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(54) STRAWBERRY PLANT NAMED 'PS-10.1160'

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(57) ABSTRACT

This invention relates to a new and distinct variety of strawberry plant named 'PS-10.1160'. This new strawberry plant named 'PS-10.1160' is primarily adapted to the growing conditions of the central coast of California, and is primarily characterized by its orange red fruit color, very large fruit size, very high marketable fruit yield, excellent fruit flavor, medium plant size with medium yellow green foliage which is moderately susceptible to powdery mildew, and very early time of first flower and fruit.

4 Drawing Sheets

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Latin name of the genus and species of the plant claimed: *Fragaria ananassa*.

Variety denomination: 'PS-10.1160'.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to a new and distinct strawberry variety named 'PS-10.1160'. This new variety is a result of a controlled cross made in 2010 in an ongoing breeding program between strawberry selection designated 'PS-3.130' (unpatented) as the seed (female) parent, and strawberry selection designated 'PS-4.152' (unpatented) as the pollen (male) parent. The variety is botanically known as *Fragaria ananassa*.

The seedling resulting from the aforementioned cross was selected from a controlled breeding plot in Monterey County, Calif. in the summer of 2012. After its selection, the new variety was asexually propagated by stolons in both Siskiyou County, Calif. and Monterey County, Calif. The new variety was extensively tested over the next several years in fruiting fields in Monterey County, Calif. This propagation has demonstrated that the combination of traits disclosed herein as characterizing the new variety are fixed and remain true-to-type through successive generations of 25 asexual reproduction.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

'PS-10.1160' is primarily adapted to the climate and growing conditions of the central coast of California. The nearby Pacific Ocean provides the humidity and moderate temperatures needed to produce a strong, vigorous plant and maintain fruit quality during the spring and summer production months.

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The following traits have been repeatedly observed and are determined to be unique characteristics of 'PS-10.1160', which in combination distinguish this strawberry plant as a new and distinct variety:

- 1. Orange red fruit color;
- 2. Very large fruit size;
- 3. Very high marketable fruit yield;
- 4. Excellent fruit flavor;
- 5. Medium plant size with medium yellow green foliage which is moderately susceptible to powdery mildew; and
- 6. Very early time of first flower and fruit.

The strawberry variety that is believed to be most closely related to the new variety 'PS-10.1160' is 'PS-9271' (U.S. Plant Pat. No.21,415). In side-by-side comparisons to the similar strawberry variety 'PS-9271', 'PS-10.1160' differs by the following combination of characteristics as described in Table 1.

TABLE 1

25	Characteristic	'PS-10.1160'	'9271' (U.S. Plant Pat. 21,415)
	Mature fruit: color	Ranges from red to orange red	Ranges from red to dark red
	Fruit: season average size (gm)	30.4	28.2
30	Fruit: marketable yield (gm/plt)	2,167	1,860
	Fruit: evenness of color	Slightly uneven	Even or very slightly uneven
	Fruit: flavor Time of first fruit	Excellent Very early	Good Medium

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TABLE 1-continued

Characteristic	'PS-10.1160'	'9271' (U.S. Plant Pat. 21,415)
Foliage: color of upper surface	Medium yellow	Medium green
Foliage: gloss	green Absent or weak	Medium

For identification, a series of molecular markers have been determined for this new variety.

'PS-10.1160' differs from its parents, 'PS-3.130' and 'PS-4.152' by the following combination of characteristics as described in Tables 2 and 3.

TABLE 2

Characteristic	'PS-10.1160'	'PS-3.130' (unpatented)
Fruit: marketable yield Fruit: season average size Fruit: flavor Plant: size	Very high Very large Excellent Medium	Medium Large Medium Large

TABLE 3

Characteristic	'PS-10.1160'	'PS-4.152' (unpatented)
Fruit: marketable yield	Very high	Medium
Fruit: season average size	Very large	Large
Fruit: flavor	Excellent	Very good
Plant: size	Medium	Very large

BRIEF DESCRIPTIONS OF THE PHOTOGRAPHS

The accompanying color photographs illustrate the overall appearance of typical specimens of the new strawberry variety 'PS-10.1160' at various stages of development, as 40 true as it is reasonably possible with color reproductions of this type. Color in the photographs may differ slightly from the color value cited in the botanical descriptions which accurately describe the color of 'PS-10.1160'. The depicted plant and plant parts of the new strawberry variety 'PS-45 10.1160' are approximately eight months old. The photographs were taken in Monterey County, Calif.

