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Subject: 2022 University of Georgia Official Cotton Variety Trials

This letter is to solicit your interest in testing cotton varieties (OVT) or strains (OST) in the 2022 trials.

**General Information** - All maturities are evaluated together in single tests. Both irrigated and dryland tests are conducted. Some locations will be treated with Telone II, depending on nematode pressure. A seeding rate of 2.5 seeds/ft will be used. At most locations, gin turnout will be assessed using table-top gins. The Tifton irrigated test will instead utilize a microgin. Samples will be sent to the USDA classing office for fiber analysis.

**Seed Treatment** – Commercial seed treatments are encouraged, and fungicidal, insecticidal, and nematicidal components are acceptable. The seed treatments used will be disclosed to readers. Please ensure seed is properly labeled.

**Testing Options** –

OVT – Irrigated and dryland tests are performed in Midville, Plains, and Tifton, while only an irrigated test is available at Bainbridge. The dryland test previously conducted at Athens has been discontinued due to labor shortages. Please note any varieties entered must be glyphosate tolerant.

Strains – Three irrigated tests will be conducted at Midville, Plains and Tifton. These tests are a lower-cost bundle option for experimental varieties, but released varieties are accepted too. Multi-year averages are not reported. All herbicide trait types, and conventional lines are accepted, and a conventional herbicide program will be used.

**Testing Fees** – The fee for the Georgia Official Cotton Variety Trials is \$1,000 for the OVT and \$375 for the strains test. Invoices will be sent from Athens campus. No refund will be issued in the event that a test is lost due to weather or other circumstances beyond the reasonable control of OVT.

**Deadlines** – Applications are due March 18, 2022. Please send seed as soon as possible, preferably no later than March 31.



**Seed Required** – Please send 8,364 seeds for the OVT or 3,303 seeds for the Strains test.

**Shipping Instructions** – Please choose the address based on your preferred shipper.

**FedEx or UPS (Preferred):**

Daniel Mailhot  
UGA-Variety Testing  
1655 GA 16 West  
Griffin, GA 30223-2091

**US Postal Service:**

Daniel Mailhot  
UGA-Redding Building  
1109 Experiment Street  
Griffin, GA 30223-1731

If you have any questions or for some reason cannot send the seed by the specified date, please contact Daniel at 678-572-3015, or by e-mail at [daniel.mailhot@uga.edu](mailto:daniel.mailhot@uga.edu). Thank you for your cooperation.

**GUIDELINES FOR THE GEORGIA  
STATEWIDE COTTON PERFORMANCE TRIALS**

1. A fee will be assessed for each entry submitted by private companies for evaluation in each test. An invoice will be sent. Payment is due 60 days from the invoice date.
2. Entry fees for tests lost due to weather or other circumstances beyond the reasonable control of OVT will not be refunded.
3. Do not submit any seed containing regulated or stewarded biotechnology traits.
4. Excess seed will be blended and bulk planted for buffer.
5. Participants retain full rights to their intellectual property. Please send any desired Material Transfer Agreements (MTA's) to UGA Innovation Gateway Contracts Manager ([igcontracts@uga.edu](mailto:igcontracts@uga.edu)). MTA's are only valid if signed by an authorized representative of the UGA Research Foundation, Inc. Please allow adequate lead time if your application involves a MTA for submission of entries.
6. Results will be published in an annual report. Individual plot data is not provided to participants.
7. The Program Director, in concert with the Department Head, reserves the right to close a test due to a lack of entries or to limit the number of entries in any given test.