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- (54) **CHRYSANTHEMUM PLANT NAMED 'CIFZ0043'**
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A new garden type *Chrysanthemum* plant named 'CIFZ0043' particularly distinguished by the small sized yellow decorative flower, large size plant with round sphere plant habit and a natural season response in mid-late October.

1 Drawing Sheet

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Latin name of the genus and species of the plant claimed:
Chrysanthemum x morifolium.

Varietal denomination: 'CIFZ0043'.

BACKGROUND OF THE NEW PLANT

The present invention comprises a new *Chrysanthemum*, botanically known as *Chrysanthemum x morifolium*, and hereinafter referred to by the variety name 'CIFZ0043'.

'CIFZ0043' is a product of a planned breeding program. The new cultivar has small size yellow decorative flowers, large size plant with round sphere plant habit and a natural season response in mid-late October.

'CIFZ0043' originated from a mutation: Stock x-rayed at 1750 RAD in October of 2014. Single cutting sport from the stock.

The female parent was 'CIFZ0055'. Compared to the female parent, 'CIFZ0043' has

- 1) Similar flower type and size but yellow not purple color like the sport parent
2) Blackcloth is similar and natural season response is two or three days faster than the sport parent
3) Similar plant habit with a smaller overall plant size than the sport parent

No male parent.

The first act of asexual reproduction of 'CIFZ0043' was accomplished when vegetative cuttings were propagated from the initial selection, this initial selection took place on Mar. 12, 2015 in Gilroy, Calif.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF INVENTION

Horticultural examination of plants grown from cuttings of the plant initiated in April, 2015 in Gilroy, Calif., and continuing thereafter, has demonstrated that the combination of characteristics as herein disclosed for 'CIFZ0043' are firmly fixed and are retained through successive generations of asexual reproduction.

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'CIFZ0043' has not been observed under all possible environmental conditions. The phenotype may vary significantly with variations in environment such as temperature, light intensity and day length.

'CIFZ0043' has not been made publicly available prior to the effective filing date of this application, notwithstanding any disclosure that may have been made less than one year prior to the effective filing date of this application by the inventor or another who obtained 'CIFZ0043' directly from the inventor.

The following traits have been repeatedly observed and are determined to be basic characteristics of the new variety. The combination of these characteristics distinguishes this *Chrysanthemum* as a new and distinct variety.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PHOTOGRAPHS

The accompanying photographic drawings show typical flower and foliage characteristics of 'CIFZ0043' with colors being as true as possible with an illustration of this type. The photographic drawings show in FIG. 1 a close view of flower of the new variety and in FIG. 2 a flowering plant from an outdoor trial.

The aforementioned photographs: FIG. 1, as well as FIG. 2, were taken in October 2016 both showing a plant from the same natural outdoor trial in Gilroy, Calif. These plants were about 18 weeks of age. One rooted cutting per pot had been planted in a one gallon pot, not pinched in week 22. Plants started flowering end of September.

DETAILED BOTANICAL DESCRIPTION

The measurements were taken in Gilroy, Calif. in October 2016 on the plants from the aforementioned trial.

Color references are made to The Royal Horticultural Society Colour Chart (R.H.S.) 2001.

TABLE 1

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE NEW VARIETY 'CIFZ0043'
AND TWO MOST SIMILAR VARIETIES:

	'CIFZ0043'	'Symild Yel' U.S. Plant Pat. No. 23,561	5
Flowering response (blackcloth):	1 week slower	1 week faster	
Flowering response (natural):	5-7 days slower	5-7 days faster	10
Flower color:	Darker color	Lighter color	
Flower size:	Smaller flower	Bigger flower	
Plant habit or size:	Relatively less plant width and therefore more sphere/less mound plant habit compared to 'Symild Yel'	Relatively wider and therefore less sphere/more mound plant habit compared to 'CIFZ0043'	15
	'CIFZ0043'	'Staviski Yellow', U.S. Plant Pat. No. 22,834	20
Flowering response (blackcloth):	1 week slower	1 week faster	
Flowering response (natural):	5 days faster	5 days slower	
Frost tolerance:	Frost tolerant	Not frost tolerant	25
Flower color:	Darker yellow	Lighter yellow	
Flower shape:	Less disc florets	More disc florets	
Plant habit or size:	Larger plant size	Smaller plant size	

Plant:

Form, growth and habit.—Herbaceous garden-type, stems upright and outwardly spreading, freely branching, strong and moderately vigorous growth habit.

