

Reflecting on a Half-Decade of Farmer-Driven Integrated Weed Management Research in Wisconsin

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**25th Annual Wild World of Weeds Workshop
January 17, 2023**

The annual Wild World of Weeds Workshop will be held in person at the FargoDome on January 17, 2023. We are excited to be hosting this event in-person again this year. This full day event will provide updates on weed control and herbicide research conducted by NDSU faculty. Agenda is in development. The workshop will offer up to seven (7) pest management CEU credits for continued Certified Crop Advisor training.

The workshop is open to all, but we prefer that participants pre-register and pre-pay. Early-bird registration fee is \$100 through January 9, 2023 and \$140 from January 10, 2023 to January 17, 2023. Walk-in pricing is \$140. We ask that attendees please register by January 12, 2023 to allow adequate time for arrangements to be made. The registration fee will cover a full lunch, morning and afternoon refreshments, and resource materials.

- 7:30 AM Registration & Posters on Display**
8:20 AM Opening Remarks – Joe Ikley
8:30 AM Tom Peters, Extension Sugarbeet Agronomist and Weed Control Specialist
9:00 AM Greta Gramig, Nonchemical Weed Control
9:15 AM Mike Ostlie, Director, Carrington R&E Center
9:30 AM Kirk Howatt, Annual Weed Control in Small Grains and Row Crops
- 10:00 AM Break – 2nd Floor Hallway**
- 10:20 AM Charlie Lim, Extension Weed Specialist, Williston R&E Center
10:40 AM Greg Endres, Extension Crop Specialist, Carrington R&E Center
11:00 AM Rodrigo Werle, University of Wisconsin, Keynote Address
- 11:45 PM Lunch – Lower Atrium**
- 1:00 PM Brian Jenks, Research Weed Scientist, North Central R&E Center
1:30 PM Caleb Dalley, Weed Control Research, Hettinger R&E Center
1:50 PM Harlene Hatterman-Valenti, High Value Crop Production
2:10 PM Mike Christoffers, Weed Genetics
2:30 PM Andrew Thostenson and Bridgette Readell, Pesticide Program Coordinator and Corteva Agrisciences
- 3:00 PM Break – 2nd Floor Hallway**
- 3:20 PM Quincy Law, Noxious Weed Control
3:50 PM Joe Ikley, Extension Weed Control Specialist
4:20 PM Adjourn

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2022



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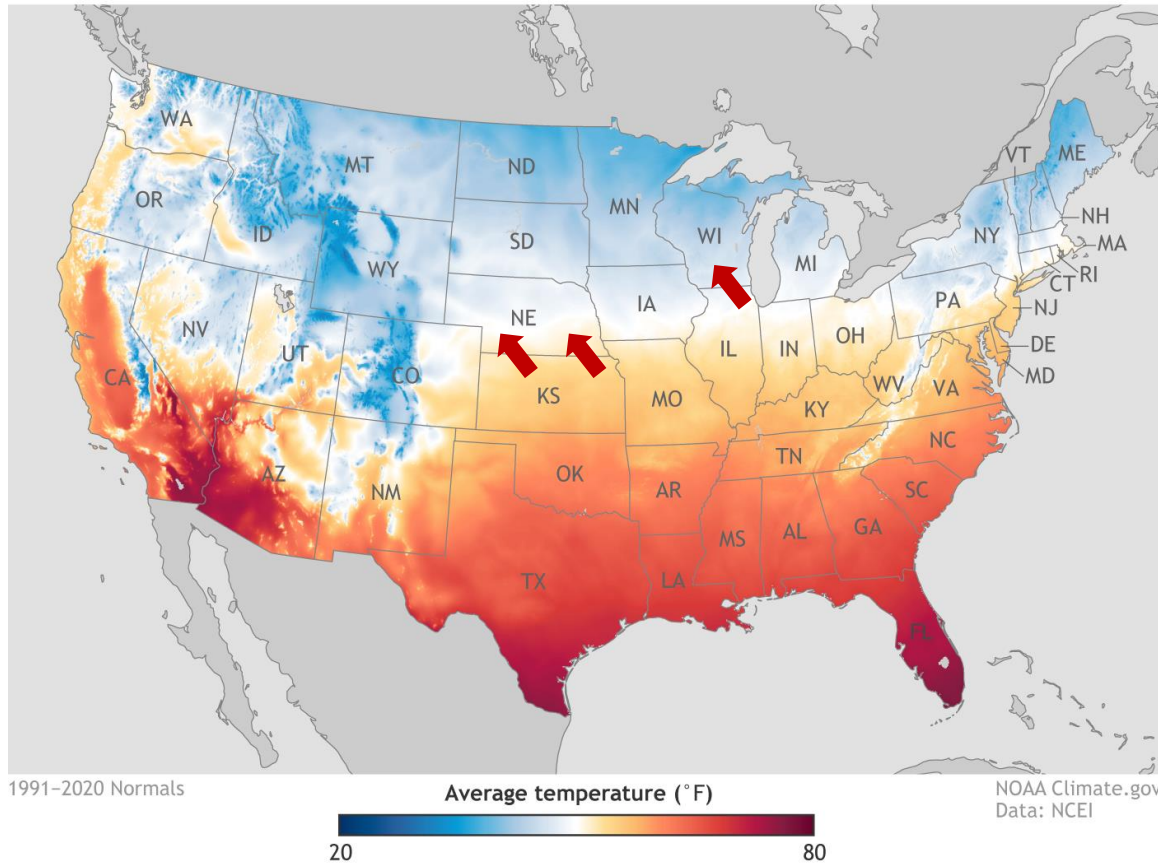
Tentative Outline (Let's have a conversation...)

- **Waterhemp** (& giant ragweed) management in Wisconsin **soybean** (& corn)
- Cover crops: **planting soybean green** for Integrated Weed Management (IWM)

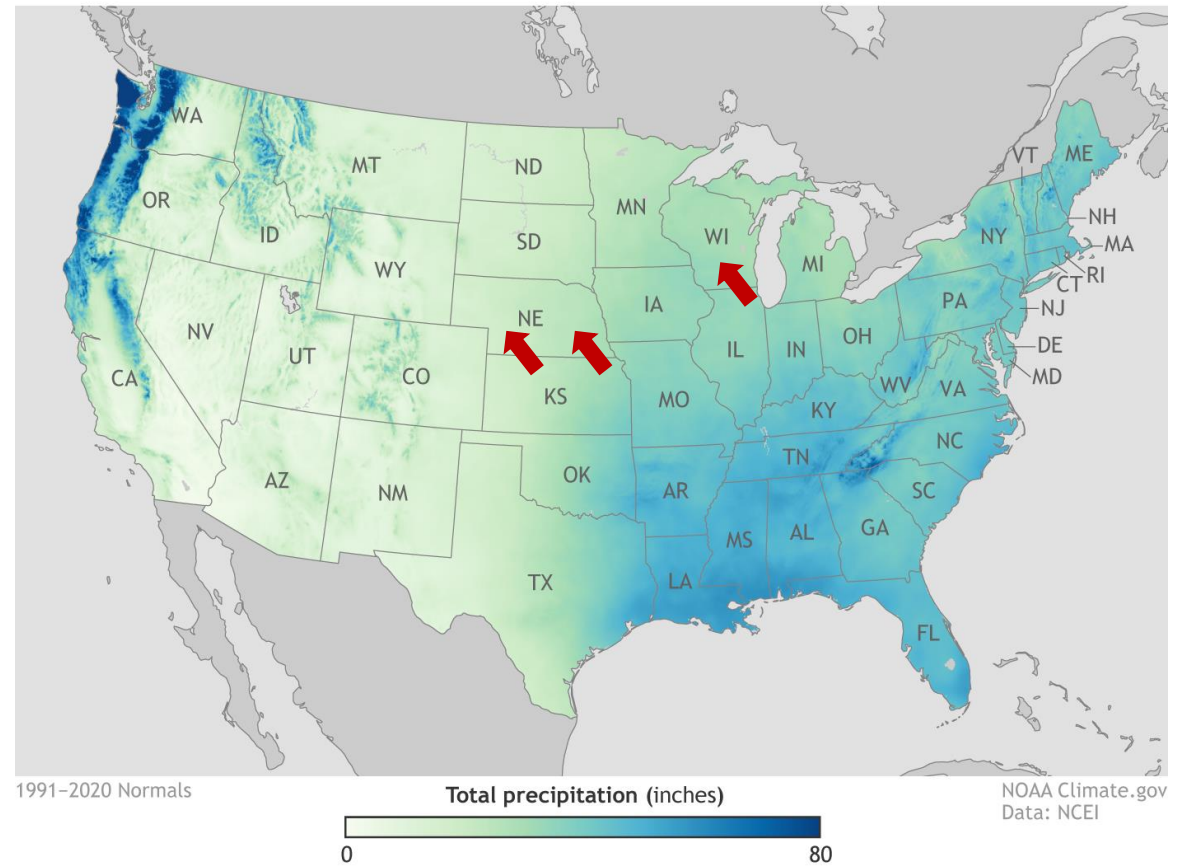


Annual Precipitation & GDD Accumulation

U.S. annual average temperature and precipitation (1991–2020)



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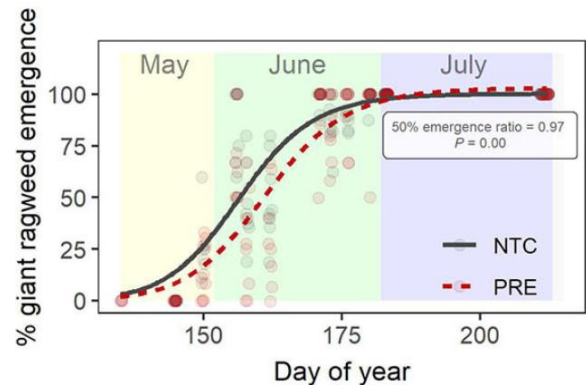


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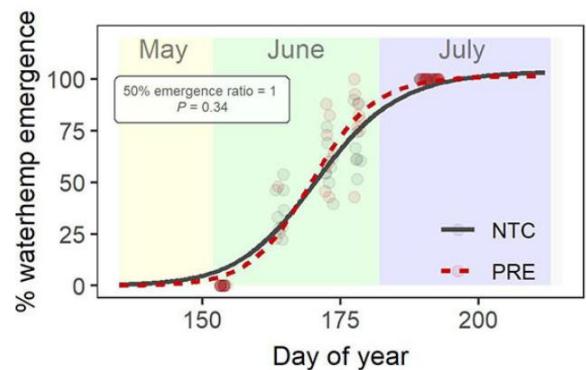


Most Troublesome Weed Species in Wisconsin Corn-Soybean Production

Giant ragweed (2018-2019)



Waterhemp (2019)



Herbicide resistance:

- Giant ragweed: groups 2, 9, 14, & 27
- Waterhemp: groups 2, 4, 5, 9, 14, & 27



Striegel et al. 2021; Faleco et al. 2022



Wisconsin, 2018: Waterhemp?!



WE GOT NO WATERHEMP!

Arlington, WI →
(no waterhemp)

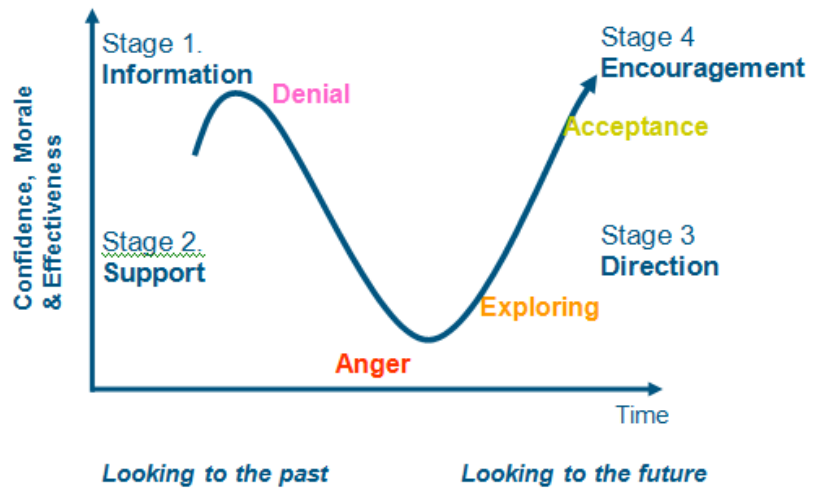


Untreated Control



Pursuit (4 fl oz)

The Change Curve



Lancaster, WI →
(yes waterhemp)



<https://www.educational-business-articles.com/change-curve/>



Wisconsin Combine Clinic Workshop – Weed Seed Movement



Weed Seed Movement via Combines: 2019-2020 Case Study

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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.

Weed Seeds in Wisconsin

Several of the common weeds (e.g., pigweeds, ragweeds, common lambsquarters) that Wisconsin grain crop farmers manage can retain their seed well into the time of harvest. When weeds are allowed to set seed, they replenish the soil seedbank creating potentially long-term problems for weed management.

How Do Weed Seeds Spread?

Weed seeds can be moved great distances by wildlife, particularly migratory waterfowl. Seeds can be introduced to new fields through feed, seed, bedding, and spreading of manure. Tillage and planting equipment can spread seeds from field to field through the movement of soil. Harvest equipment (combines) can be extremely effective at moving seed when weeds are left to set seed in crop fields; however, not much is known on where seeds will be deposited within a combine. Additionally, harvesting multiple crops with the same combine provides opportunities for the different crop residues to catch and remove weed seed from within the equipment.



