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Evaluate Quadris Rates and Application Timings in Sugarbeets With Tolerant and Susceptible Varieties

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Trial Quality: Good	Soil Info: Sandy Clay Loam	Rhizoc Control: by trt
Variety: C-RR059 & C-RR074NT	3.1% OM, 7.0 pH	Cerc. Control: Good
Planted: May 8	Above Opt. Levels: P, K	Seed Spacing: 4.1 inches
Harvested: Sept 18	High: Mn, Low: B	Problems: Uneven field some ponding
Plot Size: 6 rows X 50 ft, 4 reps	Added N: 100 lbs	Rainfall: 12.3 inches
Row Spacing: 22 inch	Prev. Crop: Soybeans	

No	Treatment	Rate fl oz/A	Appl	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
2	Quadris	9.5	IF	\$1,073	5958	243	24.5	16.7	94.6
6	Quadris	19	IF	\$1,057	5924	249	23.8	16.9	95.0
1	Quadris	7.125	IF	\$1,026	5683	238	23.7	16.3	95.0
18	Quadris	7.125	IF	\$1,021	5755	242	23.8	16.6	94.6
	Quadris	16.6	8 lf						
9	Quadris	19	IF	\$1,016	5807	238	24.4	16.4	94.5
	Quadris	19	6 lf						
4	Quadris	14.3	IF	\$1,007	5619	237	23.7	16.2	94.7
19	Quadris	9.5	IF	\$1,006	5683	243	23.3	16.6	94.9
	Quadris	16.6	8 lf						
15	Quadris	7.125	IF	\$972	5468	240	22.9	16.4	94.7
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
8	Quadris	16.6	IF	\$968	5517	235	23.4	16.3	94.2
	Quadris	16.6	8 lf						
7	Quadris	14.3	IF	\$964	5469	232	23.5	16.0	94.5
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
11	Quadris	14.3	8 lf	\$958	5350	245	21.8	16.8	94.7
3	Quadris	11.9	IF	\$954	5315	246	21.6	16.8	94.7
10	Quadris	14.3	6 lf	\$948	5299	240	22.0	16.5	94.4
17	Quadris	14.3	IF	\$937	5321	239	22.2	16.5	94.3
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
5	Quadris	16.6	IF	\$917	5141	235	21.8	16.2	94.5
16	Quadris	11.9	IF	\$916	5188	234	22.1	16.2	94.3
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
12	Quadris	16.6	8 lf	\$898	5034	240	21.0	16.5	94.4
13	Quadris	19	8 lf	\$841	4734	232	20.3	16.1	94.3
14	Quadris	14.3	6 lf	\$774	4423	232	19.1	16.0	94.5
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
20	Untreated Check			\$726	3995	213	18.7	15.1	93.3
Average				\$949	5334	238	22.4	16.3	94.5
LSD 5%				152.4	838.0	14.0	2.6	0.7	0.7
CV %				8.8	8.6	3.8	7.7	3.1	0.5

\$/A: Gross payment unless noted as net. Calculated assuming a \$50 payment and an average RWST of 275.

Bold: Results are not statistically different from top-ranking variety in each column.



Evaluate Quadris Rates and Application Timings in Sugarbeets With Tolerant and Susceptible Varieties

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No	Treatment	Rate fl oz/A	Appl	Net \$/A	Late Dead Beets 100 ft	Late Vigor Rating 0-10	Early Live Beets 100 ft	Late Live Beets 100 ft	Early - Late Beets 100 ft
2	Quadris	9.5	IF	\$1,073	9.9	8.4	178	169	8.5
6	Quadris	19	IF	\$1,057	6.9	8.3	155	144	10.6
1	Quadris	7.125	IF	\$1,026	9.3	8.1	170	161	8.8
18	Quadris	7.125	IF	\$1,021	9.9	8.7	171	163	8.1
	Quadris	16.6	8 lf						
9	Quadris	19	IF	\$1,016	10.2	8.0	154	148	6.0
	Quadris	19	6 lf						
4	Quadris	14.3	IF	\$1,007	10.0	8.5	165	157	8.3
19	Quadris	9.5	IF	\$1,006	9.6	8.7	181	169	11.9
	Quadris	16.6	8 lf						
15	Quadris	7.125	IF	\$972	9.3	8.4	174	161	12.5
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
8	Quadris	16.6	IF	\$968	7.2	7.9	153	142	11.2
	Quadris	16.6	8 lf						
7	Quadris	14.3	IF	\$964	12.2	8.3	161	153	8.0
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
11	Quadris	14.3	8 lf	\$958	26.0	8.1	169	145	24.1
3	Quadris	11.9	IF	\$954	11.2	8.2	162	150	11.7
10	Quadris	14.3	6 lf	\$948	35.0	8.0	161	137	24.1
17	Quadris	14.3	IF	\$937	13.8	8.1	173	162	10.9
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
5	Quadris	16.6	IF	\$917	11.1	8.2	153	146	7.3
16	Quadris	11.9	IF	\$916	10.4	8.3	163	155	7.4
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
12	Quadris	16.6	8 lf	\$898	30.3	8.0	152	133	19.4
13	Quadris	19	8 lf	\$841	33.7	7.5	149	126	23.1
14	Quadris	14.3	6 lf	\$774	23.1	7.9	159	139	19.4
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
20	Untreated Check			\$726	47.4	7.1	153	125	28.1
Average				\$949	16.8	8.1	163	149	13.5
LSD 5%				152.4	13.9	0.6	28.1	28.8	7.9
CV %				8.8	58.4	4.8	8.3	8.7	58.5

Comments: All In-furrow treatments were applied in a 3.5 inch T-Band (9 gpa) at planting. Foliar applications were applied in a 7 inch band (15 gpa). All Quadris treatments applied in-furrow provided adequate Rhizoctonia control. Foliar treatments were less effective. It appeared that the highest Quadris rate (19 fl oz/A) applied in-furrow provided better disease control but this rate also appeared to reduce sugarbeet stand. Lower Quadris rates did not lower stand. The tolerant variety (C-RR059) had fewer dead beets compared to the susceptible variety (C-RR074NT). The disease level was high.

Vigor: a higher number is better

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Evaluate Quadris Rates and Application Timings for Control of Rhizoctonia Root Rot With a Tolerant Variety (C-RR059)

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Trial Quality: Good	Soil Info: Sandy Clay Loam	Rhizoc Control: by trt
Variety: C-RR059	3.1% OM, 7.0 pH	Cerc. Control: Good
Planted: May 8	Above Opt. Levels: P, K	Seed Spacing: 4.1 inches
Harvested: Sept 18	High: Mn, Low: B	Problems: Uneven field some ponding
Plot Size: 6 rows X 50 ft	Added N: 100 lbs	Rainfall: 12.3 inches
4 reps	Prev. Crop: Soybeans	
Row Spacing: 22 inch		

No	Treatment	Rate fl oz/A	Appl	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
1	Quadris	7.125	IF	\$1,120	6199	248	24.9	16.7	95.5
2	Quadris	9.5	IF	\$1,107	6145	244	25.2	16.7	94.8
19	Quadris	9.5	IF	\$1,089	6142	254	24.2	17.2	95.0
	Quadris	16.6	8 lf						
6	Quadris	19	IF	\$1,061	5945	253	23.5	17.1	95.3
7	Quadris	14.3	IF	\$1,038	5872	243	24.2	16.6	94.9
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
9	Quadris	19	IF	\$1,032	5898	239	24.8	16.4	94.6
	Quadris	19	4 lf						
4	Quadris	14.3	IF	\$1,029	5743	241	23.8	16.3	95.4
8	Quadris	16.6	IF	\$1,027	5840	237	24.6	16.4	94.4
	Quadris	16.6	8 lf						
3	Quadris	11.9	IF	\$1,022	5690	249	22.8	17.0	94.7
18	Quadris	7.125	IF	\$1,012	5701	247	23.1	16.8	94.8
	Quadris	16.6	8 lf						
17	Quadris	14.3	IF	\$1,005	5694	242	23.5	16.7	94.4
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
10	Quadris	14.3	4 lf	\$971	5423	238	22.7	16.4	94.3
11	Quadris	14.3	8 lf	\$963	5379	246	21.8	16.9	94.6
16	Quadris	11.9	IF	\$958	5421	240	22.4	16.4	94.7
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
5	Quadris	16.6	IF	\$950	5321	237	22.5	16.3	94.4
15	Quadris	7.125	IF	\$930	5239	243	21.6	16.5	95.0
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
13	Quadris	19	8 lf	\$921	5175	239	21.6	16.5	94.4
12	Quadris	16.6	8 lf	\$920	5157	247	20.9	17.1	94.2
14	Quadris	14.3	4 lf	\$797	4547	237	19.1	16.3	94.7
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
20	Untreated Check			\$747	4108	225	18.1	15.7	94.1
Average				\$985	5532	242	22.8	16.6	94.7
LSD 5%				171.3	942.1	17.2	2.9	0.9	0.8
CV %				12.3	12.0	5.0	9.1	3.9	0.6

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Evaluate Quadris Rates and Application Timings for Control of Rhizoctonia Root Rot With a Tolerant Variety (C-RR059)

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No	Treatment	Rate fl oz/A	Appl	Net \$/A	Dead Late B/100'	Rhizoc Late 0-10	Stand		
							Early B/100'	Late B/100'	Early-Late 100 ft
1	Quadris	7.125	IF	\$1,120	3.3	7.5	161	156	5.0
2	Quadris	9.5	IF	\$1,107	4.5	8.0	169	161	7.2
19	Quadris	9.5	IF	\$1,089	5.0	7.9	179	170	9.4
	Quadris	16.6	8 lf						
6	Quadris	19	IF	\$1,061	3.5	7.4	142	136	6.4
7	Quadris	14.3	IF	\$1,038	8.1	7.4	159	156	3.1
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
9	Quadris	19	IF	\$1,032	4.8	7.5	147	144	2.9
	Quadris	19	4 lf						
4	Quadris	14.3	IF	\$1,029	5.9	7.5	154	149	4.9
8	Quadris	16.6	IF	\$1,027	2.5	7.5	145	137	7.7
	Quadris	16.6	8 lf						
3	Quadris	11.9	IF	\$1,022	2.9	7.4	160	152	7.6
18	Quadris	7.125	IF	\$1,012	7.6	7.4	157	151	5.4
	Quadris	16.6	8 lf						
17	Quadris	14.3	IF	\$1,005	9.2	7.3	165	156	9.1
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
10	Quadris	14.3	4 lf	\$971	14.0	7.1	151	135	15.5
11	Quadris	14.3	8 lf	\$963	18.5	7.0	153	135	17.6
16	Quadris	11.9	IF	\$958	8.9	7.0	153	145	8.1
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
5	Quadris	16.6	IF	\$950	9.0	7.3	158	150	7.8
15	Quadris	7.125	IF	\$930	7.7	7.3	162	154	8.2
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
13	Quadris	19	8 lf	\$921	15.5	6.9	149	131	18.1
12	Quadris	16.6	8 lf	\$920	17.7	7.3	147	135	11.8
14	Quadris	14.3	4 lf	\$797	15.0	7.3	146	130	15.9
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
20	Untreated Check			\$747	24.5	6.8	137	118	19.0
Average				\$985	9.4	7.3	154	143	9.5
LSD 5%				171.3	8.4	0.8	32.4	31.8	8.8
CV %				12.3	63.5	7.7	14.8	15.8	65.4

Rhizoc: a higher number is better

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Evaluate Quadris Rates and Application Timings for Control of Rhizoctonia Root Rot With a Susceptible Variety (C-RR074NT)

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Trial Quality: Fair-Good	Soil Info: Sandy Clay Loam	Rhizoc Control: by trt
Variety: C-RR074NT	3.1% OM, 7.0 pH	Cerc. Control: Good
Planted: May 8	Above Opt. Levels: P, K	Seed Spacing: 4.1 inches
Harvested: Sept 18	High: Mn, Low: B	Problems: Uneven field some ponding
Plot Size: 6 rows X 50 ft 4 reps	Added N: 100 lbs	Rainfall: 12.3 inches
Row Spacing: 22 inch	Prev. Crop: Soybeans	

No	Treatment	Rate fl oz/A	Appl	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
6	Quadris	19	IF	\$1,053	5904	245	24.1	16.7	94.8
2	Quadris	9.5	IF	\$1,039	5771	243	23.8	16.7	94.4
18	Quadris	7.125	IF	\$1,031	5809	237	24.5	16.4	94.5
	Quadris	16.6	8 lf						
15	Quadris	7.125	IF	\$1,013	5697	237	24.1	16.4	94.3
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
9	Quadris	19	IF	\$999	5717	237	24.1	16.4	94.3
	Quadris	19	4 lf						
4	Quadris	14.3	IF	\$984	5494	232	23.5	16.1	94.1
11	Quadris	14.3	8 lf	\$952	5321	244	21.8	16.6	94.8
1	Quadris	7.125	IF	\$932	5166	228	22.5	15.8	94.4
10	Quadris	14.3	4 lf	\$926	5175	241	21.4	16.6	94.5
19	Quadris	9.5	IF	\$922	5225	232	22.4	15.9	94.8
	Quadris	16.6	8 lf						
8	Quadris	16.6	IF	\$909	5195	232	22.3	16.2	94.0
	Quadris	16.6	8 lf						
7	Quadris	14.3	IF	\$891	5065	221	22.9	15.4	94.0
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
3	Quadris	11.9	IF	\$886	4940	242	20.4	16.6	94.7
5	Quadris	16.6	IF	\$884	4961	234	21.2	16.1	94.5
12	Quadris	16.6	8 lf	\$875	4911	232	21.2	16.0	94.6
16	Quadris	11.9	IF	\$873	4954	227	21.7	15.9	93.8
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
17	Quadris	14.3	IF	\$869	4947	236	20.9	16.3	94.2
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
13	Quadris	19	8 lf	\$760	4292	226	19.0	15.7	94.2
14	Quadris	14.3	4 lf	\$752	4298	227	19.0	15.7	94.4
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
20	Untreated Check			\$706	3881	200	19.3	14.5	92.6
Average				\$913	5136	233	22.0	16.1	94.3
LSD 5%				170.7	938.9	16.1	3.2	0.9	0.9
CV %				13.2	12.9	4.9	10.4	3.8	0.7

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Evaluate Quadris Rates and Application Timings for Control of Rhizoctonia Root Rot With a Susceptible Variety (C-RR074NT)

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No	Treatment	Rate fl oz /A	Appl	Net \$/A	Late Dead Beets 100 ft	Late Rhizoc Rating 0-10	Early Stand Beets 100 ft	Late Stand Beets 100 ft	Early - Late Stand 100 ft
6	Quadris	19	IF	\$1,053	10.3	8.3	167	152	14.8
2	Quadris	9.5	IF	\$1,039	15.3	8.3	187	177	9.7
18	Quadris	7.125	IF	\$1,031	12.3	8.6	186	175	10.7
	Quadris	16.6	8 lf						
15	Quadris	7.125	IF	\$1,013	10.9	8.4	186	169	16.9
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
9	Quadris	19	IF	\$999	15.6	7.9	162	153	9.0
	Quadris	19	4 lf						
4	Quadris	14.3	IF	\$984	14.1	8.5	177	165	11.6
11	Quadris	14.3	8 lf	\$952	33.6	7.9	185	155	30.8
1	Quadris	7.125	IF	\$932	15.2	7.9	179	166	12.7
10	Quadris	14.3	4 lf	\$926	56.0	7.6	162	139	22.6
19	Quadris	9.5	IF	\$922	14.2	8.5	183	169	14.4
	Quadris	16.6	8 lf						
8	Quadris	16.6	IF	\$909	12.0	7.8	162	147	14.6
	Quadris	16.6	8 lf						
7	Quadris	14.3	IF	\$891	16.4	8.2	163	150	12.8
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
3	Quadris	11.9	IF	\$886	19.5	7.8	163	147	15.9
5	Quadris	16.6	IF	\$884	13.2	8.1	149	142	6.8
12	Quadris	16.6	8 lf	\$875	43.0	7.9	158	131	27.0
16	Quadris	11.9	IF	\$873	12.0	8.3	172	166	6.8
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
17	Quadris	14.3	IF	\$869	18.4	7.9	181	169	12.6
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
13	Quadris	19	8 lf	\$760	51.8	7.3	150	122	28.0
14	Quadris	14.3	4 lf	\$752	31.3	7.8	172	149	23.0
	Quadris	14.3	8 lf						
20	Untreated Check			\$706	70.2	6.6	169	132	37.3
Average				\$913	24.3	8.0	171	154	17.4
LSD 5%				170.7	20.2	0.7	31.4	32.4	13.1
CV %				13.2	58.9	6.2	13.0	15.0	53.4

Rhizoc: a higher number is better

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Evaluate Quadris T-Band Width (In-Furrow) For Control of Rhizoctonia Root Rot

Crumbaugh, Breckenridge, MI - 2013

Trial Quality: Fair	Soil Info: Sandy Clay Loam	Rhizoc Control: Good
Variety: C-RR074NT	3.1% OM, 7.0 pH	Cerc Control: Good
Planted: May 9	Above Opt. Levels: P, K	Seed Spacing: 4.1 inches
Harvested: Sept 17	High: Mn, Low: B	Problems: Uneven field some ponding
Plot Size: 6 rows X 150 ft 3 reps	Added N: 100 lbs	Rainfall: 12.3 inches
Row Spacing: 22 inch	Prev. Crop: Soybeans	

No	Treatment	T-Band Width	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Early Stand 100 ft	Late Rhizoc Rate 0-10	Late Dead Beets 100 ft
2	Quadris 7.13 fl oz	3.5	\$924	5082	221	23.0	15.5	93.6	177	8.0	55.4
3	Quadris 7.13 fl oz	7	\$874	4806	213	22.5	14.9	93.9	176	8.1	67.5
1	Quadris 7.13 fl oz	2	\$867	4768	220	21.6	15.3	94.3	175	8.1	51.9
Average			\$888	4885	218	22.4	15.3	93.9	176.0	8.1	58.3
LSD 5%			ns(259)	ns(1423)	ns(25.4)	ns(4.1)	ns(1.2)	ns(1.5)	ns(11.5)	ns(.3)	ns(44.2)
CV %			12.9	12.9	5.2	8.1	3.5	0.7	2.9	1.7	33.5

Comments: Quadris at 7.125 fl oz/A was applied in-furrow in a 2, 3.5, and 7 inch T-bands. There did not appear to be differences in emergence, Rhizoctonia control or yield based on band width.

Rhizoc: a higher number is better

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Evaluate Topsin M for Control of Rhizoctonia Root Rot

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Trial Quality: Fair - Good	Soil Info: Sandy Clay Loam	Rhizoc Control: By Trt
Variety: B-18RR4N	3.0% OM, 7.0 pH	Cerc Control: Good
Planted: May 9	Above Opt. Levels: P, K	Other Problems: Low spots
Harvested: Sept 13	High: Mn, Low: B	some flooding
Plot Size: 6 rows X 50 ft, 6 reps	Added N: 100 lbs	Seeding Rate: 4.1 inches
Row Spacing: 22 inch	Prev Crop: Soybeans	Rainfall: 12.3 inches

No	Treatment	Rate/A	Appl	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
13	Quadris	10.5 fl oz	IF	\$877	4965	225	22.1	15.5	94.7
	Quadris	14.25 fl oz	6-8 lf						
5	Topsin	20 fl oz	IF	\$854	5017	226	22.1	15.5	94.9
	Quadris	10.5 fl oz	IF						
	Topsin	20 fl oz	6-8 lf						
	Quadris	14.25 fl oz	6-8 lf						
15	Quadris	19 fl oz	IF	\$809	4561	221	20.7	15.4	94.2
10	Quadris	10.5 fl oz	IF	\$801	4553	213	21.4	14.9	94.3
	Topsin	20 fl oz	6-8 lf						
9	Topsin	20 fl oz	IF	\$789	4512	217	20.7	15.1	94.4
	Quadris	14.25 fl oz	6-8 lf						
3	Topsin	20 fl oz	IF	\$782	4475	217	20.5	14.9	94.8
	Topsin	20 fl oz	6-8 lf						
11	Quadris	10.5 fl oz	IF	\$760	4240	225	18.9	15.4	95.1
1	Topsin	20 fl oz	IF	\$731	4109	217	18.9	15.2	93.9
14	Quadris	16.5 fl oz	IF	\$723	4074	222	18.3	15.3	94.8
12	Quadris	14.25 fl oz	6-8 lf	\$716	4023	214	18.8	14.8	94.7
4	Topsin	20 fl oz	IF	\$700	3968	217	18.2	15.1	94.2
	Quadris	10.5 fl oz	IF						
8	Topsin	20 fl oz	6-8 lf	\$677	3840	215	17.8	15.0	94.1
	Cuprofix	2 lb	6-8 lf						
16	Untreated			\$647	3556	213	16.7	14.9	94.0
2	Topsin	20 fl oz	6-8 lf	\$627	3535	204	17.4	14.4	93.8
7	Topsin	20 fl oz	6-8 lf	\$621	3533	209	16.9	14.7	94.1
	Manzate	2 lb	6-8 lf						
6	Topsin	20 fl oz	6-8 lf	\$561	3221	200	16.2	14.2	93.6
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	6-8 lf						
Average				\$730	4136	216	19.1	15.0	94.4
LSD 5%				135.8	746.7	13.4	2.9	0.7	0.9
CV %				12.6	12.6	4.3	10.5	3.2	0.7

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Evaluate Topsin M for Control of Rhizoctonia Root Rot

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No	Treatment	Rate/A	Appl	Avg of Missing/Dead B/100'	Late Dead B/100'	Early Stand B/100'	Late Stand B/100'	Early-Late Stand B/100'	Vigor Rating 0-10
10	Quadris Topsin	10.5 fl oz 20 fl oz	IF 6-8 lf	19.9	18.2	160	138	21.6	7.8
13	Quadris Quadris	10.5 fl oz 14.25 fl oz	IF 6-8 lf	28.6	24.9	167	135	32.4	8.0
5	Topsin Quadris Topsin Quadris	20 fl oz 10.5 fl oz 20 fl oz 14.25 fl oz	IF IF 6-8 lf 6-8 lf	29.9	25.5	160	126	34.3	7.8
9	Topsin Quadris	20 fl oz 14.25 fl oz	IF 6-8 lf	34.7	25.9	162	118	43.6	7.3
3	Topsin Topsin	20 fl oz 20 fl oz	IF 6-8 lf	35.3	23.7	165	118	46.8	7.2
15	Quadris	19 fl oz	IF	36.9	33.6	173	133	40.1	7.5
11	Quadris	10.5 fl oz	IF	39.5	34.8	165	120	44.2	7.1
14	Quadris	16.5 fl oz	IF	40.1	33.6	158	112	46.7	7.2
4	Topsin Quadris	20 fl oz 10.5 fl oz	IF IF	40.6	40.8	162	122	40.3	7.3
12	Quadris	14.25 fl oz	6-8 lf	41.2	34.8	143	96	47.6	6.9
8	Topsin Cuprofix	20 fl oz 2 lb	6-8 lf 6-8 lf	41.4	29.1	152	98	53.8	6.8
1	Topsin	20 fl oz	IF	42.2	40.6	152	109	43.7	7.3
7	Topsin Manzate	20 fl oz 2 lb	6-8 lf 6-8 lf	43.7	34.8	160	107	52.6	6.9
6	Topsin Super Tin	20 fl oz 8 fl oz	6-8 lf 6-8 lf	47.2	42.7	154	102	51.6	6.6
2	Topsin	20 fl oz	6-8 lf	48.8	40.6	131	73	57.1	6.4
16	Untreated Check			53.0	54.9	150	99	51.1	6.7
Average				38.9	33.7	157	113	44.2	7.2
LSD 5%				16.0	15.4	24.4	29.8	23.0	1.0
CV %				28.8	31.9	10.8	18.5	36.4	9.9

Comments: The sugarbeet yield and quality was low due to a late planting and an early harvest. The disease pressure (Rhizoctonia) was high. Topsin provided Rhizoctonia control but not at the same level as Quadris. In-furrow T-Band treatments were superior to foliar applications. It appears that Topsin could be a possible replacement for Quadris if resistance to Quadris occurs.

Vigor- a higher number is better

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Evaluate Vertisan in Sugarbeets for Rhizoctonia Control

Crumbaugh, Breckenridge, MI - 2013

Study Director: Marsha Martin, Bond McInnes, DuPont

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Trial Quality: Fair	Soil Info: Sandy Clay Loam	Cerc Control: Good
Variety: C-RR074NT	3.1% OM, 7.0 pH	Rhizoc Control: by Tmts
Planted: May 9	Nutrient levels	Problems: Low spots
Harvested: Sept 18	adequate	some flooding
Plot Size: 6 rows X 38 ft, 4 reps	Added N: 100 lbs	Seeding Rate: 4.1 inches
Row Spacing: 22 inch	Prev Crop: Soybeans	Rainfall: 12.3 inches

No	Treatment	Rate fl oz/A	Applied	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
7	Quadris	14.25	IF	\$847	4660	234	19.9	16.0	94.8
	Quadris	14.25	6 lf						
3	Vertisan	30	IF	\$844	4644	235	19.8	16.2	94.5
	Vertisan	30	6 lf						
6	Quadris	14.25	6 lf	\$821	4516	235	19.3	16.3	94.3
2	Vertisan	30	6 lf	\$816	4486	243	18.4	16.7	94.5
4	Quadris	14.25	IF	\$752	4134	232	17.7	16.1	94.2
	Vertisan	30	6 lf						
1	Vertisan	30	IF	\$735	4044	223	18.0	15.6	93.8
5	Quadris	14.25	IF	\$715	3935	224	17.6	15.7	93.6
8	Untreated			\$689	3789	221	17.2	15.5	93.7

Average				\$777	4276	231	18.5	16.0	94.2
LSD 5%				127.0	698.5	13.7	ns(2.7)	0.7	0.8
CV %				11.1	11.1	4.0	10.0	3.2	0.6

Comments: Vertisan was evaluated for Rhizoctonia control in this small plot replicated trial. Vertisan treatments provided good Rhizoctonia control compared to Quadris. Vertisan did not perform well in 2012 but we tested a lower rate in 2012.

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Evaluate Vertisan in Sugarbeets for Rhizoctonia Control

Crumbaugh, Breckenridge, MI - 2013

Study Director: Marsha Martin, Bond McInnes, DuPont

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No	Treatment	Rate fl oz/A	Applied	\$/A	Stand B/100 ft Jun 7	Stand B/100 ft Aug 6	Dead B/100 ft Jul 16	Dead B/100 ft Sep 6	Vigor 1-10 Sep 12
7	Quadris	14.25	IF	\$847	155	158	3.1	5.8	7.9
	Quadris	14.25	6 lf						
3	Vertisan	30	IF	\$844	175	177	3.0	8.0	8.4
	Vertisan	30	6 lf						
6	Quadris	14.25	6 lf	\$821	164	159	5.3	8.8	8.4
2	Vertisan	30	6 lf	\$816	167	160	1.4	4.8	8.2
4	Quadris	14.25	IF	\$752	178	162	3.0	7.8	8.4
	Vertisan	30	6 lf						
1	Vertisan	30	IF	\$735	173	168	4.5	6.3	8.3
5	Quadris	14.25	IF	\$715	174	168	4.7	8.0	8.1
8	Untreated			\$689	152	122	8.8	22.0	7.5
Average				\$777	167.3	159.2	4.2	8.9	8.2
LSD 5%				127.0	25.1	26.6	4.7	14.6	ns(1.0)
CV %				11.1	10.2	11.3	75.3	111.4	8.5

Vigor: a higher number is better

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Rhizoctonia - Multiple Fungicides

Gene Meylan, Linwood - 2013

Trial Quality: Fair / Good	Soil Info: Loam	Rhizoc Control: No In-furrow. See Treatments
Variety: B-19RR1N	Fertilizer: Fall: 2 ton lime & 200# K2O; 2x2: 36-33-0 w/ 0.3Mn-0.3B-5.5S; S.D.: 30 Gal 28%	Cerc Control: Good Control: 1. Eminent, 2. Topsin, 3. Kocide
Planted: May 6		
Harv/Samp: Oct 28 / Oct 8		
Plot Size: 4 reps	Prev Crop: Soybeans	
Row Spacing: 30 inch	Weather: Dry summer	Other Pests: Sugarbeet Cyst Nematode
Seeding Rate: 52,000		

Treatment	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Dead Beets / 1200 Ft
Quadris - Normal Rate	\$848	4677	249	18.8	16.7	95.4	365
Vertisan	\$822	4541	241	18.8	16.4	95.0	440
Priaxor	\$788	4337	238	18.2	16.3	94.6	546
Check	\$770	4263	245	17.3	16.6	95.2	555
Topsin	\$738	4112	241	16.9	16.4	94.9	517

Average	\$793	4386	243	18.0	16.5	95.0	485
LSD 5%	—	ns (603)	ns (16)	ns (2.1)	ns (0.8)	ns (0.9)	143
CV %	—	9	4	7.6	3.0	0.6	19

Comments: Trial was conducted to evaluate the effectiveness of different foliar fungicides on Rhizoctonia control. A single application of each fungicide was applied at the 6-8 leaf stage in a 7 inch band with 10 gallons of water per acre. Rates were as follows: Quadris 10.5 oz./acre, Vertisan 30 oz./acre, Priaxor 8 oz./acre and Topsin 20 oz./acre. No in-furrow applications were used, only foliar. Rhizoctonia dead/dying beet counts were taken in September in 1200 foot of row. Highest RWSA and the lowest amount of dead beets in two trials (Schindler and Meylan) occurred with Quadris, but not significantly different than Vertisan. This trial had very heavy natural Rhizoctonia pressure. Previous research would suggest in heavy pressure situation that in-furrow followed by foliar would be the best approach for long term control of Rhizoctonia.

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Rhizoctonia - Multiple Fungicides

Schindler Farms LLC, Kawkawlin - 2013

Trial Quality: Fair	Soil Info: Loam	Rhizoc Control: No in-furrow. See treatments.
Variety: B-19RR1N	Fertilizer: Fall: 200# K ₂ O; Spring Broad: 140#; 2x2: 35- 20-0+Mn	Cerc Control: 1. Inspire XT, 2. Headline, 3. Enable, 4. EBDC
Planted: May 4	Prev Crop: Wheat	Other Pests: Sugarbeet Cyst Nematode
Harv/Samp: Oct 23 / Oct 8	Weather: Dry summer	
Plot Size: 4 reps		
Row Spacing: 22 inch		
Seeding Rate: 58,500		

Treatment	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Dead Beets / 1200 Ft
Quadris - Normal Rate	\$1,421	7817	284	27.6	18.8	95.9	151
Vertisan	\$1,415	7784	287	27.1	18.9	96.0	198
Topsin	\$1,313	7224	278	26.0	18.5	95.7	261
Check	\$1,204	6645	265	25.0	17.8	95.4	304
Priaxor	\$1,161	6423	268	23.8	17.9	95.6	307
Average	\$1,303	7179	276	25.9	18.4	95.8	244
LSD 5%	—	1152	20	3.5	1.1	ns (0.7)	ns (175)
CV %	—	10	5	8.7	3.8	0.5	47

Comments: Trial was conducted to evaluate the effectiveness of different foliar fungicides on Rhizoctonia control. A single application of each fungicide was applied at the 6-8 leaf stage in a 7 inch band and 12 gallons of water per acre. Rates were as follows: Quadris 14.25 oz./acre, Vertisan 30 oz./acre, Priaxor 8 oz./acre and Topsin 20 oz./acre. No in-furrow applications were used, only foliar. Rhizoctonia dead/dying beet counts were taken in September in 1200 foot of row. Highest RWSA and lowest amount of dead beets in two trials (Schindler and Gene Meylan) occurred with Quadris but not significantly different than Vertisan.

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Rhizoctonia - Quadris Rates

Meylan Farms Inc., Auburn - 2013

Trial Quality: Fair/Good	Soil Info: Loam	Rhizoc Control: See treatments
Variety: C-RR074NT	Fertilizer: PPI: 40 gal of 28%; 2x2: 17 gal. 19-17-0 w/ 1 qt Mn & 1 qt B	Cerc Control: Good Control: 1. Inspire XT, 2. Headline + Ballad, 3. Eminent
Planted: May 3		
Harv/Samp: Oct 28 / Oct 9	Prev Crop: Pickles	
Plot Size: 3 reps	Weather: Dry summer	Other Pests: Mustang Maxx In Furrow
Row Spacing: 22 inch		
Seeding Rate: 67,000		

Treatment	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Populations 100 Ft. of Row		Dead Beets / 1200 Ft
							12 Day	34 Day	
High Rate I.F. & High Rate 6-8 Leaf	\$1,534	8448	284	29.7	19.1	95.0	—	—	24
Normal Rate I.F.	\$1,534	8440	287	29.4	19.3	95.1	58	165	69
High Rate 6-8 Leaf	\$1,514	8336	284	29.3	19.1	95.2	—	—	52
Normal Rate I.F. & Normal Rate 6-8 Lf	\$1,506	8279	289	28.7	19.3	95.2	—	—	41
Normal Rate 6-8 Lf	\$1,486	8186	287	28.5	19.2	95.3	—	—	44
High Rate I.F.	\$1,447	7993	278	28.6	18.7	95.0	43	143	53
Check	\$1,424	7856	278	28.1	18.8	95.0	102	174	121
Average	\$1,492	8220	284	28.9	19.1	95.1	68	161	58
LSD 5%	—	ns (1179)	ns (21)	ns (2.9)	ns (1.1)	ns (0.7)	49	ns (47)	42
CV %	—	8	4	5.5	3.3	0.4	32	13	40

Comments: Trial was conducted to evaluate the efficacy of high label rates of Quadris applied in-furrow and foliar (6-8 leaf). In-furrow T-band width was 3 ½ to 4 inches with the Normal Rate of 7 oz/acre and the High Rate of 14.25 oz/acre. Foliar applications were applied in a 7 inch T-band at the 6-8 leaf stage in 12 gallons of water. The Normal Foliar Rate was 14.25 oz/ac and the High Rate was 19 oz/acre. Dead beet counts were taken in September in 1200 foot of row. Rhizoctonia levels were considered relatively low for all treatments. Any treatment utilizing Quadris had lower Rhizoctonia levels and higher yields than the check. High rates of Quadris in-furrow did reduce stand counts. Large amount of stand reduction occurred in sandy areas of the field. To apply the high rate Quadris in-furrow treatments, the flow rate of water was increased to apply the required amount of Quadris. This also doubled the amount of Mustang Maxx from the normal rate of 4 ounces per acre to eight. It is unknown what effect this had on the reduced emergence. It is not recommended that full rates of Quadris be applied in a narrow T-band, especially on lighter soils. With the low level of Rhizoctonia pressure, no significant improvement of Rhizoctonia control was seen with high rates compared to normal rates.

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Rhizoctonia - Serenade Fungicide

Sherwood Farms, Breckenridge - 2013

Trial Quality: Good	Soil Info: Loam	Rhizoc Control: Exc. Control: Quadris I.F (7oz) & Foliar
Variety: C-RR059	Fertilizer: 2x2: 20 gal. of 19-17-0 + micros; Broadcast: 37 gal. of 28%	Cerc Control: Good Control: 1. Inspire + EBDC, 2. Agritin + Topsin, 3. Eminent
Planted: May 7	Prev Crop: Corn	Other Pests: None
Harv/Samp: Oct 21 / Oct 14	Weather: Excessively wet early, dry summer	
Plot Size: 3 reps		
Row Spacing: 30 inch		
Seeding Rate: 53,000		

Treatment	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Dead Beets / 1200 Ft
Check: Quadris I.F	\$1,252	6889	259	26.6	17.3	95.7	3
Serenade & Quadris I.F.	\$1,233	6761	261	26.0	17.4	95.7	2
Average	\$1,243	6825	260	26.3	17.4	95.7	3
LSD 5%	—	ns (898)	ns (32)	ns (6.4)	ns (1.6)	ns (1.2)	ns (10)
CV %	—	4	4	7.0	2.7	0.3	114

Comments: Trial was conducted to evaluate a Biological Rhizoctonia control product (Serenade Soil) applied in a T-band at planting time. Serenade was used as a tank mix partner with Quadris. Standard Quadris in-furrow treatments (7 oz./acre) were compared to Quadris in furrow plus Serenade at the two quart per acre rate. All treatments had Quadris foliar applied at the 6-8 leaf stage. A moderately tolerant Rhizoctonia variety was planted. Rhizoctonia was almost non-existent in both treatments when counts were done in September. Product could not be evaluated properly because of low levels of Rhizoctonia.

