


Wild Oat Resistance Management

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❖ KOCHIA SCOPARIA ❖
NUISANCE OF GROWERS

Put to rest by a Group 14 mode of action and up to eight weeks of residual control. Lambs-quarters, redroot pigweed, wild buckwheat and others met the same fate.

Overview

- Herbicide Resistance Situation
- Differential Resistance Risks:
 - Weeds & Herbicides (some are higher risks than others)
- Wild Oat Resistance Management Keys
 - Crop and Crop Stand Health
 - Diverse Cropping Systems
 - IWM
- Alternative Weed Control Methods
 - Will they work?

First, let's not be surprised when resistance happens.

Any repeated and consistent weed control practice will lead to resistance.

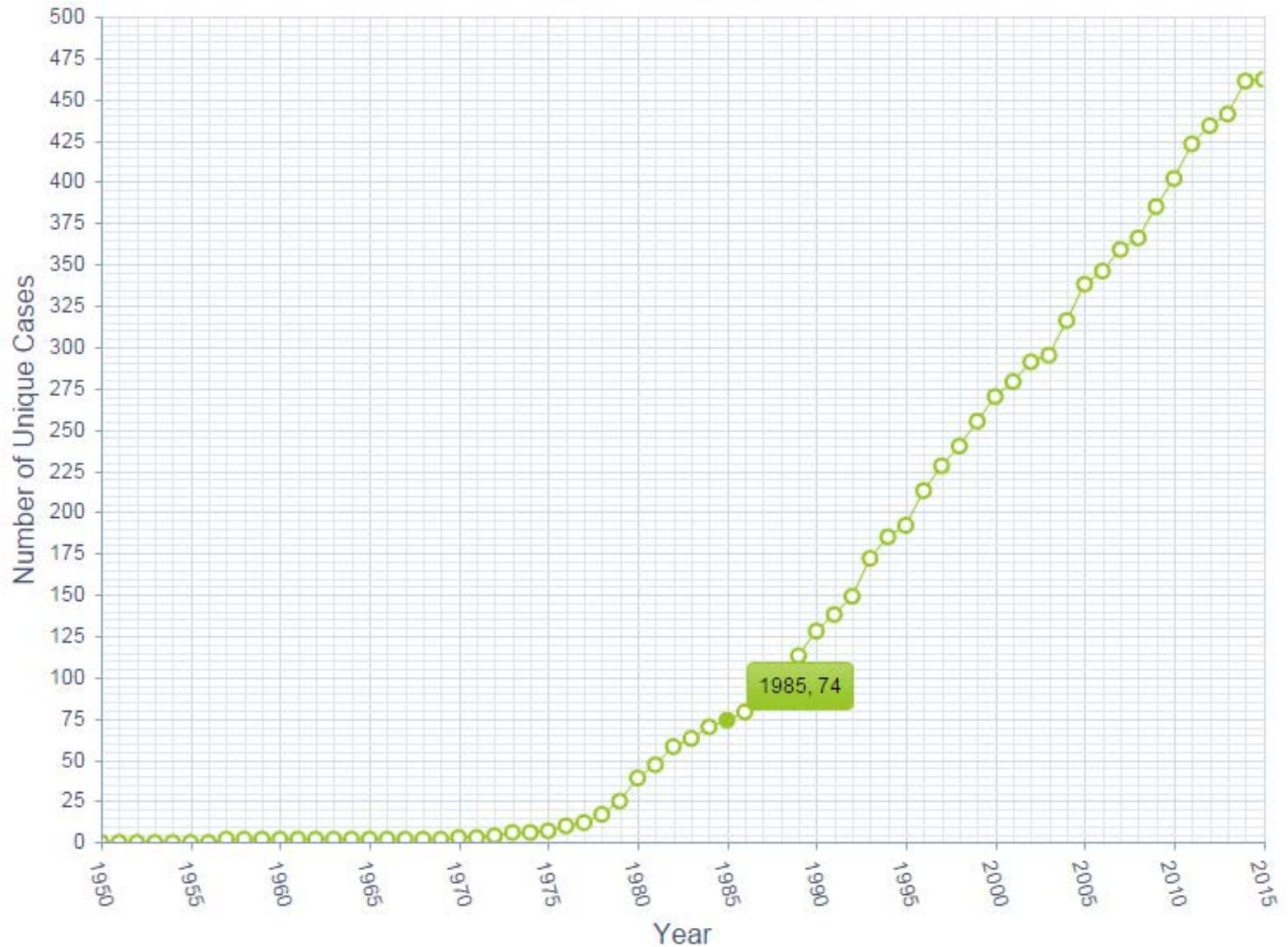
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Crop **mimicry** in weeds. Econ. Bot. 37:255-282