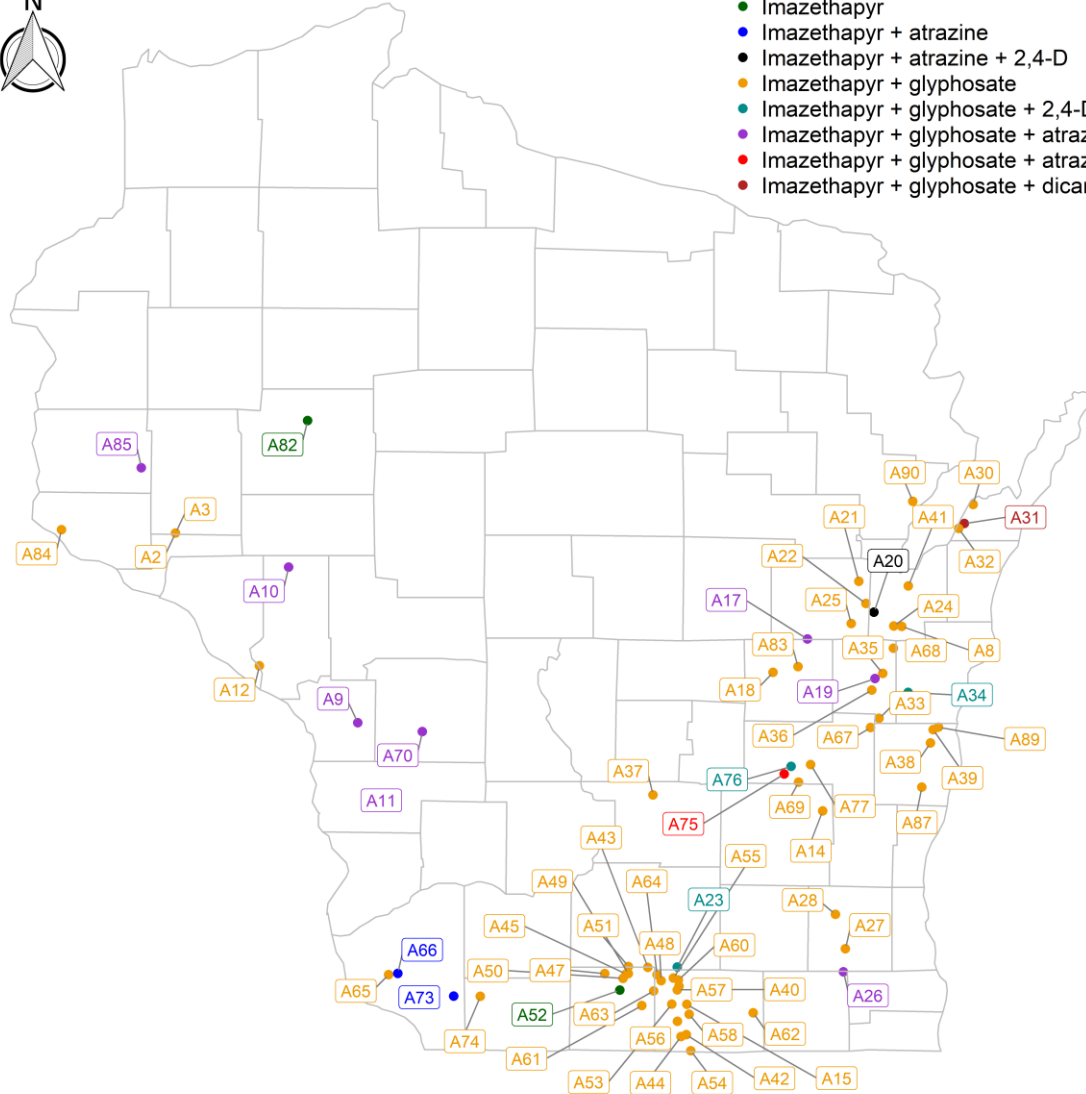
Arneson, Smith et al (2020)



Wisconsin Waterhemp Herbicide Resistance Screenings

| Herbicide | Product | Rate (fl oz/ac) | SOA Group |
|-------------|------------|-----------------|-----------|
| Mesotrione | Callisto | 3.0 | 27 |
| Imazethapyr | Pursuit | 4.0 | 2 |
| Glyphosate | Roundup PM | 22 | 9 |
| Glufosinate | Liberty | 32 | 10 |
| Fomesafen | Flextar | 16 | 14 |
| Dicamba | XtendiMax | 22 | 4 |
| Atrazine | Aatrex 4L | 32 | 5 |
| 2,4-D | Enlist One | 24* | 4 |

*use Enlist One at 32 fl oz/ac



Herbicide Resistance 1x Rate POST

- Imazethapyr
- Imazethapyr + atrazine
- Imazethapyr + atrazine + 2,4-D
- Imazethapyr + glyphosate
- Imazethapyr + glyphosate + 2,4-D
- Imazethapyr + glyphosate + atrazine
- Imazethapyr + glyphosate + atrazine + 2,4-D
- Imazethapyr + glyphosate + dicamba

Weed Technology

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Multiple herbicide resistance in waterhemp (*Amaranthus tuberculatus*) accessions from Wisconsin

Felipe A. Faleco¹, Maxwel C. Oliveira², Nicholas J. Arneson³, Mark Renz⁴, David E. Stoltenberg⁴ and Rodrigo Werle⁵

Research Article

Cite this article: Faleco FA, Oliveira MC, Arneson NJ, Renz M, Stoltenberg DE, Werle R (2022) Multiple herbicide resistance in waterhemp (*Amaranthus tuberculatus*) accessions from Wisconsin. Weed Technol. 36: 597-608. doi: 10.1017/wet.2022.81

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88 waterhemp accessions from 27 Wisconsin counties



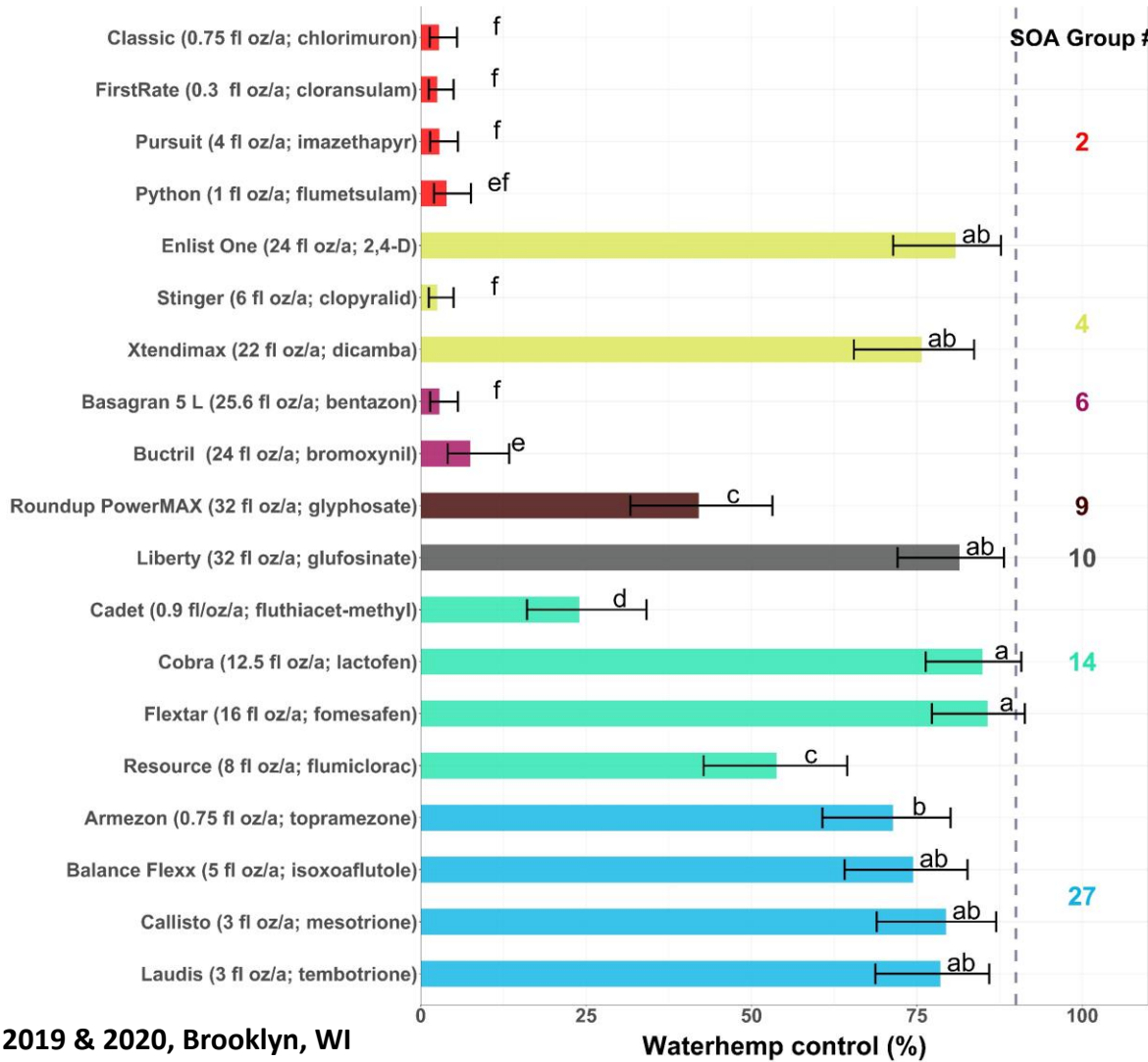
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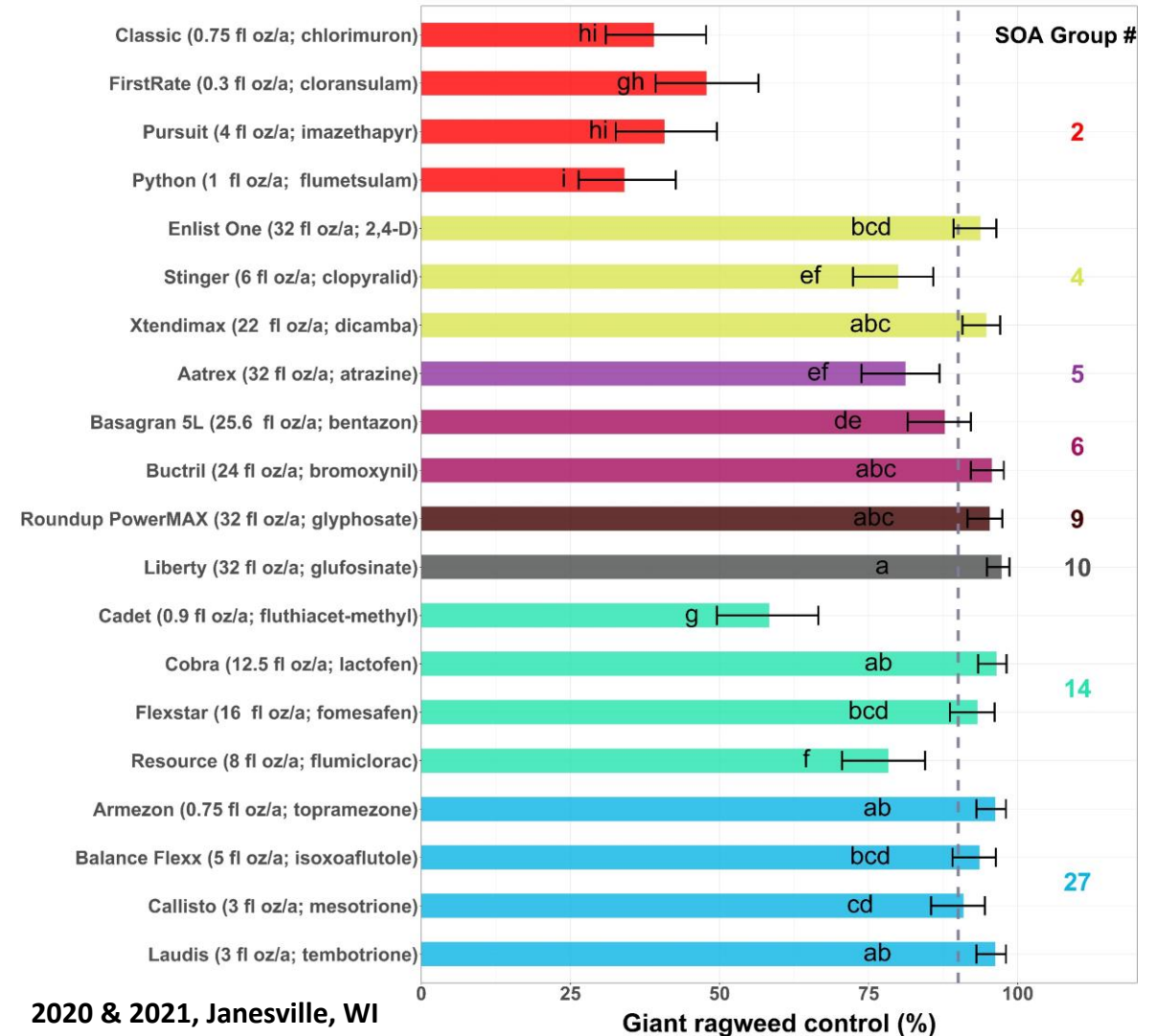
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POST Foliar Control – Waterhemp & Giant Ragweed – 14 Days After Treatment

Waterhemp



Giant Ragweed



Figures by Dr. Ahmad Mobli; Werle, Mobli, et al (In Press)



Waterhemp Resistance to 2,4-D (Enlist One) POST



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Growers & decision influencers in Enlist E3 #soybean system dealing with waterhemp and using Enlist One (2,4-D choline) herbicide for post-emergence weed control, how did Enlist One perform on #waterhemp this season in the fields you manage?

Thank you for participating!