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Sugar beet cv. ACH RR-824 was PAT-treated and planted at the Michigan State University Bean and Beet Farm, Richville, MI on 4 May. Seed was planted at 1" depth into four-row by 50-ft plots (ca. 4.375 in. between plants to give a target population of 275 plants/100ft. row) with 30" between rows replicated four times in a randomized complete block design. Fertilizer was drilled into plots immediately before planting, formulated according to results of soil tests (125 lb 46-0-0/A). No additional nitrogen was applied. All fungicides were applied with a hand held R&D spray boom delivering 10 gal/A (50 p.s.i.) and using one XR8003 nozzle per row in a 6" band at planting (A) or at GS 4-6 (B) or at GS 6-8 (C). Applications were made at planting (A); and banded applications on 30 May at GS 4-6 (B) and 4 Jun at GS 6-8 (C), respectively. Cercospora leaf spot was controlled with an application of Eminent 125SL (13 fl oz) + Koverall 75DF (1.5 lb) on 17 Jul and Inspire 2.08EC (7 fl oz) + Kocide 3000 46.1WG (2 lb) on 7 Aug. Weeds were controlled by cultivation and with Roundup Original Max 2.0 pt/A applied at GS2-4 and GS 6-8. Insects were controlled as necessary. Plant stand was rated 13, 21 and 30 days after planting (DAP) and relative rate of emergence was calculated as the Relative Area Under the Emergence Progress Curve [RAUEPC from 0 – 30 DAP, maximum value = 100]. Plots were inoculated on 3 Jun [30 days after planting (DAP)] by spreading *R. solani* Anastomoses Group 2.2 (IIIB) infested millet across all plants in each plot. Incidence of infected plants was evaluated on 60 and 123 DAP. Samples of 50 beets per plot were harvested 123 DAP (10 ft from start of each plot from two center rows) and assessed for crown and root rot (*R. solani*) incidence (%) and severity. Severity of crown and root rot was measured as an index calculated by counting the number of roots (n = 20) falling in class 0 = 0%; 1 = 1 - 5%; 2 = 6 -10%; 3 = 11 – 15%; 4 =15 - 25%; 5 = 25 – 50%; 6 = 50 – 100% surface area of root affected by lesions; and 7 = dead and/or extensively decayed root. The number in each class is multiplied by the class number and summed. The sum is multiplied by a constant to express as a percentage. Increasing index values indicated the degree of severity. The number of beets falling into classes 0 – 3 was summed and a percentage calculated as marketable beets. The trial was not harvested due to the high incidence and severity of crown and root rot. Meteorological variables were measured with a Campbell weather station located at the farm, latitude 43.3995 and longitude -83.6980 deg. Average daily air temperature (oF) was 60.7, 65.3, 70.4, 67.1, 58.8 and 51.1 (May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, and Oct, respectively) and the number of days with maximum temperature >90oF over the same period was 0, 0, 5, 0, 1 and 0 (in 2012 there were 12 days for Aug). Average daily relative humidity (%) over the same period was 59.1, 66.1, 68.3, 63.1, 69.0, 68.1 and 70.1. Average soil temperature at 2" depth over the same period was 60.4, 69.2, 74.8, 71.7, 64.6 and 52.9. Average soil moisture (% of field capacity) at 2" depth over the same period was 33.5, 24.3, 28.3, 30.6, 23.4 and 30.4. Precipitation over the same period was 3.43, 1.73, 2.03, 1.85, 0.58 and 3.26".

Treatments with final plant stand greater than 90.0% were significantly different from the non-inoculated not-treated check (80.0%) in terms of plant stand. No treatments were significantly different from either check in terms of RAUEPC. Soil temperature and moisture conditions enhanced moderate development of crown and root rot throughout the season although severe symptoms did not appear until Aug. The initial evaluation of crown and root at harvest indicated that treatments with less 4.9% incidence of dead or dying plants were significantly different from the inoculated not-treated check (8.6%). The evaluation of crown and root incidence at harvest indicated that no treatments were significantly different from the inoculated not-treated check (100%) or the not-inoculated not-treated check (99%). No treatments had a significantly lower severity index of crown and root rot on the beetroots and ranged from 38.3 (Priaxor 4.17SC 0.55 fl oz/1000 ft. row applied at GS 4-6) to 61.4 (Proline 480SC 0.24 fl oz/1000 ft. row at GS 4-6) but were not significantly different to the inoculated not-treated check (47.9). There was background crown and root in the trial and the non-inoculated not-treated check treatments had a crown and root rot severity index of 40.1. There were no differences among treatments in terms of marketable beetroots and due to the onset of severe *Rhizoctonia* root rot during the latter part of the season the range was from 35 to 59% marketable and the non-inoculated not-treated check inoculated not-treated check had 55 and 48% marketable beets, respectively. No phytotoxicity was observed from any treatments.

Table 1. Efficacy of fungicides against Rhizoctonia crown and root rot.

Treatment and rate/1000 ft. row	Plant stand ^a 26 DAP ^b (%)	RAUEPCc 0 – 26 DAP	Crown and root rot			Marketable beets (%)
			Incidence 60 DAP (%)	Incidence 123 DAP (%)	Severity ^d 123 DAP (%)	
Topguard 1.04SC 0.96 fl oz (Ae).....	84.6 a-ef	34.7 a	4.0 efg	89.0 a	41.4 a	57.0 a
Topguard 1.04SC 0.69 fl oz (A); Topguard 1.04SC 0.69 fl oz + Koverall 75DF 1.65 oz wt + NIS 100SL 4.2 fl oz (C).....	75.4 e	30.9 a	4.9 b-g	99.0 a	55.6 a	41.0 a
Topguard 1.04SC 0.69 fl oz + Koverall 75DF 1.65 oz wt + NIS 100SL 4.2 fl oz (BC).....	87.0 a-d	38.6 a	7.3 a-f	97.0 a	51.4 a	48.0 a
Proline 480SC 0.24 fl oz (A).....	94.8 a	35.8 a	5.0 b-g	99.0 a	57.4 a	40.0 a
Serenade Soil 1.34SC 4.4 fl oz (A)...	84.1 b-e	38.0 a	7.8 a-e	93.0 a	44.7 a	49.0 a
Proline 480SC 0.24 fl oz + Serenade Soil 1.34SC 4.4 fl oz (A)..	90.0 abc	33.4 a	5.9 a-g	99.0 a	50.7 a	41.0 a
Serenade Soil 1.34SC 4.4 fl oz (A); Proline 480SC 0.24 fl oz (B).....	89.3 abc	37.2 a	4.8 c-g	98.0 a	56.0 a	35.0 a
Proline 480SC 0.24 fl oz (B).....	77.0 de	34.6 a	3.8 fg	98.0 a	61.4 a	36.0 a
Evergol Prime 240FS 0.33 fl oz (A).	83.9 b-e	34.0 a	5.4 b-g	96.0 a	50.7 a	45.0 a
Evergol Prime 240FS 0.33 fl oz (A); Proline 480SC 0.24 fl oz (B).....	91.3 ab	44.1 a	2.5 g	100.0 a	55.1 a	35.0 a
Headline 2.09EC 0.62 fl oz (A).....	90.0 abc	35.3 a	4.4 d-g	95.0 a	56.7 a	39.0 a
Priaxor 4.17SC 0.55 fl oz (A).....	77.7 de	37.7 a	3.4 g	96.0 a	46.4 a	57.0 a
Priaxor 4.17SC 0.55 fl oz (B).....	83.2 b-e	36.5 a	4.1 d-g	96.0 a	38.3 a	59.0 a
Priaxor 4.17SC 0.55 fl oz (A); Priaxor 4.17SC 0.55 fl oz (B).....	89.3 abc	37.4 a	8.5 abc	99.0 a	53.9 a	44.0 a
Priaxor 4.17SC 1.1 fl oz (A); Priaxor 4.17SC 1.1 fl oz (B).....	80.2 cde	34.8 a	3.0 g	91.0 a	49.6 a	49.0 a
Quadris 2.08FL 0.6 fl oz (A).....	88.8 abc	37.4 a	3.6 fg	99.0 a	50.7 a	39.0 a
Quadris 2.08FL 0.6 fl oz (B).....	95.0 a	39.8 a	7.9 a-d	97.0 a	57.0 a	35.0 a
Moncut 70DF 0.74 oz wt (A).....	77.5 de	30.6 a	3.5 fg	96.0 a	47.6 a	48.0 a
A15457 100EC 3.2 fl oz (A).....	80.7 cde	35.8 a	4.3 d-g	97.0 a	45.0 a	51.0 a
A15457 100EC 2.4 fl oz (A).....	88.9 abc	36.5 a	4.4 d-g	95.0 a	43.0 a	58.0 a
A15457 100EC 1.6 fl oz (A).....	81.3 b-e	33.2 a	5.5 a-g	100.0 a	57.1 a	42.0 a
Quadris 2.08FL 0.6 fl oz (A); Topsin 4.5FL 1.38 fl oz (B).....	81.4 b-e	33.4 a	9.3 a	84.0 a	42.3 a	56.0 a
Topsin 4.5FL 1.38 fl oz (B).....	81.3 b-e	33.3 a	4.5 d-g	99.0 a	51.6 a	40.0 a
Inoculated Not-treated Check.....	79.6 cde	33.1 a	8.6 ab	100.0 a	47.9 a	48.0 a
Not-inoculated Not-treated Check...	80.0 cde	28.7 a	5.6 a-g	91.0 a	40.1 a	55.0 a

^a Plant stand expressed as a percentage of the target population of 275 plants/100ft. row from a sample of 2 x 50 ft rows per plot.

^b DAP = days after planting on 4 May.

^c Relative area under the emergence progress curve from planting to 26 days after planting.

^d Severity of crown and root rot was measured as an index calculated as described in the text.

^e Application dates; A= 4 May; B= 30 May; C= 4 Jun.

^f Means followed by same letter are not significantly different at p = 0.05 (Fishers LSD).



Evaluate Application Timings for Control of Cercospora Leaf Spot in Sugarbeets

Using Tolerant and Susceptible Varieties

Elkton, Sandusky and Ruth, MI - 2013

Summary

Cercospora application timing trials were conducted at 4 locations in 2013 (Elkton, Breckenridge, Sandusky and Ruth). The application dates were based on BEETcast DSVs and on fungicide label recommendations. At each site we evaluated a tolerant variety (SX-1291RR) and a susceptible variety (C-RR074NT). With the loss of strobilurin fungicides and the continued popularity of nematode tolerant varieties that are susceptible to leafspot we tightened up the application timings in these trials. The Cercospora disease level in 2013 was lower than normal due to the late planting and a dry summer. The trial at Breckenridge did not work out because too many plots were damaged by early season flooding. **Elkton Location:** Cercospora has been a significant problem in this area for several years. Elkton is in a Red Zone and has a high risk of Cercospora. All of the treatments, whether based on DSVs or label days, provided good leafspot control. We tested some treatments with a high number of spray dates to make sure we did not stretch the spray intervals past what the fungicide labels call for. Those treatments (6 to 8 applications) did not provide better leafspot control than treatments with 4 to 6 applications. Most of the treatments consisted of a triazole (tank mixed) followed by a protectant (Super Tin or an EBDC) followed by another triazole treatment. Several treatments with only EBDCs were somewhat less effective but did provide effective control. SX-1291RR tolerated Cercospora better than C-RR074NT. Yields at the Elkton site were not obtained due to an uneven stand. The Cercospora level in this trial was moderate to high. **Sandusky Location:** This trial was located in a lower Cercospora risk zone (Green) but still had a significant leafspot level. We evaluated similar triazole based rotation treatments, straight EBDC treatments and a strobilurin based rotation treatment. All of the treatments except for the strobilurin based treatment gave good Cercospora leafspot control. SX-1291RR had lower disease levels compared to C-RR074NT, however, the C-RR074NT treatments had higher yields and sugar levels. The strobi treatment had about 10% leaf damage and the untreated check had 47% leaf damage, compared to less than 1% damage for the triazole and EBDC treatments. The strobi treatment lost about 1 ton/A and about 1/4 point of sugar while the untreated plots lost about 4 tons and about 1/4 points of sugar. **Ruth Location:** This trial was located in a Yellow zone (moderate Cercospora risk). The trends were similar at this location. The strobi based treatment was less effective than the triazole based treatment or the EBDC based treatments. The Cercospora level was moderate and the untreated check had about 13% leaf damage and lost about 3 tons/A. It should be noted that the strobi based treatments included Super Tin and EBDCs which may have helped with overall disease control.



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Using Tolerant and Susceptible Varieties

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Trial Quality: Good	Soil Info: Loam	Rhizoc Control: Good
Variety: SX-1291 & C-074NT	5.5% OM: 7.3 pH	Cerc Risk Zone: Green
Planted: May 13	Above Opt. Levels: P, K	Seed Spacing: 4.1 inches
Harvested: Oct 11	High: Mn, High: B	Other Problems: Low Level Cyst Nem
Plot Size: 6 rows X 38 ft 4 reps	Added N: 138 lbs	Rainfall: 17.3 inches
Row Spacing: 22 inches	Prev. Crop: White Kindey Beans	

No	Treatment	% Leaf Damage	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
1	Triazole/EBDC/ST Rotation Timings based on DSV's	0.5	\$1,286	7362	227	32.3	15.9	93.7
2	Triazole/EBDC/ST Rotation Timings based on DSV's	0.6	\$1,277	7249	230	31.5	15.9	94.3
3	Triazole/EBDC/ST Rotation Timings based on Label Days	0.6	\$1,285	7406	232	31.7	16.1	94.2
8	Triazole/EBDC/ST Rotation Timings based on Label Days	0.6	\$1,328	7616	227	33.4	15.9	93.9
10	All Manzate Treatments Timings based on Label Days	0.7	\$1,288	7347	229	32.0	16.1	93.6
4	Triazole/EBDC/ST Rotation Timings based on DSV's	0.7	\$1,356	7769	237	32.7	16.5	94.0
7	Triazole/EBDC/ST Rotation Timings based on DSV's	0.7	\$1,250	7147	227	31.4	15.9	93.6
6	Triazole/EBDC/ST Rotation Timings based on Label Days	0.7	\$1,243	7108	226	31.4	15.8	93.7
9	All Manzate Treatments Timings based on DSV's	0.8	\$1,304	7433	226	32.7	15.8	93.8
5	Triazole/EBDC/ST Rotation Timings based on DSV's	1.0	\$1,345	7653	232	32.8	16.3	93.6
11	Strobi/EBDC/ST Rotation Timings based on Label Days	10.5	\$1,204	6956	223	31.1	15.8	93.5
12	Untreated Check	47.1	\$1,153	6343	225	28.0	15.9	93.5
Average		5.4	\$1,277	7272	228	31.8	16.0	93.8
LSD 5%		2.8	81.4	447.7	6.7	1.9	0.4	0.5
CV %		52.4	6.9	6.7	4.2	5.5	3.3	0.6

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Evaluate Application Timings for Control of Cercospora Leafspot in Sugarbeets Using a Tolerant Variety

Wadsworth, Sandusky, MI - 2013

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Trial Quality: Good	Soil Info: Loam	Rhizoc Control: Good
Variety: SX-1291RR	5.5% OM: 7.3 pH	Cerc Risk Zone: Green
Planted: May 13	Above Opt. Levels: P, K	Seed Spacing: 4.1 inches
Harvested: Oct 11	High: Mn, High: B	Other Problems: Low Level
Plot Size: 6 rows X 38 ft	Added N: 138 lbs	Cyst Nematodes
4 reps	Prev. Crop: White Kidney Beans	Rainfall: 17.3 inches

Row Spacing: 22 inches

No	Treatment	Rate/A	Applied		% Leaf Damage	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
			DSV	Day							
2	Inspire	7 fl oz	55		0.2	\$1,159	6559	224	29.3	15.5	94.3
	Manzate	1.6 qt	95								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	115								
	Topguard	14 fl oz	150								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	190								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	210								
7	Manzate	1.6 qt	50		0.2	\$1,096	6253	219	28.5	15.5	93.6
	Inspire	7 fl oz	65								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	95								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	120								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	135								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	150								
3	Inspire	7 fl oz	50		0.4	\$1,136	6560	224	29.3	15.7	93.8
	Manzate	1.6 qt		17							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		7							
	Topguard	14 fl oz		10							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		17							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		7							
1	Inspire	7 fl oz	50		0.4	\$1,117	6410	220	29.2	15.4	93.8
	Manzate	1.6 qt	80								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	95								
	Topguard	14 fl oz	120								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	150								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	165								
8	Manzate	1.6 qt	50		0.4	\$1,194	6880	220	31.2	15.3	94.2
	Inspire	7 fl oz		7							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		17							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		7							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		7							



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Using a Tolerant Variety

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No	Treatment	Rate/A	Applied		% Leaf Damage	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
			DSV	Day							
6	Super Tin	8 fl oz	50		0.4	\$1,095	6292	220	28.6	15.5	93.6
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
	Inspire	7 fl oz		7							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		14							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		7							
4	Inspire	7 fl oz	55		0.6	\$1,167	6732	227	29.6	15.9	93.8
	Manzate	1.6 qt		21							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		10							
	Topguard	14 fl oz		14							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		21							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
5	Super Tin	8 fl oz	50		0.7	\$1,189	6815	223	30.7	15.7	93.6
	Manzate	1.6 qt		75							
	Inspire	7 fl oz		90							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		120							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		145							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		160							
10	Manzate	1.6 qt	50		0.7	\$1,115	6396	218	29.4	15.5	93.3
	Manzate	1.6 qt		7							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		7							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		7							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		7							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		7							
9	Manzate	1.6 qt	50		0.7	\$1,112	6382	219	29.1	15.4	93.8
	Manzate	1.6 qt		65							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		80							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		95							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		110							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		125							
11	Headline	9.2 fl oz	50		8.8	\$1,062	6155	218	28.2	15.5	93.4
	Manzate	1.6 qt		17							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		7							
	Headline	9.2 fl oz		10							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		17							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		7							
12	Untreated Check				37.8	\$996	5480	218	25.1	15.4	93.6
Average					4.3	\$1,120	6410	221	29.0	15.5	93.7
LSD 5%					4.3	105.8	582.1	8.6	2.4	0.5	0.6
CV %					69.9	6.6	6.3	2.7	5.8	2.3	0.4

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Using a Susceptible Variety

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Trial Quality: Good	Soil Info: Loam	Rhizoc Control: Good
Variety: C-RR074NT	5.5% OM: 7.3 pH	Cerc Risk Zone: Green
Planted: May 13	Above Opt. Levels: P, K	Seed Spacing: 4.1 inches
Harvested: Oct 11	High: Mn, High: B	Other Problems: Low level
Plot Size: 6 rows X 38 ft	Added N: 138 lbs	Cyst Nematodes
4 reps	Prev. Crop: White Kidney Beans	Rainfall: 17.3 inches

Row Spacing: 22 inches

No	Treatment	Rate/A	Applied		% Leaf Damage	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
			DSV	Day							
1	Inspire	7 fl oz	50		0.6	\$1,455	8314	235	35.4	16.5	93.7
	Manzate	1.6 qt	30								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	15								
	Topguard	14 fl oz	25								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	30								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	15								
10	Manzate	1.6 qt	50		0.6	\$1,461	8297	239	34.6	16.7	93.8
	Manzate	1.6 qt		7							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		7							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		7							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		7							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		7							
4	Inspire	7 fl oz	55		0.8	\$1,544	8807	246	35.8	17.0	94.1
	Manzate	1.6 qt		21							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		10							
	Topguard	14 fl oz		14							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		21							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
9	Manzate	1.6 qt	50		0.8	\$1,495	8484	233	36.3	16.3	93.7
	Manzate	1.6 qt	15								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	15								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	15								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	15								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	15								
8	Manzate	1.6 qt	50		0.8	\$1,462	8352	235	35.5	16.5	93.7
	Inspire	7 fl oz		7							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		17							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		7							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		7							
3	Inspire	7 fl oz	50		0.8	\$1,435	8251	241	34.2	16.5	94.7
	Manzate	1.6 qt		17							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		7							
	Topguard	14 fl oz		10							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		17							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		7							



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No.	Treatment	Rate/A	Applied		% Leaf Damage	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
			DSV	Day							
2	Inspire	7 fl oz	55		1.0	\$1,395	7939	236	33.7	16.3	94.4
	Manzate	1.6 qt	40								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	20								
	Topguard	14 fl oz	35								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	40								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	20								
6	Super Tin	8 fl oz	50		1.0	\$1,392	7925	231	34.3	16.2	93.8
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
	Inspire	7 fl oz		7							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		14							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		7							
7	Manzate	1.6 qt	50		1.2	\$1,405	8040	234	34.3	16.4	93.7
	Inspire	7 fl oz	15								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	30								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	25								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	15								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	15								
5	Super Tin	8 fl oz	50		1.4	\$1,502	8491	241	35.0	16.9	93.6
	Manzate	1.6 qt	25								
	Inspire	7 fl oz	15								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	30								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	25								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	15								
11	Headline	9.2 fl oz	50		12.2	\$1,345	7758	228	34.0	16.1	93.5
	Manzate	1.6 qt		17							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		7							
	Headline	9.2 fl oz		10							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		17							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		7							
12	Untreated Check				56.5	\$1,310	7206	233	31.0	16.4	93.5
Average					6.5	\$1,433	8155.4	236.0	34.5	16.5	93.8
LSD 5%					3.8	113.1	622.2	14.4	2.5	0.7	0.9
CV %					40.3	5.5	5.3	4.2	5	3.1	0.7

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Evaluate Application Timings for Control of Cercospora Leafspot in Sugarbeets

Using Tolerant and Susceptible Varieties

Roggenbuck, Ruth, MI - 2013

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Trial Quality: Good	Soil Info: Loam	Rhizoc Control: Good
Variety: SX-1291RR & C-RR074NT	3.1% OM: 7.6 pH	Cerc Risk Zone: Yellow
Planted: May 6	Above Opt. Levels: P, K	Seed Spacing: 4.1 inches
Harvested: Oct 16	High: Mn, Low: B	Other Problems: Some gaps, low level of Aph
Plot Size: 6 rows X 38 ft 4 reps	Added N: Manure & 62.5 lbs	Rainfall: 15.4 inches
Prev. Crop: Dry Beans		

Row spacing: 22 inches

No	Treatment	% Leaf Damage	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
8	Triazole/EBDC/ST Rotation Timings based on Label Days	0.2	\$1,539	8781	268	32.7	17.5	96.9
4	Triazole/EBDC/ST Rotation Timings based on Label Days	0.2	\$1,516	8654	262	33.0	17.1	97.0
6	Triazole/EBDC/ST Rotation Timings based on Label Days	0.2	\$1,548	8810	259	33.9	17.1	96.5
9	All Manzate Applications Timings based on DSVs	0.2	\$1,517	8607	262	32.8	17.2	96.8
5	Triazole/EBDC/ST Rotation Timings based on DSVs	0.2	\$1,498	8537	262	32.5	17.2	96.8
2	Triazole/EBDC/ST Rotation Timings based on DSVs	0.3	\$1,493	8422	259	32.4	16.9	96.9
3	Triazole/EBDC/ST Rotation Timings based on Label Days	0.3	\$1,469	8391	255	32.8	16.7	96.9
1	Triazole/EBDC/ST Rotation Timings based on DSVs	0.3	\$1,475	8407	257	32.6	16.9	96.9
7	Triazole/EBDC/ST Rotation Timings based on DSVs	0.3	\$1,479	8423	263	32.0	17.2	96.8
10	All Manzate Applications Timings based on Label Days	0.5	\$1,454	8262	256	32.2	16.8	96.8
11	Strobilurin/EBDC/ST Rotation Timings based on Label Days	4.3	\$1,478	8463	258	32.7	16.9	96.8
12	Untreated Check	12.8	\$1,373	7550	257	29.4	17.0	96.2
Average		1.6	\$1,487	8442	260	32.4	17.0	96.8
LSD 5%		1.6	122.8	675.3	8.8	2.1	0.5	0.4
CV %		108.2	7.6	7.7	3.5	6.8	3.2	0.5

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Evaluate Application Timings for Control of Cercospora Leafspot in Sugarbeets

Using a Susceptible Variety

Roggenbuck, Ruth, MI - 2013

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Trial Quality: Good **Soil Info:** Loam **Rhizoc Control:** Good
Variety: C-RR074NT 3.1% OM: 7.6 pH **Cerc Risk Zone:** Yellow
Planted: May 6 Above Opt. Levels: P, K **Seed Spacing:** 4.1 inches
Harvested: Oct 16 High: Mn, Low: B **Other Problems:** Some gaps, low level of Aph
Plot Size: 6 rows X 38 ft **Added N:** Manure & 62.5 lbs **Rainfall:** 15.4 inches
 4 reps **Prev Crop:** Dry Beans

Row Spacing: 22 inches

No.	Treatment	Rate/A	Applied		% Leaf Damage	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
			DSVs	Days							
8	Manzate	1.6 qt	50		0.2	\$1,675	9526	279	34.1	18.2	97.0
	Inspire	7 fl oz		10							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		21							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		14							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
6	Super Tin	8 fl oz	50		0.2	\$1,671	9509	269	35.4	17.6	96.6
	Manzate	1.6 qt		12							
	Inspire XT	7 fl oz		8							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		19							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		12							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		8							
4	Inspire XT	7 fl oz	60		0.3	\$1,652	9400	267	35.3	17.4	97.0
	Manzate	1.6 qt		21							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		10							
	Topguard	14 fl oz		14							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		21							
5	Super Tin	8 fl oz	50		0.3	\$1,638	9326	272	34.3	17.9	96.6
	Manzate	1.6 qt		80							
	Inspire XT	7 fl oz		95							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		135							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		165							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		180							
9	Manzate	1.6 qt	50		0.3	\$1,643	9303	270	34.5	17.7	96.6
	Manzate	1.6 qt		70							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		90							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		110							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		130							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		150							
3	Inspire XT	7 fl oz	50		0.3	\$1,626	9281	269	34.6	17.6	96.7
	Manzate	1.6 qt		19							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		8							
	Topguard	14 fl oz		12							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		19							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		8							



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Using a Susceptible Variety

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No.	Treatment	Rate/A	Applied		% Leaf Damage	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
			DSVs	Days							
1	Inspire XT	7 fl oz	50		0.3	\$1,556	8892	267	33.2	17.5	96.8
	Manzate	1.6 qt	90								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	105								
	Topguard	14 fl oz	135								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	175								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	190								
2	Inspire XT	7 fl oz	60		0.3	\$1,650	9324	270	34.5	17.7	96.6
	Manzate	1.6 qt	110								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	130								
	Topguard	14 fl oz	175								
7	Manzate	1.6 qt	50		0.4	\$1,580	9006	268	33.6	17.6	96.6
	Inspire XT	7 fl oz	65								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	105								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	135								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	160								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	185								
10	Manzate	1.6 qt	50		0.4	\$1,574	8923	265	33.7	17.3	96.8
	Manzate	1.6 qt		8							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		8							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		8							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		8							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		8							
11	Headline	9.2 fl oz	50		5.3	\$1,573	9010	271	33.2	17.7	96.7
	Manzate	1.6 qt		19							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		8							
	Headline	9.2 fl oz		12							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		19							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		8							
12	Untreated Check				16.3	\$1,394	7668	256	29.9	17.2	95.6
Average					2.0	\$1,603	9097	269	33.8	17.6	96.7
LSD 5%					0.7	47.3	260.0	3.7	0.9	0.2	0.2
CV %					108.2	7.7	7.5	3.4	6.6	3.2	0.5

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Using a Tolerant Variety

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Trial Quality: Good	Soil Info: Loam	Rhizoc Control: Good
Variety: SX-1291RR	3.1% OM: 7.6 pH	Cerc Risk Zone: Yellow
Planted: May 6	Above Opt. Levels: P, K	Seed Spacing: 4.1 inches
Harvested: Oct 16	High: Mn, Low: B	Other Problems: Some gaps, low level of Aph
Plot Size: 6 rows X 38 ft 4 reps	Added N: Manure & 62.5 lbs	Rainfall: 15.4 inches
Row Spacing: 22 inches	Prev Crop: Dry Beans	

No.	Treatment	Rate/A	Applied		% Leaf Damage	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
			DSVs	Days							
4	Inspire XT	7 fl oz	70		0.2	\$1,381	7908	258	30.6	16.8	97.0
	Manzate	1.6 qt		21							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		10							
	Topguard	14 fl oz		14							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		21							
8	Manzate	1.6 qt	60		0.2	\$1,404	8036	257	31.3	16.8	96.9
	Inspire	7 fl oz		10							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		21							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		14							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
7	Manzate	1.6 qt	60		0.2	\$1,377	7839	257	30.4	16.8	96.9
	Inspire XT	7 fl oz		85							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		135							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		180							
2	Inspire XT	7 fl oz	70		0.2	\$1,336	7520	248	30.3	16.2	97.2
	Manzate	14 fl oz		125							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		150							
9	Manzate	1.6 qt	60		0.2	\$1,390	7911	254	31.2	16.6	96.9
	Manzate	1.6 qt		85							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		110							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		135							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		160							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		185							
5	Super Tin	8 fl oz	60		0.2	\$1,359	7748	252	30.7	16.5	97.0
	Manzate	1.6 qt		105							
	Inspire XT	7 fl oz		130							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		180							
3	Inspire XT	7 fl oz	60		0.2	\$1,311	7502	242	31.0	15.8	97.1
	Manzate	1.6 qt		21							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		10							
	Topguard	14 fl oz		14							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		21							



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Using a Tolerant Variety

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No.	Treatment	Rate/A	Applied		% Leaf Damage	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
			DSVs	Days							
1	Inspire XT	7 fl oz	60		0.2	\$1,395	7921	247	32.0	16.2	96.9
	Manzate	1.6 qt	110								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	135								
	Topguard	14 fl oz	180								
6	Super Tin	8 fl oz	60		0.2	\$1,425	8110	250	32.4	16.5	96.4
	Manzate	1.6 qt		14							
	Inspire XT	7 fl oz		10							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		21							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		14							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
10	Manzate	1.6 qt	60		0.6	\$1,334	7600	247	30.7	16.3	96.8
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
11	Headline	9.2 fl oz	60		3.3	\$1,382	7916	245	32.2	16.1	96.9
	Manzate	1.6 qt		21							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		10							
	Headline	9.2 fl oz		14							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		21							
12	Untreated Check				9.4	\$1,351	7433	257	28.9	16.9	96.9
Average					1.3	\$1,371	7787	251	31.0	16.5	96.9
LSD 5%					0.7	47.3	258.5	3.7	0.9	0.2	0.2
CV %					108.2	7.7	7.5	3.4	6.6	3.2	0.5

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Evaluate Application Timings for Control of Cercospora Leafspot in Sugarbeets

Using a Tolerant Variety

Hunger Relief, Elkton, MI - 2013

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Trial Quality: Good For Rating	Soil Info: Sandy Clay Loam	Rhizoc Control: Good
Variety: SX-1291RR	2.2% OM, 7.5 pH	Cerc Risk Zone: Red
Planted: May 2	Above Opt. Levels: P, K	Other Problems: Too many gaps for yield
Harvested: Not harvested for data	High: Mn, Low: B	
Plot Size: 6 rows X 40 ft	Added N: 100 lbs	Seed Spacing: 4.1 inches
6 reps	Prev. Crop: Soybeans	Rainfall: 16.2 inches

Row Spacing: 22 inches

No.	Treatment	DSV or Days	Application Timing	# Appl.	% Leaf Damage Sept 25
2	Triazole Rotation	DSV	43, 72, 109, 121, 154	5	0.1
11	Triazole Rotation	DSV/Days	66 / 14, 10, 9, 12, 10, 7	7	0.2
1	Triazole Rotation	DSV	43, 68, 86, 94, 121, 148, 159	7	0.2
14	Triazole Rotation	DSV	37, 53, 86, 120, 130, 164	6	0.2
13	Triazole Rotation	DSV	37, 53, 75, 94, 109, 124, 152	7	0.2
9	Triazole Rotation	DSV	66, 85, 108, 120, 155	5	0.2
12	Triazole Rotation	DSV/Days	66 / 23, 12, 10, 14	5	0.2
10	Triazole Rotation	DSV	66, 96, 124, 148	4	0.2
4	Triazole Rotation	DSV/Days	43 / 20, 14, 10, 24	5	0.2
3	Triazole Rotation	DSV/Days	43 / 13, 10, 8, 13, 10, 7, 7	8	0.3
7	Triazole Rotation	DSV/Days	53 / 13, 11, 6, 14, 7, 7	7	0.4
8	Triazole Rotation	DSV/Days	53 / 20, 14, 10, 21	5	0.4
15	Triazole Rotation	DSV/Days	37 / 9, 13, 11, 6, 13, 10, 7	8	0.4
16	Triazole Rotation	DSV/Days	37 / 15, 21, 10, 14	5	0.4
5	Triazole Rotation	DSV	53, 75, 94, 109, 130, 157	6	0.8
6	Triazole Rotation	DSV	53, 86, 120, 132, 164	5	0.9
18	All Manzate	DSV	53, 75, 94, 114, 130, 154	6	1.2
17	All Manzate	DSV	53, 75, 94, 114, 124, 148, 154	7	1.3
20	All Manzate	DSV/Days	53 / 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7	8	1.7
19	All Manzate	DSV	53 / 77, 95, 124, 154	5	1.8
21	All Manzate	DSV/Days	53 / 9, 11, 10, 10, 11, 10	7	2.1
22	Untreated Check				33.3
Average					2.1
LSD 5%					2.2
CV %					71.6

Cerc- a lower number is better.

