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PERFORMANCE OF TALL FESCUE CULTIVARS AND SELECTIONS IN NEW JERSEY TURF TRIALS, 2018

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Tall fescue [*Schedonorus arundinaceus* (Schreb.) Dumort.], a cool-season grass that is native to Europe and some parts of Africa (Buckner et al., 1979), was introduced to the United States in the 1600s (Beard, 2013). Tall fescue gained popularity after the release of the first commercial cultivar 'KY-31' in 1940, which enhanced forage production in United States. The utility of tall fescue extended to turfgrass after the release of the first turf type tall fescue cultivar 'Rebel' in 1979 (Funk et al., 1981). Since then, tall fescue has become one of the major cool-season turf species used in the United States because of its winter hardiness, persistence, adaptability to a wider range of soils, and tolerance to shade and drought. Tall fescue has a deep root system that enhances drought tolerance and allows the plant to stay green longer in dry conditions. Tall fescue also has among the best heat tolerance of the cool-season grasses. These qualities have increased the use of tall fescue in home lawns, sports fields, golf course roughs, recreational fields, sod farms, and roadsides.

The Rutgers tall fescue breeding program has focused on turf quality (darker leaf color, lower growth habit, finer leaf texture, and denser turf canopy) and the presence of endophytes that convey resistance to insects that feed above ground. Endophytic fungi live symbiotically inside the stem and leaf tissues (intercellular areas) and produce alkaloids that enhance tolerance to above-ground insect feeding (Funk et al., 1993). The incorporation of endophytic fungi in tall fescue has been a major breeding objective for many years.

One of the major limitations of tall fescue is its susceptibility to brown patch, a disease caused by

the fungus *Rhizoctonia solani*, in warm and humid regions. Brown patch, a soilborne disease of both cool-season and warm-season turfgrasses, causes blighted, circular to irregularly-shaped patches to form in the turf which quickly fade to light brown. Gray leaf spot is another disease of increasing significance in cool-season turfgrasses. Caused by *Pyricularia grisea*, this disease is common on annual and perennial ryegrasses. Tall fescue has been damaged by gray leaf spot in the southeastern United States; the disease has spread north the past few years. Breeding for disease resistance is one of the main objectives of the Rutgers breeding program. The demand for disease resistant cultivars, with concurrent higher turf quality and superior performance, is high among consumers.

Another major objective of the Rutgers turfgrass breeding program is to improve drought tolerance in tall fescue. The program utilizes an automated rainout shelter to screen for drought tolerance in tall fescue in the summer months; as a result of its use, drought tolerance in tall fescue has greatly improved.

The Rutgers turfgrass breeding program has continued to develop improved tall fescue cultivars. At present, thousands of germplasm sources have gone through numerous cycles of selection and hybridization to improve turf quality, disease resistance, billbug resistance, and wear and drought tolerance. To achieve these objectives, collected germplasm has also been incorporated in the breeding program to introduce beneficial genes into tall fescue populations.

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PROCEDURES

Field Establishment and Maintenance

Five tall fescue trials were established at the Rutgers Plant Biology Research and Extension Farm at Adelphia, NJ between 2015 and 2018 (Tables 1 to 5). All tests were established in September by hand sowing 1.41 oz of seed per 3 x 5 ft plot (5.9 lb per 1000 ft²), except for the 2018 NTEP test (Table 5) which was sown at the rate of 2.29 oz of seed per 4 x 6 ft plot (5.9 lb per 1000 ft²). All tests were arranged in randomized complete block design with three replications, and each plot had a 6-inch unseeded border to limit contamination.

Broadleaf weeds were controlled with spring or fall applications of 2,4-D, dicamba (Banvel), and MCPP. Dithiopyr (Dimension) was applied in spring to control annual grassy weeds. In July, metalaxyl (Subdue) was applied when required to prevent Pythium blight. Single applications of fertilizer did not exceed 1.0 lb nitrogen (N) per 1000 ft². The amount and timing of N applied to the turf varied to encourage disease and other stresses (Table 6). Each trial at establishment had an application of 10-10-10 fertilizer at the rate of 1.0 lb per 1000 ft². Field trials were mowed regularly (approximately 1 to 2 times per week) with rotary mowers to maintain a 1.5-inch height of cut. The annual rate of N applied as well as mowing height for each test is presented in Table 6. Based on soil test results, lime was applied as needed to maintain a pH of 6.0 to 6.5. Irrigation was applied to each test as needed to avoid wilting.

Visual Assessment

All tests were rated throughout the growing season for visual turf quality (i.e., overall appearance, turf color, uniformity, density, mowing quality, reduced vertical growth rate, leaf texture, and damage due to insects and diseases). Other ratings such as establishment, percent green cover, and damage due to specific diseases were documented when significant differences were evident. All ratings except percent green cover were based on a 1 to 9 scale, where 9 represented the best result. Plots were evaluated by a number of turfgrass specialists to reduce the impact of personal bias for particular characteristics. All data were summarized and subjected to an analysis of variance. Means were separated using Fisher's protected least significant difference (LSD) means separation test.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Results of tall fescue tests are found in Tables 1 through 5. Tests presented in Tables 1 to 3 are ranked by overall turf quality average; remaining tests (Tables 4 and 5) are ranked based on gray leaf spot rating. A high quality average is generally indicative of better disease resistance, a darker green color, greater turf density and uniformity, finer leaf texture, lower growth habit, improved mowing quality, and less damage due to insects.

Turf Quality

Higher turf quality increases the utility of tall fescue in athletic fields, school grounds, sod farms, lawns, and parks. Turf quality characteristics include canopy density, uniformity, lower growth habit, finer leaf texture, dark green color, and tolerance to disease or environmental stress.

The selections and cultivars that had the highest quality ratings in the 2015 Tall Fescue Test (Table 1) were WN2 Comp, WN1 Comp, SCR2 Comp, and HFBC1 Comp, while the selections and cultivars that had the lowest quality ratings were Rendition RX, Titan Ultra, Titan Rx, and No Net. In the 2016 Tall Fescue Test, the highest quality rated selections and cultivars were PPG-TF 262 and PPG-TF 255, while the selections and cultivars with the lowest quality ratings were LLT-993, LLT-825, GO-FNKY, Scorpion II, and GO-FKYT (Table 2). In the 2017 Tall Fescue Test, the highest quality selections and cultivars were Bullseye LTZ and AH1, while the cultivars and selections with the lowest quality ratings were GO-FNKY and Crewcut II (Table 3).

Establishment

Improved establishment of tall fescue after seed sowing makes a sward denser and reduces soil erosion. Cultivars with improved establishment are in demand by turfgrass managers, sod growers and consumers. Rapid establishment is an objective for turf breeders to improve germination and tillering rates. The cultivars and selections that exhibited rapid establishment in the 2018 Tall Fescue Test were AH2, PST-5FOE, PPG-TF 232, and Fesnova, while BAR FA 8269 and Persuasion had the lowest establishment rate (Table 4). Percent green cover one month after seeding is also a measurement of establishment. The cultivars and selections with higher percent green cover in the 2017 test were

Bullseye LTZ, AH1, TD2, Genius, JS-DTT, TF 424, and TF 426, while cover for Cannavaro and Crewcut II was low (Table 3).

Disease Resistance

Brown patch. This disease, a major disease of tall fescue, causes significant damage during humid and warm weather conditions. Improved cultivars are available but there are no cultivars that are completely resistant to this disease. In the 2016 Tall Fescue Test, the selections and cultivars that were most resistant to brown patch were PPG-TF 265, PPG-TF 277, RH2, and RHF, while the selections and cultivars that were least resistant were Saltillo, and LLT-825 (Table 2). In the 2017 Tall Fescue Test, the selections and cultivars that were most resistant to brown patch were AH2, PPG-TF 304, Bullseye LTZ, NAI-ST5-R5, and PPG-TF 308, while GO-FNKY and Crewcut II were most susceptible (Table 3).