109 votes · Final results

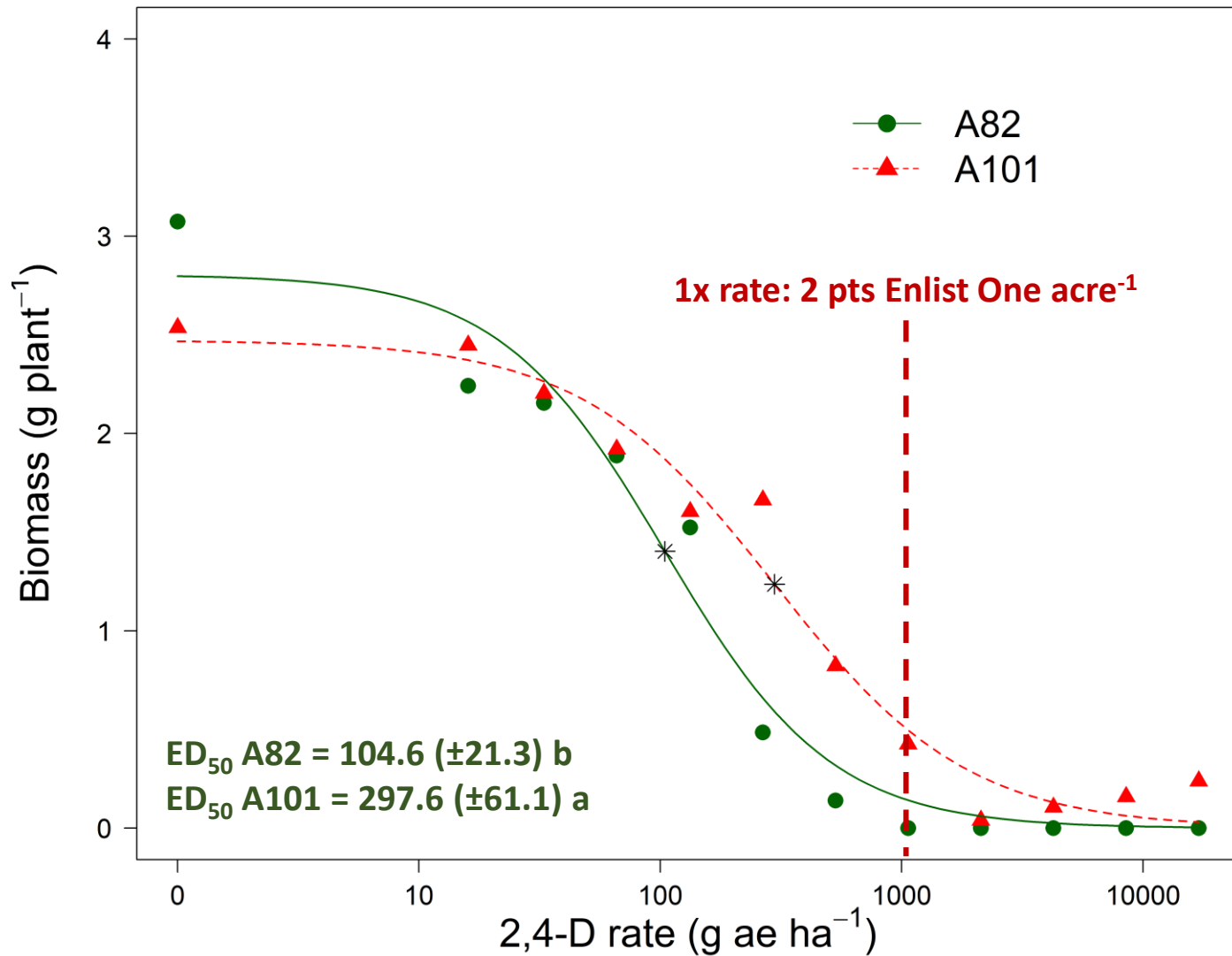


What is going on?

- 2,4-D resistance?
- Environmental conditions?

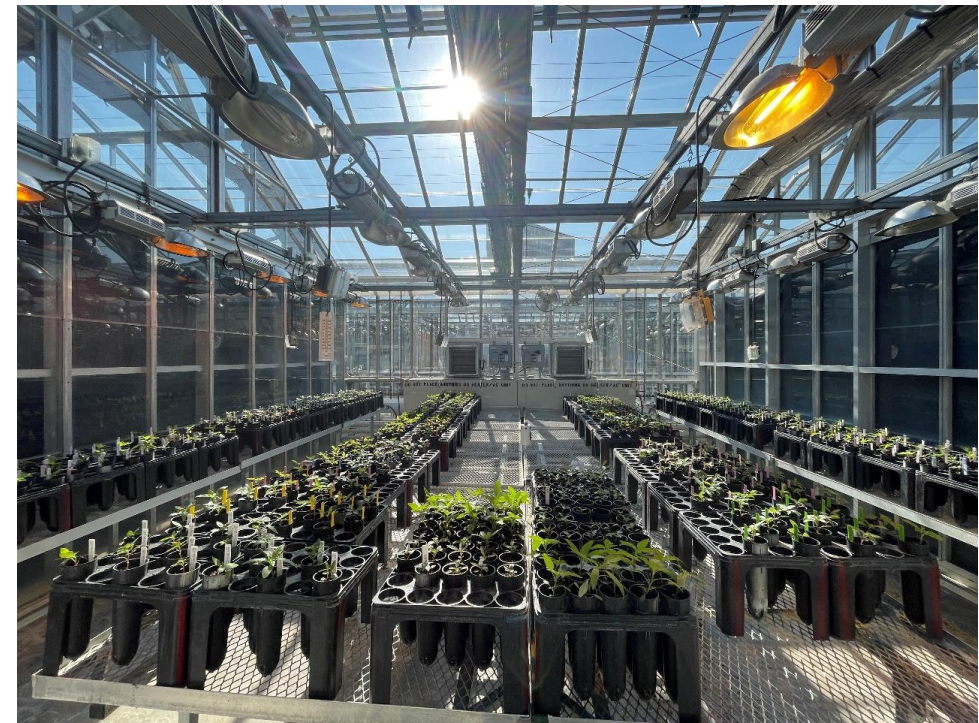


Waterhemp Resistance to 2,4-D (Enlist One) POST



Enlist One (2,4-D choline) Dose Response:

- A82: known susceptible; WI
- A101: suspected resistant; Brooklyn WI



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Waterhemp plants were 3-4" in height at application time

Data collected 21 days after treatment



Waterhemp Resistance to 2,4-D (Enlist One) POST

Enlist One (2,4-D; 4) 1X = 2 pts ac⁻¹



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What is going on?

- This population was not previously exposed to 2,4-D
- Metabolic resistance



Enlist One (2,4-D; 4) 2X = 4 pts ac⁻¹

Enlist One (2,4-D; 4) 16X = 32 pts ac⁻¹



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Waterhemp plants were 3-4" in height at application time
Pictures taken ~14 days after treatment



Good Read on Metabolic Herbicide Resistance:



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Metabolic Herbicide Resistance

Posted on September 22, 2022



Is Metabolic Herbicide Resistance the Straw That Will Break Weed Management's Back?

Jed Colquhoun, UW-Madison, Extension Weed Scientist



<https://fruit.wisc.edu/2022/09/07/is-metabolic-herbicide-resistance-the-straw-that-will-break-weed-managements-back/>



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Elevated Temperature – Waterhemp Response to 2,4-D (Enlist One)



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Thank you for participating!

Excellent control

14.7%

Good ctrl but few escapes

32.1%

Poor control

14.7%

Show results

38.5%

109 votes · Final results



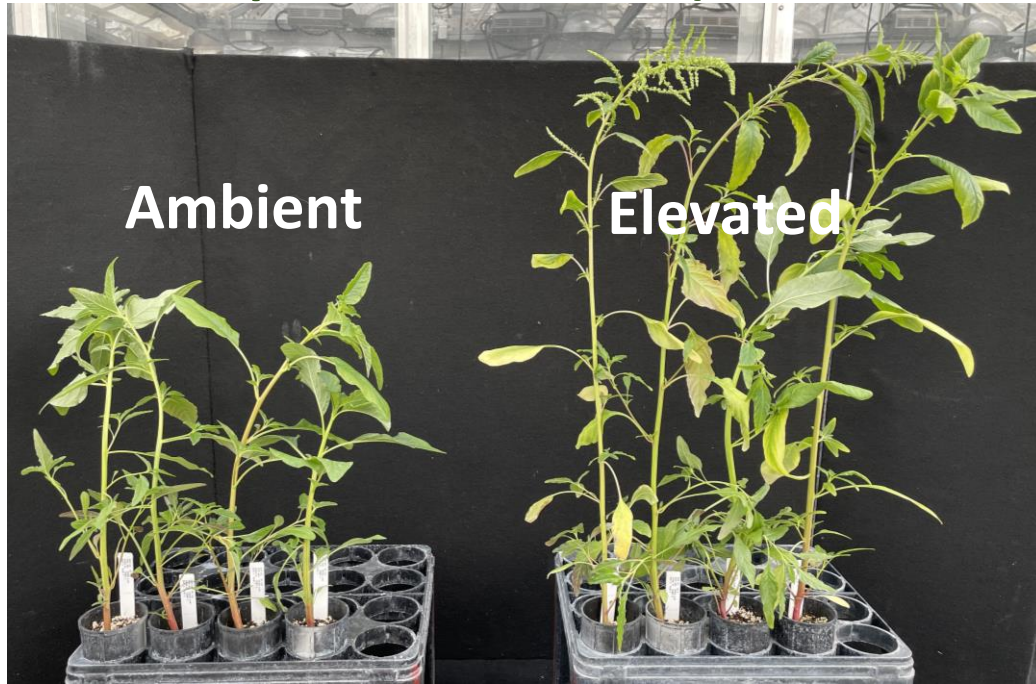
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A82 susceptible accession (non-treated control plants [NTC]; 21 days after treatment [DAT]):



NTC A82 Accession 21 DAT

Biomass (\pm SE)

g pot⁻¹

Elevated 5.7 (\pm 0.2)a

Ambient 3.6 (\pm 0.2)b



- Elevated = 90 F (day)/66 F (night)
- Ambient = 81 F (day)/57 F (night)*
*(Avg. June temp in Dane County)



How Can We Help Our POST-Herbicides? Integrated Weed Management!

30-inch row spacing



15-inch row spacing



Planted: 05/22/20
140K seeds/acre

Picture: 07/02/20 (41 DAP)

Weed Technology

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Research Article

See this article: Arsenijevic, N., DeWerff, R., Conley, S., Ruark, M., Wiele, B. (2022) Influence of integrated agronomic and weed management practices on soybean canopy development and yield. *Weed Technol.* 36: 73–78. doi: 10.1017/wet.2022.10

Influence of integrated agronomic and weed management practices on soybean canopy development and yield

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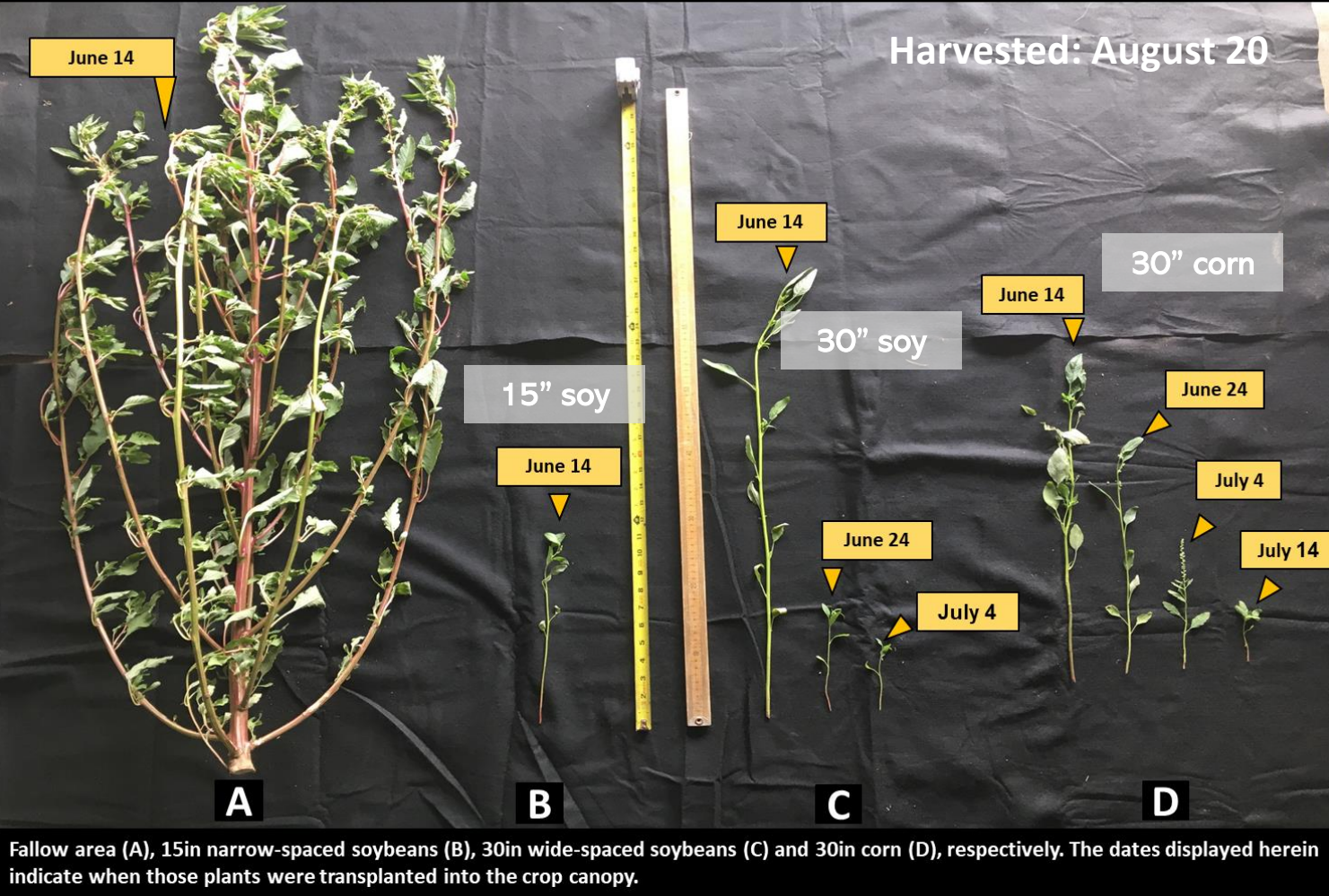
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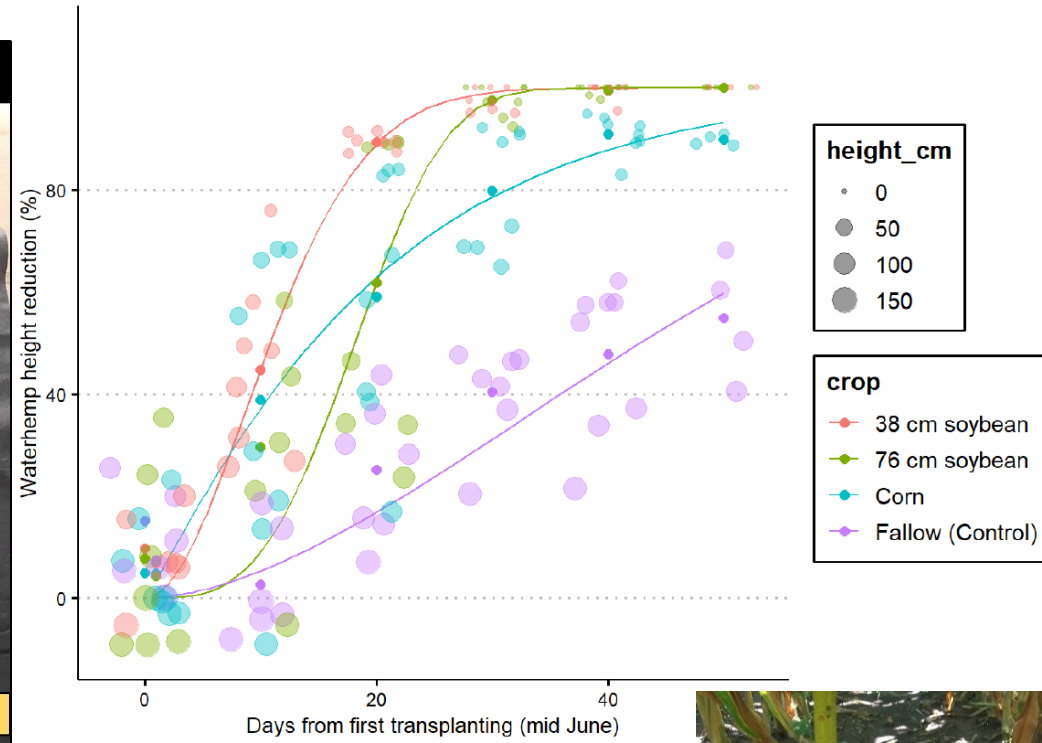
Agronomic Practices - Integrated Weed Management

2019 Growing Season (UW Arlington ARS)

Harvested: August 20



Fallow area (A), 15in narrow-spaced soybeans (B), 30in wide-spaced soybeans (C) and 30in corn (D), respectively. The dates displayed herein indicate when those plants were transplanted into the crop canopy.



