

Managing Winter Wheat Diseases

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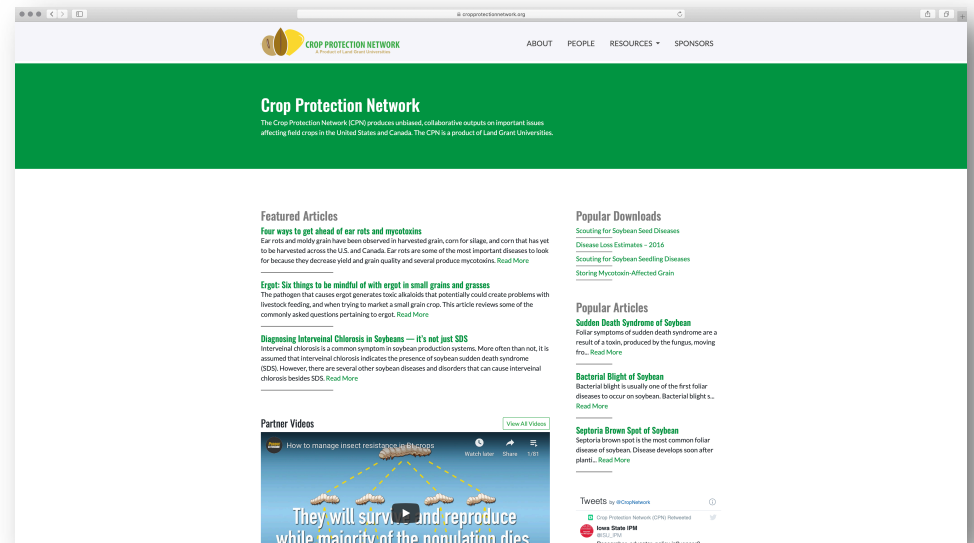
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Electronic Resource Sites



<http://badgercropdoc.com>



<http://cropprotectionnetwork.org>



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Top Wheat Diseases in Wisconsin (Last 5 years)

- Fusarium head blight (scab)
 - Caused by *Fusarium graminearum* and *F. culmorum*
- Stripe rust
 - Caused by *Puccinia striiformis* f. sp. *tritici* (Pst)
- Septoria leaf blotch
 - Caused by *Septoria tritici*
- Leaf rust
 - Caused by *Puccinia triticina*



Stripe rust



Septoria leaf blotch



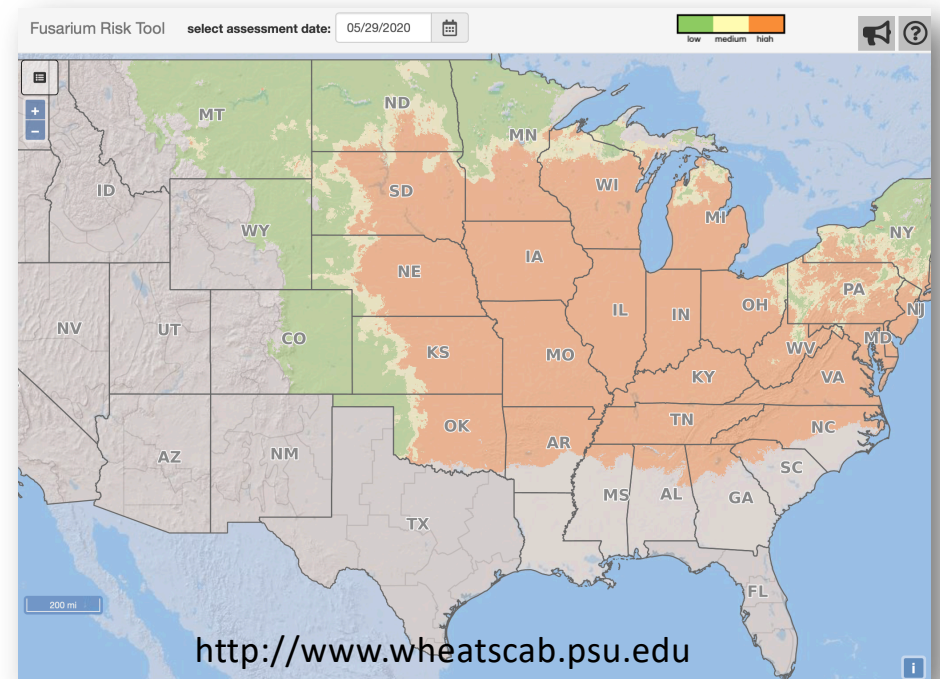
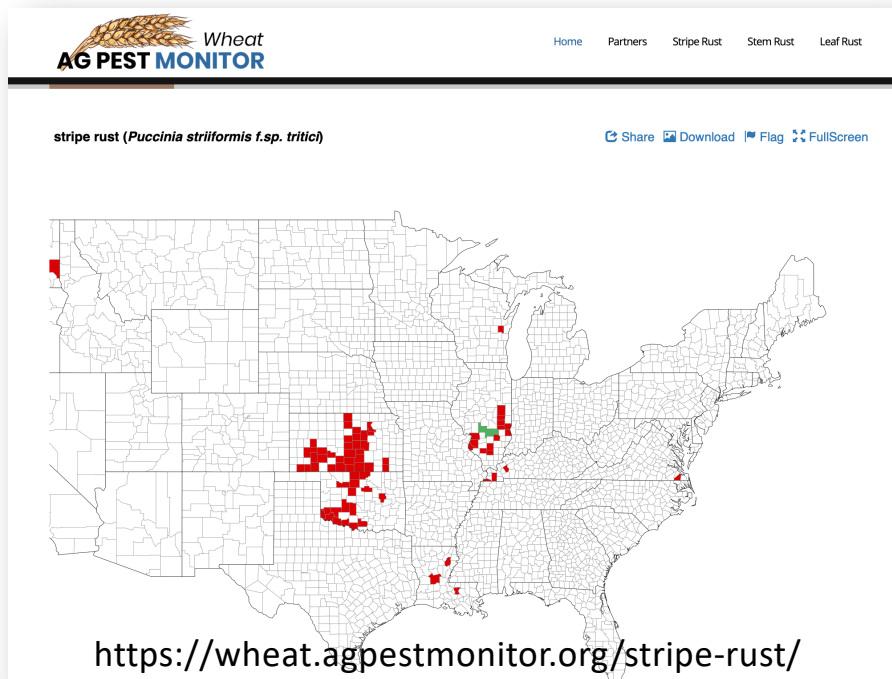
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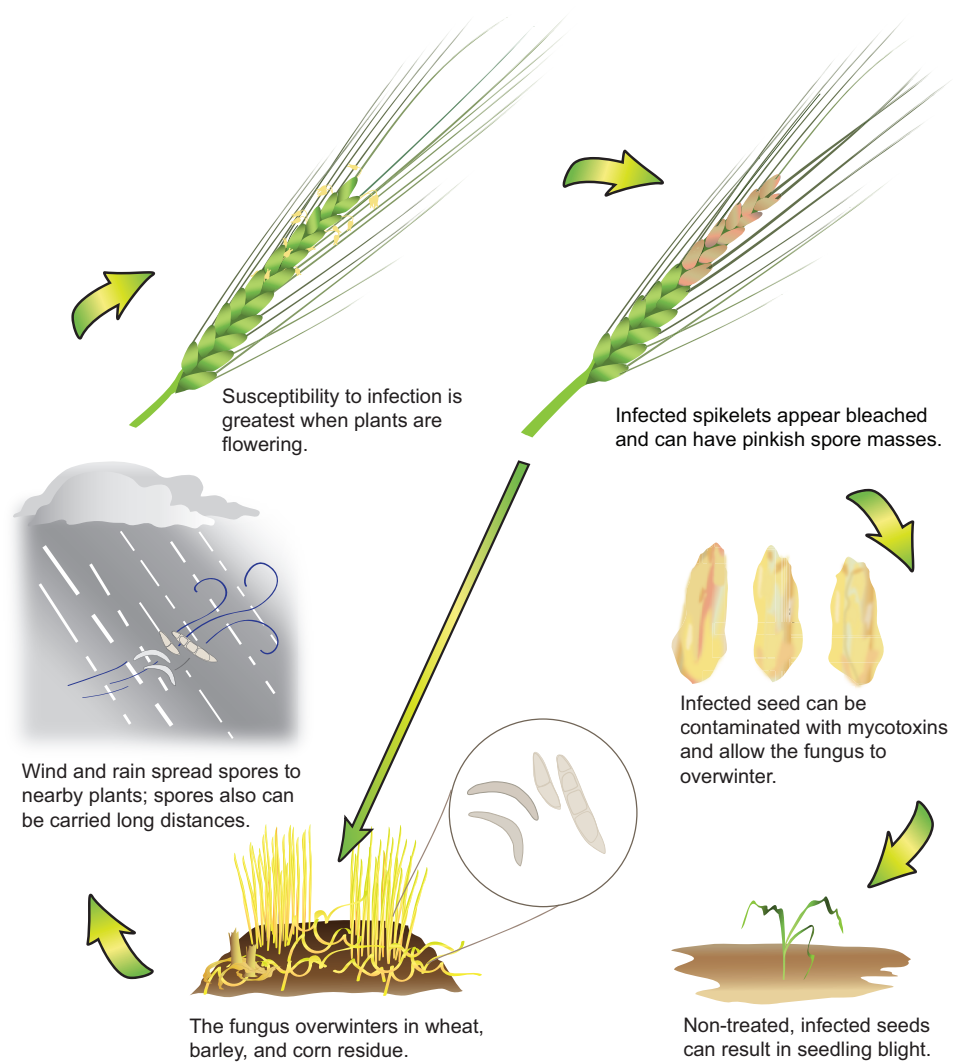
Fusarium head blight