Gray leaf spot. In fall of 2018, the Rutgers Plant Science Research and Extension Farm at Adelphia witnessed the first gray leaf spot outbreak in the newly seeded tall fescue trials. In the 2018 Tall Fescue Test, PW5, PW1, and Copious showed best gray leaf spot resistance, while RAD-TF103, 06-WALK, and Escalade were most susceptible to gray leaf spot (Table 4). In the 2018 NTEP Tall Fescue Test, JS-DTT, DLFPS-321/3699, AH2, and BAR 9FE MAS were most resistant to gray leaf spot, while Estrena, RAD-TF0.0, and Kentucky-31 were most susceptible (Table 5).

SUMMARY

At Rutgers, turfgrass breeders are continuing to make progress in improving tall fescue to extend its acceptance in the turfgrass industry and among consumers. Resistance to brown patch, rapid establishment, and higher turf quality are among the primary goals of tall fescue breeding programs. Ongoing evaluation of cultivars and germplasm helps to

identify superior lines that can be used by breeders to develop new cultivars. Efforts to collect germplasm and incorporate endophytes in tall fescue may lead to increased persistence and tolerance to above ground insect feeding and diseases. Therefore, the efforts to improve tall fescue would extend its utility to the areas where it has not been used before and would be suitable to different regions in United States.

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Table 1. Performance of tall fescue cultivars and selections in a turf trial established in September 2015 at Adelphia, NJ.

	Cultivar or Selection	-----Turf Quality ¹ -----			
		2016-2018 Avg.	2016 Avg.	2017 Avg.	2018 Avg.
1	WN2	6.5	6.8	6.4	6.4
2	WN1	6.5	6.5	6.7	6.2
3	SCR2	6.5	6.9	6.2	6.3
4	HFBC1	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.3
5	RS4	6.4	6.8	6.3	6.1
6	NAI-15-3N2	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.1
7	HFBC2	6.4	6.7	6.3	6.2
8	NT-3	6.4	6.6	6.2	6.3
9	WB2	6.3	6.7	6.3	6.0
10	RS3	6.3	6.9	6.3	5.8
11	PPG-TF-232	6.3	6.7	6.3	5.9
12	NAI-15-3N1	6.3	6.2	6.3	6.4
13	PPG-TF-231	6.2	6.6	6.1	6.0
14	RS2	6.2	6.4	6.2	6.0
15	HFBC3	6.2	6.2	6.4	6.1
16	NAI-15-CTR	6.2	6.3	6.2	6.1
17	SCR3	6.2	6.5	6.1	5.8
18	Avenger II	6.2	6.1	6.2	6.2
19	LRT	6.1	6.6	6.0	5.9
20	PPG-TF-235	6.1	6.6	6.0	5.8
21	Raptor III	6.1	6.4	6.1	5.8
22	BPS	6.1	6.3	6.1	5.9
23	PPG-TF-242	6.1	6.5	6.0	5.8
24	Corbett	6.1	6.2	6.0	6.0
25	Amity	6.1	6.7	5.9	5.6
26	PPG-TF-238	6.1	6.4	6.0	5.8
27	PPG-TF-239	6.1	6.8	5.9	5.4
28	PPG-TF-240	6.0	6.1	5.8	6.2
29	PPG-TF-236	6.0	6.3	6.0	5.8
30	PRT	6.0	6.0	6.4	5.7
31	URT	6.0	6.4	5.9	5.7
32	Supersonic	6.0	6.4	5.8	5.8
33	SCR1	6.0	6.5	5.8	5.7
34	RS5	6.0	6.1	6.1	5.8
35	PPG-TF-229	6.0	6.0	5.9	6.0

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Table 1. Tall fescue turf trial, 2015 (continued).

	Cultivar or Selection	-----Turf Quality ¹ -----			
		2016-2018 Avg.	2016 Avg.	2017 Avg.	2018 Avg.
36	NAI-15-PAD2	6.0	6.1	6.1	5.8
37	NT-1	6.0	6.2	5.9	5.9
38	PPG-TF-234	5.9	6.4	5.5	5.8
39	Reflection	5.9	6.4	5.8	5.4
40	WB1	5.9	6.1	5.6	6.0
41	WB3	5.9	6.0	5.7	5.8
42	NAI-15-3B2	5.8	5.9	5.8	5.8
43	RS1	5.8	5.9	5.7	5.9
44	RS6	5.8	5.8	6.1	5.6
45	PPG-TF-176	5.8	6.2	5.8	5.4
46	RAD-TF-105	5.8	6.2	5.5	5.6
47	RAD-TF-104	5.8	6.3	5.7	5.3
48	RAD-TF-98	5.7	6.6	5.6	5.0
49	Xtender	5.7	6.5	5.2	5.4
50	RAD-TF-99	5.6	6.4	5.5	5.0
51	Titanium 2LS	5.6	5.9	5.3	5.7
52	Temple	5.6	5.9	5.6	5.3
53	PPG-TF-230	5.6	5.8	5.5	5.4
54	Faith	5.6	6.1	5.4	5.3
55	Maestro	5.6	5.7	5.4	5.5
56	PPG-TF-172	5.6	6.1	5.2	5.3
57	Firecracker SLS	5.5	5.9	5.3	5.4
58	NT-2	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.6
59	Thor	5.5	6.1	5.6	4.8
60	Black Tail	5.5	5.7	5.5	5.4
61	RAD-TF-103	5.5	6.1	5.6	4.8
62	Screamer LS	5.5	5.7	5.4	5.4
63	PPG-TF-241	5.5	6.0	5.2	5.3
64	JT-388	5.5	6.1	5.4	5.0
65	Ares	5.5	6.3	5.1	4.9
66	Pro Gold	5.4	6.1	5.1	5.1
67	Cochise IV	5.4	5.9	5.2	5.2
68	Firaces	5.4	5.7	5.3	5.2
69	Firecracker LS	5.4	5.9	5.3	4.8
70	Meridian	5.3	5.7	5.2	5.1

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Table 1. Tall fescue turf trial, 2015 (continued).

	Cultivar or Selection	-----Turf Quality ¹ -----			
		2016-2018 Avg.	2016 Avg.	2017 Avg.	2018 Avg.
71	PST-5DAW-15	5.3	6.0	5.1	4.9
72	PST-5MCD	5.3	5.9	5.0	5.1
73	PST-53D2	5.3	5.7	4.8	5.3
74	Rowdy	5.2	5.7	4.9	5.1
75	PST-5DZP	5.2	5.8	5.2	4.6
76	Shenandoah Elite	5.2	5.7	4.9	5.0
77	ATF 1521	5.2	6.0	5.2	4.4
78	Lifeguard	5.2	5.6	4.9	5.0
79	Spyder LS	5.2	6.0	4.8	4.7
80	RAD-TF-102	5.2	5.9	5.1	4.6
81	Dynamite LS	5.2	6.0	5.0	4.5
82	RAD-TF-96	5.1	6.1	4.9	4.4
83	Hemi	5.1	5.7	4.9	4.6
84	PST-5MINI-14	5.0	5.6	5.0	4.5
85	Shenandoah III	5.0	5.8	4.7	4.6
86	Raptor II	5.0	5.5	5.1	4.4
87	Diablo	5.0	6.1	4.6	4.2
88	Persuasion	5.0	5.4	4.8	4.8
89	BMT-13	5.0	5.7	4.9	4.4
90	PST-5LYM	4.9	5.0	4.8	5.0
91	Terrano	4.9	5.7	4.4	4.7
92	Falcon V	4.9	5.2	4.9	4.7
93	Falcon IV	4.9	5.5	4.8	4.4
94	PST-5T24	4.9	5.8	4.5	4.4
95	Regenerate	4.9	5.4	4.8	4.6
96	Wolfpack II	4.9	5.6	4.4	4.6
97	PST-Syn-5MIZ	4.8	5.5	4.7	4.4
98	Sundial	4.8	5.5	4.2	4.6
99	PST-5BPO	4.7	5.2	4.5	4.5
100	GO-MNKY-RF	4.7	5.6	4.5	4.0
101	PST-5STAR	4.7	5.4	4.5	4.2
102	Gazelle II	4.7	5.6	4.5	4.0
103	FCE3	4.7	5.2	4.8	4.1
104	Moondance	4.7	5.2	4.2	4.6
105	Thunderstruck	4.7	5.6	4.8	3.6

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Table 1. Tall fescue turf trial, 2015 (continued).

