

2020 Pest Management Update Virtual Meetings

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Herbicide-Resistant Waterhemp and Protecting our Tools for Management

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Outline

- Waterhemp Herbicide Resistance Update
- Residual Control of Giant Ragweed in Soybean
- Layered Approach of Soil Residual Herbicides for Waterhemp Control
- Comparison of Burndown Products for Waterhemp Control
- Update on Dicamba Registration



Waterhemp Herbicide Resistance Screening

Seed samples received from 88 WI fields in fall of 2018

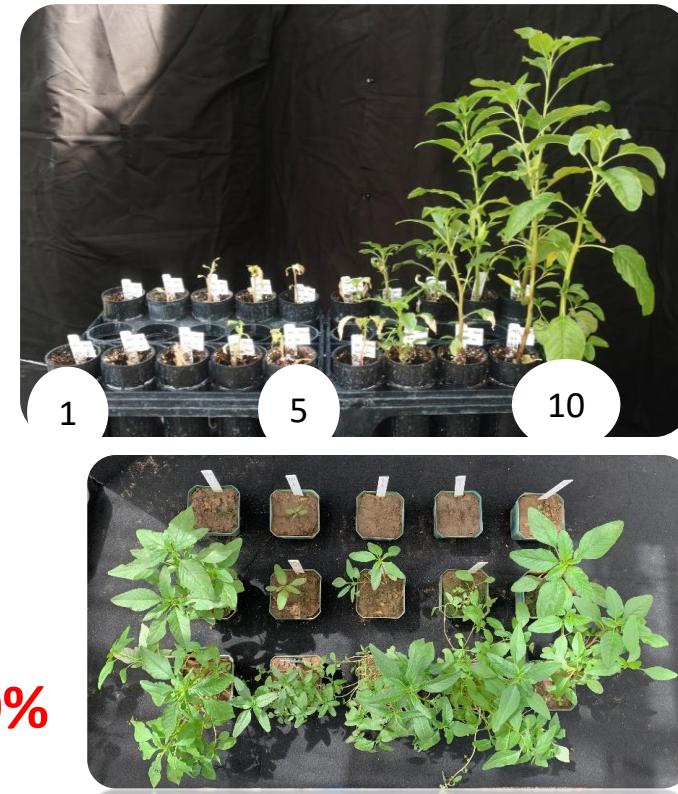
POST – 21 DAT – Visual Evaluation (VE) 1-10 scale

1 = dead plant, 10 = completely healthy

Populations determined resistant if > 50% of plants had VE ≥ 5

PRE – 28 DAT – Live Plant Stand Counts Taken

Populations determined resistant if average % stand reduction $\leq 90\%$



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Waterhemp POST Screening - Preliminary Results -

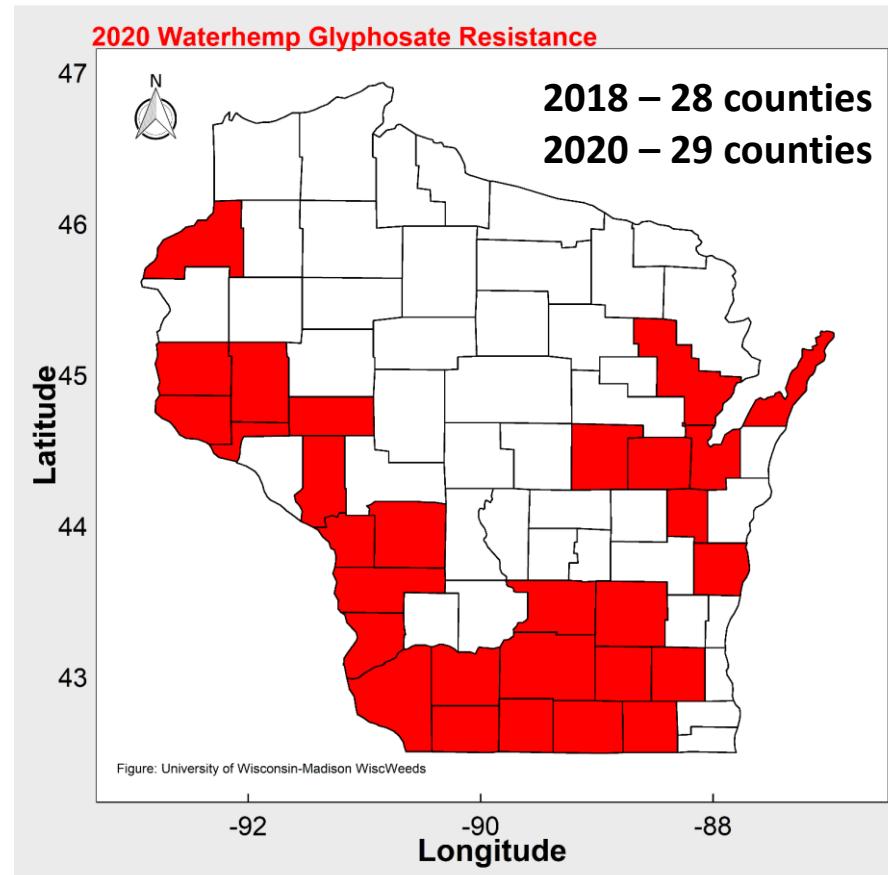
SOA Group	Treatment	Populations Screened	% Resistant Populations
2	1x imazethapyr	82	99%
	3x imazethapyr		94%
5	1x atrazine	80	11%
	3x atrazine		4%
9	1x glyphosate	86	95%
	3x glyphosate		78%

Population determined resistant if $\geq 50\%$ of treated plants have VE ≥ 5

1x imazethapyr = 4 fl oz Pursuit

1x atrazine = 2 pts Aatrex 4L

1x glyphosate = 22 fl oz Roundup Powermax



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Waterhemp POST Screening

- Preliminary Results -

SOA Group	Treatment	Populations Screened	# Treated Plants	# Plants Survived (%)	% Resistant Populations
4	1x dicamba	29	379	159 (40%)	0%
	3x dicamba		376	15	0%
	1x 2,4-D		379	83 (22%)	3%
	3x 2,4-D		373	5	0%
10	1x glufosinate	26		0	0%
	3x glufosinate			0	0%
14	1x fomesafen	402		26 (6%)	0%
	3x fomesafen			6 (1%)	0%
27	1x mesotrione			34 (8%)	0%
	3x mesotrione			0	0%



1x dicamba = 22 fl oz Xtendimax
1x 2,4-D = 1.5 pts Enlist One
1x glufosinate = 32 fl oz Liberty
1x fomesafen = 1 pt Flexstar
1x mesotrione = 3 oz Callisto