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Evaluate Application Timings for Control of Cercospora Leafspot in Sugarbeets

Using a Susceptible Variety

Hunger Relief, Elkton, MI - 2013

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Trial Quality: Good For Rating	Soil Info: Sandy Clay Loam	Rhizoc Control: Good
Variety: C-RR074NT	2.2% OM, 7.5 pH	Cerc Risk Zone: Red
Planted: May 2	Above Opt. Levels: P, K	Other Problems: Too many gaps for yield
Harvested: Not harvested for data	High: Mn, Low: B	
Plot Size: 6 rows X 40 ft	Added N: 100 lbs	Seed Spacing: 4.1 inches
6 reps	Prev. Crop: Soybeans	Rainfall: 16.2 inches

Row Spacing: 22 inches

No.	Treatment	DSVs or Days	Application Timing	# Appl.	% Leaf Damage Sept 25
1	Triazole Rotation	DSV	43, 68, 86, 94, 121, 148, 159	7	0.2
14	Triazole Rotation	DSV	37, 53, 86, 120, 130, 164	6	0.2
13	Triazole Rotation	DSV	37, 53, 75, 94, 109, 124, 152	7	0.2
9	Triazole Rotation	DSV	66, 85, 108, 120, 155	5	0.2
16	Triazole Rotation	DSV/Days	37 / 15, 21, 10, 14	5	0.3
12	Triazole Rotation	DSV/Days	66 / 23, 12, 10, 14	5	0.3
2	Triazole Rotation	DSV	43, 72, 109, 121, 154	5	0.3
11	Triazole Rotation	DSV/Days	66 / 14, 10, 9, 12, 10, 7	7	0.4
3	Triazole Rotation	DSV/Days	43 / 13, 10, 8, 13, 10, 7, 7	8	0.5
10	Triazole Rotation	DSV	66, 96, 124, 148	4	0.7
4	Triazole Rotation	DSV/Days	43 / 20, 14, 10, 24	5	0.8
7	Triazole Rotation	DSV/Days	53 / 13, 11, 6, 14, 7, 7	7	1.0
8	Triazole Rotation	DSV/Days	53 / 20, 14, 10, 21	5	1.0
15	Triazole Rotation	DSV/Days	37 / 9, 13, 11, 6, 13, 10, 7	8	1.2
5	Triazole Rotation	DSV	53, 75, 94, 109, 130, 157	6	1.3
6	Triazole Rotation	DSV	53, 86, 120, 132, 164	5	1.8
18	All Manzate	DSV	53, 75, 94, 114, 130, 154	6	2.1
20	All Manzate	DSV/Days	53 / 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7	8	2.3
17	All Manzate	DSV	53, 75, 94, 114, 124, 148, 154	7	2.4
21	All Manzate	DSV/Days	53 / 9, 11, 10, 10, 11, 10	7	2.8
19	All Manzate	DSV	53, 77, 95, 124, 154	5	3.0
22	Untreated Check				48.0
Average					3.2
LSD 5%					2.2
CV %					71.6

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Evaluate Fungicides and Application Timings for Cercospora Control

Blumfield, MI - 2013

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Trial Quality: Fair	Soil Info: Sandy Clay Loam	Rhizoc. Control: Good
Variety: C-RR074NT	2.7% OM, 7.7 pH	Cerc. Control: by Trt
Plant: May 6	Above Opt Levels: P, K	Other Problems: Low Cerc level
Harvest: Sept 26	High: Mn, Low: B	
Plot Size: 6 rows X 38 ft, 4 reps	Added N: 100 lbs	Seed Spacing: 4.1 inches
Row Spacing: 22 inch	Prev Crop: Soybeans	Rainfall: 15.2 inches

No	Treatment	Rate/A	Applied		% Leaf Damage Sept 18	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
			DSVs	Days							
12	Manzate	1.6 qt	35		0.2	\$1,013	6020	286	21.1	19.7	93.9
	Inspire + Manzate	7 fl oz, 1.6 qt	50								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	15								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	15								
	Topguard + Manzate	14 fl oz, 1.6 qt	22								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	40								
16	Manzate	1.6 qt	35		0.2	\$1,130	6669	302	22.1	20.5	94.3
	Manzate	1.6 qt	50								
	Inspire + Manzate	7 fl oz, 1.6 qt	18								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	30								
	Topguard + Manzate	14 fl oz, 1.6 qt	15								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	30								
2	Inspire + Manzate	7 fl oz, 1.6 qt	50		0.2	\$1,057	6222	295	21.1	20.1	94.2
	Manzate	1.6 qt	40								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	18								
	Topguard + Manzate	14 fl oz, 1.6 qt	22								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	40								
4	Inspire + Manzate	7 fl oz, 1.6 qt	50		0.2	\$1,041	6130	302	20.3	20.6	94.2
	Manzate	1.6 qt		18							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		10							
	Topguard + Manzate	14 fl oz, 1.6 qt		14							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		18							
11	Manzate	1.6 qt	35		0.3	\$1,123	6629	294	22.6	20.2	94.0
	Inspire + Manzate	7 fl oz, 1.6 qt	50								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	30								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	15								
	Topguard + Manzate	14 fl oz, 1.6 qt	22								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	30								
14	Manzate	1.6 qt	35		0.3	\$1,143	6735	279	24.1	19.0	94.5
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	50								
	Inspire + Manzate	7 fl oz, 1.6 qt	22								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	30								
	Topguard + Manzate	14 fl oz, 1.6 qt	22								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	30								
9	Manzate	1.6 qt	50		0.3	\$1,013	6485	297	21.9	20.2	94.3
	Inspire + Manzate	7 fl oz, 1.6 qt	15								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	30								
	Topguard + Manzate	14 fl oz, 1.6 qt	22								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	30								



Evaluate Fungicides and Application Timings for Cercospora Control

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No	Treatment	Rate/A	Applied		% Leaf Damage Sept 18	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
			DSVs	Days							
1	Inspire + Manzate	7 fl oz, 1.6 qt	50		0.3	\$983	5815	297	19.6	20.2	94.5
	Manzate	1.6 qt	30								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	18								
	Topguard + Manzate	14 fl oz, 1.6 qt	22								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	30								
10	Manzate	1.6 qt	50		0.3	\$1,127	6608	300	22.0	20.4	94.4
	Inspire + Manzate	7 fl oz, 1.6 qt		10							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		18							
	Topguard + Manzate	14 fl oz, 1.6 qt		14							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		18							
13	Manzate	1.6 qt	35		0.4	\$1,146	6756	292	23.1	20.0	94.1
	Inspire + Manzate	7 fl oz, 1.6 qt	50								
	Manzate	1.6 qt		18							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		10							
	Topguard + Manzate	14 fl oz, 1.6 qt		14							
15	Manzate	1.6 qt	35		0.6	\$1,118	6597	300	22.0	20.4	94.3
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	50								
	Inspire + Manzate	7 fl oz, 1.6 qt		14							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		18							
	Topguard + Manzate	14 fl oz, 1.6 qt		12							
8	Super Tin	8 fl oz	50		0.6	\$1,037	6110	300	20.4	20.5	94.1
	Inspire + Manzate	7 fl oz, 1.6 qt		14							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		18							
	Topguard + Manzate	14 fl oz, 1.6 qt		10							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		18							
6	Super Tin	8 fl oz	50		0.6	\$1,017	5998	300	20.1	20.6	93.9
	Inspire + Manzate	7 fl oz, 1.6 qt	22								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	30								
	Topguard + Manzate	14 fl oz, 1.6 qt	18								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	30								
7	Super Tin	8 fl oz	50		0.8	\$1,050	6180	299	20.8	20.5	93.9
	Inspire + Manzate	7 fl oz, 1.6 qt	27								
	Manzate	1.6 qt	30								
	Topguard + Manzate	14 fl oz, 1.6 qt	18								
	Super Tin	8 fl oz	30								
17	Manzate	1.6 qt	35		0.9	\$1,058	6268	293	21.4	20.2	93.8
	Manzate	1.6 qt	50								
	Inspire + Manzate	7 fl oz, 1.6 qt		10							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		18							
	Topguard + Manzate	14 fl oz, 1.6 qt		15							
Super Tin	8 fl oz		15								



Evaluate Fungicides and Application Timings for Cercospora Control

Blumfield, MI - 2013

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No	Treatment	Rate/A	Applied		% Leaf Damage Sept 18	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
			DSVs	Days							
19	Manzate	1.6 qt	50		1.3	\$1,082	6171	291	21.2	20.1	93.7
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		10							
18	Manzate	1.6 qt	50		1.3	\$1,177	6695	300	22.3	20.5	94.1
	Manzate	1.6 qt		20							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		20							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		20							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		20							
3	Headline + Manzate	9.2 fl oz, 1.6 qt	50		2.5	\$1,045	6200	294	21.1	20.2	94.0
	Manzate	1.6 qt		30							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		18							
	Manzate	1.6 qt		18							
	Headline + Manzate	9.2 fl oz, 1.6 qt		22							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		30							
5	Headline + Manzate	9.2 fl oz, 1.6 qt	50		3.0	\$939	5569	297	18.8	20.4	93.9
	Manzate	1.6 qt		18							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		10							
	Headline + Manzate	9.2 fl oz, 1.6 qt		14							
	Super Tin	8 fl oz		18							
20	Untreated Check				9.7	\$929	5107	288	17.8	19.9	93.8
Average					1.2	\$1,066	6248	295	21.2	20.2	94.1
LSD 5%					0.8	127.9	703.5	13.5	2.4	0.7	0.6
CV %					49.7	8.0	8.0	3.2	8.1	2.5	0.5

Comments: Different fungicide sequences were evaluated for Cercospora leaf spot in this small plot replicated trial. Most treatments consisted of triazoles + EBDCs, Super Tin and EBDCs. The most effective treatments started early (35 DSVs) with an EBDC application followed by a triazole tank mix, an EBDC and Super Tin. All of the treatments, including EBDCs alone, gave good leafspot control, with the exception of strobilurin based treatments. The leafspot pressure was moderate and the untreated plots suffered about 3 tons/A yield loss.

Cerc- a lower number is better

\$/A: Gross payment unless noted as net. Calculated assuming a \$50 payment and an average RWST of 275.

Bold: Results are not statistically different from top-ranking variety in each column.



Evaluate Cercospora Leafspot Control with Approved and Experimental Fungicides

Hunger Relief, Elkton, MI - 2013

Trial Quality: Fair **Soil Info:** Sandy Clay Loam **Rhizoc Control:** Good
Variety: B-18RR4N 2.2% OM; 7.5 pH **Cerc Control:** by Trts
Planted: May 3 Above Opt. Levels: P,K **Other Problems:** Soil variation
Harvested: Not Harvested High: Mn, Low: B prevented accurate yield
Plot Size: 6 rows X 40 ft, 6 reps **Added N:** 95 lbs **Beets/100 ft:** 220
Row Spacing: 22 inch **Prev Crop:** Soybeans **Rainfall:** 16.2 inches

No	Treatment	Rate / A	Applied at DSV's	% Leaf Damage Sept 25
2	Inspire + Dithane Manzate	7 fl oz + 1.6 qts 1.6 qts	50, 105 85, 140	2.3
1	Topguard + Dithane Manzate	14 fl oz + 1.6 qts 1.6 qts	50, 105 85, 140	2.5
5	Enable + Dithane + Crop Oil Manzate	8 fl oz + 1.6 qts + 1% v/v 1.6 qts	50, 105 85, 140	2.7
6	Super Tin + Dithane Manzate	8 fl oz + 1.6 qts 1.6 qts	50, 105 85, 140	2.8
11	Cuprofix Manzate	2 lb 1.6 qts	50, 90, 130 70, 110, 150	2.8
10	Kocide 3000 Manzate	2 lb 1.6 qts	50, 90, 130 70, 110, 150	3.3
3	Proline + Dithane + Induce Manzate	5.7 fl oz + 1.6 qts + .13% v/v 1.6 qts	50, 105 85, 140	3.4
15	Bravo + Dithane Manzate	3 pts + 1.6 qts 1.6 qts	50, 105 85, 140	3.7
8	Dithane Manzate	1.6 qts 1.6 qts	50, 90, 130 70, 110, 150	3.9
9	Manzate	1.6 qts	50, 70, 90 110, 130, 150	4.0
4	Eminent + Dithane Manzate	13 fl oz + 1.6 qts 1.6 qts	50, 105 85, 140	4.0
14	Priaxor + Dithane Manzate	8 fl oz + 1.6 qts 1.6 qts	50, 105 85, 140	5.1
13	Gem + Dithane Manzate	3.6 fl oz + 1.6 qts 1.6 qts	50, 105 85, 140	6.6
7	Topsin + Dithane Manzate	20 fl oz + 1.6 qts 1.6 qts	50, 105 85, 140	6.8
12	Headline + Dithane Manzate	9.2 fl oz + 1.6 qts 1.6 qts	50, 105 85, 140	7.2
17	Vertisan + Dithane + Induce Manzate	24 fl oz + 1.6 qts + .13% v/v 1.6 qts	50, 105 85, 140	8.3
16	Vertisan + Dithane Manzate	24 fl oz + 1.6 qts 1.6 qts	50, 105 85, 140	8.8
18	Untreated Check			47.3
Average				7.0
LSD 5%				4.2
CV %				52.1

Comments: The disease level was moderate to high. The triazole, Super Tin, Bravo, EBDC and Copper trts provided good leafspot control. The strobi trts, Topsin and Vertisan were less effective.

Bold: Results not statistically different from top trt. **Cerc:** lower is better



Evaluate Super Tin, Manzate and Cuprofix for Control of Cercospora Leafspot

Average of 2 Locations - 2013

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Summary

Super Tin, Manzate and Cuprofix were evaluated for control of Cercospora leafspot in small plot replicated trials. The trials were conducted in Red Zones (high Cercospora risk). The Cercospora level was lower than normal due to the late planting and a dry summer. Super Tin and Manzate were applied in sequence with triazole fungicides. Manzate was also applied alone and in combination with Cuprofix (7 applications). The best treatment was Manzate applied early (35 DSV) followed by a triazole + Manzate, Super Tin, triazole + Manzate and Manzate + Cuprofix (5 applications total). Similar treatments but without the early Manzate treatments (4 applications) also gave good leafspot control. Seven applications of Manzate alone or Manzate + Cuprofix was somewhat less effective but leafspot control was still in a good range. Manzate alone gave better results than the tank mix of Manzate + Cuprofix. The Cercospora level was moderate in the trials. The untreated plots sustained about 4% leaf damage and lost about 2 tons per acre. Trials in previous years have given similar results. It appears that starting very early (35 DSV) with an EBDC, then following a normal spray schedule gives the best leafspot control. Six to eight EBDC applications applied about 10 days apart has given adequate Cercospora control even under high leafspot pressure in previous years work. It has also become apparent that tank mixing a triazole with an EBDC improves leafspot control compared to a triazole without the tank mix.



Evaluate Super Tin, Manzate and Cuprofix for Control of Cercospora Leafspot

Average of 2 Locations - 2013

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No	Treatment	Rate/A	Applied	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
7	Manzate Eminent + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	2 lb 13 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	35 dsv 50 dsv, 115 dsv 85 dsv 150 dsv	\$1,516	8825	267	32.9	18.0	95.2
2	Inspire + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	7 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	50 dsv, 115 dsv 85 dsv 150 dsv	\$1,497	8677	266	32.4	17.9	95.1
8	Manzate	2 lb	35 dsv, 50 dsv 70 dsv, 90 dsv 110 dsv, 130 dsv 150 dsv	\$1,478	8437	264	31.9	17.8	95.1
5	Manzate Inspire + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	2 lb 7 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	35 dsv 50 dsv, 115 dsv 85 dsv 150 dsv	\$1,476	8603	264	32.3	17.8	95.2
10	Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Topsin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	2 lb 8 fl oz 20 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	35 dsv 50 dsv, 115 dsv 85 dsv 150 dsv	\$1,452	8438	265	31.6	17.8	95.4
6	Manzate Proline + nis + Manz Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	2 lb 5.7 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	35 dsv 50 dsv, 115 dsv 85 dsv 150 dsv	\$1,448	8627	269	31.8	18.2	95.1
4	Eminent + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	13 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	50 dsv, 115 dsv 85 dsv 150 dsv	\$1,446	8397	265	31.4	17.8	95.3
3	Proline + nis + Manz Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	5.7 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	50 dsv, 115 dsv 85 dsv 150 dsv	\$1,432	8497	264	31.9	17.7	95.3
1	Untreated Check			\$1,391	7652	256	29.5	17.4	94.9
9	Cuprofix + Manzate	3 lb + 2 lb	35 dsv, 50 dsv 70 dsv, 90 dsv 110 dsv, 130 dsv 150 dsv	\$1,337	7966	262	30.2	17.8	94.8
Average				\$1,447	8412	264	31.6	17.8	95.1
LSD 5%				70.4	377.0	5.2	1.3	0.3	0.4
CV %				4.0	3.9	1.7	3.6	1.4	0.3

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Evaluate Super Tin, Manzate and Cuprofix for Control of Cercospora Leafspot

Average of 2 Locations - 2013

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No	Treatment	Rate/A	Applied	Net \$/A	% Leaf Damage	Stand B/100'	Vigor 0-10	Color 0-10
7	Manzate Eminent + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	2 lb 13 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	35 dsv 50 dsv, 115 dsv 85 dsv 150 dsv	\$1,516	0.6	194	7.8	7.0
2	Inspire + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	7 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	50 dsv, 115 dsv 85 dsv 150 dsv	\$1,497	0.8	199	7.7	7.3
8	Manzate	2 lb	35 dsv, 50 dsv 70 dsv, 90 dsv 110 dsv, 130 dsv 150 dsv	\$1,478	0.8	196	7.5	7.1
5	Manzate Inspire + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	2 lb 7 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	35 dsv 50 dsv, 115 dsv 85 dsv 150 dsv	\$1,476	0.8	201	7.6	7.3
10	Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Topsin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	2 lb 8 fl oz 20 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	35 dsv 50 dsv, 115 dsv 85 dsv 150 dsv	\$1,452	1.0	196	7.5	7.0
6	Manzate Proline + nis + Manz Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	2 lb 5.7 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	35 dsv 50 dsv, 115 dsv 85 dsv 150 dsv	\$1,448	0.7	198	7.8	7.1
4	Eminent + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	13 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	50 dsv, 115 dsv 85 dsv 150 dsv	\$1,446	0.8	201	7.6	7.3
3	Proline + nis + Manz Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	5.7 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	50 dsv, 115 dsv 85 dsv 150 dsv	\$1,432	0.7	197	7.7	7.1
1	Untreated Check			\$1,391	4.2	193	6.7	6.0
9	Cuprofix + Manzate	3 lb + 2 lb	35 dsv, 50 dsv 70 dsv, 90 dsv 110 dsv, 130 dsv 150 dsv	\$1,337	1.2	197	7.5	7.5
Average				\$1,447	1.1	197.2	7.5	7.1
LSD 5%				70.4	0.3	ns(14.4)	0.5	0.4
CV %				4.0	24.9	6.3	5.4	4.7

Vigor- a higher number is better. **Color**- a higher number is darker green. **Cerc**- a lower number is better.

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Bold: Results are not statistically different from top-ranking variety in each column.



Evaluate Super Tin, Manzate and Cuprofix for Control of Cercospora Leafspot

English, Breckenridge, MI - 2013

Trial Quality: Good	Soil Info: Sandy Loam	Rhizoc Control: Fair-Good
Variety: C-RR059	3.0% OM, 6.9 pH	Cerc Control: by Trt
Planted: May 7	Above Opt. Levels: P, K	Other Problems: None
Harvested: Oct 25	High: Mn, Low: B	Seeding Rate: 4.1 inch
Plot Size: 6 rows X 38 ft, 6 reps	Added N: Manure + 50 lbs	Rainfall: 14.8 inches
Row Spacing: 22 inch	Prev Crop: Wheat/Clover	

No	Treatment	Rate/A	Applied	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
2	Inspire + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	7 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 28, Jul 16 Jul 11 Aug 5	\$1,918	10994	278	39.6	18.6	95.3
7	Manzate Eminent + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	2 lb 13 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 19 Jun 28, Jul 16 Jul 11 Aug 5	\$1,910	10996	272	40.4	18.4	94.9
3	Proline + nis + Manz Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	5.7 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 28, Jul 16 Jul 11 Aug 5	\$1,858	10842	275	39.5	18.4	95.4
8	Manzate	2 lb	Jun 19, Jun 28 Jul, 9, Jul 11 Jul 19, Jul 26 Aug 16	\$1,853	10499	268	39.2	18.2	94.7
5	Manzate Inspire + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	2 lb 7 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 19 Jun 28, Jul 16 Jul 11 Aug 5	\$1,849	10657	279	38.2	18.7	95.2
10	Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Topsin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	2 lb 8 fl oz 20 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 19 Jun 28, Jul 16 Jul 11 Aug 5	\$1,841	10579	275	38.5	18.4	95.4
4	Eminent + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	13 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 28, Jul 16 Jul 11 Aug 5	\$1,816	10435	276	37.8	18.5	95.2
6	Manzate Proline + nis + Manz Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	2 lb 5.7 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 19 Jun 28, Jul 16 Jul 11 Aug 5	\$1,803	10580	277	38.1	18.7	95.1
9	Cuprofix + Manzate	3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 19, Jun 28 Jul, 9, Jul 11 Jul 19, Jul 26 Aug 16	\$1,717	10060	269	37.4	18.3	94.8
1	Untreated Check			\$1,791	9852	267	36.8	18.1	95.0
Average				\$1,836	10549	274	38.6	18.4	95.1
LSD 5%				112.6	619.1	6.9	2.0	0.4	0.6
CV %				5.0	5.0	2.2	4.4	1.8	0.6

\$/A: Gross dollars per acre assuming a \$50 payment.

Bold: Results are not statistically different from top-ranking variety in each column.



Evaluate Super Tin, Manzate and Cuprofix for Control of Cercospora Leafspot

English, Breckenridge, MI - 2013

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No	Treatment	Rate/A	Applied	Cerc 0-9 Sept 24	Vigor 0-10 Sept 24	Color 0-10 Sept 24	Stand B/100' July 11
6	Manzate Proline + nis + Manz Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	2 lb 5.7 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 19 Jun 28, Jul 16 Jul 11 Aug 5	0.5	7.5	6.5	197
5	Manzate Inspire + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	2 lb 7 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 19 Jun 28, Jul 16 Jul 11 Aug 5	0.5	7.5	6.8	209
7	Manzate Eminent + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	2 lb 13 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 19 Jun 28, Jul 16 Jul 11 Aug 5	0.6	7.7	6.4	196
4	Eminent + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	13 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 28, Jul 16 Jul 11 Aug 5	0.6	7.5	6.8	208
10	Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Topsin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	2 lb 8 fl oz 20 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 19 Jun 28, Jul 16 Jul 11 Aug 5	0.6	7.3	6.4	202
3	Proline + nis + Manz Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	5.7 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 28, Jul 16 Jul 11 Aug 5	0.6	7.8	6.6	202
2	Inspire + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	7 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 28, Jul 16 Jul 11 Aug 5	0.6	7.7	6.7	202
8	Manzate	2 lb	Jun 19, Jun 28 Jul 9, Jul 11 Jul 19, Jul 26 Aug 16	0.7	7.5	6.6	198
9	Cuprofix + Manzate	3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 19, Jun 28 Jul, 9, Jul 11 Jul 19, Jul 26 Aug 16	0.8	7.3	6.9	199
1	Untreated Check			3.1	7.2	5.8	194
Average				0.9	7.5	6.5	200
LSD 5%				0.3	0.6	0.6	ns(18.6)
CV %				26.6	6.5	7.7	7.9

Vigor- a higher number is better. **Color**- a higher number is darker green. **Cerc**- a lower number is better.
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Evaluate Super Tin, Manzate and Cuprofix for Control of Cercospora Leafspot

Spero, South Saginaw, MI - 2013

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Trial Quality: Good **Soil Info:** Sandy Clay Loam **Rhizoc Control:** Fair-Good
Variety: C-RR059 3.9% OM, 7.3 pH **Cerc Control:** by Trt
Planted: May 8 Above Opt. Levels: P, K **Other Problems:** Moderate
Harvested: Sept 24 High: M, Low: B Lygus
Plot Size: 6 rows X 38 ft, 6 reps **Added N:** 125 lbs **Seeding Rate:** 4.4 inch
Row Spacing: 22 inch **Prev Crop:** Wheat/Clover **Rainfall:** 14.3 inches

No	Treatment	Rate/A	Applied	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Beets/ 100 ft
7	Manzate	2 lb	Jun 26	\$1,121	6653	263	25.3	17.6	95.6	193
	Eminent + Manzate	13 fl oz	Jul 3, Jul 30							
	Super Tin + Manzate	8 fl oz	Jul 12							
	Cuprofix + Manzate	3 lb + 2 lb	Aug 29							
5	Manzate	2 lb	Jun 26	\$1,102	6550	249	26.3	16.9	95.1	193
	Inspire + Manzate	7 fl oz	Jul 3, Jul 30							
	Super Tin + Manzate	8 fl oz	Jul 12							
	Cuprofix + Manzate	3 lb + 2 lb	Aug 29							
8	Manzate	2 lb	Jun 26, Jul 3 Jul 12, Jul 18 Jul 25, Aug 9 Aug 30	\$1,103	6375	259	24.6	17.4	95.4	194
6	Manzate	2 lb	Jun 26	\$1,093	6675	261	25.6	17.6	95.1	199
	Proline + nis + Manz	5.7 fl oz	Jul 3, Jul 30							
	Super Tin + Manzate	8 fl oz	Jul 12							
	Cuprofix + Manzate	3 lb + 2 lb	Aug 29							
2	Inspire + Manzate	7 fl oz	Jul 3, Jul 30	\$1,075	6360	254	25.1	17.3	94.9	197
	Super Tin + Manzate	8 fl oz	Jul 16							
	Cuprofix + Manzate	3 lb + 2 lb	Aug 29							
4	Eminent + Manzate	13 fl oz	Jul 3, Jul 30	\$1,075	6359	255	25.0	17.2	95.3	193
	Super Tin + Manzate	8 fl oz	Jul 16							
	Cuprofix + Manzate	3 lb + 2 lb	Aug 29							
10	Manzate	2 lb	Jun 26	\$1,063	6296	256	24.6	17.3	95.3	190
	Super Tin + Manzate	8 fl oz	Jul 3, Jul 30							
	Topsin + Manzate	20 fl oz	Jul 12							
	Cuprofix + Manzate	3 lb + 2 lb	Aug 29							
3	Proline + nis + Manz	5.7 fl oz	Jul 3, Jul 30	\$1,005	6151	253	24.4	17.0	95.3	191
	Super Tin + Manzate	8 fl oz	Jul 16							
	Cuprofix + Manzate	3 lb + 2 lb	Aug 29							
1	Untreated Check			\$991	5452	245	22.2	16.7	94.8	193
9	Cuprofix + Manzate	3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 26, Jul 3 Jul 12, Jul 18 Jul 25, Aug 9 Aug 30	\$956	5871	255	23.0	17.3	94.9	195

Average	\$1,058	6282	255	24.6	17.2	95.2	194
LSD 5%	75.1	451.6	10.1	1.5	0.5	0.5	8.2
CV %	5.6	6.2	3.4	5.3	2.6	0.6	8.6

\$/A: Gross payment unless noted as net. Calculated assuming a \$50 payment and an average RWST of 275.

Bold: Results are not statistically different from top-ranking variety in each column.



Evaluate Super Tin, Manzate and Cuprofix for Control of Cercospora Leafspot

Spero, South Saginaw, MI - 2013

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No	Treatment	Rate/A	Applied	Cerc 0-9 Sept 24	Cerc 0-9 Aug 23	Vigor 0-10 Sept 24	Color 0-10 Sept 24	Lygus 0-10 Sept 24
7	Manzate Eminent + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	2 lb 13 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 26 Jul 3, Jul 30 Jul 12 Aug 29	0.7	0.1	7.9	7.7	8.1
6	Manzate Proline + nis + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	2 lb 5.7 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 26 Jul 3, Jul 30 Jul 12 Aug 29	0.8	0.0	8.0	7.8	7.8
3	Proline + nis + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	5.7 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jul 3, Jul 30 Jul 16 Aug 29	0.8	0.1	7.6	7.7	8.2
8	Manzate	2 lb	Jun 26, Jul 3 Jul 12, Jul 18 Jul 25, Aug 9 Aug 30	0.9	0.4	7.6	7.6	7.4
5	Manzate Inspire + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	2 lb 7 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 26 Jul 3, Jul 30 Jul 12 Aug 29	1.0	0.1	7.8	7.9	8.2
2	Inspire + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	7 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jul 3, Jul 30 Jul 16 Aug 29	1.0	0.2	7.7	7.9	8.5
4	Eminent + Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	13 fl oz 8 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jul 3, Jul 30 Jul 16 Aug 29	1.0	0.2	7.8	7.8	8.4
10	Manzate Super Tin + Manzate Topsin + Manzate Cuprofix + Manzate	2 lb 8 fl oz 20 fl oz 3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 26 Jul 3, Jul 30 Jul 12 Aug 29	1.4	0.2	7.7	7.7	7.9
9	Cuprofix + Manzate	3 lb + 2 lb	Jun 26, Jul 3 Jul 12, Jul 18 Jul 25, Aug 9 Aug 30	1.6	0.4	7.8	8.2	7.6
1	Untreated Check			5.3	2.9	6.2	6.2	5.8
Average				1.4	0.5	7.6	7.6	8.3
LSD 5%				0.5	0.2	0.7	0.6	3.4
CV %				30.5	40.3	8.0	7.3	35.1

Vigor- a higher number is better. **Color**- a higher number is darker green.

Cerc- a lower number is better. **Lygus**- a lower number is better.

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Control of Cercospora Leafspot in Sugarbeets With Vertisan and Dithane

Average of 2 Locations - 2013

Study Director: Marsha Martin, Bond McInnes, Dupont

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No	Treatment	Rate/A	Appl DSV	Cerc 0-9	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
1	Inspire +	7 fl oz	50, 150	1.5	\$1,487	8530	258	32.9	17.4	95.1
	Dithane	1.6 qt	50, 150							
	Dithane	1.6 qt	85, 120							
2	Topguard +	14 fl oz	50, 150	1.5	\$1,471	8462	257	32.6	17.4	95.2
	Dithane	1.6 qt	50, 150							
	Dithane	1.6 qt	85, 120							
3	Proline +	5.7 fl oz	50, 150	1.7	\$1,490	8700	257	33.6	17.4	95.2
	Dithane +	1.6 qt	50, 150							
	Induce	0.13% v/v	50, 150							
	Dithane	1.6 qt	85, 120							
6	Manzate	1.6 qt	50, 70, 90, 110, 130, 150	2.0	\$1,463	8308	252	32.7	17.0	95.2
5	Vertisan +	24 fl oz	50, 150	2.1	\$1,463	8485	251	33.6	17.0	95.0
	Dithane +	1.6 qt	50, 150							
	Induce	0.13% v/v	50, 150							
	Dithane	1.6 qt	85, 120							
4	Vertisan +	24 fl oz	50, 150	2.1	\$1,427	8366	255	32.5	17.2	95.4
	Dithane	1.6 qt	50, 150							
	Dithane	1.6 qt	85, 120							
8	Kocide 3000	2 lb	50, 70, 90, 110, 130, 150	2.4	\$1,446	8216	256	32.0	17.3	95.0
7	Cuprofix	2 lb	50, 70, 90, 110, 130, 150	2.5	\$1,433	8143	249	32.6	16.9	95.0
9	Untreated Check			4.0	\$1,416	7786	247	31.3	16.8	94.9
Average				2.2	\$1,455	8333	253	32.6	17.2	95.1
LSD 5%				0.5	132.3	727.9	7.9	2.1	0.5	0.4
CV %				10.3	3.8	3.8	1.4	2.8	1.3	0.2

Comments: Vertisan provided effective Cercospora leafspot control in sugarbeets and was superior to copper applications. Triazole and Dithane treatments were somewhat better. An EBDC alone also provided adequate leafspot control.

Cerc- a lower number is better

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Control of Cercospora Leafspot in Sugarbeets With Vertisan and Dithane

English, Breckenridge, MI - 2013

Study Director: Marsha Martin, Bond McInnes, Dupont

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Trial Quality: Good	Soil Info: Sandy Loam	Rhizoc Control: Good
Variety: C-059RR	3.0% OM; 6.9 pH	Cerc Control: By Trt
Planted: May 7	Above Opt Levels: P, K	Seeding Rate: 4.1 inches
Harvested: Oct 25	High: Mn, Low: B	Other Problems: None
Plot Size: 6 rows X 38 ft	Added N: Manure + 50 lbs	Rainfall: 14.8 inches
6 reps	Prev Crop: Wheat/Clover	
Row Spacing: 22 inch		

No	Treatment	Rate/A	Applied	Cerc 0-9 Sept 13	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
2	Topguard + Dithane Dithane	14 fl oz 1.6 qt 1.6 qt	Jul 1, Aug 16 Jul 9, Jul 16	1.3	\$1,866	10657	269	39.7	18.1	95.0
1	Inspire + Dithane Dithane	7 fl oz 1.6 qt 1.6 qt	Jul 1, Aug 16 Jul 9, Jul 16	1.4	\$1,871	10642	267	40.0	18.1	94.8
3	Proline + Dithane + Induce Dithane	5.7 fl oz 1.6 qt 0.13% v/v 1.6 qt	Jul 1, Aug 16 Jul 9, Jul 16	1.8	\$1,907	11019	267	41.3	18.1	94.9
4	Vertisan + Dithane Dithane	24 fl oz 1.6 qt 1.6 qt	Jul 1, Aug 16 Jul 9, Jul 16	1.8	\$1,823	10376	268	38.7	18.1	95.0
5	Vertisan + Dithane + Induce Dithane	24 fl oz 1.6 qt 0.13% v/v 1.6 qt	Jul 1, Aug 16 Jul 9, Jul 16	2.0	\$1,818	10528	259	40.6	17.7	94.6
6	Manzate	1.6 qt	Jul 1, Jul 9 Jul 16, Jul 26 Aug 16, Aug 29	2.2	\$1,827	10314	262	39.4	17.7	95.2
8	Kocide 3000	2 lb	Jul 1, Jul 9 Jul 16, Jul 26 Aug 16, Aug 29	2.3	\$1,749	9882	261	37.9	17.7	94.8
7	Cuprofix	2 lb	Jul 1, Jul 9 Jul 16, Jul 26 Aug 16, Aug 29	2.4	\$1,735	9805	256	38.3	17.4	94.8
9	Untreated Check			3.6	\$1,753	9640	258	37.5	17.6	94.5
Average				2.1	\$1,816	10318	263	39.3	17.9	94.8
LSD 5%				0.3	82.5	453.7	11.5	1.3	0.6	ns(0.7)
CV %				10.3	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.0	2.8	0.7

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Control of Cercospora Leafspot in Sugarbeets With Vertisan and Dithane

Spero, South Saginaw, MI - 2013

Study Director: Marsha Martin, Bond McInnes, Dupont

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Trial Quality:	Fair-Good	Soil Info:	Sandy Clay Loam	Rhizoc Control:	Good
Variety:	B-17RR32		3.9% OM: 7.3 pH	Cerc Control:	By trt
Planted:	May 8		Above Opt. Levels: P, K	Seeding Rate:	4.1 inches
Harvested:	Sept 24		High: Mn, Low: B	Other Problems:	None
Plot Size:	6 rows X 38 ft	Added N:	125 lbs	Rainfall:	14.3 inches
	6 reps	Prev Crop:	Wheat/Clover		
Row Spacing:	22 inch				

No	Treatment	Rate/A	Applied	Cerc 0-9 Sept 24	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
1	Inspire + Dithane Dithane	7 fl oz 1.6 qt 1.6 qt	Jul 3, Aug 5 Jul 12, Jul 16	1.6	\$1,103	6419	249	25.8	16.7	95.5
3	Proline + Dithane + Induce Dithane	5.7 fl oz 1.6 qt 0.13% v/v 1.6 qt	Jul 3, Aug 5 Jul 12, Jul 16	1.7	\$1,072	6382	246	25.9	16.6	95.4
2	Topguard + Dithane Dithane	14 fl oz 1.6 qt 1.6 qt	Jul 3, Aug 5 Jul 12, Jul 16	1.7	\$1,076	6268	246	25.5	16.6	95.3
6	Manzate	1.6 qt	Jul 3, Jul 12 Jul 16, Jul 25 Aug 9, Aug 30	1.9	\$1,098	6303	242	26.0	16.4	95.3
5	Vertisan + Dithane + Induce Dithane	24 fl oz 1.6 qt 0.13% v/v 1.6 qt	Jul 3, Aug 5 Jul 12, Jul 16	2.2	\$1,107	6441	242	26.6	16.3	95.5
8	Kocide 3000	2 lb	Jul 3, Jul 12 Jul 16, Jul 25 Aug 9, Aug 30	2.5	\$1,143	6550	251	26.1	17.0	95.2
4	Vertisan + 'Dithane Dithane	24 fl oz 1.6 qt 1.6 qt	Jul 3, Aug 5 Jul 12, Jul 16	2.5	\$1,091	6355	242	26.2	16.3	95.7
7	Cuprofix	2 lb	Jul 3, Jul 12 Jul 16, Jul 25 Aug 9, Aug 30	2.6	\$1,130	6481	242	26.8	16.4	95.2
9	Untreated Check			4.3	\$1,078	5931	236	25.1	16.0	95.2
Average				2.3	\$1,100	6348	244	26.0	16.5	95.4
LSD 5%				0.5	68.3	375.8	10.6	1.3	0.6	0.5
CV %				16.8	5.1	5.1	3.7	4.4	3.2	0.5

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Evaluate Topguard + Koverall for Cercospora Control in Sugarbeets

Blumfield, MI - 2013

Trial Quality: Good	Soil Info: Sandy Clay Loam	Rhizoc Control: Good
Variety: B-17RR32	2.7% OM, 7.7 pH	Cerc Control: by Trt
Planted: June 6	Above Opt. Levels: P, K	Problems: None
Harvested: Sept 26	High: Mn, Low: B	Seed Spacing: 4.1 inches
Plot Size: 6 rows X 35 ft, 5 reps	Added N: 100 lbs	Rainfall: 15.2 inches
Row Spacing: 22 inch	Prev Crop: Soybeans	

No	Treatment	Rate/A	Applied		% Leaf Damage	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
			DSVs	Days							
5	Topguard + Koverall + Induce	10 fl oz, 2 lb 0.125 % v/v	50		0.3	\$1,702	9989	313	32.0	20.9	95.1
	Super Tin + Koverall +	8 fl oz, 2 lb		14							
	Topguard + Koverall +	10 fl oz, 2 lb 0.125 % v/v		21							
	Super Tin + Koverall	8 fl oz, 2 lb		14							
1	Topguard + Koverall + Induce	14 fl oz, 2 lb 0.125 % v/v	50		0.4	\$1,487	9056	300	30.2	20.0	95.4
	Topguard + Koverall + Induce	14 fl oz, 2 lb 0.125 % v/v		21							
	Topguard + Koverall + Induce	14 fl oz, 2 lb 0.125 % v/v		21							
	Topguard + Koverall + Induce	14 fl oz, 2 lb 0.125 % v/v		21							
4	Topguard + Koverall + Induce	14 fl oz, 2 lb 0.125 % v/v	50		0.5	\$1,559	9199	300	30.6	20.1	95.2
	Super Tin + Koverall	8 fl oz, 2 lb		14							
	Topguard + Koverall + Induce	14 fl oz, 2 lb 0.125 % v/v		21							
	Super Tin + Koverall	8 fl oz, 2 lb		14							
2	Topguard + Koverall + Induce	14 fl oz, 2 lb 0.125 % v/v	50		1.3	\$1,591	9462	306	30.9	20.6	94.8
	Topsin M + Super Tin	20 oz, 8 fl oz		14							
	Topguard + Koverall + Induce	14 fl oz, 2 lb 0.125 % v/v		14							
	Topsin M + Super Tin	20 oz, 8 fl oz		14							
3	Topguard + Topsin M	14 fl oz, 20 oz	50		1.9	\$1,554	9251	305	30.3	20.5	94.9
	Topguard + Topsin M	14 fl oz, 20 oz		21							
	Topguard + Topsin M	14 fl oz, 20 oz		21							
	Topguard + Topsin M	14 fl oz, 20 oz		21							
6	Untreated Check				14.0	\$1,562	8589	293	29.3	19.8	94.7
Average					3.1	\$1,576	9258	302.7	30.6	20.3	95.0
LSD 5%					2.3	138.7	762.8	17.8	1.0	ns(1.2)	ns(0.7)
CV %					56.2	6.3	6.3	4.5	2.5	4.6	0.6

Comments: Topguard + Koverall (EBDC) based treatments provided good leafspot control. The treatments containing Topsin were less effective. The leafspot level was moderate.