Other Resources to Track



Fusarium head blight cycle



FDA Deoxynivalenol (DON;Vomitoxin) Guidelines



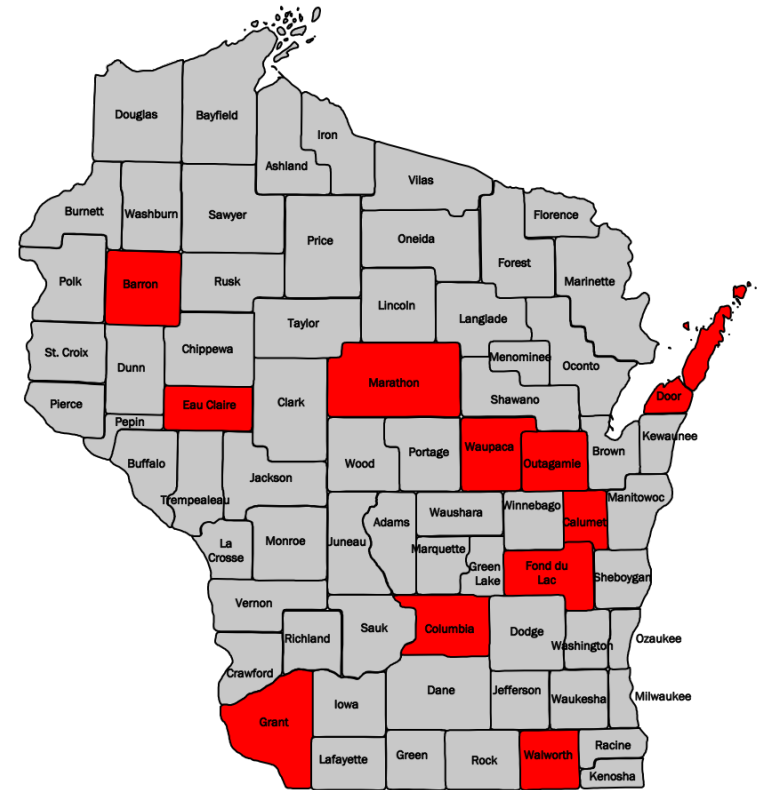
- 1 ppm for finished wheat products (e.g. flour, bran, germ, etc) to be consumed by humans
- 10 ppm for total feed ration for ruminating beef cattle over 4 months
- 5 ppm in the total ration for dairy cattle older than 4 months
- 5 ppm for swine as long as the grain products are not more than 20% of the feed ration
- 5 ppm for as long as the grain products are not more than 40% of the feed ration for all other animals

