# Surfactant Use and Proper Selection

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### Wilbur-Ellis Rec's for Cranberries

Surfact	tant Suggestior	ns for Cranberry Protection	
	Antero-EA	Spreader-Sticker designed to stick	
		pesticide to plant (pint/a)	
Insist 90 Plus	R-11	Non-Ionic Surfactant (NIS) - makes water	
		wetter. Breaks surface tension. Coverage	
ROC Crop Oil	HASTEN-EA	Crop Oil Concentrate Ethylated Seed oil great spreading and coverage	
	Glacier-EA	methylated seed oil for pentration with non-ionic surfactant - provides	
		penetration into cuticle and spreading of non-ionic surfactant	
	Renegade-EA	NIS plus MSO plus nitrogen - designed	
		grass control products like clethodim	

# Insecticides and Cranberries

				Boom-Broadcast	Pesticide
Product	Manufacturer	MOA (mode of action)	Sprinkler	Adjuvant Selection	Rate/A
Insecticides					
Altacor					4 oz
(WG)	FMC	Some contact activity	Antero EA (0.125%)	Insist 90 Plus (0.25%)	
		Most Affective through ingestion of treated material	In-Place (0.25 oz/a)	Crosshair (4 oz/a)	
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Delegate					3 to 6 oz
(WG)	Corteva	Control or suppression of Foliage Feeding Pests	Antero EA (0.125%)	Insist 90 Plus (0.25%)	
			In-Place (0.25 oz/a)	Crosshair (4 oz/a)	
Avaunt					6 oz
(WG)	FMC	Most affective through ingestion of treated material	Antero EA (0.125%)	Insist 90 Plus (0.25%)	
		Thereugh carry coverage is assential	In-Place (0.25 oz/a)	Crossbair (4 a= /a)	
		Thorough spray coverage is essential	III-Place (0.25 02/a)	Crosshair (4 oz/a)	
Intrepid 2F					1 pt
(flowable)	Corteva	Ingestion – Causes a lethal pre-mature molt	Antero EA (0.125%)	Insist 90 Plus (0.25%)	1 μι
(Howable)	Corteva	ingestion – causes a lethal pre-mature molt	In-Place (0.25 oz/a)	Crosshair (4 oz/a)	
			111-1 lace (0.23 02/a)	C103311a11 (4 02/a)	
Mayanta					
Movento	Bayer	Systemic up and down plant			
(flowable)		Apply after petal fall, two weeks apart	ROC Cron Oil (3 nts/A)	ROC Crop Oil (3 pts/A)	
(Howabic)		Apply after petarran, two weeks apart	NOC CIOP ON (5 pts/A)	Noc crop on (5 pts/A)	
Orthene 97					1 lb
Ortificite 37					1 10
(WSG)	Amvac	Acetylcholine esterase Inhibitor –	Antero EA (0.125%)	Antero-EA (0.125%)	
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		Contact and injestion	In-Place (0.25 oz/a)	Crosshair (4 oz/a)	

Please READ and FOLLOW all label directions and restrictions
Rates of IN-PLACE may be different when tank mixing two pesticide products

# Fungicides and Cranberries

Product	Manufacturer	MOA (mode of action)	Sprinkler	<b>Adjuvant Selection</b>	Rate/A
<u>Fungicides</u>					
Abound (Afra	me)				15 oz
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(flowable)	Syngenta	Thorough Coverage Essential	Antero EA (0.125%)	Insist 90 Plus (0.25%)	
		Inhibition of the QOL Site within electron transport	In-Place (0.25 oz/a)	OR Syl-tac (4 oz/a)	
				Crosshair (4 oz/a)	
Bravo					5 pts
(flowable)	Syngenta	Multi-Site MOA – Preventative – Uniform coverage	Antero EA (0.125%)	Insist 90 Plus (0.25%)	
			In-Place (0.25 oz/a)	OR Syl-tac (4 oz/a)	
				Crosshair (4 oz/a)	
Indar 2F					6 -12 oz
(flowable)	Corteva	Systemic w/ prentative and curative properties	Antero EA (0.125%)	Insist 90 Plus (0.25%)	
			In-Place (0.25 oz/a)	OR Syl-tac (4 oz/a)	
				Crosshair (4 oz/a)	
Nu-Cop 50 DF					6 lb
(dry flowable)	Albaugh	Coverage essential	Antero EA (0.125%)	Insist 90 Plus (0.25%)	
			In-Place (0.25 oz/a)	Crosshair (4 oz/a)	
Proline 480 SC					5.7 oz
	D	DDOUNE® 400 CC F	A . I	A . I	
	Bayer	PROLINE® 480 SC Fungicide is a broad-spectrum,	Antero EA (0.125%)	Antero-EA (0.125%)	
		Group 3, systemic fungicide.			

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# Herbicides and Cranberries

				Boom-Broadcast	Pesticide
Product	Manufacturer	MOA (mode of action)	Sprinkler	Adjuvant Selection	Rate/A
<u>Herbicides</u>					
Roundup					2 qts
(Liquid)	Bayer/Others	Systemic	Antero EA (0.125%)	Insist 90 Plus (0.25%)	
			In-Place (0.25 oz/a)	AMS (12.5 lbs/a)	
				or Cayuse Plus (1%)	
Poast					2.5 pts
(EC)	BASF	Rapidly translocates throughout the plant	Antero EA (0.125%)	ROC Crop Oil (2 pts/a)	
			In-Place (0.25 oz/a)	Crosshair (4 oz/a)	
Quinstar 4L					8 oz
(liquid)	Albaugh	Systemic – plant uptake through both	NR-Antero EA (0.125%)	ROC Crop Oil (2 pts/a)	
			In-Place (0.25 oz/a)	OR Syl-tac (4 oz/a)	
				Crosshair (4 oz/a)	
Vaquero - cle	ethodim				8 oz
(EC)	Wilbur-Ellis	Systemic – Plant uptake through the foliage	Antero EA (0.125%)	Renegade-EA (1%)	
			In-Place (0.25 oz/a)	Crosshair (4 oz/a)	
Callisto					8 oz
(SC)	Syngenta	Coverage Essential	Antero EA (0.125%)	Insist 90 Plus (0.25%)	
		Mimics Callistemon plant	In-Place (0.25 oz/a)	Crosshair (4 oz/a)	

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# Selected Adjuvant Products



CROSSHAIR®
DILIGENCE-EA®
GUIDANCE-EA®
IN-PLACE®



GLACIER-EA'
RENEGADE-EA'
SYL-TAC-EA'



