

**Metadata Records**  
**Irrigation Innovation Consortium-Supported Project Datasets**

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Thank you!

Question	Answer
<b>Project name</b>	Integration of Mobile Drip and Variable Rate Irrigation Technologies for Specialty Crop Vegetable Production
<b>Project background</b>	Melon production shows great potential in the Southern High Plains as an alternative to traditional field crops, where farm revenue can be maintained or increased while using substantially less water. This is important because less water is available from the Ogallala Aquifer, but irrigation is essential to maintain crop production and stabilize crop yield in the semiarid climate of the Southern High Plains, especially in light of the pressures of climate change. LESA and MDI are modern and efficient irrigation methods, and already show potential for high crop water productivity for melons. New irrigation management tools used in conjunction with variable rate irrigation (VRI) are being developed based on soil water and plant temperature sensing. These new management tools can automate LESA and MDI, apply water at the right place and the right time, save water and energy, and save time incurred for irrigation management.
<b>Dataset name</b>	Crop physiological measurements, biomass, yield, and fruit quality.
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<b>Dataset description</b> Please provide a brief, clear summary description of the dataset contents. Indicate as applicable: purpose and scope; time period; areas of investigation; and any other special characteristics.	Plant physiological response at the single-leaf level was assessed during the growing season, including photosynthesis and stomatal conductance rates. Plant biomass including stem, leaves, and whole plant was measured. Fruits per plant, and fruit weights were accounted for crop yield measurements. Fruit total soluble solids (TSS,Brix), titratable acidity (based on malic acid and/or citric acid), pH, and rind thickness were evaluated.
<b>Spatial coverage</b> Please be specific as possible about the geographic coverage of your data, and record the information according to defined standards, such as FGDC or the Getty Thesaurus of Geographic Names. You can enter lat/long data, county names, state names, etc.	35°09'N, 102°05'W, Bushland, Texas.
<b>Temporal coverage</b> Describe the temporal coverage of your dataset: Start: Time of day, Date, Month, Year Finish: Time of day, Date, Month Year	<b>First Site:</b> 2021 - Start Date: 5/24, Finish: 10/13; 2022 - Start Date: 5/26, Finish: 9/16; 2023 - Start Date: 5/17, Finish: 9/29. <b>Second Site:</b> 2022 - Start Date: 6/16, Finish: 8/23; 2023 - Start Date: 6/12, Finish: 9/18.

<p><b>Re-use limitations</b> Describe known problems or caveats that would limit reuse of the data (e.g., uncertainty, sampling problems, blanks, quality control samples) and/or that future potential users of your dataset should know about. Or indicate "None."</p>	None
<p><b>Citations</b> Please include full citations and DOIs for articles published based on or related to this dataset. Or indicate "None."</p>	<p>Leiva Soto, A., Q. Xue, R. Shrestha, S. O'Shaughnessy, P. Colaizzi, F. Workneh, and C. Rush. Evaluation of Mobile Drip Irrigation and Irrigation Technologies for Watermelon Production and Water Use Efficiency in the Texas High Plains - ASA, CSSA, SSSA International Annual Meeting, October 29 - November 1, 2023, St. Louis, Missouri.</p> <p>Leiva Soto, A., Q. Xue, R. Adhikari, C. Rush, S. O'Shaughnessy, and P. Colaizzi. 2022. Evaluation of Mobile Drip Irrigation for Watermelon Production in the Texas High Plains. ASA-CSSA-SSSA International Annual Meeting. November 6–9, 2022, Baltimore, MD.</p>
<p><b>Keywords</b> Please add a few appropriate National Agricultural Library keywords: <a href="https://agclass.nal.usda.gov/vocabularies/nalt">https://agclass.nal.usda.gov/vocabularies/nalt</a></p>	water use efficiency; mobile drip irrigation; drip irrigation; Texas; specialty crops; vegetable growing; watermelons
<p><b>Tags</b> Please add a few of your own user-defined tags that would be useful to others who might use your dataset in the future.</p>	variable rate irrigation; mobile drip irrigation
<p><b>Acronyms &amp; abbreviations</b> Please define any acronyms, site abbreviations, or other project specific designations used in your dataset. Or indicate "none."</p>	LESA - low elevation spray application; MDI - mobile drip irrigation; VRI - variable rate irrigation; WUE - water use efficiency; ISSCADA - Irrigation Scheduling and Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition; DI - traditional surface drip irrigation; IRT - infrared thermometers; USDA- ARS - United States Department of Agriculture - Agricultural Research Service; iCWSI - integrated crop water stress index
<p><b>Other dataset storage location</b> Has this dataset already been uploaded elsewhere? Yes or No</p> <p>Reasons may include a requirement as part of publishing a paper or storing data on GitHub or other locations to make accessible to others.</p> <p>If yes, please provide the link or other information to explain where the dataset is located and where or how it can be accessed.</p>	No