GrowerFacts Extra Aster Pot 'N Patio

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OBJECTIVE

To quantify the photoperiod response of Aster Pot 'N Patio.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

- Varieties: Aster Pot 'N Patio Blue, Pink, Scarlet, White
- Sowing: Week 39 (9/23/14)
- Plug tray: 288-cell
- Plug photoperiod: LD* (NI** from 10:00 pm to 2:00 am)
- Transplant: Week 43 (10/22/14)
- Container size: T18 (similar to 1801)
- Photoperiod treatments after transplant: 10, 11, 12, 13, or 14 hours, or NI

*LD: Long days

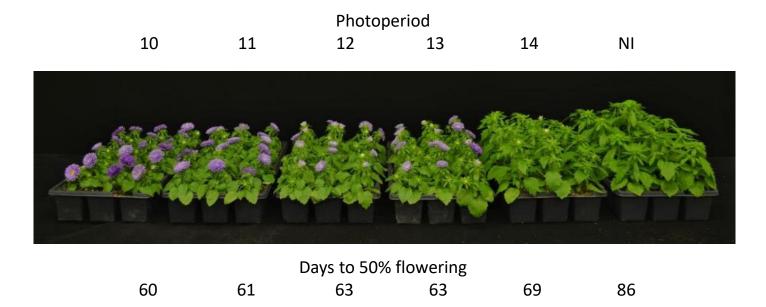
**NI: Night interruption



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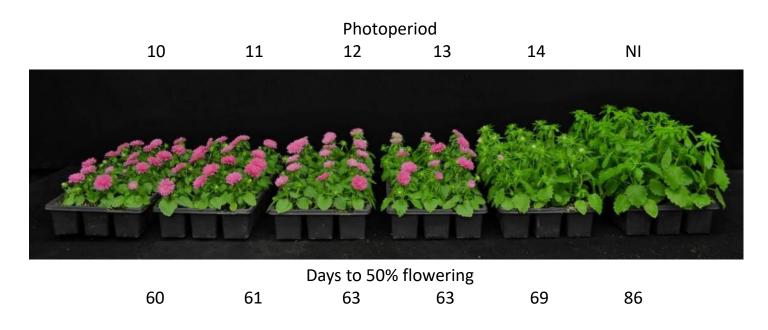
Blue Aster Pot 'N Patio Photoperiod Response



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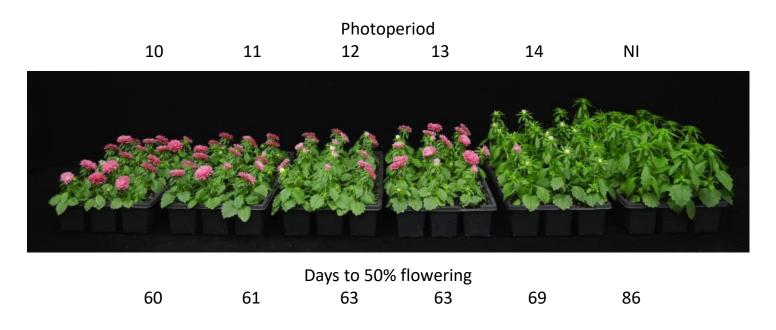
Pink Aster Pot 'N Patio Photoperiod Response



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Scarlet Aster Pot 'N Patio Photoperiod Response



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White Aster Pot 'N Patio Photoperiod Response

Photoperiod 10 11 12 13 14 NI



Days to 50% flowering 60 61 63 63 69 86

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CONCLUSION

- Aster Pot 'N Patio are quantitative/facultative short-day plants.
- Critical photoperiod is 13 hours.
 - Crop time was similar (<3 days) when grown under ≤13 hours.
 - The crop was delayed by 5-7 days at 14 hours.
 - The crop was delayed by ~3 weeks under NI.