ANTERO-EA® RAINIER-EA®



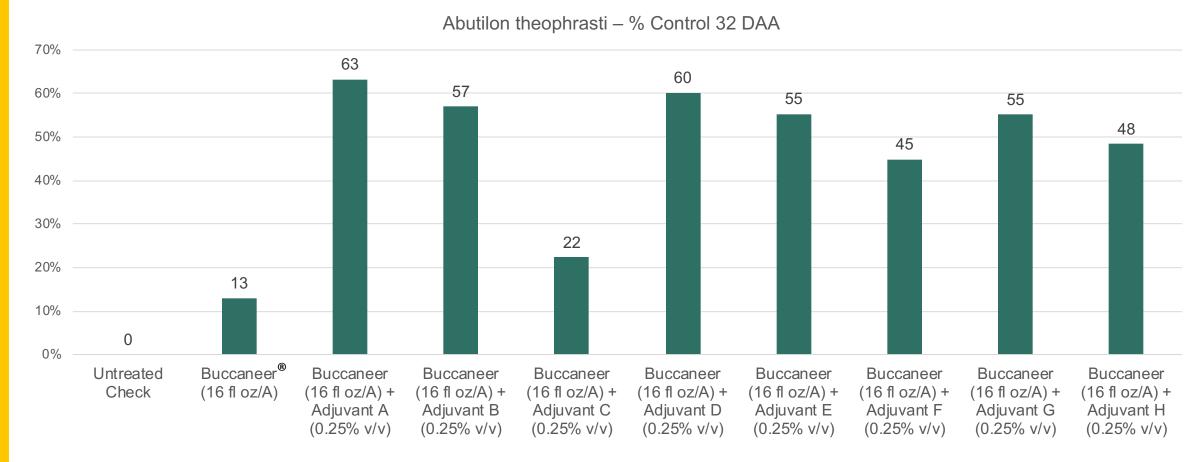
BRIMSTONE®
BRONC® MAX
CYNDER®



**SUPER SPREAD® MSO** 

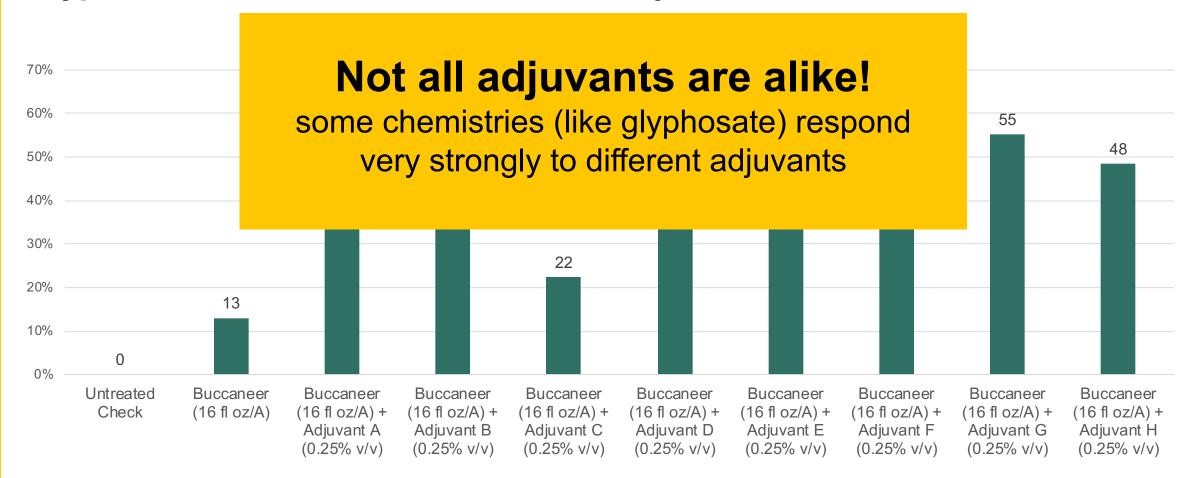
# Not All Adjuvants are Created Equal!

Glyphosate alone and tank-mixed with adjuvants at 0.25% v/v



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# Adjuvant

 An adjuvant is a material added to a mixture to aid or modify the action of an agrichemical, or alter the physical characteristics of the mixture.





# **Adjuvant Types**



- Spreaders
- Spreaders + AMS
- Spreader-Activators
- Penetrator-Activator
- Spreader-Stickers
- Sticker-Extenders
- Silicones
- Crop Oil Concentrates
- High Surfactant Oil Concentrate

- Modified Seed Oils
- Modified Seed Oil + Organosilicone Blend
- Modified Seed Oil + Nitrogen
- Acidifier/Buffers
- Alkaline/Buffers
- Water Conditioners
- Deposition and Drift Management





### **State Adjuvant Registration**

- In some states adjuvants are required to be registered; WA, CA, ID, UT and WY in the western states.
- In order to be registered these adjuvants must comply with the definitions established by ASTM.





## **CPDA**



### **Council of Producers & Distributors of Agrotechnology**

- Voluntary Adjuvant Certification Program
- Only organization representing adjuvants to the EPA.
   (EPA sets some of the requirements needed to be CPDA certified, along with U.S. Dept. of Transportation, U.S. OSHA)
- Certification program that sets viable minimum standards
  - Toxicology on all products required
  - Must meet ASTM definitions
  - Standards for active ingredients.
  - Certified formulation facilities





### **CPDA**



### **CPDA Certified Products**



- Started Certifying Products in 2001
- Probably in excess of 2000 adjuvants in marketplace.
- Currently 102 adjuvants have received CPDA Certification
- Supporting companies are Wilbur-Ellis, Winfield Solutions, Helena, Loveland/CPS, United Suppliers, Intec and others.









### **CPDA Certified Products**

#### Helena

- Agri-Dex<sup>®</sup>
- Crop Oil Concentrate
- Induce®
- Kinetic<sup>®</sup>
- Penetrator® Plus
- Vegetable Oil Concentrate®

#### Winfield Solutions LLC

- Alliance®
- Class Act® NG™
- Destiny® HC
- Droplex<sup>™</sup>
- InterLock®
- Level 7®
- Powerlock®
- Superb® HC

#### Loveland

- Choice® Weather Master™
- MSO® Concentrate with Leci-Tech

#### Monterey AgResources

- Magnify
- Monterey Cop Oil

#### Wilbur-Ellis

- BRONC® MAX
- CAYUSE® PLUS
- R-11®
- RAINER-EA™
- HASTEN®
- CROSSHAIR®
- IN-PLACE®
- RENEGADE-EA™
- SUPER SPREAD® 7000
- SUPER SPREAD® MSO
- SYL-TAC®

#### Rosen's

- Array ®
- Enact™
- Diplomat® HSOC
- Ortech®
- Powerhouse
- Putity 100

#### Rosen's

- R-Way<sup>®</sup>
- Sundance® II
- Tradition® 93

#### United Suppliers, Inc.

- Air Force®
- AMSol Plus®
- AmSurf Xtra™
- Between® HSOC
- Chemsurf 80
- Chemsurf 90
- Double Down<sup>®</sup>
- Downdraft®
- Fastrack™
- Formula® 1
- Premium Crop Oil Concentrate
- Speedway<sup>®</sup>
- Sprint ™ADT
- Succeed<sup>®</sup>
- Ultra-Lite®
- Ultra Surf AMS







#### A Nonionic Low Foam Wetter/Spreader Adjuvant

\*ACTIVE INGREDIENTS:
Alkyl Aryl Polyoxylkane ethers, alkanolamides, dimethyl siloxane, and Free Fatty Acids 90.0%
Components in the siloyant 10.0%
TOTAL 100.0%
Surfactant Content: 70.0%

When you are CPDA Certified it is a requirement that you have to show your actual *Surfactant Content* on your Label.