****In Wisconsin elevators typically start discounting (docking) grain at 2 ppm.**

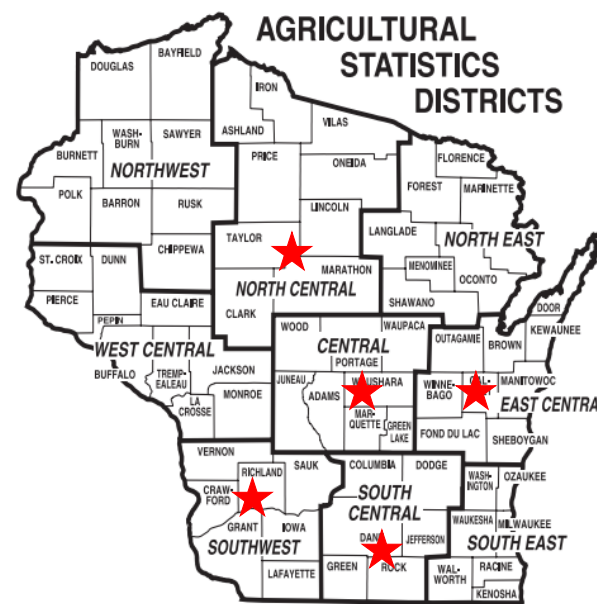
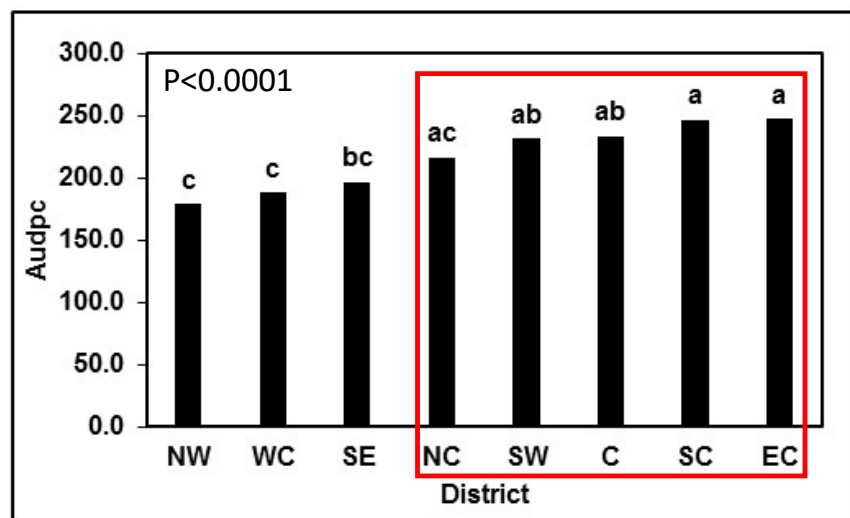


Multiple Chemotypes Can be found in Agronomic Landscapes – An example from Wheat

- 2016 Samples
 - Among 195 wheat head samples collected in 2016 in Wisconsin, 145 *Fusarium* spp. were positively chemotyped as 3ADON or 15ADON
 - 90% were of the 15ADON chemotype and 10% of isolates were 3ADON
- 2017 Samples
 - 185 samples were collected and 120 of them were chemotyped
 - 92% of the isolates were identified as 15ADON chemotype and 8% the 3ADON chemotype



Aggressiveness (AUDPC) by Cropping District



https://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Wisconsin/index.php



Management of FHB

- Rotation
 - Rotation with soybeans is preferred
 - Avoid rotation behind corn, if possible
- Resistant Varieties
 - No complete resistance – partial only
 - Type 1 Resistance – Resistance to initial infection
 - Pursuing this type of resistance has been elusive
 - Type 2 Resistance – Resistance to spread within the spike
 - Most breeding emphasis has been here
 - Fhb1* first gene associated with this resistance
- Fungicide application
 - Product choice important
 - DMI fungicides (Prosaro or Caramba) have been staples
 - DMI plus SDHI (Miravis Ace) is the new product on the scene
 - Strobilurin fungicides (ex. Headline) can make FHB worse
 - Timing of application important
 - Anthesis (Feekes 10.5.1) applications have been the standard
 - More recently applications 5-7 days after anthesis show excellent reductions in DON
 - Applications can be made too early (ex. When the head is still in the boot)
 - All product effective against FHB also effective against stripe rust



Variety Trials Are Key to Making a Decision on What to Plant



Table 7. 2019 Sharon Winter Wheat Performance Trial Results

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| Brand (Entrant) | Entry | 2019 means | | | | | | | 2018 means | |
|-----------------|----------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|----|-----------------|---------------------|
| | | Yield (bu/a) | Test wt. (lb/bu) | Height (in.) | Lodging (1-5) | FHB ¹ (%) | CS ² (%) | % | Yield (bu/a) | Test wt. (lb/bu) |
| AgriMAXX | 413 | 60 | 54.4 | 31 | 1.0 | 6 | 10 | 0 | * 98 | 52.3 |
| | 438 | 58 | 52.8 | 34 | 1.0 | 6 | 19 | 6 | 85 | 51.1 |
| | 463 | 58 | 54.8 | 29 | 1.0 | 2 | 6 | 1 | * 97 | 54.9 |
| | 475 | 56 | 57.0 | 28 | 1.0 | 2 | 9 | 18 | 95 | 56.1 |
| | 485 | 60 | 57.8 | 31 | 1.0 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 94 | 53.2 |
| | 486 | * 63 | 56.3 | 33 | 1.0 | 8 | 6 | 5 | * 96 | 55.5 |
| | 495 | 57 | 57.8 | 31 | 1.0 | 4 | 13 | 0 | — | — |
| | Exp 1902 | 57 | 55.6 | 29 | 1.0 | 4 | 6 | 10 | — | — |
| AgriPro | SY 100 | * 64 | 52.4 | 30 | 1.0 | 18 | 11 | 3 | 88 | 49.8 |
| | SY 547 | 60 | 56.8 | 34 | 1.0 | 23 | 13 | 1 | * 96 | 55.5 |
| | SY 576 | 61 | 55.7 | 33 | 1.0 | 30 | 5 | 14 | — | — |
| | SY Viper | 62 | 56.0 | 33 | 1.0 | 10 | 23 | 6 | — | — |
| CROPLAN | CP8550 | 61 | 56.6 | 34 | 1.0 | 7 | 5 | 0 | 95 | 54.8 |
| | CP9203 | 61 | 55.6 | 33 | 1.0 | 6 | 10 | 6 | — | — |
| | CP9415 | * 66 | 55.3 | 30 | 1.0 | 38 | 14 | 0 | 94 | 55.0 |
| | CP9606 | * 65 | 55.0 | 31 | 1.0 | 19 | 20 | 3 | 88 | 52.0 |
| Diener | D491W | * 63 | 54.3 | 30 | 1.0 | 6 | 10 | 2 | * 99 | 55.4 |
| | D498W | * 64 | 57.4 | 30 | 1.0 | 3 | 4 | 8 | * 101 | 54.7 |
| | D505W | 60 | 56.1 | 33 | 1.0 | 34 | 6 | 1 | * 98 | 54.4 |
| | D510W | * 65 | 56.4 | 31 | 1.0 | 2 | 5 | 2 | — | — |
| | XW1901 | * 65 | 55.0 | 28 | 1.0 | 46 | 10 | 17 | — | — |
| | 9522 | 60 | 55.0 | 32 | 1.0 | 19 | 16 | 3 | 91 | 53.5 |
| Dyna-Gro | 9701 | * 63 | 57.0 | 34 | 1.0 | 14 | 6 | 0 | * 96 | 54.6 |
| | 9862 | * 66 | 56.9 | 32 | 1.0 | 8 | 13 | 13 | * 98 | 53.6 |
| | 9932 | 59 | 56.8 | 31 | 1.0 | 10 | 13 | 7 | — | — |
| | 9941 | 61 | 55.7 | 29 | 1.0 | 4 | 8 | 0 | * 100 | 52.8 |
| | WX18416 | * 65 | 55.2 | 34 | 1.0 | 15 | 18 | 8 | — | — |
| | WX19711 | * 63 | 57.4 | 29 | 1.0 | 4 | 6 | 1 | — | — |
| FS Wheat | FS 599 | 51 | 58.3 | 28 | 1.0 | 2 | 5 | 1 | — | — |
| | FS 601 | 57 | 54.3 | 29 | 1.0 | 9 | 4 | 13 | — | — |
| | FS 603 | 55 | 57.7 | 29 | 1.0 | 4 | 9 | 1 | * 98 | 55.5 |
| | FS 615 | * 64 | 54.9 | 32 | 1.0 | 11 | 10 | 7 | 91 | 53.9 |
| | FS 624 | 59 | 56.3 | 32 | 1.0 | 9 | 29 | 14 | * 98 | 54.5 |
| | FS WX19A | 60 | 57.5 | 32 | 1.0 | 7 | 10 | 0 | — | — |
| Jung | FS WX19B | * 63 | 55.5 | 28 | 1.0 | 16 | 18 | 22 | — | — |
| | S845 | 53 | 53.8 | 33 | 1.0 | 5 | 8 | 1 | * 96 | 52.7 |
| | S850 | 58 | 53.5 | 34 | 1.0 | 44 | 29 | 8 | 84 | 50.4 |
| | S855 | 59 | 55.4 | 33 | 1.0 | 7 | 16 | 0 | 91 | 53.3 |