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Growth and development of multiple waterhemp (*Amaranthus tuberculatus*) cohorts in corn and soybeans

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Start Clean and Stay Clean!

Effective PRE-Emergence Herbicide Program



BENEFITS:

- Not dependent on HT trait
- Protects crop from early-season yield loss due to weed competition
- Buys time for a POST application
- Reduces weed density for POST control
- “Simpler” to spray

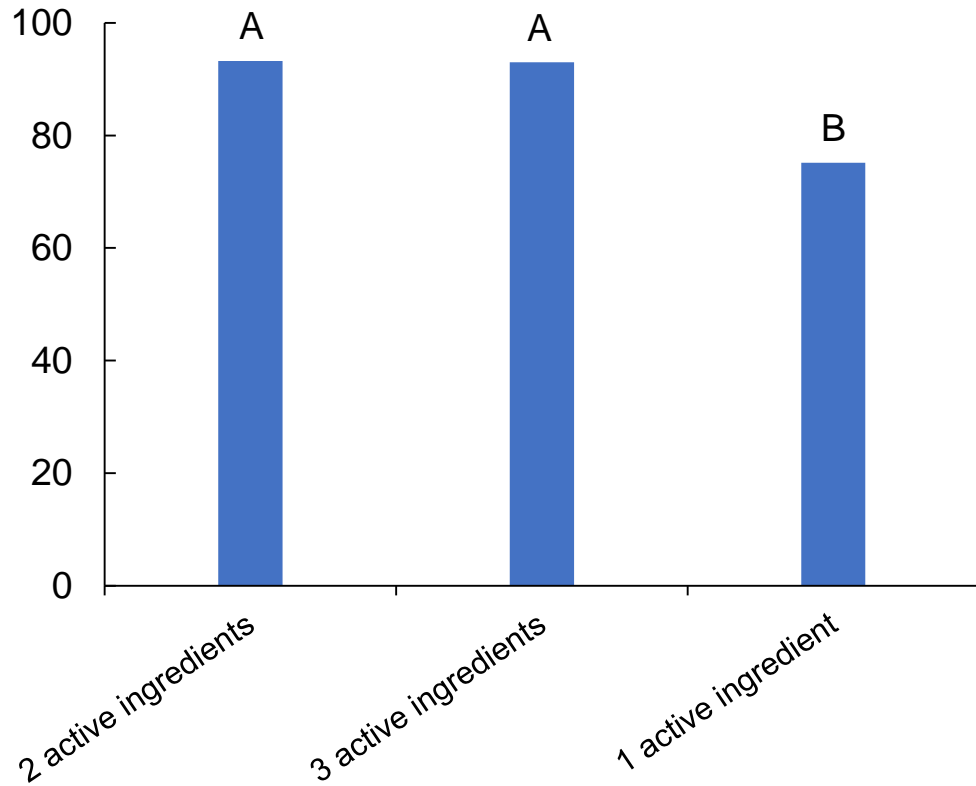
CONCERNS:

- Activation
- Crop response

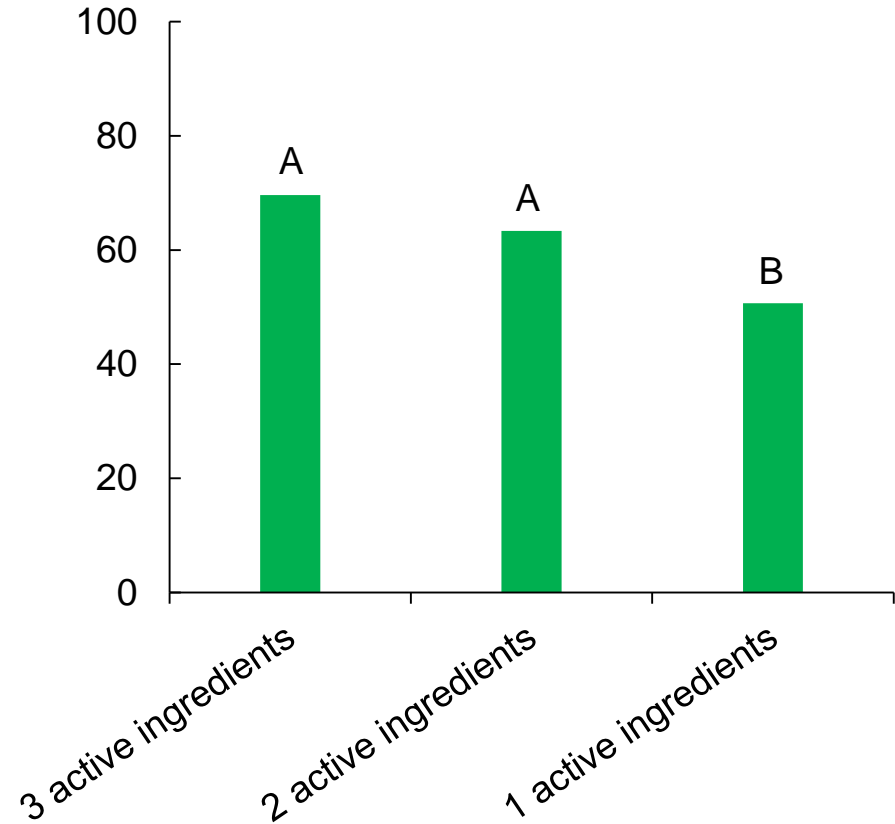


How Many Sites of Action? PRE Residual Control 21 Days After Treatment

Waterhemp (4 sites-years)



Giant Ragweed (3 sites-years)



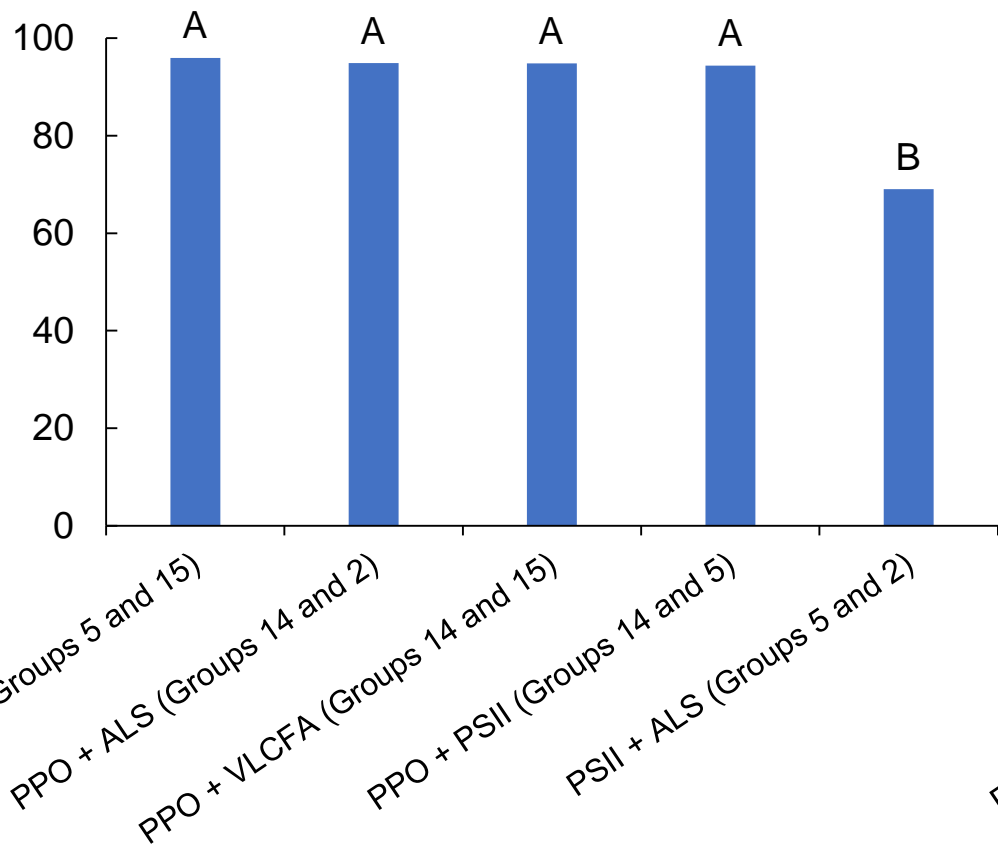
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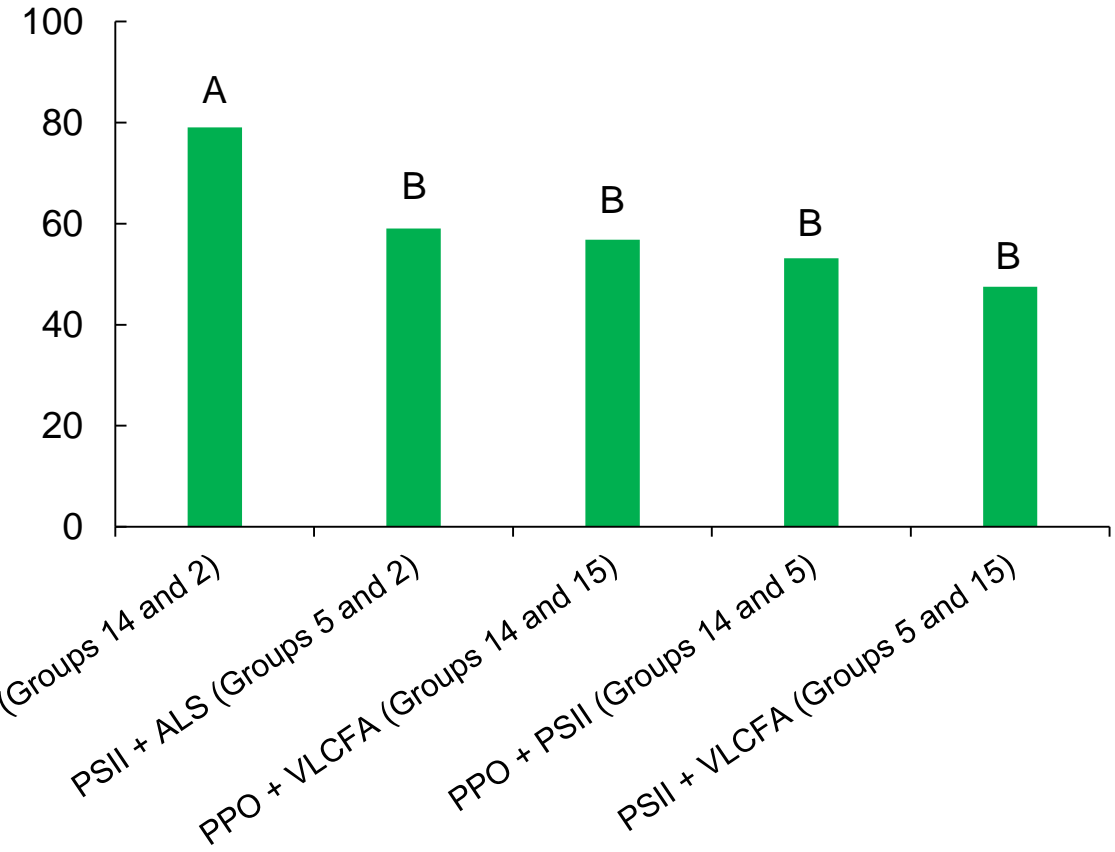