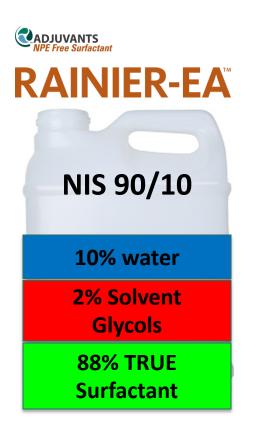


### **NIS Comparison SOLVENT or SURFACTANT?**



Surfactant

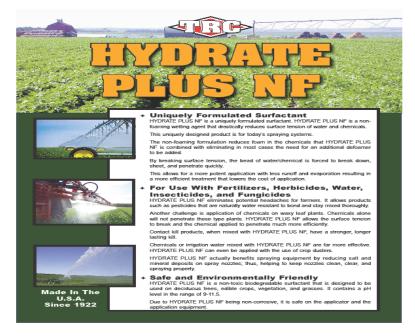








### Texas Refinery Corp.



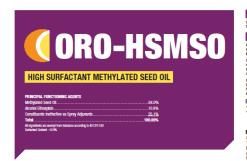
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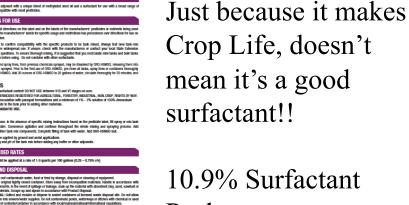
20% Surfactant????



### **ORO AGRI**







ATEMENTS: Causes severe skin burns and eye damage. Harmful to aquatic life

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN DANGER/PELIGRO



10.9% Surfactant Package

- ORO HSMSO is an MSO adjuvant that is trying to claim it is heated up in a proprietary fashion.
- Oro-Agri is making claims that it is an HSMSO which stands for High Surfactant MSO.
- But ORO HSMSO product according to its label only contains 10.9% surfactant and contains 64% MSO, which is outside the 40:60% MSO range that would normally be classified as an HSOC (High Surfactant Oil Concentrate).





CPDA Certified Products Means Something





**CROSSHAIR®** 



**HASTEN®** 





**RENEGADE-EA** 









SUPER SPREAD® MSO SUPER SPREAD® 7000





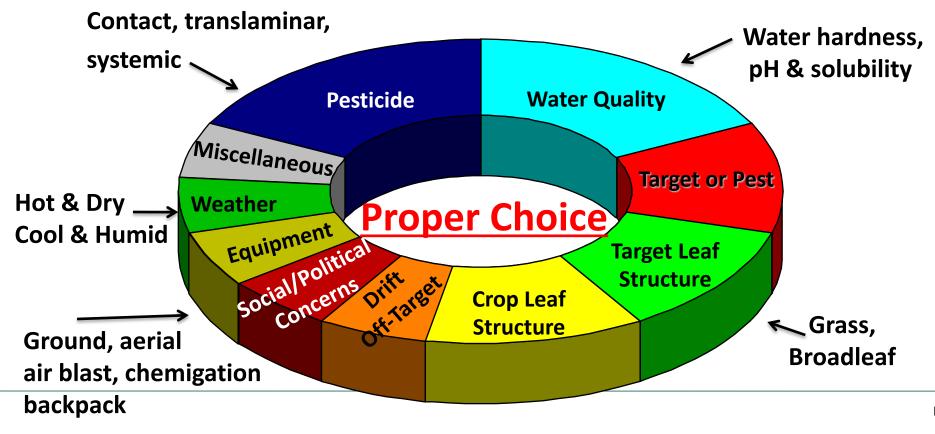




## Adjuvant Selection Factors



 Consider all factors and your experiences to make the proper adjuvant choice.







# Surfactants

 Surfactant is a word derived from the term "surface-active agent." Surfactants are adjuvants that reduce the surface tension of water or increases its wettability. They aid the emulsifying, spreading, wetting or other surface-modifying properties of liquids.

### **ASTM Definition**



# **Surfactant Types**



ANIONIC - surfactant that has a negative (-) charge and limited compatibility.

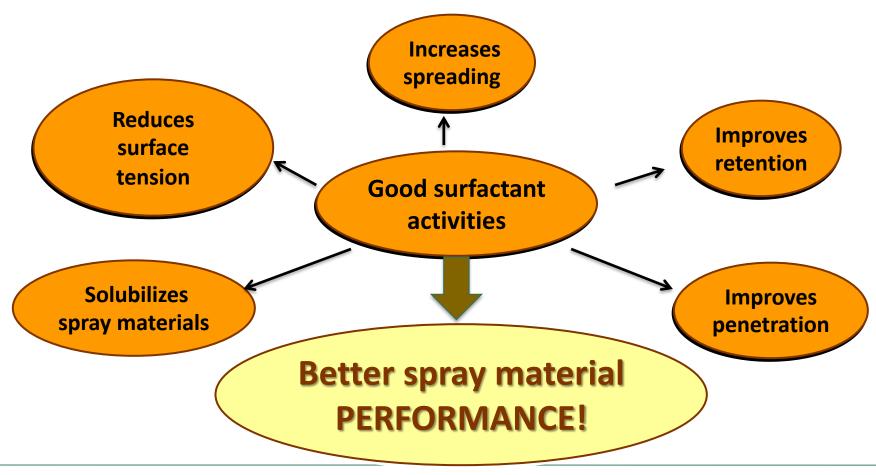
**CATIONIC** - surfactant that has a positive (+) charge and **limited compatibility.** 

NON-IONIC - surfactant that has no electrical charge and is generally compatible with all pesticides.



# Functions of a High Quality Surfactant











- Surface tension of water is 72 dynes/cm
- Droplets sit on leaf hairs or leaf surface
- Little leaf contact
- Reduced spray activity

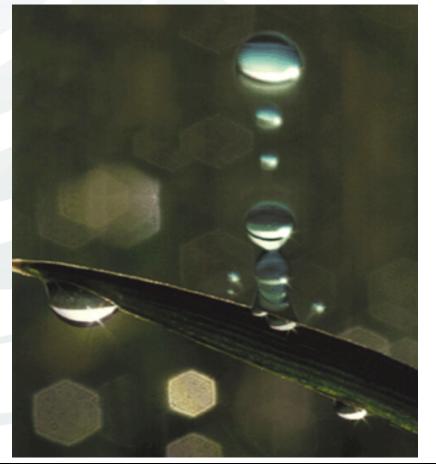




## **Proper Use of Wetting Agent**



- Drastically increases plant surface area covered by spray.
- Reduces spray run-off from treated surfaces.
- Reduces spray droplet rebound



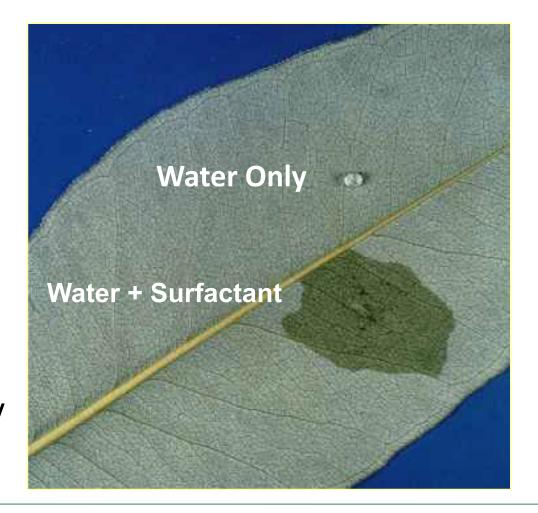
Time elapsed photography showing droplet compressing and rebounding from plant leaf. Wetting agents reduce spray droplet surface tension and energy needed for this rebound to occur.