Leaf-mimicking - Katydid

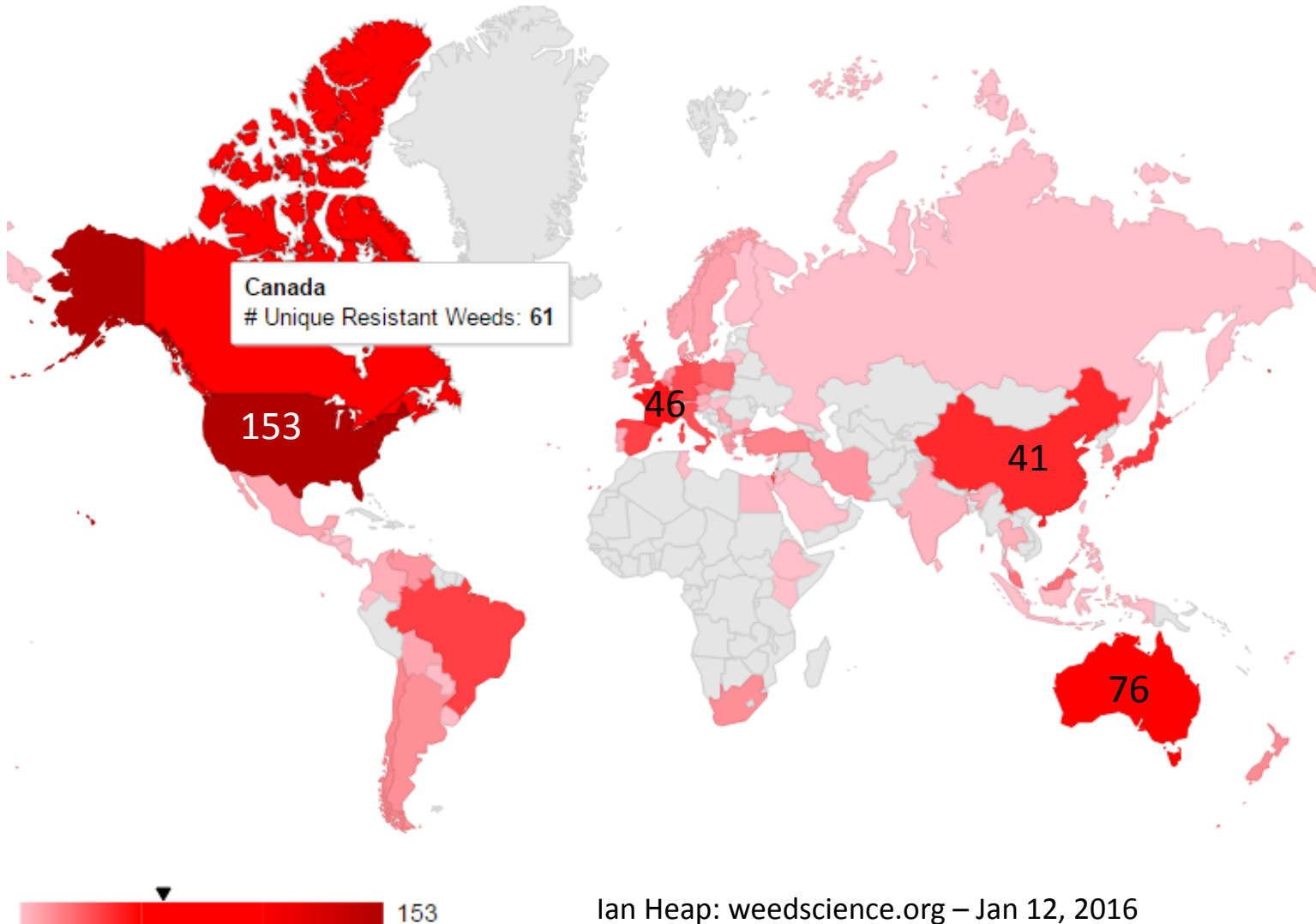


Chronological Increase in Resistant Weeds Globally



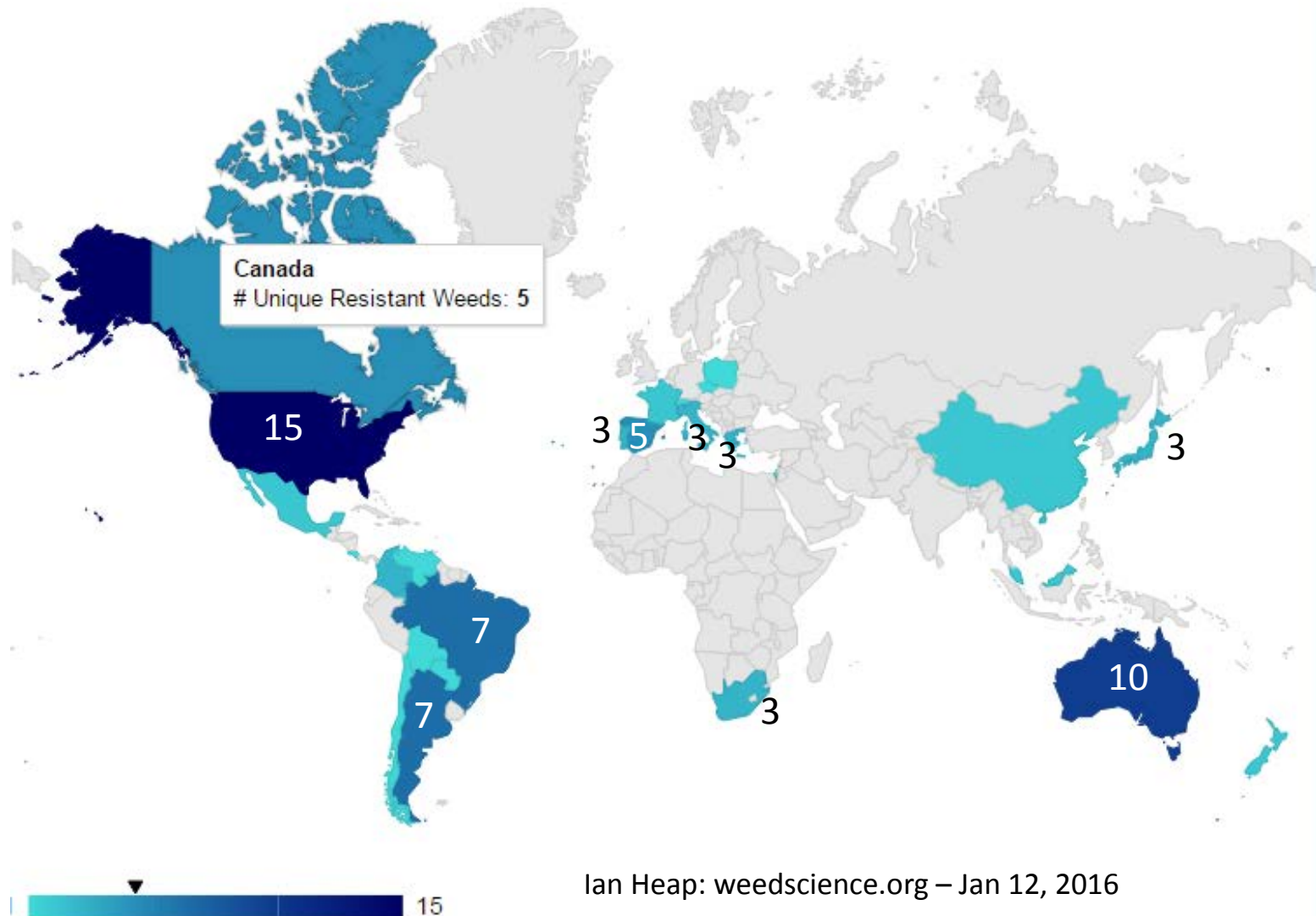
Unique Herbicide Resistance Cases

- Top 5 Countries



Glyphosate Resistance Cases

- Top 5 Countries (32 Unique GR Weed Species Globally)



And,
“Resistance
is
Spreading”

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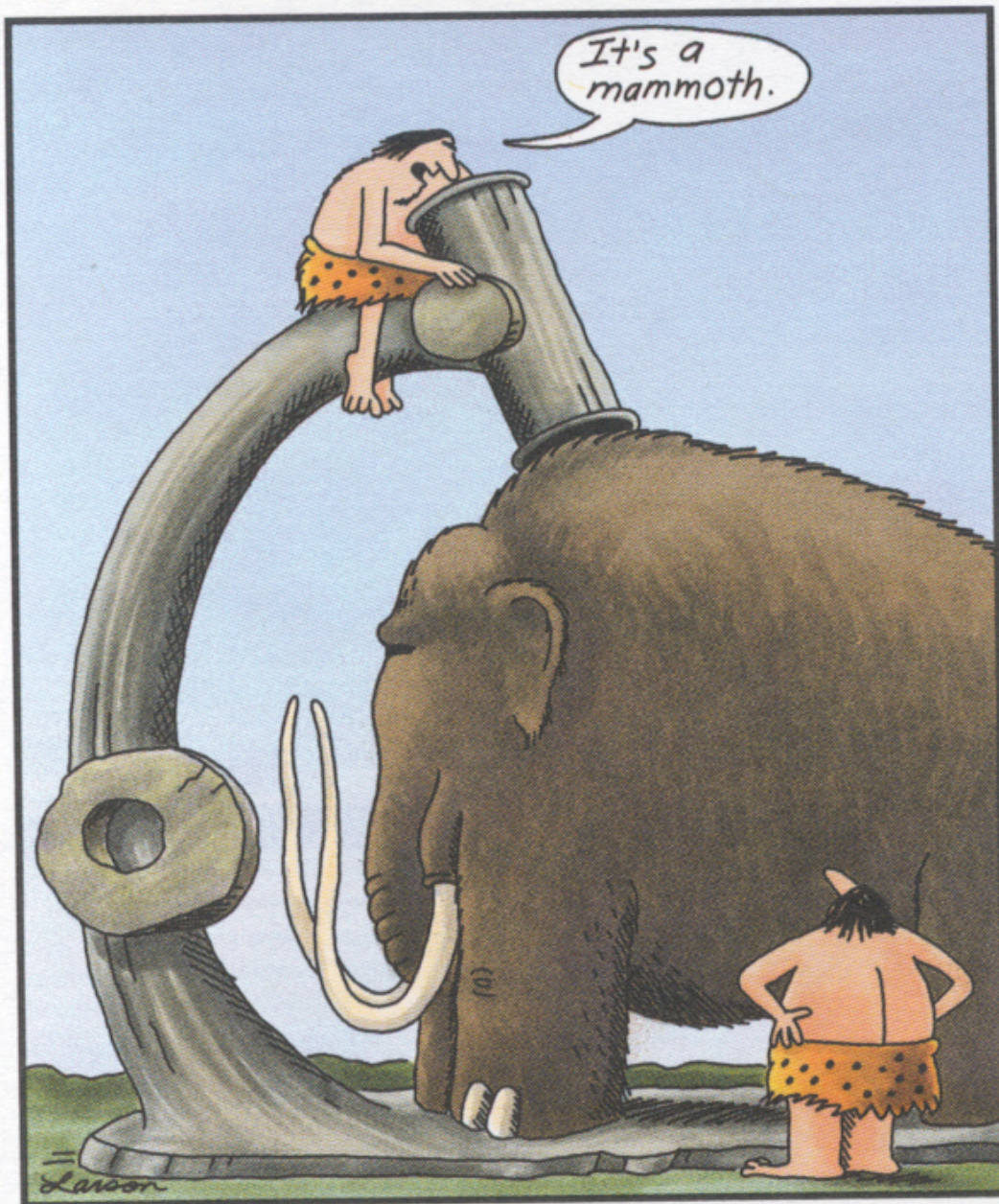
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Early microscopes

Why
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GR Palmer Amaranth Southern USA

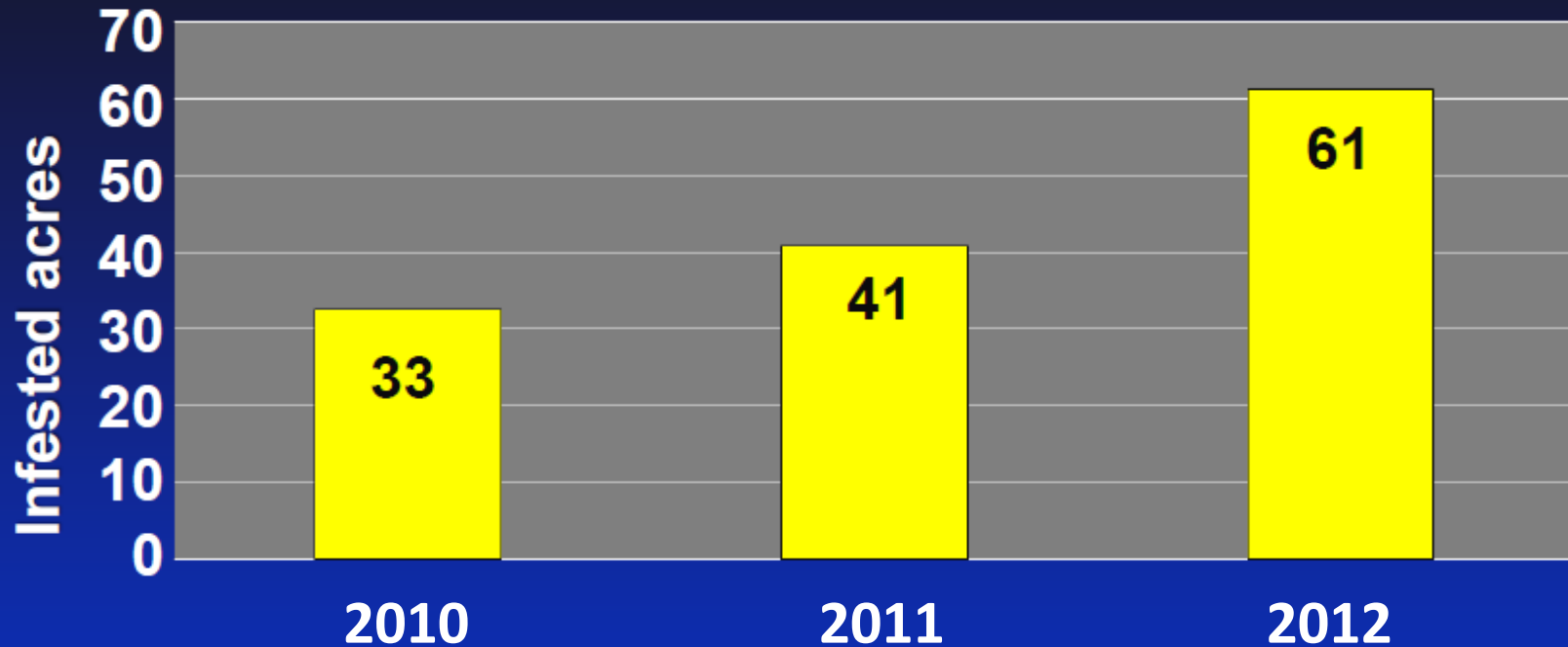
- Let's talk "Selection Pressure"

- 4 fields of continuous cotton for ≥ 6 yr
- Herbicide regime
 - Preseed Burn-off: Gly (0.84 kg/ha) + dicamba
 - 1st In-crop herbicide: Gly (0.84 kg/ha) – early POST
 - 2nd In-crop herbicide: Gly (0.84 kg/ha) – prior to 5 leaves
 - 3rd In-crop herbicide: Gly (0.84 kg/ha) + diuron – POST-direct
 - Some years – 4th In-crop: Gly (0.84 kg/ha) + diuron – POST-direct

RESULT:

