Preserving the Effectiveness of Herbicides and Herbicide Technology Traits – Especially Glyphosate and RR Crops

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#### **Presentation outline**

- 1. Why should we care about weed resistance??
- 2. The situation
- 3. Solutions
- 4. Final reminders



#### Why should we care about weed resistance?

- No new novel herbicide mode (site / mechanism) of action is expected for the next 5 to 10 years!
  - Last mode of action for row crops was HPPD (27)
  - Must preserve the herbicides and herbicide technology traits currently available
  - Do not rely upon herbicide traits about to be released
    - Some forecasted traits have not made it to market – Accuron and GAT
    - The traits that are anticipated already have herbicide resistant weeds
- Reduced profits over time



#### Why should we care about weed resistance? - Lost profit



#### \$12.00/A

Roundup PowerMAX (32 / 22 / 22 fl oz/A )

#### \$145/A

Ro-Neet (5.3 pt/A) [PPI] fb Betamix (12 / 16 / 24 fl oz/A) + Nortron (4 fl oz/A) + Outlook (14 / 10 fl oz/A) + Roundup PowerMAX (32 / 22 / 22 fl oz/A)

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#### Why should we care about weed resistance?





Crystal: 90% growers reported Excellent weed control with glyphosate

**SMBSC: 76% Excellent** 

Crystal: 81% growers reported Excellent weed control with glyphosate

SMBSC: 59% Excellent



#### Areas and counties of ND and MN having confirmed and suspected glyphosate-resistant weeds KITTSON ROSEAU BURKE DIVIDE RENVILLE BOTTINEAU ROLETTE CAVALLER PEMINNA TOWNER LAKE OF THE WOODS WILLIAMS WALSH MARSHALL RAMSEY KOOCHICHING MOUNTRAIL PERCE WARD MORENEY BELTRAMI BENSON PENNINGTON no GRAND NELSON RED LAKE FORKS CLEARWATER LAKE MCKENZIE EDDY MCLEAN ST. LOUIS POLK ITASCA SHERIDAN WELLS TRAILL FOSTER GRIGOS STEELE DUNN MAHN-OMEN NORMAN 2006 HUBBAR BILLINGS CASS KIDDER STUTSMAN BARNES CASS BECKER CLAY DEN STARK WADEN AITKIN CROW CARLTON WILKIN WING LOGAN LAMOURE RANSOM SLOPE HETTINGER OTTER TAIL GRANT EMMONS RICHLAND PINE SIOUX DICKEY SARGENT MCINTO 5H MORRISON **EOWMAN** ADAMS TODD GRANT DOUGLAS Copyright 2005 digital-topo-maps.com BENTON STEVENS POPE STEARNS BIG SHER-BURNE ISANTI MEEKER WRIGHT, Real Port ANOK SWIFT CHIPPEWA LAC RAMSEY PIN QUI LEOD WASHINGTON CARVE RENVILLE YELLOW DAKOTA SCOTT SIBLEY Gly-R common ragweed NICOLLET GOODHUE LYON REDWOOD RICE WABASHA BROWN Gly-R giant ragweed STONI BLUE MURRAY COTTON-WATON WOOD WAN OLMSTED WINONA ACKSON **Gly-R** waterhemp MOWER FILLMORE ROCK NOBLES MARTIN Copyright 2005 digital-topo-maps.com

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#### Waterhemp - Holloway, MN – 2010 two glyphosate applications





#### Waterhemp - Galchutt, ND – 2011 two glyphosate applications



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#### Waterhemp - Moorhead, MN – 2011 two glyphosate applications



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### Waterhemp – Halstad, MN - 2011



#### Common ragweed - E. of Nielsville, MN - 2011

Continuous

**RR** soybean

**Better** 

management

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#### Common ragweed - E. of Nielsville, MN – 2011 two glyphosate applications



#### Glyphosate-resistant horseweed – Cass Co., ND - 2011

Untreated

# Roundup WeatherMAX (22 fl oz/A) [0.77 lb ae/A]

Roundup WeatherMAX (66 fl oz/A) [2.3 lb ae/A]



#### Cass Co., ND





#### Sensitive Check

#### Glyphosate-resistant kochia – Stutsman Co., ND - 2011





Trail of kochia plants in a soybean field near Colby, KS in 2007 after spraying three times with glyphosate (from: Phil Stahlman / Dallas Peterson - KSU).



