



Optimizing the deployment of fungicides for improved management of white mold soybeans and dry beans

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Fungicide applications must be made prior to pathogen infection.

- You cannot eradicate existing disease.
- Some, but not all, modern fungicide exhibit some degree of curative activity, but this curative activity is limited to the first few hours after pathogen infection – when pathogen infection can be seen only with a microscope and before disease lesions are present.

Fungicide application timing – example from a pathogen that infects via all plant tissues

Powdery mildew of field peas: Applying fungicides preventatively or when disease is at trace levels is critical.

Carrington, ND (2022)

FUNGICIDE APPLICATION TIMING		POWDERY MILDEW SEVERITY					
Days after first disease symptoms	Disease severity in non-treated peas		Percent of canopy diseased; peas at late pod-fill				
	'Navarro'	'Empire'	'Navarro' yellow pea		'Empire' green pea		Combined analysis
			Proline	Azoxystar	Proline	Azoxystar	
Non-treated control			21 b*	37 a*	21 b*	14 a*	23 b*
1 st disease symptoms	1%	1%	2 a	18 a	1 a	7 a	7 a
4 or 7 days later	10-25%	5-15%	10 ab	37 a	6 ab	19 a	18 b
5 or 8 days later	10-30%	5-15%	20 b	33 a	9 ab	14 a	19 b
6 or 9 days later	15-35%	10-15%	32 b	36 a	13 b	21 a	25 b
7 or 10 days later	15-35%	10-20%	20 b	38 a	7 ab	18 a	21 b
8 or 11 days later	15-35%	10-20%	18 b	38 a	11 ab	16 a	21 b
10 or 13 days later	20-40%	10-25%	23 b	32 a	12 b	14 a	20 b
CV:			28.2	17.0	35.8	18.3	22.5

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FUNGICIDE APPLICATION TIMING			YIELD				Combined analysis
Days after first disease symptoms	Disease severity in non-treated peas		13.5% moisture				
	'Navarro'	'Empire'	'Navarro' yellow pea		'Empire' green pea		
			Proline	Azoxystar	Proline	Azoxystar	
Non-treated control			55 a*	54 a*	55 a*	54 a*	55 a*
1 st disease symptoms	1%	1%	57 a	56 a	58 a	55 a	57 a
4 or 7 days later	10-25%	5-15%	53 a	55 a	56 a	54 a	55 a
5 or 8 days later	10-30%	5-15%	51 a	56 a	55 a	56 a	55 a
6 or 9 days later	15-35%	10-15%	56 a	56 a	57 a	53 a	56 a
7 or 10 days later	15-35%	10-20%	54 a	53 a	57 a	53 a	54 a
8 or 11 days later	15-35%	10-20%	53 a	54 a	53 a	53 a	53 a
10 or 13 days later	20-40%	10-25%	55 a	52 a	56 a	51 a	54 a
			CV: 6.2	6.2	7.1	5.7	2.6

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When a crop exhibits heightened susceptibility to a disease for 2 weeks or more, a single application is often insufficient.

- New growth that occurs after the fungicide is applied is not protected.
- Within treated tissue, the fungicide breaks down with time.

Fungicide application timing – example from a pathogen that infects via all plant tissues

Fungicides do not translocate into new growth

- The field peas in the picture were treated with a fungicide at early bloom.
- No follow-up fungicide application was made 7-14 days later.
- At late pod-fill, the upper part of the plant (not present when fungicides were applied approx. 4 weeks earlier) was diseased with powdery mildew





Assessing risk of Sclerotinia on basis of environmental conditions

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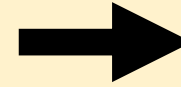
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SCLEROTINIA BIOLOGY

Assessing risk of Sclerotinia

1. Soil temperature and moisture favoring apothecia production.



APOTHECIA



Sclerotia deposited in soil

Ascospores released into soybean canopy



2. Temperature, relative humidity, and rainfall patterns favoring infection and secondary spread.



Plant-to-plant spread:

Between plants in direct contact



Initial infection:

Spores colonize dead blossoms

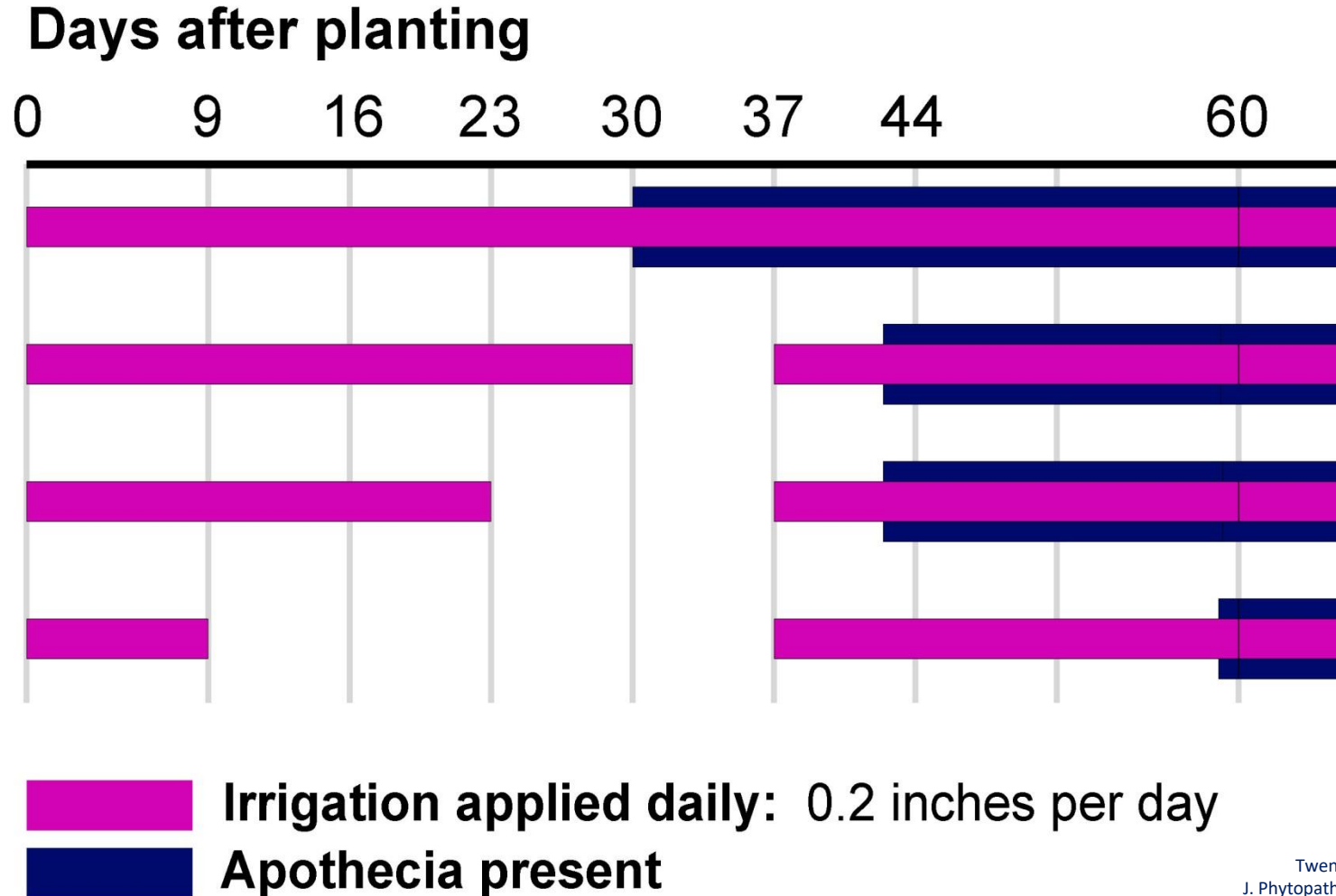


ASSESSING RISK OF SCLEROTINIA

Soil moisture

A period of dry weather delays apothecia production.

UPPSALA, SWEDEN (1992) - Rapeseed (canola); SOIL TYPE = LOAMY SAND



ASSESSING RISK OF SCLEROTINIA

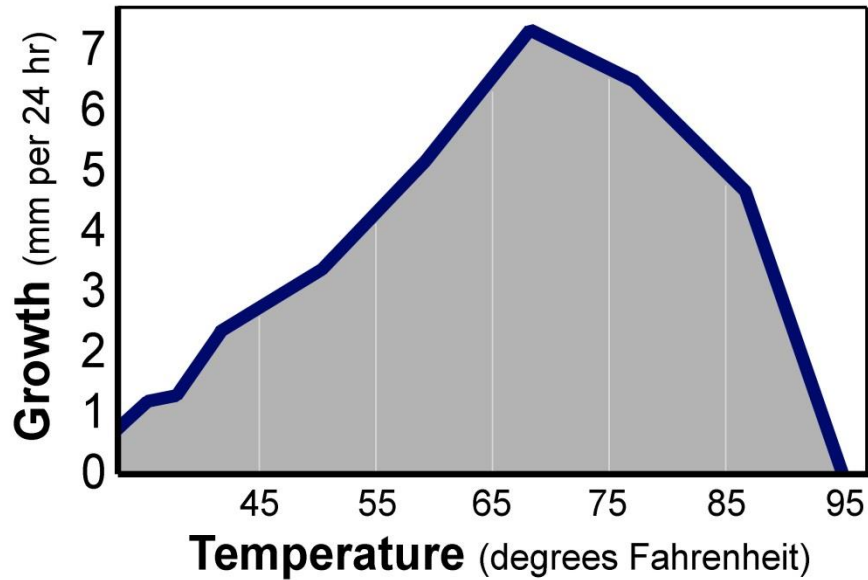
Air Temperature

Cool to moderate air temperatures favor Sclerotinia

Sclerotinia is inhibited as temperatures approach 85 to 90°F

Sclerotinia growth rates

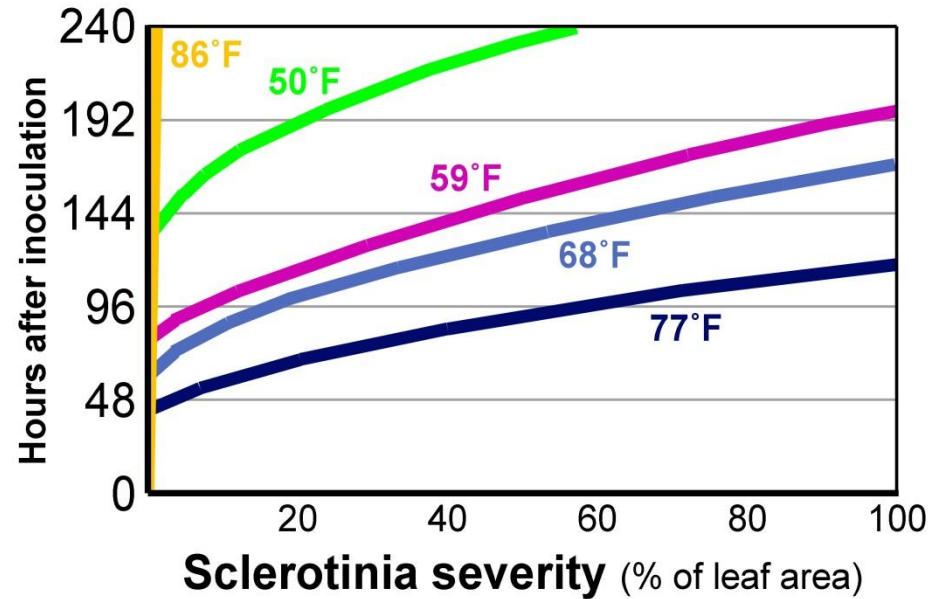
On artificial media in the lab



Berg and Lentz 1968. Can. J. Botany 46:1477-1481

Sclerotinia disease progression

Dry bean plants at 100% relative humidity (greenhouse)



Weiss et al. 1980 Plant Disease 64:757-759

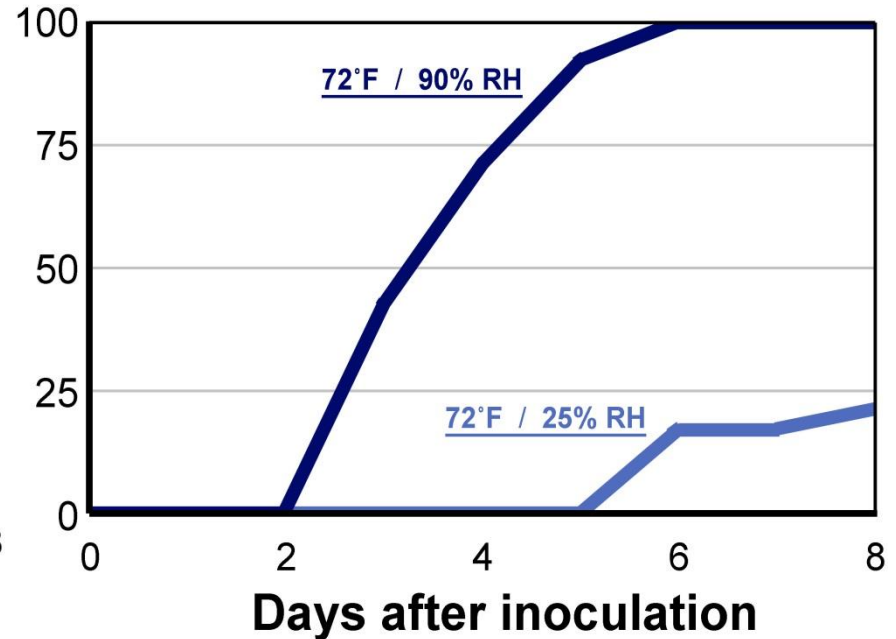
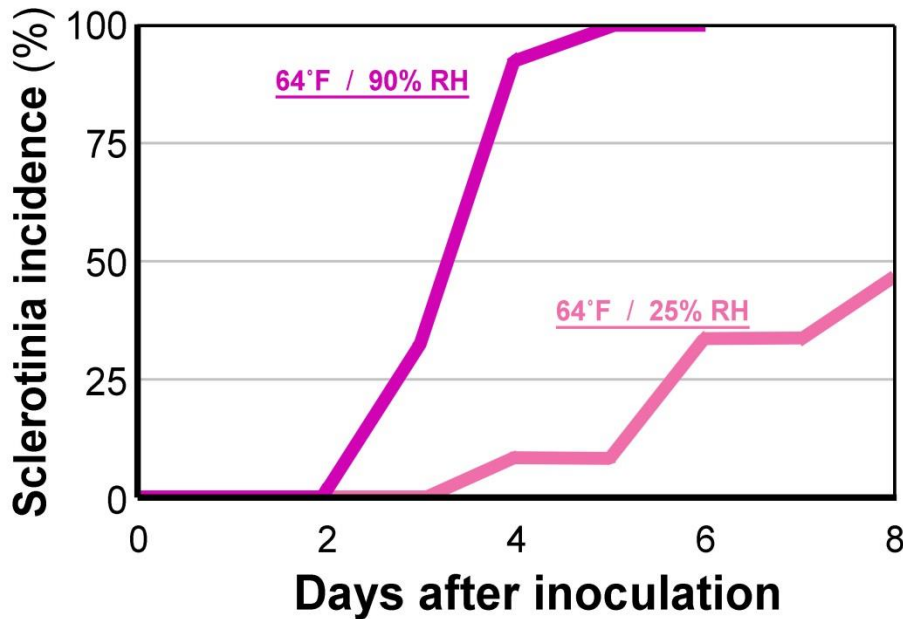
ASSESSING RISK OF SCLEROTINIA

Relative humidity

Under sustained cool temperatures,
Sclerotinia may be able to develop even at low relative humidity

Sclerotinia disease progression

On dry bean plants (greenhouse) - dead blossom inoculated with spores, placed in lowest node of plant



Sclerotinia disease development

CONCLUSIONS:

Risk of Sclerotinia is highest when cool temperatures are sustained.

When sustained cool temperatures occur, the rainfall and humidity requirements for Sclerotinia disease development are lower.

Sclerotinia is most severe when rainfall events are recurrent. The total amount of rainfall is likely less important than the frequency of rainfall events.



Improving management of white mold in soybeans:

1. Optimizing fungicide application timing

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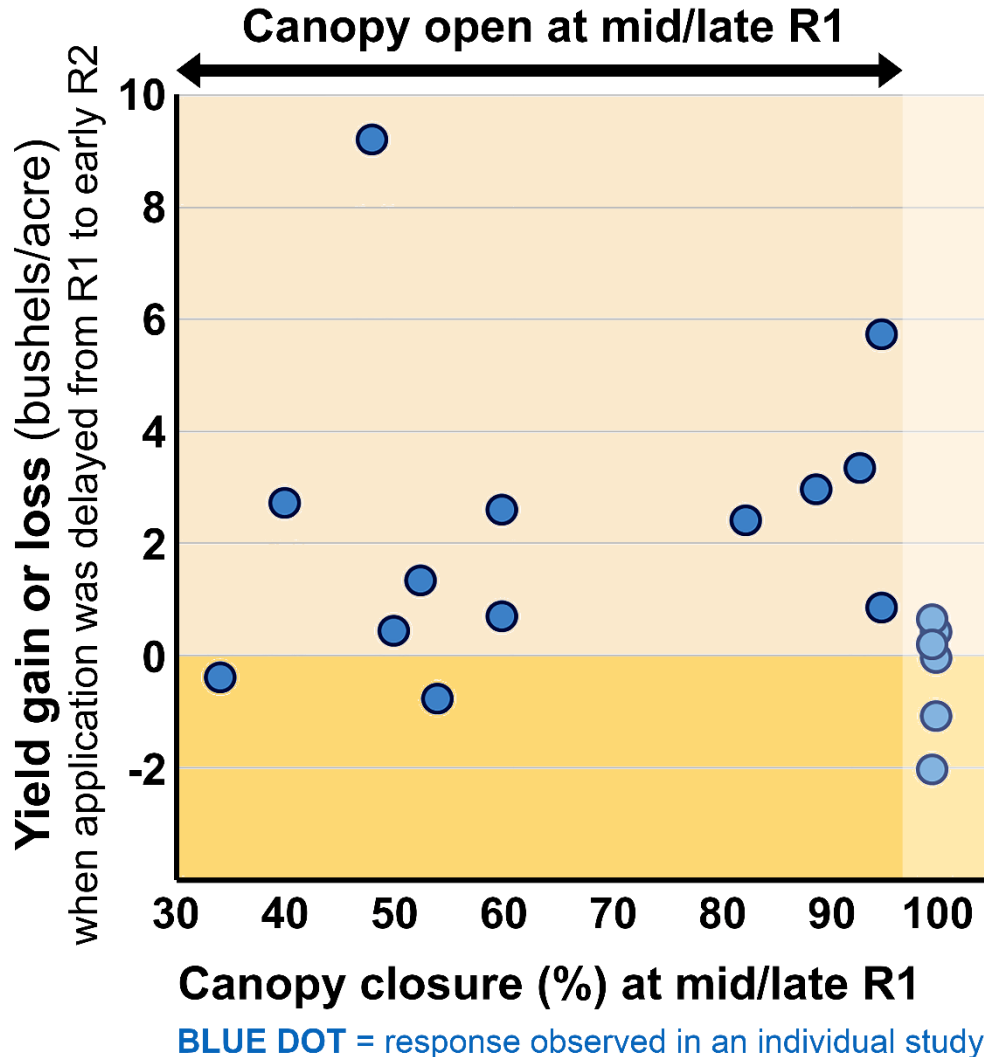
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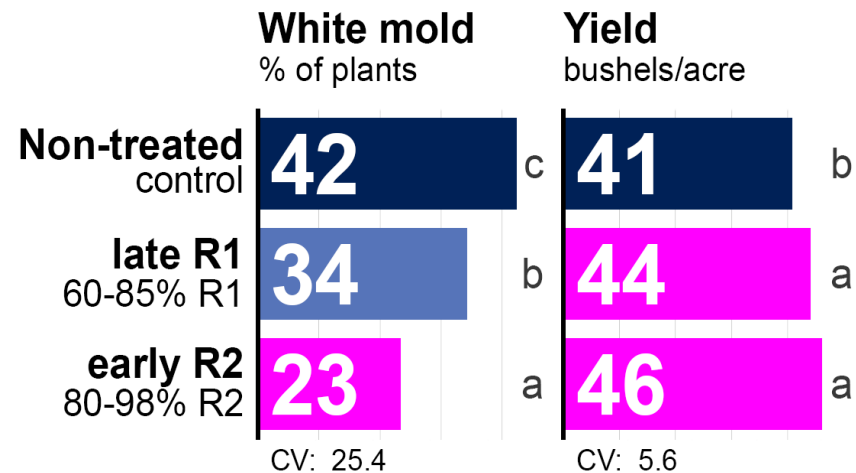
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Carrington, Hofflund, Langdon and Oakes, ND (2014-2016)

