

# Collaborative Study of Low Nicotine Tobacco Agronomic Production Practices (LNTP) – Task Force Report

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### Objectives:

- 1. To determine the impact variety selection has upon nicotine levels.
- 2. To determine the impact of modified cultural practices have upon nicotine levels.



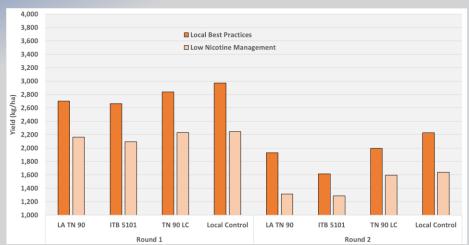
# **LNTP - TF**

|  | Project<br>No. | Activity   | 2021   |                | 2022   |                |                                   |
|--|----------------|--|--------|----------------|--------|----------------|-----------------------------------|
|  |                |  | Burley | Flue-<br>Cured | Burley | Flue-<br>Cured | Project Leaders                   |
|  | 226            | Number of Field Trails   | 8      | 9              | 6      | 7              | TF Participants                   |
|  |                | Number of chemistry analysis for nicotine were completed                           | 4      | 5              | 4      | 4              | Rowe, Lion, Lusso,<br>Kudithipudi |
|  |                | Yield data received from field trials  | 6      | 6              | 6      | 7              | Lion, Lusso &<br>Kudithipudi      |
|  |                | Grade Index data was received from field trials                                    | 4      | 4              | 5      | 6              | Lion, Lusso &<br>Kudithipudi      |
|  |                | Seed for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> round of field trials were sent to 12 TF participants |        |                |        |                | Adams, Lewis &<br>Malpica         |

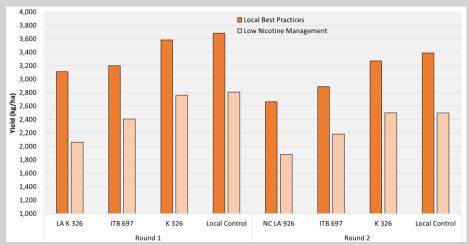


# LNTP TF Preliminary Yield Data 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Round of Field Trials

#### Burley Yield Averages Across 3 Locations Bergerac, Daejeon, Virginia Tech



Flue Cured Yield Averages Across 5 Locations Bergerac, Daejeon, Italy, NCSU, Virginia Tech



**Based on 2 Years of Preliminary Data** 

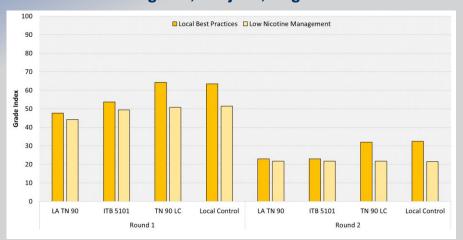
The lowest leaf yield in the burley test was observed in ITB 5101 with 1285 kg/ha in 2<sup>nd</sup> round and in the flue-cured test in NC LA 926 with 1789 kg/ha grown under low nicotine management



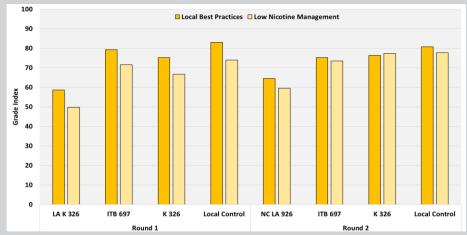
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# **LNTP TF Preliminary Grade Index Data** 1st and 2nd Round of Field Trials

#### **Burley Grade Index Averages Across 3 Locations** Bergerac, Daejeon, Virginia Tech



#### Flue Cured Grade Index Averages Across 5 Locations Bergerac, Daejeon, Italy, NCSU, Virginia Tech



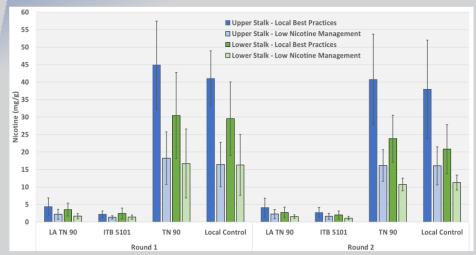
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The lowest Grade Index in the burley test was observed in LA TN 90 in 2<sup>nd</sup> round and in the flue-cured test in LA K 326 in 2<sup>nd</sup> round grown under low nicotine management

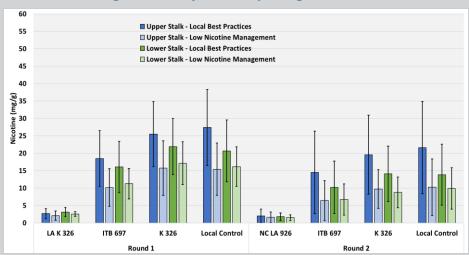


# LNTP TF Preliminary Nicotine Data 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Round of Field Trials

#### Burley Nicotine Averages Across 3 Locations Bergerac, Daejeon, Virginia Tech



#### Flue Cured Nicotine Averages Across 4 Locations Bergerac, Daejeon, Italy, Virginia Tech



**Based on 2 Years of Preliminary Data** 

Burley Lowest Nicotine level – 1.09 mg/g for ITB 5101 in round 2 under low nicotine management Flue-Cured Lowest Nicotine level – 1.5 mg/g for NC LA 926 in round 2 under low nicotine management



# **LNTP TF**

### Further projects

| Activity  | Leader                   | Time       |
|---|--------------------------|------------|
| 226 – 1 CTR CS of Low Nicotine Tobacco Agronomic Practices (LNTP) | Kudithipudi<br>& Malpica | 12/31/2023 |
| 226 – 2 CXP on Low Nicotine Tobacco Agronomic Practices (LNTP)    | Kudithipudi<br>& Malpica | 12/31/2023 |
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### Main Challenges

- > Seed shipment has improved but still a challenge
- > Sample shipment for analysis has also presented some challenges
- Progress is slow due to the nature of the work
- Data standardization for comparison across locations could be improved

# Thank You