Population determined resistant if $\geq 50\%$ of treated plants have VE ≥ 5

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dicamba



2,4-D





Waterhemp PRE Screening

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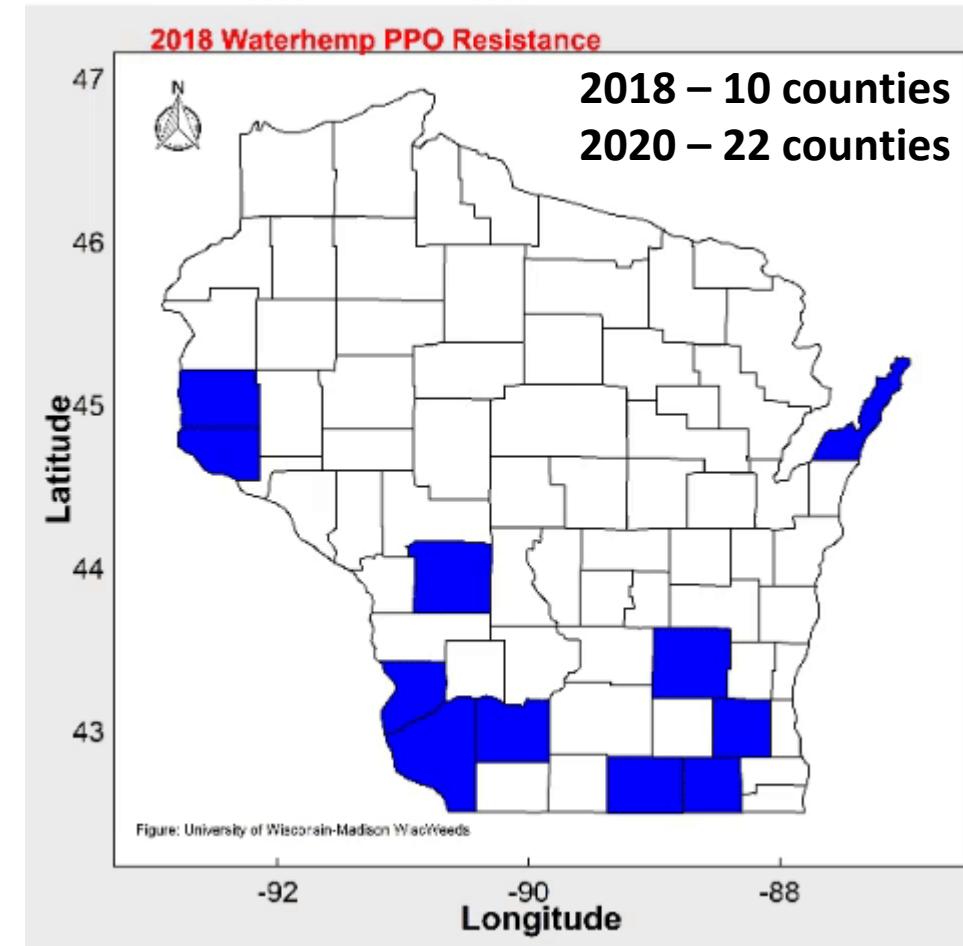
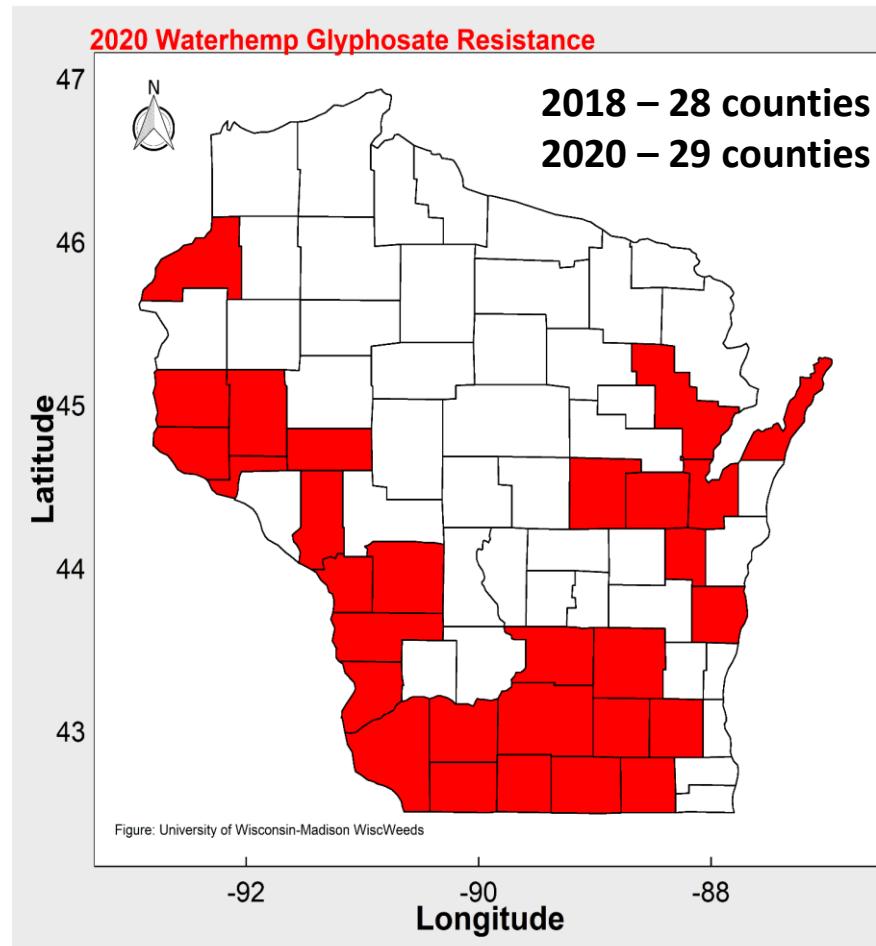
SOA Group	Treatment	Populations Screened	% Resistant Populations	SOA Group	Treatment	Populations Screened	% Resistant Populations	
5	0.5x atrazine	29	93%	15	0.5x S-metolachlor	30	3%	
	1x atrazine		72%		1x S-metolachlor		0%	
	3x atrazine		34%		3x S-metolachlor		0%	
	0.5x metribuzin		0%		0.5x mesotrione		3%	
	1x metribuzin		0%		1x mesotrione		0%	
	3x metribuzin		0%		3x mesotrione		0%	
14	0.5x fomesafen	30	10%	1x atrazine = 2 pts Aatrex 4L 1x metribuzin = 10.7 oz Tricor DF 1x fomesafen = 1 pt Flexstar 1x S-metolachlor = 26.7 fl oz Dual II Magnum 1x mesotrione = 7.7 fl oz Callisto				
	1x fomesafen		3%					
	3x fomesafen		0%					

Population determined resistant if average % stand reduction ≤ 90%

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Prevalence of Waterhemp Resistance



Data Source: University of Illinois Plant Clinic; University of Wisconsin-Madison Weed Science; Faleco et al. 2020



