

IAC OL 5 - New high oleic runner peanut cultivar

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Abstract: IAC OL 5 is a new peanut cultivar recommended to growers of peanut regions of the state of São Paulo as another option for planting during the intervals of sugarcane renewal. Its main traits are its runner growing habit, its moderate resistance to virus and foliar diseases, and the high oleic trait.

Key words: Peanut cultivar, *Arachis hypogaea* L., runner growing habit, high oleic trait.

INTRODUCTION

Peanuts are the third most important annual crop, in terms of planting area, of the state of São Paulo, comprising over one hundred thousand hectares (IEA 2016). Most of this area is located in sugarcane cropping regions, where peanuts are planted as a rotation crop.

Currently, peanut production in these areas is highly technified, and uses cultivars of runner growing habit, whose cycle duration varies from 130 to 150 days. Planting peanuts in plots for sugarcane renewal requires that the cycle of the cultivar be no longer than 130 days.

The peanut cultivars that have the high oleic trait (over 70% of oleic acid in the oil fraction of the seed) are demanded by the peanut industry. Oleic acid content in cultivars that do not have the “high oleic” trait ranges from 40 to 50%. High oleic acid content extends the product’s shelf life (Mozingo et al. 2004).

The first high oleic cultivars released in Brazil, IAC 503 and IAC 505, have cycle duration longer than 130 days, from planting to harvesting. This imposes a limitation to their use, due to the requirements in rotation with sugarcane (Godoy et al. 2009). IAC has recently released two other high oleic cultivars, IAC OL3 and IAC OL4 (Godoy et al. 2014), whose cycles do not exceed 130 days, allowing better adjustment to the sugarcane areas. Besides the shorter cycle, these cultivars present high yielding performance at the presence of efficient chemical control of foliar diseases.

IAC OL5 has been released to meet the demand for high oleic runner cultivars, with cycle duration adjusted to the sugarcane rotation system, moderate resistance to virus, and tolerance to foliar diseases.

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BREEDING METHOD

IAC OL5 was obtained from a cross between the breeding line IAC 23 A – 65/3 and the accession 2562 of the IAC germplasm collection. IAC 23 A – 65/3 is a component line of the cultivar IAC Caiapó, considered moderately resistant to foliar diseases. The accession 2562 was the source of the “high oleic” trait. The F₂ population was planted in the field and subjected to individual plant selection for yield and pod/seed. From each selected plant, seeds samples (F_{2:3} progenies) were taken to the laboratory and analyzed by gas chromatography for fatty acid content. Samples showing 70-80% oleic acid (meaning homozygous recessives for the “high oleic” trait) were selected.

The selected high oleic progenies were subjected to individual plant selection from the F₃ to F₅ generation for plant yield and pod/seed physical quality. In the F₆ generation, individual plant selection was performed based on the degree of seed maturity upon digging the plants at 100 days after planting (early harvesting). In the following 3 years, the best lines of the selected plants were evaluated for yield and seed maturity under anticipated harvesting (digging the plants before 130 days). One of these lines was indicated as the new cultivar IAC OL5.

AGRONOMIC PERFORMANCE

Cultivar IAC OL5 (tested as line 825) was selected for yield performance out of a group of 15 high oleic lines in 6 experiments carried out in 2 growing seasons (2011/12 and 2012/13), in 3 locations of the state of São Paulo: Ribeirão Preto (lat 21° 2' S, long 47° 87' W, alt 546 m asl), Pindorama (lat 21° 22' S, long 48° 91' W, alt 527 m asl), and Votuporanga (lat 20° 46' S, long 50° 06' W, alt 510 m asl) (Table 1). Plots were harvested between 125 and 130 days after planting, and yield was compared with 3 control cultivars under these conditions, in which the cycle should not exceed 130 days. The new cultivar presented mean of 5.416 kg ha⁻¹ of unshelled peanuts, and outyielded the control cultivars IAC 503 and IAC 505, whose cycles are longer than 130 days, and the not high oleic IAC 886, whose cycle is of approximately 130 days.

The percentage of mature kernels in the new cultivar was evaluated in the 6 experiments, and the data was compared with the 3 control cultivars (Table 2). On average, cv. IAC OL5 showed maturity close to 80%, indicating that its cycle, from planting to harvesting, is adjusted to the sugarcane rotation, since this situation requires cycles no longer than

Table 1. Yield of peanut lines and cultivars in 6 experiments and 3 locations in the state of São Paulo

Genotype	Experiments ¹						Mean
	Pindorama	Ribeirão Preto	Votuporanga	Pindorama	Ribeirão Preto	Votuporanga	
	2011/12			2012/13			
L. 802	4,808	3,508 a	5,328 a	5,534 a	4,661 b	6,351 a	5,032
L. 807	4,890	3,146 b	5,683 a	4,383 b	4,512 b	5,008 b	4,604
L. 814	4,872	4,097 a	5,039 a	5,446 a	4,946 b	4,784 b	4,864
L. 815	4,864	3,802 a	5,230 a	5,494 a	5,240 a	4,907 b	4,923
L. 817	5,101	3,049 b	5,289 a	4,855 b	4,401 b	5,024 b	4,620
L. 818	4,998	3,408 a	5,741 a	5,169 a	5,044 b	5,290 b	4,942
L. 821	4,858	3,933 a	6,004 a	6,010 a	4,702 b	5,444 a	5,158
L. 823	4,846	3,719 a	5,697 a	6,040 a	4,857 b	6,228 a	5,231
L. 824	4,763	3,476 a	5,886 a	5,218 a	4,474 b	5,589 a	4,901
L. 829	4,395	3,107 b	5,694 a	5,133 a	4,702 b	5,222 b	4,694
L. 845	4,194	2,922 b	3,424 b	5,552 a	4,607 b	4,718 b	4,236
L. 846	5,209	2,570 b	5,430 a	4,490 b	5,816 a	4,708 b	4,704
L. 847	5,188	3,483 a	5,295 a	5,716 a	5,738 a	4,200 b	4,937
L. 849	4,828	2,806 b	5,776 a	4,504 b	4,141 b	4,978 b	4,505
IAC OL5	5,339	4,156 a	6,119 a	5,264 a	6,101 a	5,518 a	5,417
IAC 503	4,966	3,028 b	4,292 b	3,730 b	5,280 a	4,845 b	4,357
IAC 505	4,527	3,676 a	5,487 a	4,627 b	4,425 b	5,448 a	4,698
IAC 886	4,445	3,256 b	5,512 a	5,012 a	5,133 a	5,220 b	4,763
Mean	4,838	3,392	5,385	5,121	4,932	5,194	
CV (%)	8.7	18.3	10	13.0	12.3	12.8	