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Cercospora - Ballad Fungicide

Mossner Farms LLC, Frankenmuth - 2013

Trial Quality: Excellent	Soil Info: Loam	Rhizoc Control: Good Control: Quadris I.F. & 6-8 Leaf
Variety: B-19RR1N	Fertilizer: GPS applied P&K; 2x2: 15 gal. of 19-8-1 w/ 3S, 1pt B, 1qt Mn; SD: 90# N	Cerc Control: See Comments: 4 applications
Planted: May 4		
Harv/Samp: Oct 28 / Oct 24		
Plot Size: 4 reps	Prev Crop: Dry beans	
Row Spacing: 28 inch	Weather:	Other Pests: None
Seeding Rate: 58,000		

Treatment	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
Ballad Plus	\$1,635	8991	331	27.2	21.5	96.5
Check	\$1,583	8709	325	26.8	21.2	96.2
Average	\$1,609	8850	328	27.0	21.4	96.3
LSD 5%	—	ns (429)	ns (9)	ns (1.3)	ns (0.5)	ns (0.4)
CV %	—	2	2	2.1	1.4	0.3

Comments: Ballad Plus is a biological fungicide that has been promoted as a tank mix partner for the primary fungicides instead of the EBDC fungicides. Both the Ballad Plus and check treatments consisted of fungicide application on 4 different dates. The Ballad Plus treatments were: 1. Proline + EBDC (7/11/13), 2. Gem + Ballad Plus (1 qt/ac) (7/30/13), 3. Inspire + Ballad Plus (1 qt/ac) (8/22/13), 4. Ballad Plus (2 qt/ac) (9/17/13). The check treatments were: 1. Proline + EBDC (7/11/13), 2. Gem + EBDC (7/30/13), 3. Inspire + EBDC (8/22/13), 4. Kocide (2 lb/ac) (9/17/13). Visual observations appeared to show no difference in leafspot control between the Ballad Plus treatment and the check treatment. Very little leafspot was seen in the trial. Further testing of product needs to be done to validate its effectiveness. Use product with caution.

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Efficacy of application of foliar fungicides for control of *Cercospora* leaf spot in sugar beet, 2013.

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Sugar beet cv. ACH RR-824 was PAT-treated and planted at the Michigan State University Bean and Beet Farm, Richville, MI on 8 May. Seed was planted at 1" depth into four-row by 50-ft plots (ca. 4.375 in. between plants to give a target population of 275 plants/100ft. row) with 30" between rows replicated four times in a randomized complete block design. Fertilizer was drilled into plots immediately before planting, formulated according to results of soil tests (125 lb 46-0-0/A). No additional nitrogen was applied to the growing crop. Plots were inoculated by spraying a conidial suspension of *C. beticola* collected from infected sugarbeet foliar residue from the previous season on 16 Jun across all plots. Fungicides were applied starting after the 45 Beetcast disease severity values were recorded in the area on 1 Jul (Ontario Weather Network, Ridgetown, ON, Canada), applications were initiated on 12 Jul and three to five applications were made as specified in the table below. Fungicides were applied with a hand-held R&D spray boom delivering 25 gal/A (80 p.s.i.) and using three XR11003VS nozzles per row. Induce 480XL 0.25 % v/v was applied where indicated as "Induce" on the results table unless a different rate was indicated. Weeds were controlled by cultivation and with Roundup Original Max 2.0 pt/A applied at GS2-4 and GS 6-8. Insects were controlled as necessary. Foliar leaf spot severity (%) was measured on 24 Aug and 5 Sep using a 0 – 10 scale; 0= 0%; 1= 1 - 5, 0.1%; 2= 6 -12, 0.35%; 3= 13 - 25, 0.75%; 4= 26 - 50, 1.5%; 5= 51 - 75, 2.5%; spots/leaf or severity %; respectively; 6= 3% (proven economic damage); 7= 6%; 8= 12%; 9= 25%; and 10≥ 50% severity. Beetroots were machine-harvested on 19 Sep and individual treatments were weighed. Sugar content was measured at the Michigan Sugar Company analytical service laboratory. Meteorological variables were measured with a Campbell weather station located at the farm, latitude 43.3995 and longitude -83.6980 deg. Average daily air temperature (°F) was 60.7, 65.3, 70.4, 67.1, 58.8 and 51.1 (May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, and Oct, respectively) and the number of days with maximum temperature >90°F over the same period was 0, 0, 5, 0, 1 and 0 (in 2012 there were 12 days for Aug). Average daily relative humidity (%) over the same period was 59.1, 66.1, 68.3, 63.1, 69.0, 68.1 and 70.1. Precipitation over the same period was 3.43, 1.73, 2.03, 1.85, 0.58 and 3.26". There were 182 Beetcast DSV values accumulated in the Saginaw area from 1 May to 9 Sep at Richville, MI.

Weather conditions during the growing season at Richville, MI were very conducive for the development of *Cercospora* leaf spot (CLS) for most of the season and of note were the hot and humid conditions during Jul. During Aug, conditions were less conducive for CLS with no days in excess of 90°F. CLS reached an index of about 8.3, 8.8, 8.8, 9.8 and 10.0 in the not-treated control by 16, 23, 29 and 4 and 18 Aug, respectively (not all data not shown in table). CLS severity (%) reached 22.5, 32.5, 38.8, 65.0 and 87.5% in the not-treated control by 16, 23, 29 and 4 and 18 Aug, respectively (not all data not shown in table). Treatments with CLS severity (%) less than 80.0% had significantly less CLS than the not-treated control by 18 Aug. All treatments had significantly less CLS RAUDPC values than the not-treated control (47.9) by 18 Aug. Treatments with CLS indices less than 8.8 had significantly less *Cercospora* leaf spot than the not-treated control (10.0) by 18 Aug. Several treatments had substantial disease development [CLS indices >6 (proven economic impact)] by 4 Aug and many more by the end of the evaluation period. Treatments with yield greater than 18.0 t/A had significantly greater yield per acre than the untreated control (14.4 t/A). Treatments with recoverable white sucrose per acre greater than 5341 lb had significantly greater yield per acre than the untreated control (4215 lb/A). Transient and minor (~5% of leaf area) foliar phytotoxicity (leaf bronzing) was observed after the first application in some of the triazole treatments but not in subsequent treatments (data not shown).

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Treatment and rate/A	Cercospora leaf spot			Yield (t/A)	RWSAd (lb)
	Severity (%) 18 Sep 19 DAFAa	RAUDPCb (0-100) 29 Aug	Bayer 0-10 scalec		
Topguard 1.04SC 10 fl oz (ACEGe).....	5.3 Kl f	8.6 j-n	5.5 h-l	22.2 a-f	6175 a-g
Eminent 11.6SL 13 fl oz (ACEG).....	4.3 kl	9.9 h-n	5.5 h-l	19.3 c-m	5061 f-o
Inspire XT 2.08SC 7 fl oz (ACEG).....	4.3 kl	7.0 lmn	4.3 l	20.4 a-j	5493 d-l
Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz (ACEG).....	38.8 efg	25.7 de	8.8 a-d	17.3 i-p	4699 k-o
Proline 480SC 5.7 fl oz (ACEG).....	3.8 l	7.5 k-n	4.5 kl	19.6 b-l	5483 d-m
Tilt 3.6EC 4 fl oz (ACEG).....	21.3 hi	14.6 f-j	8.0 b-e	19.4 b-m	5406 d-n
Enable 2F 8 fl oz (ACEG).....	37.5 fg	26.1 de	8.8 a-d	17.9 g-p	5008 g-o
Eminent 11.6SL 13 fl oz (AG); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + NISg(C); Topsin 4.5FL 7.6 fl oz + Manzate 75WG 2 lb (E).....	12.5 i-l	16.0 f-i	7.0 e-h	18.5 g-o	4970 g-o
Roundup 3AS 32 fl oz + Koverall 75DF 2 lb (AE); Topguard 1.04SC 10 fl oz + Koverall 75DF 1.5 lb + NIS (CG).....	7.5 jkl	12.6 g-n	6.5 e-i	20.3 a-j	5520 d-l
Topguard 1.04SC 10 fl oz + Koverall 75DF 1.5 lb + NIS (AE); Koverall 75DF 2 lb + NIS (CG).....	5.5 kl	9.7 h-n	5.8 g-l	19.7 b-k	5709 b-k
Topguard 1.04SC 14 fl oz + CHA-064 4.17SC 15 fl oz (ACEG).....	7.5 jkl	12.1 g-n	6.5 e-i	21.3 a-h	5425 d-m
Inspire XT 2.08SC 7 fl oz + Dithane F45 4F 51 fl oz + NIS (A); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + NIS (C); Priaxor 4.17SC 7 fl oz + NIS (E); Enable 2F 8 fl oz + NIS (G).....	6.3 kl	10.5 h-n	6.3 f-j	19.9 b-k	5668 c-k
Inspire XT 2.08SC 7 fl oz + Dithane F45 4F 51 fl oz + NIS (A); Dith- ane F45 4F 51 fl oz + NIS (CE); Enable 2F 8 fl oz + NIS (G).....	6.3 kl	10.2 h-n	6.3 f-j	24.0 a	6149 a-h
Inspire XT 2.08SC 7 fl oz + Dithane F45 4F 51 fl oz + NIS (A); Dithane F45 4F 51 fl oz + Priaxor 4.17SC 7 fl oz + NIS (C); Dith- ane F45 4F 51 fl oz + NIS (E); Enable 2F 8 fl oz + Dithane F45 4F 51 fl oz + NIS (G).....	4.8 kl	7.3 lmn	5.3 i-l	17.1 j-p	4733 k-o
Inspire XT 2.08SC 7 fl oz + Dithane F45 4F 51 fl oz + NIS (A); Dith- ane F45 4F 51 fl oz + NIS (C,E); Enable 2F 8 fl oz + Dithane F45 4F 51 fl oz + NIS (G).....	7.5 jkl	9.8 h-n	6.5 e-i	20.2 b-k	5663 c-k
SA-0040104 100SL 13 fl oz + Koverall 75DF 1.5 lb (AG); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz (C); Headline 2.09SC 9 fl oz (E).....	4.0 kl	6.3 n	5.3 i-l	19.3 c-m	4734 k-o
SA-0040104 100SL 13 fl oz + Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz (AG); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Topsin 4.5FL 7.6 fl oz (C); Headline 2.09SC 9 fl oz (E).....	7.5 jkl	11.6 g-n	6.5 e-i	19.3 c-m	5231 d-o

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SA-0040104 100SL 13 fl oz + Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz (A); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz (C); Headline 2.09SC 9 fl oz (E).....	7.5 jkl	11.1 g-n	6.5 e-i	19.0 d-n	5199 e-o
SA-0040104 100SL 13 fl oz + Koverall 75DF 1.5 lb (A); Koverall 75DF 1.5 lb + Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz (C); Headline 2.09SC 9 fl oz (E).....	4.8 kl	6.6 mn	5.3 i-l	22.4 a-e	6056 a-j
SA-0040104 100SL 13 fl oz + Koverall 75DF 1.5 lb (A); Koverall 75DF 1.5 lb + Headline 2.09SC 9 fl oz (C); Super Tin 80WP 8 fl oz (E).....	10.0 i-l	10.2 h-n	7.0 e-h	20.6 a-j	5616 c-k
SA-0040104 100SL 13 fl oz + Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz (A); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Headline 2.09SC 9 fl oz + Koverall 75DF 1.5 lb (C); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz (E).....	67.5 b	38.8 b	10.0 a	15.5 nop	4277 mno
SA-0040104 100SL 13 fl oz + Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz (A); Koverall 75DF 1.5 lb + Headline 2.09SC 9 fl oz (C); Topsin 4.5FL 7.6 fl oz + Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz (E).....	11.3 i-l	11.9 g-n	7.3 d-g	19.1 d-n	5424 d-m
SA-0040104 100SL 13 fl oz + Echo 720SC 16 fl oz (A); Echo 720SC 16 fl oz (C); Headline 2.09SC 9 fl oz (E).....	11.3 i-l	10.8 g-n	7.0 e-h	19.6 b-l	5778 b-k
SA-0040104 100SL 13 fl oz + Echo 100F 24 fl oz (A); Echo 100F 16 fl oz (C); Headline 2.09SC 9 fl oz (E).....	80.0 a	37.5 b	10.0 a	17.2 i-p	4853 j-o
SA-0040104 100SL 13 fl oz + Echo 100F 16 fl oz (A); Echo 100F 16 fl oz + Topsin 4.5FL 7.6 fl oz (C); Headline 2.09SC 9 fl oz (E).....	50.0 cde	25.9 de	9.5 ab	18.6 f-o	5399 d-n
SA-0040303 100SL 32 fl oz + Echo 100F 16 fl oz (A); Echo 100F 16 fl oz + Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Topsin 4.5FL 7.6 fl oz (C); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz (E).....	10.0 i-l	11.9 g-n	7.0 e-h	20.1 b-k	5211 d-o
SA-0040303 100SL 24 fl oz + Koverall 75DF 1.5 lb (A); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Topsin 4.5FL 7.6 fl oz (C); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Koverall 75DF 1.5 lb (E).....	21.3 hi	16.0 f-i	7.8 c-f	18.8 e-n	5008 g-o
SA-0040104 100SL 13 fl oz + Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz (A); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Topsin 4.5FL 7.6 fl oz (C); Headline 2.09SC 9 fl oz (E).....	41.3 efg	28.3 cd	8.8 a-d	23.1 ab	6121 a-i
Echo 720SC 24 fl oz (ACEG).....	30.5 gh	21.1 ef	7.8 c-f	20.6 a-j	5633 c-k
Echo 720SC 18 fl oz (ABCDEFGF).....	12.5 i-l	14.8 f-j	7.3 d-g	17.8 h-p	4930 i-o

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Inspire 2.08SC 7 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (A); Man- zate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (C); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (E).....	4.3 kl	6.5 mn	5.5 h-l	20.8 a-i	5627 c-k
Proline 480SC 5.7 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (A); Man- zate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (C); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (E).....	6.5 jkl	8.8 j-n	5.8 g-l	15.1 op	4187 o
Eminent 11.6SL 13 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (A); Man- zate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (C); Inspire XT 2.08SC 7 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (E).....	5.0 kl	7.9 k-n	6.0 g-k	18.0 g-p	4832 k-o
Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (A); Man- zate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (C); Inspire XT 2.08SC 7 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (E).....	11.3 i-l	13.5 g-l	7.0 e-h	20.1 b-k	5626 c-k
Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (A); Man- zate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (C); Proline 480SC 5.7 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (E).....	10.3 i-l	11.5 g-n	6.5 e-i	18.6 f-o	5561 d-k
Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (A); Man- zate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (C); Eminent 11.6SL 13 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (E).....	18.8 hij	17.3 fg	7.8 c-f	18.9 e-n	5341 d-o
Inspire XT 2.08SC 7 fl oz (A); Manzate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (C); Cupro- fix Ultra Disperss 40DF 2 lb (E); Inspire XT 2.08SC 7 fl oz (G).....	7.5 jkl	11.6 g-n	6.5 e-i	17.2 i-p	4813 k-o
Inspire 2.08SC 7 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (A); Cupro- fix Ultra Disperss 40DF 2 lb (E); Inspire 2.08SC 7 fl oz (G).....	6.3 kl	12.0 g-n	6.3 f-j	20.9 a-i	6266 a-f
Inspire XT 2.08SC 7 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (A); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 2 lb (C); Inspire XT 2.08SC 7 fl oz + Cuprofix Ultra Disperss 40DF 2 lb (G).	16.3 ijk	16.4 fgh	7.8 c-f	16.6 k-p	4609 k-o
CHA064 1.04SC 15 fl oz (ACEG).....	47.5 def	25.2 de	9.0 abc	17.8 h-p	5319 d-o
Headline 2.09SC 9 fl oz (ACEG).....	60.0 bc	27.7 cde	9.5 ab	15.9 l-p	4329 l-o
IR14360 1ME 13 fl oz (AG); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Topsin 4.5FL 10 fl oz (C); Headline 2.09SC 9 fl oz (E).....	6.8 jkl	11.0 g-n	6.0 g-k	20.6 a-j	5626 c-k
IR14360 1ME 10 fl oz + Super Tin 4L 6 fl oz (A); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Topsin 4.5FL 10 fl oz (C); Headline 2.09SC 12 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 32 oz (E); IR14360 1ME 10 fl oz (G).....	6.3 kl	11.8 g-n	6.3 f-j	22.9 abc	6885 ab

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IR14360 1ME 13 fl oz + Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz (A); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Topsin 4.5FL 10 fl oz (C); Headline 2.09SC 12 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 32 oz (E); IR14360 1ME 13 fl oz (G).....	5.0 kl	9.5 i-n	6.0 g-k	18.4 g-o	4955 h-o
IRF168 2.53L 22 fl oz (AG); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz (C); Headline 2.09SC 12 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 32 oz (E).....	7.5 jkl	10.3 h-n	6.5 e-i	19.2 d-n	5684 b-k
ISF010F 1.5SC 17 fl oz + Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz (A); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Topsin 4.5FL 10 fl oz (C); Headline 2.09SC 12 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 32 oz (E); ISF010F 1.5SC 17 fl oz (G).....	5.5 kl	8.5 j-n	5.8 g-l	22.7 a-d	6418 a-d
ISF010F 1.5SC 14 fl oz + Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz (A); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Topsin 4.5FL 10 fl oz (AC); Headline 2.09SC 12 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 32 oz (E); ISF010F 1.5SC 14 fl oz (G).....	10.0 i-l	12.9 g-n	6.8 e-i	19.3 c-m	5548 d-k
Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Topsin 4.5FL 10 fl oz (A); IR14360 1ME 13 fl oz + Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz (C); Headline 2.09SC 12 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 32 oz (E); IR14360 1ME 13 fl oz (G).....	12.5 i-l	15.8 f-i	7.3 d-g	21.3 a-h	6301 a-e
IR14360 1ME 13 fl oz + Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz (A); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Topsin 4.5FL 10 fl oz (AC); Headline 2.09SC 12 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 32 oz + Badge 2.27L 32 fl oz (E); IR14360 1ME 13 fl oz (G).....	5.0 kl	10.3 h-n	6.0 g-k	19.8 b-k	5517 d-l
IR14360 1ME 13 fl oz + Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz (A); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Badge 2.27L 32 fl oz + opsin 4.5FL 10 fl oz (C); Headline 2.09SC 12 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 32 oz + Badge 2.27L 32 fl oz (E); IR14360 1ME 13 fl oz (G).....	10.0 i-l	14.0 g-k	7.0 e-h	20.9 a-i	6266 a-f
IR14360 1ME 13 fl oz + Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Badge 2.27L 32 fl oz (A); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Badge 2.27L 32 fl oz + Topsin 4.5FL 10 fl oz (C); Headline 2.09SC 12 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 32 oz + Badge 2.27L 32 fl oz (E); IR14360 1ME 13 fl oz (G).....	7.5 jkl	10.0 h-n	6.5 e-i	18.8 e-n	5647 c-k

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IR14360 1ME 16 fl oz (AG); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Topsin 4.5FL 10 fl oz (C); Headline 2.09SC 12 fl oz (E)	10.0 i-l	13.7 g-l	6.8 e-i	19.4 b-m	6097 a-i
IR14360 1ME 19.2 fl oz (AG); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Topsin 4.5FL 10 fl oz (C); Headline 2.09SC 12 fl oz (E)	5.0 kl	8.2 j-n	4.8 jkl	21.6 a-g	6413 a-d
IR14360 1ME 16 fl oz (A); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Topsin 4.5FL 10 fl oz (C); Headline 2.09SC 12 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 32 oz + IRF160 100L 1 qt/a (E); IR14360 1ME 16 fl oz + IRF160 100L 1 qt/a (EG).....	7.5 jkl	13.1 g-m	6.5 e-i	19.5 b-m	5642 c-k
IR14360 1ME 13 fl oz (A); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Topsin 4.5FL 10 fl oz (C); Headline 2.09SC 12 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 32 oz + IRF160 100L 1 qt/a (E); IR14360 1ME 13 fl oz + IRF160 100L 1 qt/a (EG).....	10.0 i-l	13.4 g-l	6.8 e-i	20.4 a-j	6284 a-e
Eminent 125SL 13 fl oz + Diffusion 60L 2 gal/a (A); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Diffusion 60L 2 gal/a (C); Topsin 4.5FL 10 fl oz + Diffusion 60L 2 gal/a (E); Headline 2.09SC 12 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 32 oz + Diffu- sion 60L 2 gal/a (G).....	6.8 jkl	11.6 g-n	6.0 g-k	24.0 a	6812 abc
Eminent 125SL 13 fl oz + Diffusion 60L 2 gal/a (A); Super Tin 4L 8 fl oz + Diffusion 60L 2 gal/a (C); Topsin 4.5FL 10 fl oz + Diffusion 60L 2 gal/a (E); Headline 2.09SC 12 fl oz + Manzate Prostick 75DF 32 oz + Diffu- sion 60L 2 gal/a (G).....	8.8 jkl	13.6 g-l	6.8 e-i	22.7 a-d	7105 a
Not treated check.....	87.5 a	47.9 a	10.0 a	14.4 p	4215 no

^a DAFA= Days after final fungicide application

^b RAUDPC = The relative area under the percentage late blight disease progress curve calculated for each treatment from the date of the first evaluation to 29 Aug, a period of 33 days (Max = 100)

^c Foliar leaf spot severity; 0 - 10 scale; 0 = 0%; 1 = 1 - 5, 0.1%; 2 = 6 - 12, 0.35%; 3 = 13 - 25, 0.75%; 4 = 26 - 50, 1.5%; 5 = 51 - 75, 2.5%; spots/leaf or severity %; respectively; 6 = 3% (proven economic damage); 7 = 6%; 8 = 12%; 9 = 25%; and 10 ≥ 50% severity

^d RWSA = Recoverable White Sucrose per Acre (Ton/A* Recoverable White Sucrose per Ton of sugarbeet)

^e Application dates: A= 12 Jul; B= 19 Jul; C= 26 Jul; D= 2 Aug; E= 9 Aug; F= 16 Jul; G= 23 Aug; H= 30 Aug. Underlined letters indicate that Diffusion 60L was applied immediately after and separately from the fungicide

^f Means followed by same letter are not significantly different at p = 0.05 (Fishers LSD)

^g Induce applied at 0.25% v/v



Evaluation of products for management of Cercospora leaf spot in sugarbeet

Ridgetown, Ontario, Canada

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Trial Quality:	Good	Variety:	RR074NT
Planted:	May 3	Location:	Ridgetown, Ontario, Canada
Harvested:	October 8	Application Method:	hand-held boom, CO ₂ pressure
Plot Size:	2 rows x 23 feet	Application Water Volume:	24.7 gal/A
Row Spacing:	2.5 feet	Reps:	4
Seeding Rate:	7.6 seeds/foot		

Materials: Inspire (difenoconazole), Headline (pyraclostrobin), Senator (thiophanate-methyl), Parasol WG (copper hydroxide), Manzate Pro-Stick DF (mancozeb), Switch (cyprodinil + fludioxinil), Bravo ZN (chlorothalonil), Luna Tranquility (fluopyram + pyrimethanil), Serenade Max (*Bacillus subtilis* QST 713), Fontelis (penthiopyrad), Taegro (*Bacillus subtilis* var. *amyloliquefaciens* FZB24), 496/A + 497/B (unknown)

Treatment (per acre) ^z	Disease severity rating (0 - 10) ^y					AUDPC ^x	Beets (T/ac)	RWSA
	29 July	8 Aug	20 Aug	13 Sept	29 Sept			
Nontreated control	0.5 a ^w	0.7 a	1.0 b	5.9 bc	6.8 bc	174 bc	25.8 a	6356 ab
Inspire EC 0.70 qt	0.1 a	0.1 a	0.2 a	1.5 a	1.3 a	39 a	28.9 a	7931 a
Headline EC 0.35 qt	0.1 a	0.5 a	0.8 ab	6.7 c	7.7 bc	186 bc	26.3 a	6460 ab
Senator 70WP 0.44 lb	0.2 a	0.3 a	0.7 ab	6.9 c	8.0 bc	187 bc	25.4 a	6336 ab
Parasol WG 3.78 lb	0.3 a	0.6 a	0.7 ab	3.3 ab	5.2 ab	110 ab	26.4 a	6885 ab
Manzate Pro-Stick DF 2.00 lb	0.5 a	0.6 a	1.0 b	5.6 bc	6.8 bc	168 bc	24.9 a	5936 ab
Switch 62.5 WG 0.87 lb	0.5 a	0.8 a	1.1 b	6.1 bc	7.1 bc	182 bc	22.3 a	5508 b
Bravo ZN 1.41 qt	0.2 a	0.5 a	1.0 b	5.7 bc	7.0 bc	169 bc	27.7 a	7227 ab
Luna Tranquility 0.35 qt	0.4 a	0.7 a	0.9 ab	4.6 abc	6.2 abc	145 bc	24.3 a	5928 ab
Serenade Max 0.88 qt	0.3 a	0.5 a	0.9 ab	5.5 abc	6.9 bc	163 bc	24.6 a	5928 ab
Fontelis 0.77 qt	0.5 a	0.8 a	1.4 b	7.3 c	7.9 bc	215 c	26.9 a	6457 ab
Taegro WP 0.33 lb + Agral 90 0.125% v/v	0.3 a	0.7 a	0.8 ab	7.1 c	7.6 c	196 c	21.8 a	5209 b
496/A 2.07 qt + 497/B 0.13 qt	0.4 a	0.6 a	0.8 ab	5.9 bc	7.3 bc	174 bc	24.0 a	6109 ab

^z The applications were applied on 2 July, 30 July, Sept 5, except for Fontelis which was applied on 7 Sept. Timings were equivalent to 53, 62, and 63 DSVs.

^y Mean severity ratings on a scale of 0 to 10 are presented, where 0 = healthy foliage and 10 = original foliage completely destroyed.

^x Area under the disease progress curve (AUDPC) represents total disease accumulation over the season.

^w Numbers in a column followed by the same letter are not significantly different at $P \leq 0.05$, Tukey's adjustment. Numbers in bold are different from the control in the same column.

Summary: Cercospora leaf spot was first observed on 16 July. Inspire reduced the AUDPC to levels lower than the nontreated control and all other fungicide treatments except Parasol WG. Parasol WG and Luna Tranquility were equivalent to Inspire on 13 and 29 Sept, and Serenade Max was equivalent to Inspire on 13 Sept. Recoverable white sucrose was higher in treatment Inspire than treatments Switch and Taegro + Agral 90. The trial was conducted using Beetcast 55/50/50 for timing of fungicide applications; however, the actual timings were at 53, 62, and 63 DSVs. The extended spray intervals may have limited the effectiveness of some fungicides.

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Evaluation of products for management of Cercospora leaf spot in sugarbeet

Pain Court, Ontario, Canada

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Trial Quality:	Very Good	Variety:	173RR
Planted:	May 17	Location:	Pain Court, Ontario, Canada
Harvested:	October 15	Application Method:	hand-held boom, CO ₂ pressure
Plot Size:	2 rows x 23 feet	Application Water Volume:	12.1 or 24.7 gal/A
Row Spacing:	2.5 feet	Reps:	4
Seeding Rate:	7.6 seeds/foot		

- The fungicide program consisted of the following fungicides: first application was Proline + Manzate Pro-Stick, second application was Manzate Pro-Stick alone, third application was Proline + Manzate Pro-Stick, and any subsequent applications were Manzate Pro-Stick alone. Proline EC (prothioconazole) was applied at 0.16 qt/A and Manzate Pro-Stick DF (mancozeb) was applied at 2.00 lb/A.

Treatment (# fungicide applications) ^z	Application water volume (gal/A)	DSV Start Date	AUDPC ^x	CJP	Sugar (%)	RWST	Beets (T/ac)	RWSA
Untreated	Untreated	Untreated	106 a	94.1 a	16.1 a	232 a	33.4 a	7771 a
Calendar (9)	12.1	May 1	27 ef	94.8 a	16.9 a	247 a	31.2 a	7704 a
Calendar (9)	24.7	May 1	21 ef	94.5 a	16.6 a	242 a	34.1 a	8229 a
Calendar (9)	12.1	May 24	23 ef	94.7 a	16.4 a	240 a	31.2 a	7487 a
Calendar (9)	24.7	May 24	18 f	94.6 a	16.7 a	243 a	34.3 a	8344 a
BEETcast™ 50/35 (5)	12.1	May 1	39 cde	94.3 a	16.9 a	246 a	36.1 a	8783 a
BEETcast™ 50/35 (5)	24.7	May 1	31 de	94.5 a	17.0 a	247 a	31.8 a	7862 a
BEETcast™ 50/35 (5)	12.1	May 24	39 cde	94.5 a	16.9 a	246 a	33.2 a	8166 a
BEETcast™ 50/35 (5)	24.7	May 24	32 def	94.4 a	16.5 a	239 a	33.2 a	7889 a
BEETcast™ 55/50 (4)	12.1	May 1	67 b	94.4 a	16.7 a	243 a	33.3 a	8081 a
BEETcast™ 55/50 (4)	24.7	May 1	65 b	94.6 a	17.2 a	251 a	33.0 a	8316 a
BEETcast™ 55/50 (4)	12.1	May 24	55 bc	94.0 a	17.0 a	245 a	32.4 a	7903 a
BEETcast™ 55/50 (4)	24.7	May 24	48 bcd	94.1 a	16.4 a	237 a	37.0 a	8755 a
<i>Contrasts</i>								
	12.1	-	42 a	94.5 a	16.8 a	245 a	32.9 a	8021 a
	24.7	-	36 b	94.5 a	16.7 a	243 a	33.9 a	8233 a
	-	May 1	42 a	94.5 a	16.9 a	246 a	33.3 a	8163 a
	-	May 24	36 b	94.4 a	16.7 a	242 a	33.6 a	8091 a

^z Fungicide applications were made on 1 Jul, 15 Jul, 30 Jul, 29 Aug, and 14 Sept for program 50/35 and actual DSVs were 52/34/37/44/35, on 4 Jul, 25 Jul, and 29 Aug for program 55/50 and actual DSVs were 58/51/56, and 4 Jul, 20 Jul, 30 Jul, 13 Aug, 23 Aug, 3 Sept, and 14 Sept with the first application at 58 DSVs.

^x Area under the disease progress curve (AUDPC) represents total disease accumulation over the season. A lower number is better.

^w Numbers in a column followed by the same letter are not significantly different at $P \leq 0.05$, Tukey's adjustment. Numbers in bold are different from the control in the same column.



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Pain Court, Ontario, Canada

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Summary: Disease incidence in the trial was moderate and CLS symptoms in the trial were not detected until Aug 12. All programs provided some reduction in disease severity. The Calendar program, which included 9 fungicide applications, provided the greatest reduction in disease, however, the BEETcast™ 50/35 program provided an equivalent reduction in disease using approximately 45% fewer fungicide applications. The CLS severity was relatively higher in the BEETcast™ 55/50 program than the the BEETcast™ 50/35 program and this may be an indication that shorter spray intervals are needed to manage CLS when only two applications of a highly effective fungicide such as Proline are permitted, and additional fungicide applications are made with a protectant fungicide such as Manzate Pro-Stick.

The results also indicate that adjustments made to improve fungicide coverage, such as increasing water volume from 115 to 235 L Ha⁻¹ can improve disease management. Furthermore, the finding that disease severity was lower when DSV accumulation began at crop emergence (May 24) compared to the arbitrary start date of May 1 suggests that there is potential to improve timing of DSV accumulation in the BEETcast™ program. This will be explored further in the spore trapping portion of this project.

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Evaluation of fungicide programs and application water volume for management of *Cercospora* leaf spot in sugarbeet

Ridgetown, Ontario, Canada

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Trial Quality:	Good	Variety:	RR074NT
Planted:	May 3	Location:	Ridgetown, Ontario, Canada
Harvested:	October 9	Application Method:	hand-held boom, CO ₂ pressure
Plot Size:	2 rows x 23 feet	Application Water Volume:	12.1 or 24.7 gal/A
Row Spacing:	2.5 feet	Reps:	4
Seeding Rate:	7.6 seeds/foot		

- The fungicide program consisted of the following fungicides: first application was Proline + Manzate Pro-Stick, second application was Manzate Pro-Stick alone, third application was Proline + Manzate Pro-Stick, and any subsequent applications were Manzate Pro-Stick alone. Proline EC (prothioconazole) was applied at 0.16 qt/A and Manzate Pro-Stick DF (mancozeb) was applied at 2.00 lb/A.

Treatment (# fungicide applications) ^z	Application water volume (gal/A)	AUDPC ^x	CJP	Sugar (%)	RWST	Beets (T/ac)	RWSA
Untreated (0)	None	175 a	95.1 a	14.2 a	253 a	28.3 a	7878 a
Calendar (7)	12.1	72 cd	95.7 a	17.4 a	261 a	30.4 a	7886 a
Calendar (7)	24.7	58 d	95.3 a	17.4 a	259 a	31.3 a	8025 a
BEEtcast™ 50/35 (5)	12.1	92 bcd	95.7 a	17.4 a	260 a	30.9 a	8019 a
BEEtcast™ 50/35 (5)	24.7	83 bcd	95.7 a	17.8 a	267 a	31.0 a	8257 a
BEEtcast™ 55/50 (3)	12.1	126 abc	95.4 a	17.7 a	264 a	27.2 a	7169 a
BEEtcast™ 55/50 (3)	24.7	137 ab	95.8 a	18.1 a	272 a	29.5 a	8014 a
<i>Contrast</i>							
	12.1	97 a	95.6 a	17.5 a	262 a	29.5 a	7691 a
	24.7	93 a	95.6 a	17.8 a	266 a	30.6 a	8099 a

^z Fungicide applications were made on 1 Jul, 15 Jul, 30 Jul, 29 Aug, and 14 Sept for program 50/35 and actual DSVs were 52/34/37/44/35, on 4 Jul, 25 Jul, and 29 Aug for program 55/50 and actual DSVs were 58/51/56, and 4 Jul, 20 Jul, 30 Jul, 13 Aug, 23 Aug, 3 Sept, and 14 Sept with the first application at 58 DSVs.

^x Area under the disease progress curve (AUDPC) represents total disease accumulation over the season. A lower number is better.

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Summary: Disease incidence in the trial was moderate and both the calendar and BEEtcast™ 50/35 programs reduced disease levels. The number of fungicide applications was lower in treatments with the BEEtcast™ 50/35 program (5 sprays) compared to Calendar spray programs (7 sprays). Disease severity in the BEEtcast™ 55/50 program was equivalent to the calendar program and this may be an indication that shorter spray intervals are needed to manage *Cercospora* leaf spot when only two applications of a highly effective fungicide such as Proline are permitted and additional fungicide applications are made with a protectant fungicide such as Manzate Pro-Stick. Application water volume did not affect disease severity.

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Spore activity of *Cercospora beticola*, causal agent of *Cercospora* leaf spot of sugarbeet, in a commercial sugar beet field

Ridgetown, Ontario, Canada

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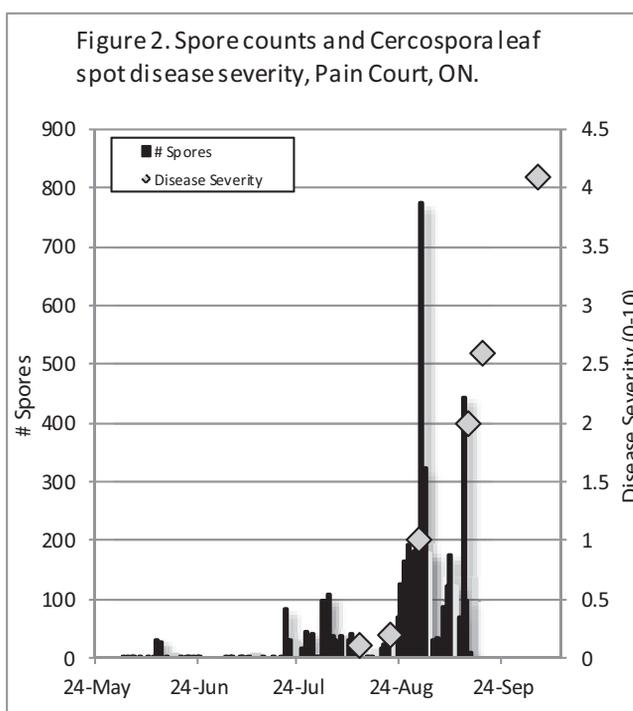
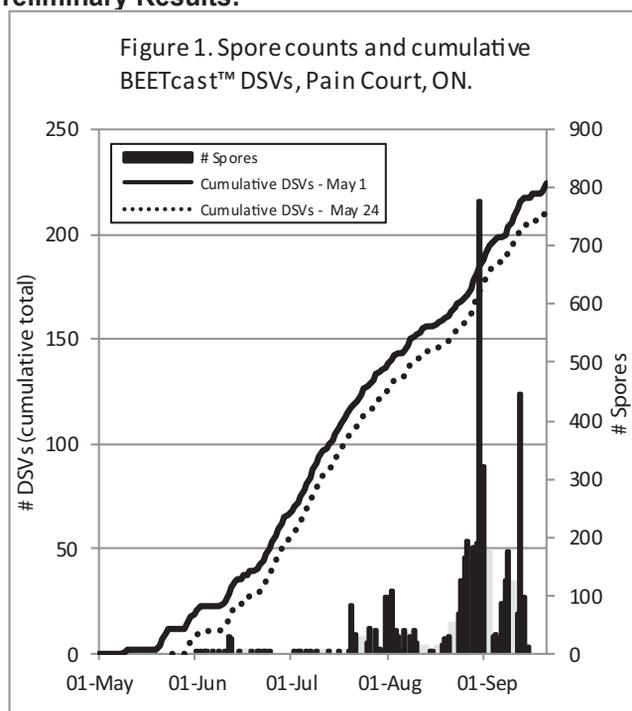
Trial Quality: Good **Variety:** 173RR
Planted: May 17 **Location:** Pain Court, Ontario, Canada
Harvested: October 15

Method: A Burkard 7-day volumetric spore trap was set up on May 17. A weather station operated by Weather INnovations (WIN) at the site monitored relative humidity, air temperature, and rainfall. The spore trap suctioned pathogen spores from the air and deposits them on a piece of sticky tape where they can be counted. On some occasions during the trapping period, the spore trap malfunctioned. These events are noted by light gray bars or line sections in the figures. The commercial field and adjacent fungicide trial were scouted weekly for symptoms of *Cercospora* leaf spot and symptoms were first confirmed on August 12.

