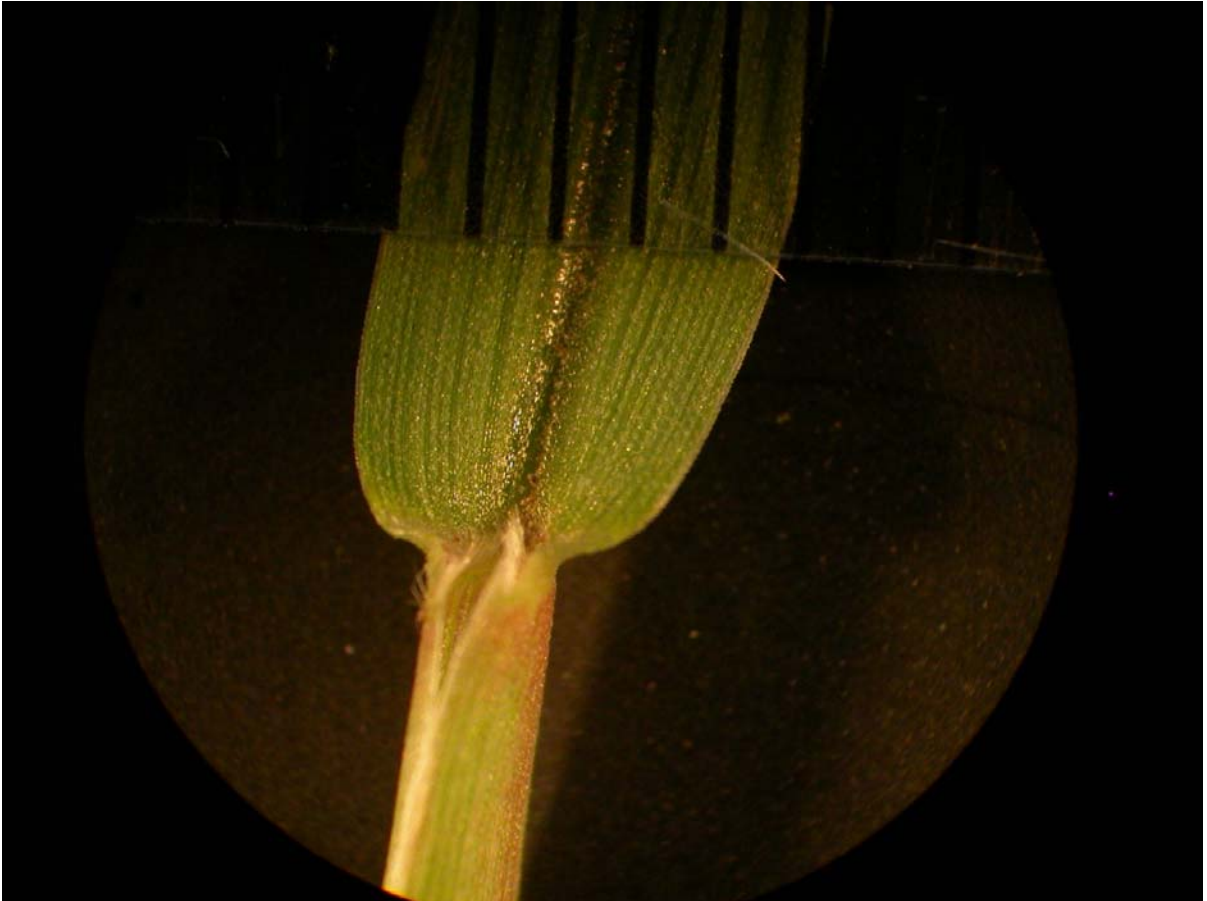


Sandbur



Collar region. The foliage is coarse-textured; the leaves are folded in the bud with compressed sheaths and the ligule is a ring of hairs. Auricles are absent.



Flowering plants. Sandbur is most often encountered on sandy soils. It is occasionally a weed of cultivated crops. The foliage is coarse-textured; the leaves are folded in the bud with compressed sheaths and the ligule is a ring of hairs. The inflorescence is a spike of stiff-spined burs.



Seed of *Cenchrus longispinus* are approximately 2mm in diameter.

Life cycle: summer annual.