* Yield is not significantly different (0.10 level) than that of the highest yielding cultivar

¹ Fusarium head blight ² % incidence ³ % severity

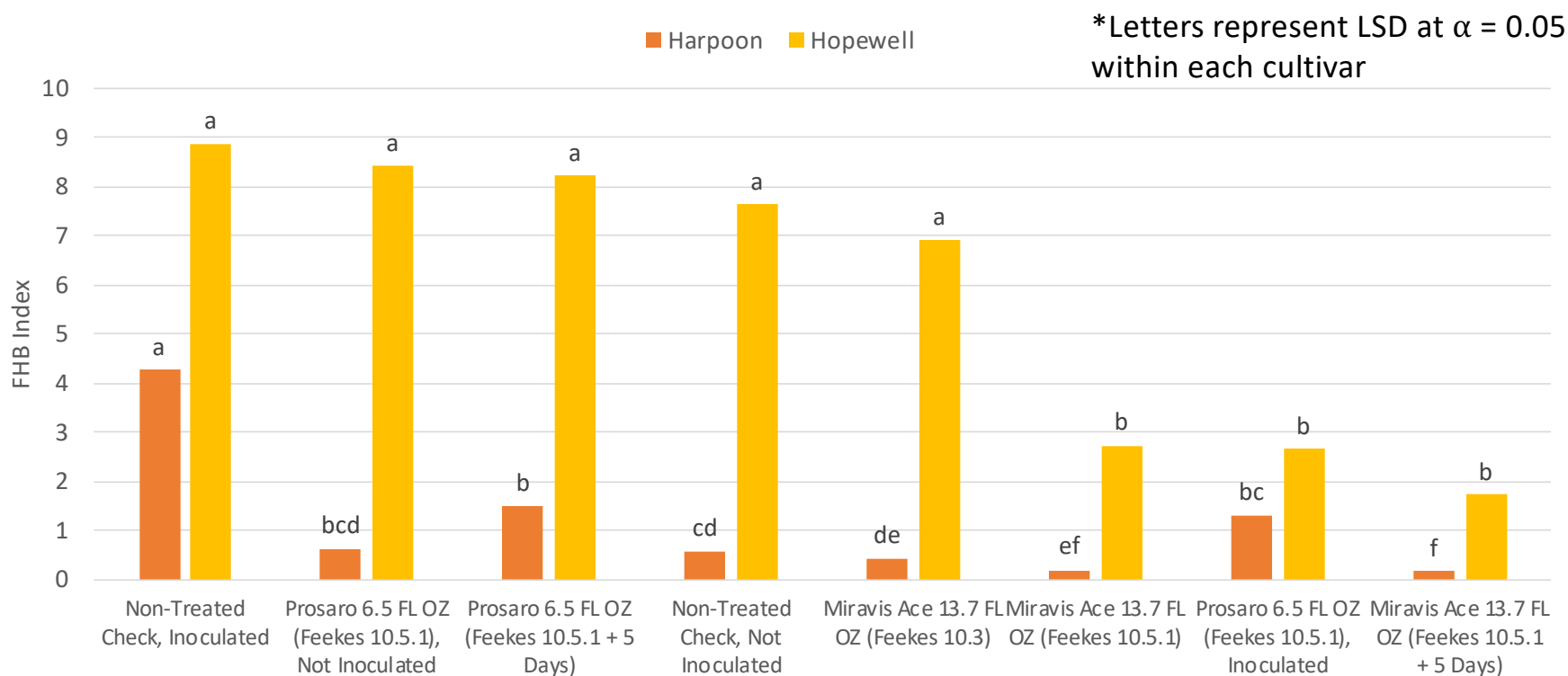
* Cephalosporium stripe expressed as % of diseased and stunted plants