Sites of Action Combination - PRE Residual Control 21 Days After Treatment

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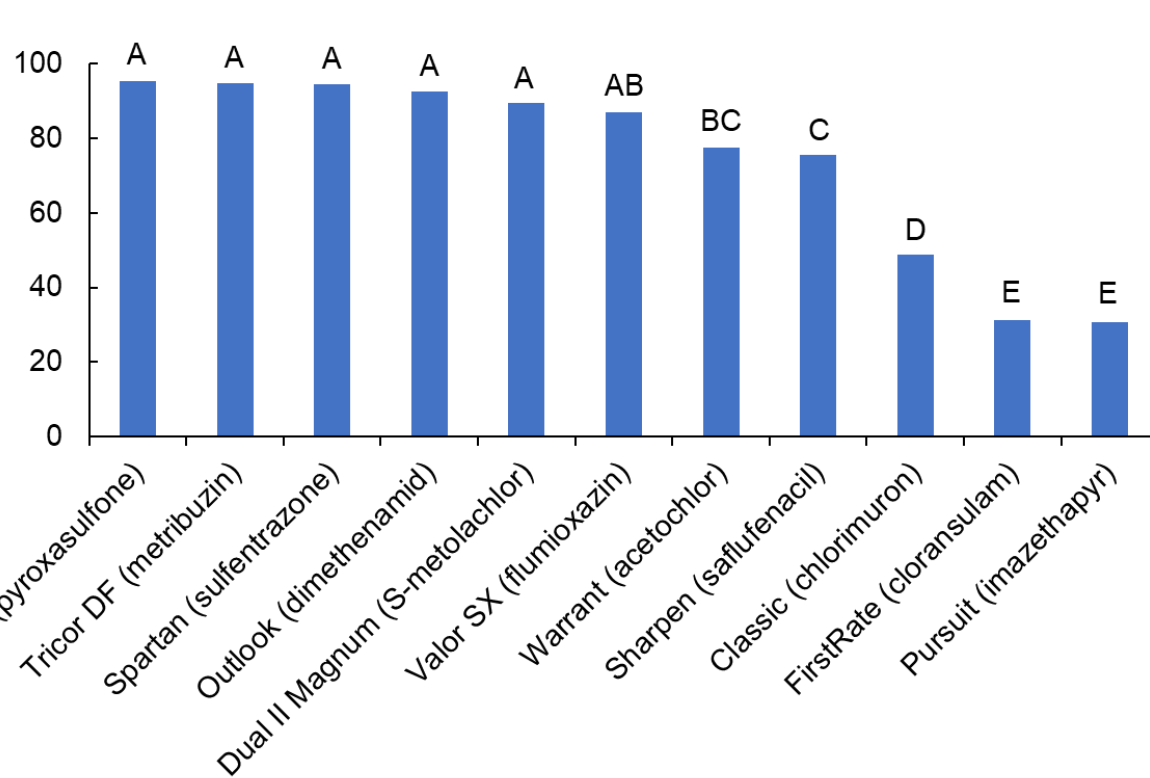


Giant Ragweed (3 sites-years)

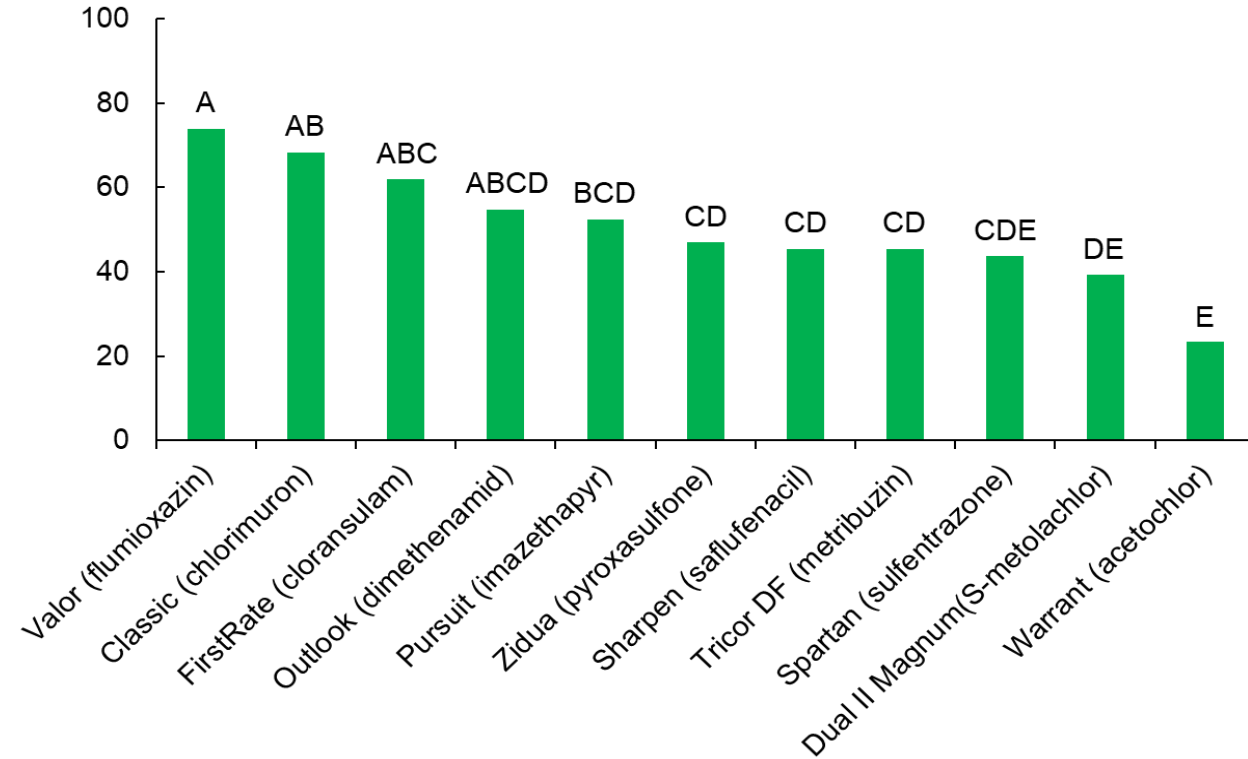


Active Ingredient Comparison - PRE Residual Control 21 Days After Treatment

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Waterhemp Resistance to PRE-emergence Herbicides – Groups 14 & 15

Waterhemp Resistance to Group 15 – LCFA (Dr. Hager) Results 21 DAT: S-metolachlor



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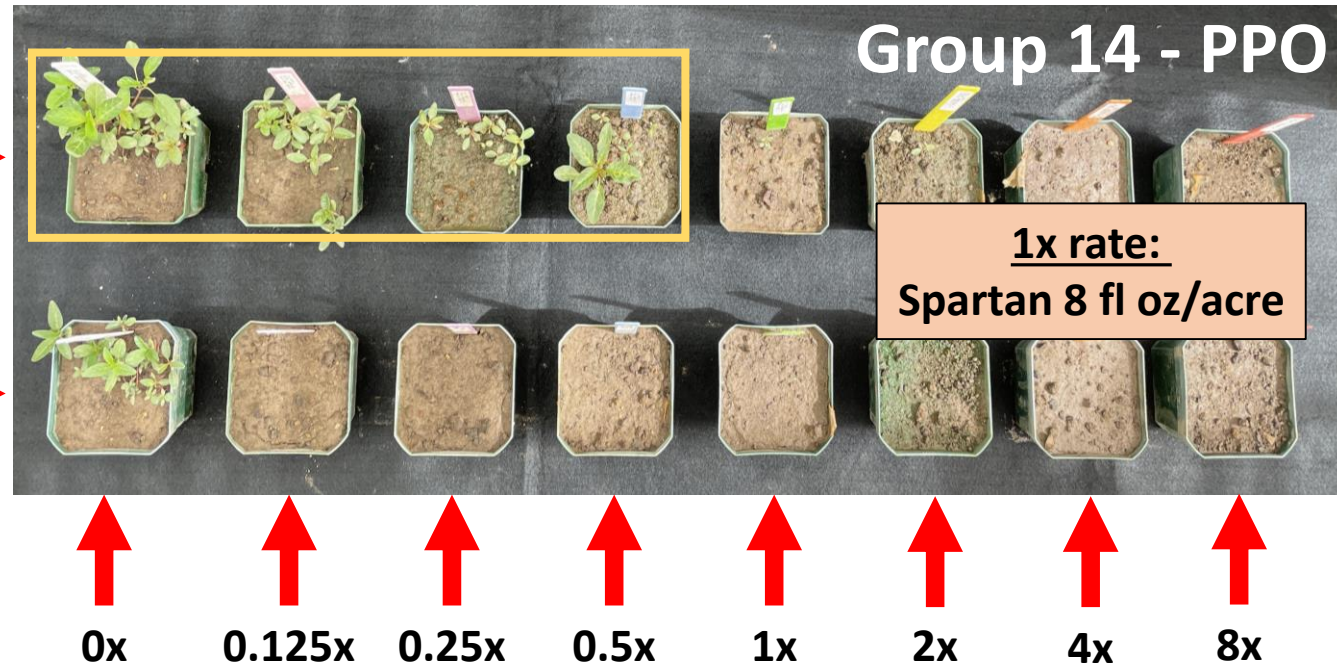
<https://farmdoc.illinois.edu/field-crop-production/weeds/waterhemp-resistance-to-group-15-herbicides.html>

Why is this important?

- Reduced length of soil residual weed control

PPO PRE Resistant →

Susceptible →



PPO PRE Resistant →

Susceptible →



Research by Felipe Faleco, PhD Student, UW-Madison WiscWeeds Program

Pictures taken 28 days after treatment



How Can We Help Our PREs? Planting Green for Waterhemp Suppression



5 Mg ha⁻¹ = 4,460 Lbs ac⁻¹

Planting soybean green: agronomic and weed management benefits and challenges

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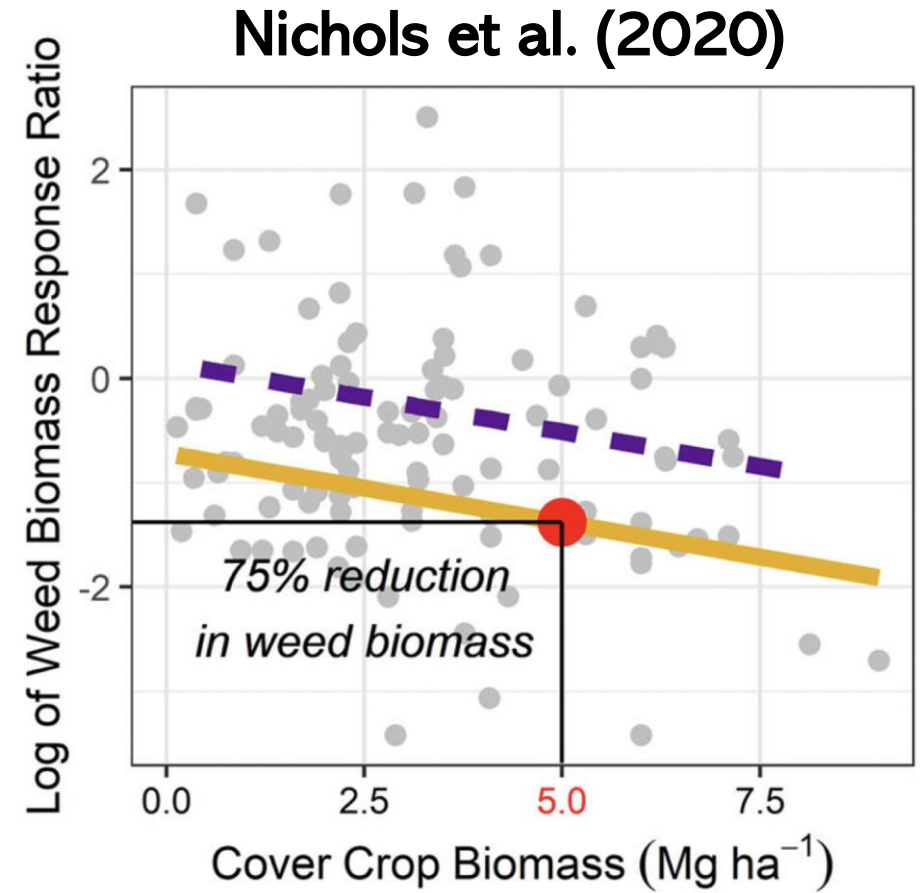
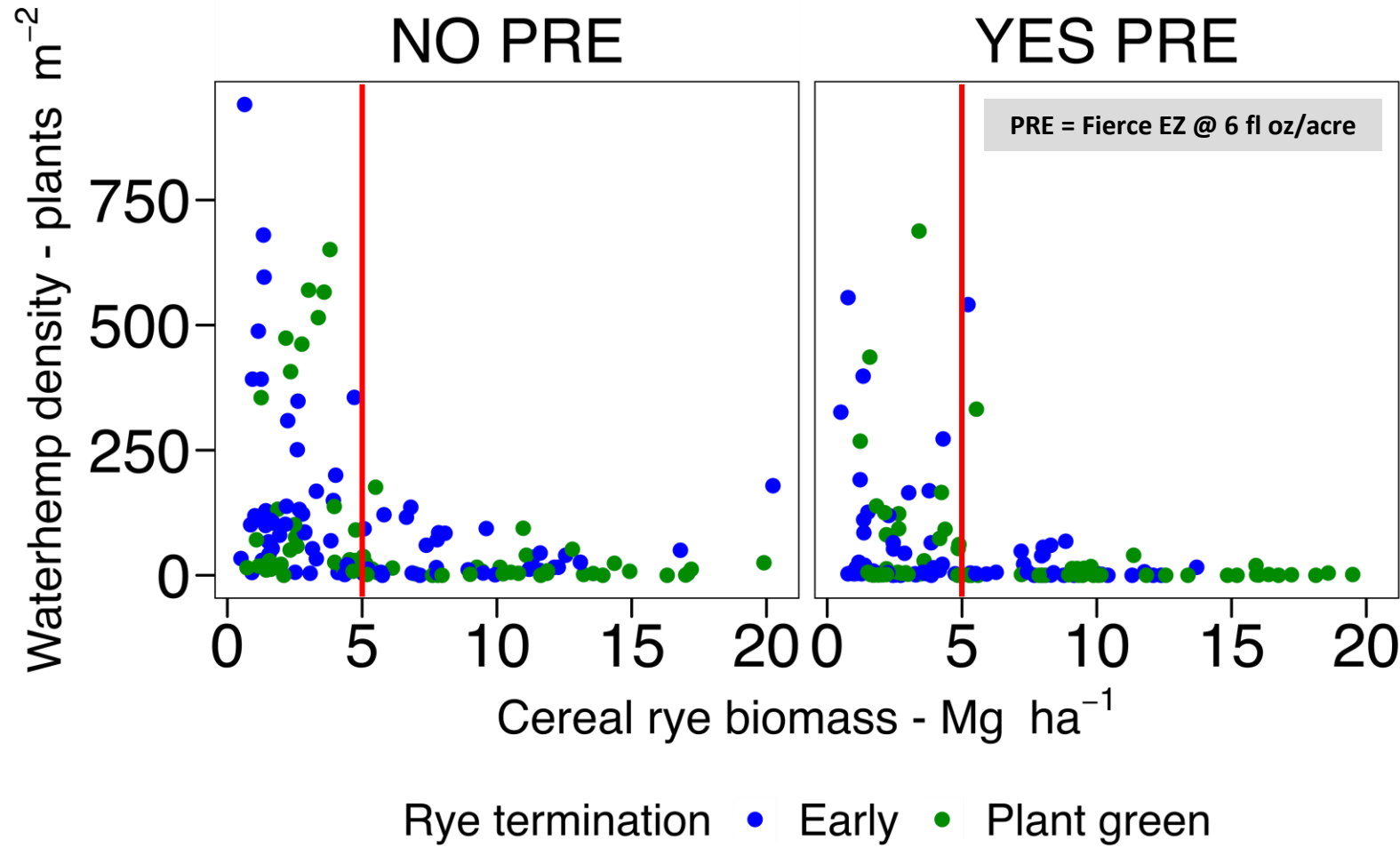


