Do You Know The Name of a Sweet Corn Variety More Tender Than Most se's and Sweeter Than Most sh2's ??

By Bob Precheur

This variety has brought a 100% premium in price at a roadside stand for the last three years. At one farm, it now makes up 60 % of their volume. In the Tokyo auction market, in June 2000, this variety received a 49.5% average price premium over bicolor. Want to know more? You should attend the sweet corn truck crop sessions at the Ohio Fruit and Vegetable Congress, Feb. 6-8, at the Seagate Center in Toledo, OH. See the next article for Congress details.

Plan to Attend The Ohio Fruit & Vegetable Growers Congress, February 6-8, 2002, Toledo Seagate Convention Centre & Radisson Hotel
By John Wargowsky, OFGS and OVPGA Executive Director

General sessions will address issues such as "Farm Safety," "Crop Protection: Adjuvants, Stickers and Equipment Technology," "Food Safety Begins on the Farm," "Mid American Ag and Hort Services - A New Organization for Employers," "Change - Let’s Make a Friend of It!," "Ohio Vegetable and Small Fruit Research and Development Program," "Food Safety Regulations in Ohio: What’s New inRetailing, Processing and Labeling?" Three out-of-state speakers will be featured in the general sessions.

Truck crops tracks will feature: Soil Quality and Health, Peppers, Sweet Corn (Where you will get the answer to the question in the previous article) and pumpkins. Other production tracks are in the areas of processing vegetables, potatoes, greenhouse vegetables, tree fruit, apple cider and small fruit. All feature out-of-state experts as well as in state expertise from The Ohio State University.

Three direct marketing tracks range from value added marketing to Internet marketing feature Vance Corum - author of The New Farmers’ Market, Hugh McPherson of MaizeQuest and Wen-fei Uva of Cornell University. A special track for farmers’ markets owners, operators and managers has been added to the Thursday program.

The trade show will start Feb. 6 at 3:00 p.m. and is open every day until the final closing at 1:30 p.m. on Feb. 8. Door prize drawings and special refreshment periods will be featured. OSU faculty and staff will present research and educational displays for viewing.
Ohio Food Safety Regulations Update Available
By John Wargowsky, Executive Director - Mid American Ag and Hort Services, Inc.

These Ohio Food Safety Regulations result from the passage of Sub. SB 136 in November. This update also includes some labeling information, since that has caused some questions lately. This topic will be covered in detail at the final general session of the Ohio Fruit and Vegetable Growers Congress and Ohio Roadside Marketing Conference in Toledo on Feb. 8.
The Ohio Fruit Growers Society, Ohio Vegetable and Potato Growers Association, Ohio Farm Bureau Federation and Ohio Ecological Food and Farm Association were all involved in these improvements to the Ohio Uniform Food Safety Code.

If after reading this document, you have questions that need answered before Feb. 8, please feel free to contact me. Even though I am taking on the responsibilities of Mid American Ag and Hort Services, I still have Ohio Farm Bureau responsibilities that includes working with direct agricultural marketing and food safety.

The file: ohio_food_safety Regulations.pdf) is available from the VegNet homepage or the organization's websites.

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Research Reports
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Two more research reports of the 2001 season are now available, They are:
Peppers 2001
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What’s New At The VegNet Web Site
Online Edition of the 2001 Ohio Vegetable Production Guide - Now Available
Sweet Corn Disease Resistance Ratings
The following are summarized lists of Dr. Pataky’s work at the Univ. of IL on disease
reactions of sweet corn. In these summaries, all experimental and processing
varieties have been removed and only named varieties which were rated for
common rust or MDM are included. The first list are those named varieties rated for
common rust. The second list are only those named varieties rated for Maize Dwarf
Mosaic virus (MDM). For a complete report, E-mail: Bob Precheur:
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Common Rust of Sweet Corn
MDM of Sweet Corn
Do You Know Us?
Find out what we’ve been up to. The OSU Vegetable Team Report is available in PDF
file format for downloading from the VegNet homepage.
Sources of Pheromone Traps Used in Vegetable Pest Management.
Do you need to find traps, lures or suppliers, click on the Vegetable IPM button on
the left side of the homepage, then click on the ’Sources’ document in the Vegetable
IPM section.
IR-4 News
Also in the Vegetable IPM section, you can link to the IR-4 website. Read the results
of the 2000 food use workshop, monthly and quarterly newsletters. Find out the
latest on pesticide registrations for minor crops. Learn about biopesticides plus
much more. Click on the Vegetable IPM button on the VegNet homepage and then
click on the IR4 link in the Vegetable IPM section.
We appreciate very much the financial support for this series of vegetable reports which we have received from the board of growers responsible for the Ohio Vegetable and Small Fruit research and Development Program. This is an example of use of Funds from the "Assessment Program".

Where trade names are used, no discrimination is intended and no endorsement by Ohio State University Extension is implied. Although every attempt is made to produce information that is complete, timely and accurate, the pesticide user bears the responsibility of consulting the pesticide label and adhering to those directions.

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