

# CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2012 PROJECT SUMMARY

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**Project Number** 

**J1910** 

**Project Title** 

**Attracted: The Growth of Radishes by Magnetic Force** 

#### Abstract

# Objectives/Goals

Would the magnets increase the growth of the radishes at a faster pace?

#### Methods/Materials

Mathods: Soak seeds in bowl of water for 6 hours. Plant radishes in pots and plug in light from 7 pm to 7 am daily. Place pots on newspaper and use Sharpie to number the pots. Scoop soil with spoon and pour 4 cups of soil into each pot.

Materials: Fern Pots, 90 watt CFL lightbulbs, 10 inch reflector lamps, measuring cup, 16.9 FL oz empty water bottle, package of Cherry Belle Radish Seeds, Eco-Friendly indoor potting soil, 12 toothpicks, ruler, pencil, black Sharpie, Painter's tape, Double Thick Medium Sized Fed-Ex Box, Piece of mesh screen, large spoon, scissors, stuido lighting "C" stand, camera, 3 sheets of newspaper, two 3 inch cow magnets, tweezers.

#### **Results**

During week 1, no magnet plants sprouted on day 3. Plants with the magnets sprouted on day 2 and grew an average of 1 inch that week. During week 2, it sprouted 1 1/2 inch with magnets and 1/2 inch without magnets. During week 3, plants with magnets grew another inch. No magnets also sprouted an inch. Stopped growing on last week.

### **Conclusions/Discussion**

The hypothesis appears to be correct with the data given. The radish sprouts with magnets grew faster and taller than the ones without the magnets.

## **Summary Statement**

This project determined that a radish with magnets grew taller and faster than the ones without the magnets.

### Help Received

Mrs. Burnett corrected some formatting errors.