# Comparing warm-season annual with warm-season perennial grasses in North-Central Florida

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### Plot Study - Gainesville, FL

### YEAR 1 - ESTABLISHMENT

#### Table 1. Yield and nutritive value of warm-season perennial and annual grasses

	Yield (lb DM/ac)	СР%	IVDOM%
Mulato II perennial	5400ab	13.2a	68.1a
Sorghum Sudan	3800c	12.0b	64.7b
Tifleaf 3	6300ab	12.9ab	63.2b
Tifton 85	4800bc	13.8a	63.9b
SE	400	0.4	0.4

Means followed by different letters are statistically different

## YEAR 2

#### Table 2. Yield and nutritive value of warm-season perennial and annual grasses

	Yield (lb DM/ac)	CP%	IVDOM%	Stand (% Cover)
Mulato II annual	5038 b	11.2 a	68.5 a	82.5 b
Mulato II perennial	10579 a	10.2 bc	65.6 b	98.2 a
Sorghum Sudan	4978 b	9.6 c	66.7 b	68.3 c
Tifleaf 3	5520 b	11.4 a	67.6 ab	100 a
Tifton 85	10972 a	10.7 ab	56.0 c	98.3 a
SE	684	0.3	0.4	4.4

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### **Grazing Study - Marianna, FL**

Forage Species	HM (lb/ac)	<b>CP</b> (%)	IVDOM (%)
Mulato II	2300 a	14.3	62
Sorghum Sudan	1200 b	14.7	60
Tifleaf 3	900 c	16.4	61
SE	180	1.5	3

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## Table 4. Average daily gain and liveweight gain of heifers grazing warm-season annual grasses

<b>Forage Species</b>	ADG (lb/d)	LWG (lb/ac)
Mulato II	1.2	186
Sorghum Sudan	1.1	204
Tifleaf 3	1.0	248
SE	0.1	42

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