7	.7	2.7
MT 91429		75.90	53.27	43.96	161.0	.0	9.7
MT 91432		67.70	50.00	41.99	162.0	.0	4.0
MTSF1142		25.60	44.43	43.31	162.7	1.3	5.0
CI 17844		64.28		47.90	162.0	.0	8.3
MTSF2238		52.00	49.87	45.28	160.3	16.3	7.7
MTSF1258		56.88	51.70	48.56	159.0	29.2	1.7
MTSF1260		51.63	49.63	47.90	159.3	41.3	0
MTSF1570		39.07	47.90	45.28	162.0	66.8	1.3
MT 88005		18.98	41.40	45.93	162.0	64.8	2.7
MTS92127		60.88	53.97	46.59	160.7	7.0	8.3
MTS92137		60.15	51.00	45.28	161.3	.0	1.7
MTS92094		54.68	49.03	47.24	161.3	18.8	4.3
MTS92012		48.80	50.03	47.24	161.7	37.5	6.7
MTS92015		50.92	50.03	43.96	162.0	5.7	2.0
CI 17735		28.98	47.80	55.77	166.7	65.8	10.0
MTS92019		68.57	52.03	46.59	159.7	22.2	2.3
MTS92021		65.97	51.67	45.93	161.7	.0	4.0
MTS92042		64.77	51.60	44.62	162.0	20.0	7.3
MTS92045		67.35	51.80	43.31	162.0	14.8	7.3
MTS92053		62.83	52.30	45.28	163.3	.0	5.7
MTS92055		67.58	54.47	45.93	161.7	1.8	5.7
MTS92057		51.27	49.30	45.93	160.0	.7	7.0
MT 8039		63.78	48.80	41.99	160.3	.0	10.0
CI 17879		65.18	50.47	47.24	159.0	57.0	6.3
MT 90003		49.90	49.87	46.59	164.7	.0	8.3
MT 90026		73.20	54.77	47.90	162.7	.0	7.7
MT 90027		34.48	39.30	47.90	160.0	.0	5.7
MT 91051		31.38	41.57	49.21	161.7	3.7	2.0
	OVERALL MEAN =		49.58	45.91	161.4	16.91	5.2
	LSD(0.05 by t)=	14.41	2.966	2.392	1.404	23.06	6.1

^{1/} Lodging Index = lodging prevalance X severity divided by 9.