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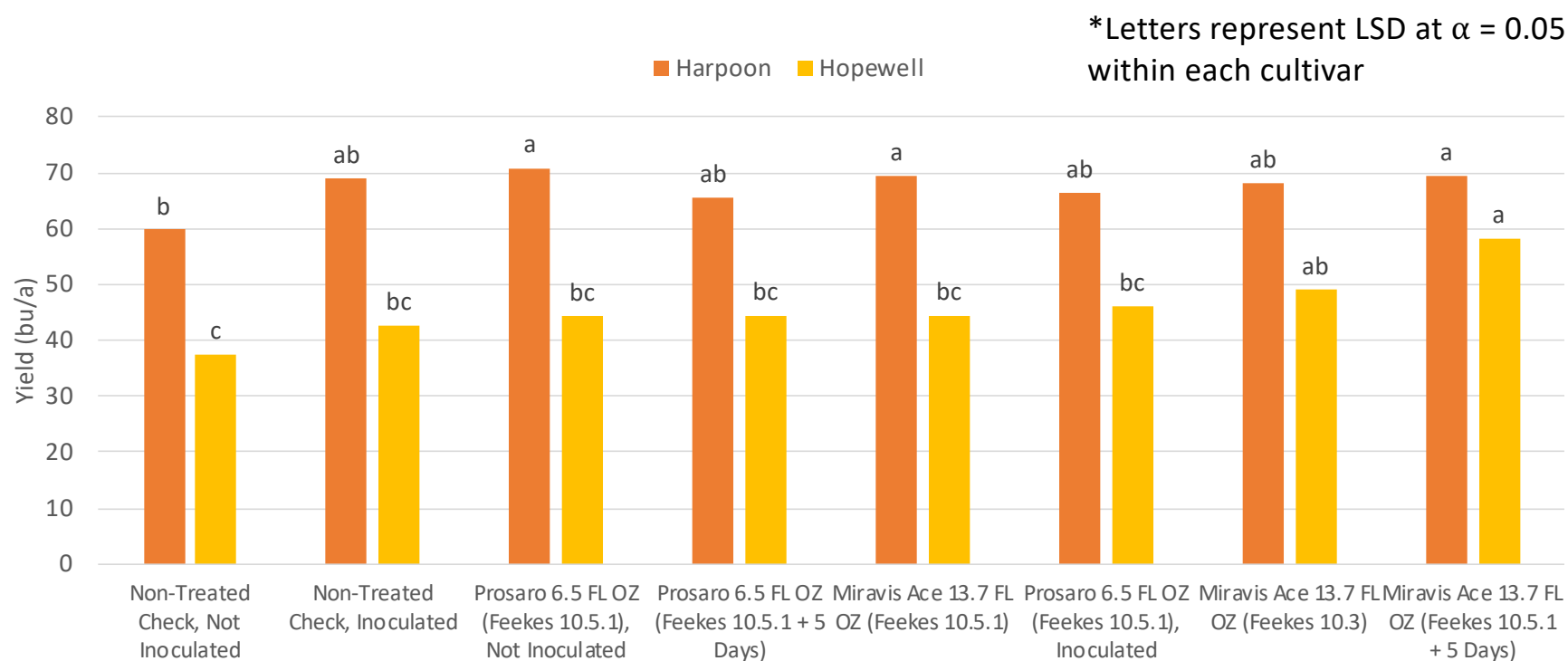
Integrated Management is Key - Combining Resistance with Fungicide Application



