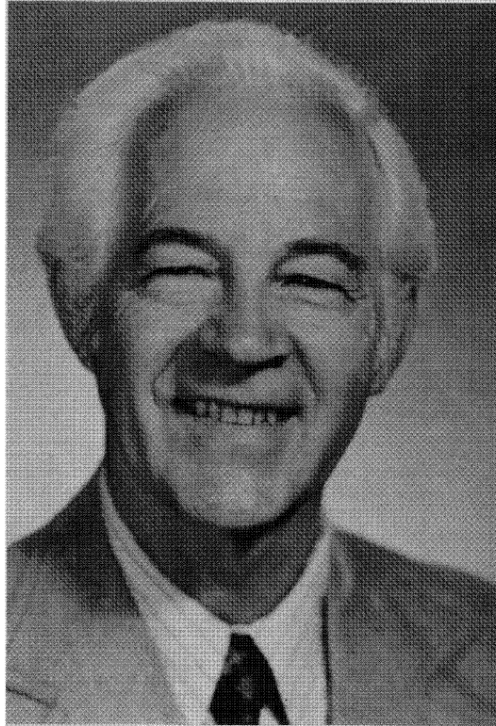


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Dr. Neal F. Jensen
Award for Distinguished Service to Oat Improvement



Dr. Neal F. Jensen, Professor of Plant Breeding at Cornell University, has been a leader in research on all small grains, not just oats. Oat varieties he has developed include Goldwin, Mohawk, Advance, Craig, Oneida, Niagara, Tioga, Cayuse (Washington and Idaho), Orbit, and Astro. His germplasm releases include Edgolon, NY Oat Composite I, and Nysel winter oats.

Dr. Jensen's research and thinking have been published in many technical articles. He is perhaps the best known for being one of the first, if not the first, to advocate multiline varieties and also as originator of the Diallel Selective Mating scheme. He wrote the chapter of Genetics and Inheritance in the Oat Monograph, and a chapter on Crop Breeding as a Design Science in Foundations for Modern Crop Science, an ASA publication. He was a founder and the initial editor for 17 years of the Oat Newsletter, for which oat workers are deeply indebted.

Dr. Jensen earned a reputation as an excellent teacher of plant breeding, and influenced many students, both in the classroom and as advisor. Dr. Jensen was the first recipient of the DeKalb Crop Science Distinguished Career Award presented in 1977. Other awards and honors include Fellow of the American Society of Agronomy and American Association for the Advancement of Science, and appointment as Liberty Hyde Bailey Professor of Plant Breeding.

He is a member of the American Society of Agronomy, Crop Science Society of America, American Association for Advancement of Science, Genetics Society of America and Canada, Alpha Zeta, Phi Kappa Phi, and Sigma Xi.

Dr. Neal F. Jensen was born in Hazen, North Dakota and received his B.S. at North Dakota State University and his Ph.D. degree at Cornell University. He then spent three years in the U. S. Navy before joining the staff at Cornell University where he served until retirement.