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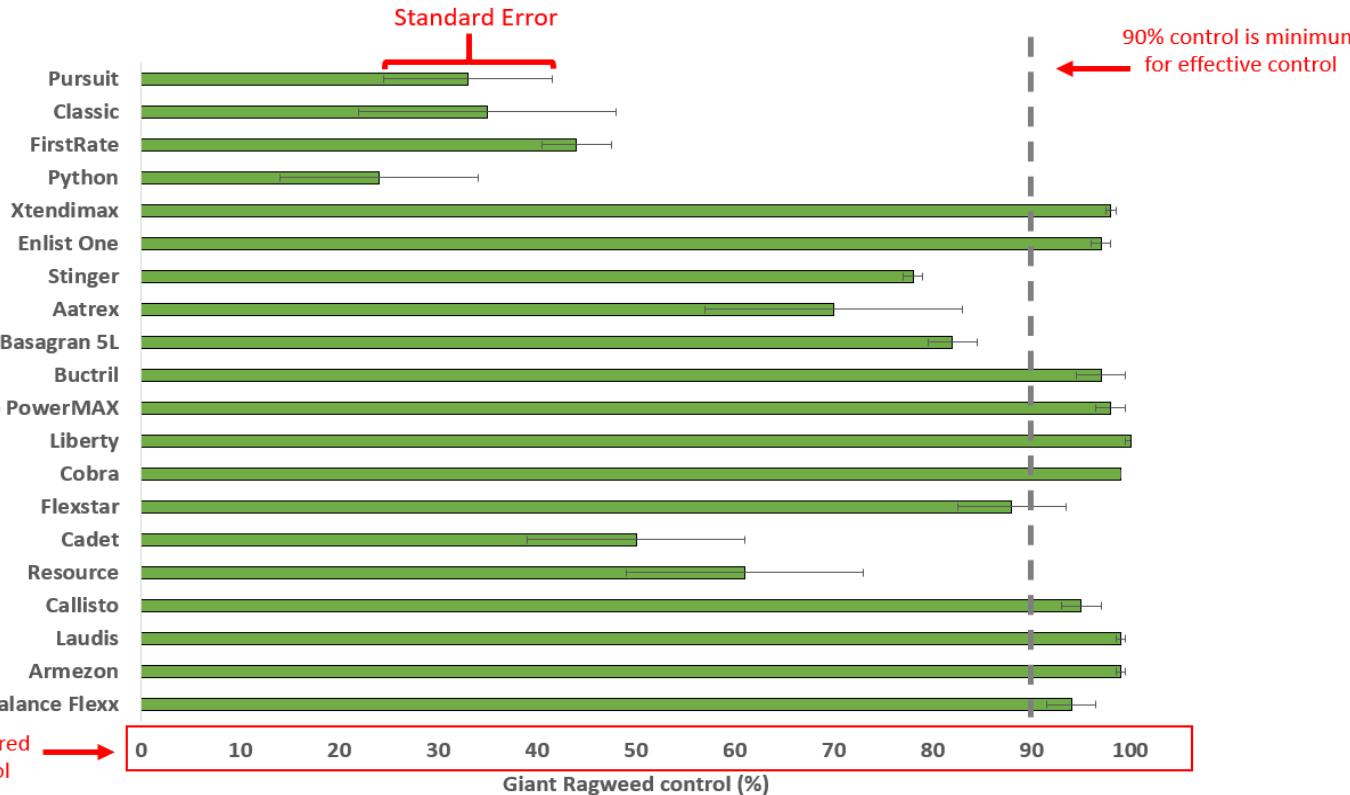
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Chart Interpretation Key

Site of Action
(SOA) Group

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% Weed Control Compared
to Non-treated Control

0 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100

Giant Ragweed control (%)

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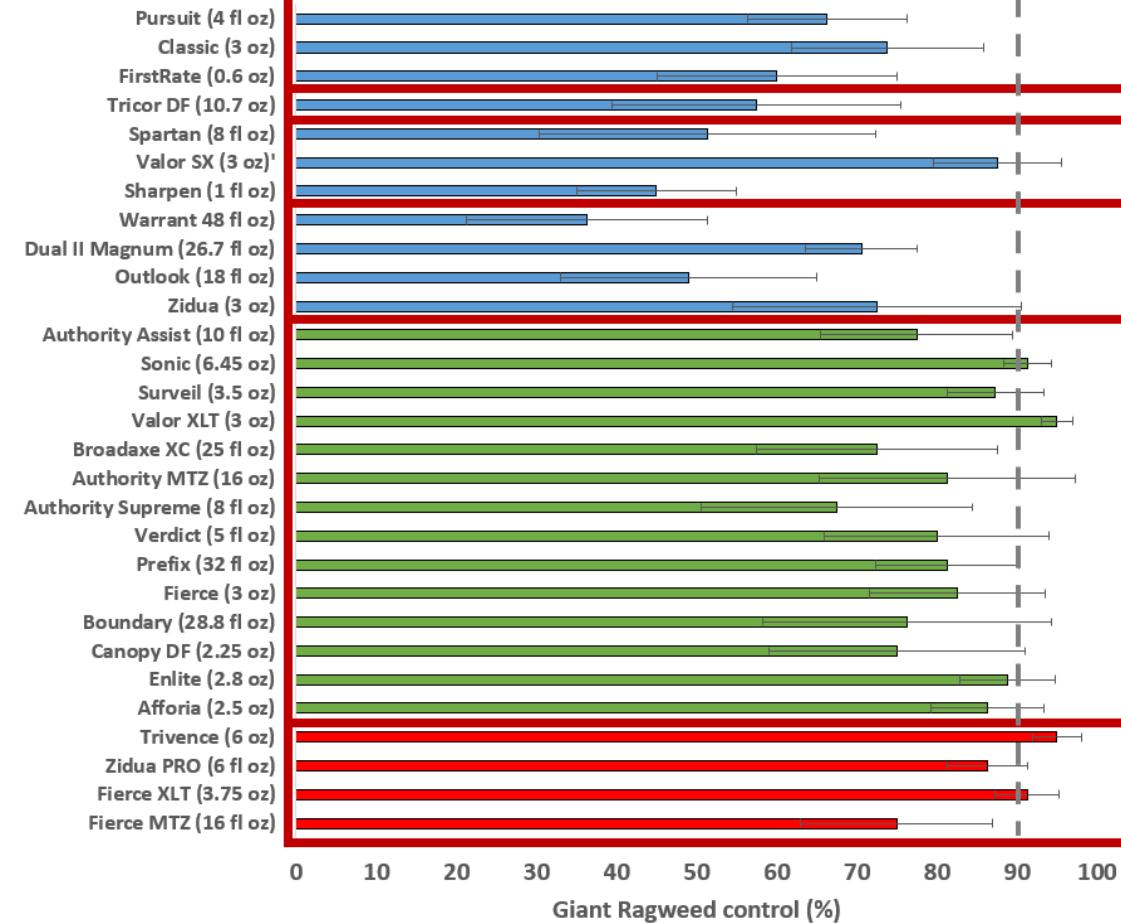
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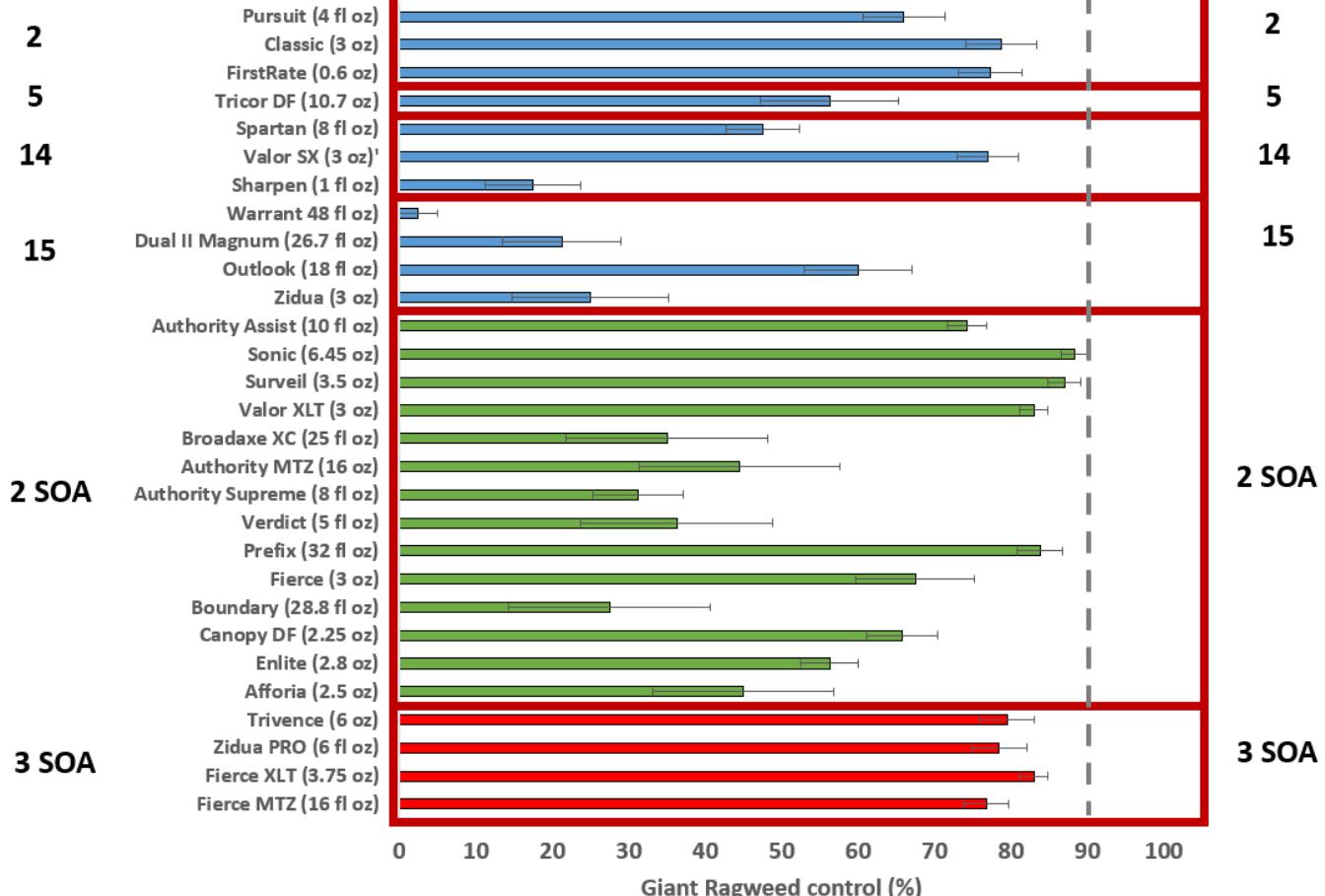