- By 2004, 4 Tennessee fields with GR Palmer amaranth - 2x to 4x rates
 - Steckel et al. 2008. Weed Technol. 22:119-123
- GR Palmer amaranth in Georgia resistant to 12x rates of glyphosate
 - Culpepper et al. 2006. Weed Sci. 54:620-626

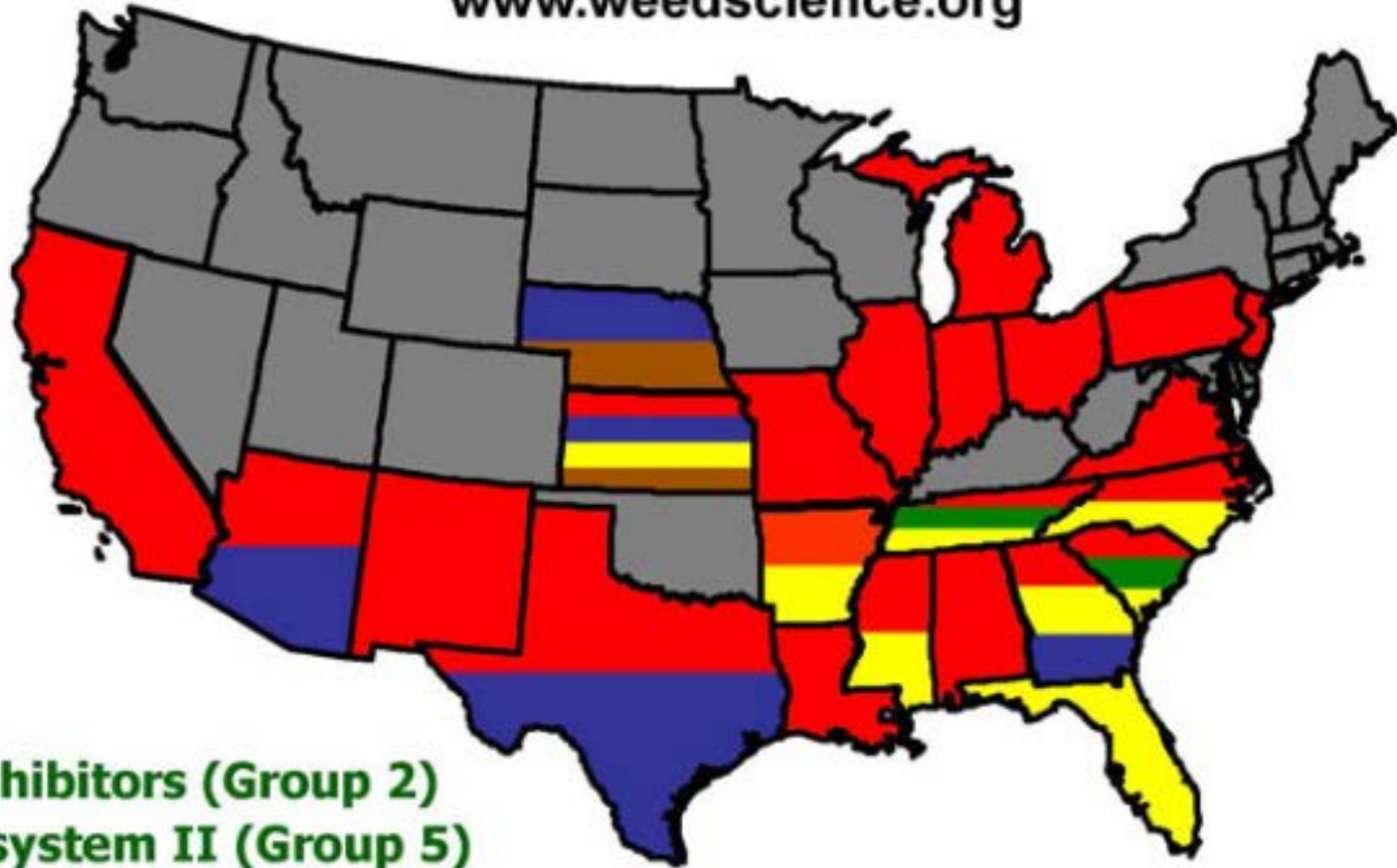
US Acres with GR Weeds (x 1,000,000)



- **Nearly half (49%) of surveyed U.S. farmers had glyphosate-resistant weeds in 2012.**

HR Palmer Amaranth - 2014

www.weedscience.org



- ALS-inhibitors (Group 2)
- Photosystem II (Group 5)
- Glyphosate (Group 9)
- HPPD-inhibitors (Group 27)
- Dinitroanilines (Group 3)

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Many Years Ago?



“New” Weed Tool in Arkansas (Hoe)

**52% of all hectares handweeded
US\$72.69/ha (max = US\$370/ha)**



2011 Photo: Jason Norsworthy
University of Arkansas

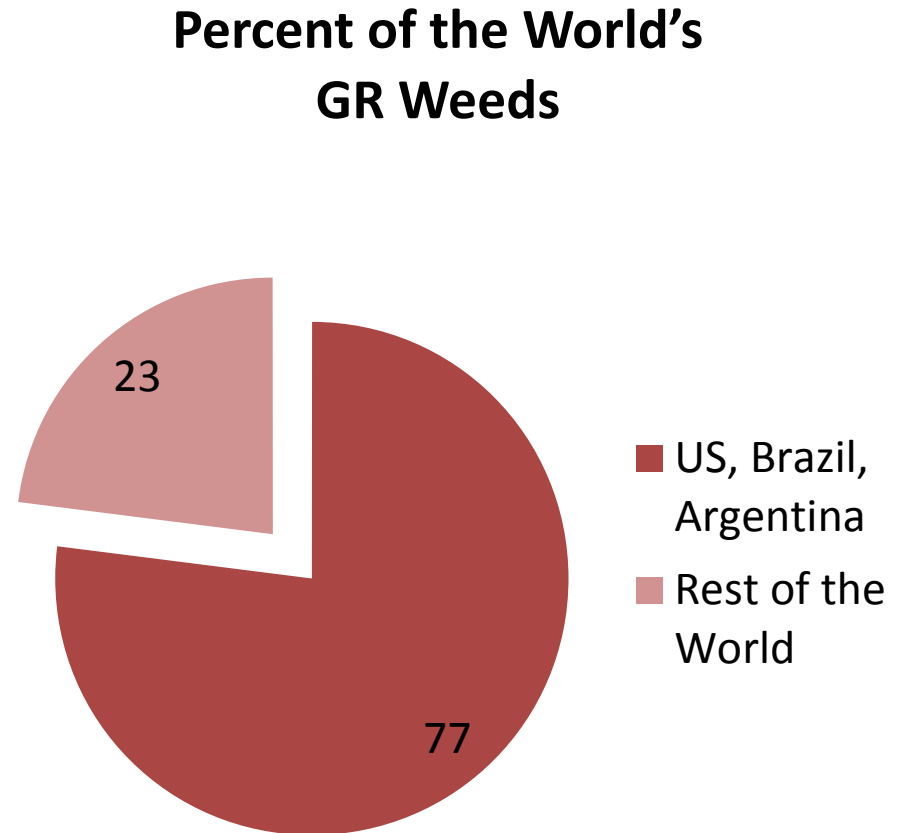
Tillage is now a common scene



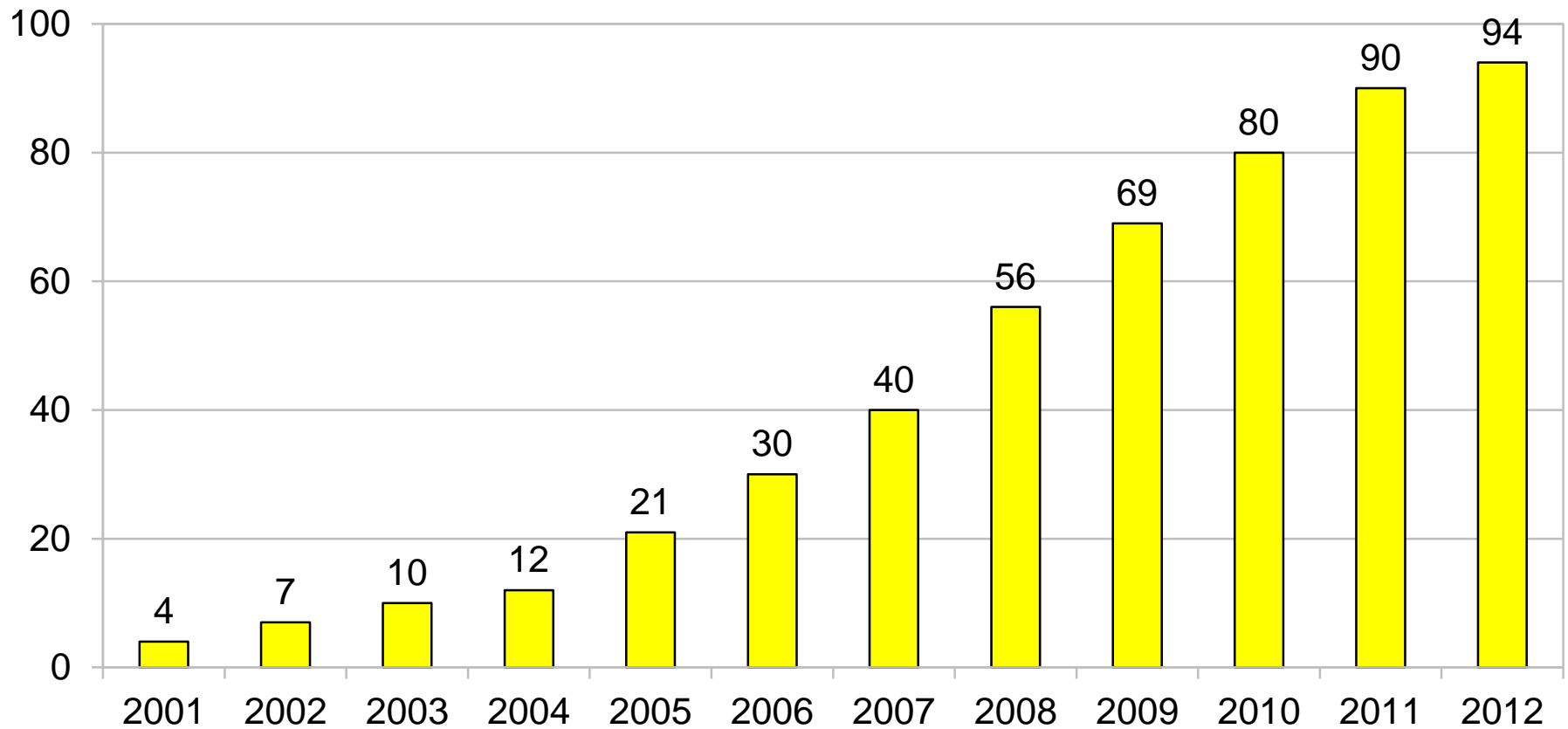
Photo Courtesy Stanley Culpepper

Where are the most GR Weeds?

