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**Wheat Genetic and Genomic Resources Center, Department of Plant Pathology,  
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***Notice of release of KS12WGGRC55 (TA5092) hard red winter wheat germ plasm homozygous for the *ph1b* gene.***

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Kansas Agricultural Experiment Station announces the release of KS12WGGRC55 (TA5092) hard red winter wheat germ plasm homozygous for the *ph1b* gene for breeding and experimental purposes. KS12WGGRC55 is derived from the cross ‘Overley/TA3809 F<sub>2</sub>//Overley F<sub>2</sub>/3/Amadina F<sub>2</sub>’, where TA3809 is a Chinese Spring stock homozygous for the *ph1b* mutant allele, which is a 70-Mbp deletion at the pairing homoeologous (*Ph1*) locus. In homozygous *ph1b* plants, homoeologous wheat chromosomes and, in ‘wheat x alien’ species hybrids, homoeologous wheat and alien chromosomes from related species can pair and recombine, allowing the production of wheat-alien recombinants. KS12WGGRC55 is homozygous for *ph1b*, which results in homoeologous chromosome pairing in about 46% of the pollen mother cells. The transfer of *ph1b* to adapted hard red winter wheats will accelerate the production and evaluation of wheat-alien recombinants under field conditions and their use in wheat improvement.

Small quantities (3 grams) of seed of KS12WGGRC55 are available upon written request. We request that the appropriate source be given when this germ plasm contributes to research or development of new cultivars. Seed stocks are maintained by the Wheat Genetic and Genomic Resources Center, Throckmorton Plant Sciences Center, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS 66506.

***Notice of release of KS12WGGRC56 (TA5619, TA5620, TA5621) stem rust-resistant wheat germ plasm.***

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The Agricultural Research Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Kansas Agricultural Experiment Station announce the release of KS12WGGRC56 wheat germ plasm with resistance to stem rust *Sr51* for breeding and experimental purposes. KS12WGGRC56 has the short arm 3S<sup>s</sup>S derived from *Ae. searsii* translocated to the long arms of wheat chromosomes 3A, 3B, and 3D in the form of the Robertsonian translocations T3AL·3S<sup>s</sup>S (KS12WGGRC56-3AL, TA5619), T3BL·3S<sup>s</sup>S (KS12WGGRC56-3BL, TA5620), and T3DL·3S<sup>s</sup>S (KS12WGGRC56-3DL, TA5621), respectively. KS12WGGRC56-3AL is derived from the cross ‘TA3809/TA6555 F<sub>4</sub>’, where TA3809 is the Chinese Spring stock homozygous for the homoeologous pairing mutant allele *ph1b* and TA6555 is a Chinese Spring–*Ae. searsii* disomic substitution line where the *Ae. searsii* chromosome 3S<sup>s</sup> is substituting for the loss of wheat chromosome 3A (DS3S<sup>s</sup>(3A)). KS12WGGRC56-3BL is derived from the cross ‘TA3809/TA6556 F<sub>4</sub>’, where TA6556 is a Chinese Spring–*Ae. searsii* disomic substitution line where the *Ae. searsii* chromosome 3S<sup>s</sup> is substituting for the loss of wheat chromosome 3B (DS3S<sup>s</sup>(3B)); and KS12WGGRC56-3DL is derived from the cross ‘TA3809/TA6557 F<sub>4</sub>’, where TA6557 is a Chinese Spring–*Ae. searsii* disomic substitution line where the *Ae. searsii* chromosome 3S<sup>s</sup> is substituting for the loss of wheat chromosome 3D (DS3S<sup>s</sup>(3D)). The 3S<sup>s</sup>S arm has a gene conferring resistance to stem rust (*Puccinia graminis* f. sp. *tritici* Eriks. & E. Henn.) races RKQQC and TTKSK designated as *Sr51*. The T3AL·3S<sup>s</sup>S, T3BL·3S<sup>s</sup>S, and T3DL·3S<sup>s</sup>S stocks are new sources of resistance to Ug99, are cytogenetically stable, and may be useful in wheat improvement.