Preliminary Conclusions:

- In the early part of the season, the relationship between weather variables, DSV accumulation and spore counts was not apparent, however, spore counts were very low. Additional research is required to understand the role of early season spore activity in disease epidemics.
- In the second half of the season DSV accumulation tended to increase when spore counts increased. Disease symptoms were first observed approximately 3 weeks after the first spore peak and 10 days after the second spore peak in July.

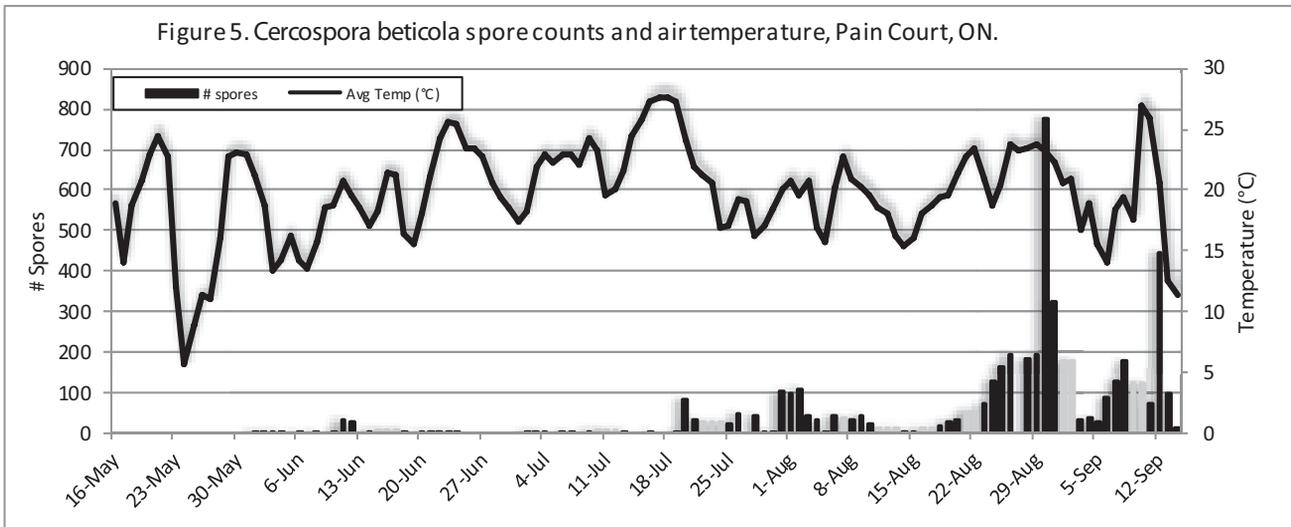
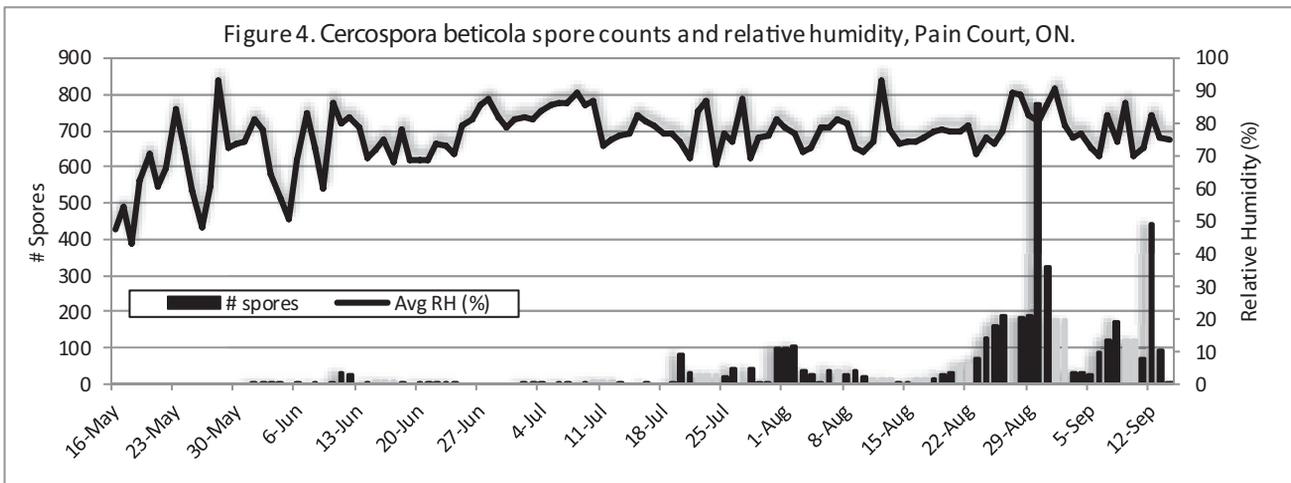
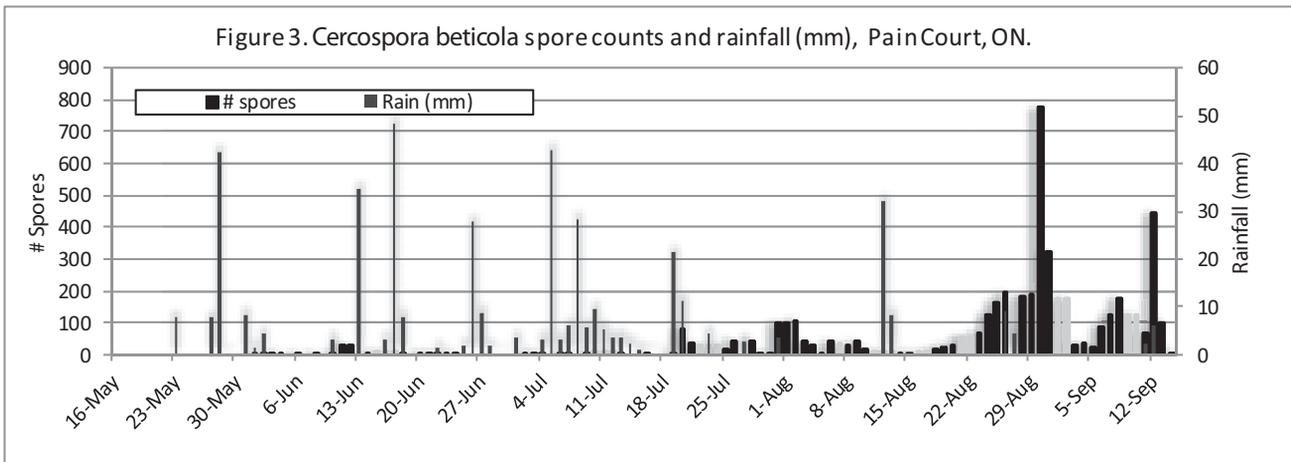
Preliminary Results:



Spore activity of *Cercospora beticola*, causal agent of *Cercospora* leaf spot of sugarbeet, in a commercial sugar beet field

Ridgetown, Ontario, Canada

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Aphanomyces Quality Experiment Spartan Acres (Knoerr), Freeland - 2013

Trial Quality: Good

Planted: May 8

Plot Size: 3 reps

Variety: C-RR074NT

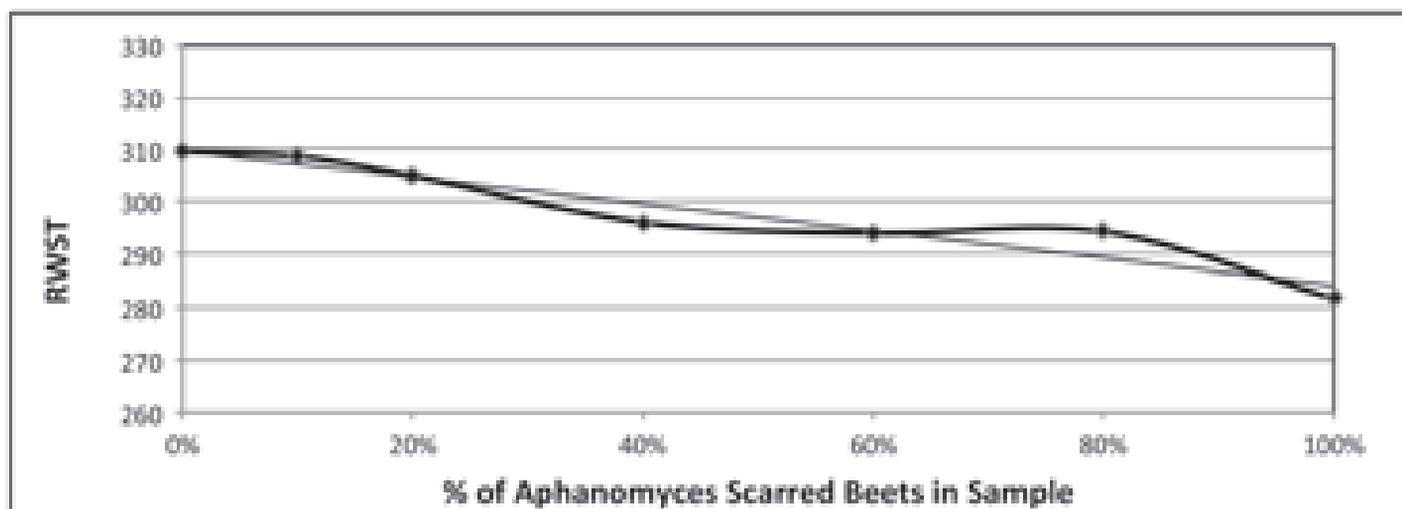
Sampled: Oct 29

Prev Crop: Wheat / Radish

Aphanomyces in the Great Lakes growing area can be a significant problem that will cause die off of sugarbeet seedlings and scarring on roots of mature plants. Currently the disease is managed by early planting, Tachigaron treated seed and plant resistance. This disease is favored by warm wet soil conditions. Plants that are infected as seedlings and survive, have a scarred root (scabby) and wrinkled appearance. Aphanomyces will affect yield and quality depending on the severity.

This study was conducted to examine the impact that Aphanomyces scarred roots (not rotted) have on quality if they are processed. Scarred and healthy beets were collected for beet quality sampling. Each quality sample contained 10 beets. Samples were mixed in 20% increments ranging from zero diseased beets to 100% of the roots having scarring. Aphanomyces scarred roots will significantly affect beet quality as heavier concentrations of diseased beets are included. Recoverable sugar per ton was reduced up to 22 pounds per ton of recoverable sugar and 1.5% in sugar content when all the beets in the sample had significant scarring.

Treatment	RWST	% Sugar	% CJP
0% - No Beets had Significant Scarring	310	20.4	95.8
10% of Beets had Significant Scarring	309	20.4	95.8
20% of Beets had Significant Scarring	305	20.2	95.7
40% of Beets had Significant Scarring	296	19.6	95.7
60% of Beets had Significant Scarring	294	19.5	95.8
80% of Beets had Significant Scarring	294	19.7	95.1
100% of Beets had Significant Scarring	282	18.9	95.2
LSD 5%	14	0.8	0.7
CV %	3	2.4	0.4





Evaluate Seed Treatments (Kabina, Metlock, Rizolex, Maxim) for Rhizoctonia Control in Sugarbeets

Summary

We have been evaluating Kabina (penthiopyrad), Metlock, Rizolex and Maxim seed treatments in sugarbeets for Rhizoctonia control. In general these seed treatments provide effective Rhizoctonia control but will not stand up to heavy Rhizoctonia pressure, and Quadris applications will still be needed in problem areas.

Kabina: This product has been tested in Michigan for 5 years. We have determined the rate needed (7 to 14 grams per unit of seed). The 14 gram rate has been better than the 7 gram rate. Results from the Red River Valley and Southern Minnesota have been more positive than our results, however, we feel that Kabina will help control Rhizoctonia, especially in combination with Quadris. **Metlock + Rizolex:** These fungicide seed treatments from Valent also provide control of Rhizoctonia in sugarbeets. We have less experience with Metlock and Rizolex. This treatment has been reported to slow down emergence and reduce stand, however, we have not found it to be a problem in our trials. In one trial it appeared that emergence was reduced but the late season stand was higher than other treatments, indicating that the Metlock + Rizolex treatment kept more beets from dying. **Quadris** will be needed in areas with a significant Rhizoctonia problem. We have also tested Maxim from Syngenta. This is another fungicide that controls Rhizoctonia in sugarbeets. We do not have a lot of experience with this product. Overall: These new seed treatments will help control Rhizoctonia in sugarbeets, however, for fields with a history of Rhizoctonia problems Quadris will also be needed.



Evaluate Kabina Seed Treatments For Control Of Rhizoctonia Solani

Crumbaugh, Breckenridge, MI - 2013

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Trial Quality: Fair	Soil Info: Sandy Clay Loam	Rhizoc Control: by Trt
Variety: by Trt	3.0% OM; 7.1 pH	Cerc Control: Good
Planted: May 17	Above Opt. Levels: P, K	Seeding Rate: 4.1 inch
Harvested: Sept 17	High: Mn, Low: B	Other Pests: None
Plot Size: 6 rows X 50 ft, 6 reps	Added N: 100 lbs	Rainfall: 12.3 inches
Row Spacing: 22 inch	Prev Crop: Soybeans	

No	Treatment	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
8	Kabina 14 g Quadris IF Apron+Thiram+Tach 20	\$713	3919	217	18.0	15.1	94.3
7	Kabina 14 g Apron+Thiram+Tach 20	\$694	3815	219	17.4	15.2	94.3
9	Kabina 14 g Quadris IF + Foliar Apron+Thiram+Tach 20	\$693	3810	216	17.6	15.1	94.0
2	Quadris IF Apron+Thiram+Tach 20	\$666	3663	211	17.2	14.8	93.9
3	Quadris IF + Foliar Apron+Thiram+Tach 20	\$653	3590	215	16.6	15.2	93.7
6	Kabina 7 g Quadris IF + Foliar Apron+Thiram+Tach 20	\$615	3381	211	16.0	14.9	93.6
5	Kabina 7 g Quadris IF Apron+Thiram+Tach 20	\$610	3356	211	15.9	14.8	94.1
4	Kabina 7 g Apron+Thiram+Tach 20	\$586	3220	210	15.3	14.8	93.8
1	Apron+Thiram+Tach 20	\$578	3182	209	15.2	14.7	93.7
Average		\$642	3533	213	16.5	15.0	94.0
LSD 5%		133.2	732.3	9.2	ns(3.0)	ns(0.5)	ns(0.7)
CV %		18.0	18.0	3.8	15.5	2.7	0.6



Evaluate Kabina Seed Treatments For Control Of Rhizoctonia Solani

Crumbaugh, Breckenridge, MI - 2013

No	Treatment	Total Dead 100 ft	Dead 100 ft Aug 2	Dead 100 ft Aug 30	Stand 100 ft May 30	Stand 100 ft Aug 2	Stand Loss %	Vigor 0-10 July 24	Vigor 0-10 Sept 12
9	Kabina 14 g Quadris IF + Foliar Apron+Thiram+Tach 20	25.5	8.5	17.0	122	114	6.3	7.0	7.2
3	Quadris IF + Foliar Apron+Thiram+Tach 20	28.8	12.7	16.2	125	117	6.8	6.5	7.0
8	Kabina 14 g Quadris IF Apron+Thiram+Tach 20	29.5	13.5	16.0	150	120	19.7	6.5	7.2
6	Kabina 7 g Quadris IF + Foliar	29.5	14.0	15.5	128	121	5.4	6.5	7.0
7	Kabina 14 g Apron+Thiram+Tach 20	33.8	14.5	19.3	145	110	22.7	6.8	6.8
2	Quadris IF Apron+Thiram+Tach 20	36.0	15.3	20.7	154	110	28.6	6.3	6.9
5	Kabina 7 g Quadris IF	38.0	19.7	18.3	147	111	24.2	6.1	6.8
4	Kabina 7 g Apron+Thiram+Tach 20	42.5	18.0	24.5	148	110	25.3	6.8	7.0
1	Apron+Thiram+Tach 20	47.5	19.8	27.7	143	92	35.8	5.6	6.3
Average		36.6	16.4	20.2	138	109	20.2	6.4	6.8
LSD 5%		14.7	7.3	8.9	14.0	13.3	8.7	1.1	ns(1.0)
CV %		34.7	38.8	38.2	8.8	10.6	37.4	14.3	12.6

Comments: We have been evaluating Kabina (penthiopyrad) seed treatment for Rhizoctonia control for several years. The 14 gm rate has provided better results than the 7 gm rate. Kabina reduces Rhizoctonia problems in sugarbeets but Quadris is also needed in areas with significant Rhizoctonia infections. Kabina does not reduce sugarbeet emergence.

Vigor- a higher number is better

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Evaluate Metlock and Rizolex Seed Treatments in Sugarbeets

Helmreich, Bay City, MI - 2013

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No	Seed Treatment	Rate	Unit	\$/A	Early Stand B/100 ft	Final Stand B/100 ft	Early - Final 100 ft	Dead Beets 100 ft	Vigor Rating 0-10
6	Metlock	0.016	fl oz/unit	\$725	155	144	10.2	7.2	7.6
	Rizolex	0.031	fl oz/unit						
	Sebring	0.016	fl oz/unit						
	Tachigaren	1.59	oz wt/unit						
	Quadris	14.25	fl oz/a						
7	Apron XL	0.031	fl oz/unit	\$692	167	138	29.2	13.3	7.5
	Maxim	0.003	fl oz/unit						
	Tachigaren	1.59	oz wt/unit						
2	Allegiance	0.016	fl oz/unit	\$632	155	142	12.8	11.9	7.1
	Tachigaren	1.59	oz wt/unit						
	Quadris	14.25	fl oz/a						
5	Metlock	0.016	fl oz/unit	\$595	165	157	8.5	9.4	7.2
	Rizolex	0.031	fl oz/unit						
	Sebring	0.016	fl oz/unit						
	Tachigaren	1.59	oz wt/unit						
	Quadris	10.69	fl oz/a						
3	Metlock	0.016	fl oz/unit	\$563	159	141	17.9	18.9	6.9
	Rizolex	0.031	fl oz/unit						
	Sebring	0.016	fl oz/unit						
	Tachigaren	1.59	oz wt/unit						
4	Metlock	0.016	fl oz/unit	\$554	151	149	1.5	16.2	6.9
	Rizolex	0.031	fl oz/unit						
	Sebring	0.016	fl oz/unit						
	Tachigaren	1.59	oz wt/unit						
	Quadris	7.125	fl oz/a						
1	Allegiance	0.016	fl oz/unit	\$526	169	136	32.4	26.8	6.8
	Tachigaren	1.59	oz wt/unit						
Average				\$612	160.0	143.9	16.1	14.8	7.1
LSD 5%				142.3	ns(23.6)	ns(21.1)	24.0	14.5	ns(0.8)
CV %				17.8	11.3	11.2	114.7	75.0	8.1

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Evaluate Metlock and Rizolex Seed Treatments in Sugarbeets

Bebow, Breckenridge, MI - 2013

No.	Seed Treatment	Rate	Unit	\$/A	Stand Beets / 100 ft June 12	Stand Beets / 100 ft July 9	Stand Beets / 100 ft Aug 1	Dead Beets / 100 ft Aug 1
6	Metlock	0.016	fl oz/unit	\$1,561	152	138	132	3.3
	Rizolex	0.031	fl oz/unit					
	Sebring	0.016	fl oz/unit					
	Tachigaren	1.59	oz wt/unit					
	Quadris	14.25	fl oz/a					
5	Metlock	0.016	fl oz/unit	\$1,472	170	148	138	4.3
	Rizolex	0.031	fl oz/unit					
	Sebring	0.016	fl oz/unit					
	Tachigaren	1.59	oz wt/unit					
	Quadris	10.69	fl oz/a					
2	Allegiance	0.016	fl oz/unit	\$1,424	150	147	134	4.3
	Tachigaren	1.59	oz wt/unit					
	Quadris	14.25	fl oz/a					
4	Metlock	0.016	fl oz/unit	\$1,404	151	138	138	3.3
	Rizolex	0.031	fl oz/unit					
	Sebring	0.016	fl oz/unit					
	Tachigaren	1.59	oz wt/unit					
	Quadris	7.125	fl oz/a					
1	Allegiance	0.016	fl oz/unit	\$1,403	191	176	166	8.0
	Tachigaren	1.59	oz wt/unit					
7	Apron XL	0.031	fl oz/unit	\$1,321	158	132	123	6.5
	Maxim	0.003	fl oz/unit					
	Tachigaren	1.59	oz wt/unit					
3	Metlock	0.016	fl oz/unit	\$1,318	163	151	131	9.0
	Rizolex	0.031	fl oz/unit					
	Sebring	0.016	fl oz/unit					
	Tachigaren	1.59	oz wt/unit					
Average				\$1,415	162.0	147.2	137.5	5.5
LSD 5%				152.6	16.0	17.2	18.8	5.1
CV %				7.3	6.7	7.8	9.2	62.2

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Evaluate Metlock Seed Treatments in Sugarbeets

Crumbaugh, Breckenridge, MI - 2013

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No.	Treatment	\$/A	Stand Beets / 100 ft May 30	Stand Beets / 100 ft Aug 2	Stand Loss % Aug 2	Dead Beets / 100 ft Aug 2	Dead Beets / 100 ft Aug 30	Vigor Rating 0-10 Sept 12
4	Metlock + Rizolex Apron Thiram Tachigaren Quadris IF and Foliar	\$671	108.3	98.2	9.8	14.3	16.5	7.0
2	Metlock + Rizolex Apron Thiram Tachigaren	\$616	147.3	106.2	27.2	24.8	27.3	6.8
3	Metlock + Rizolex Apron Thiram Tachigaren Quadris IF	\$615	140.2	96.7	31.1	21.7	23.8	6.4
1	Apron Thiram Tachigaren	\$578	143.0	91.5	35.8	19.8	27.7	6.3
Average		\$620	134.7	98.1	26.0	20.2	23.8	6.6
LSD 5%		ns(136.7)	15.3	ns(17.2)	9.8	7.6	9.8	ns(1.0)
CV %		17.9	9.3	14.3	30.5	30.7	33.6	12.1

Vigor: a higher number is better

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Metlock Suite Seed Treatment

Hrabal Farms, Breckenridge - 2013

Trial Quality: Excellent	Soil Info: Loam	Rhizoc Control: Fair Control: See treatments & 6-8 leaf on all
Variety: SX-1211NRR	Fertilizer: 2x2: 275# 12-12-12 w/ 2 Mn & 0.5 B; Pre: 120# N by 28%; Variable: Potash	Cerc Control: Good Control: 1. Eminent + EBDC, 2. Tin + EBDC, 3. Inspire XT + EBDC
Planted: May 6	Prev Crop: Corn	Other Pests: None
Harv/Samp: Oct 2 / Oct 2	Weather: Excessive early rain, dry July	
Plot Size: 4 reps		
Row Spacing: 30 inch		
Seeding Rate: 53,500		

Treatment	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Populations 100 Ft. of Row		Dead Beets / 1200 Ft
							19 Day	28 Day	
No Metlock & Quadris I.F.	\$1,033	5676	278	20.4	18.3	96.4	129	217	41
Metlock Suite & Quadris I.F.	\$995	5478	272	20.1	18.0	96.1	96	216	38
No Metlock & No Quadris I.F.	\$976	5367	278	19.3	18.4	96.1	121	187	99
Metlock Suite & No Quadris I.F.	\$954	5251	278	18.9	18.3	96.1	139	196	95
Average	\$989	5443	276	19.7	18.2	96.2	121	204	68
LSD 5%	—	ns (375)	ns (9)	ns (1.5)	ns (0.6)	ns (0.3)	34	28	51
CV %	—	4	2	4.6	1.9	0.2	18	9	47

Comments: Trial was conducted to compare Metlock Suite with Rhizolex to the industry standard Apron XL/Thiram seed treatment. The seed was all from the same seed lot and both the Metlock Suite treatments and the No Metlock treatments received Apron XL/Thiram. Both seed treatments were compared with and without Quadris in-furrow (3-4 inch T band, 5.25 oz/acre). Trial received heavy rainfall shortly after emergence causing saturated soil conditions and heavy seedling disease. All treatments did receive Quadris (10.5 oz/acre) at the 6-8 leaf stage. At early emergence (19 day) Metlock Suite combined with in-furrow Quadris did appear to slow emergence. At final emergence both Metlock Suite and standard treatment with in-furrow applied Quadris had better stands than no in-furrow treatments. Early observations indicated less seedling disease with Quadris in-furrow treatments. Rhizoctonia counts in July and August both showed a significant decrease in Rhizoctonia when in-furrow Quadris was used with either seed treatment. Highest tonnage occurred with in-furrow Quadris treatments.

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Metlock Suite Seed Treatment

Wegener Farms, Auburn - 2013

Trial Quality: Excellent	Soil Info: Loam	Rhizoc Control: Excellent Control: See treatments & 6-8 leaf on all
Variety: SX-1211NRR	Fertilizer: 2x2: 20 gal. 19-17-0 + Mn; Sidedress: 100# N by 28%	Cerc Control: Good Control: 1. Inspire XT + EBDC, 2. Headline + EBDC, 3. Enable + EBDC
Planted: May 3		
Harv/Samp: Oct 24 / Oct 14	Prev Crop: Corn	Other Pests: Nematode & Root Aphid
Plot Size: 6 reps	Weather: Excess rain early, dry late summer	
Row Spacing: 30 inch		
Seeding Rate: 52,200		

Treatment	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Populations 100 Ft. of Row		Dead Beets / 1200 Ft
							10 Day	34 Day	
No Metlock & Quadris I.F.	\$1,077	5930	240	24.7	15.8	96.7	91	248	7
Metlock Suite & No Quadris I.F.	\$1,078	5929	241	24.6	15.9	96.8	87	239	11
Metlock Suite & Quadris I.F.	\$1,068	5880	246	23.9	16.3	96.5	52	242	8
No Metlock & No Quadris I.F.	\$1,036	5692	238	24.0	15.7	96.6	99	232	9
Average	\$1,065	5858	241	24.3	15.9	96.6	82	240	9
LSD 5%	—	ns (265)	ns (9)	ns (1.1)	ns (0.6)	ns (0.4)	27	9	ns (8)
CV %	—	4	3	3.6	3.0	0.3	31	4	84

Comments: Trial was conducted to compare Metlock Suite with Rhizolex to the industry standard Apron XL/Thiram seed treatment. The seed was all from the same seed lot and both the Metlock Suite treatments and the No Metlock treatments received Apron XL/Thiram. Both seed treatments were compared with and without Quadris in-furrow. The in-furrow Quadris was applied at 5.5 ounces/acre in 8 gallons/acre of water with 2.5 ounces per acre of Mustang. All treatments did receive Quadris at the 6-8 leaf stage. This trial had fairly low seedling disease. Overall, the stands were excellent. The Metlock Suite & Quadris I.F. treatment slowed early emergence, but did not reduce final stand. The best final emergence was seen with the Quadris I.F. treatments. With excellent stands and very low Rhizoctonia, no significant differences were measured in yield or quality.

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Metlock Suite Seed Treatment

Randy Sturm Farms, Pigeon - 2013

Trial Quality: Good	Soil Info: Clay Loam	Rhizoc Control: Good Control: Quadris 6-8 Leaf
Variety: SX-1211NRR	Fertilizer: Broadcast P & K; Pre Broadcast: 55# N + micro; Sidedress: 55#N	Cerc Control: Good Control: 1: Pro-line + EBDC, 2. Gem + EBDC, 3. Eminent
Planted: May 2		
Harv/Samp: Oct 11 / Oct 1	Prev Crop: Soybeans	
Plot Size: 6 reps	Weather: Wet early, dry summer	Other Pests: None
Row Spacing: 28 inch		
Seeding Rate: 56,000		

Treatment	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Populations 100 Ft. of Row		Dead Beets / 1200 Ft
							12 Day	28 Day	
Metlock Suite	\$1,255	6894	272	25.4	18.0	96.1	53	236	15
Check	\$1,257	6853	279	24.8	18.5	96.0	29	230	15
Average	\$1,256	6874	276	25.1	18.2	96.1	41	233	15
LSD 5%	—	ns (813)	ns (11)	ns (2.6)	ns (0.6)	ns (0.3)	ns (41)	ns (14)	ns (13)
CV %	—	7	3	5.9	2.2	0.2	68	4	67

Comments: Trial was conducted to compare Metlock Suite with Rhizolex to the industry standard Apron XL/Thiram seed treatment. The seed was all from the same seed lot and both the Metlock Suite treatment and the No Metlock treatment (check) received Apron XL/Thiram. Quadris was applied only at the 6-8 leaf stage. Observations and stand counts indicated no significant differences in speed of emergence, seedling disease or final stand. There was no difference in yield, quality or Rhizoctonia counts taken in August.

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Planting Rate on Sandy Soil

LAKKE Ewald Farms, Akron - 2013

Trial Quality: Good	Soil Info: Sandy Loam	Rhizoc Control: Good Control: Quadris I.F. (7 oz) & Foliar (14)
Variety: B-18RR4N	Fertilizer: 2x2: 39-0-0-9S + 1 qt Mn, 1 pt B; PP: 125# N	Cerc Control: Good Cont: 1. Proline + EBDC, 2. Super Tin + EBDC, 3. Inspire + EBDC, 4. Super Tin
Planted: May 8	Prev Crop: Corn	Other Pests: Mustang I.F. & Foliar
Harv/Samp: Oct 28 / Oct 10	Weather: Dry summer	
Plot Size: 6 reps		
Row Spacing: 20 inch		
Seeding Rate: See Treatments		

Treatment	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Population 100 Ft. 45 Day
Low Rate 55,500 (5.65 inch)	\$1,301	7152	293	24.5	19.1	96.4	157
Mid Rate 65,500 (4.79 inch)	\$1,267	6982	291	24.0	19.0	96.5	195
High Rate 75,500 (4.15 inch)	\$1,248	6882	293	23.4	19.2	96.5	218
Average	\$1,272	7005	292	24.0	19.1	96.5	190
LSD 5%	—	ns (592)	ns (10)	ns (2.0)	ns (0.5)	ns (0.3)	11
CV %	—	7	3	6.5	2.2	0.2	5

Comments: Trial was conducted to evaluate the effect of different populations on sandy type soils. Some field/soil type variation was in the trial area. Emergence at 45 days averaged about 75% of the planted seeding rate. The low rate established 41,625, mid rate 49,125 and high rate 56,625 plants/acre in 20 inch rows. No significant differences in yield or quality were shown between the populations. High population beets can produce more small beets (carrots) which may not be recovered at harvest.

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Lime Trial

Average 6 Locations, 2012-2013

Treatment	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Stand B/100'	Dead B/100'	Vigor 0-10
12 Tons/Acre	\$1,571	7482	269	27.5	17.9	95.8	205	1.6	8.3
8 Tons/Acre	\$1,563	7396	268	27.3	17.8	95.8	203	2.1	8.1
4 Tons/Acre	\$1,520	7163	269	26.3	17.9	95.7	197	2.4	8.2
6 Tons/Acre	\$1,517	7165	270	26.2	17.9	95.8	198	2.9	8.2
2 Tons/Acre	\$1,504	7080	267	26.3	17.8	95.8	194	2.4	8.1
0 Tons/Acre	\$1,449	6775	266	25.2	17.7	95.7	191	2.3	8.0
Average	\$1,521	7177	268	26.5	17.8	95.8	198	2.3	8.2
LSD 5%	68.6	313.4	ns(3.6)	1.2	ns(0.2)	ns(0.1)	9.3	ns(1.4)	0.2
CV %	3.8	3.7	1.1	3.7	1.0	0.2	3.9	52.5	2.5

Lime Trial - pH & Nutrients

Treatment	Net \$/A	pH			Tissue Test					
		Year 1	Year 2	Change	Percent				ppm	
					P	K	Mg	Ca	Mn	Bn
12 Tons/Acre	\$1,571	7.7	8.0	0.29	0.22	4.6	0.24	0.78	11.8	30.4
8 Tons/Acre	\$1,563	7.6	7.9	0.27	0.23	4.7	0.23	0.83	11.9	31.0
4 Tons/Acre	\$1,520	7.6	7.8	0.17	0.22	4.6	0.23	0.85	12.2	30.3
6 Tons/Acre	\$1,517	7.7	7.9	0.26	0.21	4.5	0.23	0.86	11.7	30.7
2 Tons/Acre	\$1,504	7.7	7.7	0.04	0.22	4.6	0.24	0.82	12.6	30.1
0 Tons/Acre	\$1,449	7.6	7.4	-0.02	0.22	4.3	0.23	0.79	13.9	30.4
Average	\$1,521	7.6	7.8	0.01	0.22	4.6	0.23	0.82	12.4	30.5
LSD 5%	55.0	ns(.07)	0.5	0.25	0.01	0.2	ns(0.02)	0.1	0.8	0.6
CV %	3.8	0.8	0.6	161.7	4.65	3.4	6.3	6.0	5.42	1.6

Comments: We have been evaluating factory lime in sugarbeets for the past 2 years (6 trials). Another 3 trials were established in the fall of 2013 for a total of 9 trials over 3 years. The lime rates are: 0, 2, 4, 6, 8 and 12 tons of lime per acre. The trials will be evaluated until sugarbeets are planted again. The lime treatments improved sugarbeet emergence and yield (6 trials). The soil pH increased marginally (.02 points at 12 tons). Manganese levels in sugarbeet petioles decreased from 15 to 13 ppm. Sugarbeet yield increases were rate related with 12 tons having the highest yields.