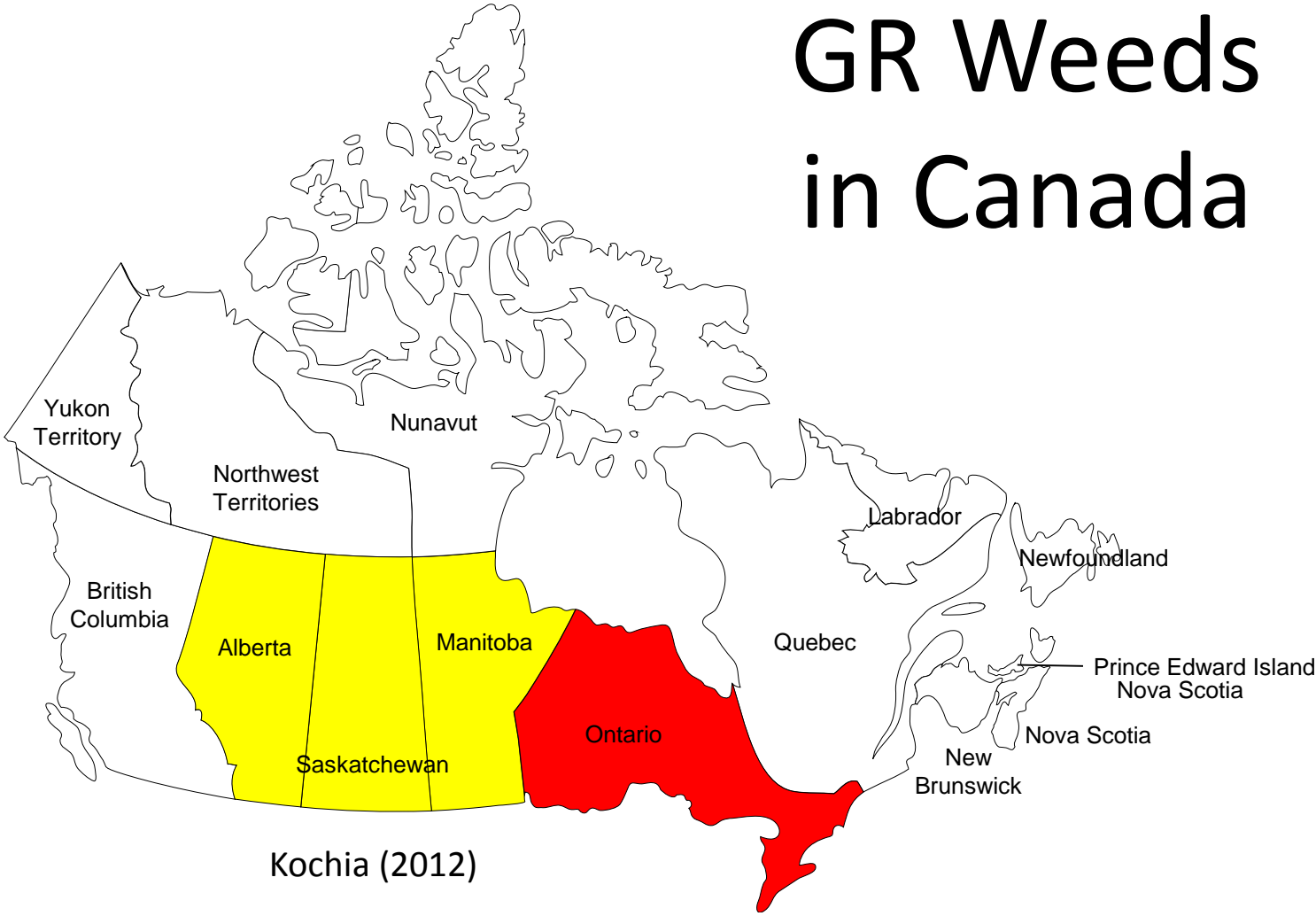
- Where are the most GR Crops?
 - US, Brazil & Argentina have > 80% of world GR crop acres
 - 330 million acres in 2009
 - Worldwide, there are 112 known instances of GR Weeds



Ontario Roundup Ready Corn - Market Share (%)



GR Weeds in Canada



Kochia (2012)

Giant ragweed (2008)

Canada fleabane (2011)

Common ragweed (2012)

Waterhemp (2014)

Acres of Active Ingredient Applied (x1,000)

- Western Canada (2012 - Summer & Chem Fallow only)

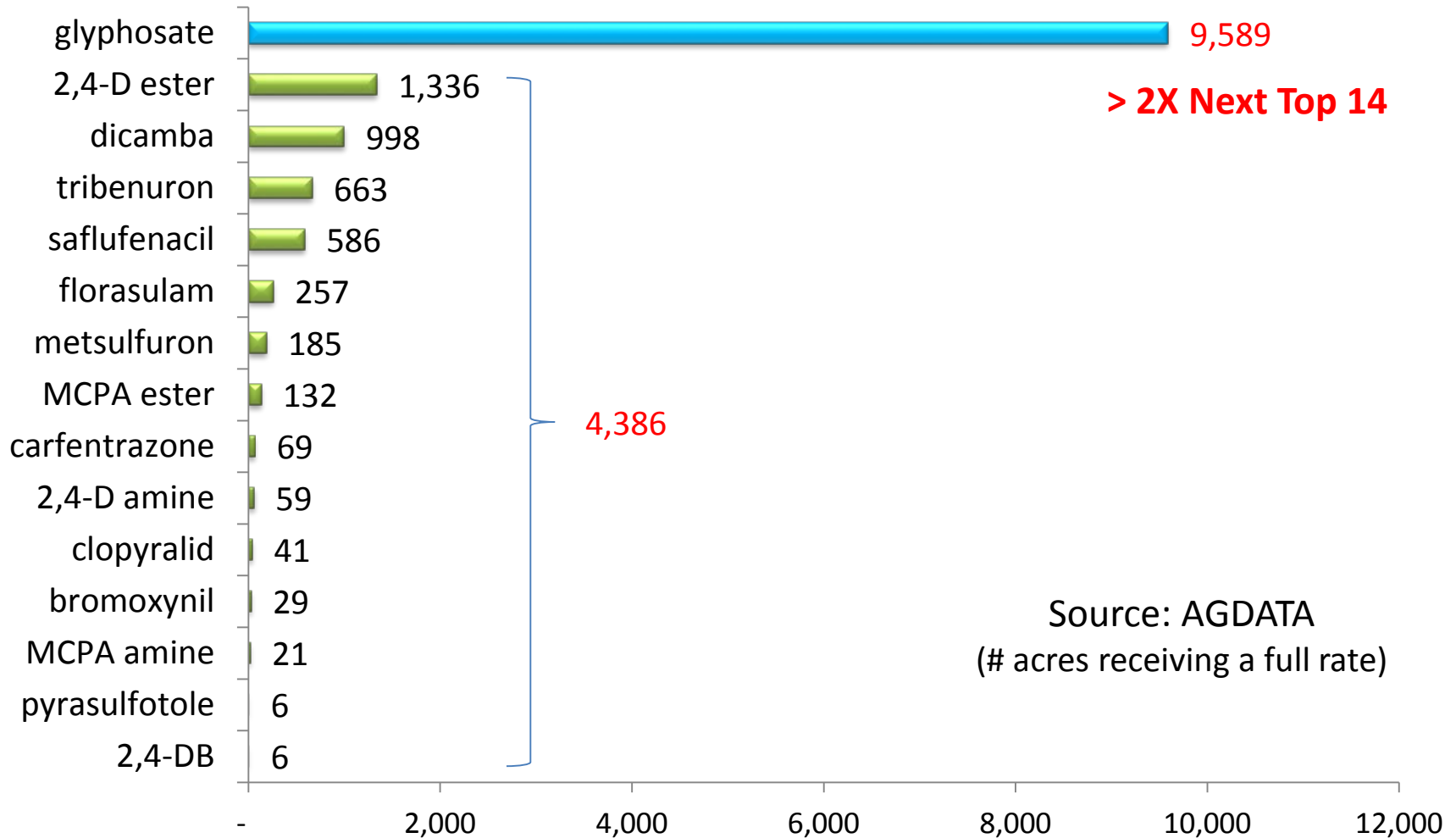
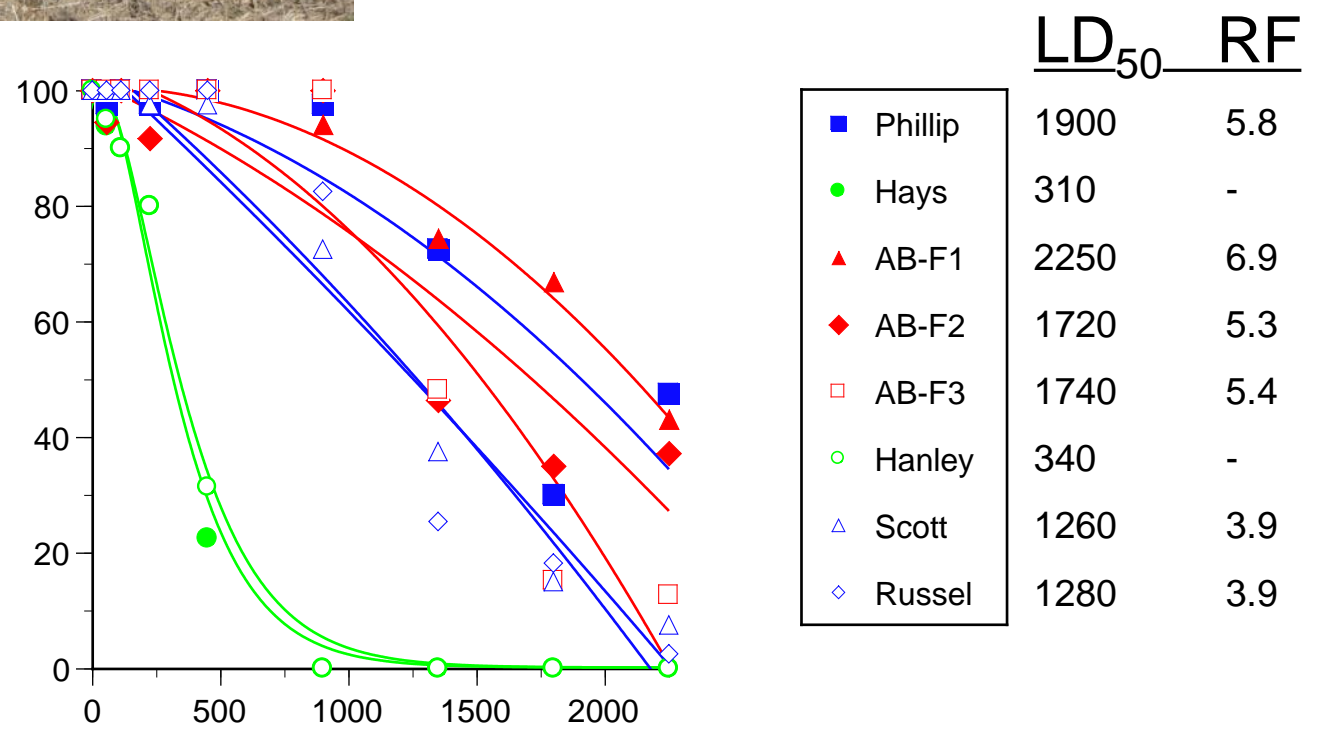