Drops spread over surface rather bounce of surfaces.

## **Surfactant Effects**



- Surfactant reduces surface tension to 20-40 dynes/cm.
- Droplets spread over leaf, penetrate hairy surface
- Increased leaf contact
- Increased spray activity







### Japanese Maple with and without ProNatural® Spreader-Sticker







# PESTICIDES - BARRIERS OF ENTRY

Leaf angle



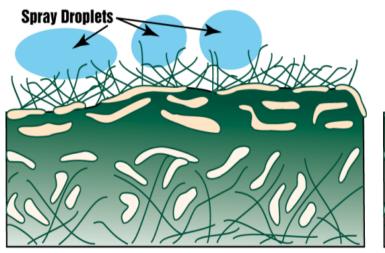




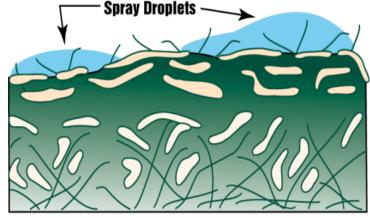


# PESTICIDES - BARRIERS OF ENTRY

### Leaf hairs (pubescence)







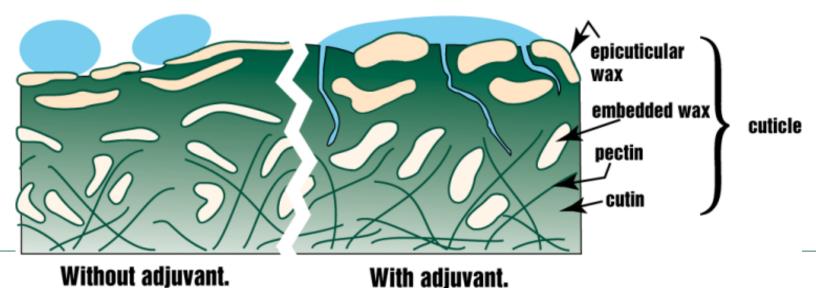
Sparse pubescence may increase wetting.





# **PESTICIDES - BARRIERS OF ENTRY**

### Leaf surface or cuticle

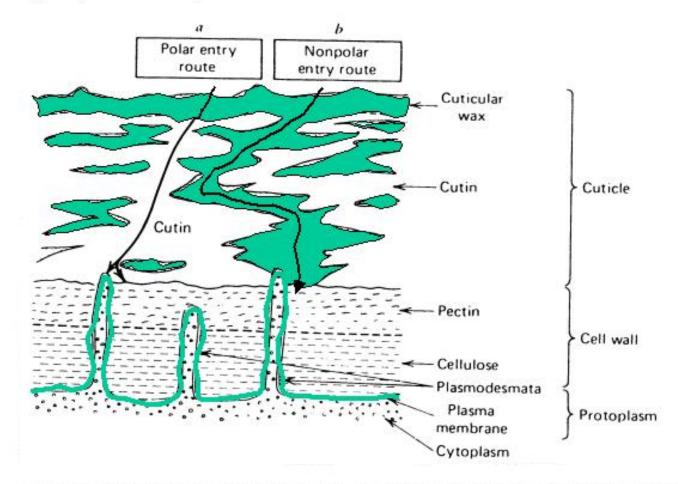




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Figure 2. Absorption routes from leaf surface to cytoplasm. (Ashton and Crafts. 1981.)









# Leaf Pubescence

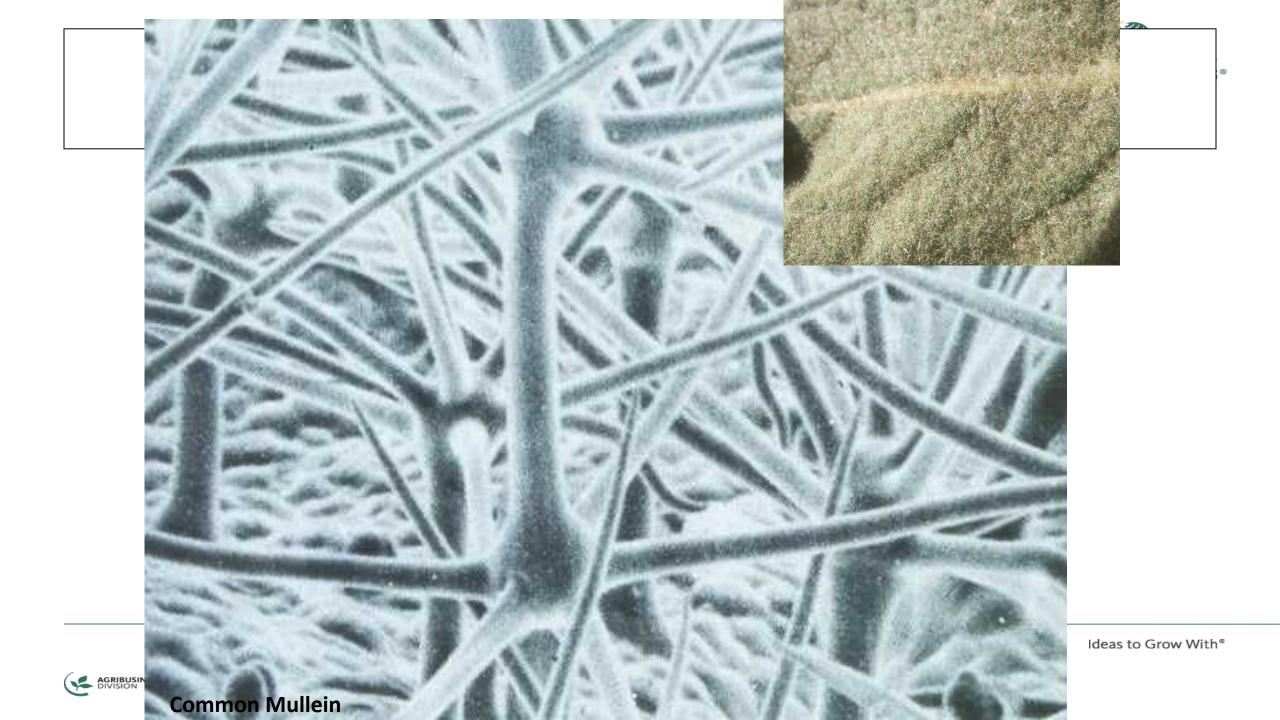








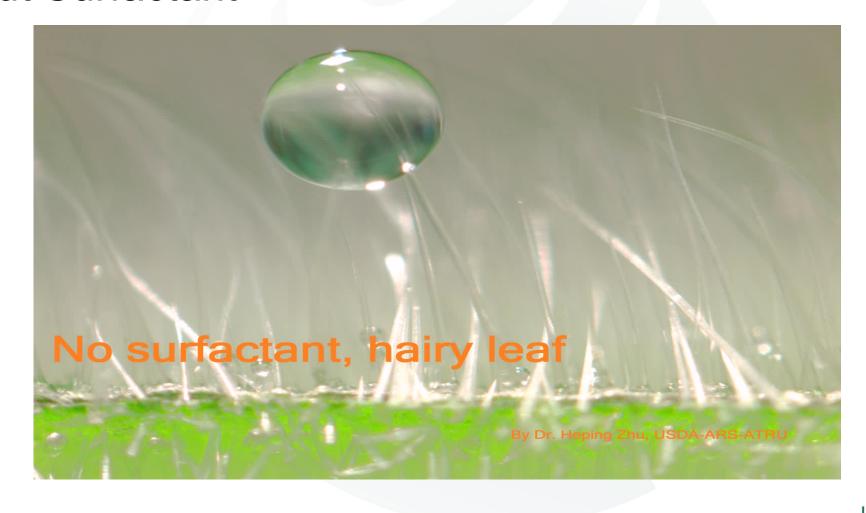




# **Droplet on Hairy Leaf**

### Without Surfactant





# **Droplet on Hairy Leaf**

With Surfactant







### Differences Between Spreaders, Spreader-Activators and Penetrator-Spreader-Activators



- <u>Spreader</u> reduces the surface tension and increase the surface area covered by the pesticide.
- Spreader-Activator reduces surface tension, increases the surface area covered and moves pesticide around, under and into the water channels of the leaf.
- <u>Penetrator-Spreader-Activator</u> <u>Lifts and dissolves</u> the wax on the leaf surface allowing the pesticide to enter the leaf.