¹ Means followed by the same letter in the column do not significantly differ from each other according to the Tukey's test at 5% probability.

130 days. Cultivars IAC 505 and IAC 886 presented maturity values of 74.9 and 74.1%, respectively, and the long cycle cv. IAC 503 presented maturity value of 66.9%.

The growing season of 2015/16 was characterized by an exceptional amount of rain and a high pressure of foliar diseases for the peanut crop, especially late leafspot (*Cercosporidium personatum*). Under these conditions, yield of cv. IAC OL5 was compared with the recently released high oleic 130 day-cycle cultivars IAC OL3 and IAC OL4, which are susceptible to the disease, in a three-location experiment (Table 3). The new cultivar had yield ranging from 3.279 to 6.528 kg ha⁻¹ of unshelled peanuts. IAC OL3 yielded 3.132 to 5.790, and IAC OL4 yielded 2.510 to 5.877 kg ha⁻¹. In Ribeirão Preto, the most affected location, IAC OL5 outyielded IAC OL3 by 16%, and IAC OL4, by 45%. These data indicate that IAC OL5 has some tolerance to the disease, when compared with the other two cultivars.

Over the past 3 years, peanut crops in the state of São Paulo have been infected, although in moderate intensity, by viruses of the tospovirus group, TSWV (Tomato Spotted Wilt Virus), and GRSV (Groundnut Ringspot Virus). TSWV is widely spread in the peanut region in the USA, where the virus epidemics are high. The most efficient method of control is varietal resistance. In 2015 and 2016, IAC OL5 was tested for resistance to TSWV in field conditions under high severity of the disease, in Tifton, GA, USA (Table 4). As compared with Tifguard, a highly resistant American cultivar, and Sun Oleic 97, an American standard for susceptibility to the disease, IAC OL5 showed moderate resistance level. Other cultivars commercially known in Brazil, such as Granoleico, IAC OL3, and IAC 886 were classified as susceptible.

Table 2. Percentage of mature kernels in 4 peanut cultivars in experiments harvested between 125 and 130 days after planting

Genotype	Experiments ¹						Mean
	Pindorama	Ribeirão Preto	Votuporanga	Pindorama	Ribeirão Preto	Votuporanga	
	2011/12			2012/13			
IAC OL5	81.9 a	76.6 a	69.1 a	80.9 a	85.7 a	85.4 a	79.9
IAC 503	75.7 c	62.5 c	39.5 b	66.1 b	76.9 a	80.5 a	66.9
IAC 505	79.1 ab	73.9 ab	60.2 a	78.6 ab	77.5 a	80.1 a	74.9
IAC 886	77.2 bc	68.8 bc	58.4 ab	76.4 ab	82.8 a	80.8 a	74.1
Mean	78.5	70.4	56.8	75.5	80.7	81.7	73.9
CV (%)	2.4	14.2	16.5	10.8	11.5	6.5	

¹ Means followed by the same letter in the column do not significantly differ from each other according to the Tukey's test at 5% probability.

Table 3. Yield of cv. IAC OL5 compared with cvs. IAC OL3 and IAC OL4 in 3 locations, in 2015/16

Genotype	Locations				Index
	Pindorama	Ribeirão Preto	Votuporanga	Mean	
IAC OL5	6,528	3,279	4,162	4,656	111
IAC OL3	5,790	3,132	4,340	4,421	103
IAC OL4	5,877	2,510	4,513	4,300	100
Mean	6,025	2,973	4,338	4,445	
CV (%)	11.0	17.4	11.0	13.1	

Table 4. Reactions of peanut cultivars to the virus TSWV (Tifton, GA, USA, 2015/2016)

Cultivar	Disease Index ¹	Resistance Score ²
Granoleico	20.1	S
IAC OL3	17.7	S
Sun Oleic 97	17.3	S
IAC 886	13.9	MS
IAC OL5	10.3	MRMS
Tifguard	1.0	R

¹ Disease index of cv. Tifguard (Index=1,0), standard genotype for high resistance to TSWV

² Score scale based on the indices of cv. Tifguard: 1-4=R (Resistant); 4.1-8.0=MR (moderately resistant); 8.1-12.0=MR-MS (Moderately Resistant to Moderately Susceptible); 12.1-16.0=MS (Moderately Susceptible); 16.1-20.1=S (Susceptible).

TECHNOLOGICAL TRAITS

Kernels of IAC OL5 are round-shaped, commercially classified as “runner” type for their size (mean weight of 100 kernels = 60 to 70 g), and have tan testa color. Their oil content is of 48-49%, and they present the high oleic trait (70-80%).

Seed production

IAC OL5 was registered in Registro Nacional de Cultivares (Ministry of Agriculture, Brazil) in 2016; IAC is the creator and maintainer of the cultivar, and produces the genetic (breeder’s) seeds.

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