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## Breeding Objectives:

Cold germination
Early vigor
Husk protection
Disease resistance
Eating quality


Two sugary-enhancer sweet corn populations

- Early population: MDseE
- Late population: MDseL

Derived from double-cross of 4 hybrids

- Sugar Buns
- Mystique
- Miracle
- Ambrosia
- Incredible
- Argent
- Delectable

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Recurrent Selection $\qquad$


Summer 2008:
100 rows planted of each population at Gardens Of
Eagan Farm in Minnesota
Each row represents a single ear
Approximately 12 rows selected for recombination


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Winter
nursery:
South
America


Controlled pollinations via paired row crosses
Row 1: remnant seed from one selected ear
Row 2: remnant seed mixture from all remaining ears $\qquad$
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The breeding continues . . .
MDseE and MDseL have
undergone four cycles of selection

In 2012, we will begin making improvements on population uniformity


Hopeful release of open-pollinated population by 2014