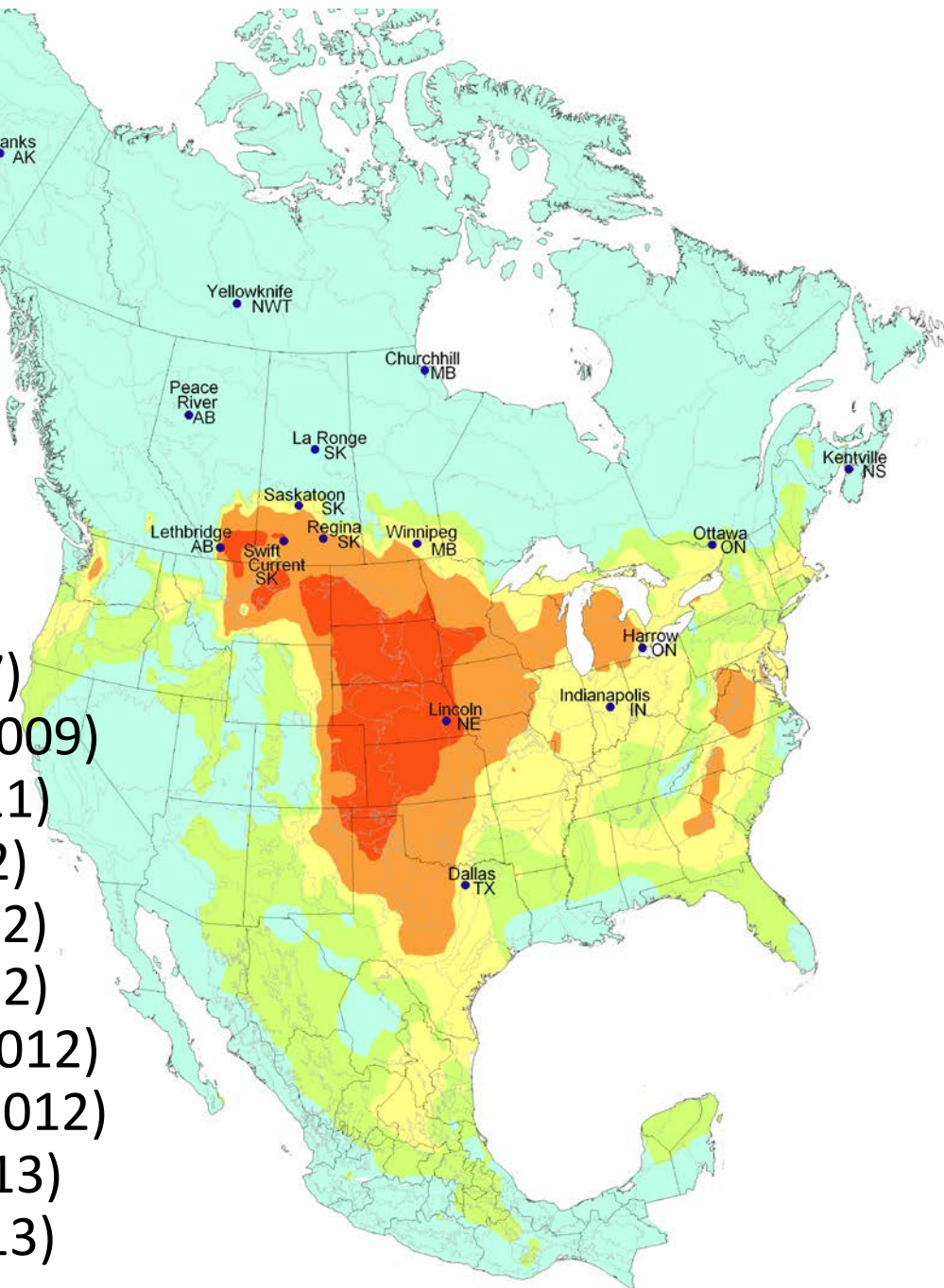
Photo : Robert Blackshaw

GR Kochia



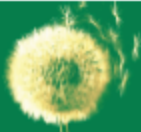
Where
is
GR
Kochia
found?

- Kansas (2007)
- South Dakota (2009)
- Nebraska (2011)
- Alberta (2012)
- Colorado (2012)
- Montana (2012)
- North Dakota (2012)
- Saskatchewan (2012)
- Oklahoma (2013)
- Manitoba (2013)



Where
is
the
Most
Kochia?

Elsewhere, in Malaysia...



WEED RESEARCH

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Ecology and Vegetation Management



DOI: 10.1111/wre.12118

Multiple resistance across glufosinate, glyphosate, paraquat and ACCase-inhibiting herbicides in an *Eleusine indica* population

A JALALUDIN, Q YU & S B POWLES

Australian Herbicide Resistance Initiative, School of Plant Biology, University of Western Australia, Crawley, WA, Australia