(1) Impact of delaying applications from mid/late R1 to early R2 when the canopy was open at the R1 application



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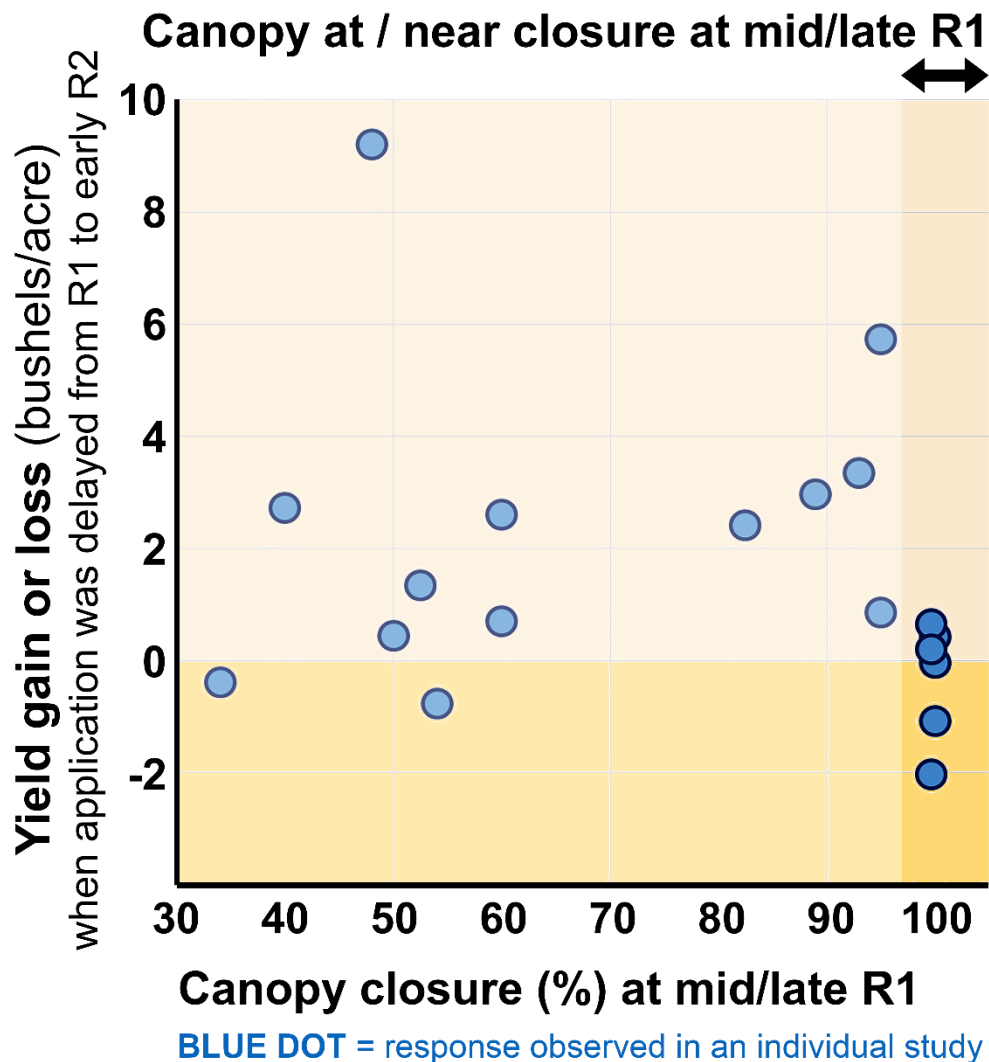
Combined analysis from 13 studies
Fungicide: single application, Endura (5.5 or 8.0 oz/ac)
Soybean row spacing: 7, 7.5, 14, 15, 21, 28 or 30 in.

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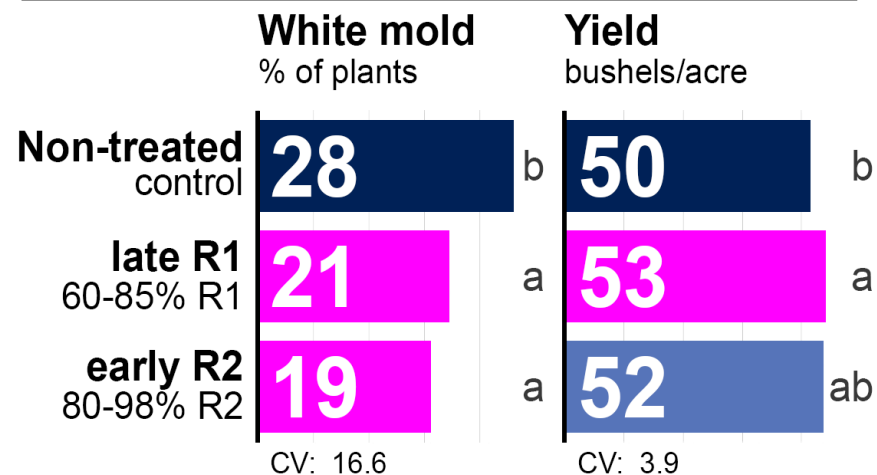
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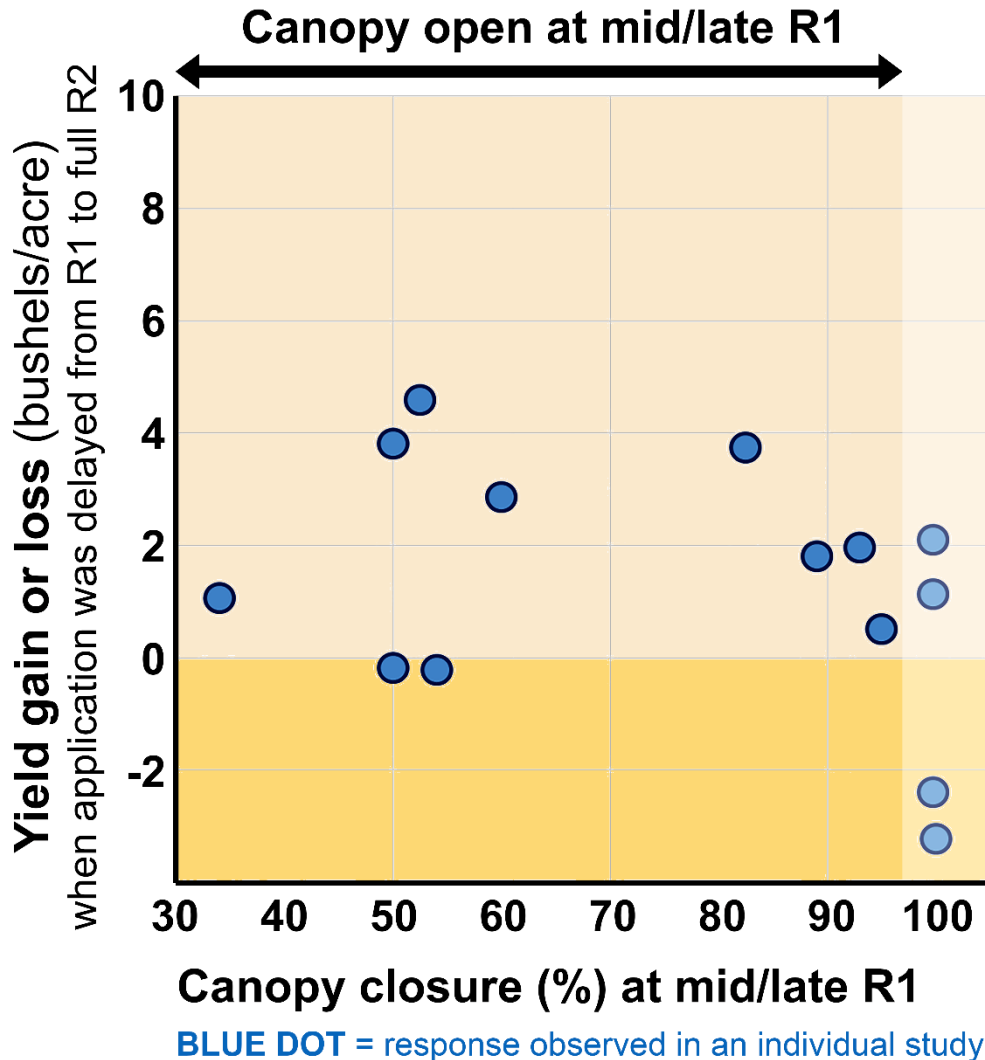
Combined analysis from 6 studies
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Soybean row spacing: 7.5 or 14 inches

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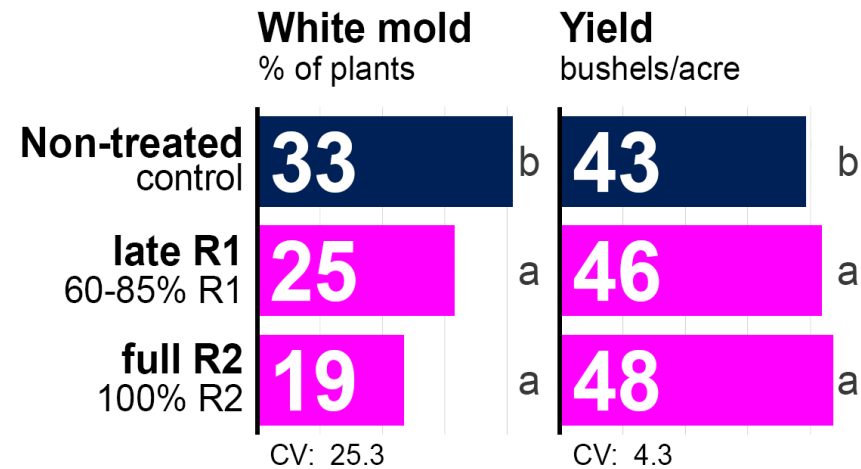
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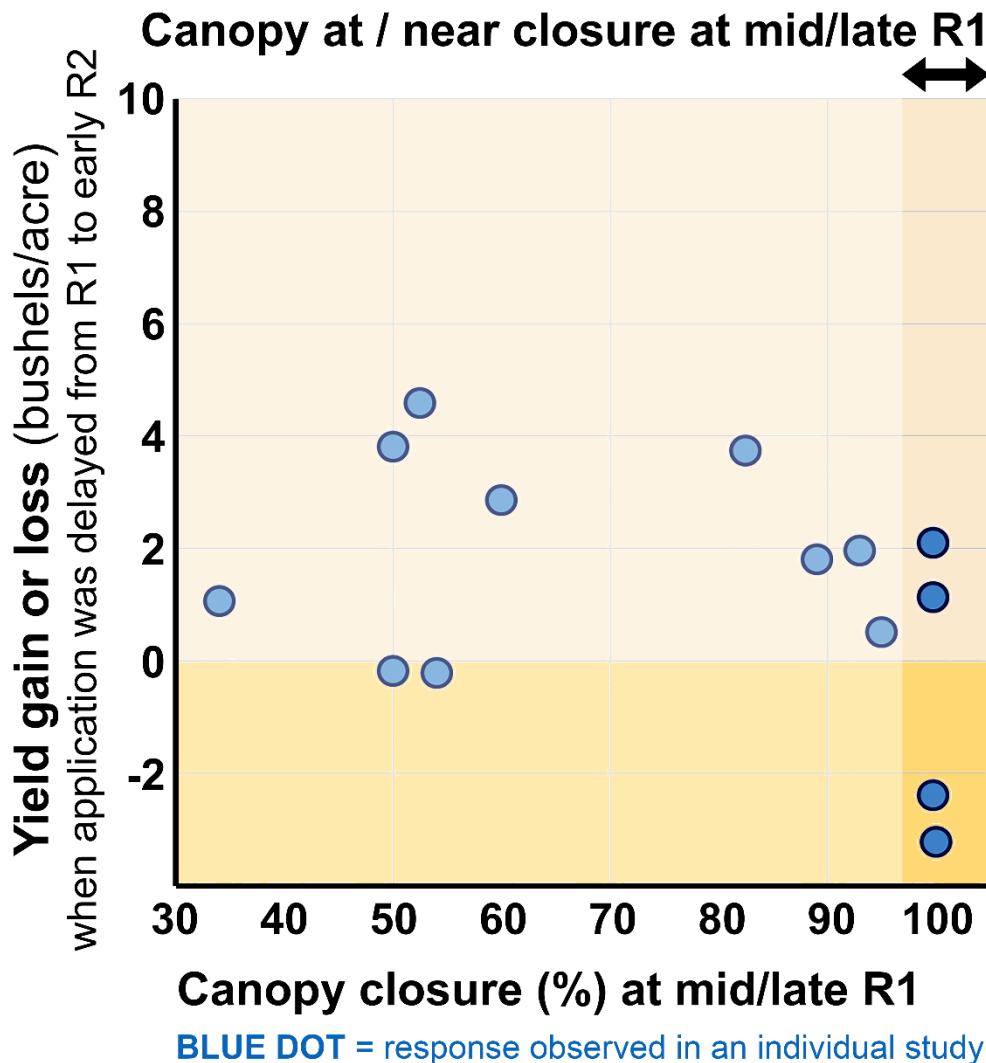
Combined analysis from 10 studies
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Soybean row spacing: 14, 15, 21, or 28 inches

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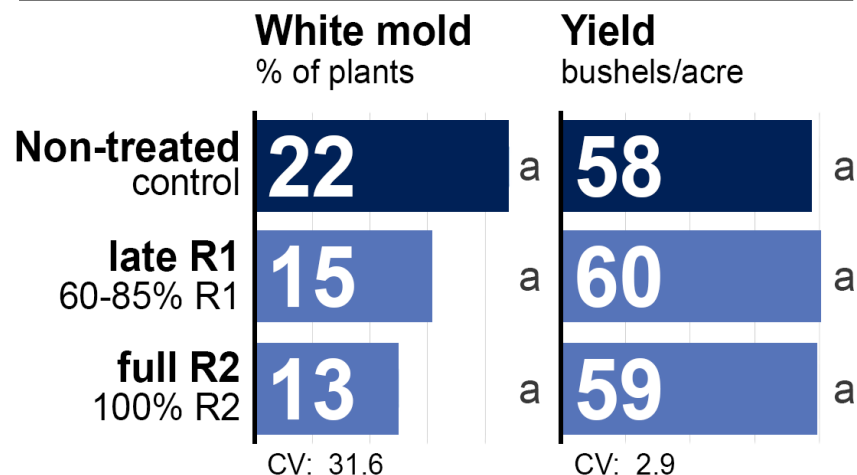
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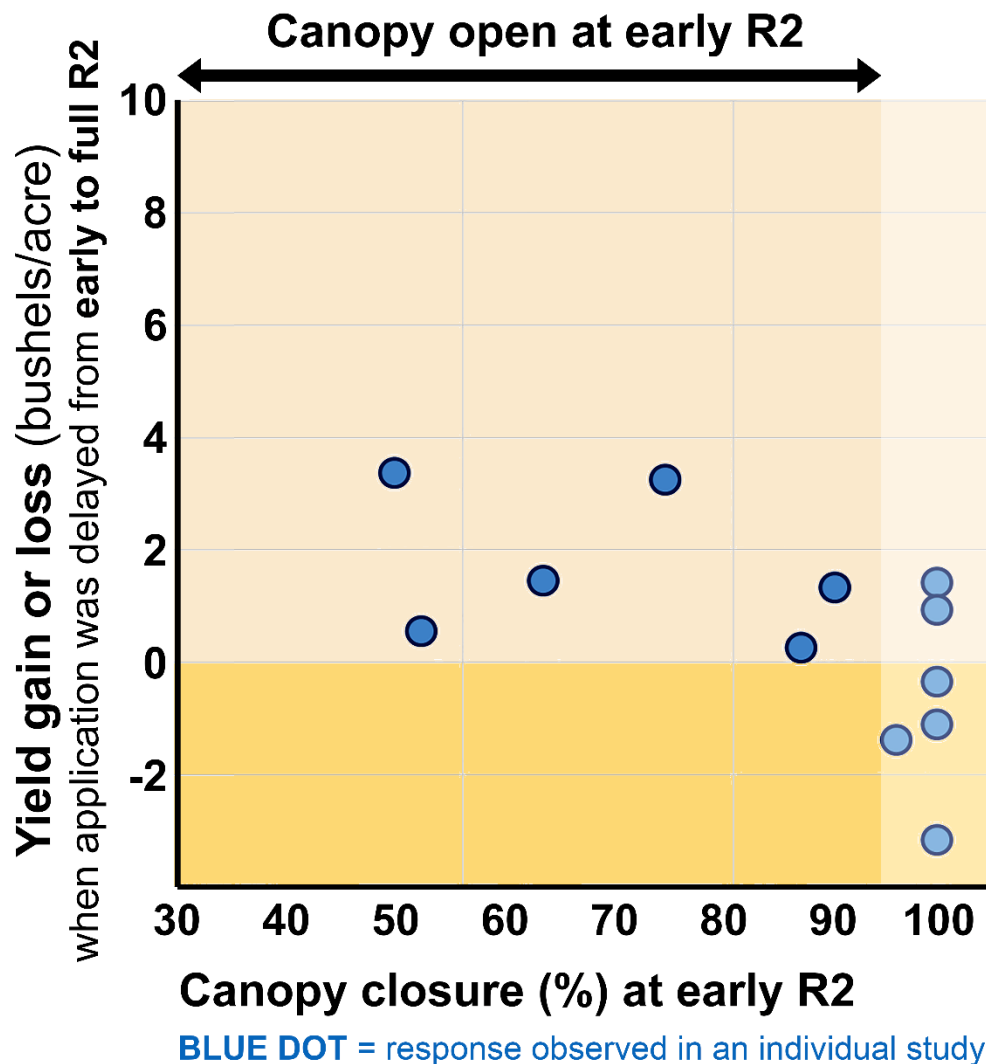
Combined analysis from 4 studies
Fungicide: single application, Endura (5.5 oz/ac)
Soybean row spacing: 14 inches

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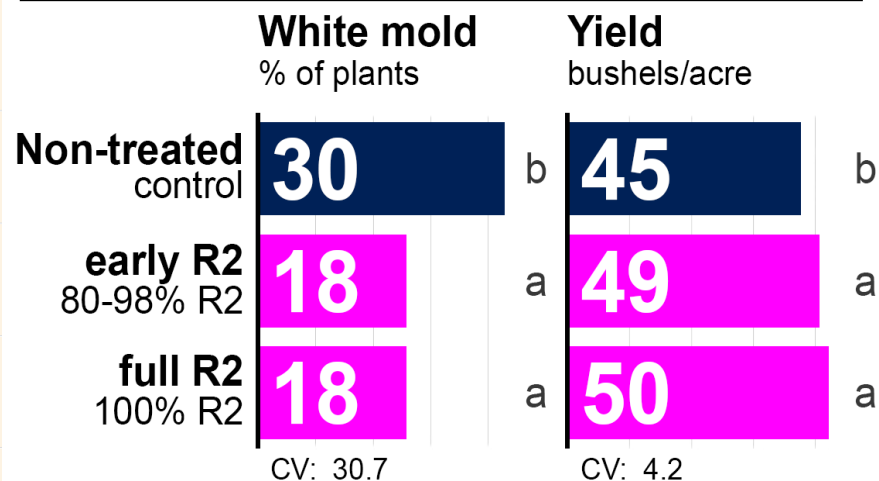
3. Early R2 (80-99% R2) versus full R2 (100% R2)

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Impact of delaying applications from early R2 to full R2 when the canopy was open at the early R2 application



AVERAGE RESULTS



Combined analysis from 6 studies
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Soybean row spacing: 21 or 28 inches