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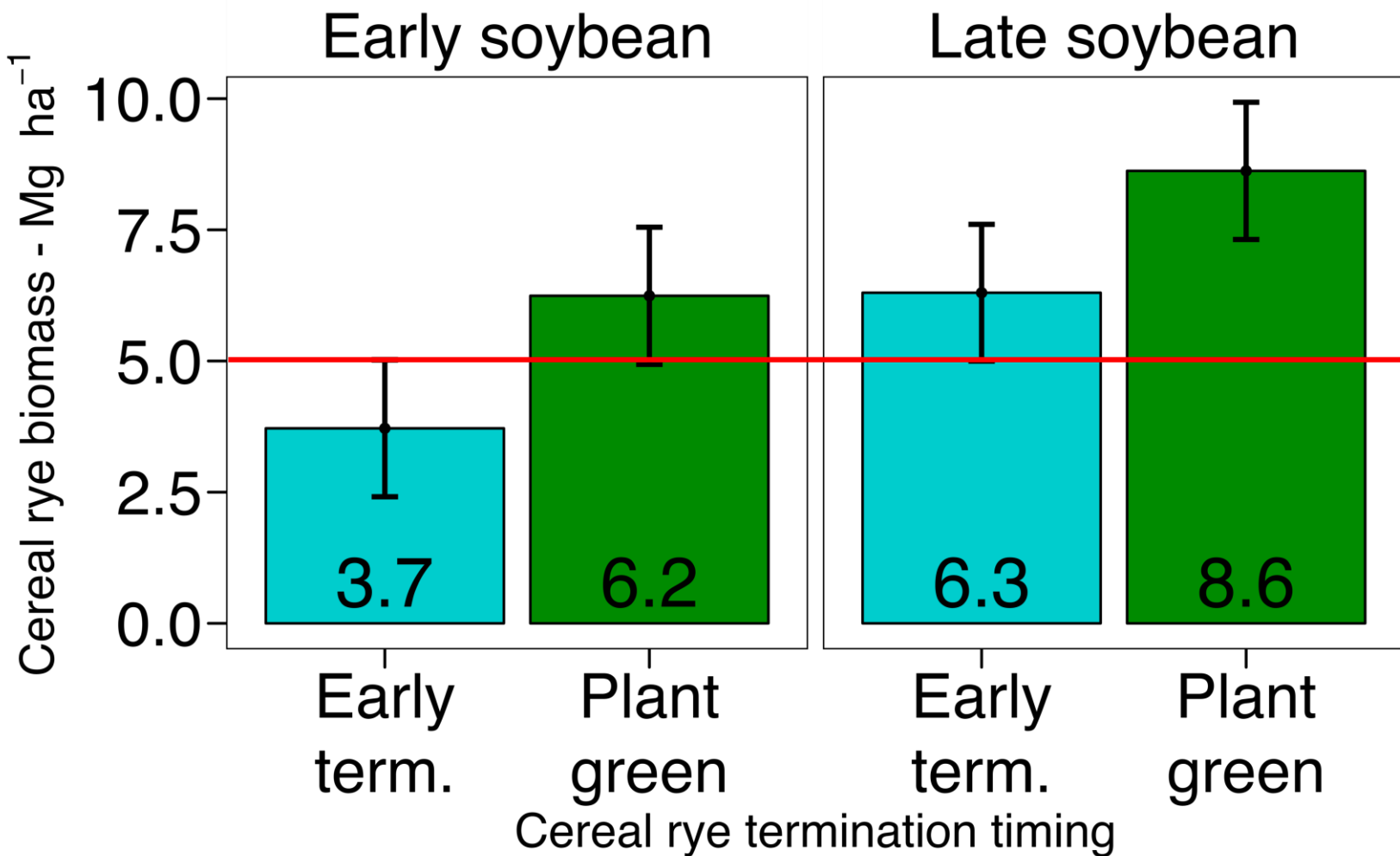
Results | Waterhemp Density

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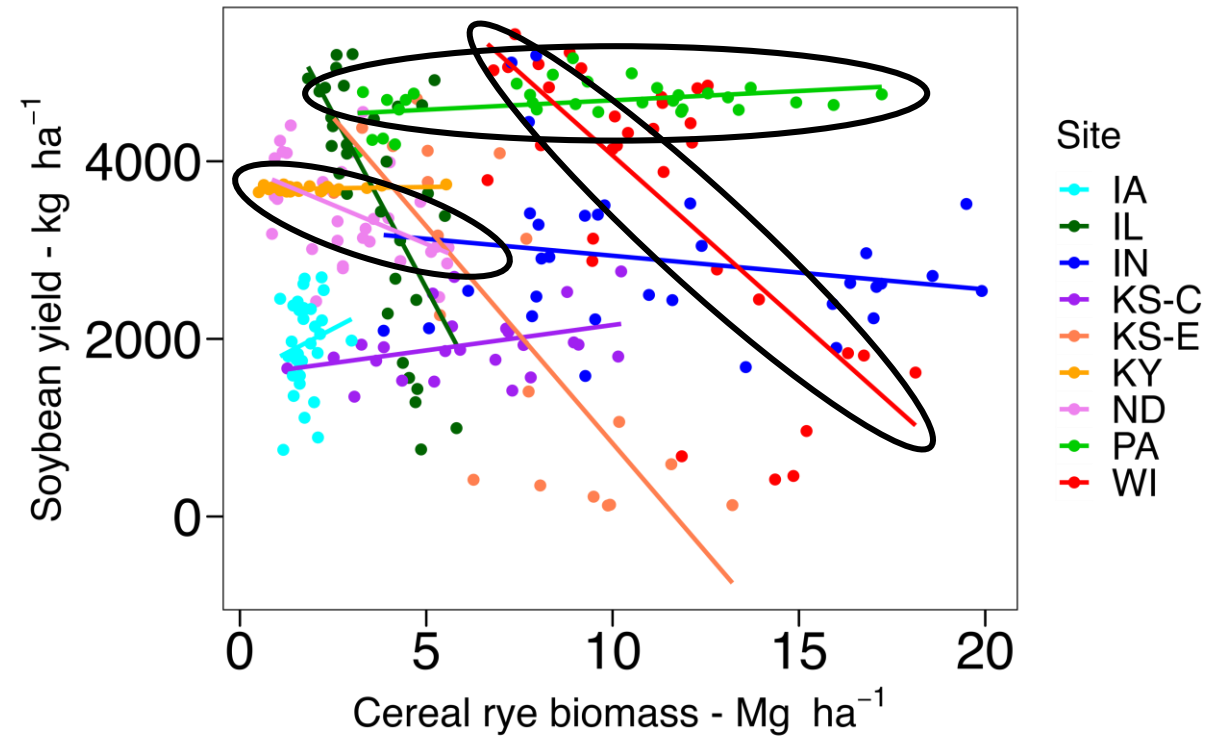
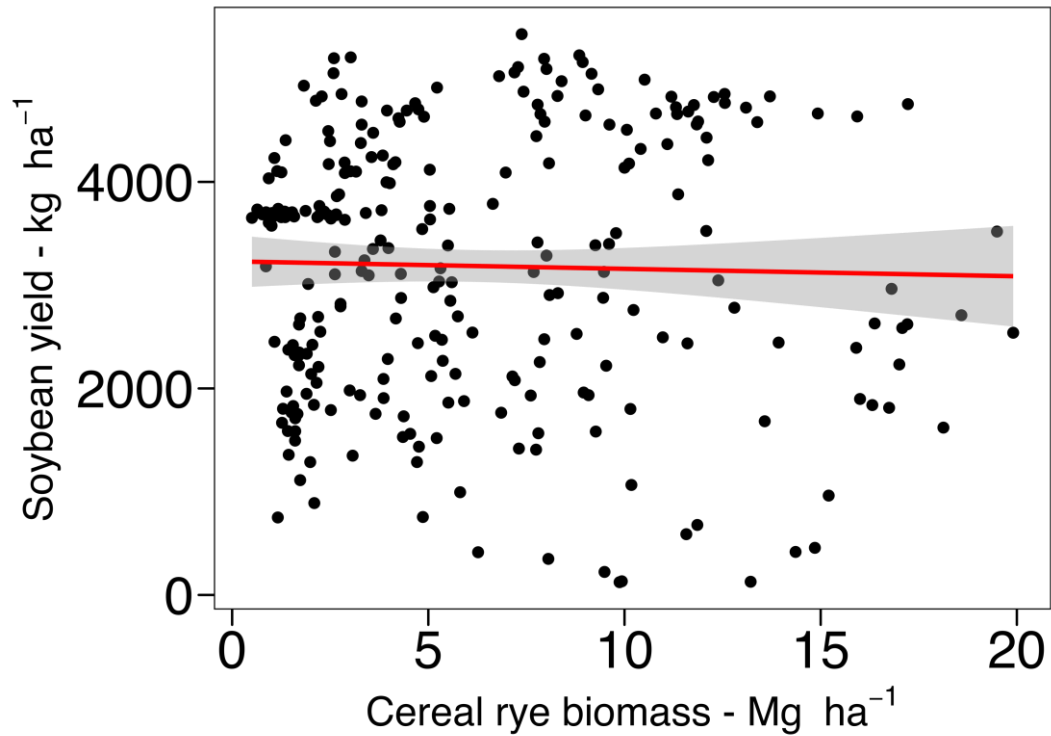


Results | Cereal Rye Biomass (WI, 2021)

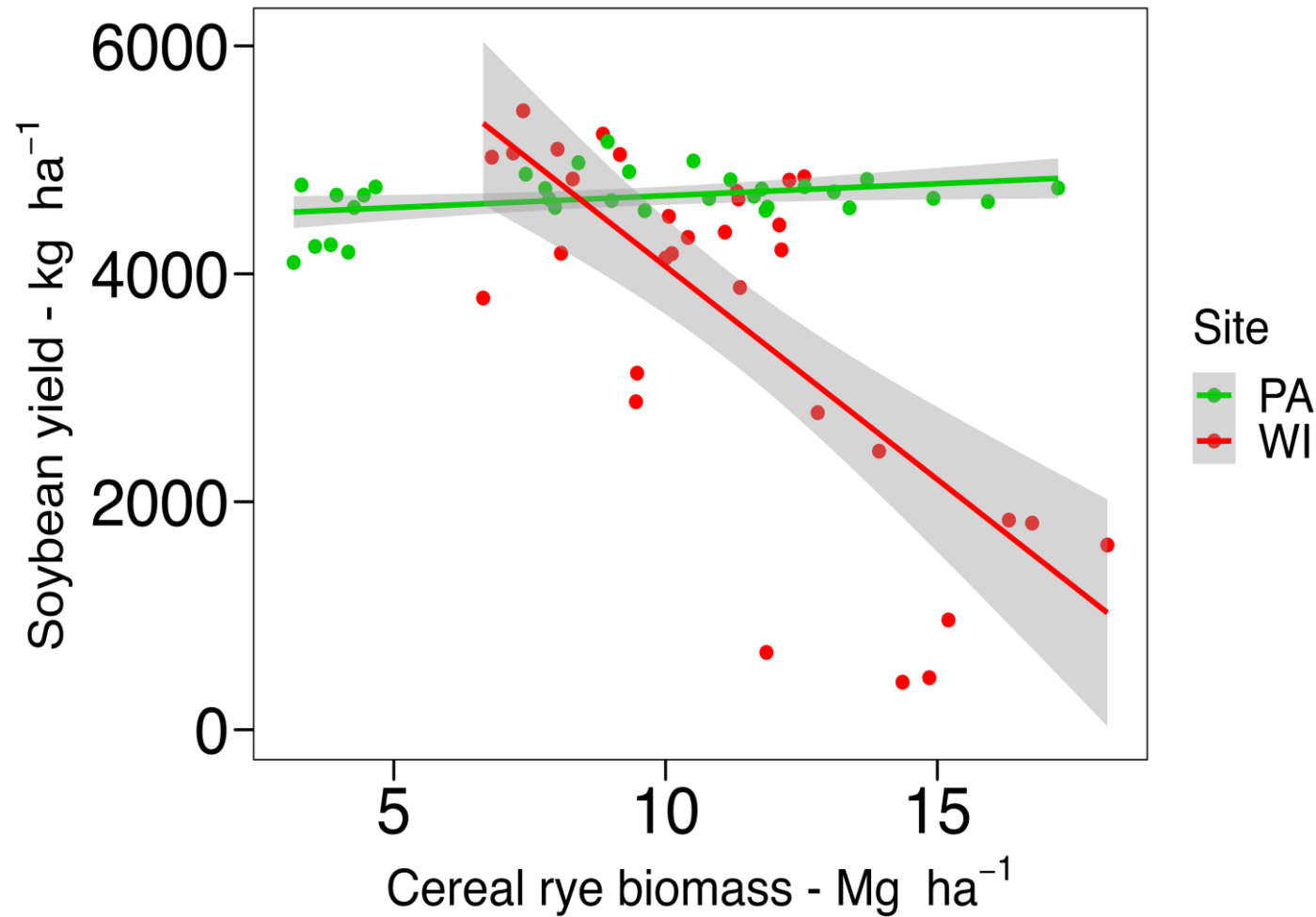
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Impact of Cereal Rye Biomass on Soybean Yield (2021)