Giant Ragweed PRE Residual Control in Soybean – 25 DAT

2019

GR Density: 0.1 – 2 per ft²

2020

GR Density: 0.5 – 5 per ft²

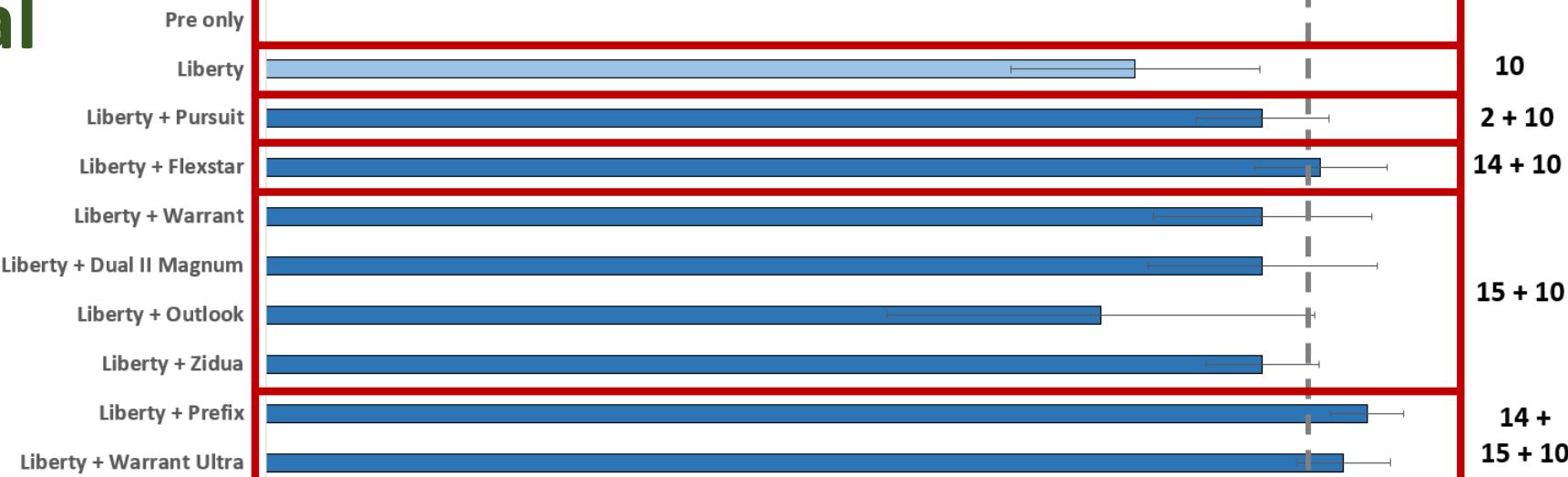
Waterhemp Residual Control in Soybean 25 DAT