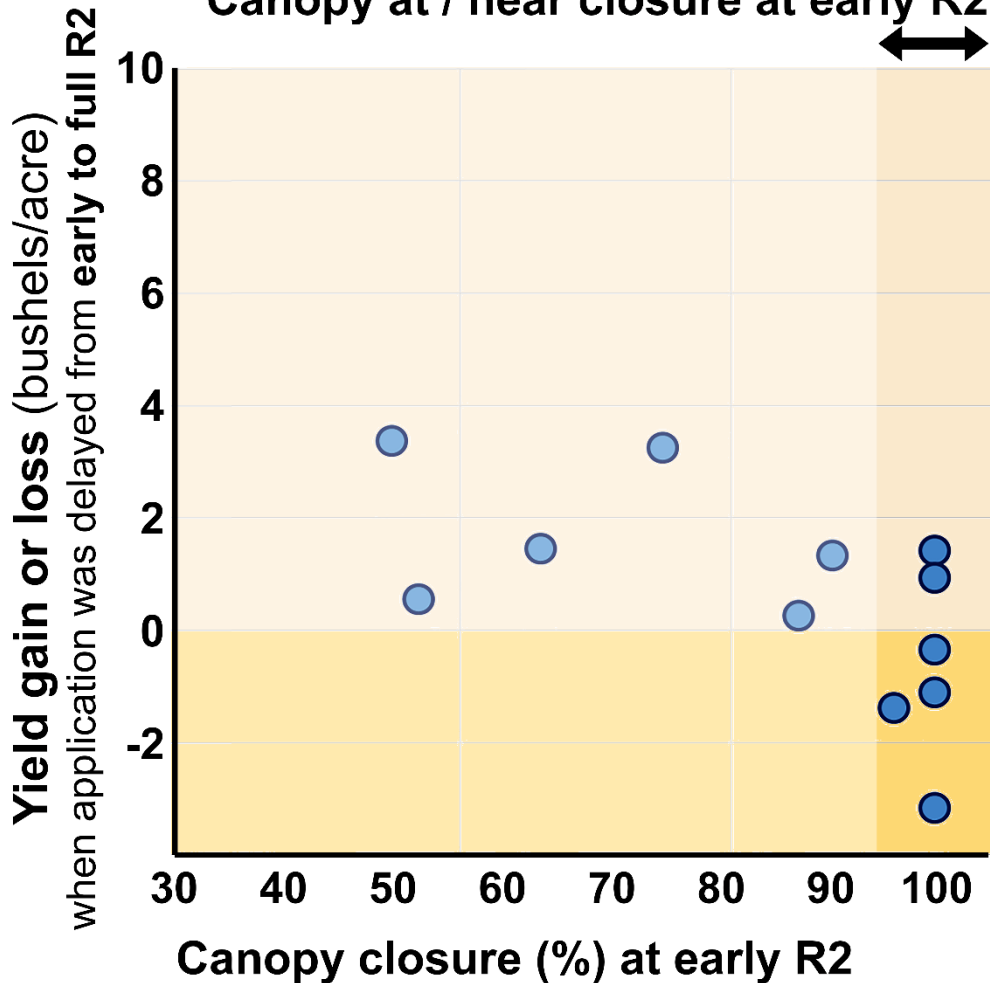
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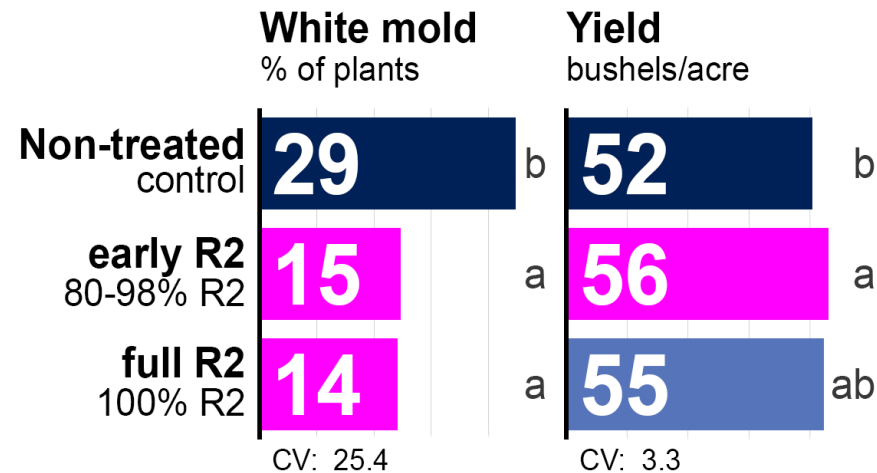
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Impact of delaying applications from early R2 to full R2 when the canopy was at or near closure at the early R2 application

Canopy at / near closure at early R2



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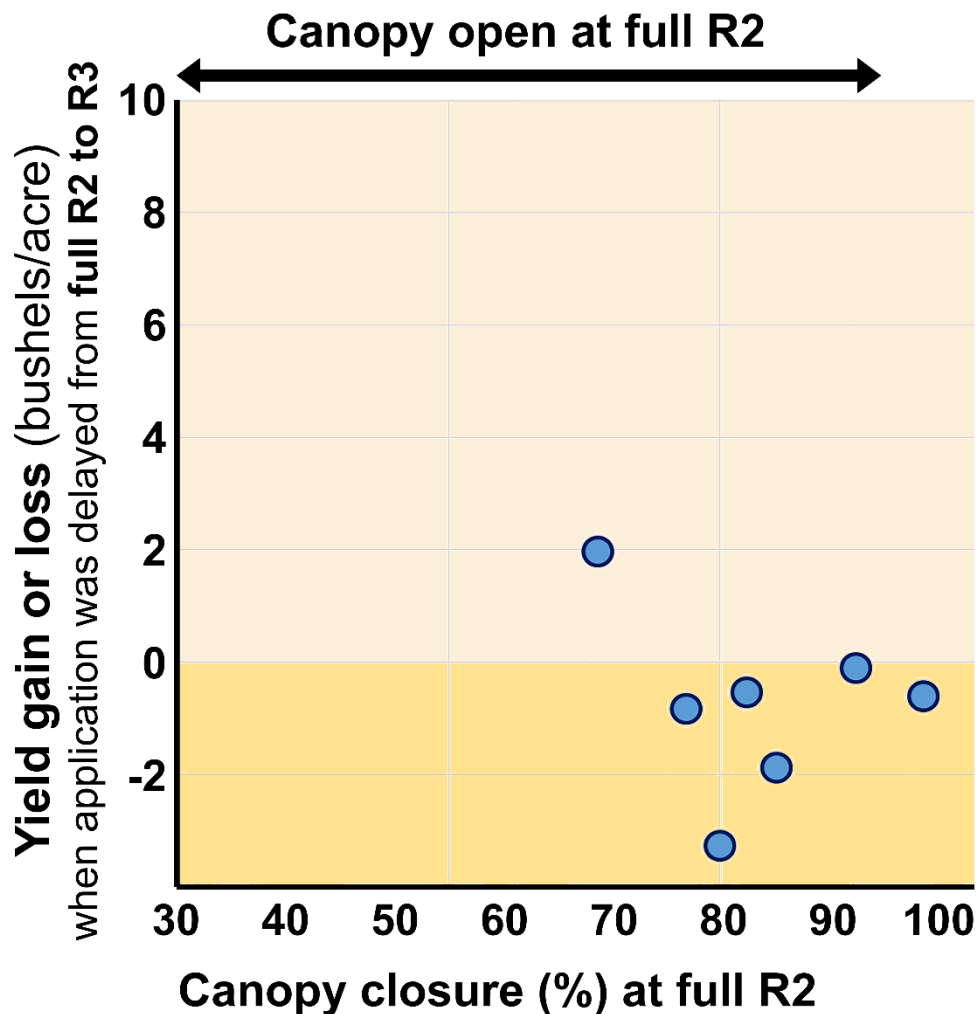
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 Soybean row spacing: 14 inches

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4. Full R2 (100% R2) versus early R3

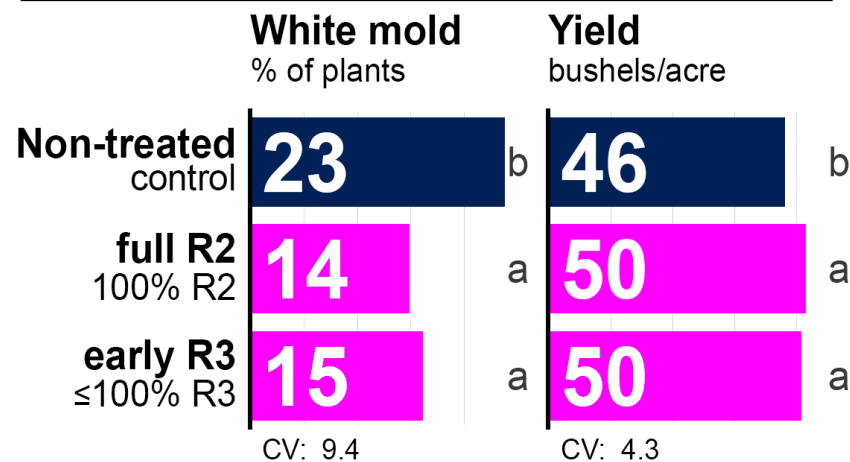
Carrington, Hofflund, Langdon and Oakes, ND (2014-2016)

Impact of delaying applications from full R2 to early R3 relative to canopy closure at full R2



BLUE DOT = response observed in an individual study

AVERAGE RESULTS



Combined analysis from 7 studies
Fungicide: single application, Endura (5.5 or 8.0 oz/ac)
Soybean row spacing: 15, 28 or 30 inches

Optimizing fungicide application timing

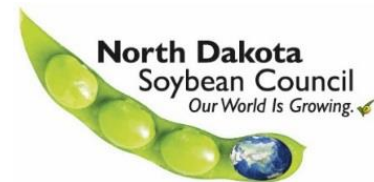
When conditions favor white mold as soybeans enter bloom:

Fungicides should be applied as soon as 100% of plants reach the R2 growth stage unless the canopy closes earlier.

- If the canopy is closed at mid/late R1 (60-85% of plants at R1), fungicides should be applied at mid/late R1.
- If the canopy is closed at early R2 (80-99% R2), fungicides should be applied at early R2.

R1: at least one open blossom on the plant.

R2: at least one open blossom at one of the top two nodes of the plant.





Improving management of white mold in dry edible beans:

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IMPROVING WHITE MOLD MANAGEMENT IN DRY EDIBLE BEANS

Optimizing fungicide application timing

PINTO BEANS – open canopy, warm temperatures at initial pod

PINTO
open canopy
warm temperatures

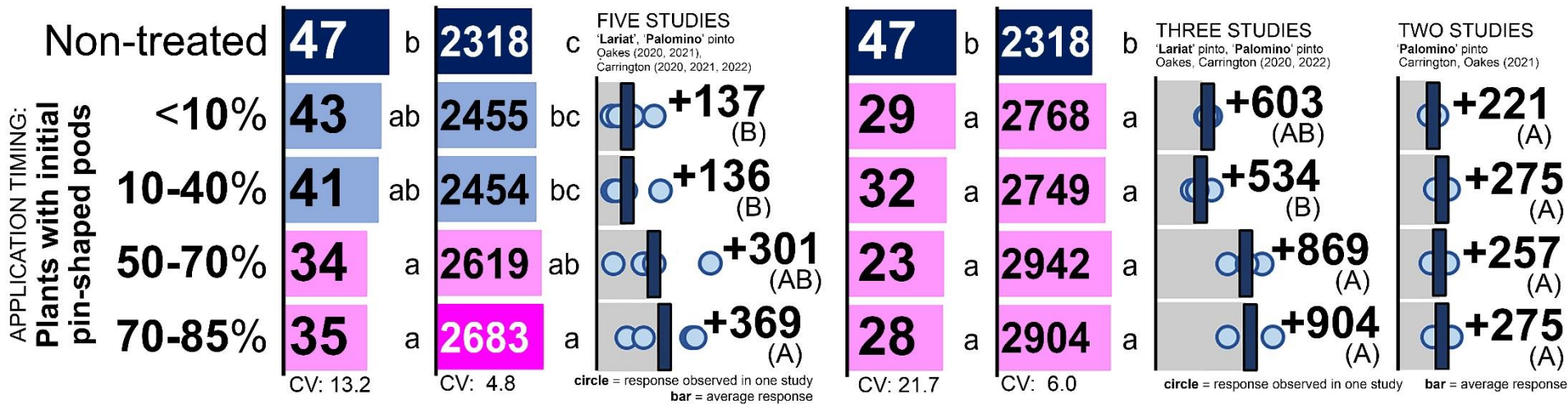
<95% canopy closure when 10-20% of plants had initial pods

average daily high observed between 2nd and 3rd application timing: **80-85°F**

average daily high observed between 3rd and 4th application timing: **82-86°F**

(A) SINGLE FUNGICIDE APPLICATION

(B) TWO APPLICATIONS, 10-14 days apart



'Lariat' and 'Palomino' pinto beans
Carrington and Oakes, ND (2020-2022)
Within-column means followed by different letters are significantly different ($P < 0.05$;
Tukey multiple comparison procedure)



IMPROVING WHITE MOLD MANAGEMENT IN DRY EDIBLE BEANS

Optimizing fungicide application timing

PINTO BEANS – closed canopy, cool temperatures at initial pod

PINTO

closed canopy
cool temperatures

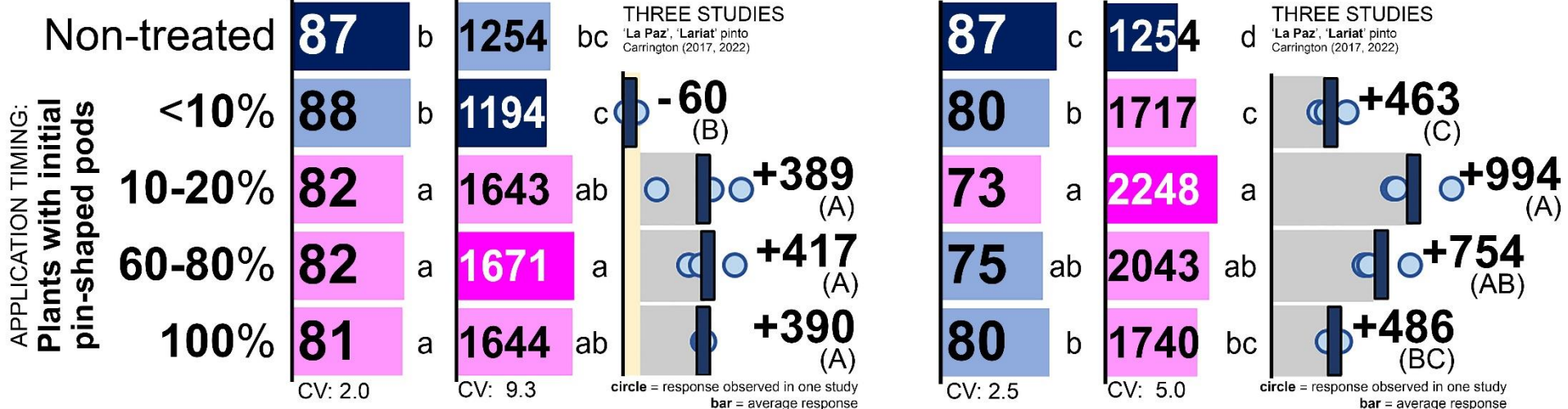
≥95% canopy closure when 10-20% of plants had initial pods

average daily high observed between 2nd and 3rd application timing: 79-82°F

average daily high observed between 3rd and 4th application timing: 76-82°F

(A) SINGLE FUNGICIDE APPLICATION

(B) TWO APPLICATIONS, 10-12 days apart



'Lariat' and 'La Paz' pinto beans

Carrington, ND (2017, 2022)

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Tukey multiple comparison procedure)



Optimizing fungicide application timing

When conditions favor white mold as **pinto beans** enter bloom:

If it is cool and the canopy is at / near closure, fungicides should be applied when 10-20% of plants have initial pin-shaped pods.

- Can delay to 60-80% of plants with 1st pods if making one application

If it is warm and the canopy is open, fungicides should be applied when 70-85% of plants have initial pin-shaped pods.

There is a significant yield penalty to applying at initial bloom when <10% of plants have initial pin-shaped pods.



IMPROVING WHITE MOLD MANAGEMENT IN DRY EDIBLE BEANS

Optimizing fungicide application timing

NAVY BEANS – open canopy, warm temperatures at initial pod

NAVY
warm temperatures

<95% canopy closure when 21-50% of plants had initial pods

average daily high observed between 2nd and 3rd application timing: **88-90°F**

average daily high observed between 3rd and 4th application timing: **84-92°F**

(A) SINGLE FUNGICIDE APPLICATION

(B) TWO APPLICATIONS, 10-14 days apart

White mold % of canopy
Yield lbs/ac
Yield gain (lbs/ac) conferred by the fungicide

White mold % of canopy
Yield lbs/ac
Yield gain (lbs/ac) conferred by the fungicide

Non-treated

48 c

2817 b

THREE STUDIES
'T9905, Medalist' navy
Carrington (2021, 2022)

48 b

2817 b

THREE STUDIES
'T9905, Medalist' navy
Carrington (2021, 2022)

<3%

49 c

2897 b

+80 (B)

26 a

2897 a

+568 (B)*

3-20%

41 b

2921 ab

+103 (AB)

23 a

2921 a

+637 (AB)

21-50%

36 b

3071 ab

+254 (AB)

21 a

3071 a

+788 (A)*

65-96%

31 a

3216 a

+399 (A)

14 a

3216 a

+692 (AB)

CV: 5.1

CV: 3.5

circle = response observed in one study
bar = average response

CV: 19.9

CV: 4.3

circle = response observed in one study
bar = average response

'T9905' and 'Medalist' navy beans
Carrington, ND (2021, 2022)

Within-column means followed by different letters are significantly different ($P < 0.05$;
Tukey multiple comparison procedure)



IMPROVING WHITE MOLD MANAGEMENT IN DRY EDIBLE BEANS

Optimizing fungicide application timing

NAVY BEANS – open canopy, cool temperatures at initial pod

NAVY
cool temperatures

<95% canopy closure when 21-50% of plants had initial pods

average daily high observed between 2nd and 3rd application timing: 79-80°F

average daily high observed between 3rd and 4th application timing: 80-82°F

(A) SINGLE FUNGICIDE APPLICATION

(B) TWO APPLICATIONS, 10-14 days apart

White mold % of canopy
Yield lbs/ac
Yield gain (lbs/ac) conferred by the fungicide

White mold % of canopy
Yield lbs/ac
Yield gain (lbs/ac) conferred by the fungicide

Non-treated

47 a
2385 a

47 b
2385 b

<3%

49 a
2528 a

THREE STUDIES
'Avalanche', 'Medalist' navy
Carrington (2017, 2020)

+142 (A)

36 a
2880 a

THREE STUDIES
'Avalanche', 'Medalist' navy
Carrington (2017, 2020)

+495 (A)

3-20%

47 a
2522 a

+137 (A)

33 a
2983 a

+598 (A)

21-50%

46 a
2544 a

+158 (A)

31 a
2850 a

+464 (A)

65-96%

45 a
2475 a

+90 (A)

No data
No data

CV: 6.6

CV: 3.5

circle = response observed in one study
bar = average response

CV: 9.9

CV: 2.9

circle = response observed in one study
bar = average response

'Avalanche' and 'Medalist' navy beans
Carrington, ND (2017, 2020)

Within-column means followed by different letters are significantly different ($P < 0.05$;
Tukey multiple comparison procedure)



Optimizing fungicide application timing

When conditions favor white mold as **navy beans** enter bloom:

If it is cool, fungicides should be applied very early in initial pod development (3-20% of plants with pin-shaped pods).

- Two fungicide applications needed; a single application is sufficient.

If it is warm, fungicides should be applied when 21-50% of plants have initial pin-shaped pods (two applications) or 65-96% of plants with initial pin-shaped pods (one application)..

There is a yield penalty to applying at initial bloom (<10% of plants have initial pin-shaped pods) only when it is warm.