### **Penetration vs Coating**



- Modified Seed Oil (MSO)
  - Exceptional <u>penetration</u>
- Non-Ionic surfactant (NIS)
  - Spreader-Activator
- Crop Oil Concentrate (COC)
  - Coats versus penetrate



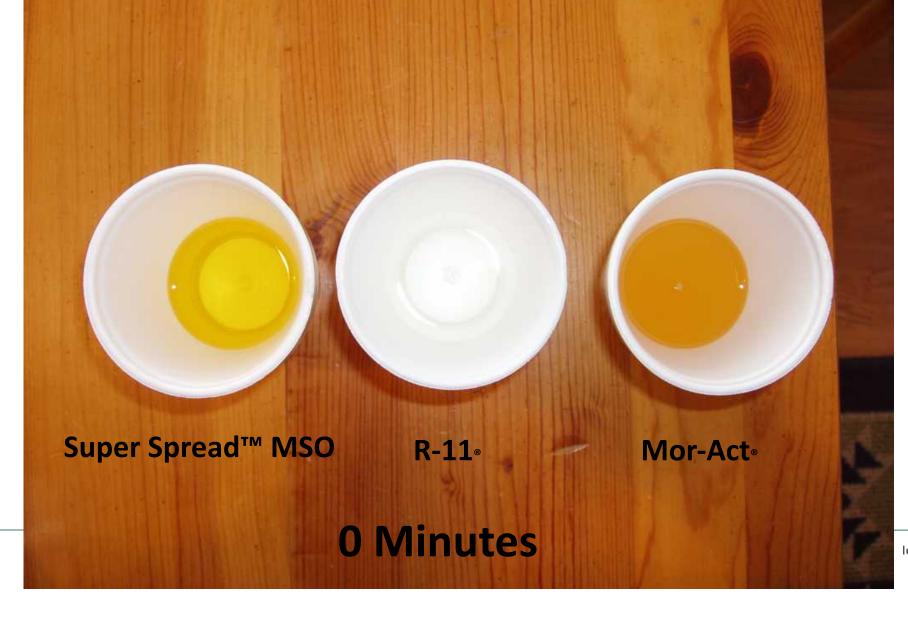


# Where do you want the product?

- Do want to spread and coat the outside of the leaf/plant?
- Do you want the product inside the leaf, so it can move throughout the leaf and entire plant?
  - Is it a <u>Contact</u> product?
  - Is it a <u>Translaminar</u> product?
  - Is it a <u>Systemic</u> product?



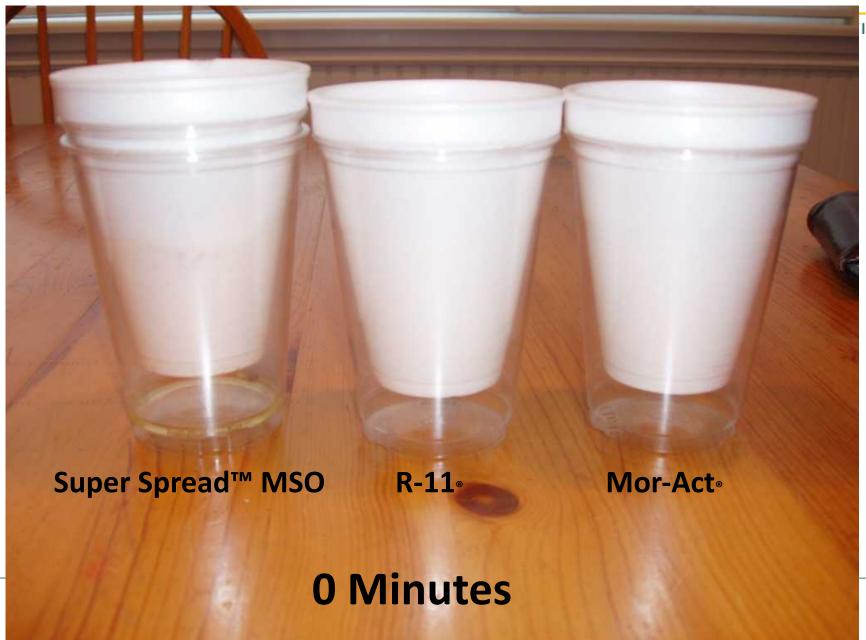








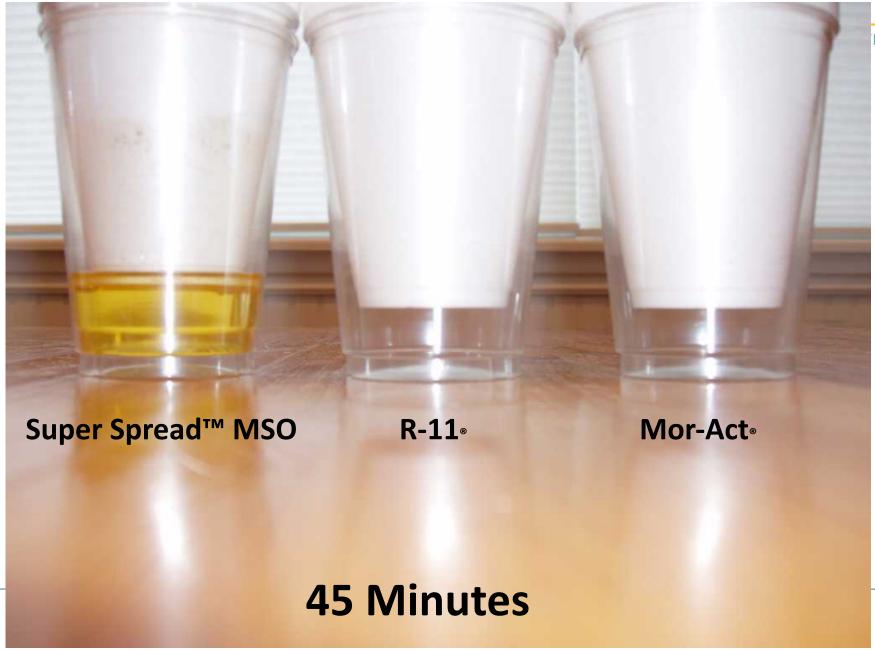






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# **ECO ADVANTAGE**

The newest portfolio of premier adjuvants.

All **ECO ADVANTAGE** products have the four EA pillars in order to provide a superior product with less impact on the land.