Vigor- a higher number is better

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Lime Trial

Average 3 Locations - 2013

Treatment	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Stand B/100'	Dead B/100'	Vigor 0-10
12 Tons/Acre	\$1,090	6144	242	25.4	16.4	95.3	206	2.2	8.2
2 Tons/Acre	\$1,081	5972	241	24.9	16.3	95.3	187	3.2	7.8
8 Tons/Acre	\$1,075	6013	243	24.8	16.3	95.5	197	3.5	8.0
4 Tons/Acre	\$1,069	5930	244	24.3	16.5	95.3	187	4.2	7.9
6 Tons/Acre	\$1,054	5875	244	24.1	16.5	95.4	191	5.2	7.9
0 Tons/Acre	\$1,016	5588	237	23.5	16.1	95.3	180	3.6	7.5
Average	\$1,064	5920	242	24.5	16.4	95.4	191	3.7	7.9
LSD 5%	56.6	311.5	ns(6.7)	1.2	0.4	0.2	16.3	2.7	0.4
CV %	4.5	4.4	2.3	4.0	1.9	0.2	7.2	61.3	4.7

Lime Trial - pH & Nutrients

Treatment	Net \$/A	pH			Tissue Test					
		2012	2013	Change	Percent				ppm	
					P	K	Mg	Ca	Mn	Bn
12 Tons/Acre	\$1,090	7.6	8.0	0.35	0.19	5.4	0.25	0.84	13.2	31.5
2 Tons/Acre	\$1,081	7.6	7.6	0.05	0.19	5.3	0.25	0.83	13.7	31.6
8 Tons/Acre	\$1,075	7.6	7.9	0.33	0.19	5.3	0.24	0.91	13.2	32.0
4 Tons/Acre	\$1,069	7.6	7.8	0.24	0.19	5.3	0.24	0.92	13.6	31.4
6 Tons/Acre	\$1,054	7.6	7.9	0.34	0.19	5.3	0.25	0.92	12.5	31.3
0 Tons/Acre	\$1,016	7.6	7.2	-0.36	0.19	4.9	0.24	0.87	15.1	31.4
Average	\$1,064	7.6	7.8	0.16	0.19	5.2	0.24	0.88	13.5	31.5
LSD 5%	56.6	ns(.05)	0.1	0.06	ns(.02)	0.4	ns(.04)	ns(.06)	1.1	ns(1.0)
CV %	4.5	0.6	0.6	31.5	8.40	6.7	9.15	6.13	6.6	2.8

Vigor- a higher number is better

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Lime Trial

Spero, South Saginaw, MI - 2013

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Trial Quality: Very Good	Soil Info: Sandy Clay Loam	Rhizoc. Control: Good
Variety: HM-28RR	3.9% OM: 7.3 pH	Cerc. Control: Good
Planted: May 8	Above Opt Levels: P, K	Problems: None
Harvested: Sept 24	High: Mn, Low: B	Seed Spacing: 4.4 inches
Plot Size: 6 rows X 50 ft, 6 reps	Added N: 125 lbs.	Rainfall: 14.3 inches
Row Spacing: 22 inch	Prev Crop: Wheat/Clover	

Treatment	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Stand B/100'	Dead B/100'	Vigor 0-10
8 Tons/Acre	\$1,351	7534	253	29.8	16.8	96.0	160	0.1	8.3
6 Tons/Acre	\$1,320	7335	254	28.9	16.9	96.0	155	0.1	8.1
12 Tons/Acre	\$1,316	7389	248	29.8	16.7	95.6	171	0.0	8.3
4 Tons/Acre	\$1,315	7281	258	28.3	17.1	96.0	162	0.0	8.2
2 Tons/Acre	\$1,297	7159	244	29.3	16.4	95.7	162	0.0	8.1
0 Tons/Acre	\$1,258	6918	249	27.9	16.6	95.9	163	0.3	8.2
Average	\$1,310	7269	251	29.0	16.8	95.9	162	0.1	8.2
LSD 5%	69.6	383.0	11.4	1.4	0.6	ns(0.6)	ns(25.4)	0.3	ns(0.7)
CV %	4.5	4.4	3.8	4.1	3.0	0.5	13.1	300.7	7.5

Lime Trial - pH & Nutrients

Treatment	Net \$/A	pH			Tissue Test- August 19					
		Nov 15 2012	Aug 13 2013	Change	Percent				ppm	
					P	K	Mg	Ca	Mn	Bn
8 Tons/Acre	\$1,351	7.9	8.1	0.28	0.15	4.5	0.28	0.62	11.5	30.5
6 Tons/Acre	\$1,320	7.8	8.1	0.35	0.13	4.2	0.35	0.68	12.0	29.2
12 Tons/Acre	\$1,316	7.9	8.2	0.38	0.15	4.6	0.33	0.60	12.0	29.9
4 Tons/Acre	\$1,315	7.8	8.0	0.20	0.14	4.2	0.30	0.63	12.7	29.0
2 Tons/Acre	\$1,297	7.8	8.0	0.13	0.11	4.6	0.35	0.76	13.0	30.0
0 Tons/Acre	\$1,258	7.8	7.8	0.00	0.12	4.1	0.28	0.70	14.2	30.2
Average	\$1,310	7.8	8.1	0.22	0.13	4.4	0.31	0.66	12.6	29.8
LSD 5%	69.6	ns(0.1)	0.1	0.12	0.02	ns(0.7)	ns(.07)	0.10	1.7	ns(1.8)
CV %	4.5	0.9	1.0	42.9	14.8	14.1	19.2	12.6	11.1	5.0

Comments: The addition of lime improved sugarbeet yields in this trial. Lime was applied Nov 2012 and sugarbeets were planted the spring of 2013. The soil pH increased and manganese levels decreased in the lime treatments. The sugarbeet stand was not affected by lime treatments. The disease level was low and there were no differences between treatments.

Vigor- a higher number is better

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Lime Trial

Crumbaugh, Breckenridge, MI 2013

Trial Quality: Good	Soil Info: Sandy Clay Loam	Rhizoc. Control: Fair
Variety: HM-28RR	3.1% OM, 7.0 pH	Cerc. Control: Good
Planted: May 17	Above Opt Levels: P, K	Problems: None
Harvested: Sept 21	High: Mn, Low: B	Seed Spacing: 4.1 inches
Plot Size: 6 rows X 50 ft, 6 reps	Added N: 100 lbs	Rainfall: 12.3 inches
Row Spacing: 22 inches	Prev Crop: Soybeans	

Treatment	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Stand B/100'	Dead B/100'	Vigor 0-10
12 Tons/Acre	\$1,085	6120	230	26.6	15.5	95.6	223	4.3	8.5
2 Tons/Acre	\$1,064	5876	228	25.8	15.6	95.1	178	7.2	7.7
8 Tons/Acre	\$1,037	5805	225	25.9	15.3	95.2	206	8.2	8.0
4 Tons/Acre	\$1,022	5671	225	25.2	15.4	94.9	180	10.5	8.0
6 Tons/Acre	\$1,003	5596	230	24.4	15.6	95.2	191	13.3	7.9
0 Tons/Acre	\$957	5265	220	23.9	15.1	94.8	162	7.5	6.9
Average	\$1,028	5722	226	25.3	15.4	95.1	190	8.5	7.8
LSD 5%	91.7	504.4	ns(13.5)	1.8	ns(0.7)	0.6	26.2	7.4	0.7
CV %	7.5	7.4	5.0	6.1	4.1	0.5	11.6	74	7.2

Lime Trial - pH & Nutrients

Treatment	Net \$/A	pH			Tissue Test - August 12					
		Nov 15 2012	Sep 9 2013	Change	Percent				ppm	
					P	K	Mg	Ca	Mn	Bn
12 Tons/Acre	\$1,085	7.4	7.8	0.40	0.18	4.8	0.25	1.22	18.5	35.8
2 Tons/Acre	\$1,064	7.4	7.1	-0.22	0.17	4.9	0.24	1.09	19.2	34.2
8 Tons/Acre	\$1,037	7.4	7.8	0.37	0.15	5.3	0.27	1.42	19.5	37.0
4 Tons/Acre	\$1,022	7.4	7.7	0.32	0.17	5.0	0.27	1.40	19.7	35.8
6 Tons/Acre	\$1,003	7.4	7.8	0.42	0.15	5.1	0.26	1.41	16.9	35.5
0 Tons/Acre	\$957	7.4	6.3	-1.10	0.16	4.6	0.27	1.21	19.0	32.2
Average	\$1,028	7.4	7.4	0.03	0.16	5.0	0.26	1.29	18.8	35.1
LSD 5%	93.8	ns(0.1)	0.2	0.18	ns(.03)	0.4	0.03	0.19	2.1	2.0
CV %	7.5	0.9	1.8	482.6	16.6	6.3	8.7	12.4	9.3	4.8

Comments: Sugarbeet yield, quality and stand increased with lime applications. Lime was applied Nov 2012 and sugarbeets were planted spring of 2013. There were no differences in disease levels. pH levels increased in the lime treatments.

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Lime Trial

Helmreich, Bay City, MI 2013

Trial Quality: Fair **Soil Info:** Sandy Loam **Rhizoc. Control:** Good
Variety: HM-28RR 2.5% OM, 7.6 pH **Cerc. Control:** Good
Planted: May 16 Above Opt Levels: P, K **Problems:** None
Harvested: Sept 16 High: Mn, Low: B **Seed Spacing:** 4.1 inches
Plot Size: 6 rows X 50 ft, 6 reps **Added N:** 100 lbs **Rainfall:** 10.0 inches
Row Spacing: 22 inch **Prev Crop:** Soybeans

Treatment	Net \$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Stand B/100'	Dead B/100'	Vigor 0-10
2 Tons/Acre	\$882	4879	250	19.5	16.9	95.2	220	2.4	7.7
4 Tons/Acre	\$870	1834	249	19.4	16.9	94.9	220	2.1	7.5
12 Tons/Acre	\$868	4924	249	19.8	16.9	94.9	224	2.4	7.8
6 Tons/Acre	\$840	4693	247	18.9	16.8	94.9	226	2.3	7.7
8 Tons/Acre	\$836	4700	250	18.8	16.9	95.3	226	2.3	7.7
0 Tons/Acre	\$833	4579	244	18.7	16.6	95.1	217	3.2	7.4
Average	\$855	4768	248	19.2	16.9	95.1	222	2.4	7.6
LSD 5%	ns(121)	ns(663)	ns(7.8)	ns(2.2)	ns(0.5)	ns(0.5)	ns(22.7)	ns(2.6)	0.4
CV %	11.9	11.7	2.7	9.8	2.3	0.5	8.6	91	4.5

Lime Trial - pH & Nutrients

Treatment	Net \$/A	pH			Tissue Test - August 12					
		Nov 15 2012	Aug 13 2013	Change	Percent				ppm	
					P	K	Mg	Ca	Mn	Bn
2 Tons/Acre	\$882	7.6	7.9	0.23	0.29	6.3	0.16	0.65	8.8	30.5
4 Tons/Acre	\$870	7.6	7.8	0.22	0.27	6.7	0.15	0.72	8.5	29.5
12 Tons/Acre	\$686	7.7	7.9	0.28	0.24	6.6	0.18	0.71	9.0	28.6
6 Tons/Acre	\$840	7.6	7.9	0.27	0.28	6.5	0.15	0.66	8.7	29.2
8 Tons/Acre	\$836	7.6	7.9	0.33	0.28	6.0	0.16	0.69	8.5	28.6
0 Tons/Acre	\$833	7.6	7.6	0.02	0.28	6.1	0.17	0.70	12.0	32.0
Average	\$855	7.6	7.8	0.23	0.27	6.4	0.16	0.69	9.3	29.7
LSD 5%	ns(121)	0.1	0.1	0.10	ns(.06)	ns(1.05)	ns(.03)	ns(.16)	1.8	1.8
CV %	11.9	1.2	1.1	38.7	18.8	13.9	15.3	20.1	16.2	5.1

Comments: There was a trend towards lime treatments having higher yields, quality and stand but the differences were not statistically significant. It appeared that pH levels were higher with lime treatments and manganese and boron levels were somewhat lower with lime treatments.

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Gypsum Application Over the Row at Planting

Average of 5 Locations - 2012-2013

Treatment	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Stand B/100'
No Gypsum	\$1,304	5955	244	24.6	16.8	94.4	171
Gypsum	\$1,244	5690	245	23.6	16.9	94.2	170
Average	\$1,274	5823	245	24.1	16.8	94.3	171
LSD 5%	ns(75.5)	ns(332.4)	ns(2.6)	ns(1.5)	ns(0.2)	ns(0.2)	ns(13.3)
CV %	3.4	3.3	0.6	3.6	0.8	0.1	4.5

Comments: The five trials over two years have shown no advantage to spreading gypsum over the row at planting for emergence or final production. Some locations had easy emergence conditions but two locations were more challenging and there was also no benefit at these locations.

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Gypsum Application Over Row at Planting Blumfield, MI - 2013

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Trial Quality: Good **Soil Info:** Sandy Clay Loam **Rhizoc Control:** Good, Quadris 6-8 If
Variety: B-17RR32 2.7% OM; 7.7 pH **Cerc Control:** Good Control,
Planted: May 6 Above Opt. Levels: P, K 4 Applications
Harvested: Sept 25 High: Mn, Low: B **Seeding Rate:** 4.4 inches
Plot Size: 4 rows X 35 ft, 6 reps **Added N:** 100 lbs **Other Pests:** None
 Prev Crop: Soybeans **Rainfall:** 15.2 inches
Row Spacing: 22 inch

Treatment	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Emerg			Dead
							B/100' May 31	B/100' June 14	B/100' Aug 20	B/100' Sept 9
No Gypsum	\$730	4017	316	12.7	20.9	95.6	130	132	171	1.0
2 Ton/A Gypsum	\$671	3689	313	12.1	20.6	95.5	128	128	169	2.0
Average	\$701	3853	314	12.4	20.8	95.6	129	130	170	1.5
LSD 5%	ns(99)	ns(547)	ns(22.5)	ns(1.2)	ns(1.1)	ns(0.8)	ns(12.4)	ns(12.9)	ns(17.5)	ns(1.7)
CV %	8.9	8.9	4.5	6.4	3.3	0.5	6.5	6.7	7.0	78.4



Gypsum Application Over Row at Planting Maust, Pigeon, MI - 2013

Trial Quality: Good **Soil Info:** Sandy Clay Loam **Rhizoc Control:** Good, Quadris 6-8 If
Variety: B-18RR4N 3.2% OM; 7.0 pH **Cerc Control:** Low level disease
Planted: June 20 Above Opt. Levels: P, K **Seeding Rate:** 4.4 inches
Harvested: Oct 1 High: Mn, Low: B **Other Pests:** Low level
Plot Size: 4 rows X 35 ft, 6 reps **Added N:** 100 lbs Cyst nematodes
 Prev Crop: Wheat/Clover **Rainfall:** 9.0 inches
Row Spacing: 22 inch

Treatment	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Emerg		Dead
							B/100' May 31	B/100' June 14	B/100' Sept 9
2 Ton/A Gypsum	\$1,010	5553	201	27.8	14.6	92.4	109	112	0.2
1 Ton/A Gypsum	\$1,009	5550	211	26.4	15.1	93.0	108	112	1.7
No Gypsum	\$990	5446	205	26.6	14.8	92.9	98	95	0.5
Average	\$1,003	5516	206	27.0	14.8	92.8	105	107	0.8
LSD 5%	ns(322)	ns(1774)	ns(19.6)	ns(9.8)	ns(1.0)	ns(1.7)	ns(23.5)	ns(29.8)	ns(3.8)
CV %	18.6	18.6	5.5	21.1	3.8	1.1	12.9	16.2	266.1

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Evaluate Redline Applied In-Furrow and 2 X 2 in Sugarbeets

Average of 2 Locations - 2013

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Trial Quality: Good
Variety: SX-1291RR

Rhizoc Control: Good
Cerc Control: Good, 4 Apps
Seeding Rate: 4.1 inches

No No	Treatment	Rate/A	Appl Code	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Amino	Beets/ 100 ft	Vigor 0-10
7	UAN 28% N 10-34-0 UAN 28% N	13 gal 7 gal 34 gal	2X2 2X2 4-6 lf	\$1,371	7542	249	30.1	16.7	95.8	3.4	206	8.4
6	Redline SourceMan 5 UAN 28% N 10-34-0 UAN 28% N	2 gal 1 qt 13 gal 7 gal 26 gal	In-Fur In-Fur 2X2 2X2 4-6 lf	\$1,326	7295	252	28.7	16.9	95.6	4.1	207	8.7
1	UAN 28% N 10-34-0 UAN 28% N	13 gal 7 gal 26 gal	2X2 2X2 4-6 lf	\$1,300	7152	250	28.2	16.8	95.7	3.3	200	8.3
2	Redline SourceMan 5 UAN 28% N UAN 28% N	3 gal 1 qt 13 gal 28 gal	2X2 2X2 2X2 4-6 lf	\$1,286	7076	249	28.2	16.7	95.6	3.3	213	8.7
5	WC101 SourceMan 5 UAN 28% N	10 fl oz 1 qt 42 gal	In-Fur In-Fur 4-6 lf	\$1,282	7050	252	27.9	16.8	95.8	3.2	217	8.2
4	Redline SourceMan 5 UAN 28% N	3 gal 1 qt 41 gal	In-Fur In-Fur 4-6 lf	\$1,265	6959	251	27.6	16.8	96.0	2.6	212	8.4
9	UAN 28% N Nitrogen Stabilizer	42 gal	4-6 lf 4-6 lf	\$1,261	6938	250	27.6	16.7	95.9	2.9	210	8.3
3	Redline SourceMan 5 UAN 28% N	2 gal 1 qt 41 gal	In-Fur In-Fur 4-6 lf	\$1,223	6724	247	27.1	16.6	95.8	3.1	217	8.4
8	UAN 28% N	42 gal	4-6 lf	\$1,222	6719	249	26.8	16.7	95.7	3.0	223	8.4
10	Untreated Check			\$1,170	6438	257	24.8	17.1	96.0	1.8	216	7.8
Average				\$1,271	6989	251	27.7	16.8	95.8	3.1	212	8.4
LSD 5%				129.6	713.0	9.5	3.1	0.5	ns(0.4)	0.9	11.2	0.5
CV %				4.5	4.5	1.7	4.9	1.4	0.2	13.5	2.3	2.9

Comments: Redline is a starter fertilizer that is used in other regions. Redline contains 6% N, 12% P, 2% K and chelated micro-nutrients. Redline appeared to improve sugarbeet yield in these trials and did not lower sugarbeet emergence.

Vigor- a higher number is better

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Evaluate Redline Applied In-Furrow and 2 X 2 in Sugarbeets

Hunger Relief, Elkton, MI - 2013

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Trial Quality: Good	Soil Info: Sandy Clay Loam	Rhizoc Control: Good
Variety: SX-1291RR	2.2% OM; 7.5 pH	Cerc Control: Good, 4 Apps
Planted: May 4	Above Opt. Levels: P, K	Seeding Rate: 4.1 inches
Harvested: Oct 1	High: Mn, Low: B	Other Problems: None
Plot Size: 6 rows x 40 ft, 6 reps	Added N: Treatments	
Row Spacing: 22 inch	Prev Crop: Soybeans	Rainfall: 16.2 inches

No	Treatment	Rate/A	Appl	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Amino	Beets/100 ft	Vigor 0-10
1	UAN 28% N 10-34-0 UAN 28% N	13 gal 7 gal 26 gal	2X2 2X2 4-6 lf	\$1,589	8740	275	31.7	18.4	95.6	3.5	166	8.3
7	UAN 28% N 10-34-0 UAN 28% N	13 gal 7 gal 34 gal	2X2 2X2 4-6 lf	\$1,584	8714	266	32.8	17.9	95.3	4.5	182	8.6
6	Redline SourceMan 5 UAN 28% N 10-34-0 UAN 28% N	2 gal 1 qt 13 gal 7 gal 26 gal	In-Fur In-Fur 2X2 2X2 4-6 lf	\$1,581	8697	268	32.4	18.0	95.4	4.5	183	8.8
2	Redline SourceMan 5 UAN 28% N UAN 28% N	3 gal 1 qt 13 gal 28 gal	2X2 2X2 2X2 4-6 lf	\$1,498	8237	274	30.1	18.3	95.5	3.7	192	8.5
9	UAN 28% N Nitrogen Stabilizer	42 gal	4-6 lf 4-6 lf	\$1,475	8114	270	30.0	18.0	95.8	3.3	184	8.3
8	UAN 28% N	42 gal	4-6 lf	\$1,460	8032	267	30.1	17.9	95.4	3.8	200	8.3
5	WC101 SourceMan 5 UAN 28% N	10 fl oz 1 qt 42 gal	In-Fur In-Fur 4-6 lf	\$1,441	7928	274	28.9	18.2	95.8	3.7	191	8.1
4	Redline SourceMan 5 UAN 28% N	3 gal 1 qt 41 gal	In-Fur In-Fur 4-6 lf	\$1,438	7908	274	28.9	18.2	95.8	3.4	186	8.1
3	Redline SourceMan 5 UAN 28% N	2 gal 1 qt 41 gal	In-Fur In-Fur 4-6 lf	\$1,399	7696	269	28.6	18.0	95.6	3.7	190	8.1
10	Untreated Check			\$1,354	7445	278	26.8	18.5	95.7	2.9	189	7.5
Average				\$1,482	8151	272	30.0	18.1	95.6	3.7	186	8.2
LSD 5%				112.9	620.7	8.2	2.1	0.5	0.5	1.0	19.0	0.7
CV %				6.5	6.5	2.6	6.0	2.2	0.5	23.7	8.8	7.2

Vigor- a higher number is better

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Bold: Results are not statistically different from top-ranking variety in each column.



Evaluate Redline Applied In-Furrow and 2 X 2 in Sugarbeets

Roggenbuck, Ruth, MI - 2013

Trial Quality: Good	Soil Info: Loam	Rhizoc Control: Good
Variety: SX-1291RR	3.1% OM: 7.6 pH	Cerc Control: Good, 4 Apps
Planted: June 4	Above Opt. Levels: P, K	
Harvested: Oct 16	High: Mn, Low: B	Other Problems: None
Plot Size: 6 rows X 38 ft, 4 reps	Added N: Manure + Tmts	Seeding Rate: 4.1 inches
Row Spacing: 22 inch	Prev Crop: Dry Beans	Rainfall: 11.4 inches

No	Treatment	Rate/A	Appl	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Amino	Beets/100 ft	Vigor 1-10	Color 1-10
7	UAN 28% N 10-34-0 UAN 28% N	13 gal 7 gal 34 gal	2X2 2X2 4-6 If	\$1,158	6370	232	27.4	15.5	96.3	2.3	230	8.2	6.6
5	WC101 SourceMan 5 UAN 28% N	10 fl oz 1 qt 42 gal	In-Fur In-Fur 4-6 If	\$1,122	6172	230	26.9	15.5	95.8	2.7	242	8.4	6.0
4	Redline SourceMan 5 UAN 28% N	3 gal 1 qt 41 gal	In-Fur In-Fur 4-6 If	\$1,093	6009	229	26.2	15.3	96.3	1.8	238	8.6	6.0
2	Redline SourceMan 5 UAN 28% N UAN 28% N	3 gal 1 qt 13 gal 28 gal	2X2 2X2 2X2 4-6 If	\$1,075	5915	224	26.4	15.1	95.8	2.9	234	8.8	6.1
6	Redline SourceMan 5 UAN 28% N 10-34-0 UAN 28% N	2 gal 1 qt 13 gal 7 gal 26 gal	In-Fur In-Fur 2X2 2X2 4-6 If	\$1,071	5893	236	24.9	15.9	95.8	3.6	232	8.6	6.3
9	UAN 28% N N Stabilizer	42 gal	4-6 If 4-6 If	\$1,048	5762	229	25.2	15.3	96.1	2.6	236	8.3	6.3
3	Redline SourceMan 5 UAN 28% N	2 gal 1 qt 41 gal	In-Fur In-Fur 4-6 If	\$1,046	5752	226	25.5	15.2	96.0	2.5	245	8.7	6.2
1	UAN 28% N 10-34-0 UAN 28% N	13 gal 7 gal 26 gal	2X2 2X2 4-6 If	\$1,012	5565	226	24.7	15.2	95.8	3.0	235	8.3	6.3
10	Untreated			\$987	5430	236	22.9	15.8	96.2	0.8	244	8.1	5.3
8	UAN 28% N	42 gal	4-6 If	\$983	5406	230	23.5	15.5	96.0	2.2	246	8.6	6.0
Average				\$1,060	5827	229.8	25.6	15.4	96.0	2.4	238	8.5	6.1
LSD 5%				104.2	572.9	ns(14)	1.2	ns(0.8)	0.5	1.3	9.8	0.6	0.5
CV %				6.8	6.8	4.2	3.2	3.6	0.3	36.0	6.8	0.4	0.3

Vigor- a higher number is better. **Color**- a higher number is darker green.
\$/A: Gross payment unless noted as net. Calculated assuming a \$50 payment and an average RWST of 275.
Bold: Results are not statistically different from top-ranking variety in each column.



Phosphorus Rates in Strip Till

Huron Soil Conservation District, Elkton - 2013

Trial Quality: Good	Soil Info: Loam	Rhizoc Control: Good Control: Quadris 6-8 leaf
Variety: HM-28RR	Fertilizer: Strip Till: See treatments; 2x2: 30# of N; I.F.: Zn and Mn; S.D.: 30# of N	Cerc Control: Fair/Good Control: 1. Inspire XT + Kocide, 2. Headline + EBDC, 3. Eminent
Planted: May 6	Prev Crop: Soybeans	Other Pests: None
Harv/Samp: Oct 4 / Oct 1	Weather: Dry summer	
Plot Size: 4 reps		
Row Spacing: 30 inch		
Seeding Rate: 53,000		

Treatment	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Population 100 Ft. 31 Day
No P 15-0-15	\$1,623	8922	284	31.4	18.7	96.2	194
High Rate of P 15-40-16	\$1,619	8906	272	32.7	18.0	96.2	188
Low Rate of P 15-14-16	\$1,578	8682	276	31.5	18.1	96.4	190
Average	\$1,607	8837	277	31.9	18.3	96.3	191
LSD 5%	—	ns (948)	ns (12)	ns (3.2)	ns (0.7)	ns (0.6)	ns (25)
CV %	—	6	2	5.8	2.0	0.4	8

Comments: Trial was established by the Huron County Soil Conservation District to look at reducing phosphorus rates on medium/high testing P soils. Field was zone tilled in the fall of 2012 with an established cereal rye cover crop. A burn down herbicide was applied to the cereal rye 4 days before planting. On the day of planting, a strip tiller was used on the field which placed the 3 different P rate treatments 6 inches deep in the soil. The three P rates were 0, 14, and 40 pounds per acre of P₂O₅. Later that same day, the field was planted into the strips. The planter applied the same 2x2 starter to all three treatments which contained no phosphorus (only 30# N). Average Bray P1 soil levels are as follows: No applied P strips 41.6 ppm, Low Rate strips 47.3 ppm and High Rate strips 45.6 ppm. Nitrate soil test averaged a 50 lb/acre N credit. Total nitrogen available was 125 lbs/acre from fertilizer and N credit. No visual differences in growth seen during the season. No significant differences shown on yield or quality.

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Bold: Results are not statistically different from top ranking variety in each column.



Lucros Foliar Treatment

LAKKE Ewald Farms, Akron - 2013

Trial Quality: Good	Soil Info: Loam	Rhizoc Control: Good Control: Quadris I.F. (7 oz) & Foliar (14)
Variety: C-RR074NT	Fertilizer: 2x2: 39-0-0-9S + 1 qt Mn, 1 pt B; PP: 100# N	Cerc Control: Good Control: 1. Proline + EBDC, 2. Super Tin + EBDC, 3. Inspire + EBDC, 4. Super Tin + EBDC
Planted: April 4	Prev Crop: Wheat	Other Pests: Mustang I.F. & Foliar
Harv/Samp: Oct 22 / Oct 10	Weather: Wet in April, dry summer	
Plot Size: 6 reps		
Row Spacing: 20 inch		
Seeding Rate: 64,000		

Treatment	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
Check	\$1,832	10075	303	33.2	19.7	96.8
Lucros - Once	\$1,780	9789	303	32.3	19.6	96.9
Lucros - Twice	\$1,756	9656	298	32.4	19.4	96.7
Average	\$1,790	9840	301	32.6	19.6	96.8
LSD 5%	—	ns (460)	4	ns (1.6)	ns (0.3)	ns (0.2)
CV %	—	4	1	3.8	1.1	0.2

Comments: Trial was conducted to look at the effect of foliar application(s) of Lucros F on yield and quality of sugarbeets. Lucros is described to be a foliar-applied liquid nutrient product that is designed to increase beet sugar. The only guaranteed nutrient on the label is boron at 2% of the analysis. Lucros was applied as a single treatment (one pint/acre) mid-summer. In the two treatment strips Lucrose was applied mid-summer (one pint) followed by a second application late summer (one pint). Check strips had no Lucrose applied. No increase in yield or quality was found in the Lucrose applied treatments.

\$/A: Gross payment unless noted as net. Calculated assuming a \$50 payment and an average RWST of 275.

Bold: Results are not statistically different from top ranking variety in each column.



Lucros Foliar Treatment

Richmond Brothers Farms, Pigeon - 2013

Trial Quality: Fair - only 2 reps	Soil Info: Loam	Rhizoc Control: Good Control: Quadris I.F. & 6-8 Leaf
Variety: C-RR827	Fertilizer: 2x2: 43-32-0 + 9S, 2 qt Mn, 1 qt Zn, 1 qt B; Sidedressed 130# N	Cerc Control: 1. EBDC alone, 2. Pro-line + EBDC, 3. Gem + EBDC, 4. Inspire + EBDC, 5. Eminent
Planted: May 5	Prev Crop: Wheat	Other Pests: None
Harv/Samp: Nov 5 / Oct 30	Weather: Wet early	
Plot Size: 2 reps		
Row Spacing: 22 inch		
Seeding Rate: 70,000		

Treatment	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP
Lucros	\$1,776	9768	329	29.7	21.5	96.2
Check	\$1,696	9330	331	28.2	21.6	96.2

Average	\$1,736	9549	330	29.0	21.5	96.2
LSD 5%	—	ns (5152)	ns (59)	ns (10.3)	ns (2.8)	ns (2.0)
CV %	—	4	1	2.8	1.0	0.2

Comments: Trial was conducted to look at the effect of a foliar application(s) of Lucros F on yield and quality of sugarbeets. Lucros is described to be a foliar-applied nutrient product that is designed to increase beet sugar. The only guaranteed nutrient on the label is boron at 2% of the analysis. Lucros was applied mid-summer (one pint/acre) followed by a second application late summer (one pint/acre). Check strips had no Lucros applied. Trial results insignificantly favor the Lucros strips, but the trial was only 2 reps. A second trial at a different location showed opposite results.

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Bold: Results are not statistically different from top ranking variety in each column.

Report: Starter Nitrogen and Phosphorous on Sugarbeets: What's the Benefit?

Dr. Laura L. Van Eerd, Jessica Turnbull, and Mike Zink
University of Guelph, Ridgetown Campus

Ontario 2013

Trial quality: Fair

Sugarbeet Variety: 28 RR

Weather 2013: Excess rainfall in spring lowered plant stands-harvest area adjusted accordingly

Previous Crop: Range 7 - corn; Range 19 & Lambton - soybeans

Typical fungicide program: 5-6 fungicide sprays at Ridgetown Campus

Site	Planting	Early harvest	Late harvest
R7	6-May	18-Sep	5-Nov
R19	2-May	17-Sep	30-Oct
Lambton	7-May	2-Oct	28-Oct

Preliminary Summary:

- Results from 2013 only and need to be summarized in terms of grower payment.
- Late harvest (Nov. 05, Oct. 28-30) sugarbeet had 26% higher root yields, 1.5 point higher %sugar, and 34% higher RWSA compared to early harvest (Sept. 17- 18 and Oct. 02).
- Root yield and RWSA response to starter/pop-up fertilizers did not change with harvest date.
- Therefore you do not have to change your starter program based on harvest date.
- N starter in 2x2 band was beneficial to sugarbeet root yield and RWSA
- P starter did not have as positive of an influence on sugarbeet as N starter.

Table 1: Effect of nitrogen and phosphorous starter fertilizer on sugarbeets (average 3 sites)

Trt#	Treatment	Yield (ton/ac)	sugar (%)	RWSA (lb/ac)
7	2.5 gal/ac 10-34-0 in furrow & 97 lb/ac N. sidedress	33.1 ab	17.0 ab	8372 a
6	40 lb/ac P. (2x2) & 40 lb/ac N. broadcast at planting & 60 lb/ac N. sidedress	32.7 ab	17.0 ab	8251 ab
3	40 lb/ac N. (2x2) & 60 lb/ac N. sidedress	33.3 a	16.7 bc	8217 abc
5	40 lb/ac N. & P. (2x2) & 60 lb/ac N. sidedress	32.1 ab	16.5 c	7899 abc
2	No starter, 100 lb/ac N. sidedress	32.0 ab	16.4 c	7874 abc
8	2.5 gal/ac 10-34-0 in furrow & 37 N. 29 P. lb/ac (2x2) & 60 lb/ac N. sidedress	31.3 ab	16.5 c	7713 bc
4	40 lb/ac P. (2x2) & 100 lb/ac N. sidedress	30.9 b	16.7 bc	7604 cd
1	No fertilizer	27.7 c	17.1 a	7032 d

z Different letters represent statistical differences between treatments over all 3 sites (p<0.05)

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Preliminary Report: Nitrogen Requirement Based on Row Spacing.

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Ontario 2013

Trial quality: Fair. Excess rainfall in spring lowered plant stands but harvest area adjusted (plot size: 20'x33')

Previous Crop: Range 7 - corn; Range 19 - soybeans **Sugarbeet Variety:** 28 RR

Spray Program on both trials: Roundup 600 ml/ac

Quadris 400 ml/ac: June 26 (Range19), July 11. Headline 350 ml/ac: July 16.

Senator 225 gr/ac: July 30. Proline 700 ml/ac: Aug. 14 and Aug. 30.

Objectives:

1. To determine if there are N requirement differences based on row spacing and harvest date.
2. To evaluate how crop emergence, stand counts, yield and RWSA

Preliminary Summary:

- Results are from 2013 only and need to be summarized in terms of grower payment.
- Based on root yield and RWSA, you don't need to change N rate for different row spacing (22.5" vs. 30")
- Based on root yield and RWSA, you don't need to change N rate for different harvest dates
- Lower N rates result in higher %sugar depending on site and row width
- 37% higher root yield and 42 % higher RWSA with late (30 Oct, 7 Nov) than early harvest (19, 24 Sept)
- There was a harvest date, row width, and location interaction, which suggests that the two sites responded differently to harvest date and row width. For instance, Range7 had highest RWSA in the narrow rows but there was no difference between row width for the other location-harvest date combinations. Thus, changing to narrow rows does not necessarily increase RWSA.

Table 1: Impact of harvest date and row width on sugarbeet production in 2013 at Ridgetown Campus

Site	Early Harvest (19, 24 Sept.)		Late Harvest (30 Oct., 7 Nov.)	
	22.5"	30"	22.5"	30"
	Yield (ton/acre)			
Range7 ^z	23.4 e ^y	23.6 e	50.8 a	42.3 b
Range19	31.2 d	26.3 e	36.7 c	37.4 c
	Sugar (%)			
Range7	17.7 ab	16.4 de	18.1 a	17.6 ab
Range19	16.8 cd	15.9 e	17.9 a	17.2 bc
	RWSA (lb/acre)			
Range7	6045 de	5544 e	13734 a	11142 b
Range19	7781 cd	6232 de	9836 b	9548 bc

^z Planting date at Range 7 was 06 May 2013 and at Range 19 was 03 May 2013.

^y For each measurement, different letters represent statistical differences (p<0.05).

There was a site*harvest date*row width interaction for yield and RWSA but not %sugar.

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Sugarbeet Nitrogen Response Following Wheat

Kurt Steinke and Andrew Chomas, Michigan State University

Location: Saginaw Valley Research and Extension Center
Planting Date: May 2, 2013 (Harvest 10/18/13)
Soil Type: Clay loam; 2.7 OM; 7.8 pH; 38 ppm P; 203 ppm K
Variety: Hilleshog 9042 Roundup Ready

Tillage: Conventional
N Rates: See below
Population: 4 ¼ in. spacing
Replicated: 4 replications

N Trt. (Total lb. N/A)	RWSA	RWST	Tons/A	% Sugar	% CJP	NH ₂	Amino-N
0 – Check	7208	304	23.7	20.0	95.9	57	3.3
40	8028	295	27.2	19.7	95.3	73	4.5
80	8264	296	27.9	20.0	94.9	94	5.5
120	7326	279	26.3	19.0	94.4	141	8.4
160	8537	287	29.7	19.4	94.8	144	8.7
200	8632	287	30.1	19.4	94.7	110	6.4
240	8835	278	31.9	19.0	94.4	175	10.5
LSD_(0.10)^a	894	14	2.7	0.8	0.5	32	2.0

^a LSD, least significant difference between means within a column at ($\alpha = 0.10$).

N Trt. (Total lb. N/A)	Gross Grower Payment (\$/A)	Net Economic Return Minus N Costs (\$/A) ^b	Net Economic Return Minus N Costs and Trucking (\$/A) ^c
0 – Check	1316	1316	1227
40	1465	1446	1344
80	1508	1470	1365
120	1337	1280	1181
160	1558	1481	1370
200	1575	1479	1367
240	1613	1497	1378
LSD_(0.10)^a	163	163	155

^a LSD, least significant difference between means within a column at ($\alpha = 0.10$).

^{b, c} Gross grower payment and net economic returns based upon a \$51/ton payment, an average RWST equal to the company average, an N price of \$0.48/lb., and trucking costs of \$3.75/T

Summary: Trial was conducted to more accurately determine sugarbeet nitrogen fertilizer needs and nitrogen response following wheat. All treatments received 40 lbs. N/A as 28%, 20 lbs. P₂O₅/A, 50 lbs. K₂O/A, and 2 lbs. Mn/A as starter placed 2x2 on May 2 (check plots did not receive any N). The 40 lb. N/A treatment received no supplemental N beyond the starter application. Sidedress N (urea) applications were completed on June 11 and were coated with Agrotain to avoid N volatilization.

Wet, cool spring conditions delayed planting, caused uneven emergence, and slowed beet seedling development for 4-6 weeks after planting. These conditions also resulted in about a 30-40 lb N/A loss across a large portion of the state. Keep this 30-40 lb N loss in mind when evaluating 2013 N rates against other years. Treatments consisting of 160 lb. N or more tended to yield greater but when factoring in the economics of N price and trucking, 40 lbs. N as a 2x2 at planting may have been the best option given the shortened, wet season. The tendency of both NH₂ and amino-N concentrations to increase up to 160 lbs N, decrease at 200 lbs N, and again increase at 240 lbs N was similar this year as in 2012 and 2011. This may indicate that treatments consisting of 160 or more lbs N/A were set-up to do well in the field but likely ran short on bulking time. Given a few extra weeks of growing season, 160 lbs N/A or greater treatments may have added significant tonnage to significantly impact net economic returns.

So what can growers take away from a less than stellar sugarbeet season? In wet seasons with significant planting delays, 40 lbs N/A as a 2x2 may be the only and most economical investment in N. Net economic return is based on a \$51/ton payment, an average RWST equal to the company average, an N price of \$0.48/lb., and trucking costs of \$3.75/T.

