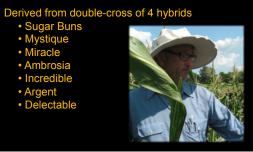




Breeding Objectives:			
Cold germination Early vigor Husk protection Disease resistance Eating quality			

# Two sugary-enhancer sweet corn populations • Early population: MDseE • Late population: MDseL

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#### **Recurrent Selection**



#### 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

#### **Selection Criteria**



Germination Rust resistance Smut resistance Husk protection Tip fill Ear shape Sweetness Tenderness





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#### **Remnant Seed**

Before planting in Minnesota, a portion of seed from each ear-row are preserved in cold storage at the University of Wisconsin – Madison.

After selection, kernels from the desired rows are retrieved and sent to winter nursery.

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

### 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