### **ECO ADVANTAGE**







All **ECO ADVANTAGE** products meet or exceed competitors' **performance**.



ECO ADVANTAGE products are labeled for use in and around bodies of water.



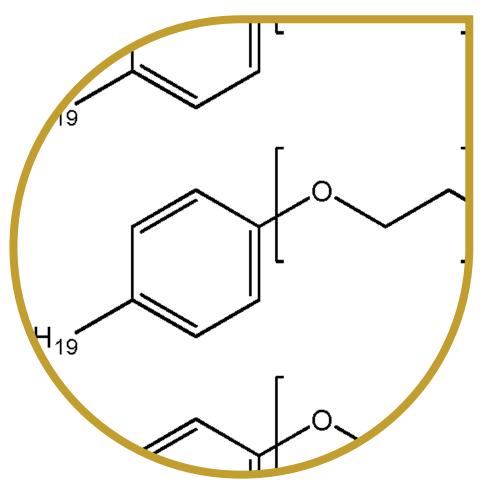
# Improved **SAFETY**handling means all **ECO ADVANTAGE** products have:

- Lower eye toxicity
- Lower dermal toxicity



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Many Wilbur-Ellis customers may be impacted by various NPE use restrictions. This impact will mainly be felt through product exports to other countries.

- What are NPEs?
- NPE = Nonylphenol Ethoxylates
- Wetting agent, dispersant and emulsifier



## RAINIER-EA®

Penetrant, Spreading, Wetting

### **Features**

- High concentration NIS formulated to increase uptake from spray droplet deposits
- Reduces surface tension of spray droplets and provides uniform foliage coverage
- Low foaming technology
- Labeled for Aquatic use
- NPE Free

#### **Benefits**

- Quickly wets and spreads, allowing for uniform coverage
- Increases absorption and translocation of systemic products into the plant tissue
- Ease of use with less foam resulting in the final tank solution
- Can be used with aquatically labeled pesticides
- Excellent safety and handling





Roundup PowerMax 24 oz/ac R-11<sup>®</sup> 24 oz/100 gal 6/2/14





Roundup PowerMax 24 oz/ac Rainer-EA™ 24 oz/100 gal 6/2/14

### **NPE-Free Surfactant Products**



# ANTERO-EA®

# **Antero-EA Video**



## **ANTERO-EA®**

Multi-Functional, Spreading, Wetting, Retention/Sticker, Adhesion

### **Features**

- Premium Spreader-Sticker
- High quality formulation
- Labeled for aquatic use
- NPE Free

### Benefits

- More uniform coverage
- Improves adhesion, reduces surface tension
- Resists wash-off
- Works well with WP formulations
- Excellent crop safety
- Ability to use with aquatically labeled chemistry



## **ANTERO-EA®**

**ANTERO-EA** is composed of surface active agents and organic polymers that help reduce surface tension and aid in pesticide retention on plants. **ANTERO-EA** can be used with a wide range of agricultural chemicals, especially wettable powders or dry flowable formulations of fungicides and insecticides.

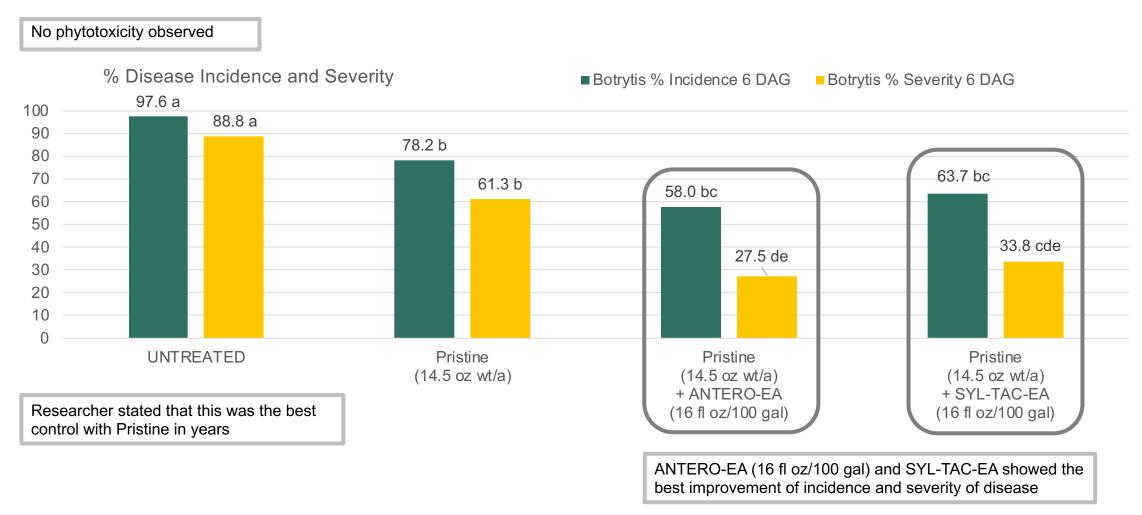
- Adheres product to plant surface
- Resists "wash off" during wet conditions.
- Uniform coverage of fungicides, herbicides, insecticides, and defoliants
- Applied by air or ground (including backpack), and may be used in chemigation applications.



# **ANTERO-EA®** The Science

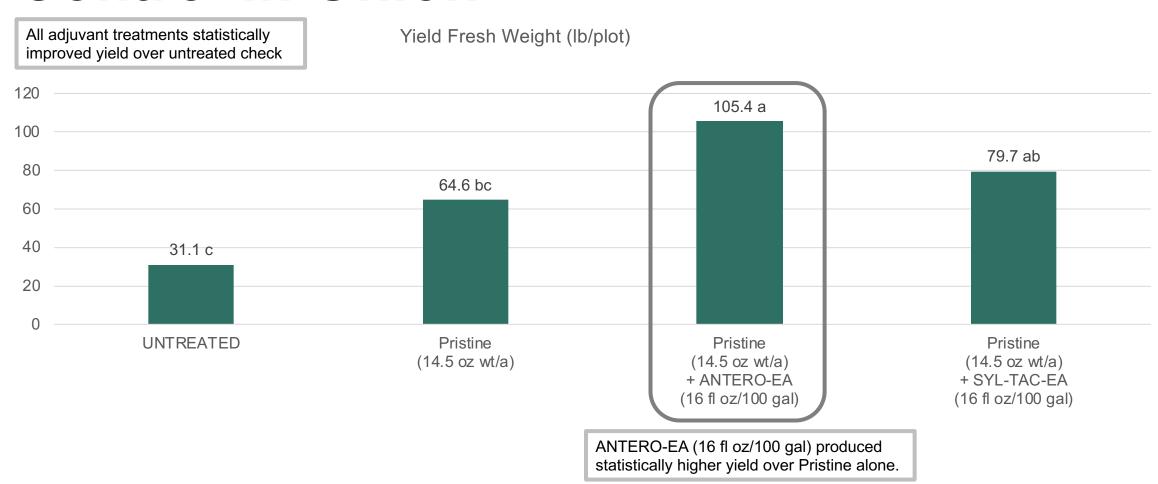
- Resin-containing formulation improves adherence of spray deposit
- Resin also reduces washoff
- Surfactant blend allows for movement across target surface for improved coverage