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The
Herbicide Sales
Team

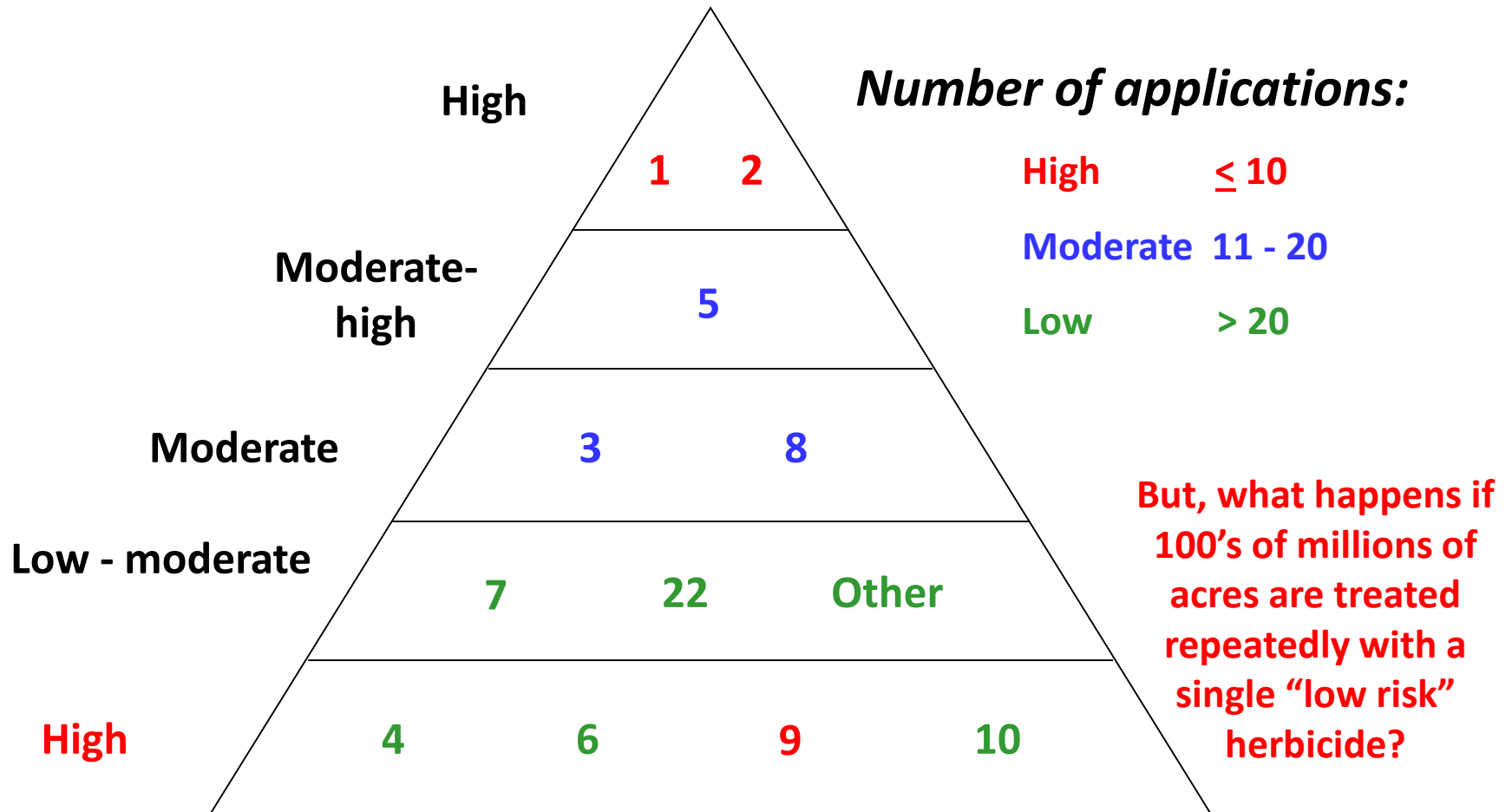
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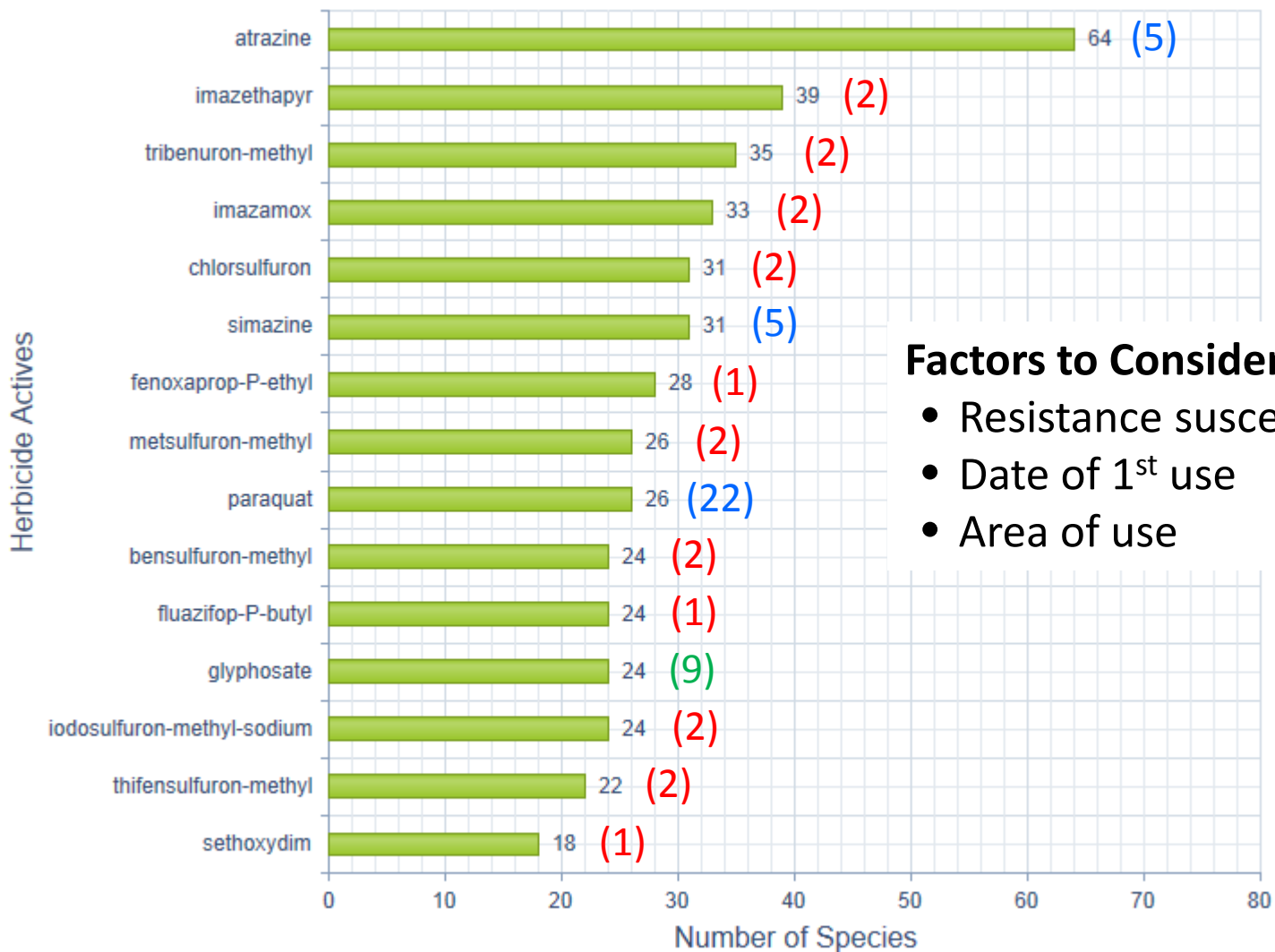
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“I’ve got it, too, Omar ... a strange feeling
like we’ve just been going in circles.”

Risk of Selection for Resistance - Herbicide Groups



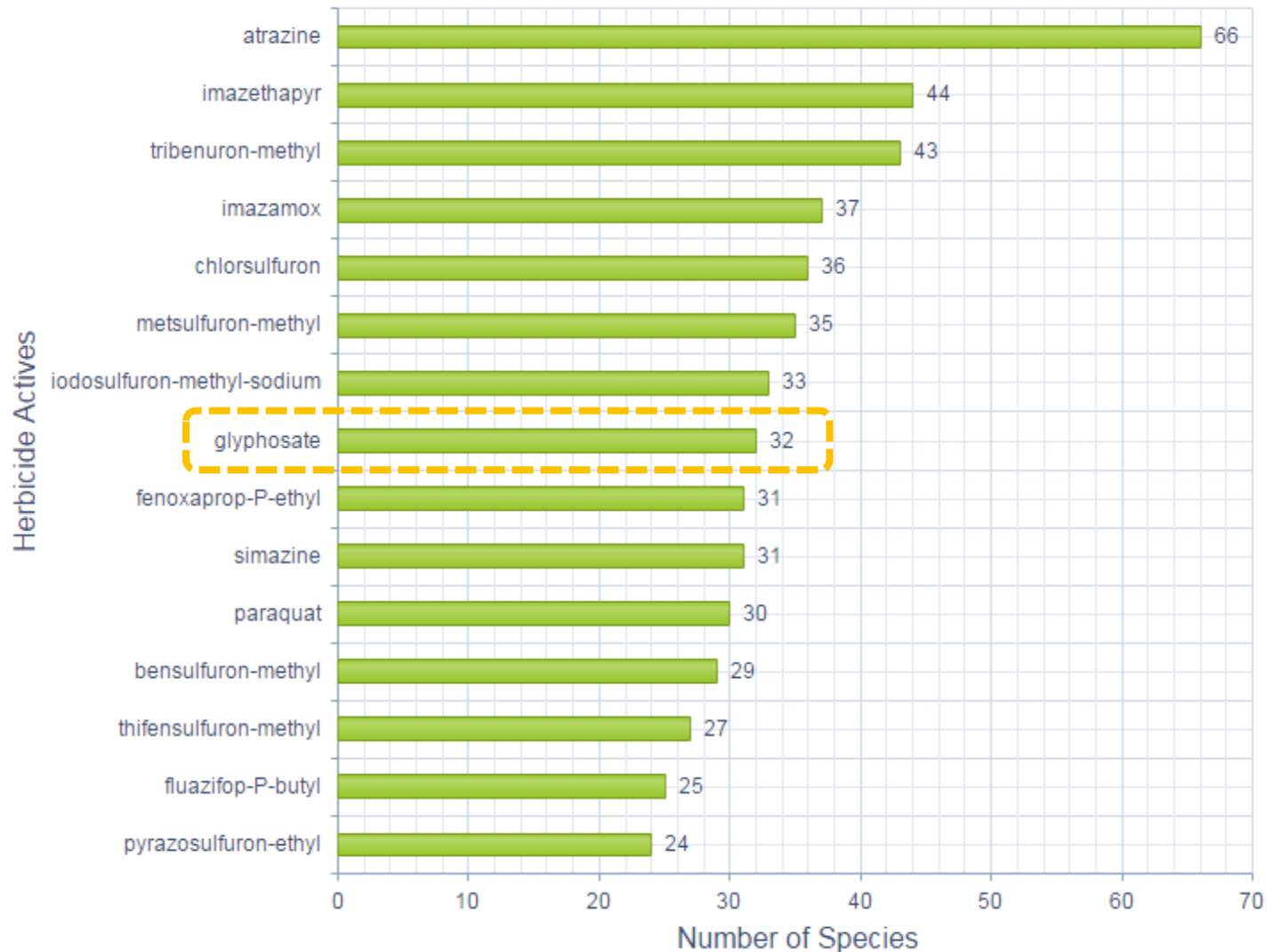
Weed Species Resistant to Individual Herbicides (Top 15)



Factors to Consider

- Resistance susceptibility
- Date of 1st use
- Area of use

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Risk of Resistance

- Weed Species Traits

High Weed numbers:

- High density
- Broad distribution

High Genetic diversity:

- High frequency of resistance mutations

High Seed production:

- rapid increase in resistant biotype relative to susceptible population after herbicide application

High Out-crossing (gene spread):

- rigid ryegrass, kochia, ...