Phillip Co. KS – 2010; grower application at 10 gpa
April 21: 42 oz Buccaneer Plus + 9 oz 2,4-D LVE + AMS + NIS
June 2: 49 oz Buccaneer Plus + 1 oz Sharpen + AMS + NIS (1 DPP)
June 24: 31 oz Buccaneer Plus + 0.7 oz Cadet + COC + Guardian (POST)
(from: Phil Stahlman / Dallas Peterson - KSU).



#### Multiple resistance??? Cobra applied near Holloway, MN



#### Multiple-resistant waterhemp



#### Multiple-resistant waterhemp



#### Species known to have multiple resistance

- Waterhemp
  - Glyphosate (Group 9) + ALS-inhibitors (2) (many+MN,ND?)
  - PPO inhibitors (14) + Gly (9) + ALS (2) (MO,KS, IL, IA)
  - HPPD inhibitors (27) + Photosystem II (5) + ALS (2) (IL,IA)
    Gly (9) + ALS (2) + PPO (14) + PS II (5) (IL)
- Giant ragweed
  - Gly (9) + ALS (2) (MN,OH,MO,IA)
    PPO (14) + ALS (2) (OH)
- Common ragweed
  - Gly (9) + ALS (2) (MN,OH,MO,IA)
  - PPO (14) + ALS (2) (OH)
  - Gly (9) + PPO (14) + ALS (2) (OH)

Mode of Action (MOA) Pgs 104 & 105 2012 ND Weed Guide

#### Solutions – Understand weed biology

• Proper identification of weeds

#### Waterhemp versus redroot pigweed

#### waterhemp

#### redroot pigweed



#### Comparing similar pigweed species



#### Palmer, Powell, redroot, smooth, waterhemp



Male flowers

**Female flowers** 



Variability of waterhemp flower stems

#### Solutions – Understand weed biology

- Proper identification of weeds
- Know when weed species emerge and for how long
- Know the best stage to control each species
- Know when weeds begin to flower and how soon they become mature
- Know the impact of weed seed production



Single waterhemp plant in 2011 (Clay County, MN) actual seed number per plant = 142,000 Scenario: seed number on 1 plant in 1 acre = 100,000 seeds



#### Scenario

- If 25% (40% is possible) of seeds emerge next season (2012)
- Only 10% of emerged plants are resistant
- Same herbicide is applied as previous year
- How many plants may be present in 1 acre at the end of the season (2012)?



# 2,500 plants/A – 1 year later (2012)





## 6,250,000 plants/A!! - 2 years later (2013)





#### Solution – Diligent scouting

- Scout before AND after EACH herbicide application!
  - Know the weed sizes and species prior to application
    - Adjust herbicide combinations and rates accordingly
  - Determine if plants are surviving the herbicide(s) or emerging after the application
  - Be aware of changes in the weed population
  - Scout 5 to 10 days after each application
- Scout late season and prior to harvest



#### Response of a resistant waterhemp population



#### Continuous response of common ragweed to glyphosate



#### **Picture from AI Cattanach**

### Continuous response of kochia to glyphosate



#### Website address for video "Scouting for Glyphosate Resistance":

#### http://www.ag.ndsu.edu/weeds/herbicide-resistant-weeds



#### Solution – Practice zero seed rain

- Hand-weeding
  - Remove / destroy surviving plants by hand from a field, especially when there are just a few!
  - There in no better way to STOP the increase of resistant biotypes.





Or row cultivate and hand-weed

#### Solution – Practicing zero seed rain

- 52% of AR cotton hand-weeded in 2011
  - Average cost = \$29.43/A (beets = \$21.00/A)
  - Proactive hand-weeding \$4-5/A
- 2010 hand-weeding 110 hours
- 2011 hand-weeding 5 hours

# Solution – Respond quickly to a changing weed population!





#### Solution – Understand impact of weed seed movement

- Means of dispersal:
  - Water (especially for waterhemp)
  - Machinery
  - Wind
  - Humans
  - Animals / birds







#### 1. Rotate crops

- Increase the diversity of crops in rotation
- Each crop causes a different environment for the weeds
- Rotating crops can allow for more herbicide diversity
- Rotate herbicide-resistant crops
  - Include LL crops and other herbicide-resistant crops in the rotation
    - Use LL system correctly
      - » Apply soil-applied herbicide
      - » Plan for two POST applications at maximum rates
      - » Include tank-mixtures, esp. grasses