IMPROVING WHITE MOLD MANAGEMENT IN DRY EDIBLE BEANS

Optimizing fungicide application timing

BLACK BEANS – open canopy, cool temperatures at initial pod

BLACK
open canopy

average 60-86% canopy closure when 1-20% of plants had initial pods
average 70-90% canopy closure when 60-100% of plants had initial pods

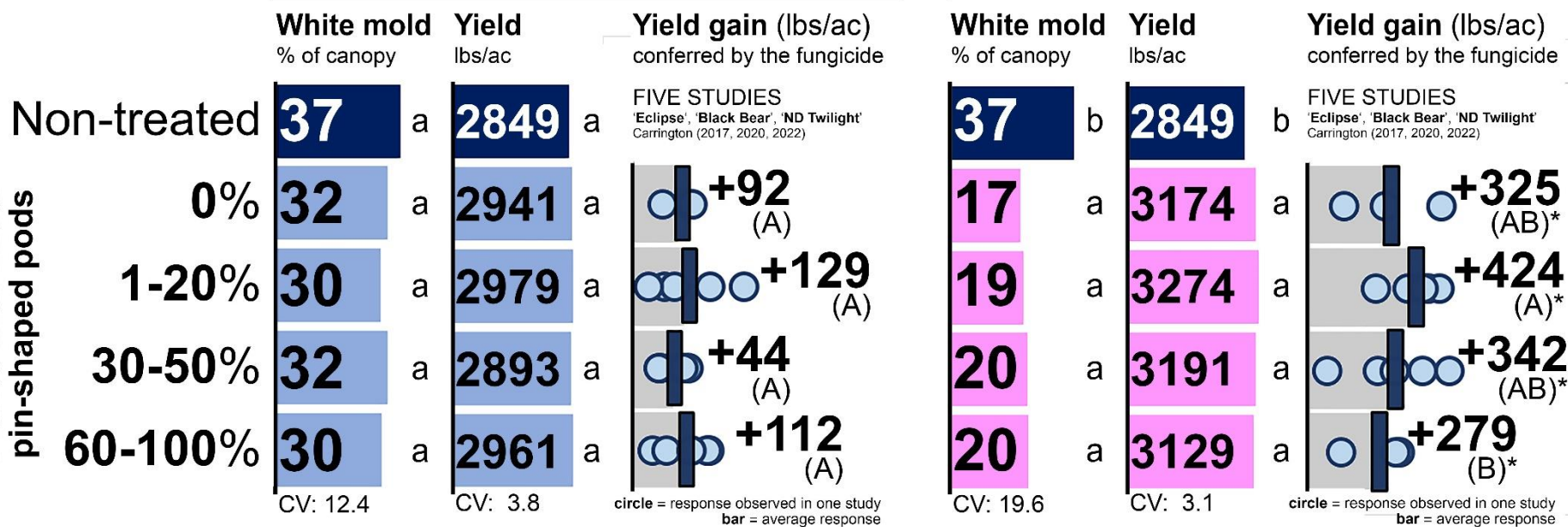
average daily high observed between 2nd and 3rd application timing: 79-80°F

average daily high observed between 3rd and 4th application timing: 80-81.5°F (3 studies), 90°F (2 studies)

(A) SINGLE FUNGICIDE APPLICATION

(B) TWO APPLICATIONS, 10-12 days apart

APPLICATION TIMING:
Plants with initial
pin-shaped pods



'Black Bear', 'Eclipse' and 'ND Twilight' black beans

Carrington, ND (2017, 2020, 2022)

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IMPROVING WHITE MOLD MANAGEMENT IN DRY EDIBLE BEANS

Optimizing fungicide application timing

BLACK BEANS – closed canopy, cool temperatures at initial pod

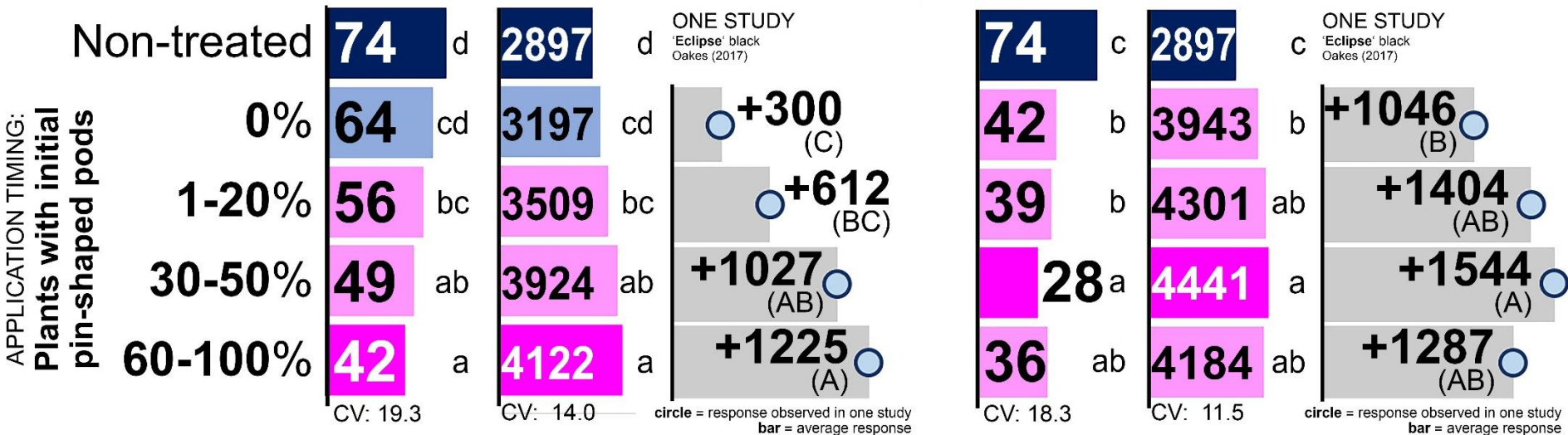
BLACK
canopy at or near
closure

average **88%** canopy closure when 1-20% of plants had initial pods
average **97%** canopy closure when 60-100% of plants had initial pods

average daily high observed between 2nd and 3rd application timing: **79°F**
average daily high observed between 3rd and 4th application timing: **82.5°F**

(A) SINGLE FUNGICIDE APPLICATION

(B) TWO APPLICATIONS, 12 days apart



'Eclipse' black beans
Oakes, ND (2017)

Within-column means followed by different letters are significantly different ($P < 0.05$;
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Optimizing fungicide application timing

When conditions favor white mold as **black beans** enter bloom:

Fungicides should be applied very early in initial pod development (1-50% of plants with pin-shaped pods).

- Delaying applications until 60-100% of plants have initial pods may be possible when making a single fungicide application.
- A single fungicide application often conferred poor disease control and should be utilized only when rainfall and temperatures do not favor white mold in the second half of bloom.

There was often a yield penalty to applying at initial bloom prior to the development of initial pin-shaped pods (0% of plants with initial pin-shaped pods).





Improving management of white mold in soybeans: 4. Optimizing fungicide spray droplet size

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Droplet size

Cutting droplet diameter in half

Results in eight times as many droplets



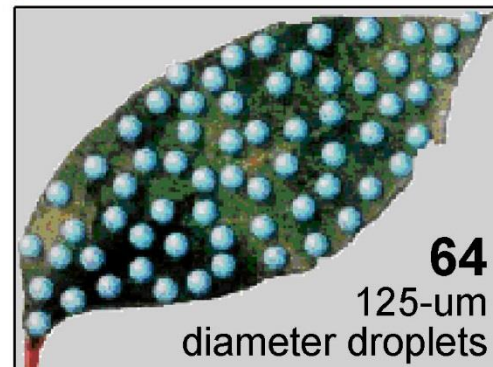
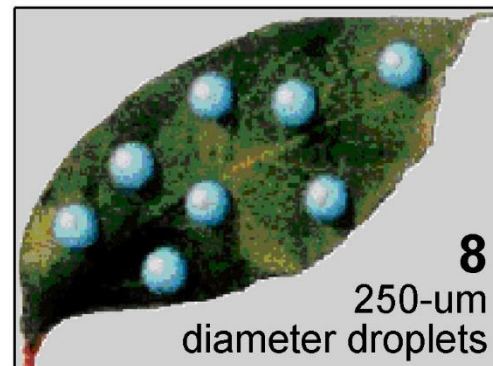
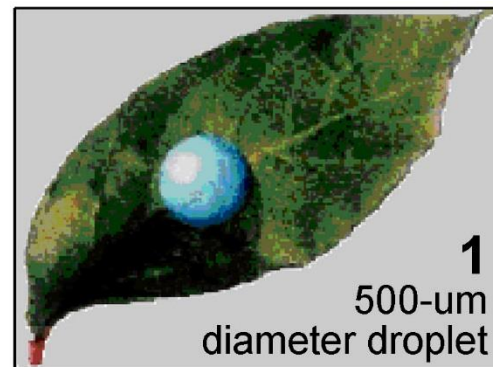
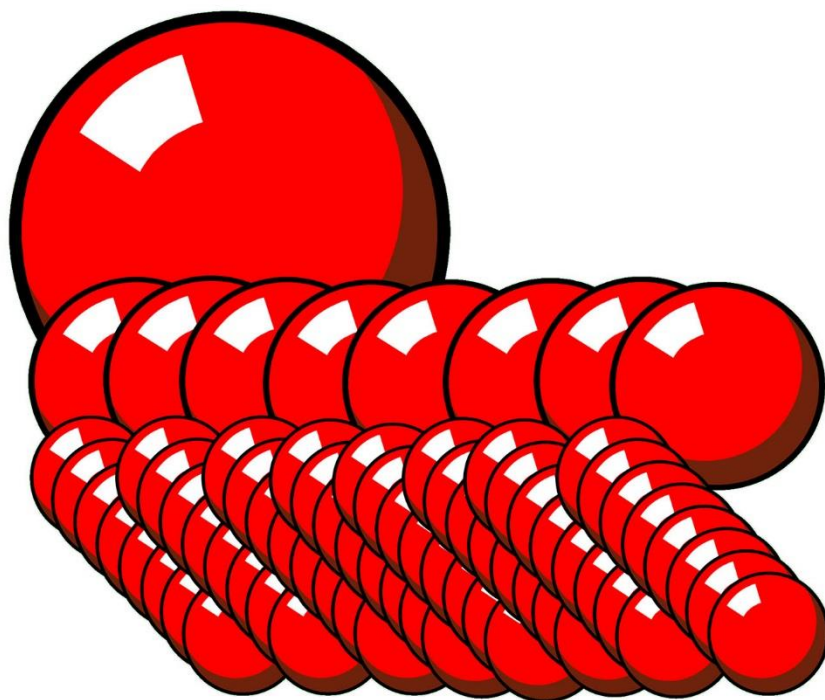
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(there is one more droplet in the rear)

Droplet size

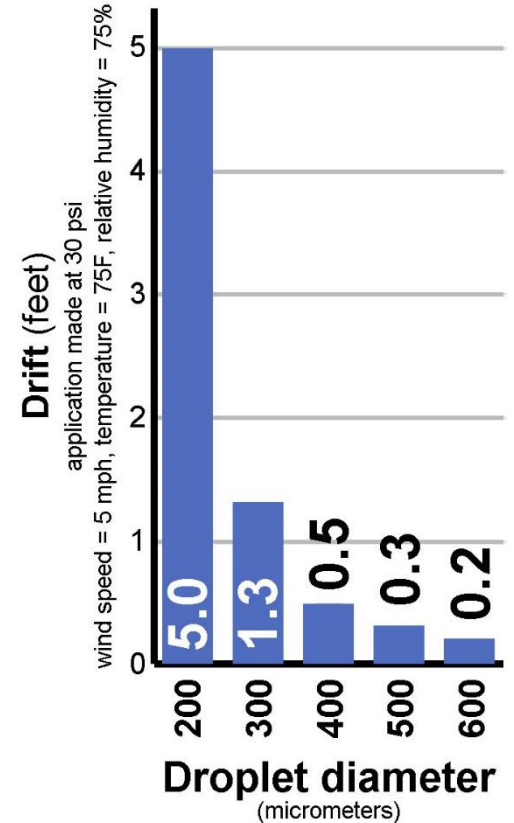
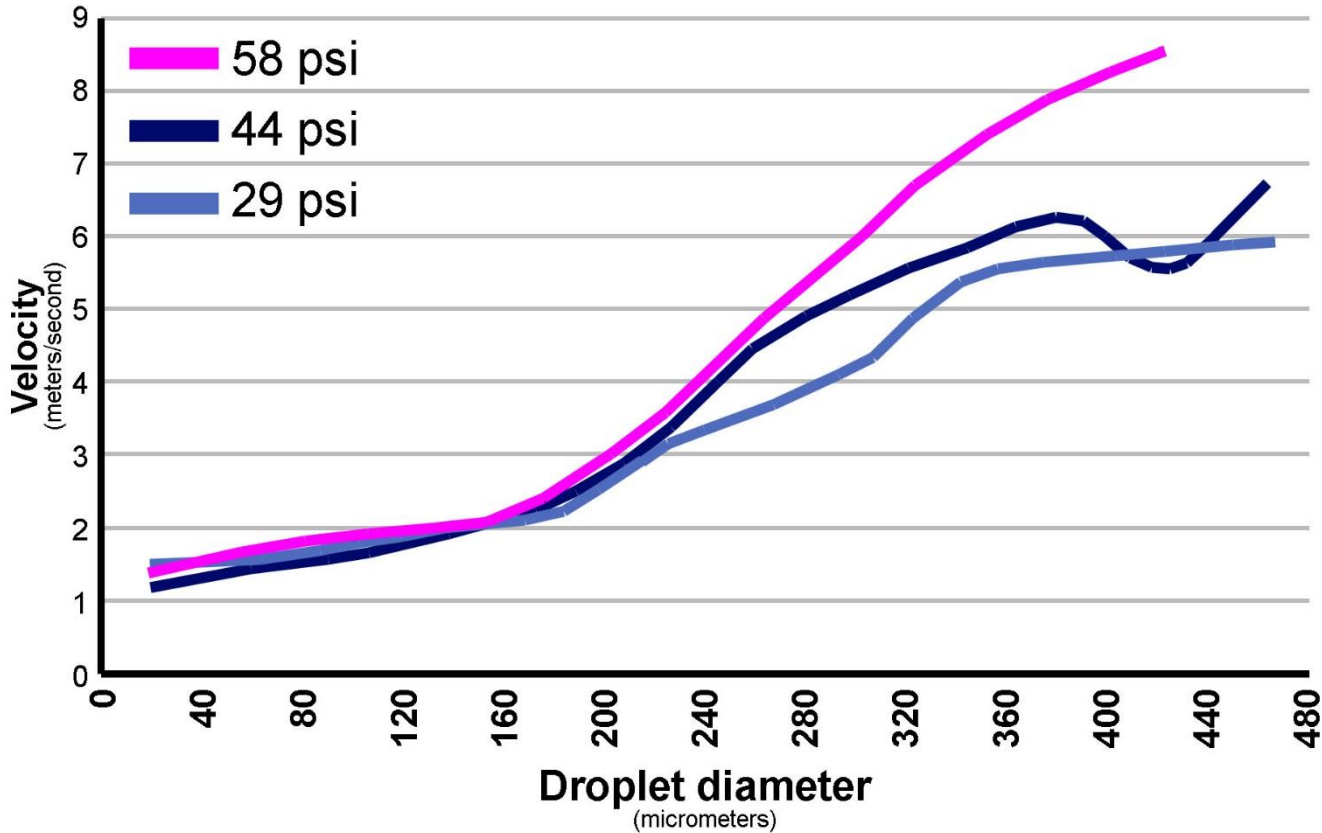
0.065 mm³ spray volume =
one 500-um diameter droplet
eight 250-um diameter droplets
sixty-four 125-um diameter droplets



Droplet size

... but larger droplets have greater velocity, drift less.





Increased velocity and reduced drift improves canopy penetration.



Experimental Methods

1. WILGER nozzles

Spray droplet size estimates were based on information provided by the manufacturer.

																		
			Recommended Pressure: 25-70 PSI				Recommended Pressure: 30-100 PSI				Recommended Pressure: 30-100 PSI				Recommended Pressure: 35-100 PSI			
Tip Cap No.	Flow Rate USGPM	PSI	VMD (Droplet Size in μ); %<141 μ (Drift %); %<200 μ (Drift %); %<600 μ (Small Droplets)															
			110° ER Series				110° SR Series				110° MR Series				110° DR Series			
			VMD	<141	<200	<600	VMD	<141	<200	<600	VMD	<141	<200	<600	VMD	<141	<200	<600
04	0.43	50	209	26%	47%	96%	275	15%	30%	96%	355	8%	17%	91%	447	5%	10%	79%
			■ Fine 106-235 μ				■ Medium 236-340 μ				■ Coarse 341-403 μ				■ Very Coarse 404-502 μ			

ER110-04

50 psi

FINE DROPLETS

SR110-04

50 psi

MEDIUM DROPLETS

MR110-04

50 psi

COARSE DROPLETS

DR110-04

50 psi

VERY COARSE DROPLETS

Experimental Methods

2. TEEJET nozzles

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XR TeeJet® (XR)

	PSI						
	15	20	25	30	40	50	60

XR11004 50 psi
FINE DROPLETS

XR11004	M	M	M	M	M	F	F
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XR11005 40 psi
MEDIUM-FINE DROPLETS

XR11005	M	M	M	M	M	F	F
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XR11006 35 psi
MEDIUM DROPLETS

XR11006	C	M	M	M	M	M	F
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XR11008 40 psi
MEDIUM-COARSE DROPLETS

XR11008	C	C	C	C	M	M	M
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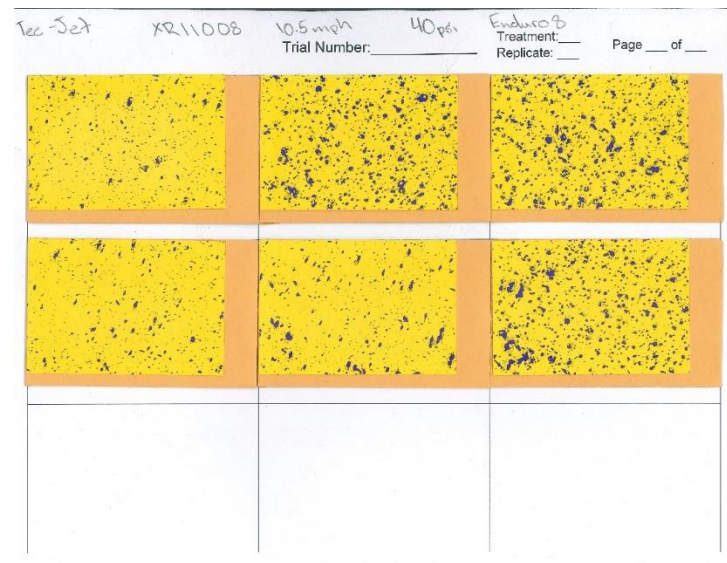
XR11010 30 psi
COARSE DROPLETS

XR11010	VC	C	C	C	M	M	M
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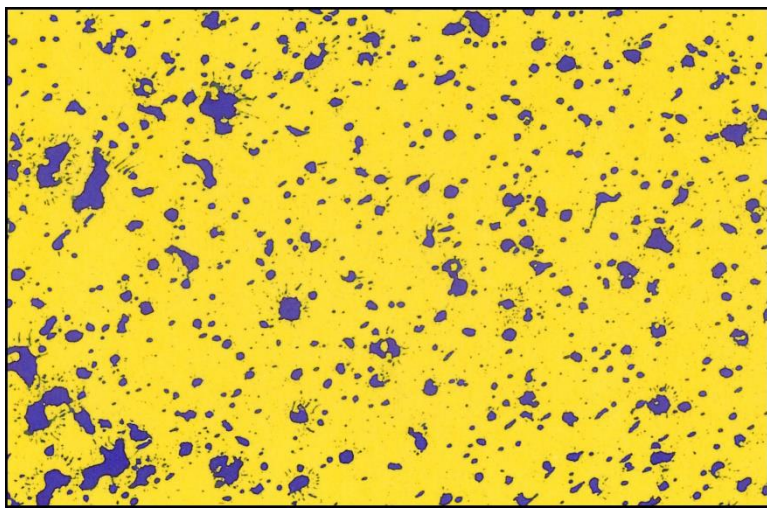
Experimental Methods

Droplet size characterization (water- and oil-sensitive spray cards)

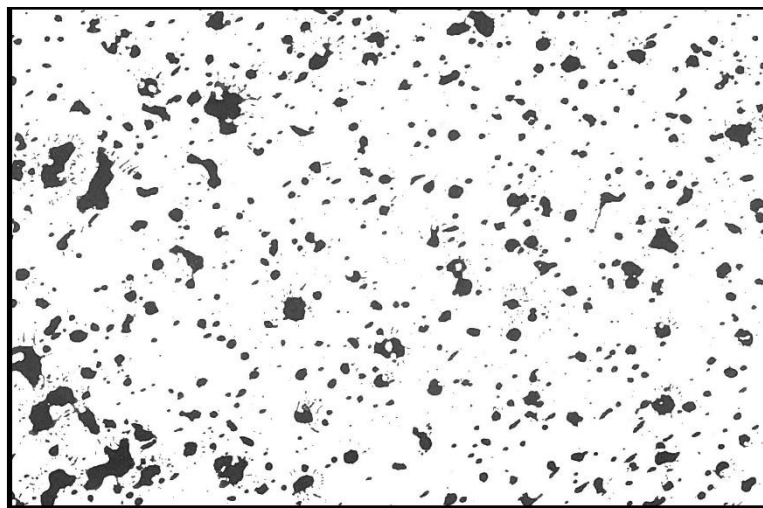
- To reduce problems with coalesced droplets, spray volume reduced to 5 gal/ac for this analysis
- For analysis, yellow background replaced with white and images were converted to grayscale
- A useful tool to evaluate shifts in droplet size spectrum across nozzles, not for accurately characterizing droplet size spectrum due to problems with:
 - coalesced droplets (despite low spray volume)
 - splash-back from large droplets



Original spray card



Yellow replaced with white, image converted to grayscale



Experimental Methods

Droplet size characterization (water- and oil-sensitive spray cards)

TEEJET NOZZLES					AVERAGE VALUES, TEEJET NOZZLES (2018- 2020)	WILGER NOZZLES
2017	2018	2020	2020			2019, 2020
Carrington	Carrington	Oakes	Carrington		Carrington, Oakes	
4.0 mph	6.7 mph	6.0 mph	10.5 mph		8.6 mph	
Endura, 5.5 oz/ac	Endura, 5.5 oz/ac	Endura, 5.5 oz/ac	Endura, 8.0 oz/ac		Endura, 5.5 oz/ac	
FINE XR8004, 60 psi	XR8003, 50 psi	XR11004, 60 psi	XR11004, 60 psi		ER110-04, 50 psi	
MEDIUM-FINE XR8004, 40 psi	XR8004, 40 psi	XR11005, 40 psi	XR11005, 40 psi			
MEDIUM XR8006, 60 psi	XR8006, 40 psi	XR11006, 35 psi	XR11006, 35 psi		SR110-04, 50 psi	
MEDIUM-COARSE not assessed	XR8008, 35 psi	XR11008, 40 psi	XR11008, 40 psi			
COARSE XR8010, 40 psi	XR8010, 35 psi	XR11010, 30 psi	XR11010, 30 psi		MR110-04, 50 psi	
VERY COARSE					DR110-04, 50 psi	
DV 5 (µm) - RAW VALUES						
FINE	387	312	333	351	332	344
MEDIUM-FINE		447	523	576	515	
MEDIUM	445	513	511	546	523	421
MEDIUM-COARSE		733	679	697	703	
COARSE	600	587	819	819	742	543
VERY COARSE						641
DV 9 (µm) - RAW VALUES						
FINE	652	567	680	607	618	560
MEDIUM-FINE		797	937	1171	968	
MEDIUM	769	971	934	1009	971	715
MEDIUM-COARSE		1239	1241	1241	1240	
COARSE	1065	892	1247	1247	1128	1027
VERY COARSE						1074

Calibration

The initial calibration was conducted with water.