- FIG. 1 shows typical fruiting field characteristics of 'PS-10.1160', taken in the month of July 2019;
- FIG. 2 shows a close-up view of a typical plant of 50 'PS-10.1160', taken in the month of July 2019;
- FIG. 3 shows typical mature and immature field fruit of 'PS-10.1160', taken in the month of July 2019; and
- FIG. 4 shows typical internal and external mature fruit characteristics of 'PS-10.1160', taken in the month of July 55 2019.

DETAILED BOTANICAL DESCRIPTION

The new variety 'PS-10.1160' has not been observed under all possible environmental conditions. The characteristics of the new variety 'PS-10.1160' may vary in detail, depending upon variations in environmental factors, including weather (temperature, humidity and light intensity), day length, soil type and location. In addition, the characteristics of any parental variety or comparison variety included in

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Tables 1, 2 and 3 of the present invention may vary in detail, depending upon variations in environmental factors, including weather (temperature, humidity and light intensity), day length, soil type and location.

The aforementioned photographs, together with the following description of the new variety 'PS-10.1160', unless otherwise noted, are based on observations taken during the 2019 growing season in Monterey County, Calif. These measurements and ratings were taken from plants of 'PS-10.1160' dug from a high-elevation nursery located in Siskiyou County, Calif. during mid October 2018 and planted approximately three to four weeks later in Monterey County, Calif. The approximate age of the observed plants is eight months. Yield observations including average weight and marketable yield, along with fruit quality characteristics including soluble solids, are averaged from four years of data collected from the 2015 through 2018 growing seasons. Flower measurements and characteristics are from secondary flowers unless otherwise noted. Fruit characteristics and measurements are from secondary fruit, unless otherwise noted.

Where noted, color terminology follows The Royal Horticultural Society Colour Chart, London (2007).

The following characteristics describe fruit, plant, stolon, foliage, fruiting truss, flower, reproductive organs and pest and disease characteristics of the new strawberry 'PS-10.1160'.

Fruit characteristics:

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Color of mature fruit.—RHS 42A (ranges from orange red to red).

Color of internal flesh (excluding core).—RHS 42B (medium red).

Color of core.—RHS 37A (light red).

Average length (cm).—4.3.

Average width (cm).—4.1.

Size.—Very large.

Average length/width ratio.—1.05 (slightly longer than broad).

Average calyx diameter (cm).—5.1.

Season average weight (gm).—30.4.

Achene color, shaded side.—RHS 153C (yellow green group).

Achene color, sun-exposed side.—RHS 184B (greyed purple group).

Average achene weight (mg).—0.4.

Average achenes per berry.—337.

Season marketable yield (gm/plant).—2,167.

Predominant shape.—Conical.

Difference in shape between primary and secondary fruit.—None or very slight.

Band without achenes.—Absent or very narrow.

Evenness of surface.—Even or very slightly uneven.

Evenness of color.—Slightly uneven.

Glossiness.—Ranges from medium to strong.

Insertion of achenes.—Level with surface.

Position of calyx attachment.—Inserted.

Attitude of sepals.—Downward.

Size of calyx in relation to fruit diameter.—Slightly larger.

Adherence of calyx (when fully ripe).—Strong.

Firmness of flesh.—Medium.

Distribution of red color of the flesh.—Marginal and central.

Hollow center expression.—Weak.

Flavor.—Excellent.