# Adjuvants for Increased Disease Control in Onion



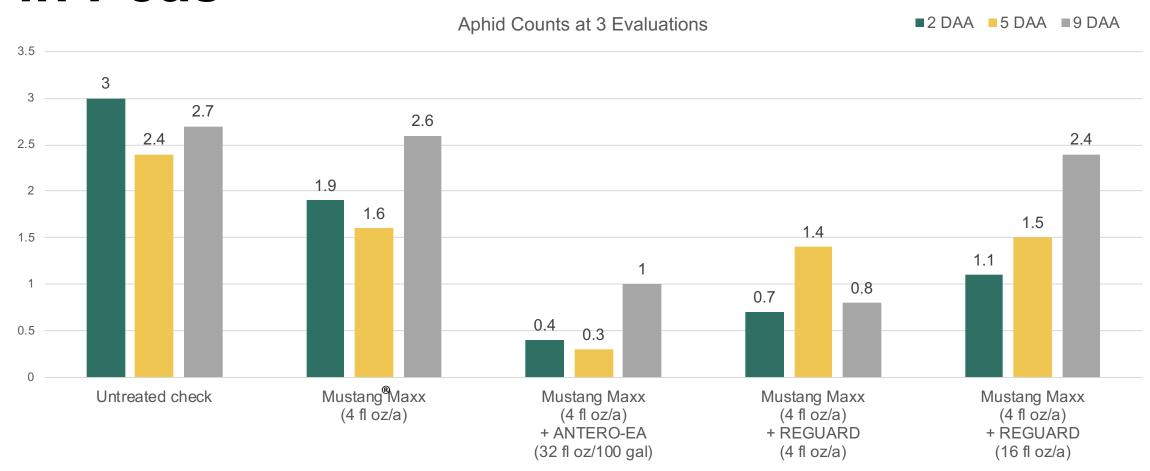
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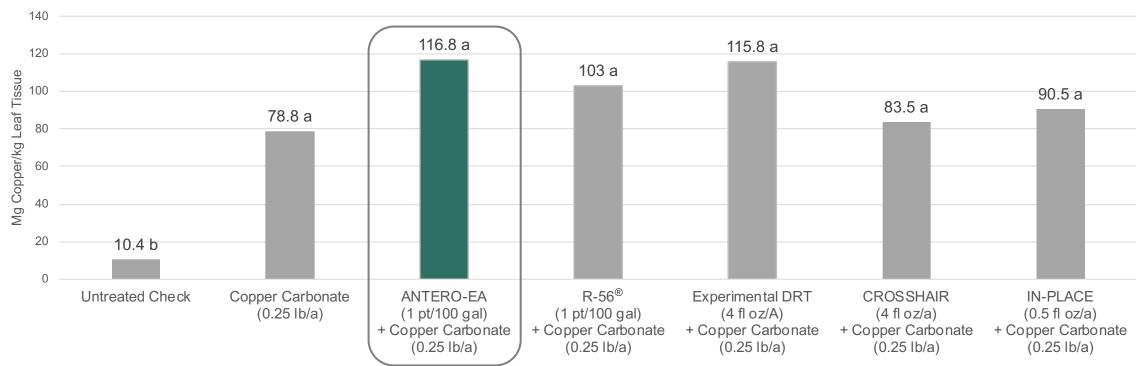
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# Adjuvants for Increased Insect Control in Peas



## Improved deposition with ANTERO-EA





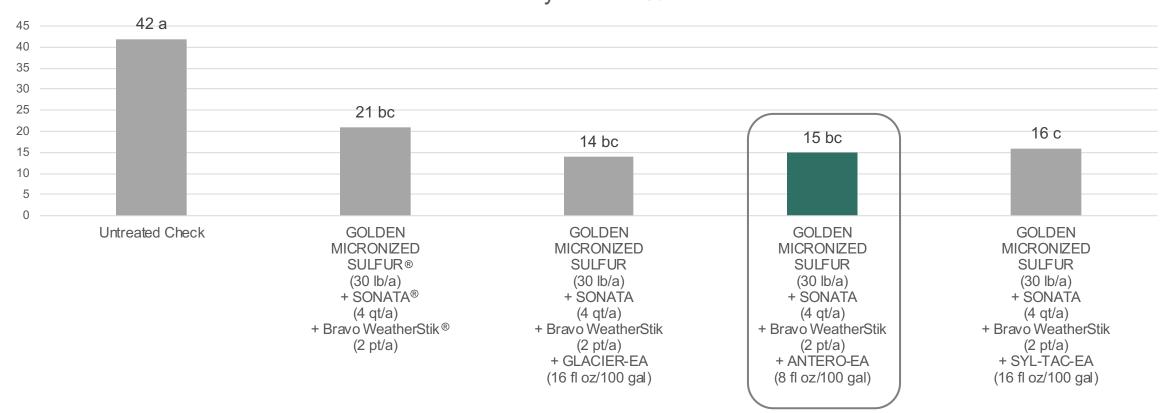
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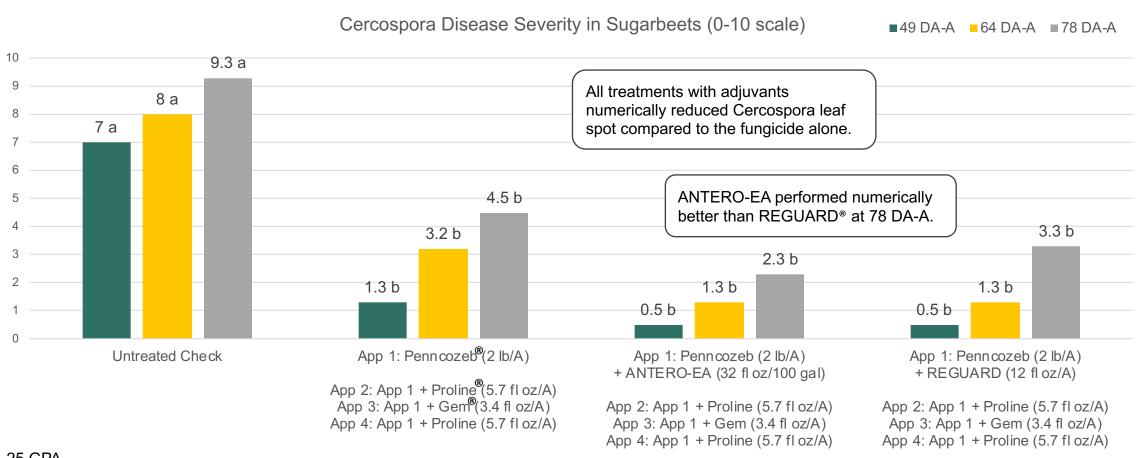
# Improved Fungicide Activity

Tomato Powdery Mildew % Incidence – 7 DAH



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# Improved Fungicide Activity



