SOUTH AFRICAN SUGAR INDUSTRY

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2010/6 OPEN QUARANTINE DISEASE EVALUATION

Catalogue No.:

1239

Object:

Bulking of 25 Hawaiian introductions in open quarantine, following closed quarantine restrictions at the Plant Protection Research Institute in Salisbury, coupled with preliminary smut susceptibility evaluation and recording.

of the incidence of other diseases.

This crop:

Plant

Age: 10,5 months (16.11.79 to 6.10.80)

Location:

Chiredzi Research Station, open quarantine nursery.

Soil type:

PE.1 sandy clay loam derived from gneiss

Design:

Single un-replicated rows of 12m, with all new introductions planted next to infection rows of NCo 376, the seedcane of which was dipped in a smut spore suspension

before planting.

Conduct:

Records were confined to disease observations only, and no yield data or growth measurements were recorded. After the plant crop harvest, seedcane was used to establish Smut Susceptibility Trial 3300/52.

RESULTS

Relevant disease records are presented in the attached table.

- (a) <u>Smut incidence</u>. Relatively few of the entries showed severe susceptibility in the plant crop, with the highest recorded rating of 7 being attained by only 3 Hawaiian varieties in addition to NCo 376. Most of the varieties which remained free of the disease can be expected to prove susceptible when smut incidence increases in the first ration.
- (b) Leaf scald. Moderate susceptibility was recorded in only two varieties, with all others remaining free.

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DISEASE RECORDS - PLANT CROP

| Variety | Smut whips/ha | Smut Rating | Leaf scald infected stalks/ha |
|--|--|----------------------------|---|
| H 61-1721 H 61-3145 H 63-599 H 63-4342 H 64-848 H 65-1488 H 65-7193 H 66-2959 H 66-3232 H 66-8912 H 68-3472 H 69-2429 H 69-5123 H 70-2665 H 70-3339 H 70-5145 H 70-6211 H 71-1075 H 71-4205 H 71-4949 H 72-6317 H 73-852 H 73-4872 H 73-6136 NCo 376 | 6 111 3 889 556 556 556 6 667 0 12 222 0 2 778 0 556 0 1 111 556 0 1 111 0 0 556 556 556 556 | 76444707060040005405000047 | 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 |
| NCo 376 * | 22 778 | 8 | - |

^{*} Mean of infection rows

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- (b) Leaf scald. During the plant crop only 2 entries showed symptoms of leaf scald disease, but 13 were infected during the first ration crop. The highest percentages of stool infection appeared in H 71-4919, H 64-848 and H 63-599.

(c) Rust was recorded during the first ration crop, when leaf symptoms were recorded on 13 varieties of whom 9 were severely infected. These were as follows :-

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