



PLANTECH OVERVIEW

PlantTech aims to be the leading and most successful seed commercialisation company within Australia, with an unsurpassed product range of leading proprietary cereals, pulses, pastures and forage varieties plus access to a full range of public varieties. PlantTech was created through the merger of Paramount seeds and Grainco Aust and the acquisition of SGB in 2002. This combined has made PlantTech one of if not the largest fully integrated field crop and pasture seed business in Australia. We are a nationally based seed company with leading products in many sectors. In conjunction with Seedmark we manage and produce our Clover, Lucerne and Phalaris range. Through our involvement with the APA (including SARDI breeding material for clovers and medics) ALA (including NSW DPI Material for Lucerne's) and CSIRO breeding programs for Phalaris- we have access to leading varieties in their field. Within PlantTech there are trained technical, sales and marketing staff regionally located throughout Australia., supported by infield production staff.

PLANTECH'S FOCUS

PlantTech is focused on proprietary species that increase productivity and profitability for the grower. We have a commitment to R&D and service to our product with over 40 trials in Southern Australia. This means credible data and advice to growers of our product, with replicated trials and measured dry matter yields.. As part of this commitment PlantTech is pleased to be part of the MFMG trial program this year, with cereals, legumes and forages tested in local conditions for local farming systems. Trials this year include;

Cereals;

Eaglehawk Wheat- NEW FOR 2009-

Mitika Oats-

Oxford Barley - NEW FOR 2010-

Forages in Cropping Systems

We see that farming is evolving with the need for a change in the practice of everyday methods and this is just one or several ways to attack it. At PlantTech we understand the pressures of modern –day farming with rising fuel and fertilizer prices, difficult climatic conditions and look for profitable rotations for sustained farming practices. We are evaluating several varieties for their forage yield, weed control, disease rotation and fit in SE SA Farming systems.

Varieties include;



Leafmore Hybrid Forage Rape
Graza Forage oats
Grassmax Annual Ryegrass
Drummer Annual Ryegrass

Sub Clover Varieties in Cropping Systems

Sub Clover in many cases is one of the mainstays of cropping systems, growing large amounts of dry matter, fixing nitrogen and an ability to regenerate. With the pressure of Fertiliser pricing, and improved prices for lamb, there is scope for sub clover in southern cropping systems. Varieties such as Losa, Campeda, and Mintaro show generational advantages over old stalwarts like Trikkala and Seaton Park. Latest trials show varieties such as Antas are growing 2.5 times more dry matter than Trikkala- can you afford not investigate some of these newer varieties.

Varieties include;

Losa Subterranean Clover
Campeda Subterranean Clover
Gosse Subterranean Clover
Antas Subterranean Clover
Mintaro Subterranean Clover