Polymer-Coated Urea Blending Ratios for Sugarbeet Production

Kurt Steinke and Andrew Chomas, Michigan State University

Location: Saginaw Valley Research and Extension Center
Planting Date: May 2, 2013 (Harvest 10/18/13)
Soil Type: Clay loam; 2.7 OM; 7.8 pH; 38 ppm P; 203 ppm K
Variety: Hilleshog 9042 Roundup Ready

Tillage: Conventional
N Trts: See below
Population: 4 ¼ in. spacing
Replicated: 4 replications

160 lb N/A Total (%PCU:%Urea)	RWSA	RWST	Tons/A	% Sugar	% CJP	NH ₂	Amino-N	Gross Grower Payment (\$/A) ^b
100:0	9112	289	31.6	19.3	95.3	95	5.6	1663
75:25	7884	282	28.0	19.2	94.4	154	9.2	1439
50:50	7394	276	26.8	18.9	94.2	137	8.2	1349
25:75	7899	268	29.5	18.5	93.9	137	8.5	1442
0:100	8537	287	29.7	19.4	94.8	144	8.7	1558
LSD^(0.10)^a	1365	13	4.7	0.6	0.8	45	2.7	249

^a LSD, least significant difference between means within a column at ($\alpha = 0.10$).

^b Gross grower payment based upon a \$51/ton payment and an average RWST equal to the company average.

Summary: Trial was conducted to determine how to best utilize polymer-coated urea (PCU) in sugarbeet production. All treatments received 40 lbs. N/A as 28%, 20 lbs. P₂O₅/A, 50 lbs. K₂O/A. and 2 lbs. Mn/A as starter placed 2x2 on May 2. PCU and urea were applied in 5 blending ratios consisting of 100:0, 75:25, 50:50, 25:75, and 0:100 (%PCU : %urea) for a total of 160 lbs N/A (minus 40 lbs N/A as 2x2 starter). All treatments containing PCU (and the associated percentage of urea) were applied pre-plant incorporated the day of planting. The 100% urea treatment was applied at sidedress on June 11. The source of PCU was ESN, Environmentally Smart Nitrogen.

Wet, cool spring conditions likely increased the time period of N loss yet few significant differences were noticed between treatments. Either 100% PCU or 100% urea produced the greatest yield and % sugar with a slight advantage to 100% PCU for RWSA and gross grower payment. The 100% PCU treatment did produce lower NH₂ and amino-N concentrations as compared to treatments including urea but this may be due to greater residual soil nitrate after harvest (data still being analyzed). Slow emergence and delayed spring plant development may have hindered treatment differences as a few additional weeks of bulking may have added significant tonnage to further separate out treatment differences. Net economic return is based on a \$51/ton payment and an average RWST equal to the company average.

Impacts of Organic Sources of Nitrogen on Sugarbeet Production

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Location: Saginaw Valley Research and Extension Center
Planting Date: May 2, 2013 (Harvest 10/18/13)
Soil Type: Clay loam; 2.7 OM; 7.8 pH; 38 ppm P; 203 ppm K
Variety: Hilleshog 9042 Roundup Ready

Tillage: Conventional
N Trts: See below
Population: 4 ¼ in. spacing
Replicated: 4 replications

N Trt. 160 lb N/A Total	RWSA	RWST	Tons/A	% Sugar	% CJP	NH2	Amino-N	% Total N (12 lf.)
40 UAN 2x2 120 Urea Sd	8524	287	29.7	19.4	94.8	144	8.7	3.9
1 T/A Biotic 40 UAN 2x2 13 Urea Sd	8632	283	30.5	19.1	94.8	118	7.1	5.0
1 T/A Herbrucks 40 UAN 2x2 66 Urea Sd	9645	282	34.2	19.2	94.6	119	7.0	4.4
2 T/A Herbrucks 40 UAN 2x2 13 Urea Sd	8868	278	31.9	18.9	94.4	153	9.1	4.7
LSD_(0.10)^a	----	15	3.7	0.8	0.5	38	2.5	0.4

^a LSD, least significant difference between means within a column at ($\alpha = 0.10$).

Summary: Trial was conducted to determine the effects of organic spring-applied sources of N on sugarbeet production and quality. All treatments received 40 lbs. N/A as 28%, 20 lbs. P₂O₅/A, 50 lbs. K₂O/A. and 2 lbs. Mn/A as starter placed 2x2 on May 2. A biotic (8-5-5, mycorrhizae-inoculated) fertilizer and Herbrucks pelleted chicken manure (4-3-2) were applied pre-plant incorporated the day of planting at 1 or 2 T/A. The 100% soluble N treatment was applied as urea sidedress on June 11, other than 40 lbs N in 2x2 starter which all treatments received. Nitrogen applications in all treatments were equalized at 160 lbs of first-year mineralizable N/A.

At 1 T/A, the Herbrucks product produced significantly greater tonnage and greater RWSA as compared to other treatments. The organic-based products did not suffer large decreases in % sugar at the 1 T/A rate and had similar NH₂ and amino-N concentrations as the industry-standard 100% soluble N treatment. At 2 T/A, the Herbrucks product began to show signs of increased N impurities, lower tonnage, and decreased RWST. The economics of organic N applications will need to be further investigated but in 2013 the fear of these products reducing beet quality was not substantiated.

Best management practices for Warrant in Roundup Ready sugarbeet

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Location: Saginaw Valley Research and Extension Center

Planting Date: May 2, 2013

Soil Type: Clay loam; 3.2 OM; pH 8.0

Replicated: 4 times

Tillage: Conventional

Herbicides: see treatments

Varieties: HM-173RR

Population: 48,000 seeds/A

Table 1. Sugarbeet injury, weed control, sugarbeet yield and recoverable white sugar per acre (RWSA) for various herbicide programs.

Herbicide treatments a	Injury ^b __ % __	WEED CONTROL (at Harvest)		SUGARBEET	
		Common lambsquarters	Redroot pigweed	Yield _ ton/A _	RWSA _ lb/A _
		_____ % control _____			
Roundup - applied 2X (32 oz fb. 22 oz)	0	99	99	20.5	5893
Roundup + Warrant fb. Roundup	2	99	99	21.0	6184
Roundup + Outlook fb. Roundup	3	99	99	21.4	6299
Roundup + Dual II Magnum fb. Roundup	1	99	99	20.5	6100
Roundup + Betamix (3 pt) fb. Roundup	15	99	99	20.2	5999
Roundup fb. Roundup + Warrant	0	99	99	21.3	6431
Roundup fb. Roundup + Outlook	2	99	99	19.9	6049
Roundup fb. Roundup + Dual II Magnum	0	99	99	20.9	6412
Norton (PRE) fb. Roundup + Warrant fb. RUP	14	99	99	20.8	6238
Norton (PRE) fb. Roundup fb. RUP + Warrant	3	99	99	20.6	6097
LSD_{0.05}^c	7	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.

^a POST herbicides were applied when sugarbeet were at the 2- and 6-leaf stages. Roundup PowerMax was applied at 32 fl oz/A for the 2-leaf application and 22 fl oz/A for the 6-leaf application. All POST treatments included ammonium sulfate at 17 lb/100 gal. See recommendations in the MSU Weed Control Guide for Field Crops.

^b Injury was evaluated June 13 (10 d after the 2-leaf application timing)

^c Means within a column greater than least significant difference (LSD) value are different from each other.

Summary: Warrant is a new encapsulated acetochlor product that is being examined as a potential tank-mix partner with glyphosate in Roundup Ready sugarbeet. This trial was conducted to determine best management practices with Warrant and to compare it to other commercialized products. Early in the season there was significant sugarbeet injury when Betamix was applied with Roundup and from Nortron PRE followed by Roundup + Warrant applied to 2-leaf sugarbeet. There initially were some differences in weed control between the herbicide treatments; however by harvest overall weed control was excellent with all treatments. Sugarbeet yield and recoverable white sugar per acre (RWSA) was similar for all treatments. Overall there were no difference between the different treatments. For the different tank-mixtures, including other products once sugarbeet was past the two-leaf stage has generally had little effect on yield. However in the future, different tank-mix partners may need to be included in earlier applications depending on different herbicide-resistant weed situations. Tank-mixture combinations with the 2nd glyphosate application may help reduce the risk of the development of herbicide-resistant weeds.

Replanted sugarbeet tolerance to Warrant

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Location: Saginaw Valley Research and Extension Center

Planting Dates: see treatments

Soil Type: Clay loam; 3.2 OM; pH 8.0

Replicated: 4 times

Tillage: Conventional

Herbicide Application Date: May 2, 2013

Varieties: HM-173RR

Population: 48,000 seeds/A

Table 1. Main effect of herbicide for sugarbeet planted in to herbicide residues at various weeks after application. Stand counts were taken 6 wks after planting and at harvest, yield, and recoverable white sugar per acre (RWSA) are also presented.

MAIN EFFECT ^a	STAND (6 WAT)	STAND (FINAL)	YIELD	RWSA
HERBICIDE ^b	__ plants/100 ft __	__ plants/100 ft __	__ ton/A __	__ lb/A __
No herbicide	213 Ac	196 A	19.3 B	5525 B
Warrant 3 pt	196 B	189 AB	19.3 B	5505 B
Warrant 6 pt	183 C	184 B	19.6 AB	5657 AB
Dual Magnum	199 B	190 A	19.7 A	5728 A

^a Main effect of herbicide are averaged over planting dates; sugarbeet were planted weekly for 7 weeks, including the day of application.

^b Herbicides were applied on May 2 into a weed-free seed bed; the application rate of Dual Magnum was 1.33 pt/A.

^c Means within a column with different letters are significantly different from each other.

Table 2. Main effect of planting date for sugarbeet planted in to herbicide residues at various weeks after application. Stand counts were taken 6 wks after planting and at harvest, yield, and recoverable white sugar per acre (RWSA) are also presented.

MAIN EFFECT ^a	STAND (6 WAT)	STAND (FINAL)	YIELD	RWSA
PLANTING DATE ^b	__ plants/100 ft __	__ plants/100 ft __	__ ton/A __	__ lb/A __
Week-0	225 Bc	212 B	20.2 A	6182 A
Week-1	195 C	187 C	20.3 A	6154 A
Week-2	225 B	213 B	20.1 A	6005 A
Week-3	92 E	93 D	18.5 D	4923 D
Week-4	180 D	178 C	18.9 BC	5256 C
Week-5	253 A	232 A	19.3 B	5530 B
Week-6	216 B	212 B	18.8 CD	5179 CD

^a Main effect of planting dates are averaged over herbicides; herbicides were applied on April 4 into a weed-free seed bed; the application rate of Dual Magnum was 1.33 pt/A.

^b Sugarbeet were planted weekly for 7 weeks, including the day of application.

^c Means within a column with different letters are significantly different from each other.

Summary: Warrant is a new encapsulated acetochlor product that is being examined as a potential tank-mix partner with glyphosate in Roundup Ready sugarbeet. Preemergence applications of Warrant have been shown to cause significant sugarbeet injury and in some cases reductions in yield. If sugarbeet needs to be replanted after a lay-by application of Warrant sugarbeet injury, reductions in stand, and potential reductions of yield may be a concern. This study was conducted to determine the time interval needed between Warrant applications and replanting sugarbeet. In 2011, if sugarbeet were planted into the 1X rate of Warrant or Dual Magnum prior to the 4 week after application planting, sugarbeet stand was significantly lower than the no herbicide treatment. For the 2X Warrant application rate sugarbeet stand was lower until the 5 week planting. Sugarbeet stand averaged over all planting dates was reduced by Warrant (1X and 2X) in 2012. This year early sugarbeet stand was reduced by all herbicide treatments. But these applications did not affect yield or RWSA compared to the no herbicide control either year. Averaged over all herbicide applications, planting date significantly affected sugarbeet stand, yield, and RWSA. There was not a planting date by herbicide application interaction in 2012 or 2011, and replanting sugarbeet into Warrant residues did not significantly reduce yield or RWSA compared with the no herbicide control. However, under conditions with more moisture this may be more apparent similar to the 2011 results.

Evaluation of V-10206 in Roundup Ready sugarbeet

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Location: Saginaw Valley Research and Extension Center

Planting Date: May 2, 2013

Soil Type: Clay loam; 3.2 OM; pH 8.0

Replicated: 4 times

Tillage: Conventional

Herbicides: see treatments

Varieties: HM-173RR

Population: 48,000 seeds/A

Table 1. Sugarbeet injury, weed control, sugarbeet yield and recoverable white sugar per acre (RWSA) for various herbicide programs.

Herbicide treatments a	INJURY		WEED CONTROL (at Harvest)		SUGARBEET	
	10 DAT	30 DAT	Common lambsquarters	Redroot pigweed	Yield	RWSA
	_____ % _____		_____ % control _____		__ ton/A __	__ lb/A __
Roundup (32 oz)	0	0	71	99	21.1	6299
Roundup + Warrant (3 pt)	3	2	84	99	21.0	6212
Roundup + Dual II Magnum (1.33 pt)	2	1	92	99	21.3	6374
Roundup + V-10206 (1.5 oz)	21	4	96	99	19.7	5780
Roundup + V-10206 (2.0 oz)	23	4	96	99	21.2	6299
Roundup + V-10206 (2.5 oz)	24	5	92	99	20.6	6345
Roundup + V-10206 (3.0 oz)	26	7	99	99	19.7	5585
Untreated	0	0	0	0	15.7	4603
LSD_{0.05}^b	4	2	9	n.s.	3.4	977

^a POST herbicides were applied when sugarbeet were at the 2-leaf stage and weeds were 2-inches tall. Roundup PowerMax was applied at 32 fl oz/A and treatments included ammonium sulfate at 17 lb/100 gal.

^b Means within a column greater than least significant difference (LSD) value are different from each other.

Summary: V-10206 (pyroxasulfone) is a new active ingredient that is commercially available in corn and soybean. This trial was conducted to determine if there is a potential fit for V-10206 for lay-by applications in sugarbeet. This product would be potentially used similarly to Dual II Magnum in sugarbeet. We compared one POST application of each of these products with four rates of V-10206. The key objective was to compare sugarbeet injury and yield and determine the residual activity on these products. Initially when V-10206 was tank-mixed with Roundup PowerMax there was over 20% sugarbeet injury. By 30 DAT sugarbeet had recovered, however sugarbeet injury was still significant with these treatments ranging from 4 to 7%. Residual control of common lambsquarters was greater with tank-mixtures with Dual II Magnum or V-10206 at any rated compared to Roundup alone or in some cases the tank-mixture with Warrant. Yield and RWSA was only reduced by the untreated plot which was 26% lower for yield and 28% lower for RWSA than the highest yielding treatment. V-10206 may be a new potential herbicide option; however more research needs to be conducted to determine if that injury will equate to reduced yield under different environments.

Volunteer corn effects on Roundup Ready sugarbeet yield and quality planted in wide- and narrow-rows

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Location:	East Lansing/SVREC (Richville)	Row widths:	30- & 15-inches
Planting Dates:	May 2 (EL); May 3 (SVREC)	Volunteer corn:	'F2' DeKalb 46-61 "SmartStax"
Soil Type:	Loam (EL); Clay loam (SVREC)	Tillage:	Conventional
Herbicides:	Roundup PowerMax (22 fl oz/A) + AMS	Population:	52,000 seeds/A
Variety:	HM-173RR, Roundup Ready	Replicated:	4 times

Table 1. Main effect of row width on sugarbeet yield and recoverable white sugar per acre (RWSA) averaged over volunteer corn populations.

ROW WIDTH	EAST LANSING		SVREC	
	Yield __tons/A__	RWSA __lbs/A__	Yield __tons/A__	RWSA __lbs/A__
Wide (30-inches)	30.1 Aa	7785 A	14.0 A	4170 B
Narrow (15-inches)	30.4 A	7739 A	15.7 A	4769 A

^a Means within a column with different letters are significantly different from each other

Table 2. Main effect of volunteer corn population on sugarbeet yield and recoverable white sugar per acre (RWSA) averaged over row widths.

VOUNTEER CORN POPULATION ____ plants/150 ft2 ____	EAST LANSING		SVREC	
	Yield __tons/A__	RWSA __lbs/A__	Yield __tons/A__	RWSA __lbs/A__
0	29.1 BCa	7058 C	17.1 A	5088 A
3	31.9 AB	8360 AB	18.0 A	5321 A
6	34.1 A	8890 A	17.0 A	5199 A
12	31.0 AB	7721 BC	15.2 A	4621 A
24	29.1 BC	7722 BC	11.4 B	3174 B
48	26.0 C	6820 C	10.5 B	3413 B

^a Means within a column with different letters are significantly different from each other

Summary: This trial was conducted to determine: 1) the effect volunteer glyphosate-resistant corn has on glyphosate-resistant sugarbeet yield and quality, and 2) how row width affects corn competition with sugarbeet. Sugarbeet were planted in 15" and 30" row widths. A range of volunteer corn populations were planted the same day using 'F2' seed. Due to poor germination, volunteer corn was replanted at the 2-leaf stage of sugarbeet at East Lansing. All plots were kept weed-free with applications of glyphosate.

Canopy closure was quicker in narrow rows at both locations (data not shown). At SVREC, narrow rows resulted in higher RWSA. Sugarbeet yields were similar for narrow and wide rows at both locations in 2013. At East Lansing, volunteer corn growth was delayed and sugarbeet were able to withstand volunteer corn populations of 24 plants per 150 ft2. Sugarbeet yields were similar between 0 and 12 plants per 150 ft2 at SVREC. Glyphosate-resistant volunteer corn needs to be controlled at populations greater than 12 plants per 150 ft2 in order to maximize sugarbeet yield and quality.

Control of volunteer Roundup Ready corn in Roundup Ready sugarbeet

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Location: East Lansing/SVREC (Richville)

Planting Dates: May 2 (EL); May 3 (SVREC)

Soil Type: Loam (EL); Clay loam (SVREC)

Replicated: 4 times

Variety: HM-173RR, Roundup Ready

Volunteer corn: 'F2' DeKalb 46-61 "SmartStax"

Tillage: Conventional

Population: 52,000 seeds/A

Table 1. Effect of application timing on volunteer corn control and sugarbeet yield and quality at SVREC.

Removal Timing ^a	DAP ^b	Volunteer corn		Sugarbeet	
		Control ^c %	Final biomass g/A	Yield tons/A	RWSA lbs/A
No corn	0	--	0 C	21.9 A	6729 A
V2	32	99 Ad	0 C	20.2 AB	6063 AB
V4	42	99 A	0 C	19.8 B	6012 B
V6	47	99 A	0 C	19.4 B	5979 B
V8	55	91 B	0 C	19.3 B	5875 B
V11	76	39 C	1358 B	14.4 C	4396 C
Untreated	--	0 D	3398 A	13.7 C	4103 C

^a Weeds were controlled at these volunteer corn stages using SelectMax or Assure II + Roundup PowerMax (22 fl oz/A) + AMS (17 lb/100 gal). There were no differences between the different herbicide treatments so results were combined.

^b Days after planting, application time.

^c Control was evaluated 2 weeks after the last application timing.

^d Means within a column with different letters are significantly different from each other.

Table 2. Effect of application timing on volunteer corn control and sugarbeet yield and quality at East Lansing.

Removal Timing ^a	DAP ^b	Volunteer corn		Sugarbeet	
		Control ^c %	Final biomass g/A	Yield tons/A	RWSA lbs/A
No corn	0	--	0 C	31.7 A	8469 A
V2	55	99 Ad	0 C	30.6 A	7723 ABC
V4	59	99 A	0 C	30.5 A	7898 AB
V6	66	97 A	0 C	30.4 A	7906 AB
V8	78	71 B	102 C	29.0 AB	7478 BC
V10	97	43 C	483 B	28.7 AB	7375 BC
Untreated	--	0 E	1154 A	27.4 B	6993 C

^a Weeds were controlled at these volunteer corn stages using SelectMax or Assure II + Roundup PowerMax (22 fl oz/A) + AMS (17 lb/100 gal). There were no differences between the different herbicide treatments so results were combined.

^b Days after planting, application time.

^c Control was evaluated 2 weeks after the last application timing.

^d Means within a column with different letters are significantly different from each other.

Summary: This trial was conducted to determine the impact of different volunteer corn control timings with Assure II and SelectMax on volunteer corn control, sugarbeet yield and recoverable white sugar per acre. Volunteer corn was planted at 24 plants per 150 ft². Volunteer corn was controlled at various stages with either Assure II or SelectMax. Assure II and SelectMax were equally effective at controlling volunteer corn so results were combined. At East Lansing, volunteer corn was replanted at the 2-leaf stage of sugarbeet due to poor initial germination. Delayed corn growth significantly improved sugarbeet competitiveness with volunteer corn. Sugarbeet yield and quality were reduced if volunteer corn was not controlled. At SVREC, sugarbeet yield and quality were significantly reduced at the V4 corn growth stage. Early-season control resulted in complete removal of volunteer corn. Volunteer corn needs to be controlled prior to the V4 growth stage to maximize removal, sugarbeet yield and recoverable white sugar per acre.

Effects of rotation crops on soil health and reproduction of sugar beet cyst and other nematodes

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Interpretive Summary: Crop rotation is among the important cultural practices in the management of sugar beet cyst nematode (SBCN), the primary nematode problem in sugar beets. Naturally, the rotation crops and associated tillage practices have direct and/or indirect impacts on non-target nematodes like root-lesion (*Pratylenchus* spp.), a serious crop pest, soil health, a major industry priority, and varying by soil type. Since there are no SBCN-resistant sugar beet cultivars commercially available, understanding how a broad range of sugar beet cultivars perform in a rotation system and their influence on all harmful nematodes and soil biology (measured through the food web structure and function) will be helpful to the Michigan Sugar Beet Industry (MSBI). Project GREEN in 2012 and MSC in 2013 funded this study to determine the effects of rotation crops in different soil types on (a) all nematodes and (b) soil health.

In 2012, five sugar beet (EL53, EL57, EL59, EL61 and EL64) cultivar from the USDA/ARS laboratory at MSU from MSC, corn (cv P9910) and SCN-susceptible soybean (cv 92M91) as controls were planted in four replicates on the same location at MSU HORT Farm. In 2013, an SBCN-susceptible (BTS10RR34) and -tolerant (BTS18RR4N) were added to the experiment at MSU and at a silt loam field in Saginaw County. Planting, plot maintenance and harvesting at the Saginaw County location was done by MSC. Soil samples were collected every 4-6 weeks during the growing seasons. Nematodes were extracted from 100 cc of soil and identified to herbivore (cyst and other PPN), bacteriovore, fungivore, predator and omnivore trophic groups, and data processed to extract changes on bio-ecological, nutrient cycling potential, and soil food web structure and function. Yield was measured at the end of the season.

Preliminary analyses of some of the 2012 and 2013 data at the MSU farm show: a) Soil food web structure improving with time across crops (data not shown). b) There were 24 and 8 cysts/100 cc of soil and 17 and 19 herbivore genera present in 2012 and 2013, respectively. c) While cyst population density was higher in 2012 than in 2013, there was no statistical difference among the crops in both seasons (Fig. 1, top). Root-lesion nematode was observed in low numbers in all, but plots planted with the sugar beet cv EL53 (Fig. 1, bottom). On-going are extensive analyses on the relationships among the measured parameters across time and the efficiency of the cropping systems on bio-ecological changes. A more complete report will be submitted when these analyses are done.

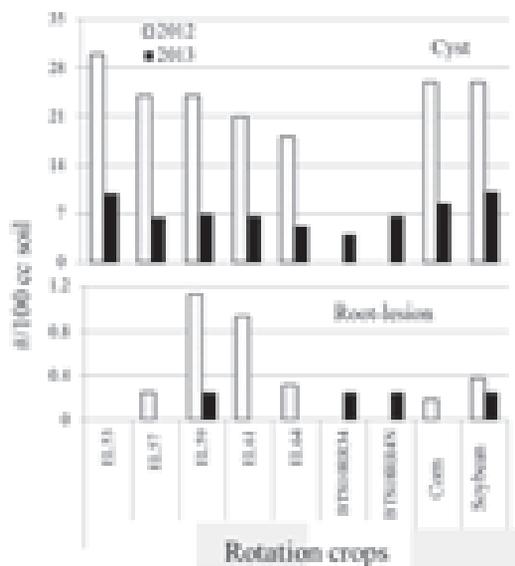


Figure 1. Number of cysts (top) and root-lesion (*Pratylenchus* spp., bottom) nematodes recovered from different sugar beet (EL53, EL57, EL59, EL61, EL64, BTS10RR34 and BTS18RR4N) cultivars, corn and soybean in 2012 and 2013 growing seasons in MSU HORT Farm. Means with no letters across crops by year are not statistically different from one another.

**First Year Progress Report:
Effects of mustard and oil seed radish crops on
reproduction of sugar beet cyst**

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Statement of problem and the gaps: Reducing the impact of sugar beet cyst nematode (SBCN) and improving soil health (organic matter, biological, physiochemical, nutritional and water holding priorities) are two of the critical research priorities for the Michigan Sugar Beet Industry (MSBI). Use of mustard and radish as resistant-, cover-, green manure- and/or trap-crops are among the cultural practices that could potentially address both MSBI priorities as well as suppression of other plant-parasitic nematodes (PPN). However, consistent suppression of SBCN and increase of crop yield from use of these crops has been elusive due to many factors. These include lack of integrated knowledge on the performance of these crops in different soil conditions and their impact on other PPN of economic significance in the sugar beet production landscape. MSC funded this project in 2013 to identify and to understand these complex relationships using resistant and susceptible cultivars of each of radish (Defender and Tillage), mustard (Pacific Gold and Ida Gold) and soybean (92Y80 and 92M91), respectively, and SBCN-tolerant (BTS18RR4N) and –susceptible (BTS10RR34) sugar beet along with corn (P9910R) as controls in a Huron (A, loam) and Saginaw (B, silt loam) county fields.

Objectives: The research objectives were to determine the: (1) effects of the above specified crops on **SBCN** and other PPN at the two locations; and (2) relationships between changes in SBCN population density and soil quality as a function of the multiple interacting organisms and environments. A third objective is to deliver educational materials to stakeholders.

Approaches: The crops were planted at each location with treatments replicated six times. Soybean and corn are added as controls for production systems. Planting, plot maintenance and harvesting was done by MSC to local standards. Soil samples were collected every 4-6 weeks during the growing season and nematodes extracted and identified to herbivore (cyst and other PPN), bacteriovore, fungivore, predator and omnivore trophic groups. Soil physiochemical, at planting and at harvest, and yield (biomass and seed) and sugar contents, at harvest were measured.

Results and Discussion: Preliminary analyses of pre-plant and harvest data show the following highlights: a) There were 4.4 and 12.2 cysts/100 cc of soil and 19 and 15 herbivore genera present in the silt loam and loam soils, respectively, suggesting potential problems than the target nematodes. b) While the levels of cysts were higher in the loam than in the silt loam soil, statistically similar numbers of cysts were recovered in the pairs of resistant/tolerant and susceptible crops in both soils (Fig. 1, top). Also, similar numbers of root-lesion nematode, one of the serious pests in the sugar beet production landscape, were recovered in soils planted with all of the crops in the loam soil while fewer root-lesion nematodes were found in plots of the susceptible radish, mustard and sugar beet than in the resistant radish in the silt loam soil (Fig. 1, bottom). The population density of root-lesion nematodes was lower in the silt loam and it slightly decreased than in the loam soil. However, the presence of root-lesion nematodes from the crops with known resistance to cyst nematodes suggests that management decisions need to consider broad spectrum of harmful nematodes. c) Soil food web structure, as described by nematode community analysis, varied by field (soil) and across crops than within crops (data not shown), suggesting location-specific interactions. d) Both resistant and susceptible mustard increased N compared to the other treatments in both soils (Fig. 2, top) while b radish and mustard cultivar significantly increased K compared to the sugar beet, soybean, and corn crops in the loam soil (Fig. 2, bottom).

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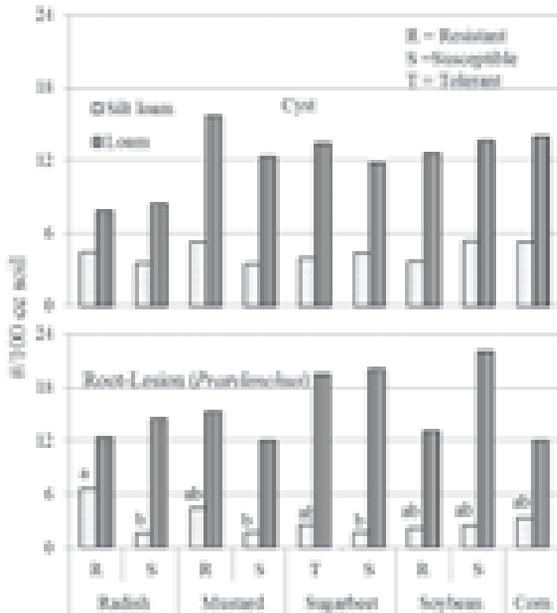


Figure 1. Number of cysts (top) and root-lesion (bottom, *Pratylenchus* spp.) nematodes recovered from different radish, mustard, sugarbeet, soybean and corn crops in silt loam (Saginaw County, shaded) and loam (Huron County, solid) soils. R = resistant, S = susceptible, and T = tolerant. Means with no or same letters across crops by soil are not statistically different from one another.

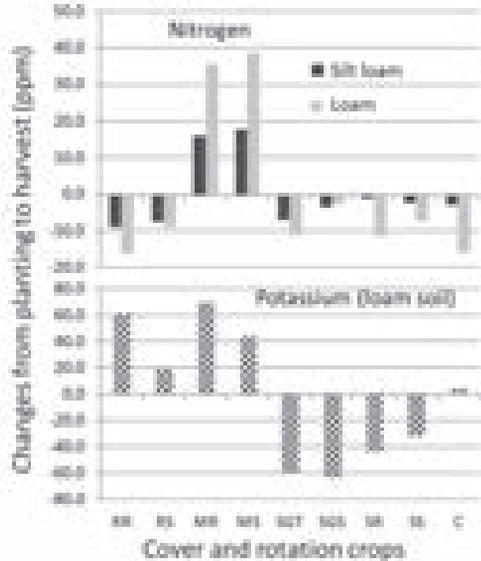


Figure 2. Changes in nitrogen in silt (dark) and loam (gray) soils (top) and potassium in loam soil (bottom) between planting and harvest under radish (RR and RS), mustard (MR and MS), sugar beet (SGT and SGS), soybean (RS and SS), and corn (C) crops. RR, MR, and SR = resistant; RS, MS, SGS, and SS = susceptible; and SGT = tolerant. Silt loam is in Saginaw County and loam soil in Huron County. Positive values show increase and negative values show decrease.

A combination of cyst and other PPN population dynamics, soil physiochemistry and soil food web data support the hypothesis that there are distinct interactions among the crops, SBCN and soil conditions. If verified through second year results, the data provide basis for explaining variabilities masking accurate use of mustard and radish crops for managing nematodes and soil health in Michigan sugar beet production soils.



Planting Date - Effect of Planting Date & Population on Sugarbeet Yield & Quality

Sylvester, Quanicassee, MI - 2013

Trial Quality: Fair	Soil Info: Sandy Clay Loam	Rhizoc Control: Good
Variety: HM-28RR	3.6% OM: 7.9 pH	Cerc. Control: Good
Planted: May 2, May 15, June 4	Above Opt. Levels: P, K	Other Problems: None
Harvested: Oct 21	High: Mn, Med: B	Seed Spacing: 2.0 inches
Plot Size: 6 rows X 38 ft	Added N: 120 lbs	Rainfall: Date:
6 reps	Prev. Crop: Cucumber/Radish	1 10.1 inches
Row Spacing: 22 inch		2 13.5 inches
		3 14.1 inches

Effect of Planting Date on Sugarbeet Yield & Quality

Averaged over all Beet Populations							
Planting Date	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Amino
May 2	\$1,406	7734	274	28.1	18.0	96.6	3.1
May 15	\$1,245	6847	264	25.9	17.4	96.3	3.7
June 4	\$1,047	5760	251	22.9	16.7	96.3	3.7
Average	\$1,233	6780	263	25.6	17.4	96.4	3.5
LSD 5%	74	388	5.9	1.1	0.3	0.2	0.5

Effect of Population on Sugarbeet Yield & Quality

Averaged over all Planting Dates							
Population	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Amino
250	\$1,333	7332	265	27.5	17.4	96.7	2.8
200	\$1,328	7304	270	26.9	17.7	96.5	3.7
150	\$1,284	7064	271	25.9	17.9	96.4	3.4
100	\$1,275	7014	266	26.3	17.6	96.4	3.5
75	\$1,166	6410	262	24.4	17.3	96.3	3.6
50	\$1,011	5558	243	22.8	16.3	95.9	3.9
Average	\$1,233	6780	263	25.6	17.4	96.4	3.5
LSD 5%	87	460	7.1	1.5	0.5	0.3	0.9

Comments: The earlier planting dates produce better as in previous trials. Each date is significantly better than the next. Each thicker population is better than the next but they are statistically the same from 100-250 beets. Using the results to recommend replanting, if you have 75 beets per 100 feet leave them. This is the same as previous trials. Our trials would be the same as working up the first planting. Most growers replant down the row or plant spots and that could change the 75 beet recommendation.

\$/A: Gross payment unless noted as net. Calculated assuming a \$50 payment and an average RWST of 275.

Bold: Results are not statistically different from top-ranking variety in each column.



Planting Date - Effect of Planting Date & Population on Sugarbeet Yield & Quality

Sylvester, Quanicassee, MI - 2013

All Dates & Populations

Planting Date	Beets/ 100'	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Amino
May 2	250	\$1,567	8617	276	31.2	18.0	96.9	2.6
May 2	200	\$1,522	8373	284	29.4	18.5	97.0	2.8
May 2	150	\$1,512	8317	287	29.0	18.8	96.3	3.5
May 15	250	\$1,392	7655	272	28.1	17.7	96.9	2.9
May 2	100	\$1,351	7433	272	27.3	17.8	96.7	3.4
May 15	200	\$1,351	7429	273	27.1	18.1	96.2	4.9
May 15	100	\$1,325	7342	268	27.4	17.7	96.3	3.3
May 2	75	\$1,307	7190	267	26.9	17.6	96.4	3.0
May 15	75	\$1,218	6698	264	25.3	17.4	96.4	3.4
May 15	150	\$1,194	6569	268	24.5	17.6	96.6	2.9
May 2	50	\$1,177	6472	259	25.0	17.2	96.1	3.3
June 4	150	\$1,146	6304	259	24.3	17.1	96.3	3.7
June 4	100	\$1,140	6268	259	24.1	17.2	96.2	3.7
June 4	200	\$1,111	6110	252	24.2	16.7	96.4	3.5
June 4	250	\$1,041	5723	248	23.1	16.4	96.5	2.9
May 15	50	\$980	5390	237	22.8	16.0	95.6	4.5
June 4	75	\$971	5343	256	20.9	17.0	96.2	4.4
June 4	50	\$875	4813	234	20.5	15.7	95.9	4.0
Average		\$1,233	6780	263	25.6	17.4	96.4	3.5
LSD 5%		145	803.7	12.4	2.6	0.8	0.6	1.4
CV %		10	10.3	4.1	8.9	3.9	0.5	35.8

\$/A: Gross payment unless noted as net. Calculated assuming a \$50 payment and an average RWST of 275.

Bold: Results are not statistically different from top-ranking variety in each column.



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Average of 4 Years, 8 Locations

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Harvest: 6 dates

Seeding Rate: 4.1 inches

Plot Size: 6 rows X 38 ft, 6 reps

Harvest Date	\$/A	\$/Ton	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Amino	Beets 100'
Oct 15	\$2,182	\$70	9557	294	32.6	19.6	95.4	8.7	186
Sept 15	\$2,176	\$83	6718	250	27.0	17.0	94.9	8.4	179
Nov 1	\$2,159	\$65	10383	297	35.1	19.7	95.6	5.5	177
Oct 1	\$2,088	\$78	7595	274	27.8	18.7	94.6	7.2	181
Sept 1	\$1,997	\$84	5447	225	24.1	15.8	93.8	11.4	181
Aug 15	\$1,745	\$84	4108	196	21.0	14.0	93.4	10.8	176
Average	\$2058	\$77	7301	256	27.9	17.5	94.6	8.7	180
LSD 5%	161.3	4.6	483.4	13.0	1.6	0.8	0.5	2.7	8.4
CV %	7.7	5.9	6.5	5.0	5.6	4.4	0.6	26.4	4.3

Comments: The dates listed were the intended dates. The actual date varied a couple days in some trials. The early premium system compensates well. The payment per ton is significantly higher for the first three dates than the last three. Each year and location will be different but the payment per acre is statistically the same for the last four dates. A grower in deciding to harvest early can have other benefits such as; good weather, balance out fall work and planting wheat.