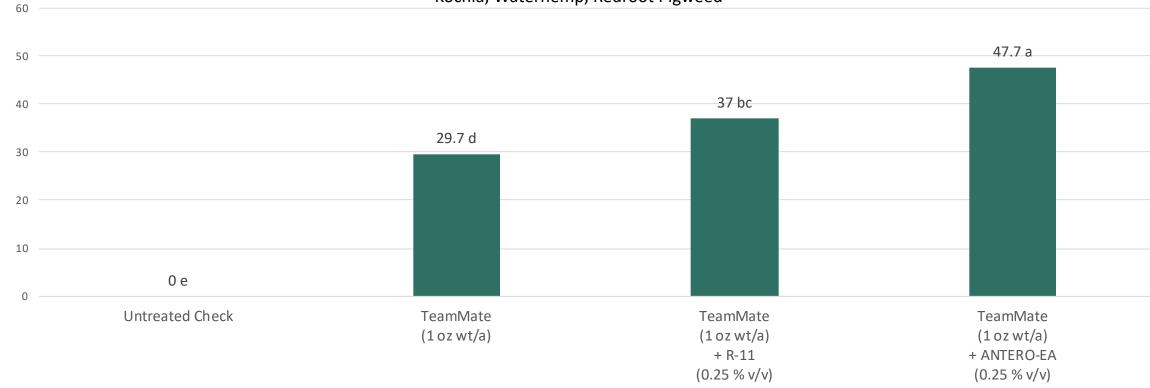
25 GPA

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# Adjuvants for Increased Weed Control in Greenhouse

Average % Control of Weed Species - 28 DAA Kochia, Waterhemp, Redroot Pigweed

ANTERO-EA performed best to improve efficacy with TeamMate herbicide



Means followed by the same letter are not statistically different (LSD, P=0.05)

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### RENEGADE-EA®

# **Unique** blend of methylated seed oil, UAN solution and a nonionic surfactant Benefits:

- Enhanced retention, penetration and deposition
- Allows for use with non-selective tank mix combinations
- Improves pesticide efficacy
- Greater tank mix stability
- Aquatically labeled
- Excellent safety and handling



### **ECO ADVANTAGE**

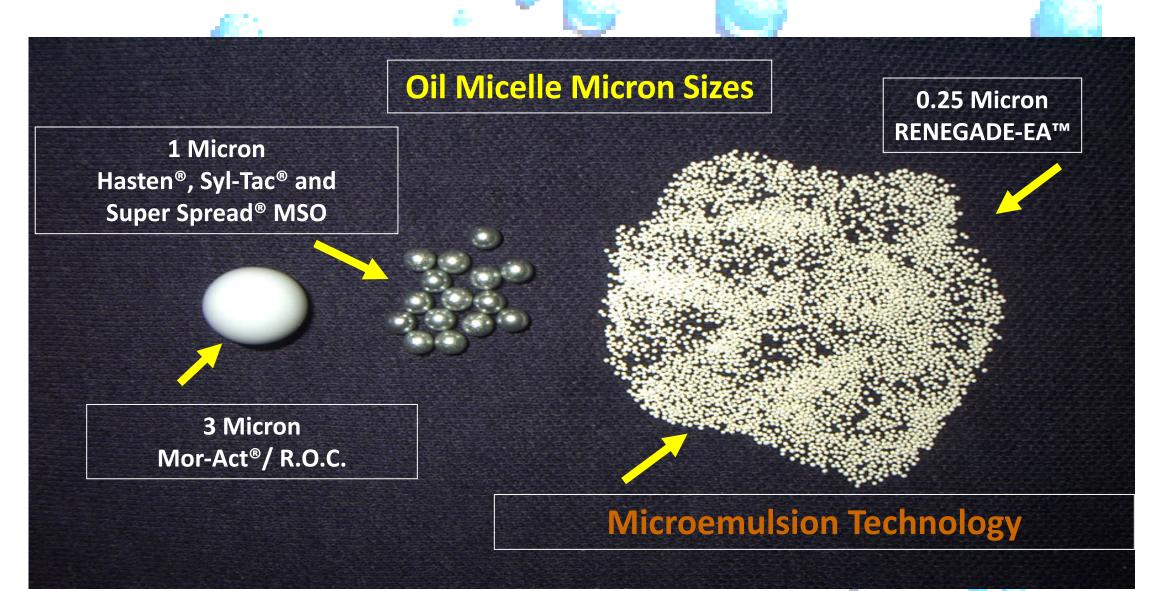


**RENEGADE-EA<sup>TM</sup>** offers a unique blend of methylated seed oil, UAN solution and a nonionic surfactant. **RENEGADE-EA** improves wetting and stability in spray tank mixtures, as well as increases retention and penetration of herbicides on weed surfaces.



#### **Patented Microemulsion Technology**

The technology reduces the oil/active ingredient molecule micron size in solution, greatly improving coverage and penetration for the targeted plant/weed.





## **GLACIER-EA**®

# Methylated seed oil (HSMSO) adjuvant

#### **Benefits**

- Lower use rates than standard methylated seed oils
- Increased wetting and penetrating of the pesticide(s)
- Compatible with non-selective tank mixes improves performance
- Improves desiccation and burndown
- Aquatically labeled
- Excellent safety and handling

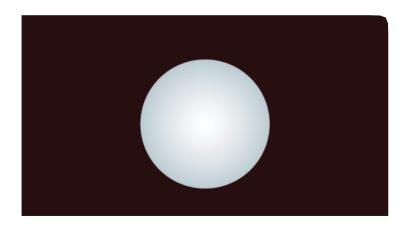
### Hasten-EA vs. Glacier-EA

- ~ \$29.20/gal selling cost Hasten-EA cost per acre to grower at qt/100 and 100GPA \$7.30 50GPA \$3.65
- ~ \$55.62 per gallon gal Glacier-EA cost per acre to grower at 16 oz /100 and 100GPA \$6.95 50GPA \$3.47

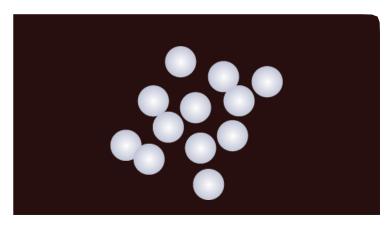


#### Oil Micelle Micron Sizes

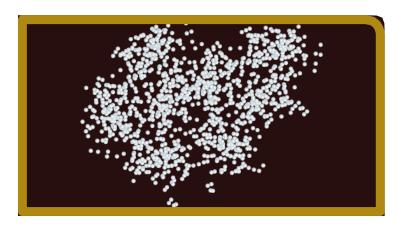




3 MICRONS CROP OIL CONCENTRATES (MOR-ACT®)



1 MICRON MODIFIED SEED OILS (HASTEN-EA®)



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MICROEMULSION TECHNOLOGY
(RENEGADE-EA and GLACIER-EA)

Microemulsion Technology creates a stable solution, allowing active ingredients better ability to absorb into the surface of the plant tissue.





### GLACIER-EA Benefits:

- Allows Glacier-EA to be used at lower use rates than standard methylated seed oils.
- Increases wetting and penetrating of the pesticide(s) into the plant tissue
- Compatible with glyphosate tank mixes improves performance.
- Improves desiccation and burndown over standard methylated seed oils
- Ability to use with aquatically labeled pesticides.
- Excellent safety and handling characteristics.

#### **GLACIER-EA Features:**

- High load methylated seed oil plus a proprietary nonionic surfactant.
- Designed to work with most pesticides, including herbicides, fungicides and insecticides.
- Formulation provides excellent tank mix compatibility properties.
- Low foaming technology.
- Labeled for aquatic use.
- NPE free product.



#### Glacier E.A.



Most oil adjuvants antagonize glyphosate.

Most herbicides applied with glyphosate are lipophilic.

These include group 1,2,4,5,14,15 and 27.

Glyphosate is very water soluble. High water solubility causes slow absorption through plant cuticle.