

CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2002 PROJECT SUMMARY

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Project Title

Dangerous Dirt: Alleopathy of Eucalyptus Trees on Grass Seedlings

Abstract

Objectives/Goals To measure how alleopathy in a eucalyptus tree effects grass seeds.

Methods/Materials

I collected 5 soil samples from 1,2,3,4, and 5 feet away from a eucalyptus tree. I had my dad randomize the samples in 72 plastic pots so I was blinded. I used commercial potting soil as a control.

Results

Seeds planted in soil nearest the trunk did not grow as well.

Summary Statement

I measured alleopathy of eucalyptus trees on grass seeds.

Help Received

My dad did the blinding.