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*Improving Agriculture through Crop Biotechnology  
Genetics and Production Research*

**To:** Grass breeders and members of the grass seed industry  
**From:** Dan Undersander and Kevin Silveira  
**Re:** Solicitation for the Wisconsin Forage Grass Entries

This letter is a solicitation for entries for the Wisconsin Forage Grass Trials. This will be a Spring seeding. There will be three trials as described below:

## 1) Standard Variety Trial

Location: Agricultural Research Station, Arlington, Wisconsin  
Management: Hay Production, three to four harvests per year  
Data Collected: Forage yield and persistence  
Duration: 3 harvest years or less if a variety does not persist until the end of the trial  
Cost: \$550 per entry

## 2) Grazing Trial

Location: Agricultural Research Station, Lancaster, Wisconsin  
Management: Rotational grazing by beef cows, five or six rotations per year  
Data Collected: Potential yield, palatability and persistence  
Duration: 3 harvest years or less if a variety does not persist until the end of the trial  
Cost: \$550 per entry

## 3) Annual Ryegrass Trial

Location: Agricultural Research Station, Spooner, Wisconsin  
Data Collected: Forage yield, persistence throughout the seeding year and at the beginning of the 2nd year  
Duration: 1 year  
Cost: \$250 per entry

Both commercially released varieties and experimental varieties will be accepted for each trial.

Entries, seed and checks should be submitted directly to *Dept. of Agronomy, 1575 Linden Drive, Madison, WI 53706-1514 (tel.: 608-262-6203, fax: 608-262-5217, e-mail: kgsilvei@wisc.edu)*. Entries should include a completed application form (*following page*), the required amount of seed, and a check for the total amount.

**Please make check payable to:**

**UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN FORAGE PROGRAM**

*All checks should be written in U.S. Dollars and drawn on an American bank.*

This application and check is due by **March 1** at:

Kevin Silveira  
University of Wisconsin Forage Program  
Dept. of Agronomy  
University of Wisconsin  
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# APPLICATION FOR WISCONSIN FORAGE GRASS PERFORMANCE TRIALS

Circle all that apply: Standard Trial(\$550) **200 grams of seed**    Grazing Trial(\$550) **200 grams of seed**

Annual Ryegrass Trial(\$250) **200 grams of seed**

All information and seed requested below must be provided by **March 1**. Use one form per entry. Please photocopy this form as needed for additional entries.

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Species: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(for ryegrasses specify perennial, italian, hybrid, westerwoldicum, festulolium)*

Entry name \_\_\_\_\_

Ploidy level \_\_\_\_\_                      Maturity: early medium medium-late late *(circle one)*  
*(ryegrass entries only)*

Stem Rust Resistant: Yes No *(circle one)*    Crown Rust Resistant: Yes No *(circle one)*  
*(for ryegrass, orchardgrass, and tall fescue entries)*

Is entry a commercial variety \_\_\_\_\_ or an experimental variety \_\_\_\_\_

If commercial, please give experimental name \_\_\_\_\_

Germination percentage and date \_\_\_\_\_

Purity percentage and date \_\_\_\_\_

**Distributor/ Marketer** *(fill in for commercial entries only)*

**Breeder/ Developer**

Company \_\_\_\_\_

Company \_\_\_\_\_

Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

City, State ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/FAX \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/FAX \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail address \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Web Page \_\_\_\_\_

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Affidavit: I certify that the seed sample provided is a true sample of the designated entry. I will not hold the University or its staff responsible for failure to obtain stands or growth due to unfavorable climatic conditions.

Name of person completing this form: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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