	Cultivar or Selection	-----Turf Quality ¹ -----			
		2016-2018 Avg.	2016 Avg.	2017 Avg.	2018 Avg.
106	Dallas	4.7	5.6	4.4	4.0
107	NAI-15-TXR	4.7	4.9	4.5	4.5
108	PST-5BRK	4.6	5.3	4.5	4.1
109	Inferno	4.6	5.5	4.1	4.3
110	Titanium	4.6	5.3	4.3	4.2
111	Rain Saver	4.6	5.2	4.8	3.9
112	GO-AO	4.6	5.5	4.1	4.1
113	NAI-15-RXR	4.5	5.2	4.5	3.9
114	JT-107	4.5	5.3	4.3	3.9
115	GO-MNKY	4.5	5.1	4.4	4.0
116	Saltillo	4.5	5.4	4.2	3.7
117	ATF 1255	4.5	5.3	4.3	3.9
118	Tribute II	4.4	5.5	4.0	3.8
119	Titanium LS	4.4	5.0	4.0	4.2
120	Covenant II	4.4	5.4	4.0	3.7
121	Avenger	4.4	5.1	4.1	3.9
122	Summer	4.4	5.2	3.8	4.0
123	Hudson	4.3	5.1	4.0	3.9
124	Stingray	4.2	5.4	3.8	3.5
125	Merida	4.2	4.7	3.9	4.1
126	Sequester	4.2	5.4	3.9	3.3
127	GO-MINI	4.2	5.0	3.9	3.7
128	Picabu	4.2	4.7	3.9	4.0
129	PPG-TF-237	4.2	5.0	3.9	3.7
130	ATV	4.1	5.2	3.8	3.2
131	GO-MNKY-H	4.1	4.8	3.8	3.7
132	Jaguar 4G	4.1	5.1	3.7	3.4
133	Scorpion II	4.0	4.8	3.9	3.5
134	Sungazer	4.0	5.1	3.6	3.2
135	Rain Dance	4.0	4.7	3.6	3.6
136	NoNet	3.9	4.9	3.1	3.6
137	Titan Rx	3.8	4.3	3.4	3.6
138	Titan Ultra	3.6	4.5	3.2	3.2
139	Rendition RX	3.5	4.4	3.0	3.0

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Table 1. Tall fescue turf trial, 2015 (continued).

Cultivar or Selection	-----Turf Quality ¹ -----			
	2016-2018 Avg.	2016 Avg.	2017 Avg.	2018 Avg.
LSD at 5% =	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.6

¹9 = best turf quality

Table 2. Performance of tall fescue cultivars and selections in a turf trial established in September 2016 at Adelphia, NJ.

Cultivar or Selection	-----Turf Quality ¹ -----			-----Brown Patch ² -----	
	2017-2018 Avg.	2017 Avg.	2018 Avg.	July 2017	Aug. 2018
1 PPG-TF 262	6.7	6.6	6.8	7.7	6.7
2 PPG-TF 255	6.7	6.7	6.7	7.3	7.3
3 Honeymoon	6.6	6.5	6.7	7.3	6.3
4 RHF	6.6	6.8	6.4	7.7	7.7
5 RH4	6.6	6.5	6.7	7.0	7.3
6 PPG-TF 268	6.6	6.7	6.4	6.3	7.0
7 PPG-TF 265	6.6	6.5	6.6	7.7	8.0
8 PPG-TF 257	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.3	6.3
9 RH2	6.5	6.4	6.6	6.3	7.7
10 PPG-TF 267	6.5	6.6	6.3	6.7	7.0
11 PPG-TF 276	6.4	6.6	6.2	6.7	6.3
12 PPG-TF 266	6.4	6.5	6.2	6.0	7.3
13 PPG-TF 264	6.3	6.4	6.2	6.3	7.3
14 PPG-TF 232	6.3	6.5	6.1	6.3	5.7
15 STL	6.3	6.3	6.2	7.3	7.0
16 PPG-TF 274	6.2	6.1	6.4	5.3	6.7
17 RH3	6.2	6.5	5.9	8.3	5.7
18 PPG-TF 233	6.2	6.4	6.0	7.3	7.0
19 PPG-TF 275	6.2	6.4	6.0	6.0	6.7
20 TSE	6.2	6.2	6.2	7.7	6.3
21 PPG-TF 254	6.2	6.0	6.4	6.7	7.3
22 Firehawk SLT	6.2	6.4	6.0	8.0	7.0
23 PPG-TF 277	6.2	6.2	6.1	5.3	8.0
24 RH1	6.2	6.2	6.1	6.7	5.3
25 PPG-TF 263	6.1	6.3	6.0	6.3	6.7
26 PPG-TF 256	6.1	6.2	6.0	6.3	6.0
27 Estrena	6.1	6.1	6.0	7.7	7.0
28 PPG-TF 269	6.1	6.3	5.8	5.7	5.7
29 PPG-TF 260	6.1	6.1	6.0	7.3	7.3
30 RHL1	6.1	5.9	6.2	7.7	6.0
31 PPG-TF 271	6.0	6.2	5.9	5.7	5.7
32 PPG-TF 273	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.7	6.7
33 PPG-TF 252	5.9	6.0	5.8	6.0	6.3
34 3B3	5.9	6.1	5.7	6.3	6.3
35 PPG-TF 245	5.9	6.0	5.8	6.7	5.0

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Table 2. Tall fescue turf trial, 2016 (continued).

Cultivar or Selection	-----Turf Quality ¹ -----			-----Brown Patch ² -----	
	2017-2018 Avg.	2017 Avg.	2018 Avg.	July 2017	Aug. 2018
36 WDS	5.9	6.0	5.8	6.0	6.7
37 PPG-TF 203	5.9	6.5	5.2	6.0	5.7
38 PPG-TF 278	5.8	6.0	5.6	6.0	7.0
39 Amity	5.8	6.3	5.3	6.7	4.7
40 Regenerate	5.8	6.4	5.1	5.7	4.7
41 PPG-TF 270	5.7	5.8	5.6	6.0	4.7
42 RS4	5.7	5.8	5.7	5.7	5.7
43 PPG-TF 231	5.7	6.4	5.0	8.0	4.3
44 ROE	5.6	5.8	5.4	5.7	7.0
45 Screamer LS	5.6	5.7	5.5	6.7	5.7
46 PPG-TF 230	5.6	5.7	5.5	5.3	5.3
47 Raptor III	5.6	6.1	5.1	7.0	5.0
48 PST-5DART	5.6	5.8	5.4	6.7	6.3
49 Reflection	5.6	6.1	5.0	6.3	3.0
50 PST-SYN-5DWL	5.5	5.9	5.2	6.3	5.7
51 PPG-TF 261	5.5	5.4	5.5	6.7	6.0
52 Avenger II	5.4	5.8	5.0	6.7	4.0
53 PPG-TF 272	5.4	5.6	5.2	5.3	5.3
54 Titanium 2LS	5.4	5.8	5.0	6.7	4.0
55 PST-5DZP	5.4	6.1	4.7	5.0	4.3
56 PPG-TF 279	5.4	5.8	5.0	6.0	5.3
57 Temple	5.3	5.4	5.2	6.0	5.0
58 PST-5MINK	5.3	5.6	5.0	4.3	5.7
59 Black Tail	5.3	5.5	5.0	5.7	4.7
60 Lifeguard	5.3	5.6	4.9	6.3	5.3
61 LLT-251	5.2	5.9	4.5	4.7	5.0
62 PPG-TF 248	5.2	5.1	5.4	6.7	5.3
63 Annapolis	5.2	5.7	4.7	4.7	3.7
64 PST-5DAW-15	5.2	5.5	4.8	6.0	4.7
65 Shenandoah Elite	5.1	5.7	4.6	4.7	3.7
66 PST-5MCD	5.1	5.5	4.7	4.7	4.3
67 LS 1200	5.1	5.3	5.0	5.3	3.0
68 PST-5SQB-BS	5.1	5.2	5.0	4.7	5.7
69 PST-53D2	5.0	5.4	4.7	6.3	4.7
70 PST-5BYOB	5.0	5.3	4.6	6.0	4.0

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Table 2. Tall fescue turf trial, 2016 (continued).

