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Materials and Methods
The elite soybean test for the northern district was planted at four Iowa locations including Ames, Charles City, Eldora, and Kanawha. At each location, three replications of four-row plots were planted. The plots were 13 ft long with row spacing of 27 in. The seeding rate was nine seeds/foot. Agronomic characteristics evaluated at Kanawha included plant height and lodging susceptibility. The center two rows were harvested using a self-propelled research plot combine. The moisture and weight of each plot were measured on the combine during harvest. The harvested seed was brought to Ames for seed weight calculation, oil, and protein analysis.

Results and Discussion
The test results of the commodity varieties IA1008, IA1022, and IA2094, the commodity–yellow hilum varieties and experimental lines IA2102 and A07-427027, and the large seed and high protein varieties and experimental lines IA2103 and IA2104, are summarized in Table 1. The data obtained from the test helped determine that IA2102, IA2103, and IA2104 should be released to interested growers.

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Table 1. 2011 Elite Soybean Test—North, Iowa State University Ames, Charles City, Eldora, and Kanawha, Iowa.

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1Yield: bushels/acre at 13 percent moisture.
2Maturity: month/day.
3Lodging: 1 = erect, 5 = prostrate.
4Protein and oil: 13 percent-moisture basis.
5Released in November 2011.