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Average of 2 Locations - 2013

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Trial Quality:	Fair	Rhizoc Control:	Good control
Variety:	C-RR059		Quadris, T-Band and
Plant:	Quanicassee, May 15 Blumfield, May 4	Cerc Control:	6-8 lf Good control
Harvest:	6 dates		4 applications
Plot Size:	6 rows X 38 ft, 6 reps	Seeding Rate:	4.1 inches

Harvest Date	\$/A	\$/Ton	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Beets 100'
Oct 17	\$2,072	\$64	10513	325	32.3	21.3	96.1	153
Sep 15	\$2,037	\$77	7216	275	26.7	18.6	94.9	136
Sep 1	\$2,006	\$82	6446	260	24.5	17.6	95.0	143
Oct 30	\$1,950	\$60	10725	328	32.8	21.4	96.1	137
Sept 30	\$1,934	\$72	8044	301	26.7	20.3	94.8	135
Aug 15	\$1,625	\$88	4547	246	18.6	17.0	94.1	137
Average	\$1,937	\$74	7915	289	26.9	19.4	95.2	140
LSD 5%	202.7	2.4	785.9	9.6	2.9	0.5	0.4	15.3
CV %	13.4	4.0	12.2	4.0	13.4	3.1	0.5	13.4

\$/A: Gross dollars per acre assuming a \$50 payment.

Bold: Results are not statistically different from top-ranking variety in each column.

Cover Crops Prior to Beets

Burk Farms, Bay City - 2013

Trial Quality: Good	Soil Info: Loam	Rhizoc Control: Good Control: Quadris I.F. & Foliar
Variety: C-RR074NT	Fertilizer: Fall: 150# K ₂ O, 2x2: 27-40-0 + Micros; Sid-dress: 75# N	Cerc Control: Good Control: 1. Eminent + EBDC, 2. Headline + EBDC, 3. Tin + EBDC
Planted: May 3	Prev Crop: Wheat w/ Cover	Other Pests: None
Harv/Samp: Oct 19 / Oct 9	Weather: Heavy rain after planting	
Plot Size: 3 reps		
Row Spacing: 30 inch		
Seeding Rate: 52,000		

Treatment	\$/A	RWSA	RWST	T/A	% Sugar	% CJP	Stand /	Dead
							100 Ft.	Beets /
							45 Day	100 Ft
Oil Seed Radish	\$1,203	6621	262	25.2	17.5	95.8	208	1
Sorghum / Sudan Grass	\$1,152	6348	260	24.3	17.4	95.7	191	2
Clover	\$1,117	6152	249	24.7	16.8	95.2	168	0
Pea & Radish Mix	\$1,105	6088	256	23.8	17.2	95.5	205	5
Oats	\$1,077	5944	250	23.7	16.9	95.3	190	11
Average	\$1,131	6231	255	24.3	17.2	95.5	192	4
LSD 5%	—	ns (827)	ns (22)	ns (1.6)	ns (1.2)	ns (0.8)	ns (38)	ns (16)
CV %	—	7	5	3.4	3.7	0.4	10	232

Comments: This trial was conducted by Paul Gross, Cover Crop Educator MSUE, to evaluate the impact that cover crops planted after wheat have on sugarbeets. Using cover crops in rotation is a long term soil improvement practice. Cover crops were planted in strips after wheat harvest and fall tilled. The cover crops were planted by broadcasting into wheat stubble and incorporating with a Turbo-Till vertical tillage tool. Sugarbeets were then planted the following spring. In this trial, no significant yield/quality improvements were seen. Though not statistically significant this year, this is the second year in a row that we have had a sugar reduction when clover is the previous crop. In this trial, nitrogen rates were kept constant with each treatment. It is suggested that nitrogen rates be reduced by 30-40 lbs per acre when following clover to minimize the detrimental impact on quality. The oil seed radish variety was Defender. Sugarbeet growers need to be careful to use the proper oil seed radish varieties since some radish varieties will cause an increase in sugarbeet cyst nematode.

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An Automated System for Plant-level Disease Rating in Real Fields

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Abstract—*Cercospora leaf spot (CLS)* is the most serious disease in sugar beet plants that significantly reduces the sugar yield throughout the world. Therefore the current focus of the researchers in agricultural domain is to find sugar beet cultivars that are highly resistant to CLS. To measure their resistance, CLS is manually observed and rated in a large varieties of sugar beet by different human experts over a period of a few months. Unfortunately, this procedure is laborious and subjective. Therefore, we propose a novel computer vision system, CLS Rater, to automatically and accurately rate CLS of plant images in the real field to the “USDA scale” of 0 to 10. Given a set of plant images captured by a tractor-mounted camera, CLS Rater extracts multi-scale superpixels, where in each scale a novel histogram of importances feature representation is proposed to encode both the within-superpixel local and across-superpixel global appearance variations. These features at different superpixel scales are then fused for learning a bagging MSP regressor that estimates the rating for each plant image. We test our system on the field data collected over a period of three months under different day lighting and weather conditions. Experimental results show that CLS Rater has a rating error of 0.7%, which is substantially smaller than the error of 1.2% by the human experts.

I. INTRODUCTION

As a plant with a high concentration of sucrose in its roots, sugar beet accounts for 55% of the total sugar produced in the U.S. [1]. However, despite using control strategies, the yield from this crop is significantly reduced by various diseases, among which *Cercospora Leaf Spot (CLS)* [19] is the most serious one. This disease adversely affects about 33% of the world’s sugar beet cultivation area [8]. One effective way to tackle CLS is to plant more resistant cultivars of sugar beet. To study the resistance property, scientists grow a large number of genetically selected cultivars of sugar beet in the real field. The resistance of each cultivar to CLS is observed and rated by experts over a course of a few months. To facilitate rating, Ruppel and Gaskill define a well-known 11-level rating system adopted by U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) [16], named “USDA scale”. However, manual rating system has three critical drawbacks: *subjective* where multiple experts can have different ratings for the same plant, *laborious* where it requires enormous time from experts for frequent and large-scale rating, and *relatively insensitive* where the human eye is not sufficiently sensitive to the subtle variation of the leaf appearance. Therefore, an improved automated rating system addressing these drawbacks is highly desired.

Given the popularity and low cost of visual sensors such as cameras, a computer vision based system can be an excellent choice for the rating system where the images of plants are

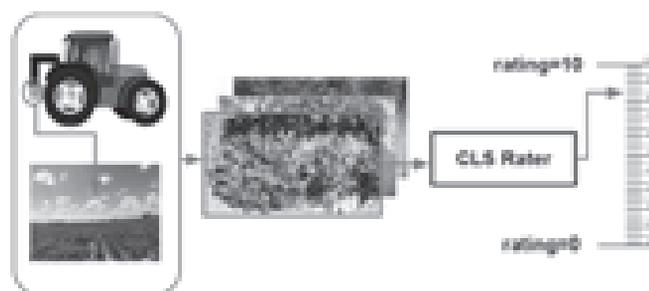


Fig. 1: A camera mounted to a field tractor records the plant videos from top view, CLS Rater then performs automated analysis and assigns a rating of “USDA scale” to each image extracted from that video.

analyzed and rated in an automated, consistent, and efficient manner. Unfortunately, the agricultural industry appears to lack such types of commercial systems. In the research community, most of the prior work focuses only on detecting or classifying CLS from the zoom-in view of the leaf images [2], [3], [15], [17]. Although such leaf-level approaches make the classification problem easier, they are practically more challenging to adopt due to the requirement on the image acquisition.

Alternatively, the plant-level images can be more conveniently acquired in the field via a fly-over UAV or drive-through tractor as shown in Fig. 1. However, automatic rating on plant-level images is challenging, as illustrated in Fig. 2. The varying light conditions in different weather contribute to a large amount of appearance variations in the images. Dark shadows tend to hide the details making it tough to analyze the appearance patterns of diseased spots. In the higher ratings of CLS, the dead plants mix up with the soil and hence not confusing them with soil is challenging. Similarly a bright glow in healthy leaves due to sunlight displays a yellowish color that is normally present around the diseased leaves.

To fulfill the application need and address the technical challenges, we propose a novel system, CLS Rater, for the automated rating of CLS disease in plant-level images captured by a conventional tractor-mounted camera. Notably, this application requires our system to make a global rating estimate of a plant image by analyzing diverse appearance patterns of disease in its local regions. We tackle this challenge with our novel technical contribution of superpixel-based Histogram of Importances (HoI) features that describe the local patterns of each superpixel at the global image level. We then utilize these

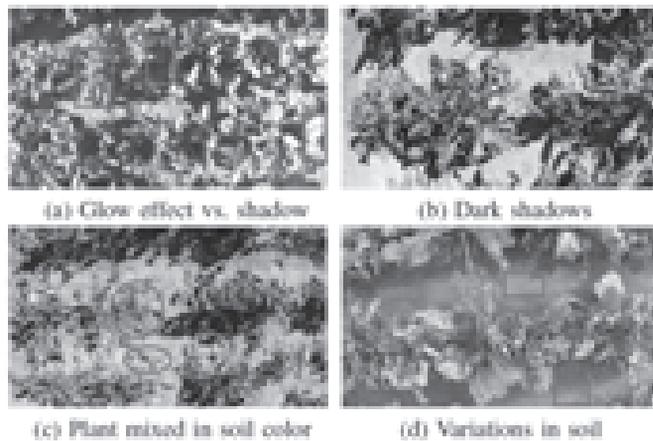


Fig. 2: Appearance variations of plant images.

features for learning image level regression models. Although, superpixels are frequently used in image segmentation problems [5], [10], [20], they have not been explicitly used to learn image level regression models. With an input image, we first extract superpixels at a pre-defined scale, e.g., M superpixels. Since each superpixel is a collection of neighboring pixels with similar appearance, a D -dimensional feature vector, e.g., a color histogram, is extracted to capture the local appearance variations of a superpixel. Given the $M \times D$ feature matrix extracted from all superpixels of an image, we describe the appearance variations across all superpixels, by computing a T -dimensional histogram for each column of this matrix. This results in a DT -dimensional vector, where each element describes the distribution of relative importance of one feature, e.g., one representative color, among the individual superpixel.

Furthermore, depending on the rating of a plant, the distinctive region of diseased leaves can have a large scale variation, from a tiny spot to an extensive area of dead leaves. Hence, the superpixels extraction is conducted at multiple scales, ranging from hundreds to thousands of superpixels, and the proposed HoI feature is extracted at each scale. Finally the features from multiple scales are fused, from which a regressor is learned based on a set of images and their manual labels of USDA scale. We test CLS Rater on a dataset collected over a three-month period under different outdoor weather conditions. Experimental results show that our system can predict the rating with an average rating error of 0.76, while the error of experts' label is 1.25.

In summary, our paper makes three main contributions:

- We design and test a practical computer vision system that conveniently consumes plant-level images of a real field and automatically rate the CLS resistance according to the USDA scale.
- We propose a novel histogram of importances feature over the multi-scale superpixels representation. We demonstrate its effectiveness in the regressor learning and compare it with a baseline approach.
- We collect an image dataset of 458 cultivars of sugar beet with various degrees of CLS disease and the associated manual labels of USDA scale, over a period of three months.

We will make this dataset publicly available to the research community.

II. PRIOR WORK

Related research in our application mainly focuses on detecting or classifying CLS disease in sugar beet. These approaches utilize zoom-in leaf-level images to detect the diseased segments and classify a leaf as diseased or healthy. Such approaches address a less challenging problem than ours due to the leaf-level images, and a 2-class classification task, while we perform regression from plant-level images. Furthermore, these approaches are hard to adopt in practices because it is inconvenient to regularly obtain leaf-level detail of each plant in a large field. For instance, in [3], authors classify different diseases in sugar beet leaves, where the plants are grown under controlled laboratorial conditions. In [15], one goal of their study is to use leaf images to differentiate a leaf having CLS from the healthy one by a SVM classifier. Similarly, [2] and [17] also use leaf images and utilize a threshold based strategy to monitor the diseased part of the leaf. In contrast, we collect plant-level images in a real field over a three-month period under different weather conditions. Further, our system is based on learning a regression technique that predicts the severity of CLS disease in a 11-level USDA scale. To the best of our knowledge, this is the first study to utilize the plant-level real field images of sugar beet and automatically predict the fine-grained severity of CLS disease.

Since our feature representation builds upon the superpixel, we provide a brief overview of the related work in superpixels. With time, superpixel based methods are becoming more advanced. For example in [9], authors discuss how the superpixels resulting from different techniques can be combined to achieve better image segmentation. Similarly, various studies utilize superpixels for classifying local segments of images. In [6], authors use a multi-scale superpixel classification approach for tumor segmentation. Furthermore, superpixels have been utilized in various other applications as shown in [5], [10], [20]. Note that in our study, CLS rating needs to be conducted globally for an entire image, while superpixels only capture local characteristics of an image. Hence, we need to address how the local characteristics of superpixels can be summarized for image-level representation, which unfortunately has not been explicitly studied before and is the novelty of our technical approach.

III. OUR APPROACH OF CLS RATER

The input data to our system can be the plant-level images captured by a camera mounted on either a fly-over UAV or a horizontal pole of a regular field tractor. Specifically in this paper we use the later, as illustrated in Fig. 1. Given a plant image, superpixels are extracted and the pixels within a superpixel are used to describe the local characteristics. Although there are many types of features for representing a local region, we decide to focus on the color and texture based features. The reason is that, when a plant is going through different stages of CLS infection, the amount as well as the color of healthy leaf, diseased leaf, and visible soil regions in plant images are changing accordingly. Thus, color can be very useful in discriminating these three types of regions and further predicting the rating. Similarly, texture also exhibits distinct patterns on these different regions.

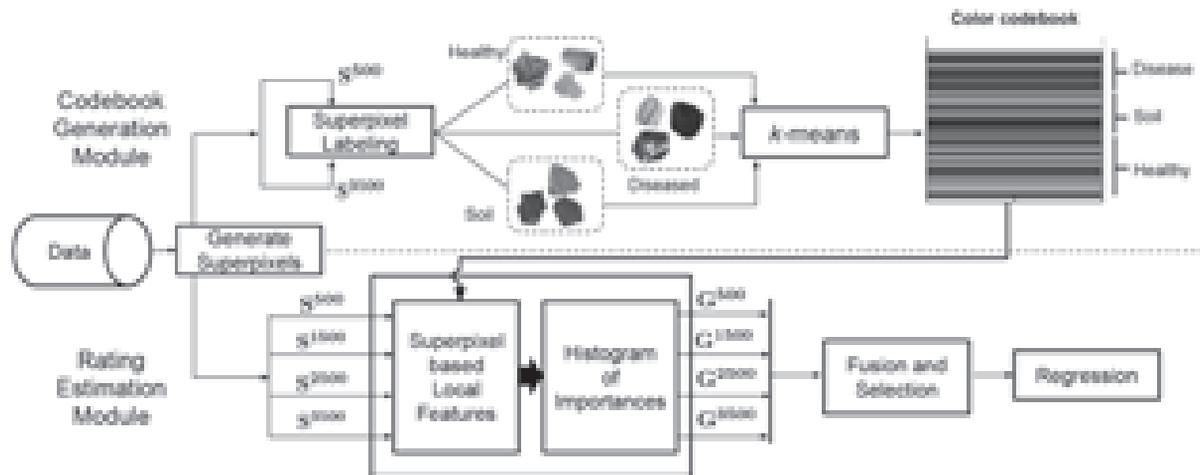


Fig. 3: High-level architecture of our CLS Rater system.

Like any learning based computer vision system, CLS Rater has the training stage and the testing stage. During the training stage, a regressor is learned from a set of plant images with manual labels of "USDA scale", with the goal that the predicted rating from the regressor is as close to the labeled rating as possible. While in the testing stage, the learned regressor is applied to an unseen plant image for automatically predicting its rating. As shown in Fig. 3, the training stage includes two modules: codebook generation module (CGM) and rating estimation module (REM). The goal of CGM is to model the representative colors in three different types of regions. In CGM, we manually label diverse sets of superpixels into each of the three regions, to which k -means clustering is applied independently for generating the codewords of these three regions. In REM, superpixels are extracted from a set of images at four scales, where at each scale a novel feature representation is used to describe both the local and global feature distribution. Features at all scales are then fused and a regressor is learned from the selected features. Processing in the testing stage is similar to REM except that it only takes one image as input. We describe the key components of the training step as follows.

A. Superpixel Extraction

CLS appears as diseased segments in sugar beet plants and depending on the rating of disease, these segments show large scale variations ranging from a tiny spot to a large segment. As a popular middle-level representation, a superpixel is a local segment in an image containing a group of neighboring pixels with similar appearance. Normally a scale is specified so that a pre-determined number M of superpixels can be generated for one image. To capture the local characteristics of diseased spots at all rating levels, we generate superpixels $S^M = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_M\}$ of an image at four different scales where $M = \{500, 1500, 2500, 3500\}$. Using the standard implementation of [11], we observe that superpixels at each scale cover local characteristics of an image in a unique way, as shown in the zoom-in views of the smallest and largest scales in Fig. 4. For example, small sized superpixels, obtained with a large M , can completely fit to a small diseased spot developed in the early CLS stage. Although a larger sized superpixel cannot restrict its boundary to a small segment

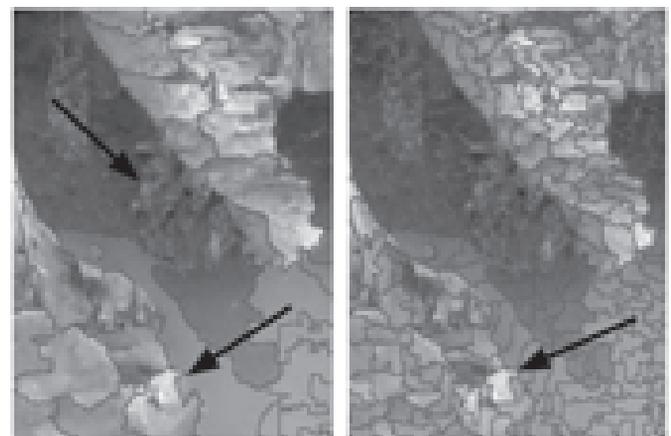


Fig. 4: Superpixels at $M = 500$ (left) and 3500 (right).

present in low rating images, it covers the surrounding of such a small spot and hence provides useful neighborhood contextual information, as indicated by the two arrows at the bottom of Fig. 4. On the other hand, in high rating images, larger superpixels can cover an entire large spot and provide a more confident indication of the severity of CLS (the arrow at the top of Fig. 4).

B. Codebook Generation Module

Motivated by the BoW type approaches [4], we first learn a color codebook to estimate the representative colors (codewords) in our plant images. From our dataset we select a diverse set of $B = 33$ images with various severities of CLS. For each image, I_i , superpixels at multiple scales $\{S_i^M\}$ are generated. Using our GUI, the superpixels S_i^M of image I_i is displayed on the screen, where a user may select superpixels belonging to healthy, diseased and soil regions via mouse clicks. The selected subsets are denoted as S_i^H , S_i^D , and S_i^S respectively. We perform this step for all B images to form $S_H = \{S_1^H, S_2^H, \dots, S_B^H\}$, $S_D = \{S_1^D, S_2^D, \dots, S_B^D\}$ and $S_S = \{S_1^S, S_2^S, \dots, S_B^S\}$. We collect about 150 superpixels for each of three categories. We perform this superpixel selection procedure at two scales only. To select clean diseased spots,

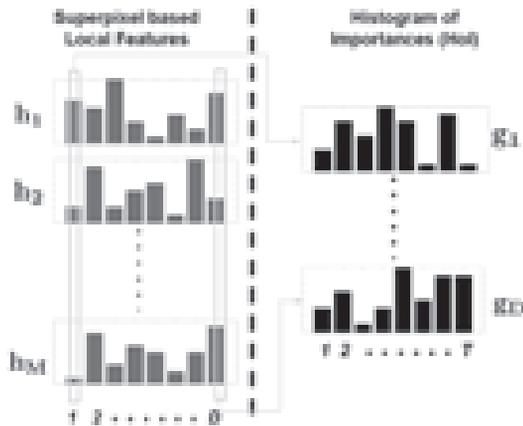


Fig. 5: Computing the Histogram of Importances (HoI).

we use $\{S_i^{300}\}$ containing smaller supersixels, whereas it is convenient to use $\{S_i^{500}\}$ for healthy plants and soil.

The RGB pixel values of all pixels within the supersixels of S_H , S_D , and S_S are fed to the k -means clustering for extracting codewords of each category. We extract 10 codewords for disease and soil respectively, and denote them as C_D and C_S . Since the healthy part shows high variations and also responds with lighter variants in regions around the diseased part, we select 15 codewords C_H . We combine C_H , C_D , and C_S to obtain a codebook with $D = 35$ codewords $C = \{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_{35}\}$, which will be used in the rating estimation module that is explained next. An alternative approach to our codebook learning is to directly learn the color codewords from the images, which is not preferred because the resulting codewords will mainly cover the variations in healthy and soil parts, hence creating an unbalanced codebook.

C. Rating Estimation Module

Based on the supersixels of an image set, this module performs two main tasks: 1) feature representation, and 2) feature selection and regressor learning.

1) *Feature Representation*: Feature representation is critical for any computer vision system. In our work, we strive to design an image-level feature that captures both the local pixel statistics, such as the small diseased spots, and the global image regularity, such as a large region of dead leaves. This leads to our proposed approach to compute our novel histogram of importances feature in two steps.

In the first step, a histogram feature is extracted to represent the color variation of all pixels within each supersixel. Given that an image I contains a set of M supersixels $S^M = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_M\}$, we compute a set of color histograms $H = [h_1, h_2, \dots, h_M]$. For each supersixel $s_m \in S^M$, we have $h_m(d) = \frac{h_d}{\sum_{d=1}^D h_d}$, where h_d indicates the number of pixels u within a supersixel whose color is most similar to c_d among all 35 codewords, i.e., $h_d = \sum_{u \in s_m} \delta(d = \text{argmin}_d \|I(u) - c_d\|_2)$ and $\delta()$ is the indicator function.

Although h_m is a good descriptor of local appearance at each supersixel, it cannot be applied to regression learning directly because supersixels between two images are not matching with each other, as well as it depends on the supersixel scale M . Hence, we aim to extract an image-level

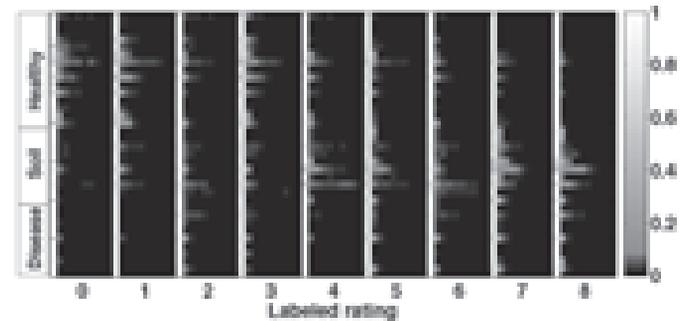


Fig. 6: Color-based HoI of 9 images with different ratings.

feature independent to supersixel locations or M . Specifically, by observing the matrix H of an image, each element $h_m(d)$ indicates the relative importance of the color feature d within the supersixel s_m . Such an importance value can vary between 0 and 1. By collecting all the importance values belong to the same feature d , i.e., one column of H , we can form a T -dimensional histogram of importance (HoI) g_d , where $g_d(t) = \sum_{m=1}^M \delta(\frac{t-1}{T} \leq h_m(d) < \frac{t}{T})$, and $1 \leq t \leq T$ where both t and T are integer values. We show this procedure diagrammatically in Fig. 5. By collecting the HoI of all D color codewords, we have a $D \times T$ feature representation $G^M = \{g_d\}$ for one supersixel scale M .

Similar HoI features are also computed for the LBP-based texture features [12] L^M , where $D = 256$. In our study, we use $T = 10$ for color features and $T = 5$ for LBP features. Thus, for each image at one supersixel scale, we have a total of 1,630 features. To visualize the HoI features, Fig. 6 plots G^M of 9 randomly selected images at $M = 500$. We can clearly see a decrease of importances in healthy features and a slight increase of importances in soil features, as we move to higher ratings.

2) *Feature Fusion, Selection and Regression*: As mentioned before, supersixels at different scale cover local characteristics in different ways and provide different advantages over each other. Therefore, to get the best from every scale, we compute the color and LBP based HoI, G^M and L^M , at all four scales of each image, which results in a feature vector with the length of $1,630 \times 4$. However, since not all feature elements have a high discriminative power, we perform feature selection by the correlation-based approach [22], which is based on two measures: the high predictive ability and low correlation with already selected features. We then provide the selected feature set to bagging MSP regressor [13], [21], MSP decision tree learns different regression functions for each leaf node of the tree. Experiments in the next section provide a comparative study of different regression schemes on our features. Our results show the performance of bagging MSP to be superior to other well-known regressions paradigms.

IV. EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

In this section we design experiments to answer the following questions: 1) how does CLS Rater perform in comparison to manual human rating? 2) how do different regression schemes perform at different supersixel scales? 3) is there any relation between the type of the regression methods and the type of our appearance features? 4) how do our discriminative

TABLE I: Label distribution w.r.t. different ratings.

Labeled rating	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
# of images	3	18	27	57	84	54	45	12	4	0	0

TABLE II: Rating error (ϵ) at different superpixel scales.

Regression	S^{500}	S^{1000}	S^{2500}	S^{5000}	BoW	S^{500}
MSP	0.82	0.81	0.84	0.81	0.97	0.76
SVM	1.07	1.05	1.26	1.13	1.07	0.92
Linear	1.13	1.32	1.54	1.51	1.04	0.90
MSRules	0.83	0.83	0.83	0.83	0.98	0.77
LMS	1.27	1.31	1.54	1.52	1.03	0.87

features vary across different CLS ratings? We now discuss different aspects of our experiments to provide answers to these questions.

Dataset To record the progress of CLS disease, we collect 220 videos of a sugar beet field from July 30, 2013 to September 12, 2013 on 10 different dates. Our field is of a rectangular shape at 135×168 meters, and plants a total of 458 sugar beet cultivars. Along the short edge of this rectangle there are 22 field lines, where our tractor drives along each of the field lines for data collection. For each field line, our system captures a video of about 3 minutes at 30 FPS, with a frame size of $1,080 \times 1,920$. We reduce the frame size to 540×960 for improved computational efficiency. Our tractor captures these videos from a height of 1.2 meters. For performance evaluation, we utilize a diverse set of 306 images extracted from all videos as the training and testing set. Using the USDA scale, one expert labels all images, and two additional experts label half of these images. The overall distribution of all labeled images across different ratings is tabulated in Tab. I.

In our experiments, we randomly split the 306-image set into two equal parts and use one for training and the other for testing. This is repeated to generate three partitions of training and testing sets. For a set of K image I_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, K$, given the manual rating from one expert as r_i and the estimated rating of our system as \hat{r}_i , we compute the rating error of our system as $\epsilon = \frac{1}{K} \sum_i |r_i - \hat{r}_i|$.

Regression Results Using our data, we evaluate a diverse set of regression methods belonging to three categories: (1) functional regression (SVM [18], Least Median Squared Linear (LMS) [14], Linear), (2) decision tree learning based regression (MSP) [21], and (3) rule learning based regression (MSRules) [7]. We use bagging with each of these methods to enhance their predictive ability. To remove the bias in coding, we utilize the standard implementations in [22]. The manual labels used in both training and testing are from a single expert. Regressor training and testing are conducted on all three partitions and the average results are shown in Tab. II. We observe that while features at different superpixel scales are preferred by different regression methods, the fused feature scale (S^{500}) achieves the best performance regardless of the method. Also in general MSP performs the best among all regression methods. Therefore, our CLS Rater will utilize the fused feature with a MSP regressor. One baseline method to compare with our HoW feature is the BoW features [4] based on the 35 color codewords and 256 LBP codewords of each

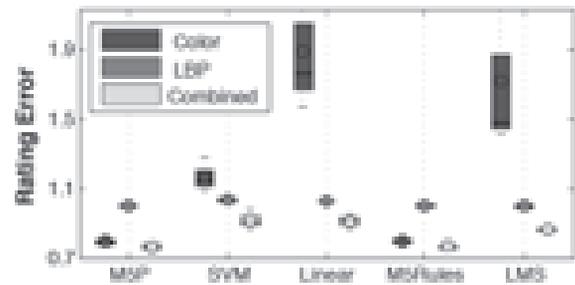


Fig. 7: Regression performance with different feature types.

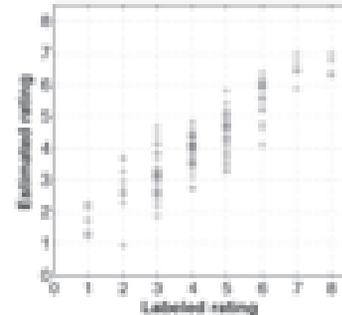


Fig. 8: Labeled rating vs. the estimated rating of CLS Rater.

image. As shown in the BoW column of Tab. II, none of the regression methods based on BoW is superior to CLS Rater.

We further explore how the regression methods perform w.r.t. different types of appearance features, i.e., color and LBP. We provide fused features of each type to the regression methods and observe that none of these schemes have a bias towards the LBP features. However, decision tree and rule based regression perform better than functional regression using color features, as shown in Fig. 7.

In order to investigate how CLS Rater performs across different ratings, we plot its performance on one of the test partitions in Fig. 8. The figure shows that the rating error is comparatively higher at very low or in very high rating levels. We attribute this to the unbalanced label distribution shown in Tab. I. The table shows that we have far less labeled images for the lower and higher ratings compared to the middle level ratings.

Feature Analysis In this section we analyze the features selected by the bagging MSP regressor method during its training process. Note that MSP is a tree-based regressor where each nodes is associated with a selected feature. Due to limited space, we only analyze the top hierarchy nodes (features) and select four nodes, each with a different type of features, i.e., the color features from the disease, soil and healthy region and one LBP-based texture feature. In order to see how effective these four selected features are on the testing images, we perform the following computation. We first partition all testing images into 8 groups based on their labeled ratings from 1 to 8. Then for each of the four selected features, we compute its average feature values from images within the same group. This leads to a 8-dimensional vector, which is further normalized by dividing with the maximal element in the vector. We plot the resulting four vectors in Fig. 9. We clearly see a trend for each

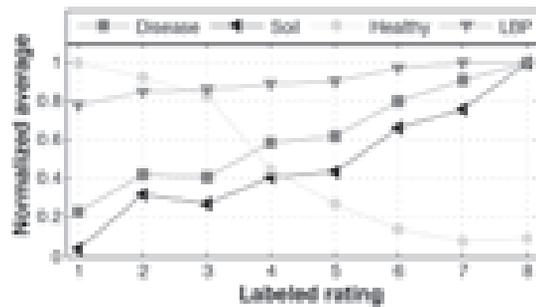


Fig. 9: Top hierarchy features of bagging MSP regressor.

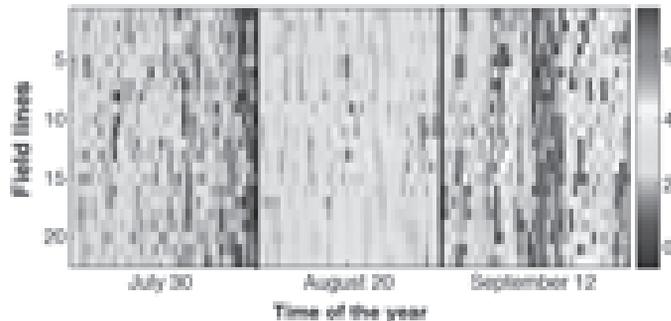


Fig. 10: CLS ratings of our field over three months.

of these four features. For example, there is an overall increase in the values of the disease and soil features as we move to higher ratings, which is consistent with the real observation on the plant images.

CLS Rater vs. Human Rating In general, it takes about 5 seasons to train an unskilled individual for rating CLS disease and at least 1 season to train a pathologist. However, it is still well known that human experts do not provide consistent rating for CLS. Hence, it is interesting to compare the rating error of CLS Rater to the error observed in human estimation. The minimal estimation error for CLS Rater is 0.76, as shown in Tab. II. To compare this with human error, we utilize the half set of our data that is rated by three human experts. For an image I , we consider the mean of three ratings, r_1^i , r_2^i and r_3^i , as the ground truth rating r_i . We then calculate the human rating error using the similar equation as our system error ϵ , i.e., $\epsilon^h = \frac{1}{IK} \sum_{i=1}^K \sum_{j=1}^3 |r_i - r_j^i|$. Based on all testing images, the error of human rating ϵ^h is 1.25. The superior performance of our system over the experts indicates the great potential of applying CLS Rater in practices.

CLS Resistance Patterns in the Field Using our CLS Rater system, we can also study how the disease grows in different sections of our field over a period of three months. Since each section corresponds to a known sugar beet cultivar, this study provides many insights to the domain experts about the CLS resistances of various cultivars. As shown in Fig. 10, each box is made of 22×40 subunits where 22 is the number of field lines and 40 represents the number of evenly sampled images along each field line (or video). We clearly observe that cultivars in the middle sections of our field show far less resistant to CLS, while some cultivars at the left of the field are very resistant even till the end of the season.

V. CONCLUSIONS

This paper introduced a novel computer vision system, CLS Rater, that uses plant-level images for the automated rating of the CLS disease in sugar beet plants. We tested our system on a practical field under different lighting and weather conditions over a period of three months. CLS Rater utilizes a novel Hof feature to represent the local characteristics of superpixels at the image level and predicts the rating with an error of 0.76, which is substantially better in comparison to manual rating performed by human experts. We will work toward using CLS Rater as an integral part of CLS disease monitoring and studying in real fields. Furthermore, our technical approach does not depend on the specific disease or plant, and therefore is potentially applicable to a wide range of precision agriculture applications.

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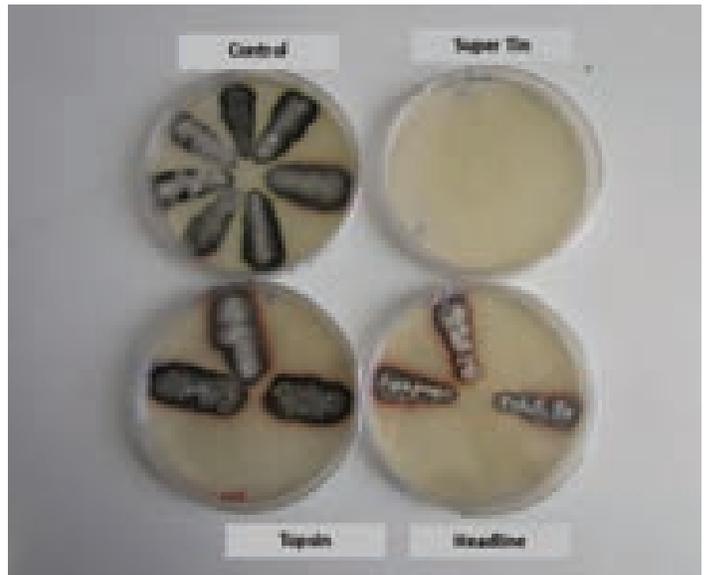
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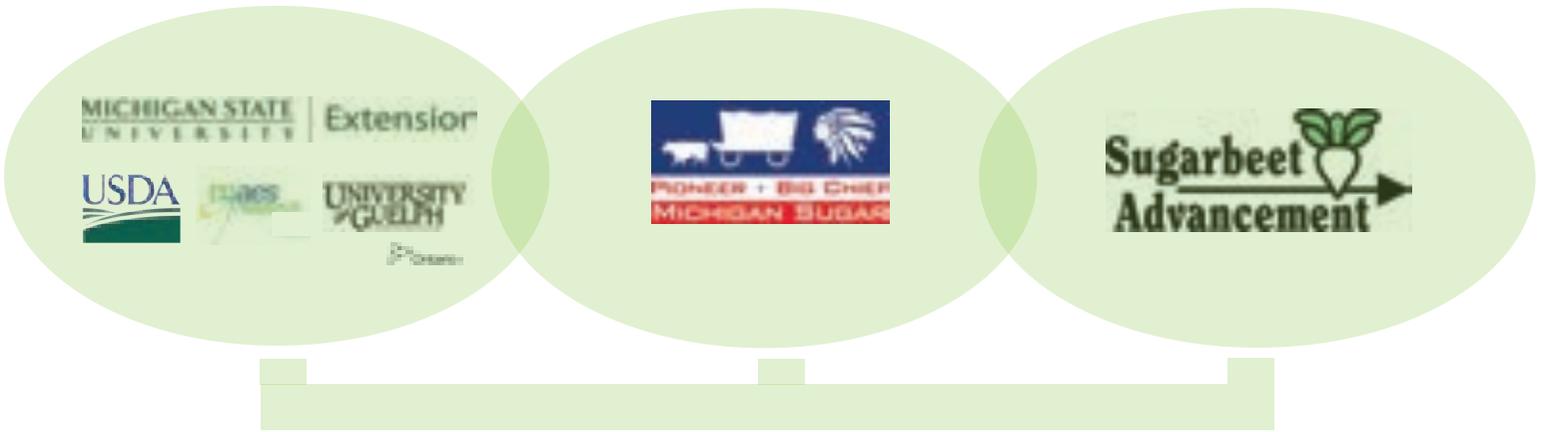


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