Cultivar or Selection	-----Turf Quality ¹ -----			-----Brown Patch ² -----	
	2017-2018 Avg.	2017 Avg.	2018 Avg.	July 2017	Aug. 2018
71 Embrace	4.9	5.4	4.4	6.0	3.0
72 Maestro	4.9	5.5	4.3	5.0	3.3
73 Finelawn H2O	4.9	5.2	4.5	3.7	3.3
74 Terrano	4.9	5.4	4.3	5.3	4.3
75 Dynamic II	4.8	5.3	4.4	3.7	3.3
76 Thor	4.8	5.3	4.3	5.0	3.7
77 Diablo	4.8	5.5	4.1	6.0	3.0
78 Faith	4.8	5.2	4.3	5.0	3.7
79 Rowdy	4.8	5.4	4.1	6.0	3.7
80 Dynamite LS	4.8	5.6	3.9	6.3	3.3
81 Firecracker SLS	4.7	5.3	4.2	6.3	3.0
82 EGC	4.7	5.1	4.4	6.7	4.7
83 PST-5LYM	4.7	4.9	4.5	6.7	4.7
84 Moondance	4.7	4.7	4.7	6.7	5.0
85 Xtender	4.7	5.4	4.0	4.3	2.3
86 PST-5BRK	4.7	5.3	4.1	6.0	3.0
87 Meridian	4.6	5.3	4.0	4.0	2.3
88 PST-5MINI-14	4.6	4.9	4.3	5.0	4.0
89 PST-525D	4.6	5.2	4.0	5.7	3.7
90 Swagger	4.6	5.0	4.1	4.7	4.0
91 PST-5ZIP	4.6	5.1	4.0	4.0	3.7
92 Trinity	4.5	4.8	4.3	5.3	4.7
93 Renegade DT	4.5	5.2	3.8	4.7	2.7
94 LLT-338	4.5	5.1	3.9	4.3	3.7
95 GO-ATO	4.5	4.9	4.1	4.0	3.3
96 LLT-630	4.4	5.1	3.7	5.3	4.3
97 Duration	4.4	5.0	3.8	5.3	4.0
98 Firaces	4.4	5.0	3.9	4.3	2.7
99 Falcon H2O	4.4	5.0	3.9	5.7	4.3
100 Endeavor II	4.4	4.7	4.1	5.7	3.3
101 PST-5SDS	4.4	4.9	3.8	5.3	2.7
102 Thunderstruck	4.3	5.2	3.3	4.0	2.3
103 Ares	4.3	4.9	3.6	5.7	3.0
104 Falcon IV	4.2	4.8	3.6	5.0	4.3
105 PST-5BPO	4.2	4.8	3.6	6.0	2.3

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Table 2. Tall fescue turf trial, 2016 (continued).

Cultivar or Selection	-----Turf Quality ¹ -----			-----Brown Patch ² -----	
	2017-2018 Avg.	2017 Avg.	2018 Avg.	July 2017	Aug. 2018
106 Fesnova	4.2	4.7	3.7	5.0	3.7
107 Greenkeeper	4.2	4.7	3.7	6.0	3.3
108 Renegade H2O	4.2	4.8	3.6	3.7	4.3
109 Persuasion	4.2	4.7	3.6	5.3	3.7
110 GO-AO	4.2	4.7	3.7	4.3	3.0
111 Shenandoah III	4.2	4.6	3.7	4.0	3.7
112 PST-5STAR	4.2	4.6	3.7	4.7	3.0
113 PST-5T20	4.2	4.8	3.5	4.0	2.7
114 Tribute II	4.1	4.5	3.7	3.3	2.7
115 LLT-652	4.1	4.3	3.8	4.7	4.0
116 Tar Heel II	4.1	4.6	3.5	4.7	4.0
117 RainDance	4.0	4.5	3.5	4.3	2.3
118 Sequester	4.0	4.3	3.7	5.0	3.3
119 Stingray	4.0	4.6	3.3	3.7	3.0
120 Saltillo	3.9	4.8	3.0	5.0	1.3
121 LLT-809	3.9	4.5	3.3	3.0	3.0
122 Sungazer	3.9	4.2	3.6	3.7	3.0
123 PST-5BGR	3.9	4.5	3.3	5.7	2.3
124 ATV	3.8	4.6	3.1	4.7	2.7
125 LLT-404	3.8	4.4	3.2	4.0	3.0
126 LLT-816	3.7	4.4	3.0	4.0	2.0
127 LLT-810	3.7	4.2	3.2	4.3	3.7
128 PST-5SIS	3.6	4.1	3.1	5.3	2.3
129 LLT-621	3.5	4.2	2.8	3.3	2.3
130 LLT-825	3.4	4.3	2.6	4.7	1.3
131 LLT-993	3.4	4.0	2.9	2.7	2.0
132 Scorpion II	3.4	3.5	3.4	3.7	3.0
133 GO-FNKY	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.3	2.3
134 GO-FKYT	3.4	3.7	3.1	2.3	3.3
LSD at 5% =	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.9	2.1

¹ 9 = best turf quality

² 9 = least disease

Table 3. Performance of tall fescue cultivars and selections in a turf trial established in September 2017 at Adelphia, NJ.

Cultivar or Selection	Turf Quality ¹ 2018 Avg.	Green Cover ² (%) Oct. 2018	-----Brown Patch ³ -----		
			3 Aug. 2018	20 Aug. 2018	Aug. 2018 Avg.
1 Bullseye LTZ	7.0	81.7	7.7	7.7	7.7
2 AH1	7.0	71.7	8.0	7.0	7.5
3 AH2	6.9	68.3	8.7	7.3	8.0
4 TD2	6.9	73.3	6.3	6.7	6.5
5 NAI-ST5-R13	6.9	66.7	7.7	6.7	7.2
6 3N2	6.7	66.7	7.7	7.0	7.3
7 NAI-ROS-IY	6.7	65.0	7.3	6.7	7.0
8 PPG-TF 249	6.7	60.0	6.7	7.0	6.8
9 PPG-TF 250	6.7	63.3	6.7	6.3	6.5
10 NAI-ST5-R5	6.7	56.7	8.0	7.3	7.7
11 Genius	6.7	78.3	7.7	7.3	7.5
12 TMT1	6.6	61.7	7.0	7.3	7.2
13 JS-DTT	6.5	71.7	7.7	7.0	7.3
14 NAI-ST5-R9	6.5	68.3	7.3	7.0	7.2
15 PPG-TF 252	6.5	65.0	7.7	7.3	7.5
16 TF 426	6.4	71.7	7.3	6.7	7.0
17 PPG-TF 304	6.4	65.0	9.0	7.0	8.0
18 NAI-ROS-RR	6.4	63.3	7.3	6.7	7.0
19 PPG-TF 308	6.4	66.7	8.3	7.0	7.7
20 PPG-TF 300	6.3	53.3	7.3	7.0	7.2
21 WB2	6.3	58.3	8.3	6.0	7.2
22 BPS	6.3	56.7	7.7	6.0	6.8
23 NAI-ST5-R8	6.3	61.7	6.3	6.0	6.2
24 NAI-ST5-R1	6.2	70.0	7.3	6.7	7.0
25 TF 420	6.2	63.3	6.3	6.7	6.5
26 NAI-ST5-R7	6.2	70.0	6.7	6.0	6.3
27 TF 431	6.2	66.7	7.0	6.0	6.5
28 LTD	6.1	65.0	7.7	6.3	7.0
29 ZRC1	6.1	61.7	7.7	6.3	7.0
30 RC2	6.1	61.7	8.3	6.7	7.5
31 PPG-TF 292	6.1	66.7	7.7	5.7	6.7
32 PPG-TF 244	6.1	75.0	6.3	6.3	6.3
33 PPG-TF 307	6.0	63.3	8.0	6.0	7.0
34 DLFPS-321/3678	6.0	68.3	6.3	7.3	6.8
35 PPG-TF 283	6.0	58.3	7.7	5.7	6.7

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Table 3. Tall fescue turf trial, 2017 (continued).