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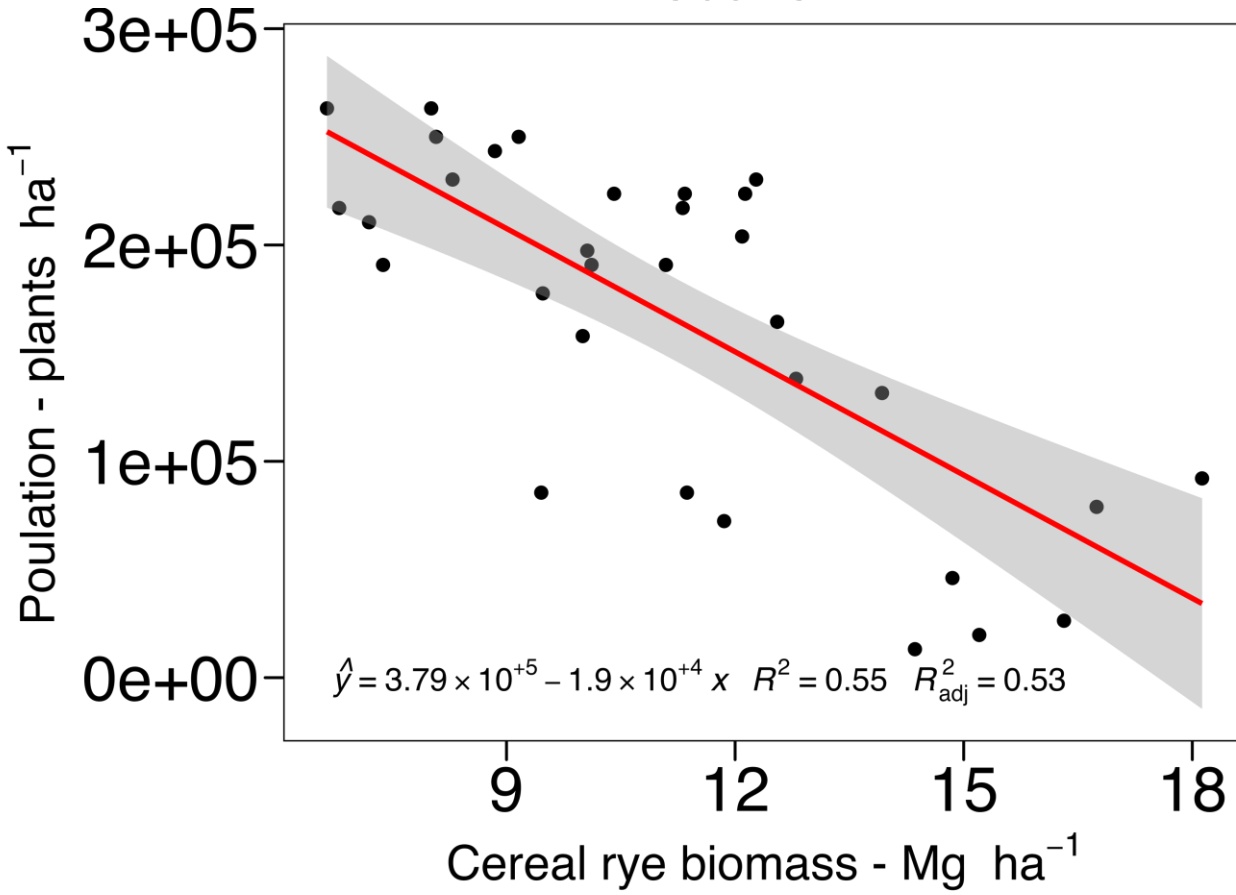
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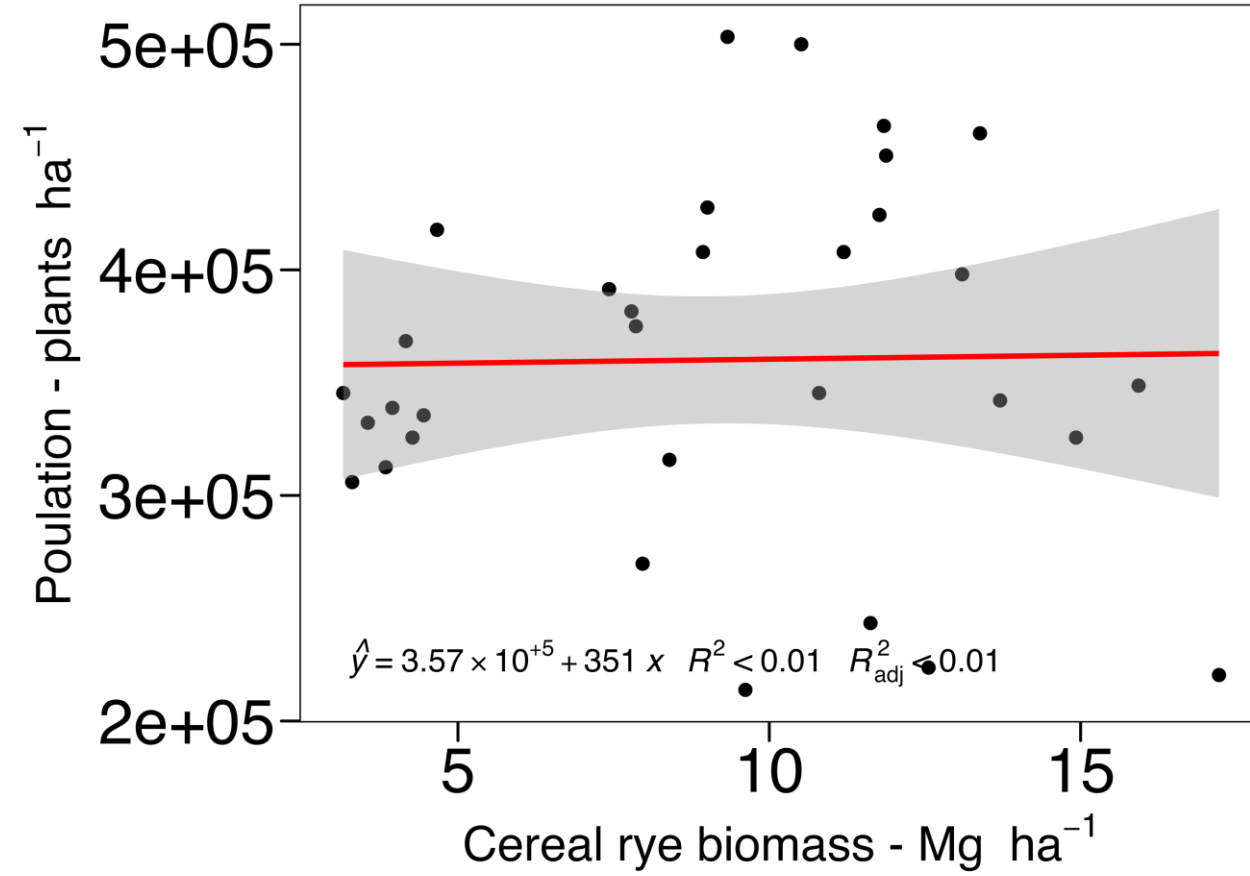
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Impact of Cereal Rye Biomass on Soybean Population (2021)

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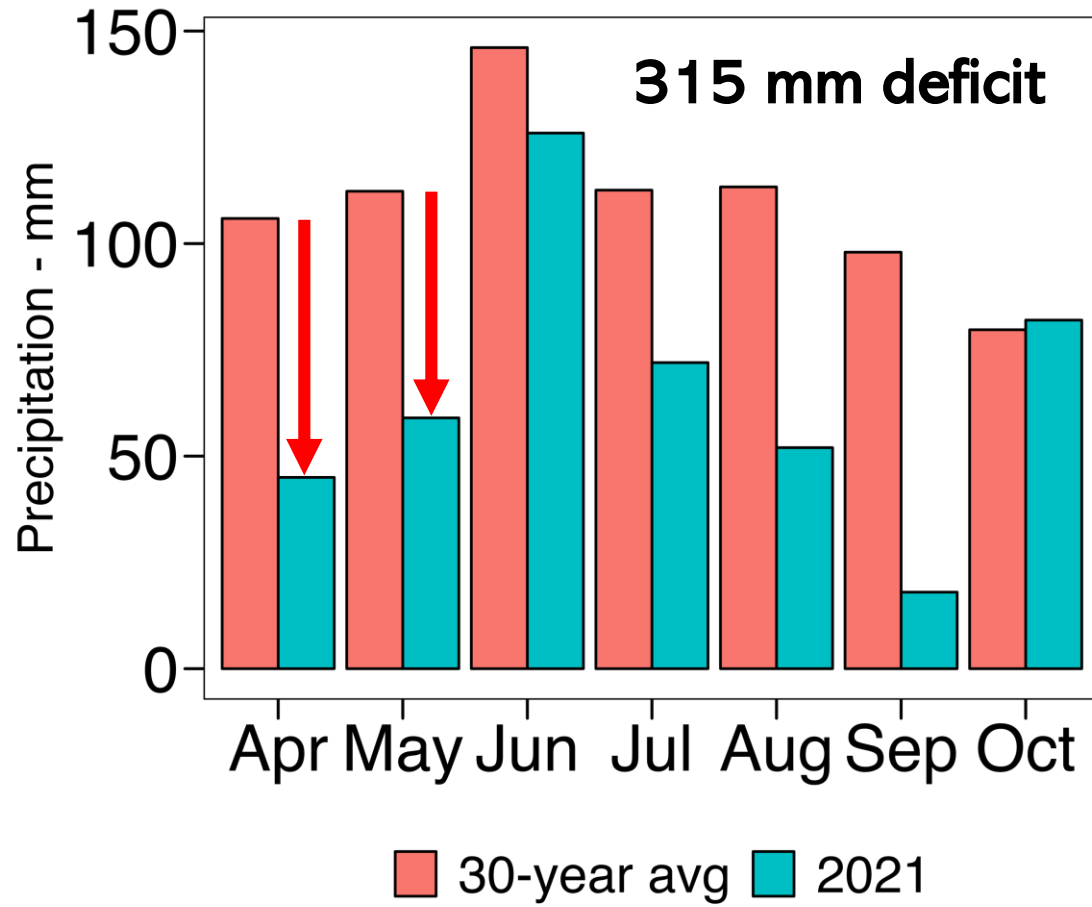


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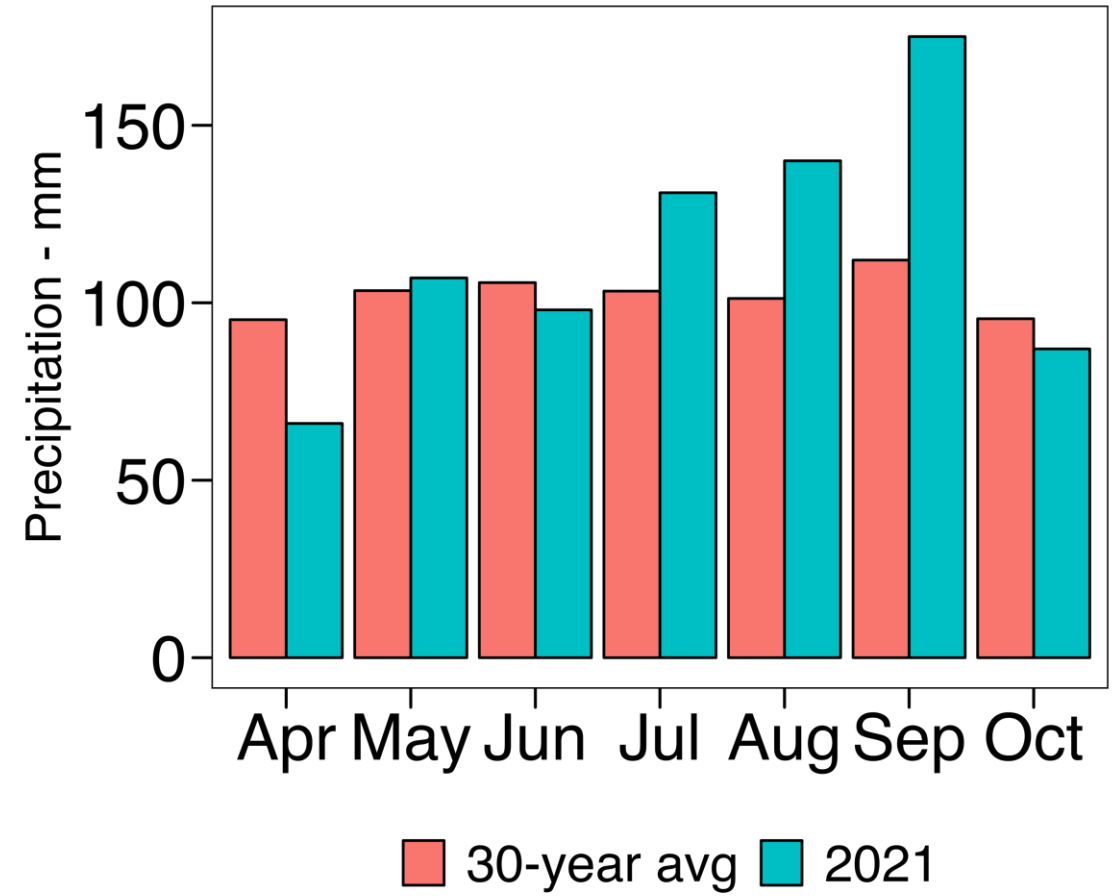


Precipitation (mm) During the Growing Season (2021)

