

Michigan non-GMO Soybean Varieties

Soybean research at Michigan State University (MSU) is a collaborative effort between the Michigan Soybean Promotion Committee (MSPC) and MSU's AgBio Research. Intended outcomes from such investments are: non-GMO food and feed grade variety development; modified soybean oil variety development; and, germplasm development for addressing unique Michigan production challenges.

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LICENSING

The MSPC has a unique relationship with Michigan State University for commercializing material from Dr. Dechun Wang's soybean breeding variety development. MSU owns all property rights of varieties developed there and administers an exclusive license to the MSPC, which then executes an agreement based on the customer's interest.

Initially, the option evaluation agreement is non-royalty bearing but allows for seed transfer from MSU to interested entities for the purpose of further performance evaluation and/or a small seed increase. Once the level of interest in the variety/germplasm has been determined, MSPC will proceed to a royalty-bearing commercial agreement or, if there is no longer interest, complete deliverables of the evaluation option agreement.

2014 and 2015 VARIETY/GERMPLASM TESTING

Conventional (11) and organic (6) performance trials conducted annually include Dr. Wang's material. Results are publically available in hard copy and/or electronically. As seed supply allows, MSPC has interest in placing promising advanced lines in other public and/or private trials.

SEED AVAILABILITY

Generally, at a minimum, breeder seed quantities will be available of the listed varieties for companies expressing interest in a material transfer agreement for further evaluation and/or a commercial agreement.