PRE : 12 fl oz Authority MTZ

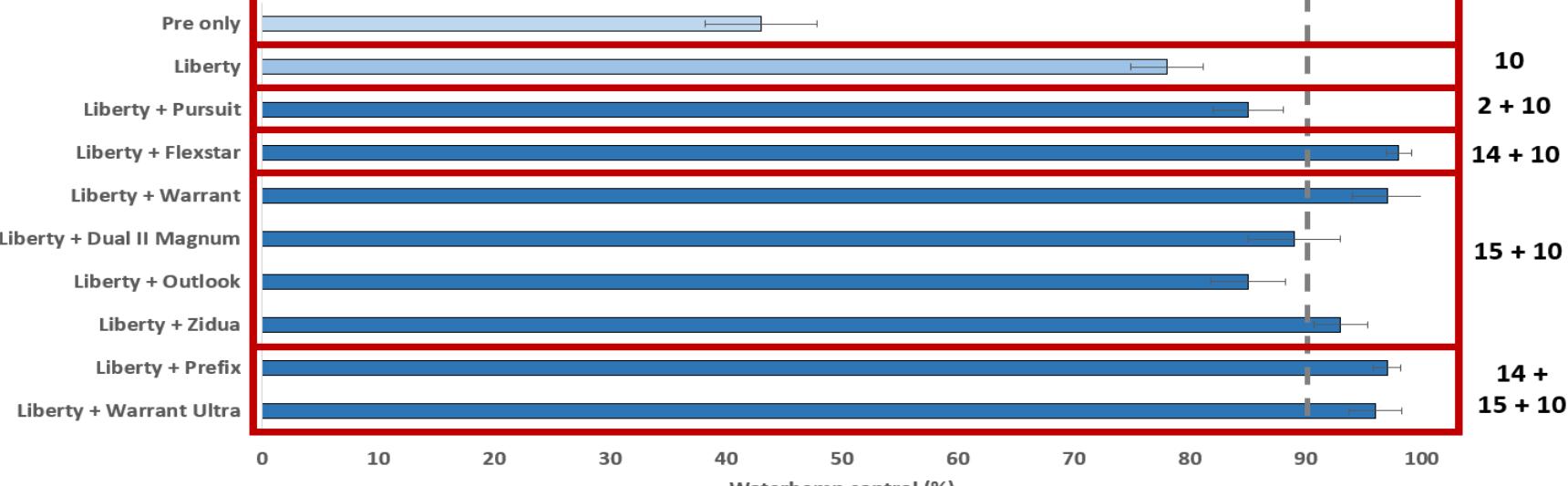
Lancaster, WI

WH Density: 0 – 6 per ft²



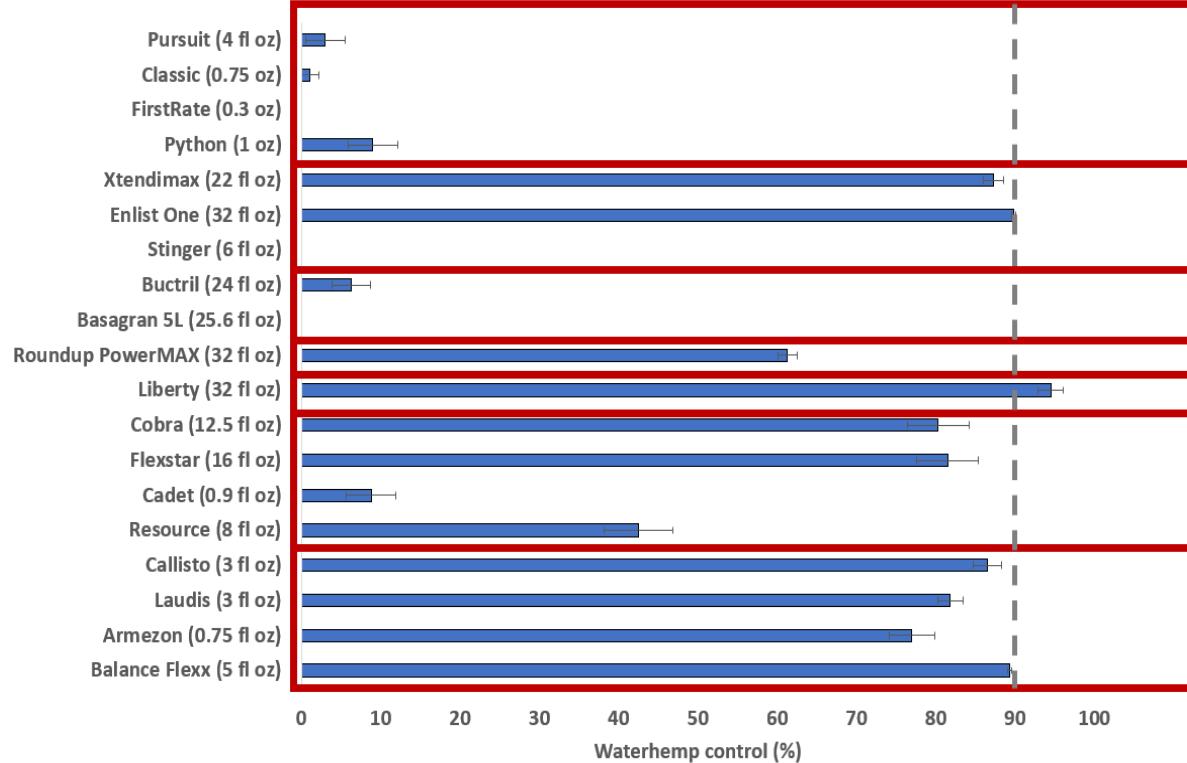
Brooklyn, WI

WH Density: 1 – 10 per ft²



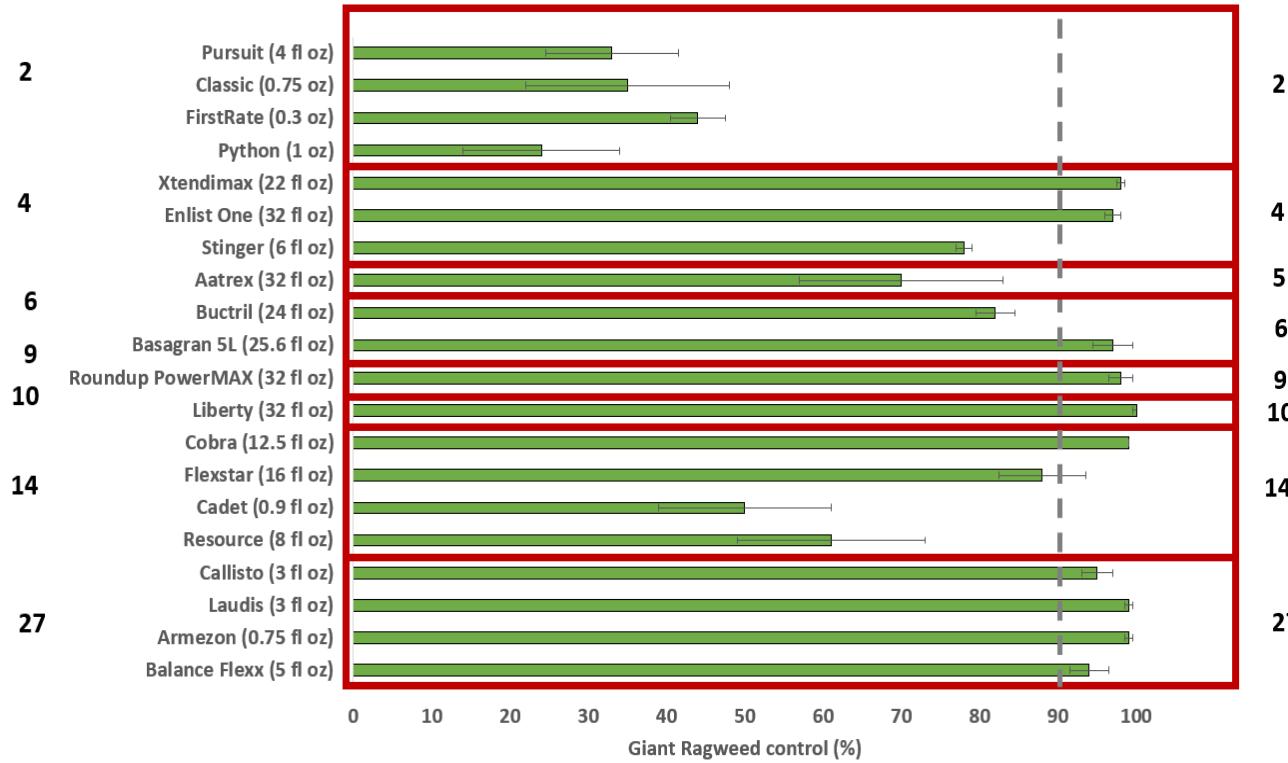
Burndown Control Comparison – 14 DAT

Brooklyn, WI - 2020



Waterhemp Density: 12 – 46 per ft²

Janesville, WI - 2020



Giant Ragweed Density: 0.5 – 7 per ft²





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EPA Announces 2020 Dicamba Registration Decision

10/27/2020

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Brooklet, Ga. (October 27, 2020) — At the Cromley Farm, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Andrew Wheeler announced that EPA is approving new five-year registrations for two dicamba products and extending the registration of an additional dicamba product. All three registrations include new control measures to ensure these products can be used effectively while protecting the environment, including non-target plants, animals, and other crops not tolerant to dicamba.