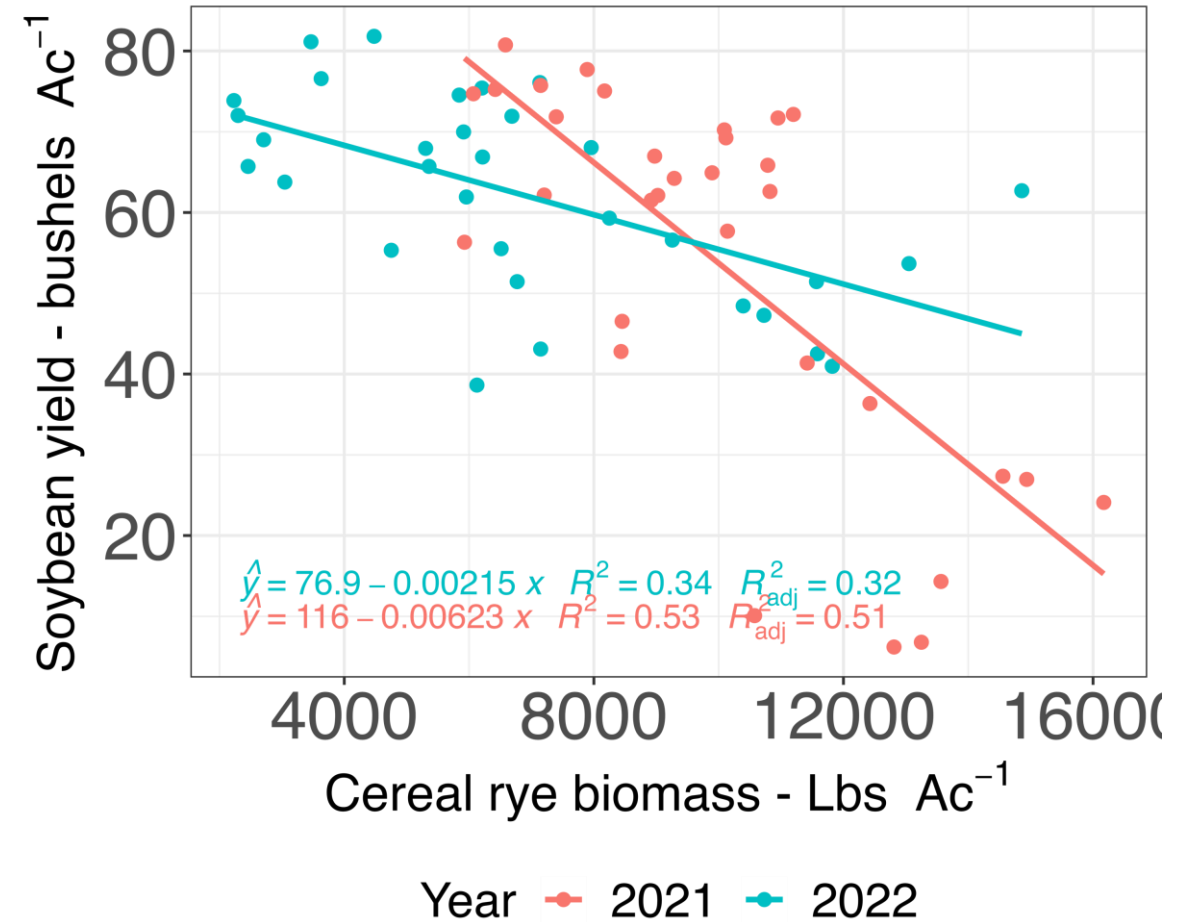
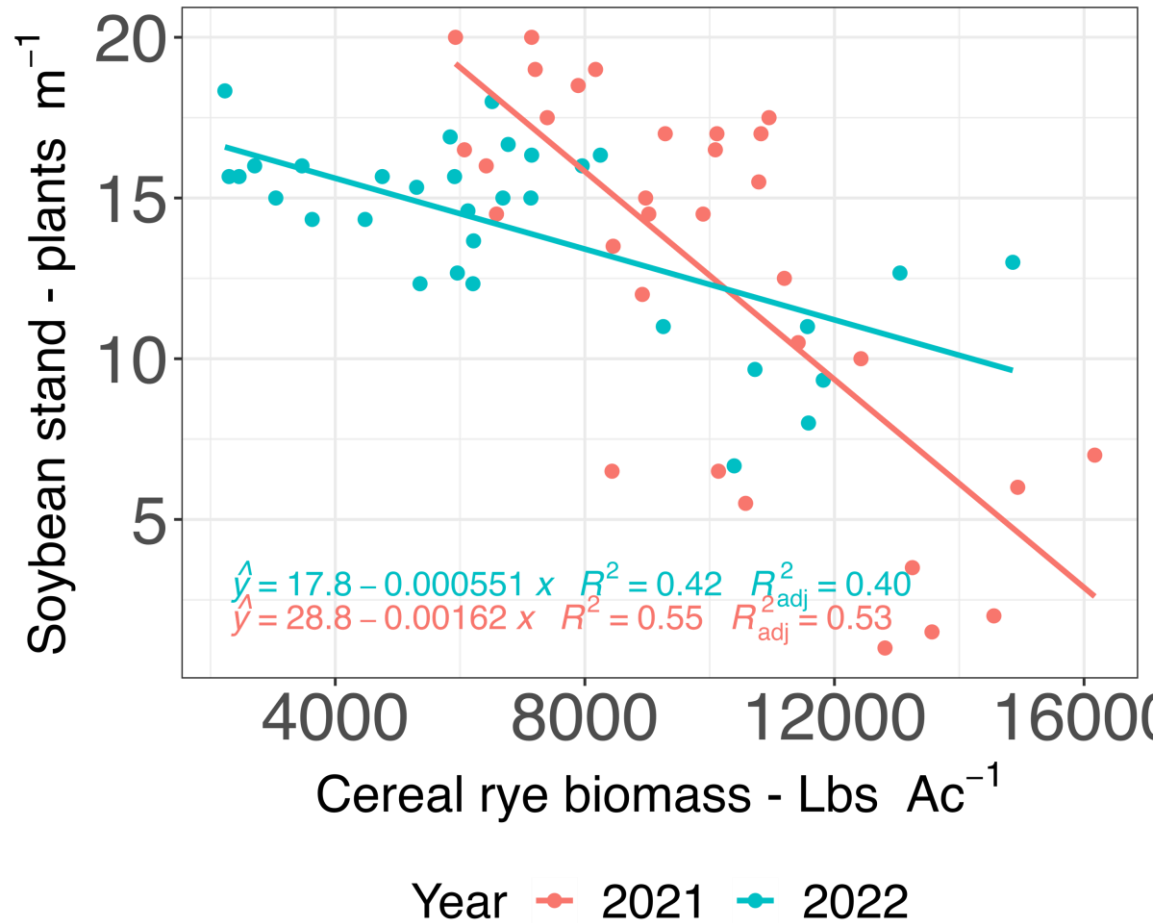
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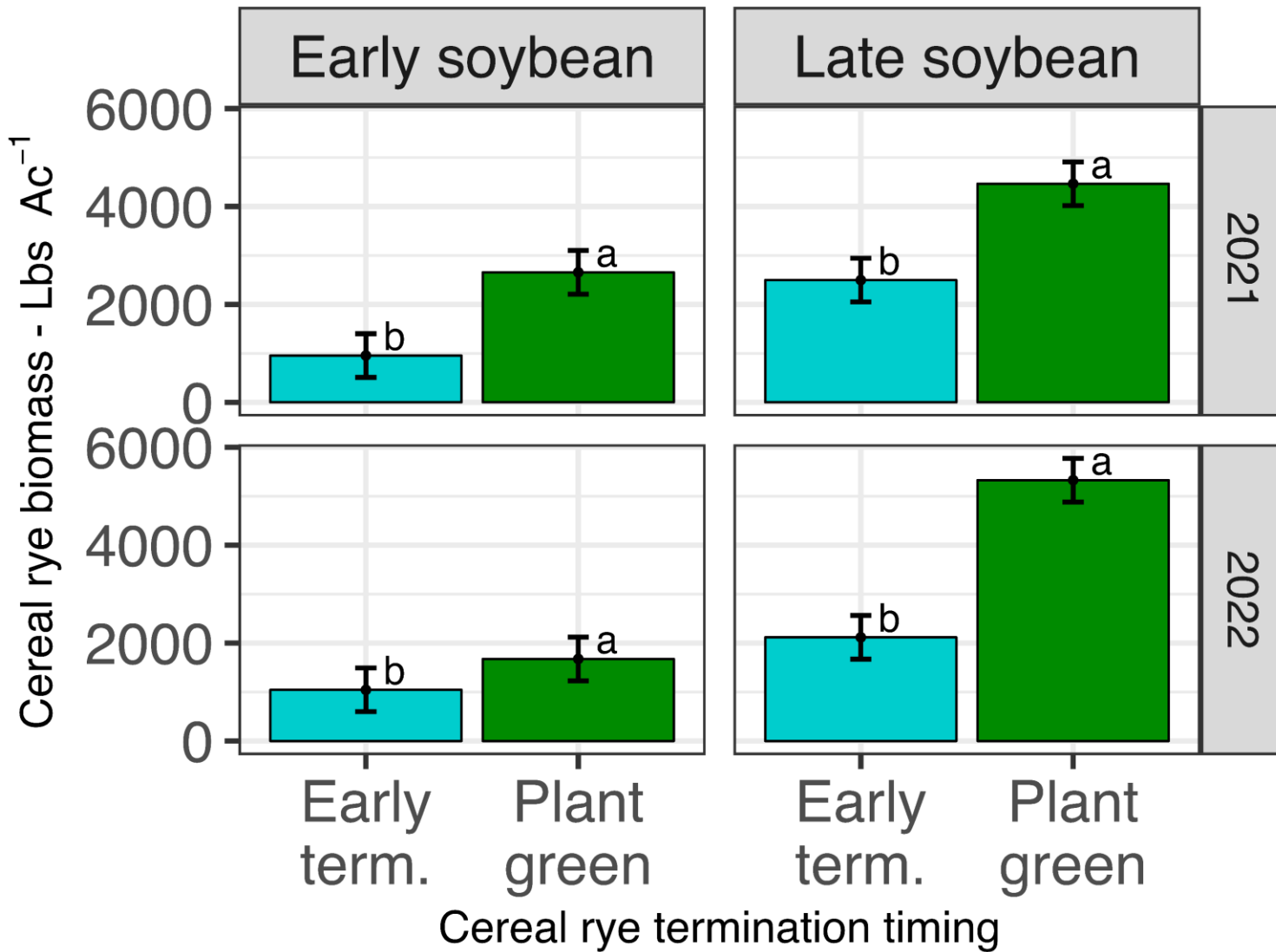
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What About Dr. Ikley's Data (Fargo, ND)?



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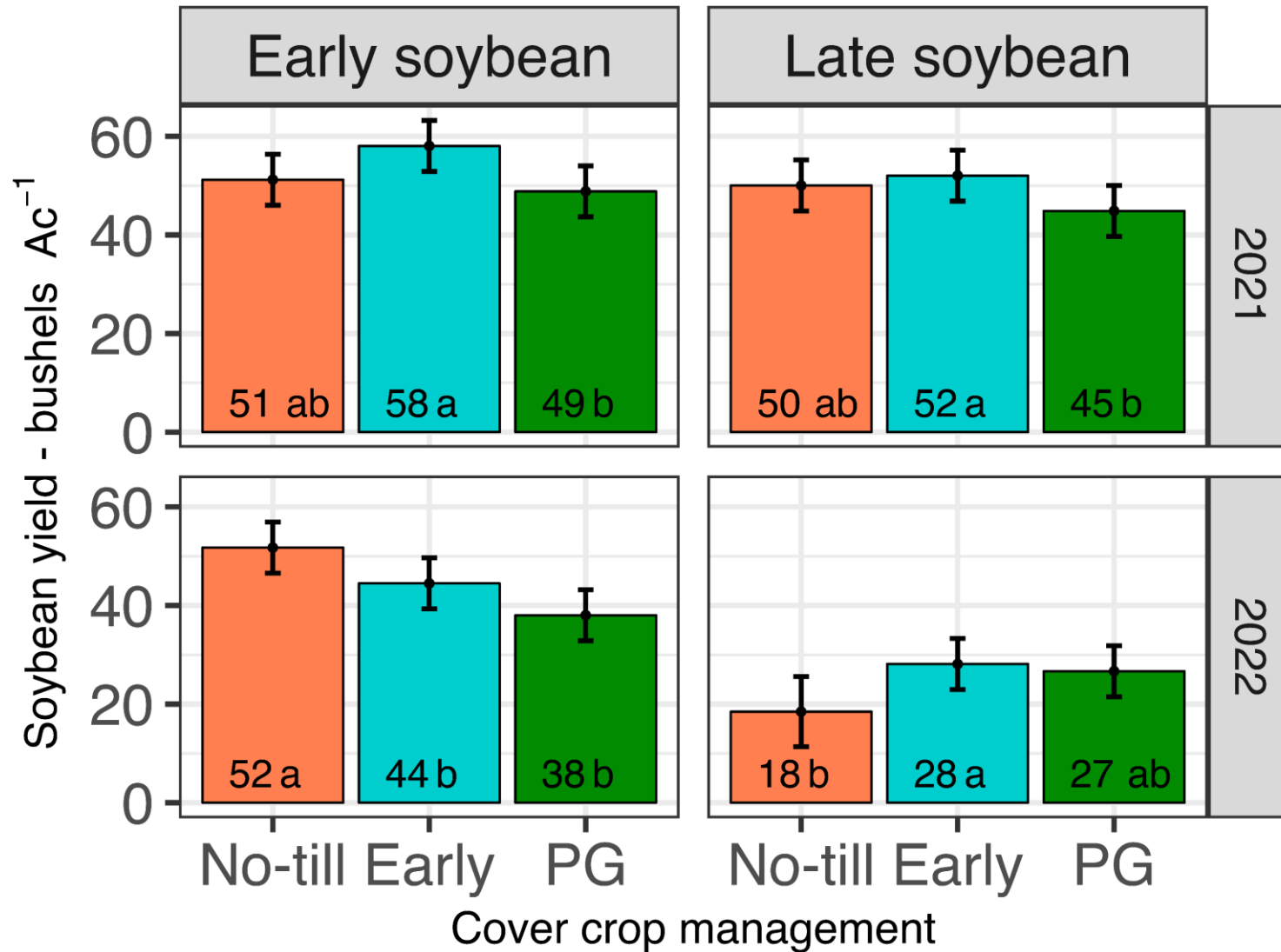
- Cereal rye planting: 09/16/2020
✓ 60 lbs/acre; ND Gardner
- 05/10/2021: early rye term ahead of early soy
- 05/19/2021: early soybean planting green
- 05/19/2021: early rye term ahead of late soy
- 06/01/2021: late soybean planting green

2022 USB Planting Green Study:

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What About Dr. Ikley's Data (Fargo, ND)?



2021 USB Planting Green Study:

- Cereal rye planting: 09/16/2020
✓ 60 lbs/acre; ND Gardner
- 05/10/2021: early rye term ahead of early soy
- 05/19/2021: early soybean planting green
- 05/19/2021: early rye term ahead of late soy
- 06/01/2021: late soybean planting green

2022 USB Planting Green Study:

- Cereal rye planting: 09/15/2021
✓ 60 lbs/acre; ND Gardner
- 05/23/2022: early rye term ahead of early soy
- 06/03/2022: early soybean planting green
- 06/03/2022: early rye term ahead of late soy
- 06/16-17/2022: late soybean planting green



Preliminary Conclusions from USB Planting Green Study

- Planting green optimized cereal rye biomass accumulation and reduced waterhemp density
- PRE-emergence herbicides played an important role in waterhemp control
- Soybean yield was not solely affected by cereal rye biomass accumulation
- **To minimize risk and optimize benefits:** site-specific and adaptative management approach



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