High Seed Bank Turnover (low seed dormancy)

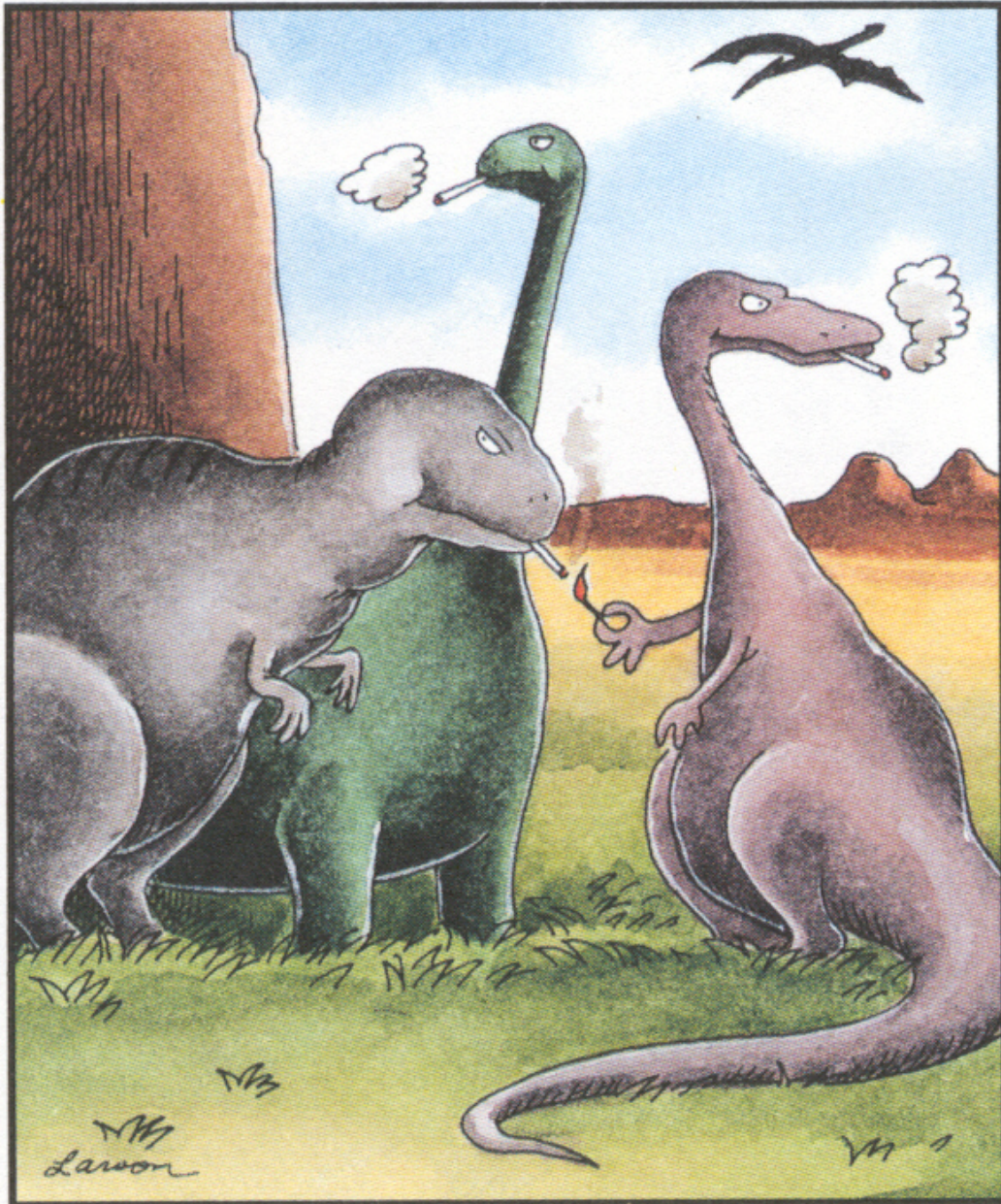
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High proportion of Herbicide Escapes:

- wild oat, cleavers, kochia,



**Weed Resistance
is a NUMBERS
“game”**



Other Reasons for Resistance

...

The real reason dinosaurs became extinct

Most Popular Western Canada Crop Rotations

#	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
1	Canola	Wheat	Canola	Wheat
2	Canola	Wheat	Wheat or Barley or Peas	Canola
3	Canola	Canola	Canola	Canola

In-crop herbicides in field crops (2006-2010)

Site of Action	Wheat	Barley	Canola	Flax	Field Pea	Lentil
	————— % of fields —————					
1	76	86		100	24	44
2	23	12		0	76	48
3	0	0		0	0	8
8	1	2		0	0	0
9	0	0		0	0	0
10	0	0		0	0	0
(n)	775	280		49	129	49

Adapted from: Beckie et al. 2013 Weed Technol. 27:171-183

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9	0	0	42	0	0	0
10	0	0	37	0	0	0
(n)	775	280	345	49	129	49

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New Herbicide Modes of Action

“No new major herbicide mode of action has been introduced in a commercial herbicide active ingredient in the last 20 years.

Duke. 2012. Pest Manag. Sci. 68:505-512

There
goes
another
herbicide

...



“This is a minor setback. The hunter-gatherer economy is still good.”

Drug-Resistant Bacteria

A lack of new herbicides coupled with the over-prescription of existing ones, is making many formerly routine weeds untreatable, according to a deluge of weed research information published and talked about by many all over the world.

"We are approaching a cliff. If we don't take steps to slow or stop weed resistance, we will fall back to a time when all weeds were hand-weeded."

"Every time herbicides are used in any setting, weeds evolve by developing resistance and that process can happen with alarming speed. Herbicides are a precious, limited resource—the more we use herbicides today, the less likely we are to have effective herbicides tomorrow,"

"We're facing a catastrophe,"

"U.S. farmers are heading for a crisis," Stephen Powles (Sep 2013 – Amer. Chem. Soc.)



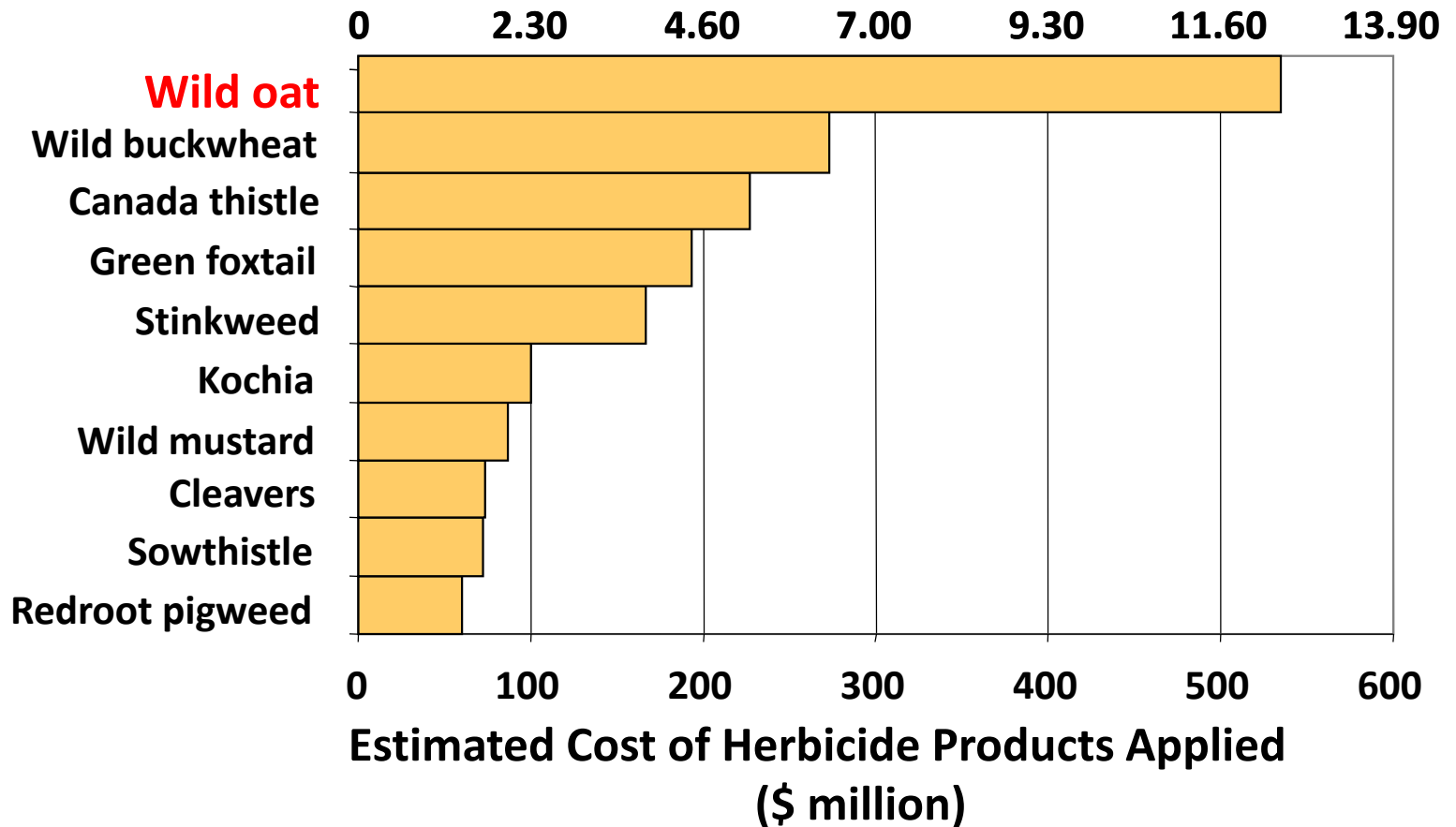
Ian Heap

Back
to
Wild
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Top 10 Herbicide Targets