2019 Integrated Management Trial

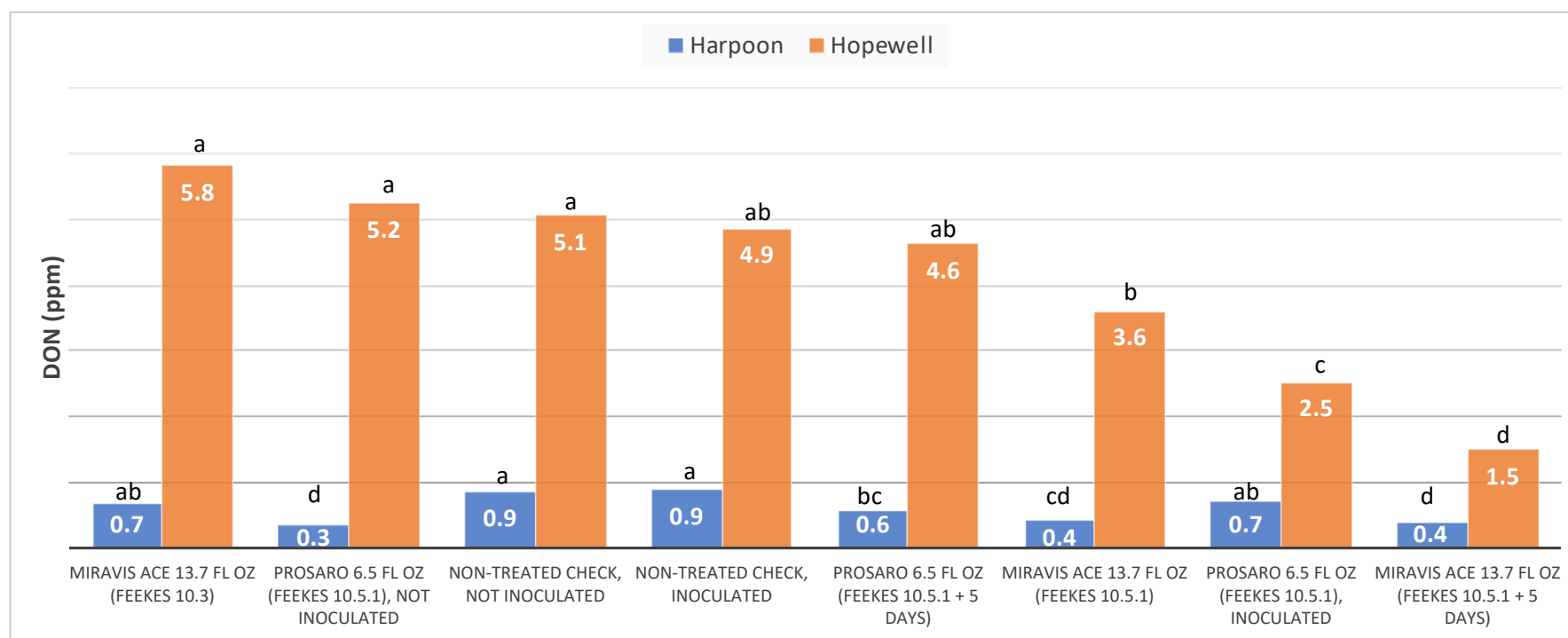


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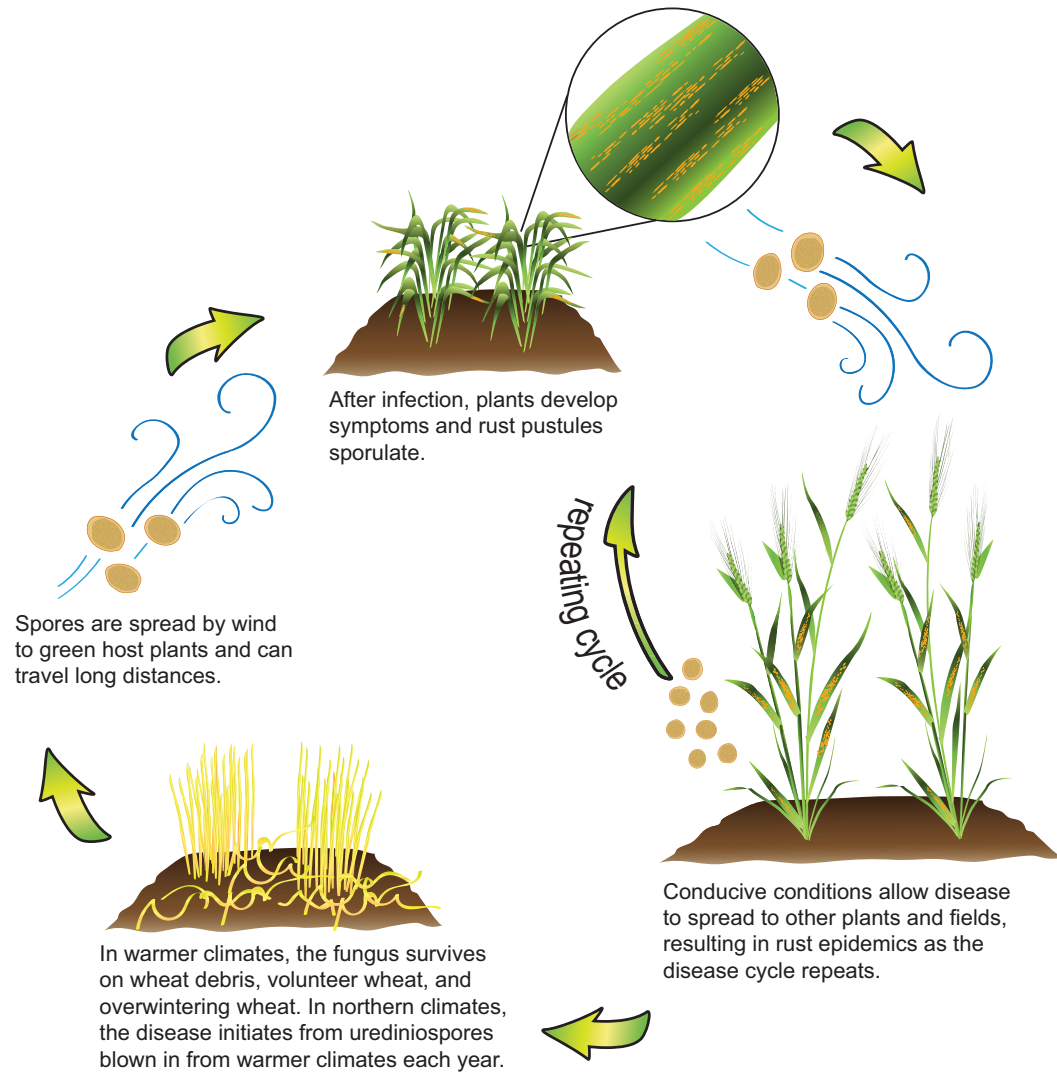


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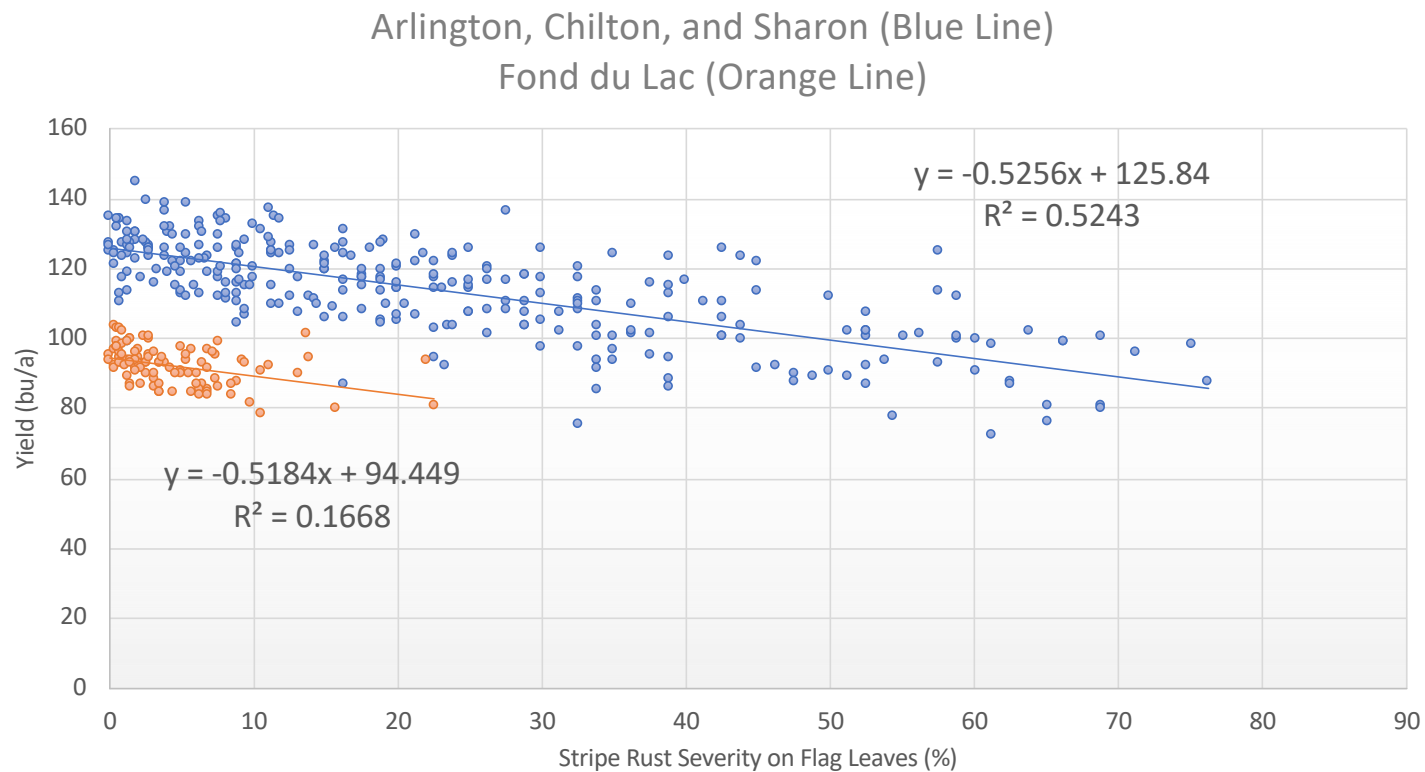
* Letters represent LSD at $\alpha = 0.05$
within each cultivar