Objectives:

1. **Nozzle selection:** Tips with output deviating from advertised specifications discarded
2. **Initial identification of pulse width** needed to deliver 15 gal/ac spray volume at target driving speed



Spot-On sprayer calibrator model SC-1
(Innoquest, Inc.; Woodstock, IL)

The final calibration was conducted with fungicide in the field immediately before application.

Objectives:

1. **Ensure a precise spray volume of 15 gal/ac.** Manual adjustments to pulse width were made as needed.
2. **Confirm that all nozzles are operating correctly** – consistent output across all nozzles; no plugs.



Applications

Tractor-mounted sprayer equipped with a pulse-width modulation system from Capstan AG.

Spray volume: 15 gal/ac Pulse width manually calibrated to maintain a constant spray volume across tips differing in output.

Driving speed: 4.0 to 10.5 mph, depending on the study.



Scope of research – soybeans



2019

Carrington – 6 varieties

* 10-13 replicates/study

* 8.7 acres

Oakes – 2 varieties

* 8-9 replicates/study

* 1.8 acres

2020

Carrington – 4 varieties

* 12-13 replicates

* 5.2 acres

Oakes – 2 varieties

* 15-16 replicates

* 3.3 acres

IMPACT OF SPRAY DROPLET SIZE: TEEJET NOZZLES

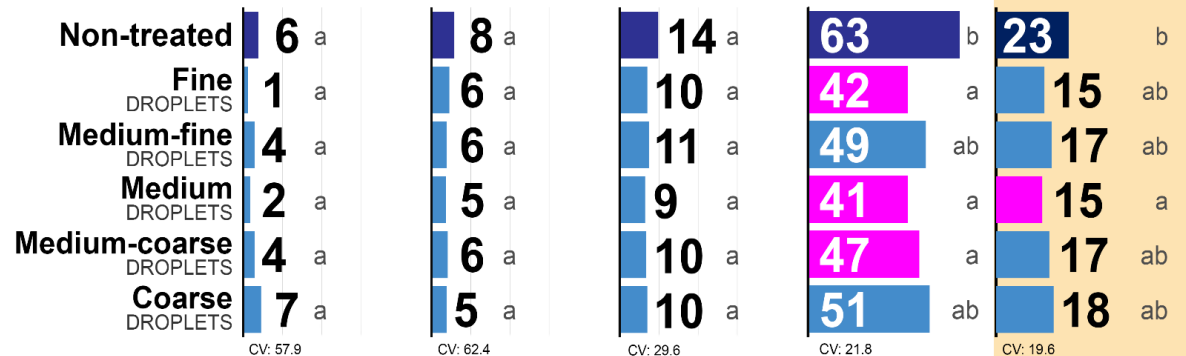
Soybeans

canopy very open when fungicides were applied

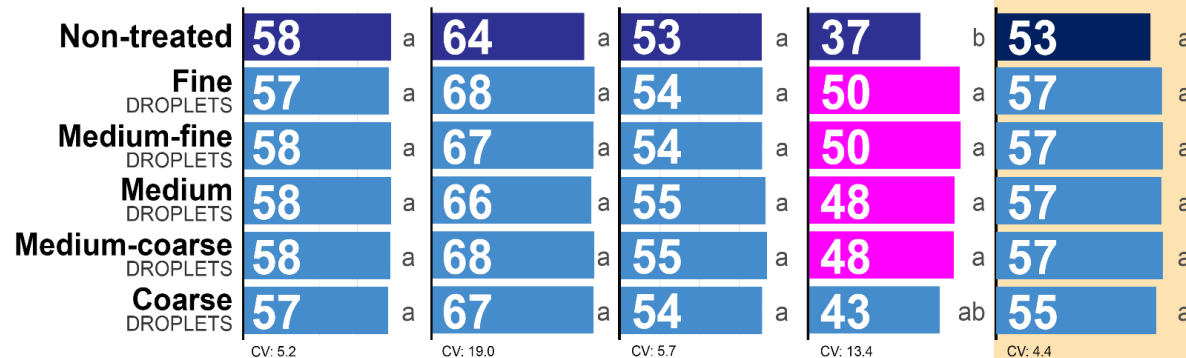
Location	Carrington	Oakes	Carrington	Oakes	COMBINED ANALYSIS
YEAR	2020	2019	2020	2019	Four varieties
soybean variety:	Dairyland 'DSR-0418'	Dairyland 'DSR-1120'	Dairyland 'DSR-0807'	Peterson '18X11N'	

Canopy Closure	Average:	64%	70%	72%	73%	<80%
	Range:	47-80%	60-85%	62-88%	60-85%	

White mold severity index (% of canopy diseased)



Soybean Yield (bu/ac; 13% moisture)



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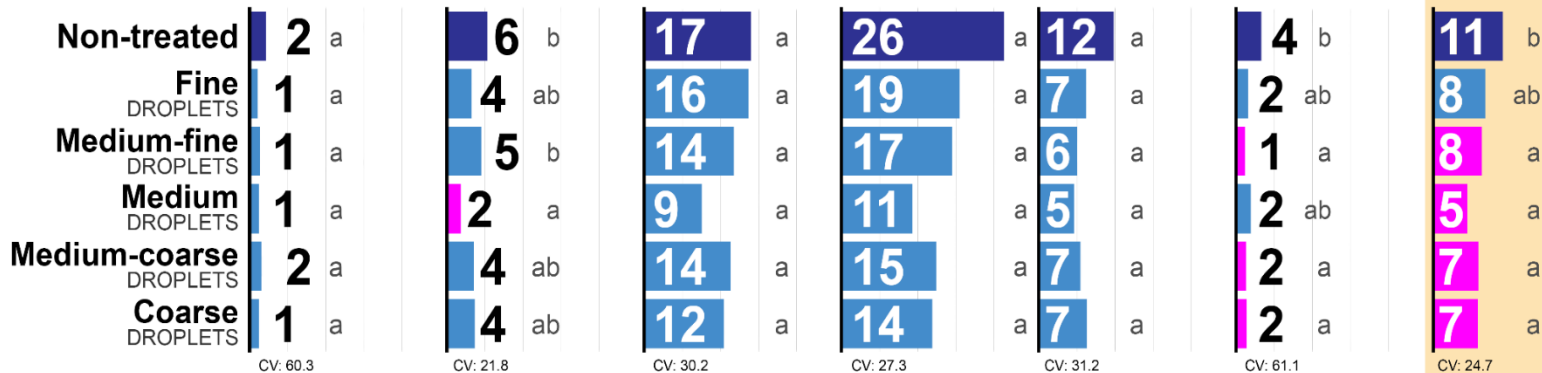
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Soybeans

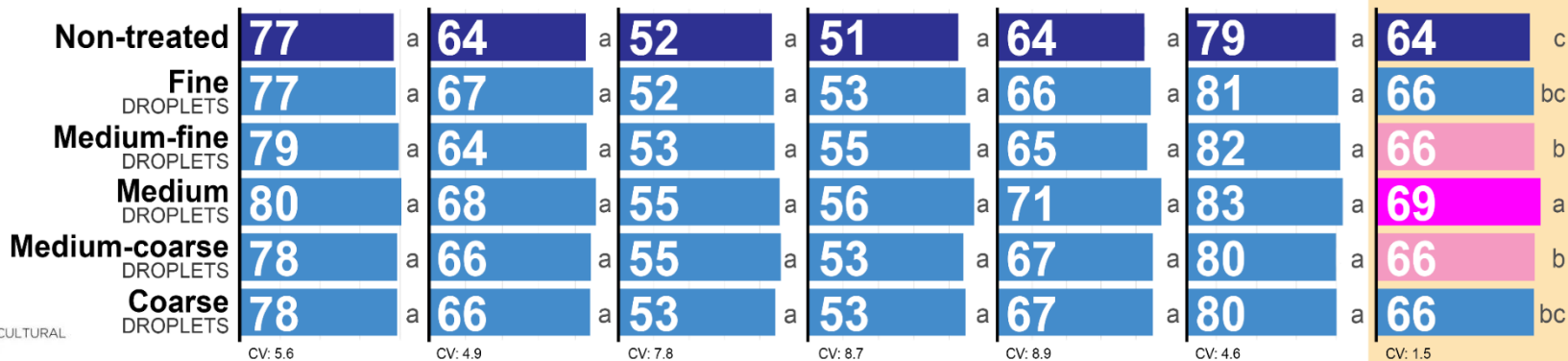
canopy open when fungicides applied

	Location YEAR	Oakes 2020 soybean variety: Peterson '14R09N'	Carrington 2018 ProSeed 'XT60-40'	Carrington 2020 Peterson '18X06N'	Carrington 2020 Peterson '18X07N'	Carrington 2018 Peterson '18X06N'	Oakes 2020 GH '0936X'	COMBINED ANALYSIS Six varieties
Canopy Closure	Average:	80.7%	82.5%	84.5%	86.4%	87.5%	88.9%	80.7-88.9%
	Range:	65-90%	75-90%	71-93%	75-93%	80-95%	70-97%	

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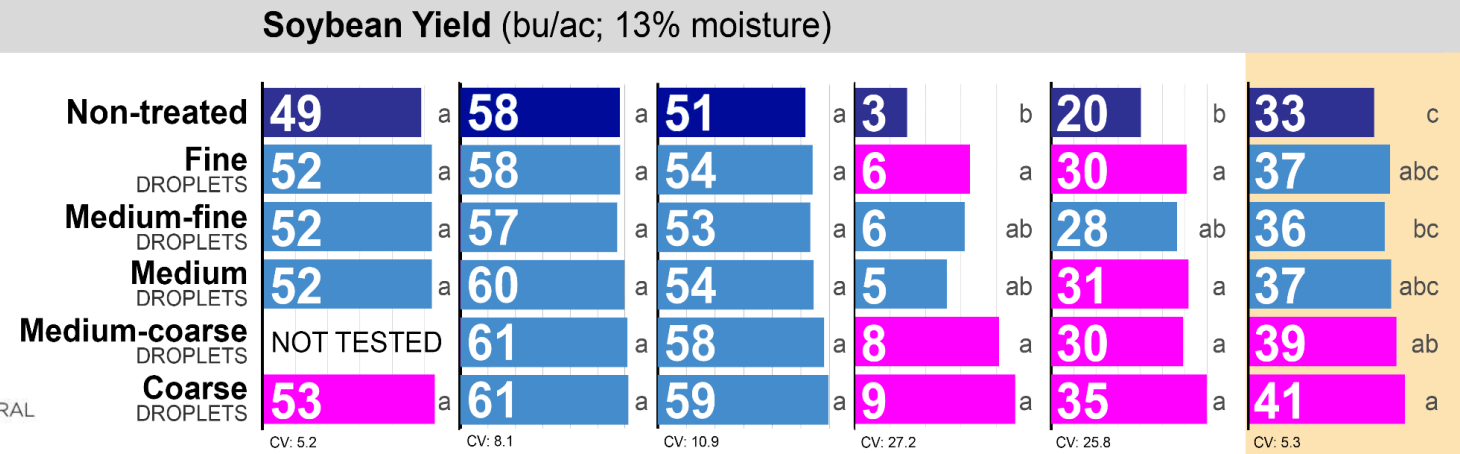
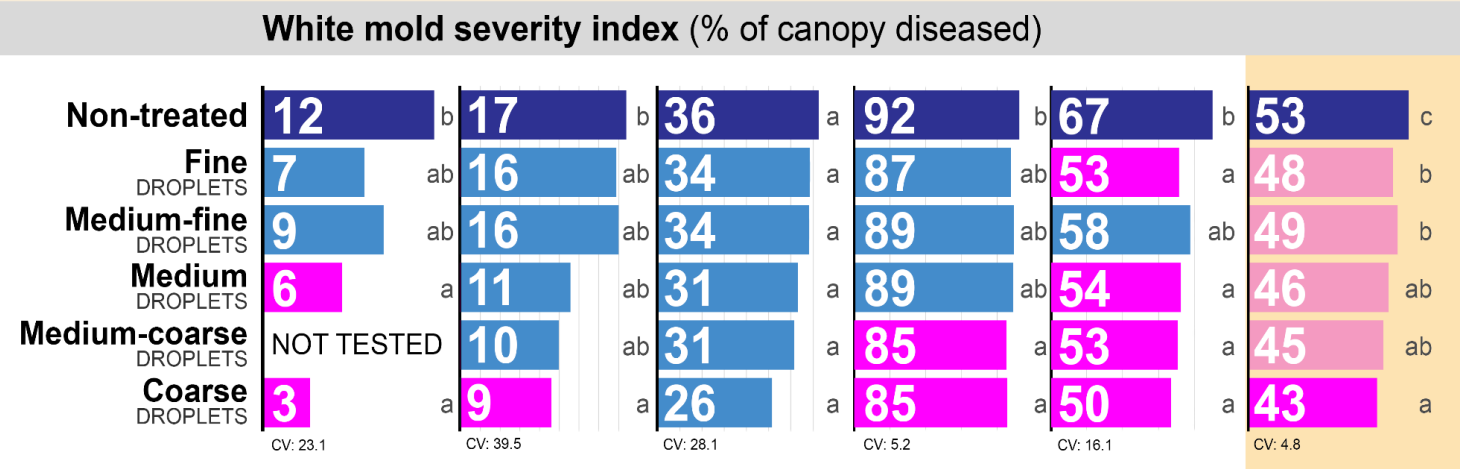
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IMPACT OF SPRAY DROPLET SIZE: TEEJET NOZZLES

Soybeans

canopy near closure when fungicides applied

Location	Carrington 2017	Carrington 2018	Carrington 2018	Carrington 2019	Carrington 2019	COMBINED ANALYSIS	
YEAR	2017	2018	2018	2019	2019	Four varieties	
soybean variety:	Dairyland 'DSR-0619'	Dairyland 'DSR-0904'	Peterson '17X09N'	Peterson '17X09N'	Dairyland 'DSR-0418'		
Canopy Closure	Average:	92%	92.5%	92.5%	94.9%	95.9%	92.5-95.8%
	Range:	75-97%	90-95%	90-95%	80-100%	90-100%	canopy closure (average, studies with all five droplet size treatments)

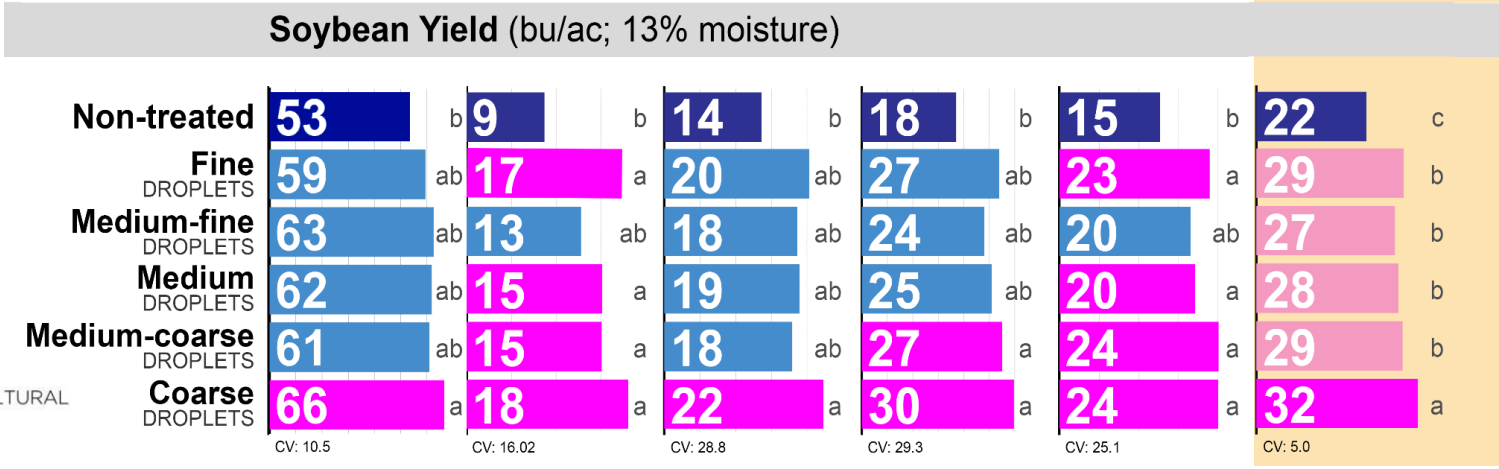
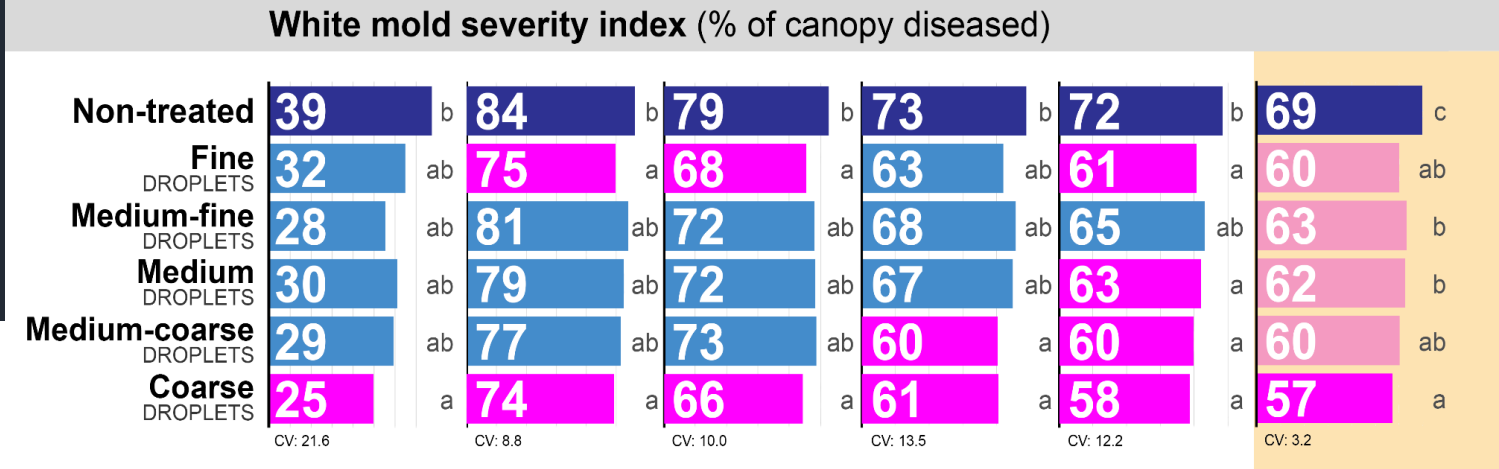


