

4. bv₂

The character we have been calling reduced rd (reduced internode length) has a growth characteristic of brevis bv (Emerson, Fraser and Beadle, 1935). Consequently, we think our terminology should be changed to bv₂ instead of rd. The original bv would then become bv₁. From the F₂ of a cross of bv₁ X bv₂ some extremely short plants segregated, undoubtedly the double recessive bv₁ bv₁ bv₂ bv₂. Pollen of these when placed on silks of bv₂ bv₂ produced plants indistinguishable from bv₂. Apparently either bv₁ or bv₂ will shorten the plant to a height of about 4 feet.

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