"With today's decision, farmers now have the certainty they need to make plans for their 2021 growing season," said EPA Administrator **Andrew Wheeler**. "After reviewing substantial amounts of new information, conducting scientific assessments based on the best available science, and carefully considering input from stakeholders we have reached a resolution that is good for our farmers and our environment."

Through today's action, EPA approved new registrations for two "over-the-top" (OTT) dicamba products—XtendiMax with VaporGrip Technology and Engenia Herbicide—and extended the registration for an additional OTT dicamba product, Tavium Plus VaporGrip Technology. These registrations are only for use on dicamba-tolerant (DT) cotton and soybeans and will expire in 2025, providing certainty to American agriculture for the upcoming growing season and beyond.

To manage off-site movement of dicamba, EPA's 2020 registration features important control measures, including:

- Requiring an approved pH-buffering agent (also called a Volatility Reduction Agent or VRA) be tank mixed with OTT dicamba products prior to all applications to control volatility.
- Requiring a downwind buffer of 240 feet and 310 feet in areas where listed species are located.
- Prohibiting OTT application of dicamba on soybeans after June 30 and cotton after July 30.
- Simplifying the label and use directions so that growers can more easily determine when and how to properly apply dicamba.

<https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-announces-2020-dicamba-registration-decision>

VaporGrip® Xtra = acetic acid–acetate buffering system



Volatility Reducing Agent

What factors contribute to volatility?

The availability of protons (H^+) in solution, significantly increases the potential for dicamba acid to be formed. Dicamba acid is the volatile form and can potentially volatilize. The availability of protons is influenced by a number of factors including salt of dicamba, tank-mix partners, and overall solution pH. Therefore, it is important to only utilize approved low-volatility dicamba and approved tank-mix partners for applications.

How does VaporGrip® Technology work?

VaporGrip® Technology buffers against significant changes in solution pH and prevents the formation of dicamba acid by scavenging extraneous protons.

What is VaporGrip® Xtra Agent?

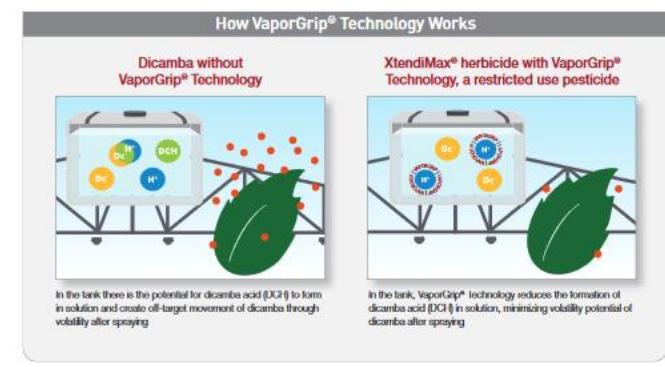
VaporGrip® Xtra Agent is a tank mix adjuvant that delivers additional VaporGrip® Technology to spray tanks for further reduction of potential dicamba volatility.

What is the use rate of VaporGrip® Xtra Agent?

VaporGrip® Xtra Agent should be used at a minimum rate of 20 oz/A.

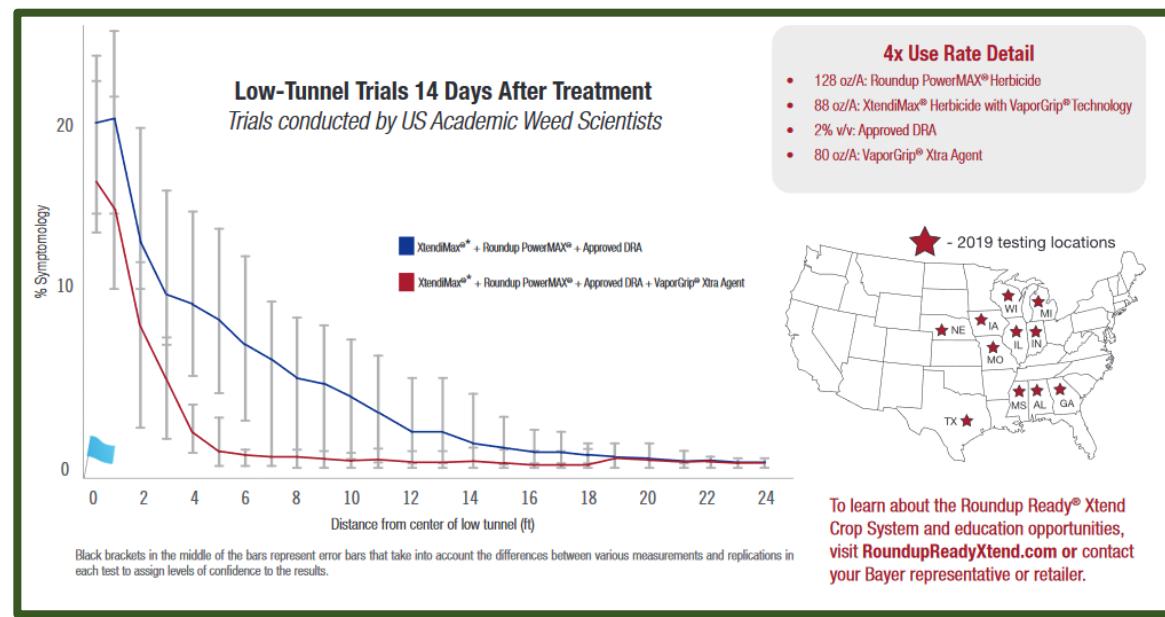
Has VaporGrip® Xtra Agent been tested?

VaporGrip® Xtra Agent has been thoroughly tested* in field trials by Bayer and US academic weed scientists.



<https://www.roundupreadyxtend.com/Documents/vgxagent-one-sheet.pdf>





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Research Article

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Spray solution pH and soybean injury as influenced by synthetic auxin formulation and spray additives

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Striegel et al.: Auxin solution pH and injury

Table 5. Mean solution pH and 95% CIs for laboratory experiment 2 as affected by GLY-K and pH buffer addition.

Dicamba formulation	GLY formulation	DRA	pH buffer	1x Treatment rate		4x Treatment rate	
				Mean pH ^c	95% CI	Mean pH ^c	95% CI
DGA+VG	None	yes/no	None	6.17	6.14 – 6.20	5.48	5.45 – 5.51
DGA+VG	GLY-K	Yes	None	4.96	4.93 – 4.98	4.80	4.77 – 4.83
DGA+VG	None	Yes	MON 51817	6.30	6.27 – 6.33	6.12	6.09 – 6.14
DGA+VG	GLY-K	Yes	MON 51817	5.34	5.31 – 5.37	5.42	5.39 – 5.45
HSD					0.01		

^aAbbreviations: DGA, diglycolamine salt of dicamba; CI, confidence interval; DRA, drift reduction agent; GLY, glyphosate; GLY-K, potassium salt of glyphosate; HSD, honest significant difference; VG, VaporGrip® (acetic acid-acetate buffer).

^bAverage pH of water source used was 7.70.

^cMeans separation used was Tukey HSD at $P < 0.05$.