Cultivar or Selection	Turf Quality ¹ 2018 Avg.	Green Cover ² (%) Oct. 2018	-----Brown Patch ³ -----		
			3 Aug. 2018	20 Aug. 2018	Aug. 2018 Avg.
36 PPG-TF 299	6.0	60.0	7.3	5.7	6.5
37 PPG-TF 231	6.0	66.7	6.7	5.3	6.0
38 NAI-CT2	6.0	60.0	7.7	6.0	6.8
39 PPG-TF 285	6.0	73.3	7.7	5.3	6.5
40 RC3	5.9	58.3	8.0	6.7	7.3
41 PPG-TF 303	5.9	55.0	8.0	5.7	6.8
42 PPG-TF 233	5.9	71.7	6.0	6.0	6.0
43 TF 424	5.9	75.0	6.3	5.0	5.7
44 RS4	5.9	48.3	7.3	6.3	6.8
45 3B2	5.9	60.0	7.3	5.3	6.3
46 PPG-TF 305	5.8	58.3	8.3	5.7	7.0
47 PPG-TF 306	5.8	61.7	7.7	6.0	6.8
48 TF 427	5.8	65.0	7.3	6.0	6.7
49 BBS	5.8	66.7	6.3	6.3	6.3
50 PPG-TF 295	5.8	66.7	6.7	5.3	6.0
51 PPG-TF 251	5.8	51.7	6.0	5.7	5.8
52 DLFPS-321/3677	5.7	70.0	7.7	6.7	7.2
53 PPG-TF 248	5.7	63.3	7.0	5.3	6.2
54 NAI-ST5-R6	5.7	51.7	4.3	4.7	4.5
55 3N1	5.7	56.7	8.0	6.3	7.2
56 NAI-ST5-R11	5.7	53.3	7.3	7.0	7.2
57 PPG-TF 254	5.7	56.7	7.0	6.7	6.8
58 PST-5LSS	5.7	50.0	7.0	6.7	6.8
59 Titanium 2LS	5.7	43.3	7.3	6.3	6.8
60 PPG-TF 245	5.7	53.3	7.0	5.7	6.3
61 NSE	5.6	58.3	7.7	6.3	7.0
62 RDC	5.6	65.0	5.0	6.3	5.7
63 NAI-ST5-R4	5.6	63.3	4.3	3.7	4.0
64 NAI-ST5-R19	5.6	50.0	7.3	6.0	6.7
65 TF 416	5.6	63.3	7.0	6.3	6.7
66 Annapolis	5.6	60.0	6.3	5.7	6.0
67 NAI-ST5-R15	5.6	50.0	6.3	7.0	6.7
68 Maestro	5.6	58.3	7.0	5.0	6.0
69 TF 430	5.6	58.3	6.7	5.3	6.0
70 Technique	5.6	80.0	7.0	4.7	5.8

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Table 3. Tall fescue turf trial, 2017 (continued).

Cultivar or Selection	Turf Quality ¹ 2018 Avg.	Green Cover ² (%) Oct. 2018	-----Brown Patch ³ -----		
			3 Aug. 2018	20 Aug. 2018	Aug. 2018 Avg.
71 NAI-ST5-R21	5.5	55.0	8.0	6.3	7.2
72 Reflection	5.5	60.0	8.0	5.7	6.8
73 DLFPS-321/3679	5.5	65.0	6.0	5.7	5.8
74 Thor	5.5	71.7	7.7	5.7	6.7
75 Copious	5.4	63.3	6.0	5.3	5.7
76 PPG-TF 229	5.4	60.0	5.0	3.7	4.3
77 NAI-ST5-R17	5.4	46.7	7.3	6.3	6.8
78 NAI-ST5-R3	5.4	56.7	7.0	5.7	6.3
79 Xtender	5.4	58.3	7.7	4.7	6.2
80 Firecracker SLS	5.4	51.7	6.7	5.0	5.8
81 Padre 2	5.4	65.0	6.7	4.7	5.7
82 PPG-TF 232	5.4	68.3	6.3	4.7	5.5
83 PPG-TF 230	5.4	65.0	5.7	4.3	5.0
84 Spyder LS	5.3	56.7	6.0	5.3	5.7
85 TF 395	5.3	71.7	5.3	5.7	5.5
86 LTNS TF Blend 1	5.3	53.3	7.7	5.3	6.5
87 TF 400	5.3	58.3	6.3	6.0	6.2
88 TF 418	5.3	51.7	6.7	5.3	6.0
89 PPG-TF 176	5.3	51.7	6.7	6.0	6.3
90 Supersonic	5.3	51.7	7.7	4.7	6.2
91 Faith	5.3	55.0	7.0	4.7	5.8
92 Merida	5.3	65.0	6.3	5.0	5.7
93 NAI-ST5-R14	5.3	43.3	6.7	4.3	5.5
94 Unitus	5.3	66.7	6.0	4.7	5.3
95 Bloodhound	5.2	65.0	7.7	5.7	6.7
96 TF 396	5.2	58.3	7.3	5.3	6.3
97 TF 269 SEL M2	5.2	66.7	6.0	6.0	6.0
98 RAD-TF123	5.2	53.3	6.0	5.7	5.8
99 TF 423	5.2	56.7	7.7	5.0	6.3
100 Rowdy	5.2	66.7	5.3	4.0	4.7
101 MET-3	5.1	63.3	7.3	5.0	6.2
102 Valkyrie LS	5.1	61.7	7.0	4.3	5.7
103 PPG-TF 234	5.1	65.0	5.3	3.7	4.5
104 TF 425	5.1	51.7	6.7	4.0	5.3
105 Trinity	5.1	70.0	7.0	5.3	6.2

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Table 3. Tall fescue turf trial, 2017 (continued).

Cultivar or Selection	Turf Quality ¹ 2018 Avg.	Green Cover ² (%) Oct. 2018	-----Brown Patch ³ -----		
			3 Aug. 2018	20 Aug. 2018	Aug. 2018 Avg.
106 Bizem	5.1	60.0	7.0	4.7	5.8
107 Temple	5.1	46.7	7.7	4.0	5.8
108 Foxhound	5.1	63.3	6.7	3.7	5.2
109 TF 422	5.0	65.0	6.0	4.3	5.2
110 TF 417	5.0	60.0	7.7	5.3	6.5
111 TF 403	5.0	58.3	7.3	4.7	6.0
112 NAI-ST5-R2	5.0	51.7	6.0	5.0	5.5
113 PPG-TF 203	5.0	66.7	6.3	4.3	5.3
114 Raptor III	5.0	66.7	7.7	4.7	6.2
115 Screamer LS	5.0	56.7	6.7	5.3	6.0
116 Hounddog 8	5.0	58.3	6.0	5.0	5.5
117 TF 429	5.0	53.3	5.3	5.3	5.3
118 NAI-ST5-R10	5.0	61.7	5.3	4.7	5.0
119 Regenerate	4.9	60.0	7.0	5.0	6.0
120 Diablo	4.9	65.0	5.7	3.3	4.5
121 Renegade DT	4.9	58.3	5.3	5.7	5.5
122 Turfway	4.9	53.3	6.3	4.3	5.3
123 Rebounder	4.9	66.7	5.7	4.7	5.2
124 Crossfire 4	4.9	66.7	5.7	4.3	5.0
125 Fesnova	4.9	66.7	5.0	4.0	4.5
126 Meridian	4.9	60.0	6.3	4.0	5.2
127 Embrace	4.9	50.0	5.7	4.3	5.0
128 Falcon IV	4.8	56.7	6.3	5.0	5.7
129 Bullseye	4.8	60.0	5.7	4.7	5.2
130 Rhizing Moon	4.8	56.7	5.7	4.7	5.2
131 Terrano	4.8	66.7	7.3	4.7	6.0
132 Bandit	4.7	56.7	5.3	4.3	4.8
133 PSG PO1	4.7	55.0	5.3	3.3	4.3
134 TF 394	4.7	60.0	6.7	5.0	5.8
135 Rebel V	4.7	55.0	6.7	4.0	5.3
136 TF 308	4.7	50.0	6.3	4.3	5.3
137 NAI-ST5-R20	4.6	55.0	6.7	3.3	5.0
138 LTNS TF Blend 2	4.6	60.0	5.0	3.3	4.2
139 Black Tail	4.6	53.3	6.7	3.7	5.2
140 RAD-TF125	4.6	46.7	5.3	4.7	5.0

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Table 3. Tall fescue turf trial, 2017 (continued).

