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# Yields of the Field Experiments 2000



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#### 00/R/CS/411

#### PANICUM STUDY

Object: To quantify the biomass yield potential of varieties of Panicum virgatum species - Road Piece West.

Sponsor: D.G. Christian.

The eighth year, grass.

For previous year see 94-99/R/CS/411

Design: 3 randomised blocks of 7 x 2 plots.

Whole plot dimensions:  $5.0 \times 2.0$ .

Treatments: All combinations of:-

#### 1. SPECIES

CAVIN R	Cave-in-Rock	
KANLOW	Kanlow	
PATHFIND	Pathfinder	
SUNBURST	Sunburst	
FORESTB	Forestburg	
NEBR 28	Nebraska 28	
DACOTAH	Dacotah	

2. N Nitrogen fertilizer, kg N cumulative to previous annual

dressings:

- None N1 60

#### Experimental diary:

01-Apr-00 : B : : Alpha Glyphogan at 4.0 1 in 220 1.

19-May-00 : B : : Muriate of potash at 462 kg. Triple superphosphate at

291 kg.

26-May-00 : T : N1 : 34.5% N at 174 kg.

16-Jun-00 : B : : Starane 2 at 1.0 1 in 300 1.

23-Jun-00 : B : : Dow Shield at 1.0 1 in 220 1, spot sprayed thistles.

16-Jan-01 : B : : Cut.

NOTES: (1) Harvested samples were analysed for chemical content.

(2) The yield of one plot, with treatment combination SPECIES FORESTB  ${\bf N}$  - was lost because of an error in weighing. An estimate was used in the analysis.

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#### DRY MATTER TONNES/HECTARE

\*\*\*\*\* Tables of means \*\*\*\*\*

N	-	N1	Mean
SPECIES			
CAVIN R	9.26	11.26	10.26
KANLOW	11.67	10.37	11.02
PATHFIND	8.42	8.31	8.36
SUNBURST	8.69	7.73	8.21
FORESTB	9.07	7.59	8.33
NEBR 28	9.81	9.69	9.75
DACOTAH	5.55	7.39	6.47
Mean	8.92	8.91	8.91

\*\*\* Standard errors of differences of means \*\*\*

SPECIES	N	SPECIES	
		N	
0.803	0.429	1.136	

\*\*\*\*\* Stratum standard errors and coefficients of variation \*\*\*\*\*

 Stratum
 d.f.
 s.e.
 cv%

 BLOCK.WP
 25
 1.391
 15.6

MEAN DM% 74.5

PLOT AREA HARVESTED 0.00068