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IMPACT OF SPRAY DROPLET SIZE: TEEJET NOZZLES

Soybeans
canopy closed
when fungicides
applied

Location	YEAR	Oakes	Carrington	Carrington	Carrington	Carrington	COMBINED ANALYSIS
		2018	2019	2019	2019	2019	
soybean variety:		Pioneer 'P11A95X'	Peterson '14R09N'	Peterson '18X07N'	Dairyland 'DSR-0807'	Peterson '18X06N'	Five varieties
Canopy Closure	Average:	98.5%	98.7%	98.9%	99.6%	99.6%	98.5-99.6%
	Range:	97-100%	98-100%	97-100%	98-100%	99-100%	canopy closure (average)

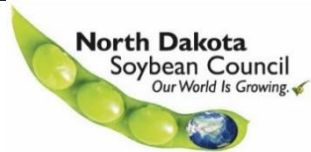


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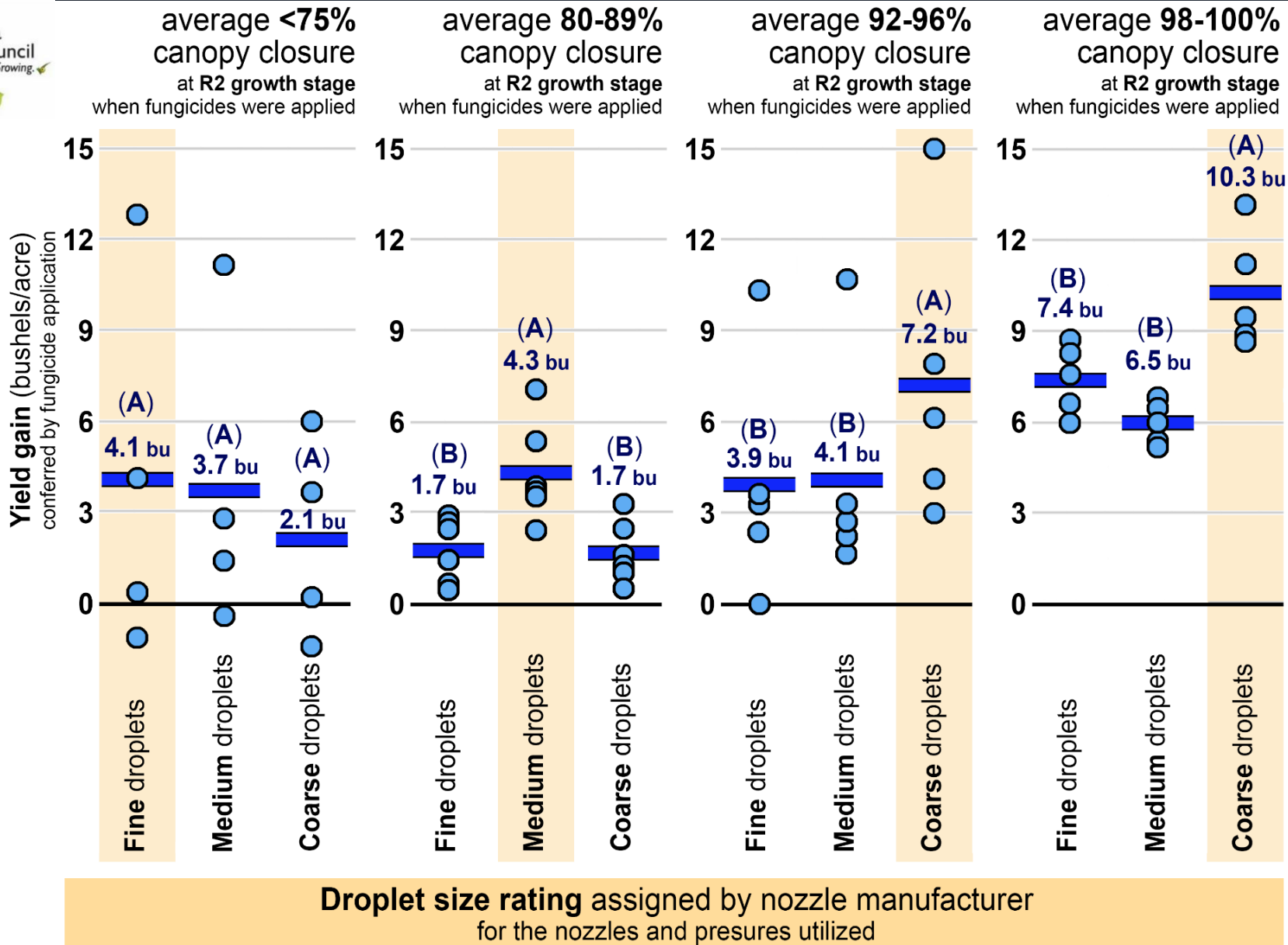
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IMPACT OF SPRAY DROPLET SIZE: TEEJET NOZZLES

Soybeans



Yield gain
conferred by the fungicide relative to canopy closure and spray droplet size



● CIRCLES: results from one soybean variety in one field study ■ LINES: average response across all studies

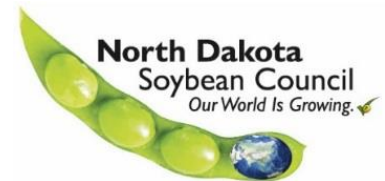
Optimizing fungicide spray droplet size

Soybeans

Soybeans – TeeJet nozzles:

Applying fungicides with **coarse droplets** optimized white mold management in soybeans when the soybean canopy was at or near closure (92-100% average canopy closure).

Applying fungicides with **medium droplets** optimized white mold management in soybeans when the soybean canopy was open (80-90% average canopy closure).



IMPACT OF SPRAY DROPLET SIZE: WILGER NOZZLES

Soybeans: canopy open when fungicides applied



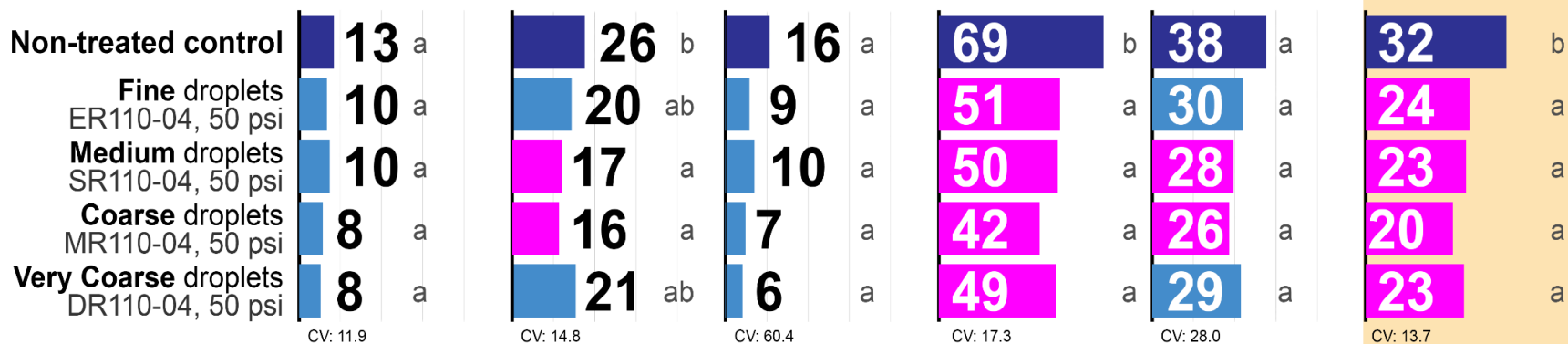
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YEAR	2020	2020	2019	2019	2020	
soybean variety:	Dairyland 'DSR-0418'	Dairyland 'DSR-0807'	Dairyland 'DSR-1120'	Peterson '18X11N'	Peterson '18X07N'	

Soybean Row spacing: 21 inches
Seeding rate: 165,000 viable seeds/ac

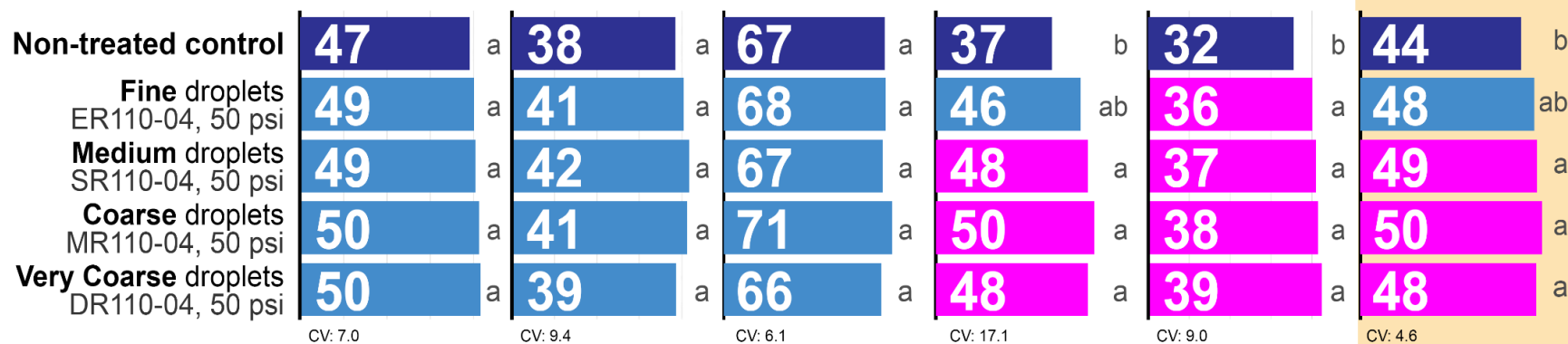
Canopy Closure

Average:	63%	69%	70%	73%	79%	63-79%
Range:	42-72%	54-92%	60-85%	60-85%	60-91%	Average across five varieties

White mold severity index (% of canopy diseased)



Soybean Yield (bu/ac; 13% moisture)

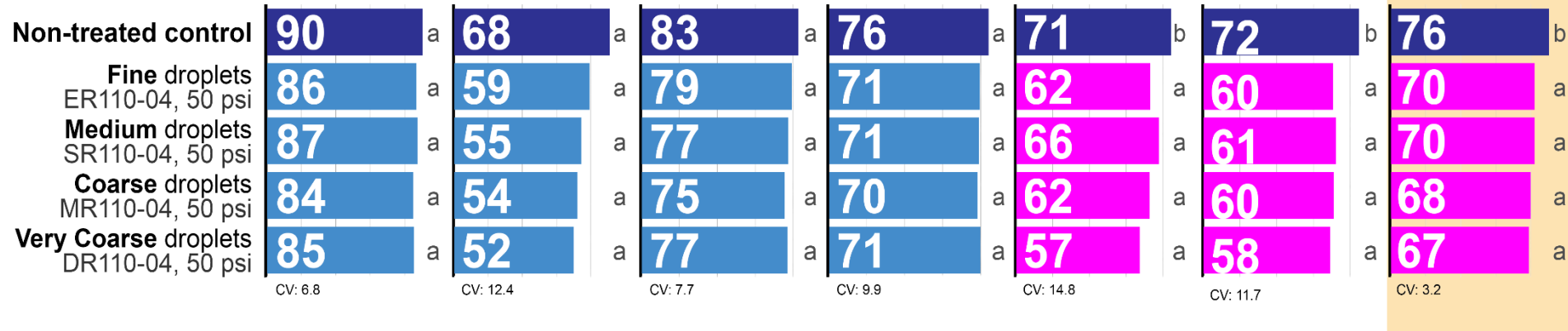


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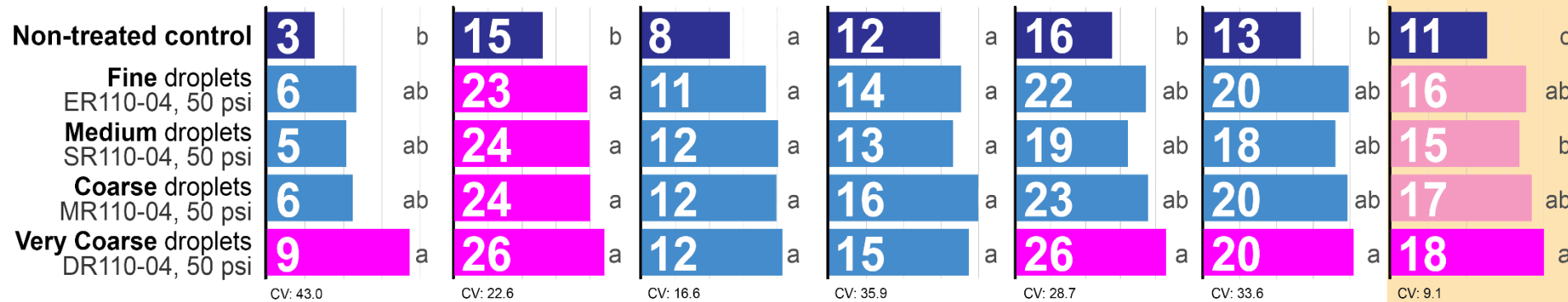
Soybeans: canopy open when fungicides applied

Canopy Closure	Location	Carrington	Carrington	Carrington	Carrington	Carrington	Carrington	COMBINED ANALYSIS
	YEAR	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	
	soybean variety:	Peterson '17X09N'	Dairyland 'DSR-0418'	Peterson '14R09N'	Peterson '18X07N'	Dairyland 'DSR-0807'	Peterson '18X06N'	
Average:		94.9%	95.9%	98.7%	98.9%	99.6%	99.6%	94.9-99.6%
Range:		80-100%	90-100%	98-100%	97-100%	98-100%	99-100%	Average across six varieties

White mold severity index (% of canopy diseased)



Soybean Yield (bu/ac; 13% moisture)



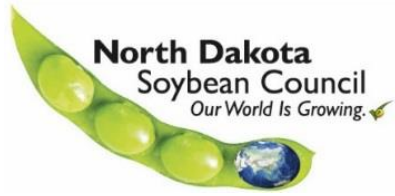
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**IMPACT OF SPRAY DROPLET SIZE:
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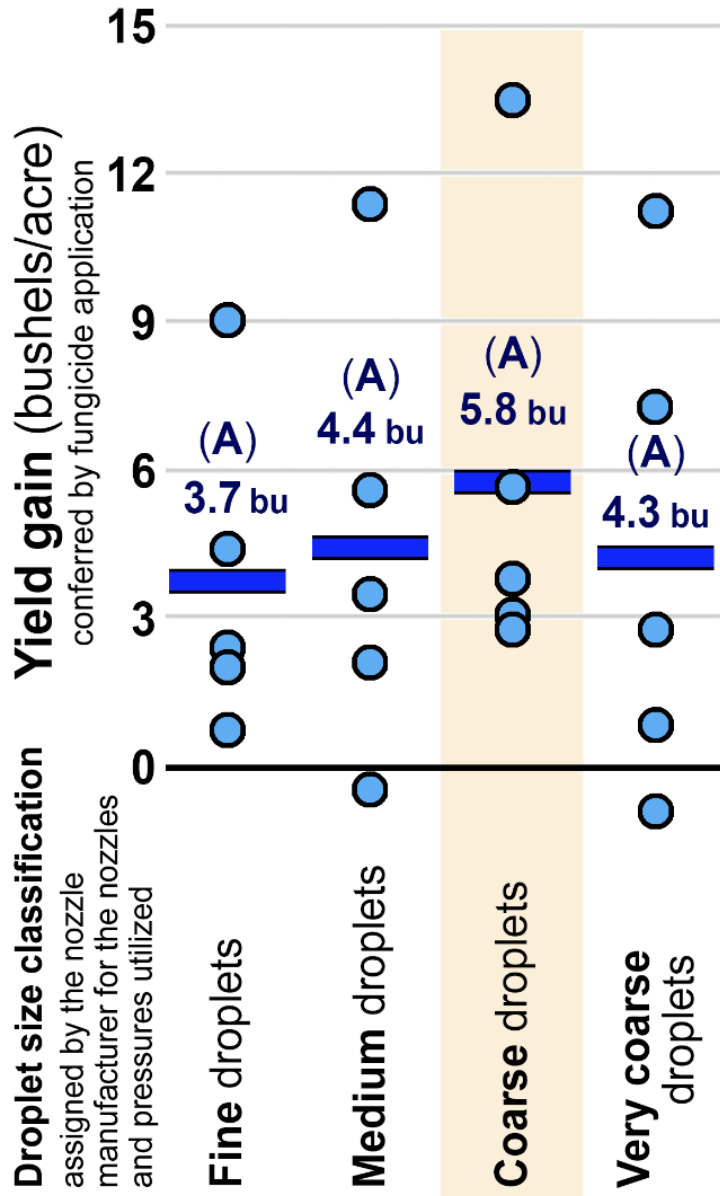
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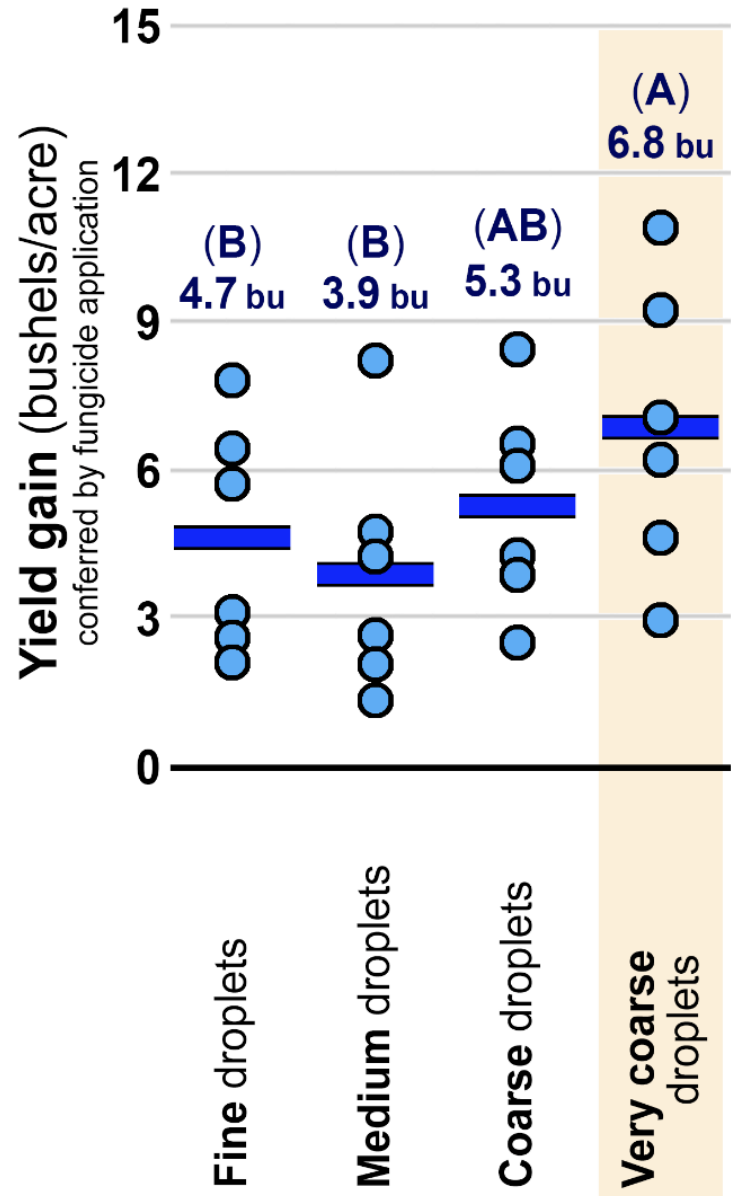
average <80% canopy closure

at R2 growth stage when fungicides were applied



average 95-100% canopy closure

at R2 growth stage when fungicides were applied



● CIRCLES: results from one soybean variety in one field study

■ LINES: average response across all studies

Optimizing fungicide spray droplet size

Soybeans

Soybeans – Wilger nozzles:

Applying fungicides with **very coarse droplets** optimized white mold management in soybeans when the soybean canopy was at or near closure (95-100% average canopy closure).