Stripe Rust cycle



Yield Loss Due to Stripe Rust In 2016

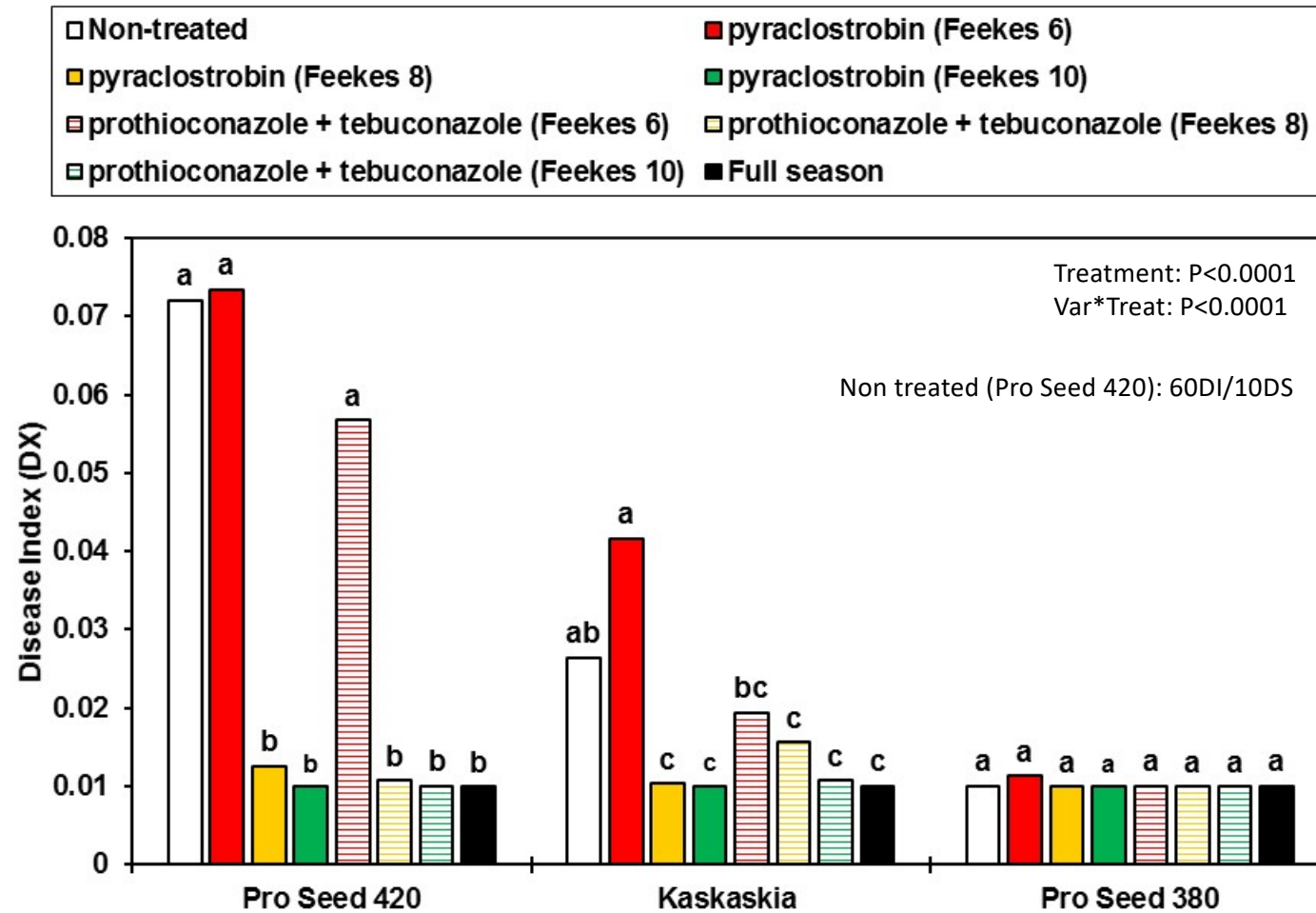


Integrated Management of Stripe Rust in Wisconsin

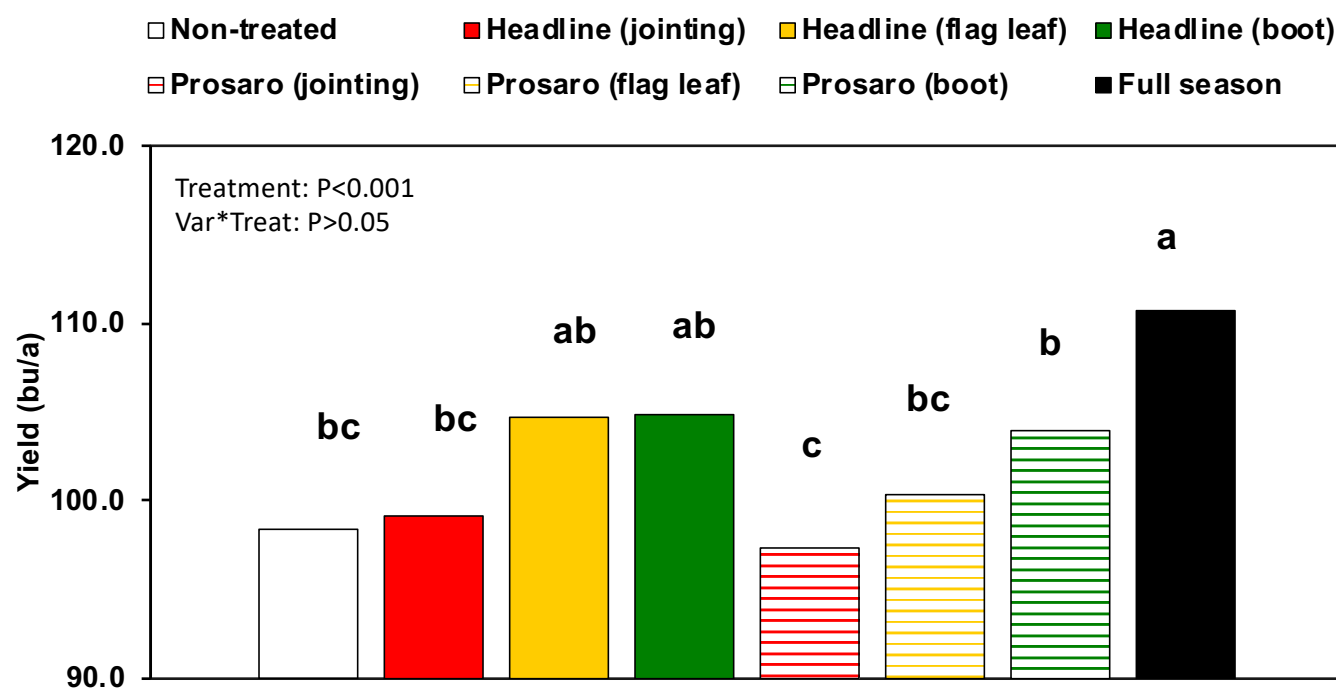
- 2016 and 2017
- Evaluating Fungicide Application Timing on 3 Winter Wheat Varieties
 - Fungicides
 - Prosaro
 - Headline
 - Fungicide Application Timings
 - Non-treated (Negative Control)
 - 1 app at Feekes 5 (Jointing)
 - 1 app at Feekes 8 (Emerging Flag leaf)
 - 1 app at Feekes 10 (Boot Stage)
 - Full-Season Fungicide Application (Positive Control)
 - Varieties
 - Pro Seed 420 (Susceptible)
 - Kaskaskia (Moderately Resistant)
 - Pro Seed 380 (Resistant)