Cultivar or Selection	Turf Quality ¹ 2018 Avg.	Green Cover ² (%) Oct. 2018	-----Brown Patch ³ -----		
			3 Aug. 2018	20 Aug. 2018	Aug. 2018 Avg.
141 Finelawn H2O	4.6	56.7	4.3	4.0	4.2
142 RAD-TF114	4.6	61.7	4.0	4.0	4.0
143 Nightcrawler	4.6	58.3	6.3	4.3	5.3
144 Firaces	4.6	66.7	5.7	4.0	4.8
145 RAD-TF110	4.6	55.0	5.0	4.0	4.5
146 Jamboree	4.5	63.3	6.0	4.0	5.0
147 TF 428	4.5	55.0	5.0	3.3	4.2
148 TF 419	4.5	56.7	4.0	4.0	4.0
149 NAI-ST5-R12	4.5	43.3	5.7	4.0	4.8
150 Amity	4.4	65.0	6.3	3.7	5.0
151 Bravo 2	4.4	41.7	3.7	3.7	3.7
152 TF 421	4.4	55.0	6.7	4.0	5.3
153 Firewall	4.4	56.7	6.3	3.3	4.8
154 Dynamite LS	4.4	51.7	5.0	3.3	4.2
155 NAI-ST5-R18	4.3	50.0	6.0	5.0	5.5
156 Catalyst	4.3	48.3	6.7	3.0	4.8
157 RAD-TF112	4.3	58.3	4.7	4.0	4.3
158 Guardian 41	4.3	61.7	5.3	3.0	4.2
159 Avenger II	4.3	46.7	7.3	4.3	5.8
160 Birmingham	4.3	66.7	4.3	2.7	3.5
161 Houndog 6	4.2	63.3	5.3	3.7	4.5
162 Fayette	4.2	51.7	5.3	4.3	4.8
163 Persuasion	4.2	50.0	5.0	4.0	4.5
164 Garrison	4.2	60.0	5.3	3.3	4.3
165 Shenandoah Elite	4.1	55.0	5.7	4.7	5.2
166 Falcon H2O	4.1	51.7	5.3	3.3	4.3
167 NAI-ST5-R16	4.1	51.7	4.3	4.0	4.2
168 Speedway	4.1	51.7	5.0	3.0	4.0
169 Mustang 4	4.0	51.7	6.3	4.3	5.3
170 Renegade H2O	4.0	58.3	4.3	3.0	3.7
171 Crossfire 3	4.0	55.0	4.3	2.7	3.5
172 Essential	3.9	48.3	5.3	3.0	4.2
173 Selkirk	3.9	40.0	6.0	3.3	4.7
174 Grande 3	3.8	56.7	6.0	3.7	4.8
175 GO-MNKY	3.8	58.3	5.0	3.7	4.3

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Table 3. Tall fescue turf trial, 2017 (continued).

Cultivar or Selection	Turf Quality ¹ 2018 Avg.	Green Cover ² (%)		-----Brown Patch ³ -----		
		Oct. 2018 Avg.	3 Aug. 2018 Avg.	20 Aug. 2018 Avg.	Aug. 2018 Avg.	
176 Blackwatch 2	3.8	60.0	5.3	3.3	4.3	
177 Cannavaro	3.8	30.0	4.7	4.0	4.3	
178 Blade Runner II	3.8	48.3	5.0	3.0	4.0	
179 Corona	3.8	50.0	3.3	3.0	3.2	
180 SR 8650	3.7	60.0	4.3	2.7	3.5	
181 GO-MT	3.6	53.3	4.0	3.3	3.7	
182 Scorpion II	3.6	43.3	4.3	4.0	4.2	
183 Green Hornet	3.6	61.7	5.7	4.0	4.8	
184 Grande II	3.5	46.7	5.0	2.7	3.8	
185 Thunderstruck	3.4	45.0	3.7	1.7	2.7	
186 Rhizing Star	3.3	38.3	4.0	2.7	3.3	
187 Cayenne	3.3	51.7	4.0	2.3	3.2	
188 GO-FT	2.7	45.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	
189 Crewcut II	2.1	33.3	3.3	1.3	2.3	
190 GO-FNKY	2.0	40.0	2.3	2.3	2.3	
LSD at 5% =	0.8	13.4	1.8	1.6	1.4	

¹ 9 = best turf quality

² 100 = highest percent green cover

³ 9 = least disease

Table 4. Performance of tall fescue cultivars and selections in a turf trial established in September 2018 at Adelphia, NJ.

Cultivar or Selection	Gray Leaf Spot ¹ Oct. 2018	Turf Quality ² Oct. 2018	Establishment ³ Oct. 2018
1 PW5	8.3	7.7	7.0
2 PW1	8.3	7.0	6.7
3 Copious	8.0	6.7	6.7
4 AH1	7.7	7.3	7.0
5 JS-DTT	7.7	7.3	7.0
6 PW6	7.7	7.3	6.3
7 RW2	7.7	7.0	7.0
8 Maestro	7.7	6.7	7.0
9 PPG-TF 307	7.7	6.7	6.3
10 RS1	7.7	6.7	6.0
11 PPG-TF KS	7.7	6.3	6.3
12 PW3	7.7	6.3	6.0
13 Nightcrawler	7.7	5.7	6.7
14 AH2	7.3	7.3	8.0
15 PPG-TF 304	7.3	7.0	6.3
16 TD2	7.3	7.0	7.0
17 GTO	7.3	6.7	7.3
18 Thor	7.3	6.7	6.7
19 Diablo	7.3	6.3	5.7
20 PST-5FOE	7.3	6.3	7.7
21 PW2	7.3	6.3	6.0
22 Unitus	7.3	6.3	5.7
23 PST-5T24	7.3	6.0	6.0
24 PW4	7.0	6.7	5.3
25 Grande 3	7.0	6.3	6.0
26 PPG-TF 310	7.0	6.3	6.3
27 RH FN-Syn	7.0	6.3	5.3
28 Black Tail	7.0	6.0	6.3
29 PPG-TF 266	7.0	6.0	6.0
30 PPG-TF 317	7.0	6.0	6.7
31 Technique	7.0	6.0	6.0
32 NSE	7.0	5.7	6.7
33 PPG-TF 321	7.0	5.7	7.3
34 PST-5MINI	7.0	5.7	5.3
35 RS4	7.0	5.0	6.0

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Table 4. Tall fescue turf trial, 2018 (continued).

Cultivar or Selection	Gray Leaf Spot ¹ Oct. 2018	Turf Quality ² Oct. 2018	Establishment ³ Oct. 2018
36 BSL	6.7	6.7	7.0
37 Paramount	6.7	6.3	6.7
38 Hot Rod	6.7	6.0	5.0
39 Padre II	6.7	6.0	6.3
40 PPG-TF 232	6.7	6.0	7.7
41 Trinity	6.7	6.0	5.3
42 Valkyrie LS	6.7	6.0	6.7
43 Witchita	6.7	6.0	6.0
44 Embrace	6.7	5.7	6.0
45 Foxhound	6.7	5.7	5.7
46 PPG-TF 319	6.7	5.7	6.7
47 Turfway	6.7	5.7	6.3
48 Dynamite LS	6.7	5.3	5.0
49 PPG-TF 303	6.7	5.3	6.7
50 RAD-TF123	6.7	5.3	5.0
51 ENS	6.3	6.0	4.7
52 GO-18-RH2O-BS	6.3	6.0	6.7
53 HWP	6.3	6.0	6.7
54 BAR FA 8223	6.3	5.7	6.7
55 Firecracker SLS	6.3	5.7	5.3
56 NAI-ST6-18	6.3	5.7	5.3
57 Regenerate	6.3	5.7	6.0
58 Trending	6.3	5.7	5.0
59 Michelangelo	6.3	5.3	6.0
60 NAI-404-18	6.3	5.3	6.0
61 Firaces	6.3	5.0	6.0
62 GO-18-AOMK-BS	6.3	5.0	4.7
63 PST-5ZIP	6.3	5.0	6.7
64 Reflection	6.3	5.0	6.0
65 Rising Moon	6.3	5.0	5.0
66 Supersonic	6.3	5.0	6.3
67 Thunderstruck	6.3	5.0	6.7
68 PPG-TF 235	6.0	6.3	6.3
69 PPG-TF 250	6.0	6.0	6.3
70 PPG-TF 295	6.0	5.7	6.7

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Table 4. Tall fescue turf trial, 2018 (continued).

