

# **PALMATA**

# Hybrid Ryegrass (4n)

Lolium x hybridum Hausskn.

### Things to know

Palmata is the first Swiss variety of hybrid ryegrass which emerged from a backcross of hybrid ryegrass with perennial ryegrass. It exhibits theoretically 75% of perennial ryegrass lineage. The yield potential of Palmata reaches that of established varieties of hybrid ryegrass and it builds fine leaved crops of high density like perennial ryegrass. Concerning persistence, Palmata stands out from the hybrid ryegrasses and is comparable with the perennial ryegrass Lacerta. Palmata is heading at about the same time like Lacerta.

#### **Descent**

Base material

Hybrid ryegrass of the perennial type, backcrossed with perennial ryegrass.

M0 seed

Row trial 1999 (LH9925) with seed harvest from 20 families.

## Literature

Frick R.,Mosimann E.,Suter D.,Hirschi H.-U., 2010. Bastard-Raigras und Wiesen-Fuchsschwanz: Sortenversuche 2007 bis 2009. Agrarforschung Schweiz 1(9), 334-339

#### **National listing**

Situation in Switzerland

On the Swiss List of Recommended Varieties of Forage Plants since 2010

Situation abroad

FR (Representative: Semences Vertes)

#### **Agronomic caracteristics**

Results of the official Swiss variety trials 2007-2009

(Frick et al. 2010)

(1 non of all 2010)	PALMATA	Mean
Yield	3.8	4.3
General impression	4.0	4.7
Juvenile growth	3.4	4.0
Competing ability	4.6	4.8
Persistence	4.3	5.1
Resistance to winter conditions	5.0	5.1
Resistance to leafspots an rust	2.8	3.2
Resistance to bacterial wilt	1.4	2.2
Digestibility of the organic matter	7.0	5.1
Index (weighted average of all notes)	4.0	4.3

Scoring scale 1 = very good; 5 = medium; 9 = very poor Yield Mean of 4 experimental sites over 2 years Mean value of standard varieties

# **Description according to UPOV gidelines**

DUS test conducted at Scharnhorst, BSA (DE), 2007-2009

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UPOV No	Characteristics	State of expression	Note
1	Ploidy	tetraploid	4
5	Leaf: Intensity of green colour	medium	5
10	Tendency to form inflorescences (without vernalization)	very weak to weak	2
11	Time of inflorescence emergence (after vernalization)	very early to early	2
14	Flag leaf: length	long	7
15	Flag leaf: width	broad to very broad	8
17	Stem: length of longest stem including inflorescence	very long	9

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