Disease Index 2016



Yield In Stripe Rust Trials, 2016



What is the Return on Investment (ROI) for Intensive Wheat Management?



Intensive Wheat Management Trials (2016-2019)

*All treatments applied to 14 winter wheat varieties each year

Table 1. Management treatments at three levels.

| | Management Treatments | | |
|------------------------------------|--|--------------------------|---|
| | Current | MidLevel | HighLevel |
| Base seed treatment | Same variety/treatment at all levels. See Table 2. | | |
| Base herbicide (14-May) | Huskie 15 fl oz/a | Huskie 15 fl oz/a | Huskie 15 fl oz/a |
| Seeding rate (million seeds/a) | 1.50 | 1.75 | 2.00 |
| Nitrogen (lbs N/a) (5-Apr + 3-May) | 55 | 55+30 split | 110+30 split |
| Growth regulator @ F6 (16-May) | | | Palisade 12 fl oz/a |
| Micronutrients @ F9 (28-May) | | | Brandt Smart Quatro Plus (N,S,B,Mn,Mo,Zn) 32 fl oz/a EB Mix (N,S,B,Mn,Fe,Zn) 64 fl oz/a |
| Fungicide @ F9 (28-May) | | | Trivapro 13.7 fl oz/a |
| Micronutrients @ F10.5.1 (13-June) | | | TakeOff Phite MZ 32 fl oz/a |
| Fungicide @ F10.5.1 (13-June) | | Miravis Ace 13.7 fl oz/a | Miravis Ace 13.7 fl oz/a |

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Intensive Wheat Management Trials (2016-2019)

Average Yields Across all Years, across varieties

Current: 95.2 bu/a

Mid-level: 107.2 bu/a

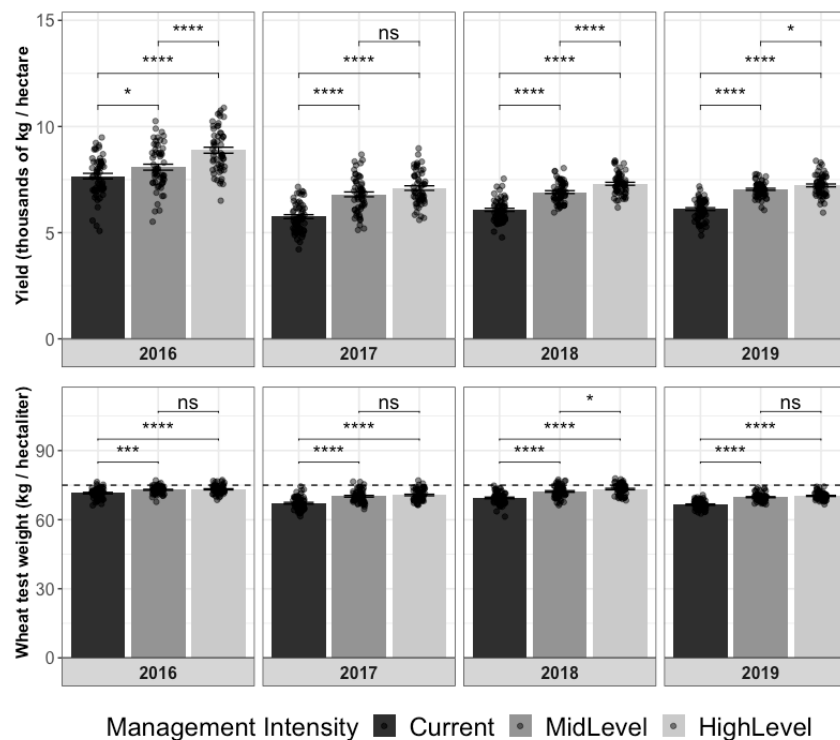
High-level: 113.4 bu/a

Average Yield Preservation all Years, across varieties

Current to mid = 12 bu / acre

Current to high = 18.2 bu / acre

mid to high = 6.2 bu / acre



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The “Take-Home”

- Watch your crop rotation – Try to plant what after soybean
- Choose a FHB-resistant variety that also has decent stripe rust resistance
- Feekes 5 applications of fungicide not needed in most years in Wisconsin
- In some years apply fungicides for stripe rust on susceptible cultivars around Feekes 8 (will also control Septoria if needed)
- Plan to apply an FHB fungicide application – especially on susceptible varieties
 - Shoot for Anthesis or up to 5-days after the start of anthesis for Prosaro and Caramba
 - Can go earlier (Feekes 10.5) up to 5-days after the start of anthesis for Miravis Ace
 - May need other tactics!
 - Rotate to broadleaf crops (soybean/alfalfa) where head scab is problematic
 - Rotating wheat after corn can increase risk of FHB
 - Watch the “Scab Alerts” – it isn’t perfect, but can help make a decision (<http://www.wheatscab.psu.edu>)
 - Be sure to track Stripe Rust (<https://wheat.agpestmonitor.org/stripe-rust/>)



Questions?



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