Plant height (above soil).—20-24 cm.

Plant height (inflorescence included).—24-28 cm.

Plant width.—44-48 cm.

Roots:

Number of days to initiate roots.—About 4 days at about 22 degrees C.

Number of days to produce a rooted cutting.—14-16 days at 22 degrees C.

Type.—Fine, fibrous, free branching.

Color.—RHS N155B but whiter.

Foliation:

Arrangement.—Alternate.

Immature leaf, color upper surface.—RHS 136A.

Immature leaf, color lower surface.—RHS 137A.

Mature leaf, color, upper surface.—RHS 135A.

Mature leaf, color lower surface.—RHS 137B.

Length.—3.3-3.5 cm.

Width.—1.8-2.3 cm.

Shape.—Ovate.

Base shape.—Attenuate.

Apex shape.—Acute.

Margin.—3 main lobes, irregularly serrulate.

Texture, upper surface.—Bifid hairs.

Texture, lower surface.—Bifid hairs.

Color of veins, upper surface.—RHS 136B.

Color of veins, lower surface.—RHS 137D.

Pattern of veining.—Palmate.

Petiole color.—RHS 146C.

Petiole length.—0.9-1.1 cm.

Diameter.—0.15-0.2 cm.

Texture.—Covered with bifid hairs.

Stem:

Quantity of main branches per plant.—11-14.

Color of stem.—RHS 138B.

Length of stem.—10-14 cm.

Diameter.—0.4-0.7 cm.

Length of internodes.—0.5-1.8 cm.

Texture.—Covered with bifid hairs.

Color of peduncle.—RHS 138B.

Length of peduncle.—14-16 cm.

Peduncle diameter.—0.2 cm.

Texture.—Covered with bifid hairs.

Inflorescence:

Type.—Compositae, solitary, decorative-type inflorescences borne terminally above foliage, ray florets arranged on a capitulum.

Quantity of short days to flowering (response time).—Approximately 7 weeks.

Natural season flowering.—Mid-late October.

Quantity of inflorescences per plant.—125-150.

Lastingness of individual blooms on the plant.—About six weeks from first color, depending on conditions.

Fragrance.—Slightly spicy.

Bud (when showing color):

Color.—RHS 12A.

Length.—0.9-1.1 cm.

Width.—1.1-1.2 cm.

Shape.—Oblate.

Immature inflorescence:

Diameter.—2.2-2.7 cm.

Color of ray florets, upper surface.—RHS 12A, RHS 151C at base.

Color of ray florets, lower surface.—RHS 3C, RHS 151C at base.

Mature inflorescence:

Diameter.—3.5-3.8 cm.

Depth.—1.7-2.0 cm.

Total diameter of disc.—Very small, not visible as covered by the many rays.

Receptacle color.—RHS 145B.

Receptacle height.—0.6 cm.

Receptacle diameter.—0.5 cm.

Ray florets:

Average quantity of florets.—210-250 in many whorls.

Color of florets, upper surface (abaxial).—RHS 4B; RHS 145A at base.

Color inner surface (adaxial).—RHS 3C; RHS 145A at base.

Length.—1.0-1.2 cm.

Width/diameter.—0.3-0.45 cm.

Shape.—Oblong to elliptical.

Apex shape.—Most often emarginated or praemorse.

Base shape.—Attenuate.

Margin.—Entire.

Texture, upper surface.—Smooth.

Lower surface.—Smooth.

Disc florets: None present.

Phyllaries:

Quantity.—Approximately 40.

Color, upper surface.—RHS 134A.

Color, lower surface.—RHS 137A.

Length.—0.7-1.2 cm.

Width.—0.15-0.2 cm.

Shape.—Lanceolate.

Apex shape.—Acute.

Base.—Fused.

Margins.—Entire; some with papery edges.

Texture, upper surface.—Glabrous.

Texture, lower surface.—Bifid hairs.

Reproductive organs:

Pistil.—One.

Length.—0.4-0.5 cm.

Style color.—RHS 1C.

Style length.—0.35-0.4.

Stigma color.—RHS 7D.

Stigma shape.—Bi-lobed.

Ovary color.—RHS 145C.