Applying fungicides with **coarse droplets** appeared to optimize white mold management in soybeans when the soybean canopy was open (<80% average canopy closure), but statistical separation was not achieved.

Different optimum droplet sizes were observed for TeeJet versus Wilger nozzles.

The droplet size spectrum considered to be “medium”, “coarse”, “very coarse”, etc. may be different for Wilger vs. TeeJet.

Quantification of droplet size spectrums will be conducted in 2021.





Improving management of white mold in dry edible beans:
2. Optimizing fungicide droplet size

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IMPROVING WHITE MOLD MANAGEMENT IN DRY EDIBLE BEANS

Optimizing fungicide droplet size

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Narrow row spacing; canopy open at 1st application, at/near closure at 2nd applic.

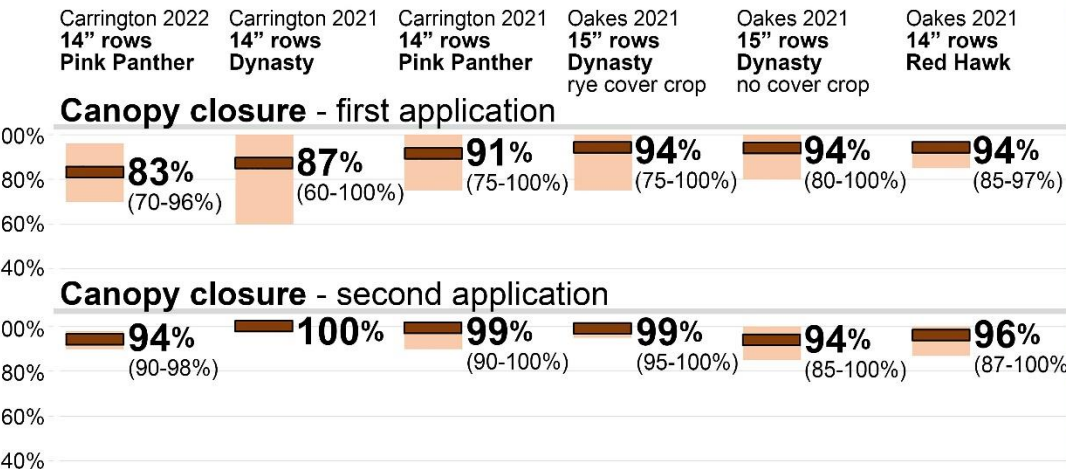
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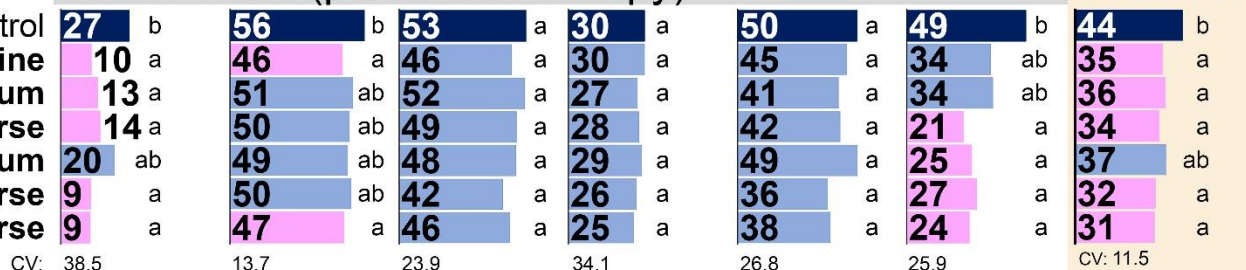
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DROPLET SIZE
application #1 /
application #2

Non-treated control
Fine / Fine
Fine / Medium
Fine / Coarse
Medium / Medium
Medium / Coarse
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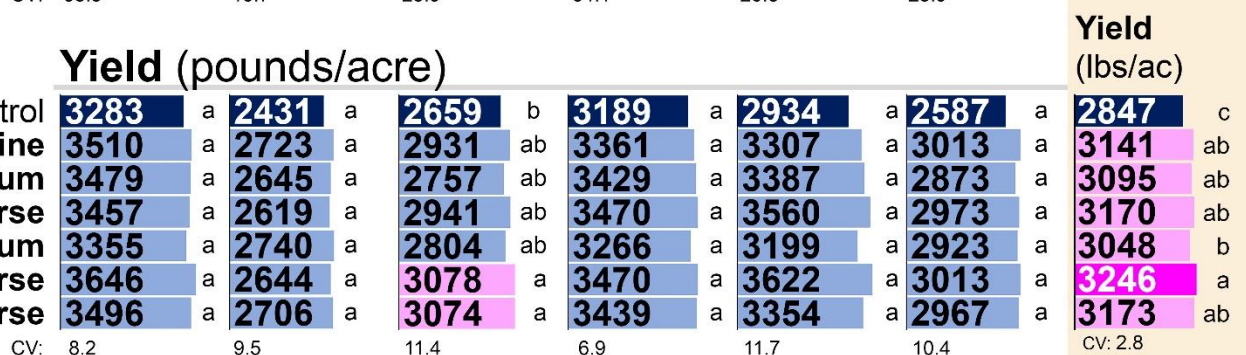
White mold (percent of canopy)



Yield (pounds/acre)

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Combined analysis
6 studies

White mold
(% canopy)

Yield
(lbs/ac)

Nozzles and pressure: FINE: XR11004 or XR11005 nozzles, 60 psi MEDIUM: XR11006 nozzles, 35 psi COARSE: XR11010 nozzles, 30 psi
Driving speed: 6.0 mph in Oakes (2021), 10.5 mph in Carrington (2021), 10.0 mph in Carrington (2022).
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IMPROVING WHITE MOLD MANAGEMENT IN DRY EDIBLE BEANS

Optimizing fungicide application timing

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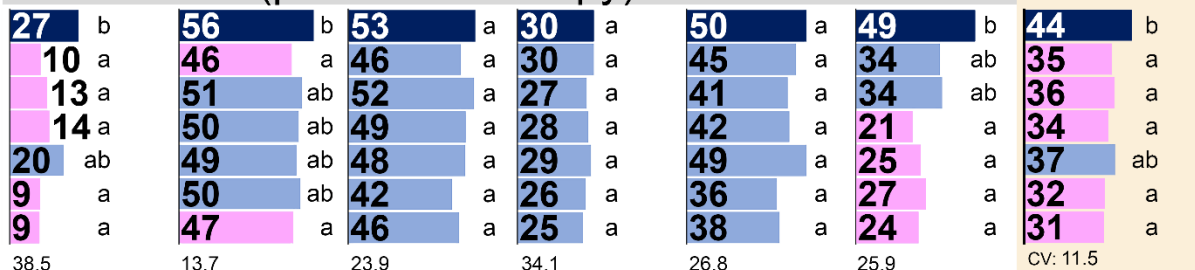
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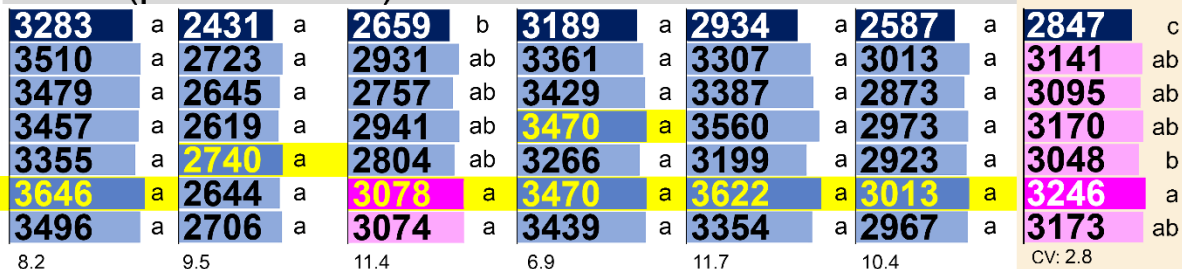
White mold (percent of canopy)



DROPLET SIZE
application #1 /
application #2

Non-treated control
Fine / Fine
Fine / Medium
Fine / Coarse
Medium / Medium
Medium / Coarse
Coarse / Coarse

Yield (pounds/acre)



Nozzles and pressure: FINE: XR11004 or XR11005 nozzles, 60 psi MEDIUM: XR11006 nozzles, 35 psi COARSE: XR11010 nozzles, 30 psi

Driving speed: 6.0 mph in Oakes (2021), 10.5 mph in Carrington (2021), 10.0 mph in Carrington (2022).
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IMPROVING WHITE MOLD MANAGEMENT IN DRY EDIBLE BEANS

Optimizing fungicide application timing

KIDNEY BEANS:

Narrow row spacing; canopy open at 1st application, at/near closure at 2nd applic/

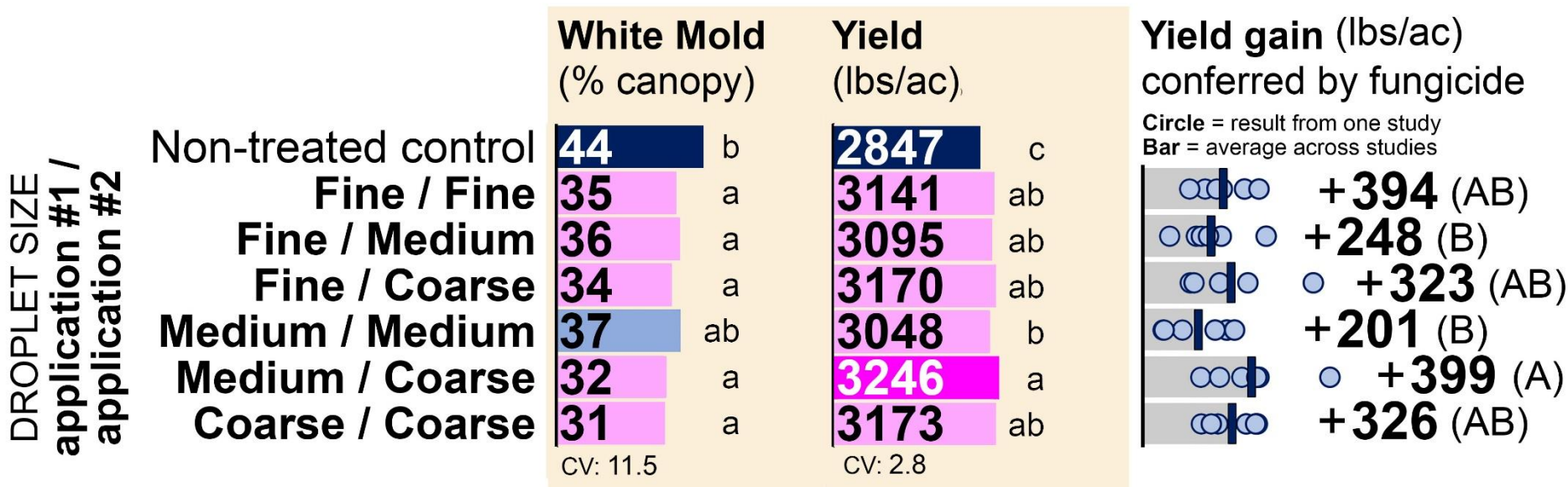
Topsin 40 fl oz/ac f.b. Endura 8 oz/ac | Spray volume: 15 gpa | Driving speed: 6, 10 or 10.5 mph (depending on study)

KIDNEY BEAN

combined analysis across 6 studies

14" rows open canopy at 1st application, 'Pink Panther' LR (2 studies)
14" rows open canopy at 1st application, 'Red Hawk' DR (1 study)
14-15" rows open canopy at 1st application, 'Dynasty' DR (3 studies)

Fungicide performance maximized with **medium** droplets (app. #1) / **coarse** droplets (app. #2)



Carrington and Oakes, ND (2021, 2022)

Within-column means followed by different letters are significantly different ($P < 0.05$; Tukey procedure)

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Driving speed: 6.0 mph in Oakes (2021), 10.5 mph in Carrington (2021), 10.0 mph in Carrington (2022).
Internal

IMPROVING WHITE MOLD MANAGEMENT IN DRY EDIBLE BEANS

Optimizing fungicide application timing

KIDNEY BEANS:

Narrow rows with closed canopy at 1st applic.

OR

Wide row spacing with open canopy at 1st app.

Topsin 40 fl oz/ac

f.b. **Endura 8 oz/ac**

Spray volume: 15 gpa

Driving speed: 10 mph

Within-column means followed by different letters are significantly different ($P < 0.05$; Tukey procedure)

Nozzles and pressure:

FINE: XR11004 or XR11005 nozzles, 60 psi

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COARSE: XR11010 nozzles, 30 psi

Driving speed:

6.0 mph in Oakes (2021)

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Carrington 2022
28" rows
Pink Panther

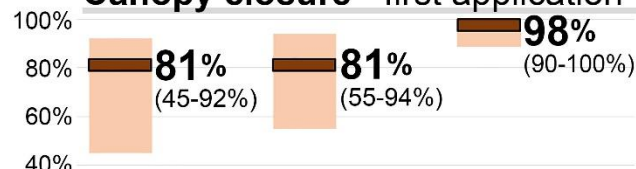
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28" rows
Red Hawk

Oakes 2021
15" rows
Dynasty

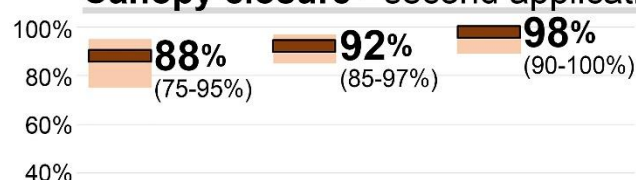
Combined analysis

(3 studies)

Canopy closure - first application



Canopy closure - second application



White mold (% canopy)

DROPLET SIZE / application #1 / application #2	Carrington 2022 (28" rows)			Oakes 2021 (15" rows)		Combined analysis
	Pink Panther	Red Hawk	CV	Dynasty	CV	
Non-treated control	38	57	28.1	30	38.5	42
Fine / Fine	25	37	26.4	26	30	29
Fine / Medium	21	42		26	28	30
Fine / Coarse	22	40		33	28	32
Medium / Medium	30	31		23	28	28
Medium / Coarse	26	42		31	33	33
Coarse / Coarse	20	37		30	29	29

White mold
(% canopy)

Yield (pounds/acre)

DROPLET SIZE / application #1 / application #2	Carrington 2022 (28" rows)			Oakes 2021 (15" rows)		Combined analysis
	Pink Panther	Red Hawk	CV	Dynasty	CV	
Non-treated control	2863	2237	8.7	3174	8.2	2758
Fine / Fine	3119	2663	9.0	3494	3092	3092
Fine / Medium	3222	2525		3587	3111	3111
Fine / Coarse	3042	2514		3418	2991	2991
Medium / Medium	2964	2748		3455	3056	3056
Medium / Coarse	3237	2591		3433	3087	3087
Coarse / Coarse	3268	2768		3625	3220	3220

Yield
(lbs/ac)

IMPROVING WHITE MOLD MANAGEMENT IN DRY EDIBLE BEANS

Optimizing fungicide application timing

KIDNEY BEANS:

Narrow rows with closed canopy at 1st applic.

OR

Wide row spacing with open canopy at 1st app.

Topsin 40 fl oz/ac

f.b. **Endura 8 oz/ac**

Spray volume: 15 gpa

Driving speed: 10 mph

Within-column means followed by different letters are significantly different ($P < 0.05$; Tukey procedure)

Nozzles and pressure:

FINE: XR11004 or XR11005 nozzles, 60 psi

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Driving speed:

6.0 mph in Oakes (2021)

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Carrington 2022
28" rows
Pink Panther

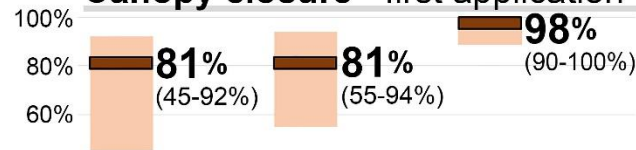
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28" rows
Red Hawk

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15" rows
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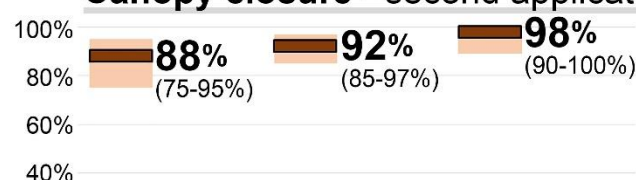
Combined analysis

(3 studies)

Canopy closure - first application



Canopy closure - second application



White mold (% canopy)

DROPLET SIZE / application #1 / application #2	Carrington 2022 (28" rows)			Oakes 2021 (15" rows)			Combined analysis
	Pink Panther	Red Hawk	CV	Dynasty	CV	CV	
Non-treated control	38	57	28.1	30	38.5	28.1	42
Fine / Fine	25	37	26.4	26	26.4	26.4	29
Fine / Medium	21	42	26.4	26	26.4	26.4	30
Fine / Coarse	22	40	26.4	33	26.4	26.4	32
Medium / Medium	30	31	26.4	23	26.4	26.4	28
Medium / Coarse	26	42	26.4	31	26.4	26.4	33
Coarse / Coarse	20	37	26.4	30	26.4	26.4	29

White mold
(% canopy)

Yield (pounds/acre)

DROPLET SIZE / application #1 / application #2	Carrington 2022 (28" rows)			Oakes 2021 (15" rows)			Combined analysis
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Yield
(lbs/ac)

IMPROVING WHITE MOLD MANAGEMENT IN DRY EDIBLE BEANS

Optimizing fungicide application timing

KIDNEY BEANS:

Narrow row spacing; canopy closed at 1st application OR

Wide row spacing; canopy open at 1st application

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KIDNEY BEAN

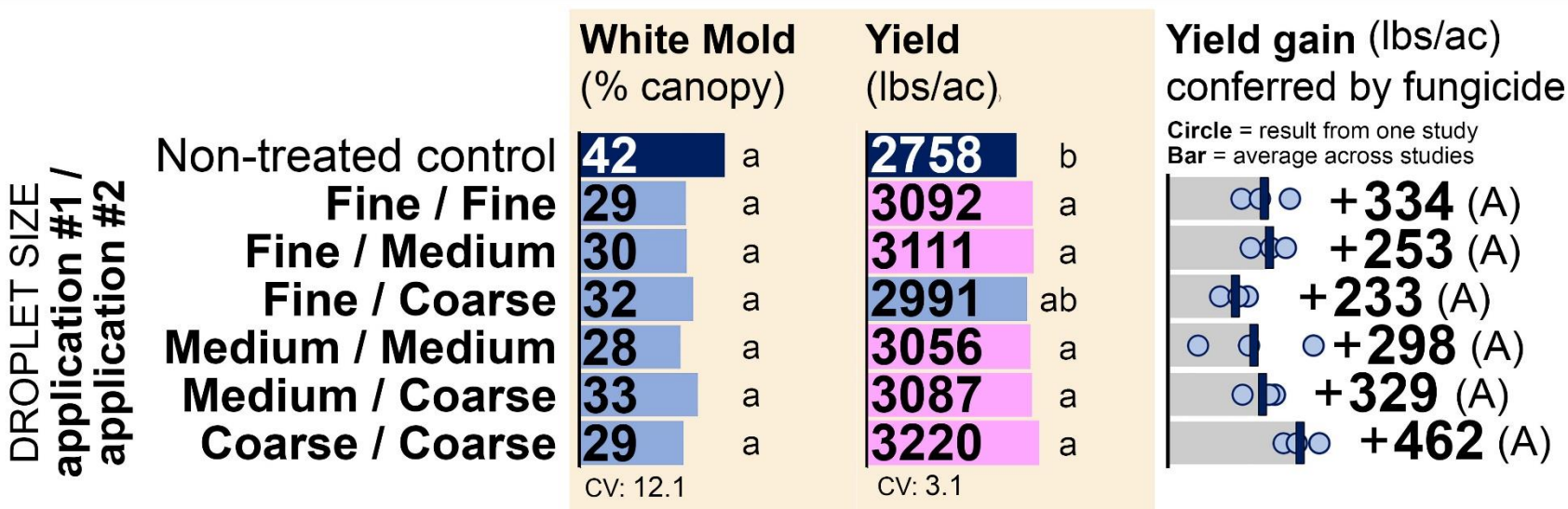
combined analysis across 3 studies

28" rows, 'Pink Panther' LR

28" rows, 'Red Hawk' DR

15" rows closed canopy at 1st application, 'Dynasty'

Fungicide performance maximized with **coarse** droplets (app. #1) / **coarse** droplets (app. #2)



Carrington and Oakes, ND (2021, 2022)

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Driving speed: 6.0 mph in Oakes (2021), 10.5 mph in Carrington (2021), 10.0 mph in Carrington (2022).

