# Syngenta AgriSure Traits and Force CS Evaluations, Clay Center, NE, 2009

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Background information pertaining to corn rootworm experiments conducted at Clay Center, NE during 2009.

### **AGRONOMIC:**

Hybrids (Traits): Golden Harvest H-9392 3000 GT and H-9392 GT/CB/LL

Row Spacing: 30 inches

Row Orientation: North-South

Planting Date: 28 April 2009

Planter: 2-row 7100 JD Maximerge with finger pickup units.

Planting Depth: 2 inches

Application Equipment: <u>Liquid Insecticides:</u>

CO<sub>2</sub> pressurized sprayer mounted on planter; treatments applied in a 5 GPA solution via 7 inch t-band over the open seed furrow in front

of the press wheels.

Previous Crop: Late planted corn

Soil Information: Crete silt loam

Herbicides Applied: Broadcasted: Lumax @ 2.5 qt/acre, RoundUp Original @ 24 fl oz/acre

and AMS @ 17 lbs/100 gal solution on 05 May 2009.

Broadcasted: RoundUp WeatherMax @ 22 fl oz/acre and AMS @ 17 lbs/100 gal solution on both 22 May and 05 June 2009 to control

volunteer corn.

Fertilizer Applied: 200 lbs of N knifed in as NH<sub>3</sub> on 02 April 2009.

5 GPA of 10-34-0 starter fertilizer was applied in furrow at planting.

## **DATA COLLECTION:**

Plant Populations: The total number of live plants per plot was recorded on 28 May 2009.

Some corn plants were killed as a result of the glyphosate application on

22 May 2009; thus reducing final plant populations.

Extended Leaf Heights: Extended leaf heights were recorded from 20 randomly selected plants per

plot on 17 June 2009.

Lodged Plants: The total number of lodged plants per plot was recorded on 10 September

2009.

Harvest Evaluations: Plots were machine harvested on 06 November 2009. Percent moisture

and lbs of grain were recorded and converted to 56 lbs/bu @ 15% moisture to evaluate yield. Some plots were suspected to have deficient nitrogen levels due to a single knife being obstructed or reduced flow of anhydrous ammonia at the time of anhydrous application on 02 April 2009. Yields from these suspected N-deficient plots were removed from the complete data set; remaining yield levels were also subsequently

analyzed.

## **ENTOMOLOGICAL DATA:**

Species present: Predominantly western corn rootworm, Diabrotica virgifera virgifera

LeConte, and a few northern corn rootworm, D. barberi Smith and

Lawrence.

CRW egg hatch: First observed 29-31 May 2009.

Root Evaluation: Iowa 0-3 root damage scale was used to evaluate larval corn rootworm

injury in each treatment per replication. Six randomly selected plants

were dug from each plot.

Root Evaluation Date: 09 July 2009

#### **EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN:**

Design: Randomized complete block; replicated four times

Plot Size: 2 rows x 141 feet

Statistical Analyses: PROC MIXED, with mean separation using the differences of least square

means (MIXED; p|t|>0.05).

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL:**

Conditions at planting:

Wind direction and speed: SE @ 10-13 mph

Soil surface condition: Excellent-Moist

Subsoil moisture: Excellent

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# **RECORD OF RAINFALL:** (April 1 – November 6)

<u>Date</u>	<b>Amount (Inches)</b>	<u>Date</u>	Amount (Inches)		
April 1	0.35	June 21	0.10		
April 13	0.40	June 23	0.25		
April 17	0.30	June 26	0.20		
April 29	0.65	July 3	0.25		
April 30	0.15	July 25	1.20		
May 4	0.30	August 5	0.40		
May 8	0.30	August 26	3.60		
May 11	0.15	Sept. 13	1.15		
May 13	0.20	Sept. 14	0.35		
May 27	0.35	October 6	0.50		
June 1	0.70	October 8	0.20		
June 2	0.25	October 10	0.15		
June 8	0.85	October 13	0.25		
June 10	0.30	October 21	0.70		
June 16	2.55	October 22	0.63		
June 20	0.25	October 29	<u>0.50</u>		
		Total	18.48		
Month	Total (Inches)	<b>Month</b>	Total (Inches)		
April	1.85	August	4.00		
May	1.30	September	1.50		
June	5.45	October	<u>2.93</u>		
July	1.45	Total	18.48		

# **SEASONAL RECORD OF IRRIGATION:**

<b>Date</b>	Amount (Inches)
July 7 July 13 July 21 August 3 August 10 August 17 Total	1.39 1.50 1.22 1.21 1.48 <u>1.42</u> 8.22
<b>Month</b>	Total (Inches)
July August <i>Total</i>	4.11 4.11 8.22

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Traits	Insecticide Product	Rate of Insecticide	Yield <sup>2</sup> (bu/acre) (06 November)	Yields w/ N-deficient plots removed <sup>1</sup> (06 November)	Avg. Root Ratings <sup>1</sup> (0-3 Scale) (09 July)	Total No. Of Root Lodged Plants <sup>1</sup> (10 Sept.)	Avg. Extended Leaf Height <sup>1</sup> (17 June)	Avg. No. Of Plants Per Acre <sup>1</sup> (28 May)
AgriSure 3000GT			246.1 ab	257.6 a	0.32 a	1.3 a	38.8 a	29,519 ab
AgriSure 3000GT	Force 2.08 CS	0.46 fl oz/1000 row ft	264.1 a	264.1 a	0.15 a	0.0 a	39.0 a	28,932 bc
AgriSure 3000GT	Force 2.08 CS	0.34 fl oz/1000 row ft	247.5 ab	258.4 a	0.12 a	0.3 a	38.4 a	29,982 a
AgriSure GT/CB/LL			200.6 c	218.6 b	1.54 d	70.3 b	36.8 b	28,932 bc
AgriSure GT/CB/LL	Force 2.08 CS	0.46 fl oz/1000 row ft	221.9 bc	223.6 b	0.65 b	0.0 a	36.4 b	28,963 bc
AgriSure GT/CB/LL	Force 2.08 CS	0.34 fl oz/1000 row ft	219.1 c	226.4 b	0.99 c	4.8 a	36.2 b	28,144 c
		Treatment Probability	0.0009	<.0001	<.0001	<.0001	<.0001	0.0221

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Means in column followed by the same lowercase letter are not statistically different using the differences of least square means (MIXED; p|t|>0.05).

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