**Project Title:** 2022 Winter Canola Variety Trial

Objective: To evaluate the performance of selected winter canola varieties in

northwestern Montana

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**Summary:** 

Twenty varieties of winter canola were planted on August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021. Irrigation was utilized in 2021 to establish a stand. Canola only received rainfed moisture in 2022 until harvest on August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022 (Table 1). There were 8.9" of rainfall during the 2022 growing period (Apr-Aug).

The average yield was 46.84 bu/A with the lowest at 39.7 bu/A for KSR4839S and the highest yield being 55.6 bu/A from KSU103 (Figure 1). The average maturity height was 48.15 inches, but there was no significant difference in heights between varieties. The average spring stand was 6.1 plants/ft<sup>2</sup>, with the highest stand at 8.3 plants/ft<sup>2</sup> from KSR4925 and the lowest stand at 2.8 plants/ft<sup>2</sup> from KSU102, which also had the second highest yield.

Winter survival averaged 78.35%, the highest survival rate was 88.3% for KSR4854S, while the lowest was 67.3% for TFW104. There was minimal lodging across varieties, however the highest percentage was 15% for TFW103, which also had the highest yield. Generally low amounts of lodging overall.

Table 1. Management information

Seeding date: 8/23/2021 Field Location: Y7

Julian date: 235 **Harvest date:** 8/16/2022 Seeding rate: NA Julian date: 228

**Previous crop:** Fallow Soil type: Silty Clay Loam

Herbicide: None Conventional Tillage:

Soil residual nutrient Lambda-CY Insecticide: 167-12-143-728 5/24/22 (NO3-1, P, K lb/A):

Nutrient fertilizer applied Applied Spring 2022 Fungicide: None

(N, P2O5, K20 lb/A): 100-42-37-20S

 Table 2. Agronomic performance of canola varieties

Variety/Line	Spring Stand (plt/ft <sup>2)</sup>	Winter Survival (%)	FLWR (julian)	LOD (%)	HT (in)	YLD (bu/A)
KSU103	5.6	74.0	146.0	15.0	50.3	<u>55.6</u>
KSU102	2.8	70.0	146.0	1.7	49.7	53.0
KSU104	3.6	67.3	146.0	<u>0.0</u>	49.7	51.3
KSU107D	4.9	77.0	<u>144.3</u>	<u>0.0</u>	41.7	49.0
KSR4854S	7.3	<u>88.3</u>	146.0	1.7	49.3	49.0
KSR4927S	5.3	80.0	146.0	1.7	46.3	48.3
KSR4925	<u>8.3</u>	75.0	149.3	<u>0.0</u>	46.3	48.1
CP320WRR	5.6	86.3	146.0	<u>0.0</u>	45.0	47.3
KSR4767	6.9	77.3	146.0	0.0	51.3	47.2
KSR4848	6.7	80.7	146.0	1.7	50.3	46.6
KSR4837	6.6	75.0	147.0	<u>0.0</u>	48.0	46.2
KSR4928	6.2	79.3	147.7	<u>0.0</u>	55.0	46.0
KSR4852S	5.6	83.0	146.0	<u>0.0</u>	46.0	45.9
KSR4926S	7.0	77.3	146.0	1.7	45.0	45.2
CP225WRR	6.8	84.7	146.0	1.7	45.3	44.9
KSR4966S	7.1	76.0	146.3	5.3	49.0	44.3
KSR4846	5.1	75.7	146.0	3.3	45.3	44.2
KSR4850	7.0	85.0	146.0	1.7	47.0	43.4
KSR4967	5.8	72.7	146.3	<u>0.0</u>	50.3	41.6
KSR4839S	7.7	82.3	146.0	1.7	52.0	39.7
Mean	6.1	78.4	146.3	1.9	48.2	46.8
CV	22.2	6.2	0.7	224.0	9.0	7.3
LSD	2.2	8.0	1.6	6.9	7.1	5.7
PR>F	0.003	<.001	<.001	0.035	0.123	<.001

**Bolding** denotes equal value to highest or earliest value within a column based on LSD(0.05) FLWR = flowering, HT = height, YLD = yield, LOD = lodging