



Research Projects

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Research Trial Overview

- SaskMustard has ongoing collaborations with key research groups in Saskatchewan.
- Some of the results you just saw from Lana Shaw.
- This coming year SaskMustard will be running the same research in the following three locations:
 - Redvers
 - Swift Current
 - Indian Head
- Trial treatments include seeding rate and fertility.

Research Trial Overview

- The objective with these trials is to determine seeding rates for AAC Brown 18.
 - As this is the first hybrid in brown mustard, we want to have a solid recommendation for growers.
- The fertility study is to determine the proper fertility to maximize the yield of a hybrid brown mustard.

Mustard Projects

- The mandate of Mustard 21 and SMDC is to look for new uses for mustard and a portion of my job is allocated to this task.
- I wanted to give you an update on where we are at with that process.
- I will start with discussing some of the projects that are currently underway.

Projects for 2020 & Beyond

- There are several new initiatives we are working on to help build the demand for mustard.
- We are working on projects with animals as well as other properties.

Prairie Swine Centre Project

- We are working with Dr. Denise Beaulieu at the Prairie Swine Center where much of their focus is on the welfare of sows and piglets.
- The study includes trials to see if incorporating mustard meal in the bedding mix can reduce the amount of bacteria in the farrowing pens, therefore making them healthier.

Prairie Swine Centre Project

- This study will take 8 months to complete but we should have some preliminary results back in the next few months.
- It may lead to a swine feeding study to see if there are any benefits to adding low levels of mustard meal to their diet.

USask Dairy Project

- SaskMustard has been working on a study with Dr. Greg Penner at the University of Saskatchewan.
- The key drivers for economics in dairy are:
 - Maximizing yield of milk fat
 - Feed to milk recovery rate
- Stall resting, lying down time and freedom from bacterial udder infections are critical.

USask Dairy Project

- The anti-microbial properties of mustard meal will be tested in dairy cow stalls to try to replace existing products and reduce infections.
- The study tracks the amount of time the cows spend lying down in treated and untreated stalls. Focus is for maximum rest.
- Like the swine study, we are looking to make a safer bedding area for the animals.

USask Bio-coal Project

- Bio-Coal is the production of coal-like pellet from agricultural residues using thermo-chemical treatments and co-pelletization.
- Working with the Engineering dept. at the USask and Dr. Ajay Dalai.
- Mustard meal is used to keep bio-coal fuel pellets from absorbing moisture when they are shipped to Europe.
- The mustard meal does not effect the burning point of the fuel pellets.

Summary

- At SaskMustard and Mustard 21 we are focused on finding new uses for mustard to increase the demand for the product and benefit the grower.
- We are encouraged by our preliminary results and I look forward to presenting our continuing findings at this time next year.

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