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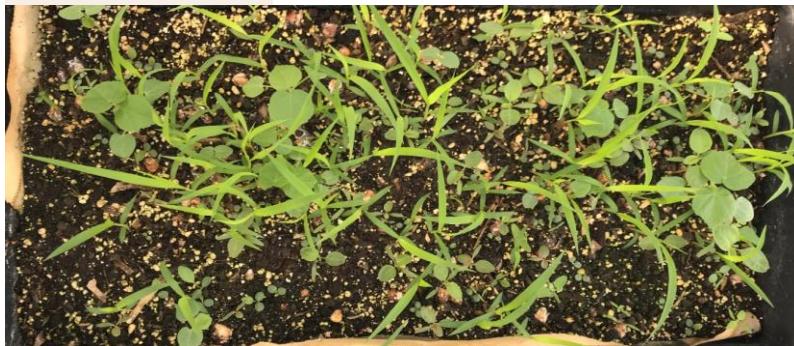
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Weed Seed Movement via Combines: 2019-2020 Case Study

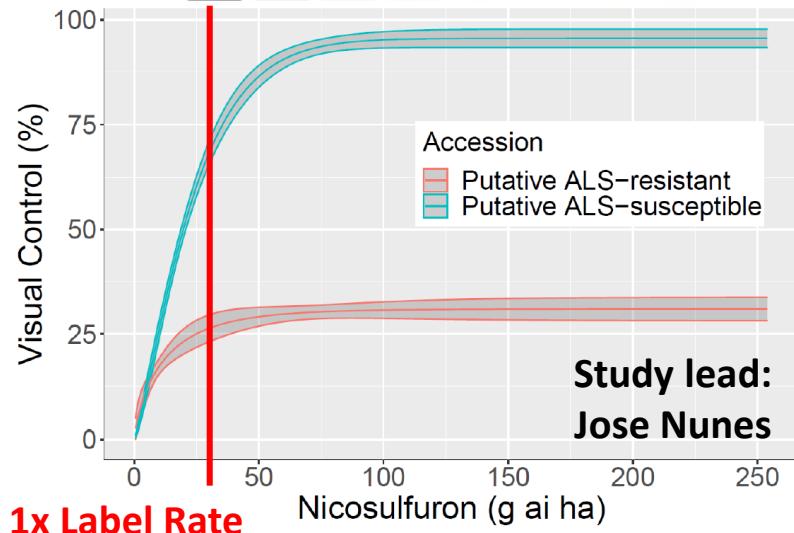
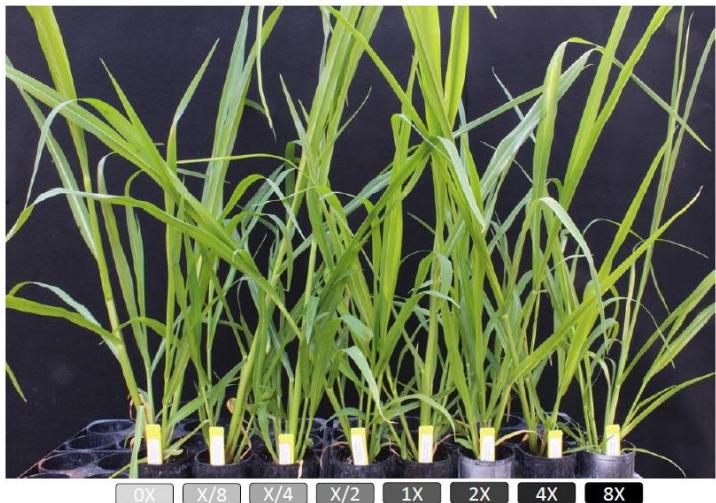
TAKE HOME POINTS

- ✓ Weed seeds replenish the soil seedbank and increase opportunity for herbicide resistance. **Do not let weeds go to seed. No Seed, No Weed!**
- ✓ The part of the combine with the highest number of weed seed was the header, followed by the feeder house, rock trap and rotor.
- ✓ Most frequently observed weeds were grasses, pigweeds & lambsquarters.



Study lead:
Nick Arneson

Putative ALS-resistant Fall Panicum



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Replies to @WiscWeeds

There is still time to collect #marestail seeds & send them our way! @tononrosa, @arnaman6 & the #WiscWeeds team will soon start the greenhouse herbicide resistance screenings (early October). I just collected a few samples today. @Agronomy_Guy @AgronomyJim @rtb175



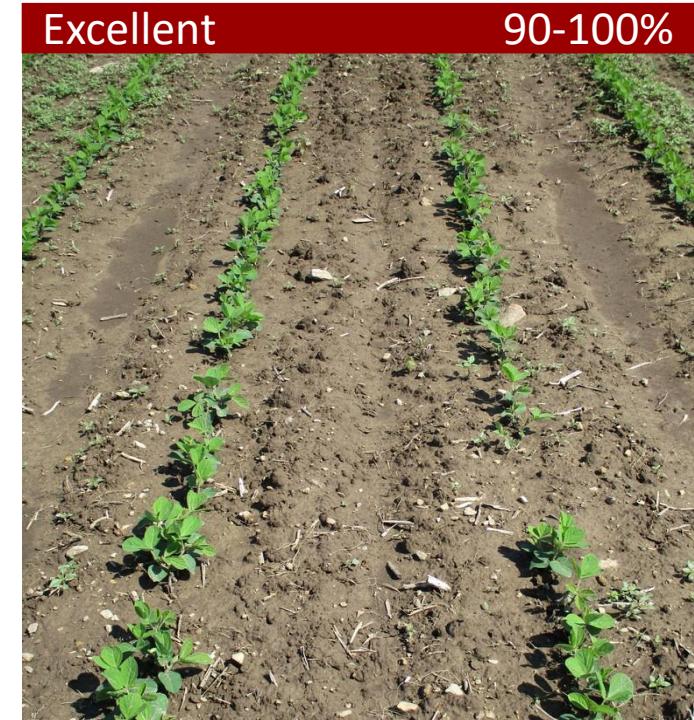
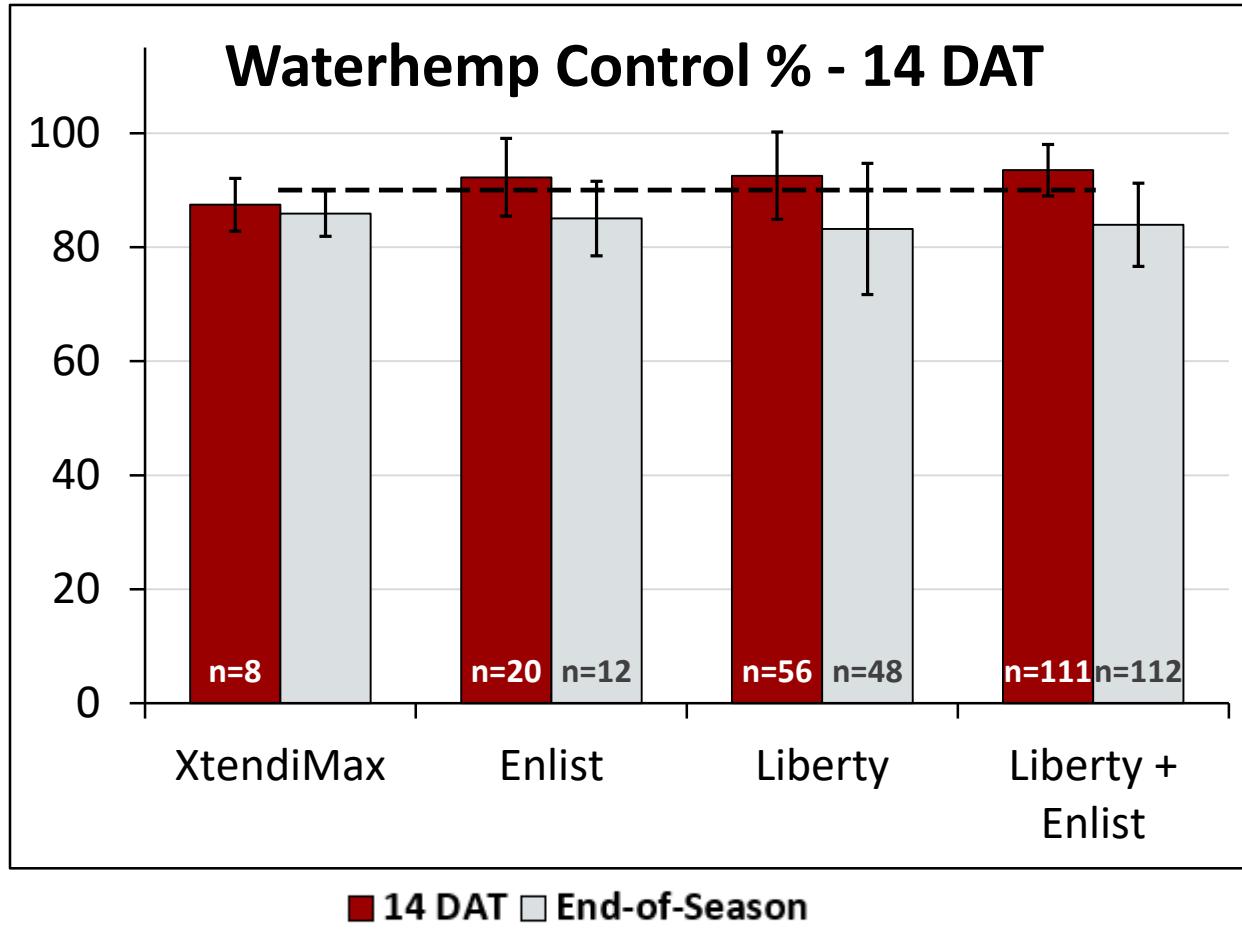
Study lead:
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Marestail Screening