Ovary length.—0.15 cm.

Ovary width.—0.1 cm.

Androecium:

Fertility/seed set.—Has not been determined to date.

5 *Disease/pest resistance.*—Has not been determined to date.

What is claimed is:

1. A new and distinct variety of *Chrysanthemum* plant named 'CIFZ0043' substantially as illustrated and described
10 herein.

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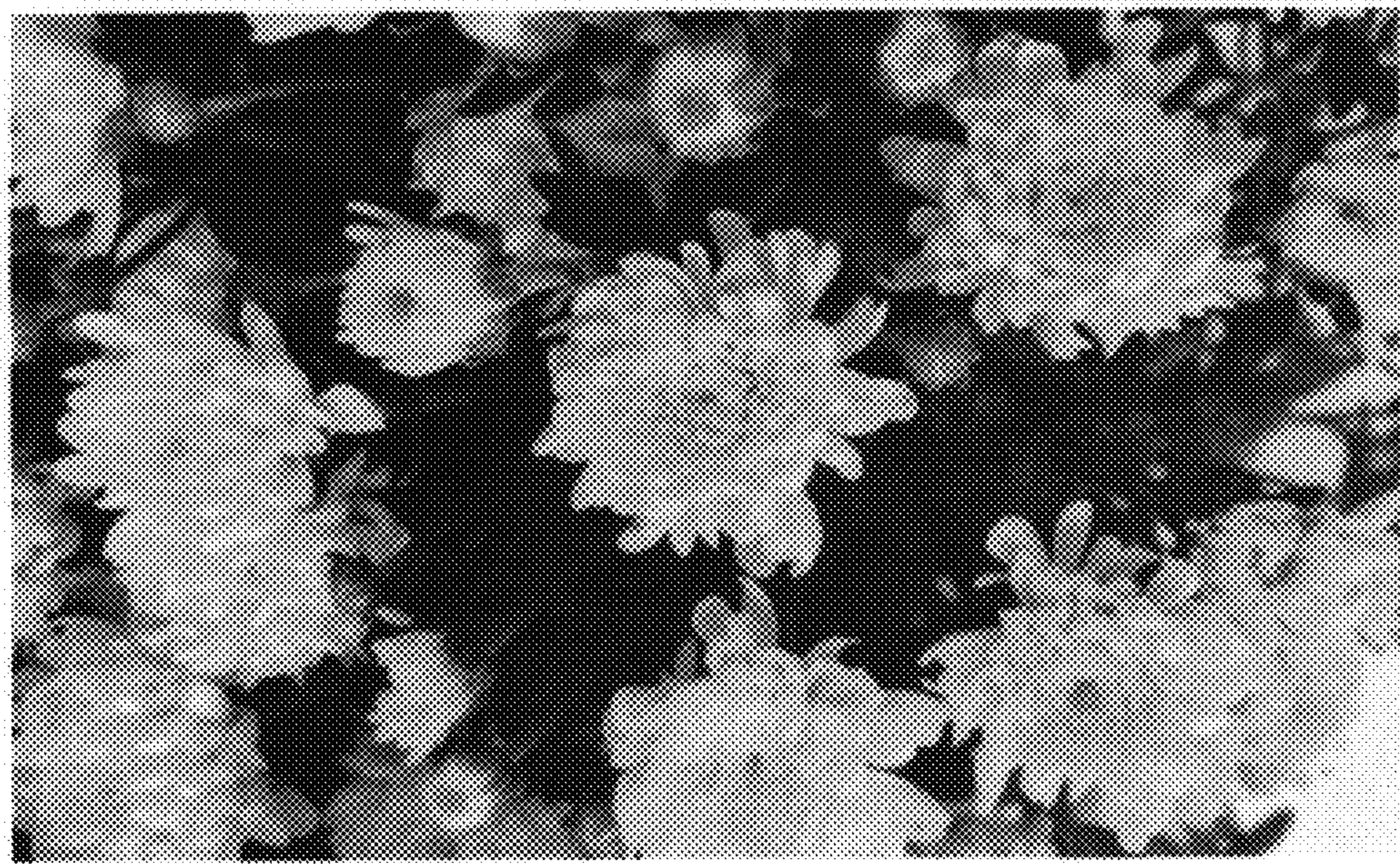


FIGURE 1



FIGURE 2