Qualitative Assessment of Sweet Sorghum [Sorghum bicolor (L.) Moench] Cultivars for Ethanol Production

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ABSTRACT

Qualitative characters like total soluble sugars (TSS), reducing sugars, non-reducing sugars, fermentable sugar yield and ethanol production were significantly higher in cultivars SSV 84, SSV74,NTJ $_2$ and S35 than those exhibited by the other cultivars both at flowering and harvesting.

Key words: Brix (%), Ethanol, Fermentable Sugars, Non Reducing Sugars, Reducing Sugars,

Sorghum, TSS (Total Soluble Sugars(%)