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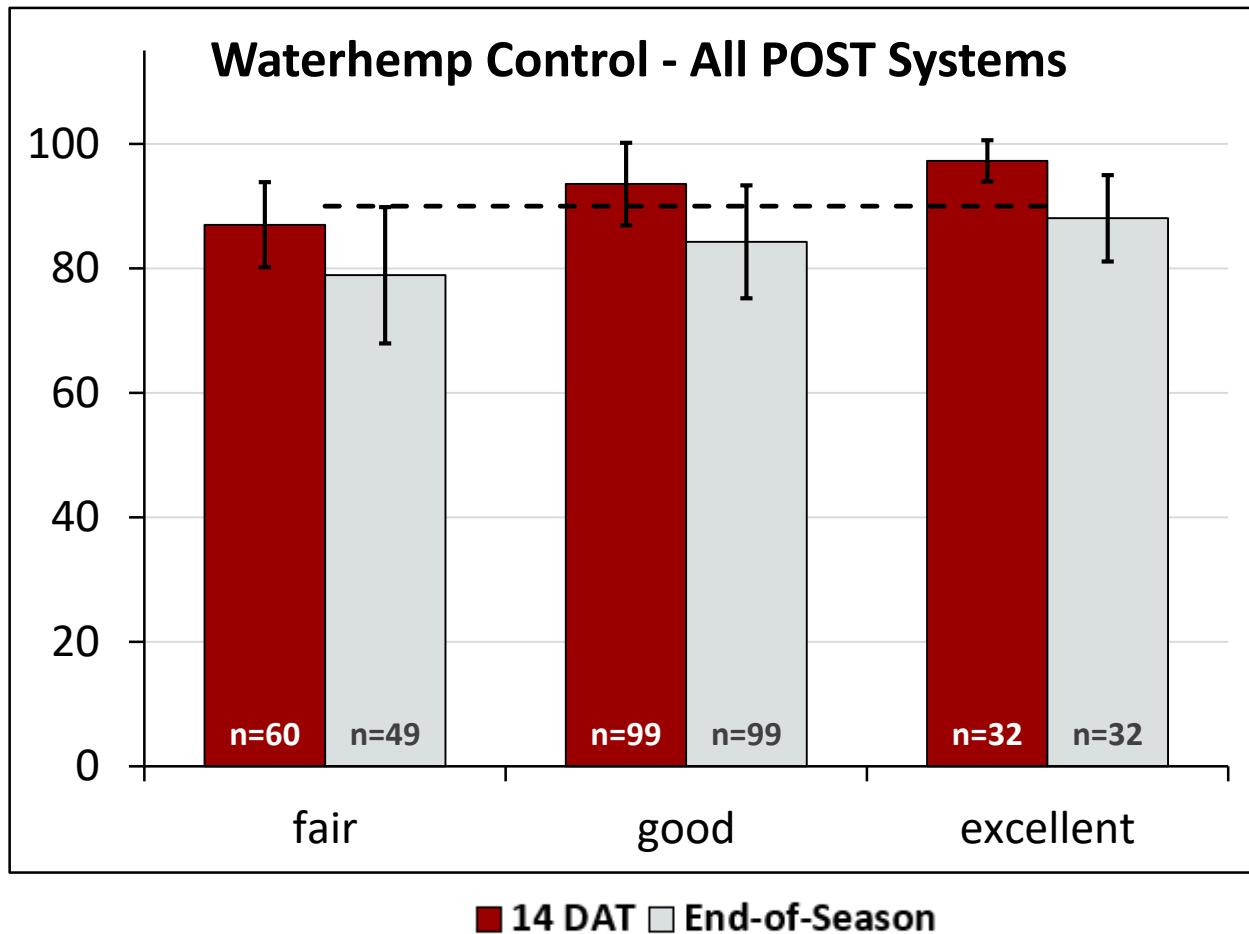
Waterhemp Control POST – Multi-trial Summary



Credit: R. DeWerff, 2020



Waterhemp Control PRE – Multi-trial Summary



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Take Home Message

- Waterhemp herbicide resistance is widespread – not just glyphosate!
- PRE and POST tools available – must protect through stewardship

Do your part – adopt non-chemical strategies for weed control



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Spray Solution pH as Influenced by Synthetic Auxin Formulation and Spray Additives¹

Take Home Message

- Mitigating off-target movement (OTM) is a challenge for producers considering the use of synthetic auxin herbicides
- Spray solution pH was highly influenced by the presence of glyphosate (regardless of salt type)
- Other spray additives tested had minimal impact of spray solution pH

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WiscWeeds Research Update Series: Article 2
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Soybean Injury as Influenced by Synthetic Auxin Formulation and Spray Additives¹

Take Home Message

- Mitigating off-target movement (OTM) is a challenge for producers considering the use of synthetic auxin herbicides
- Glyphosate did not impact soybean symptomology; however, application time of year (weather conditions) was one of the most influential factors
- Early POST applications (late May to mid June) of dicamba may be more likely to face weather conditions at the time of and following dicamba applications less conducive for secondary OTM



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