Internal

Optimizing fungicide droplet size

Kidney beans:

Preliminary findings from ongoing research –

- When kidney beans were seeded into narrow (14-15”) rows and the canopy was open at the first fungicide application, **medium droplets (app. 1) followed by coarse droplets (app. 2)** were optimal
- When kidney beans were seeded into wide (28-30”) rows and the canopy was open at the 1st application or seeded into narrow (14-15”) rows and the canopy was closed at the 1st application, **coarse droplets (app. 1) followed by coarse droplets (app. 2)** were optimal

Warning: This research was done with TeeJet nozzles. The droplet size spectrum considered ‘medium’, ‘coarse’ etc. differs by nozzle manufacturer.



IMPROVING WHITE MOLD MANAGEMENT IN DRY EDIBLE BEANS

Optimizing fungicide application timing

PINTO BEANS

Four studies: fine droplets (1st app.) / medium droplets (2nd app.) optimal
Canopy characteristics favoring these droplet sizes not well understood.

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Spray volume: 15 gpa

Driving speed: 6 or 10 mph

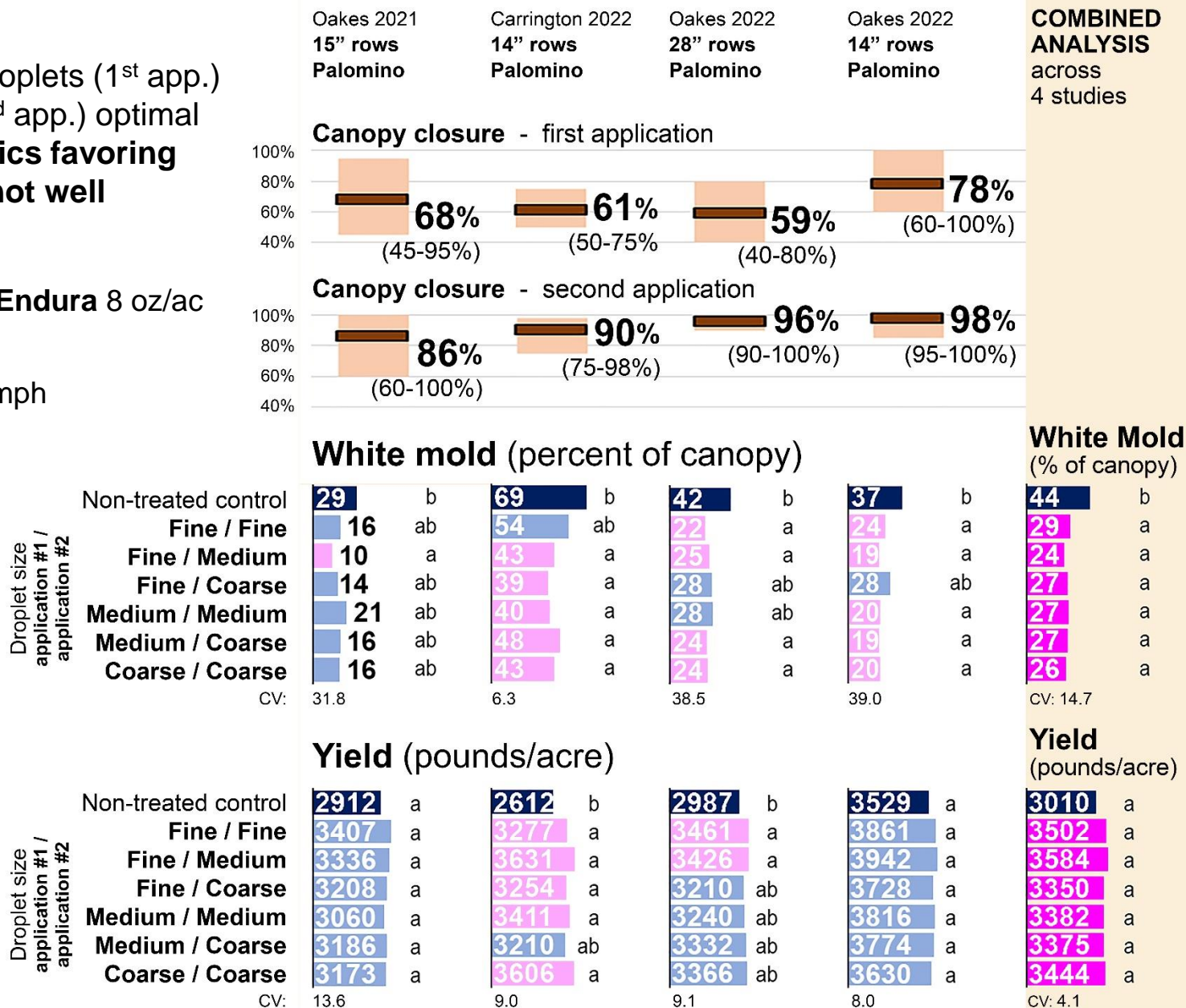
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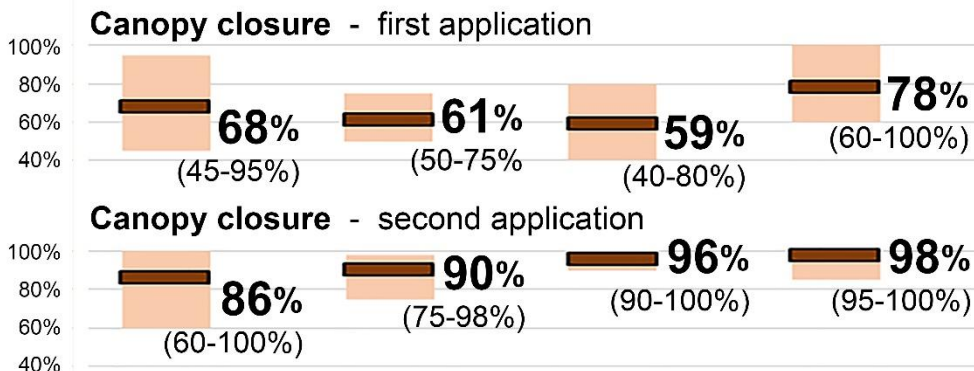
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Non-treated control
 Fine / Fine
 Fine / Medium
 Fine / Coarse
 Medium / Medium
 Medium / Coarse
 Coarse / Coarse

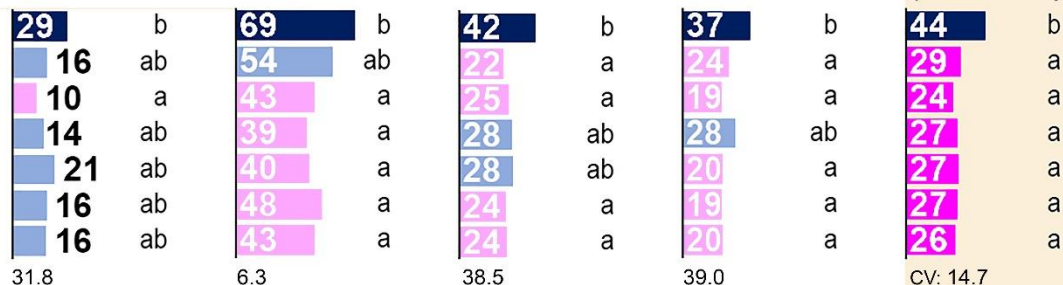
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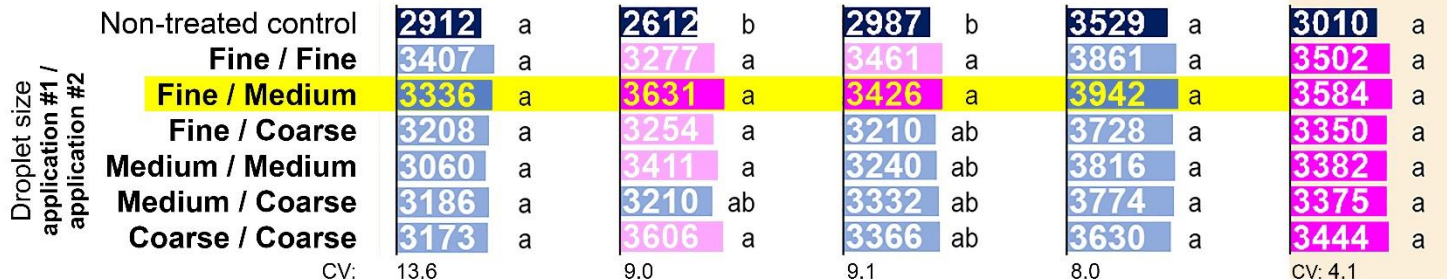
Oakes 2021 15" rows Palomino	Carrington 2022 14" rows Palomino	Oakes 2022 28" rows Palomino	Oakes 2022 14" rows Palomino	COMBINED ANALYSIS across 4 studies
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White mold (percent of canopy)



Yield (pounds/acre)



IMPROVING WHITE MOLD MANAGEMENT IN DRY EDIBLE BEANS

Optimizing fungicide application timing

PINTO BEANS:

Four studies: fine droplets (1st app.) / medium droplets (2nd app.) optimal
Canopy characteristics favoring these droplet sizes not well understood.

Topsin 40 fl oz/ac f.b. Endura 8 oz/ac | Spray volume: 15 gpa | Driving speed: 6 or 10 mph, depending on study

PINTO BEAN

(A) Fungicide performance maximized with
fine droplets (application #1) / medium droplets (application #2)

		White Mold (% canopy)	Yield (lbs/ac)	Yield gain (lbs/ac) conferred by fungicide
Droplet size application #1 / application #2	Non-treated control	39 b	2883 b	
	Fine / Fine	26 a	3285 a	+ 492 (AB)*
	Fine / Medium	25 a	3315 a	+ 574 (A)*
	Fine / Coarse	28 a	3278 a	+ 340 (B)*
	Medium / Medium	27 a	3232 a	+ 371 (AB)*
	Medium / Coarse	25 a	3357 a	+ 365 (AB)*
	Coarse / Coarse	25 a	3290 a	+ 434 (AB)*

Circle = result from one study
 Bar = average across studies

Combined analysis of **four studies** seeded to 'Palomino' pintos:

Oakes, 2021, 15" row spacing; Carrington, 2022, 14" row spacing; Oakes, 2022, 14" and 28" row spacing

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IMPROVING WHITE MOLD MANAGEMENT IN DRY EDIBLE BEANS

Optimizing fungicide application timing

PINTO BEANS

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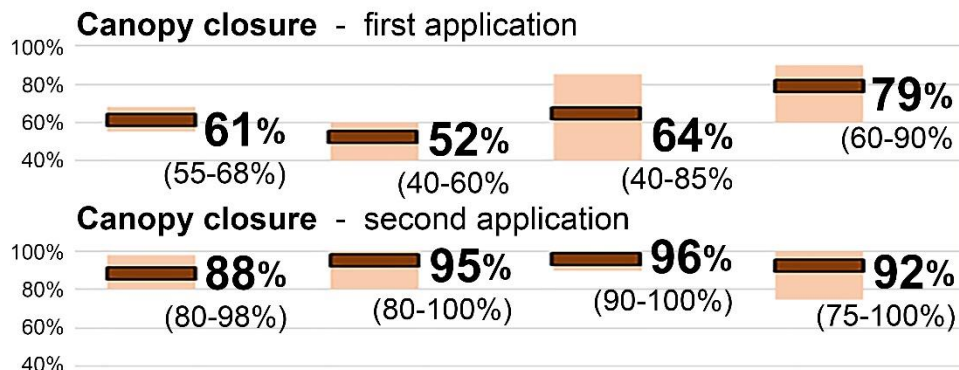
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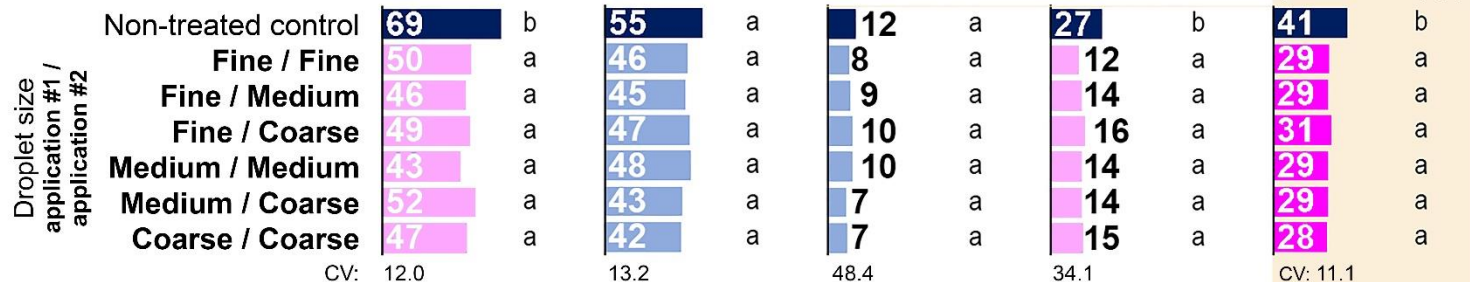
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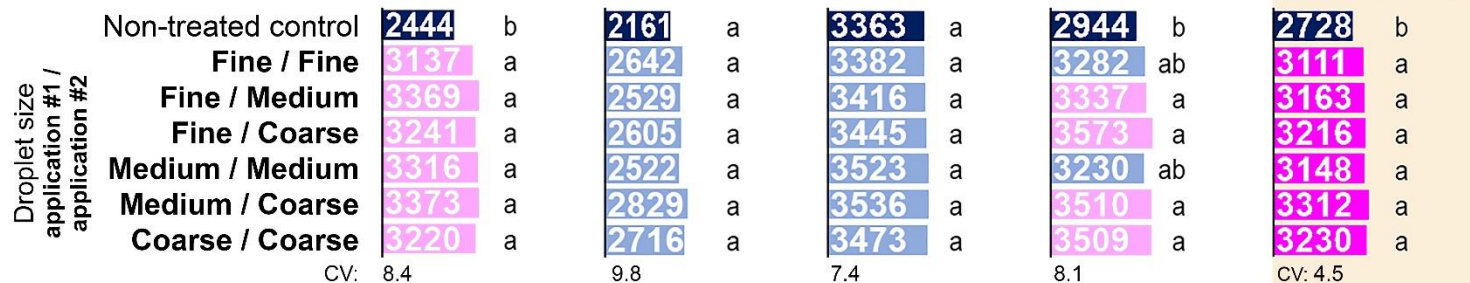
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White mold (percent of canopy)



Yield (pounds/acre)



IMPROVING WHITE MOLD MANAGEMENT IN DRY EDIBLE BEANS

Optimizing fungicide application timing

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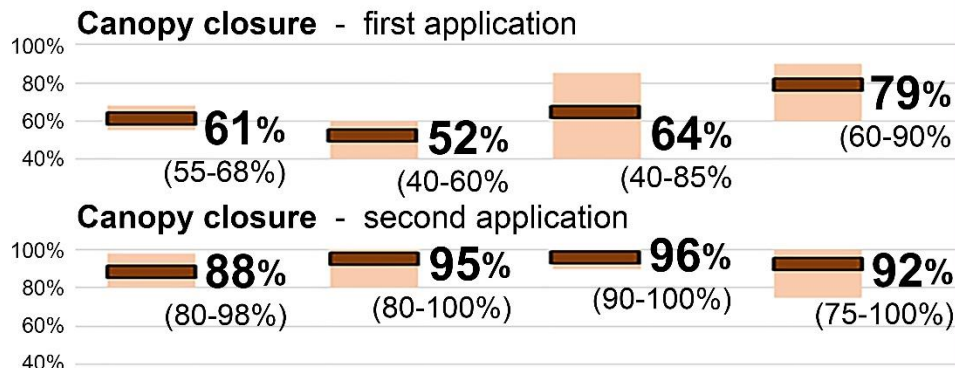
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COMBINED ANALYSIS
across 4 studies



White mold (percent of canopy)

Droplet size application #1 / application #2	Carrington 2022	Carrington 2021	Oakes 2021 (late-terminated rye)	Oakes 2021 (early-terminated rye)	COMBINED ANALYSIS
Non-treated control	69	55	12	27	41
Fine / Fine	50	46	8	12	29
Fine / Medium	46	45	9	14	29
Fine / Coarse	49	47	10	16	31
Medium / Medium	43	48	10	14	29
Medium / Coarse	52	43	7	14	29
Coarse / Coarse	47	42	7	15	28
CV:	12.0	13.2	48.4	34.1	11.1

Yield (pounds/acre)

Droplet size application #1 / application #2	Carrington 2022	Carrington 2021	Oakes 2021 (late-terminated rye)	Oakes 2021 (early-terminated rye)	COMBINED ANALYSIS
Non-treated control	2444	2161	3363	2944	2728
Fine / Fine	3137	2642	3382	3282	3111
Fine / Medium	3369	2529	3416	3337	3163
Fine / Coarse	3241	2605	3445	3573	3216
Medium / Medium	3316	2522	3523	3230	3148
Medium / Coarse	3373	2829	3536	3510	3312
Coarse / Coarse	3220	2716	3473	3509	3230
CV:	8.4	9.8	7.4	8.1	4.5

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Optimizing fungicide application timing

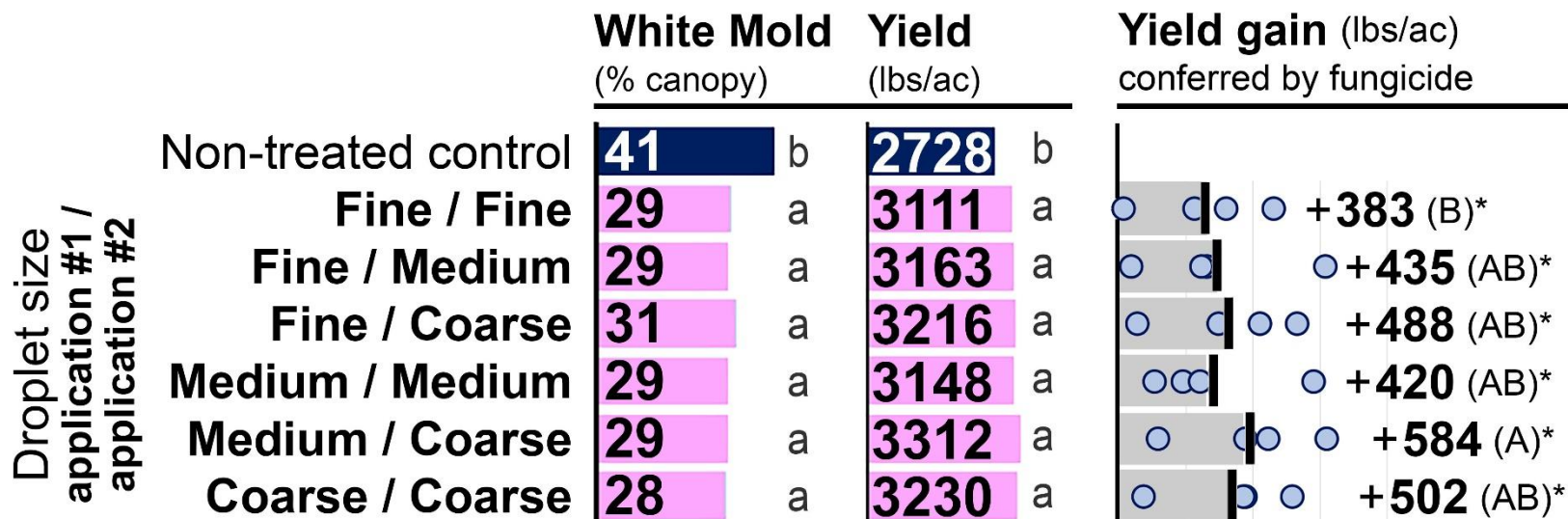
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PINTO BEAN

(B) Fungicide performance maximized with **medium** droplets (application #1) / **coarse** droplets (application #2)



Circle = result from one study
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Combined analysis of **four studies** seeded to 'Palomino' pintos:
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Optimizing fungicide droplet size

Pinto beans:

Preliminary findings from ongoing research –

- In four studies, **fine droplets (app. 1) followed by medium droplets (app. 2)** were optimal
- In four studies, **medium droplets (app. 1) followed by coarse droplets (app. 2)** were optimal
- In all studies, the optimal droplet size increased as canopy density increased between fungicide applications 1 and 2
- The canopy characteristics at which fine vs. medium droplets are optimal at the first application are not understood yet.

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