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Dr. Erote Reber
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Dear Dr. Reber,

I have examined your data for significance as determined by your standard errors (S.E.). If you add or subtract 2.5 x the S.E. of each set of data, the values for normal and reversed generally overlap or come together. The oz. beans/oz. shucks do not overlap and may be significant with a confidence limit of ca. 5% -- a value too small to mean much when all other differences are not significant.

This is not to imply that your results are unreal. They are simply not proved on the basis of available data.

Thank you for letting me see your work.

Sincerely yours,


RICHARD M. KLEIN
Curator of Plant Physiology

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SYNOPSIS OF RESULTS

	Normal Vines			Reversed Vines			Reversed Vines		
	Average of Hills	Standard Error	Average of Group	Average of Hills	Standard Error	Average of Group	Average of Hills Reversed	Sum Std. Errors	Percent Increase Hills Group
KENTUCKY WONDER -- Row #6 (25 Normal - 24 Reversed)									
Beans per Pod	7.16	.12	7.21	7.18	.09	7.05	0.1	0.4	-2
Beans per Oz	67.5	1.19	67.5	63.7	.98	64.0	-1.8	-6	-5
Oz of Beans	2.22	.08	2.19	2.68	.07	2.65	3.1	21	— possibly signif
Oz of Shucks									
Oz of Beans	2.40	.27	1.83	2.35	.18	2.08	-0.1	-2	14
Oz of Vines									
Oz of Beans	1.10	.07	1.00	1.22	.05	1.17	1.0	11	17 — not signif
Oz Shucks & Vines									
Oz of Beans									
Oz of Dry Shucks & Vines									
CORN BEAN -- Row #7 (20 Normal - 16 Reversed)									
Beans per Pod	6.93	.14	7.08	6.60	.17	6.62	-1.1	-5	-6 — not signif
Beans per Oz.	60.1	1.44	59.6	63.3	3.1	60.6	.7	5	2 — not signif
Oz of Beans	2.12	.09	2.11	2.90	.24	2.57	2.2	37	22 — possibly signif
Oz of Shucks									
Oz of Beans	2.77	.28	2.41	3.55	.37	2.73	1.2	28	13 — not signif
Oz of Vines									
Oz of Beans	1.18	.07	1.12	1.56	.13	1.32	1.3	32	18 — not signif
Oz of shuck & Vines									
Oz of Beans									
Oz of Dry Shucks & Vines			1.35			1.55			15
UNKNOWN BEAN -- Row #8 (22 Normal - 22 Reversed)									
Beans per Pod	3.46	.15	3.57	3.63	.09	4.43	.7	5	24 — not signif
Beans per Oz.	53.3	1.5	52.1	50.3	.98	48.9	-1.2	-6	-6 — not signif
Oz of Beans	2.20	.21	1.96	3.40	.25	3.01	2.6	54	54 — possibly signif
Oz of Shucks									
Oz of Beans	.73	.06	.68	.99	.16	.74	1.2	36	9 — not signif
Oz of Vines									
Oz of Beans									
Oz of Shucks & Vines	.52	.05	.50	.73	.09	.60	1.5	40	20 — not signif

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Oz of Beans										
Oz of Dry Shucks & Vines										
Percent Black Beans	1.5	.5	1.34	1.7	3.3	.8	3.2	1.4	120	88