Living in a world without Bravo

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& OR Winter Meeting.

Plant Pathology Extension

2008-2014 Plant Pathology- Iowa State



2014 Extension Plant Pathology- UMass

OSC Agricultural Scientist in MA ~2 years

Pesticide records WA & OR 2019





Opportunity to diversify our portfolio



Group		FRAC Code	Risk Resistance
DMI	Indar Proline	3	Med
Qol	Abound	11	High
Polyo	Oso, Ph-D	19	Med
chlore	Bravo	M5	Low
dithic	Manzate	M3	Low







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Broad spectrum fungicide for control of plant diseases

 KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN. CAUTION

AZOXYSTROBIN GROUP 11 FUNGICIDE

See additional precautionary statements and directions for use inside booklet.



Active Ingredients:	
Azoxystrobin*	
Difenoconazole**	

FUNGICIDE RESISTANCE IN VITRO ASSAYS

F. CARUSO, 2012

- I different locations in MA
- Indar and Abound
- •4 major fruit rot pathogens



Abound use in MA ~2009

Maximize fungicide efficacy

Coverage

- Application system
- Even canopy? ullet
- Spreaders/stickers? ullet





Maximize fungicide efficacy





Critical period





Dramatic increase in spore production "Weaponized" fungus Shortened time required for infection

Very short window for fungicide app!





Late water flood = maximize efficacy and less apps needed





Fungicide Trials, 2019

Fungicide Program example

In bloom	In bloom	Late Bloom	Late Bloom
Indar/Abound	Indar/Abound	Bravo	Bravo
Indar/Abound	Indar/Abound	Bravo	
Indar/Abound	Bravo		

- Bravo replacements
- How is fruit quality affected?
- Efficacy across regions
- Fungicide resistance is a concern.

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Bravo	Bravo	Bravo
Manzate	Manzate	Manzate
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Massachusetts 2019

Does mancozeb decrease color

and/or fruit size?

- How is quality affected?
- Is Quadris Top effective against fruit rot?

In bloom	In bloom	Late Bloom	Early Bloom	Mid-Bloom	Late Bloom
Bravo	Bravo	Bravo	Quadris Top	Quadris Top	
Manzate	Manzate	Manzate	Bravo	Bravo	
Manzate	Manzate	Quadris Top		Quadris Top	Quadris Top
				Bravo	Bravo
Manzate	Quadris Top	Quadris Top		Manzate	
Quadris Top	Manzate	Manzate	-	WallZate	Manzate
Quadris Top	Quadris Top	Manzate		Manzate	Manzate
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Massachusetts

Sai Sree Uppala UMass, MA • No statistical differences:

- Fruit rot incidence
 - Control= 4.38%
- Fruit size between 1.9-1.7g

• Color

- Good year in MA
- Canopy may be an issue

Early Bloom	Mid-Bloom	Late Bloom
Quadris Top	Quadris Top	
Bravo	Bravo	
	Quadris Top	Quadris Top
	Bravo	Bravo
	Manzate	
		Manzate
	Manzate	Manzate
Untreated	Untreated	Untreated



Wisconsin

Lindsay Wells-Hansen Ag. Scientist, OSC

- No statistical differences:
 - Fruit rot incidence
 - Control= 3%
 - Fruit size ~1.5g
- Statistical difference in color:
 - No fungicide= 23 TACY
 - Late manzate app= 19 TACY

Early vs. late Manzate

Treatment	1 st app	2 nd app	3 rd app	4 th app
1. Late manzate (2 apps)	Quadris Top	Quadris Top	Manzate	Manzate
2. Early manzate (2 apps)	Manzate	Manzate	Quadris Top	Quadris Top



3-yr old DM bed Spray boom

Early vs. late Manzate

	Weight berry (g)	% Rot (g)	% Uncolored (g)	TACY
Early				
manzate	2.5	23.5	2.5	30.3
Late				
manzate	2.1	31.7	10.9	30.9

Manzate & Quadris Top 2019

- No differences observed in field rot (MA, WI).
- Manzate did not affect berry size, TACY, or % uncolored in MA plot trials.
 - Field trials- Size and % uncolored may have been affected by late manzate apps.
- In WI, late manzate treatments had lower TACY.
- Multiple years needed to confirm efficacy and against fruit rot.
 - Quadris Top effective in NJ plot trials

2018 – Studies on fungicide effects on fruit rot & yield Kim Patten - WSU

The newer cranberry fungicide				
Trade Name	Active ingredient	FRAC group(s)		
Indar	fenbuconazole	3		
Abound	azoxystrobin	11		
Proline	prothioconazole	3		
Quadris Top	azoxystrobin + difenoconazole	11 & 3		
QuiltXcel	azoxystrobin + propiconazole	11 & 3		

Objectives:

- Screening of newer fungicides
- Do fungicide affect pollination and bee foraging

Findings:

- New fungicide are very effective
- Use of Quadris Top or Proline during bloom may increase marketable yield in years with high rot. Averaged over time ~17% increase in yield over no fungicides.
- No deleterious effects of any of the fungicides applied during bloom on yield.
- Didn't see any deleterious or positive effects of fungicides on honey bee or bumble foraging behavior

Do 2 to 3 in-bloom fungicides pay for themselves?

Increase in Yield of "good" Stevens

■ 2015 **■** 2016 **■** 2017 **■** 2018





Yield of control was 196 , 146, 180 & 207 bbl/ac in 2015, 2016, 2017 & 2018 respectively

Fungicide Summary

- Bee health needs to be considered when timing fungicides apps
- Timing of application during bloom more important than product





Potential three- point revolution?

The loss of Bravo is an opportunity to strategize and incorporate new and old players.

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Disease management = multi-pronged approach



Monitor bloom progression, closely. Time your applications accordingly

Can we predict peak bloom?

OSC Ag scientists are collecting data across all regions

Susceptible host

Pathogen

Short- and long-term actions

Discussion & Questions

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Fungicide program example in WA