#### Verdict (5 fl oz/A) + Outlook (8 fl oz/A) fb Ignite 280 [Liberty] (22 fl oz/A)



#### 2. Change herbicide use pattern!

- Rotate herbicide modes of action
  - Three or more per season and do not repeat
  - Consult pages 104 and 105 in ND Weed Guide
    - Know and understand herbicide mode of action
  - Know what active ingredients and rates are in premix herbicides
  - Must know what has been used in the past and plan ahead to keep rotating.
    - PPO inhibiting (14) herbicides biggest concern



#### 2. Change herbicide use pattern!

- Use soil-applied herbicides in ALL crops
  - Can be called Foundation Weed Control
  - Use the most effective herbicide(s) for the most difficult to control / resistant weed species
  - Use multiple modes of action
  - Use full rates
  - Adjust rate for soil type to reduce crop injury
  - Know future crops to reduce herbicide carryover
  - Reduces plant numbers and plant height
  - Reduces risk of resistance to POST herbicides







- 2. Change herbicide use pattern!
  - Apply all POST herbicides to small (1 to 3") weeds!
  - Apply full rates of POST herbicides
  - Apply POST herbicide mixtures
    - Apply two or more effective herbicides having different modes of action for the most difficult to control / resistant weed species
      - Each herbicide should be equally effective
      - NOT the most convenient
    - Use full rates
    - Adjust rate for soil type to reduce crop injury
  - Start clean in no-tillage crops



# Effect of glyphosate timing and rate on control of glyphosate-R waterhemp in soybean – Sept. 27



#### 3. Maximize cultural weed control

- Maximize plant health
  - Crop will compete better with weeds
- Use narrow row spacing
- Plant weediest fields late
  - Use multiple tillage passes to remove weeds
  - Apply two burndown applications with soil-applied herbicide
- Manage weeds along field perimeters and crop edges
- Other



### Field perimeter management (2010)



#### Ramifications of not managing field perimeter (2011)



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#### Management of weeds along crop edges





- 4. Maximize mechanical weed control
  - Type of tillage will impact weed species present
    - No-tillage increases perennial and winter annual weeds
    - Reduced tillage increases perennial and summer annual weeds
  - Use row cultivation where possible
  - Deep plowing can bury weed seeds
    - Maybe use every 5 years??
  - Start clean
    - Control all annual weeds prior to planting
  - Prefer mowing of weeds along outside field perimeter
  - Prefer tillage of weeds along crop edges in field



#### Solution – Maximize herbicide activity

- Apply most effective herbicide and rate for most difficult to control / resistant weed species
- Apply **all** POST herbicides to **small (1-3")** weeds
- Use correct spray volume
  - Systemic herbicides (ex. glyphosate, Callisto, Affinity)
    - 5 to 10 gallons per acre (GPA)
  - Contact herbicides (ex. Liberty, Flexstar, Atrazine)
    - <u>></u> 15 GPA



#### Solution – Maximize herbicide activity

- Use correct droplet size
  - Systemic herbicides (ex. glyphosate, Callisto, Affinity)
    - Fewer course droplets
  - Contact herbicides (ex. Liberty, Flexstar, Atrazine)
    - Numerous fine to medium droplets
    - Be careful with drift
- Use fully operational and calibrated sprayer
  - Replace nozzles on regular basis
  - Reduce travel speeds, especially with contact herbicides



#### Solution – Maximize herbicide activity

- Apply the most effective adjuvant and rate for herbicide(s) being used
  - MSO for most herbicides
  - AMS + NIS for glyphosate
  - Use the most proven adjuvant with the least antagonism to glyphosate when tank-mixing with glyphosate
    - Must also be the most effective adjuvant for the tankmix partner
  - Apply oil adjuvants at 1.5 to 2 pt/A
    - This includes high surfactant oil concentrates (HSOC)
- How to maximize glyphosate activity
  - Pgs 69 to 71- 2012 ND Weed Control Guide
  - Pgs 52 & 53 2012 Sugarbeet Production Guide

**Final reminders** 

# It's the little things that will make a difference!



#### Final reminders - Leave a Legacy!

- The future success of your farming operation depends upon the weed control practices you choose today!
- Glyphosate is the most effective herbicide ever discovered, so let's work together to preserve it's effectiveness!





- Thank You!
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