Cultivar or Selection	Gray Leaf Spot ¹ Oct. 2018	Turf Quality ² Oct. 2018	Establishment ³ Oct. 2018
71 PPG-TF 322	6.0	5.7	5.3
72 RW1	6.0	5.7	7.0
73 PST-5ZRX	6.0	5.3	5.3
74 Standout	6.0	5.3	5.3
75 MET-3	6.0	5.0	6.0
76 Renegade DT	6.0	5.0	5.7
77 Rockwell	6.0	5.0	5.3
78 4th Millennium	6.0	4.7	5.7
79 Firewall	6.0	4.7	6.3
80 Bullseye LTZ	5.7	5.7	6.7
81 Xtender	5.7	5.7	6.3
82 Bullseye	5.7	5.3	6.3
83 Temple	5.7	5.3	6.0
84 Crossfire 3	5.7	5.0	7.0
85 Titanium 2LS	5.7	5.0	6.0
86 Avenger II	5.7	4.7	6.3
87 Bravo 2	5.7	4.7	5.0
88 Fayette	5.7	4.7	5.3
89 Bloodhound	5.7	4.3	5.3
90 Spyder LS	5.7	4.3	5.3
91 Meridian	5.3	5.3	6.0
92 Crossfire 4	5.3	5.0	6.7
93 Fesnova	5.3	4.7	7.3
94 LNSTF1	5.3	4.7	5.3
95 RDC	5.3	4.7	6.3
96 Rowdy	5.3	4.7	6.7
97 Annapolis	5.3	4.3	6.7
98 Bizem	5.3	4.3	6.3
99 Screamer LS	5.3	4.3	6.0
100 PST-5LSS	5.0	5.0	6.7
101 RAD-TF90R	5.0	5.0	5.3
102 Terrano	5.0	4.7	6.3
103 RAD-TF99	4.7	5.3	5.7
104 BAR FA 8268	4.7	5.0	6.7
105 Traverse 2	4.7	4.7	6.0

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Table 4. Tall fescue turf trial, 2018 (continued).

Cultivar or Selection	Gray Leaf Spot ¹ Oct. 2018	Turf Quality ² Oct. 2018	Establishment ³ Oct. 2018
106 Birmingham	4.7	4.3	7.0
107 Finelawn H2O	4.7	4.3	5.7
108 Raptor III	4.7	4.3	5.7
109 Rebounder	4.7	4.3	5.3
110 Falcon IV	4.7	4.0	6.3
111 NAI-TF18-FWN12	4.7	4.0	5.0
112 Tribute II	4.7	3.7	6.7
113 Memphis	4.3	5.0	6.0
114 Merida	4.3	5.0	5.7
115 Mustang 4	4.3	4.3	5.0
116 BAR FA 8269	4.3	4.0	4.3
117 Palomar	4.3	4.0	6.0
118 SR 8650	4.3	4.0	5.7
119 Persuasion	4.3	3.7	4.3
120 RAD-TF112R	4.3	3.7	5.3
121 RAD-TF113	4.3	3.7	5.0
122 Blade Runner II	4.0	3.7	6.3
123 Leonardo	4.0	3.7	5.7
124 Escalante	4.0	3.3	5.0
125 Talladega	4.0	3.3	5.7
126 GO-18-FNKY	3.7	4.7	4.7
127 ORTF-16-1	3.7	1.7	5.3
128 RAD-TF103	3.3	3.7	4.7
129 06-WALK	3.3	3.0	6.7
130 Escalade	3.0	3.0	6.0
LSD at 5%=	1.4	1.4	1.5

¹9 = least disease

²9 = best turf quality

³9 = fastest establishment

Table 5. Performance of tall fescue cultivars and selections in a turf trial established in September 2018 at Adelphia, NJ. Includes all entries in the 2018 National Turfgrass Evaluation Program Test (NTEP).

Cultivar or Selection	Gray Leaf Spot ¹	Turf Quality ²	-----Green Cover ³ (%)-----		
	Oct. 2018	Oct. 2018	2018 Avg.	Sept. 2018	Oct. 2018
1 JS-DTT	7.3	7.7	75.8	60.0	91.7
2 DLFPS-321/3699	7.3	7.3	70.8	53.3	88.3
3 BAR 9FE MAS	7.3	6.7	67.5	53.3	81.7
4 AH2	7.3	6.7	78.3	65.0	91.7
5 PST-5DART	7.0	6.3	70.0	56.7	83.3
6 COL-TF-148	7.0	6.0	63.3	43.3	83.3
7 AH1	7.0	6.0	70.0	60.0	80.0
8 PPG-TF-255	7.0	6.0	65.0	45.0	85.0
9 Grande 3	6.7	6.3	69.2	50.0	88.3
10 LTP-TF-111	6.7	6.3	58.3	41.7	75.0
11 PST-5THM	6.7	6.0	63.3	55.0	71.7
12 PPG-TF-323	6.7	6.0	64.2	45.0	83.3
13 PPG-TF-315	6.7	5.7	63.3	45.0	81.7
14 Dragster	6.7	5.7	60.0	46.7	73.3
15 TMT1	6.3	6.7	76.7	63.3	90.0
16 DLFPS-321/3696	6.3	6.7	70.8	58.3	83.3
17 NAI-3N2	6.3	6.0	69.2	61.7	76.7
18 DLFPS-321/3693	6.3	5.7	74.2	61.7	86.7
19 PST-5MCMO	6.3	5.7	61.7	50.0	73.3
20 BAR-TF-134	6.3	5.7	69.2	55.0	83.3
21 PPG-TF-254	6.3	5.7	70.0	55.0	85.0
22 LTP-TF-122	6.3	5.3	52.5	31.7	73.3
23 PST-5TRN	6.3	5.3	60.8	46.7	75.0
24 PPG-TF 244	6.3	5.3	62.5	50.0	75.0
25 PPG-TF-338	6.3	5.0	67.5	48.3	86.7
26 JT 233	6.0	5.7	62.5	46.7	78.3
27 AST8218LM	6.0	5.7	59.2	48.3	70.0
28 PPG-TF-308	6.0	5.3	68.3	58.3	78.3
29 NAI-TUE	6.0	5.3	65.0	56.7	73.3
30 Copious TF	6.0	5.0	67.5	56.7	78.3
31 PPG-TF-306	6.0	5.0	60.0	43.3	76.7
32 NAI-ST5	6.0	5.0	59.2	46.7	71.7
33 Moondance	6.0	4.7	67.5	55.0	80.0
34 K18-RS6	6.0	4.7	65.8	53.3	78.3
35 DLFPS-321/3708	6.0	4.3	60.0	46.7	73.3

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Table 5. Tall fescue turf trial, 2018 (NTEP) (continued).