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Soluble solids (% Brix).—8.5. Stipule characteristics: Color.—RHS 145C (yellow green group). Time of first flowering.—Very early (March in Anthocyanin coloration.—RHS 58A (red purple Monterey County, Calif.). group). Time of first fruit.—Very early (April in Monterey Anthocyanin intensity.—Medium. County, Calif.). Average length (mm).—16.2. Harvest period.—Early April to November (in Average width (mm).—8.9. Monterey County, Calif.). Fruiting truss characteristics: Harvest maturity.—Early season (June). Anthocyanin coloration.—RHS 181C (greyed red Type of bearing.—Partially remontant (June bearing). group). Plant characteristics: Anthocyanin intensity.—Weak. Average length at maturity (cm).—27.8. Average height (cm).—25.6. Position relative to foliage.—Ranges from beneath to Average spread (cm).—35.0. level with. Size.—Medium. Flower quantity (average per plant season long).—90 *Habit.*—Upright. to 100 (many). *Density.*—Medium. *Pedicel attitude of hairs.*—Strongly outward. Vigor.—Medium. Pubescence.—Strong. Stolon characteristics: Attitude at first pick.—Prostrate. Color.—RHS 146D (yellow green group). Flower characteristics: Anthocyanin coloration.—RHS 181B (greyed red 20 *Petal color.*—RHS NN155C (white group). Sepal color.—RHS 146A (yellow green group). group). Corolla (flower) average diameter (mm).—32.7 (me-Anthocyanin intensity.—Medium. dium). Pubescence.—Dense. Calyx average diameter (mm).—40.7. Attitude of hairs.—Slightly outward. Petal average length (mm).—13.5. Average quantity in nursery (per square foot).—8 to 10 25 Petal average width (mm).—12.6. (ranges from medium to many). Petal average length/width ratio.—1.07 (longer than Average diameter at the bract (mm).—3.5 (thick). broad). Terminal leaflet characteristics: Average petals per flower.—5.8. Average length (cm).—8.3. Sepal average length (mm).—15.6. 30 Average width (cm).—8.2. Sepal average width (mm).—6.7. Average area terminal (cm^2) .—68.4. Sepal average length/width ratio.—2.33. Average length/width ratio.—1.02 (ranges from as long Average sepals per flower.—11.3. as broad to longer than broad). Size of calyx relative to corolla.—Larger. Shape of base.—Obtuse. Size of inner calyx relative to outer calyx.—Larger. Margins (shape of teeth).—Obtuse (serrate to crenate). 35 Relative position of petals (flowers with 5 or 6 Average serrations per leaf.—20.5. *petals*).—Overlapping. Foliage characteristics: Reproductive organs: Color of upper surface.—RHS 146A (medium yellow Receptacle color.—RHS 147C (yellow green group). green). Pollen color.—RHS 14A (yellow orange group). Color of underside.—RHS 147C (yellow green group). 40 Stamen.—Present. *Number of leaflets.*—3. *Pollen amount.*—Abundant. Leaf size.—Ranges from medium to large. Disease and pest reactions: Average length (cm).—13.3. Powdery mildew (Sphaerotheca macularis).—Moder-Average width (cm).—17.3. ately susceptible. 45 Average area foliage (cm^2) .—232. Angular leaf spot (Xanthomonas fragariae).—Suscep-Shape in cross section.—Slightly concave to flat. tible. Interveinal blistering.—Medium. Botrytis fruit rot(Botrytis cinerea).—Moderately sus-Leaf glossiness.—Absent or weak. ceptible. Leaf variegation.—Absent. Fusarium wilt (Fusarium oxysporum).—Resistant. 50 Petiole characteristics: Anthracnose crown rot (Colletotrichum fragariae).— Petiole color.—RHS 145A (yellow green group). Susceptible. Average length (cm).—20.5. Two-spotted spider mite (Tetranychus urticae).—Mod-Average diameter (mm).—3.5. erately susceptible. Petiolule color.—RHS 145A (yellow green group). We claim: 55 Petiolule average length (mm).—16.0. 1. A new and distinct strawberry plant named 'PS-Attitude of hairs.—Slightly outward. 10.1160', as herein described and illustrated by the charac-Frequency of bract leaflets.—None (0% occurrence). teristics set forth above. Size of bract leaflets.—N/A.

Pubescence.—Ranges from moderate to sparse.

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