Cultivar or Selection	Gray Leaf Spot ¹	Turf Quality ²	-----Green Cover ³ (%)-----		
	Oct. 2018	Oct. 2018	2018 Avg.	Sept. 2018	Oct. 2018
36 TD2	5.7	6.0	60.8	46.7	75.0
37 AST8118LM	5.7	5.7	67.5	55.0	80.0
38 RDC	5.7	5.3	70.8	61.7	80.0
39 DLFPS-321/3707	5.7	5.3	57.5	41.7	73.3
40 PPG-TF-257	5.7	5.3	61.7	50.0	73.3
41 Bullseye LTZ	5.7	5.3	62.5	48.3	76.7
42 RHF	5.7	5.3	66.7	50.0	83.3
43 DLFPS-TF/3552	5.7	5.0	61.7	45.0	78.3
44 ProGold	5.7	5.0	66.7	56.7	76.7
45 DLFPS-321/3705	5.7	5.0	66.7	51.7	81.7
46 PPG-TF 316	5.7	5.0	60.0	45.0	75.0
47 A-TF31	5.7	5.0	65.8	60.0	71.7
48 TF445	5.7	5.0	62.5	51.7	73.3
49 PST-5GLBS	5.7	4.7	58.3	41.7	75.0
50 RH1	5.7	4.7	58.3	43.3	73.3
51 JT 268	5.7	4.7	59.2	43.3	75.0
52 DLFPS-321/3695	5.3	5.3	65.0	53.3	76.7
53 RS1	5.3	5.3	65.0	51.7	78.3
54 TF456	5.3	5.3	65.8	50.0	81.7
55 5LSS	5.3	5.0	66.7	53.3	80.0
56 DLFPS-TF/3550	5.3	4.7	59.2	40.0	78.3
57 PST-5MINK	5.3	4.7	65.0	53.3	76.7
58 PPG-TF-249	5.3	4.7	69.2	61.7	76.7
59 PPG-TF-313	5.3	4.7	61.7	46.7	76.7
60 K18-NSE	5.3	4.3	55.8	40.0	71.7
61 PST-5BYOB	5.3	4.3	64.2	56.7	71.7
62 BAR-FA8230	5.3	4.3	60.8	55.0	66.7
63 PPG-TF-337	5.3	4.3	60.8	46.7	75.0
64 ZRC1	5.0	5.0	69.2	51.7	86.7
65 ATF 1768	5.0	4.7	61.7	50.0	73.3
66 NAI-ROS4	5.0	4.7	59.2	48.3	70.0
67 SE53D2	5.0	4.7	57.5	46.7	68.3
68 DLFPS-TF/3553	5.0	4.3	60.0	43.3	76.7
69 BY-TF-169	5.0	4.3	53.3	36.7	70.0
70 Lifeguard	5.0	4.3	63.3	56.7	70.0

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Table 5. Tall fescue turf trial, 2018 (NTEP) (continued).

Cultivar or Selection	Gray Leaf Spot ¹	Turf Quality ²	-----Green Cover ³ (%)-----		
	Oct. 2018	Oct. 2018	2018 Avg.	Sept. 2018	Oct. 2018
71 PST-5SQB	5.0	4.3	61.7	51.7	71.7
72 RH3	5.0	4.3	60.0	48.3	71.7
73 Genius	5.0	4.3	59.2	43.3	75.0
74 PPG-TF-336	5.0	4.3	65.0	60.0	70.0
75 Burmingham	5.0	4.3	59.2	50.0	68.3
76 GO-AOMK	5.0	4.3	48.3	33.3	63.3
77 PPG-TF-320	5.0	4.3	59.2	48.3	70.0
78 PPG-TF-238	5.0	4.0	58.3	48.3	68.3
79 PPG-TF-312	5.0	4.0	55.8	40.0	71.7
80 PPG-TF-318	5.0	4.0	62.5	50.0	75.0
81 GO-RH20	5.0	4.0	58.3	45.0	71.7
82 3N1	4.7	4.3	57.5	43.3	71.7
83 DLFPS-321/3701	4.7	4.0	55.8	43.3	68.3
84 PPG-TF-231	4.7	4.0	62.5	51.7	73.3
85 SE5STAR	4.7	4.0	54.2	38.3	70.0
86 SETFM3	4.7	4.0	52.5	41.7	63.3
87 Honeymoon	4.7	4.0	55.8	46.7	65.0
88 Paramount	4.7	3.7	64.2	56.7	71.7
89 PST-5DC24	4.7	3.7	51.7	41.7	61.7
90 PST-5GQ	4.7	3.3	55.8	41.7	70.0
91 DLFPS-321/3679	4.3	4.3	58.3	45.0	71.7
92 K18-ROE	4.3	4.3	56.7	51.7	61.7
93 PST-5E6	4.3	4.3	51.7	38.3	65.0
94 Bullseye	4.3	4.3	53.3	38.3	68.3
95 DLFPS-321/3703	4.3	4.0	51.7	41.7	61.7
96 PPG-TF-267	4.3	4.0	56.7	45.0	68.3
97 DLFPS-321/3706	4.3	3.7	49.2	36.7	61.7
98 K18-WB1	4.3	3.7	52.5	43.3	61.7
99 3B2	4.3	3.7	55.0	43.3	66.7
100 Raptor III	4.3	3.7	58.3	50.0	66.7
101 Palomar	4.3	3.7	66.7	58.3	75.0
102 PPG-TF 305	4.3	3.3	60.0	55.0	65.0
103 BGR-TF3	4.0	4.0	60.0	51.7	68.3
104 Fayette	4.0	4.0	54.2	43.3	65.0
105 Padre 2	4.0	4.0	62.5	55.0	70.0

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Table 5. Tall fescue turf trial, 2018 (NTEP) (continued).

Cultivar or Selection	Gray Leaf Spot ¹	Turf Quality ²	-----Green Cover ³ (%)-----		
	Oct. 2018	Oct. 2018	2018 Avg.	Sept. 2018	Oct. 2018
106 Hemi	4.0	4.0	55.8	40.0	71.7
107 DLFPS-321/3694	4.0	3.7	65.8	55.0	76.7
108 Tango	4.0	3.7	52.5	46.7	58.3
109 DLFPS-321/3702	4.0	3.3	49.2	40.0	58.3
110 Bandit	4.0	3.3	59.2	46.7	71.7
111 RAD-TF105	4.0	3.3	50.0	40.0	60.0
112 SESCRI	4.0	3.0	46.7	36.7	56.7
113 SETFM2	4.0	3.0	50.8	41.7	60.0
114 LBF	3.7	3.7	55.8	48.3	63.3
115 NT-3	3.7	3.3	53.3	45.0	61.7
116 PPG-TF-262	3.7	3.3	50.8	40.0	61.7
117 ATF 2116	3.7	3.0	50.0	40.0	60.0
118 Bravo 2	3.7	3.0	58.3	50.0	66.7
119 NAI-FQZ-17	3.7	3.0	56.7	45.0	68.3
120 OG-WALK	3.7	3.0	55.0	48.3	61.7
121 PST-5DZM	3.7	2.7	46.7	31.7	61.7
122 JT-517	3.3	3.3	51.7	36.7	66.7
123 Firehawk SLT	3.3	3.3	49.2	38.3	60.0
124 SETF104	3.0	3.0	48.3	38.3	58.3
125 Naturally Green	3.0	2.7	65.8	61.7	70.0
126 FC15-01P	3.0	2.7	50.8	38.3	63.3
127 Escalade	3.0	2.3	54.2	46.7	61.7
128 Turbo SS	3.0	2.0	52.5	45.0	60.0
129 BAR FA 8228	2.7	1.7	50.8	41.7	60.0
130 Estrena	2.3	2.0	51.7	48.3	55.0
131 RAD-TF0.0	2.0	1.7	44.2	36.7	51.7
132 Kentucky-31	2.0	1.0	57.5	56.7	58.3
LSD at 5% =	1.4	1.5	12.3	13.8	14.2

¹ 9 = least disease

² 9 = best turf quality

³ 100 = highest percent green cover

Table 6. Yearly nitrogen (N) applied and mowing height (Ht) on tall fescue tests established at Adelphia, NJ.

	2016		2017		2018	
	Ht ²	N ¹	Ht	N	Ht	NHt
Table 1 (2015).....	2.90	1.5	3.75	1.5	2.25	1.5
Table 2 (2016).....			3.50	1.5	3.50	1.5
Table 3 (2017).....					4.50	1.5

¹Annual N applied (lb/1000 ft²)

²Mowing height in inches