- Western Canada

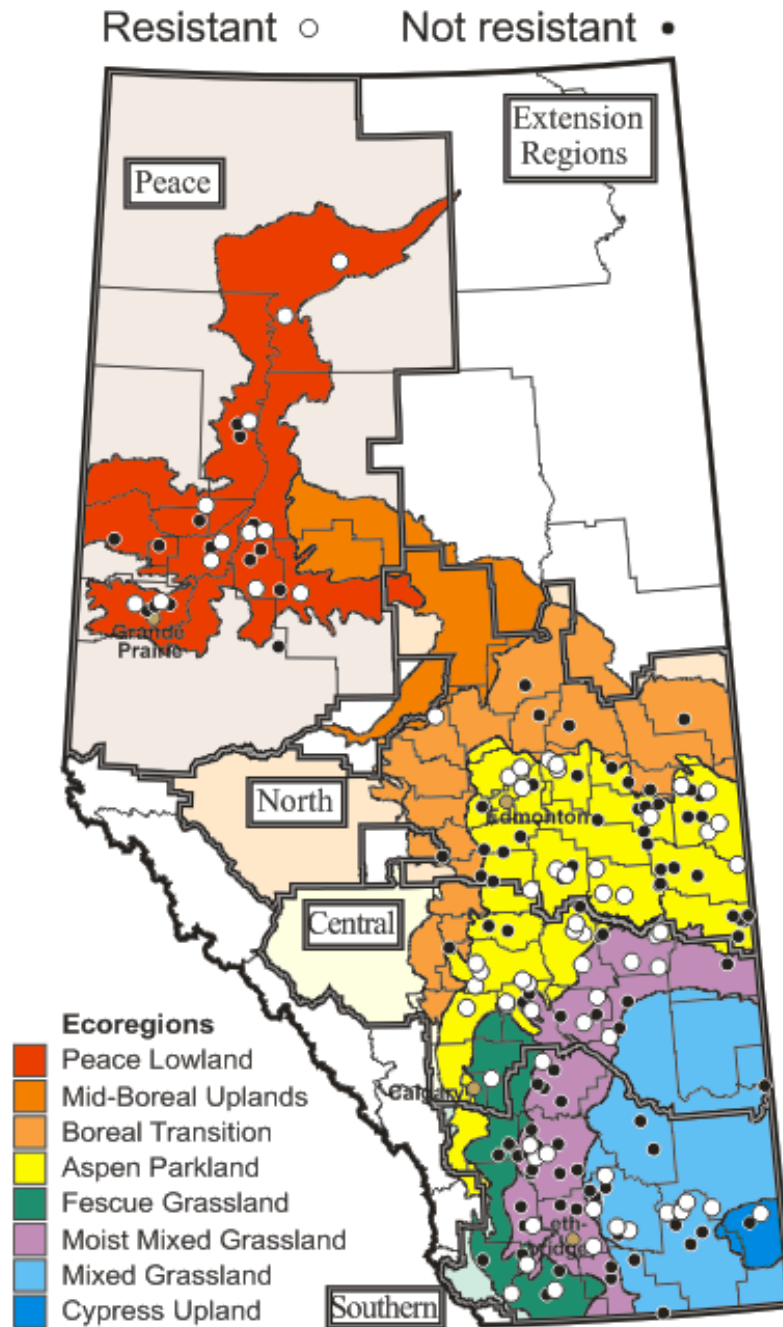
\$ / acre



Leeson et al. 2006. Ann. Mtg. Canadian Weed Sci. Soc.

Available: <http://weedsociety.ca/resources/annual-meeting-archived-files/>

Group 1 (ACCase) Resistant *Wild Oat* Alberta



2001: 11% of fields



2007: 39% of fields



2014: > 50%

Provincial Resistance Maps
By Hugh Beckie

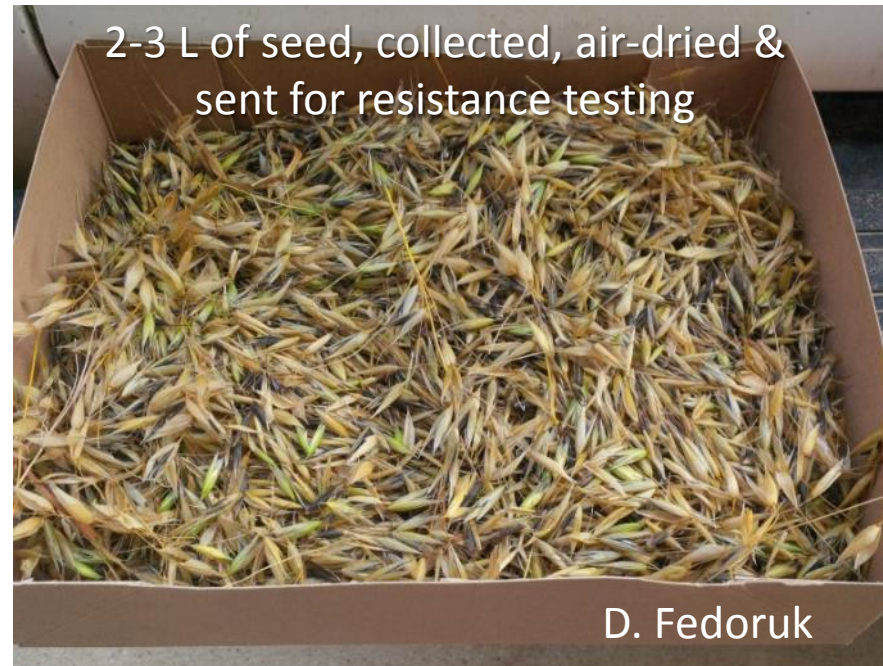
Post Management Patches – 3 Fields

- Central AB, Black Soil Zone



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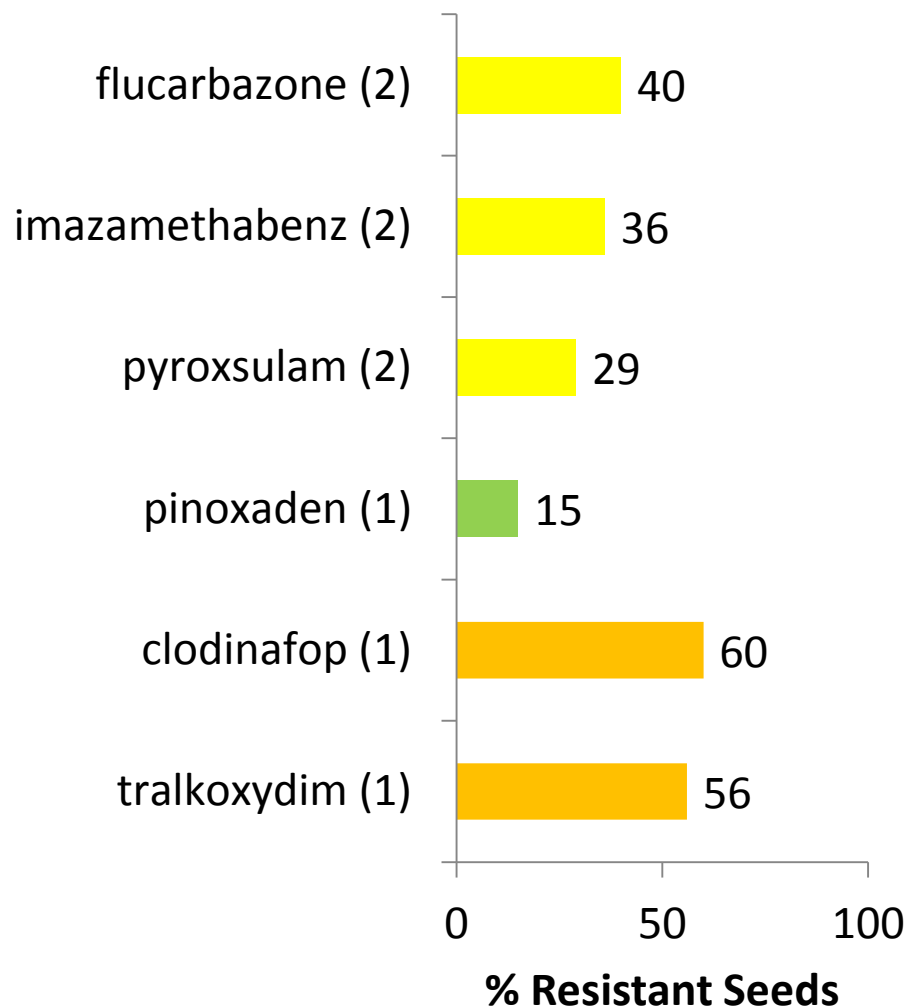


2-3 L of seed, collected, air-dried &
sent for resistance testing

D. Fedoruk

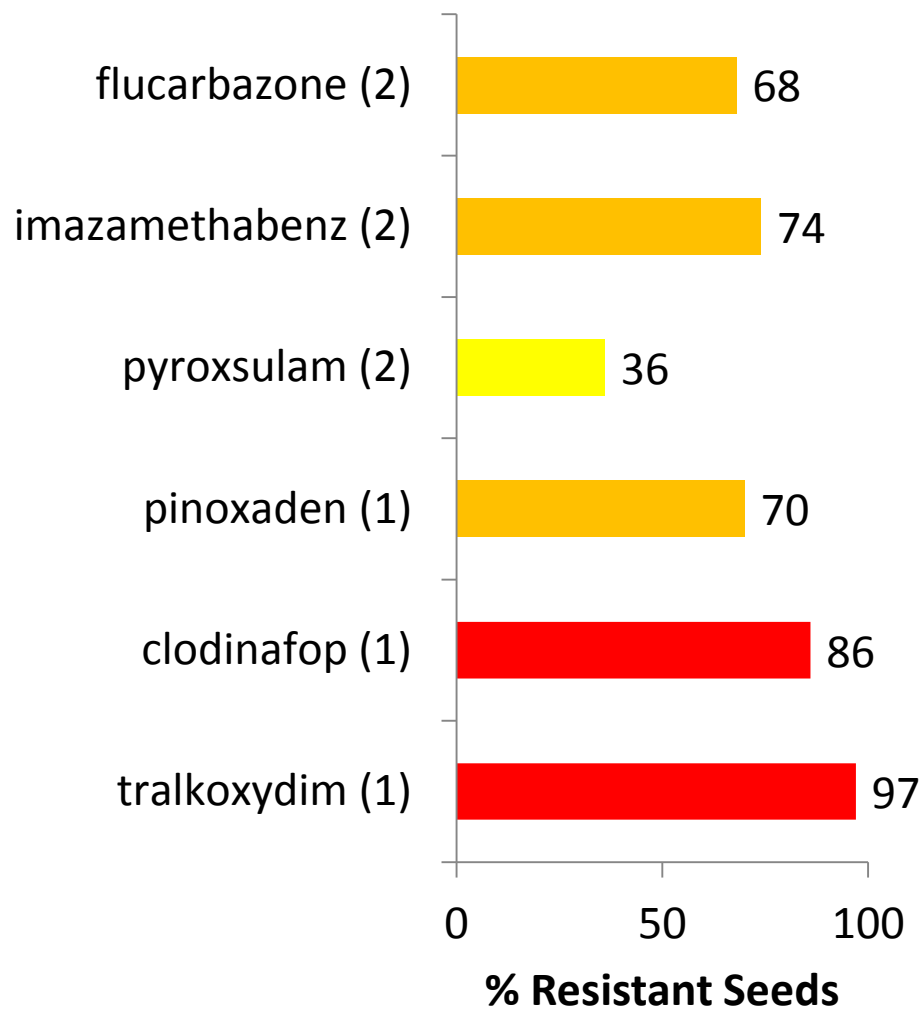
Patches from Field 1 (Fall 2014)

Year	Crop	WO Herbicides
2010	RR Canola	glyphosate
2011	Barley	pinoxaden
2012	Peas	imazamox/imazethapyr
2013	Barley	pinoxaden
2014	Barley	triallate + fenoxaprop



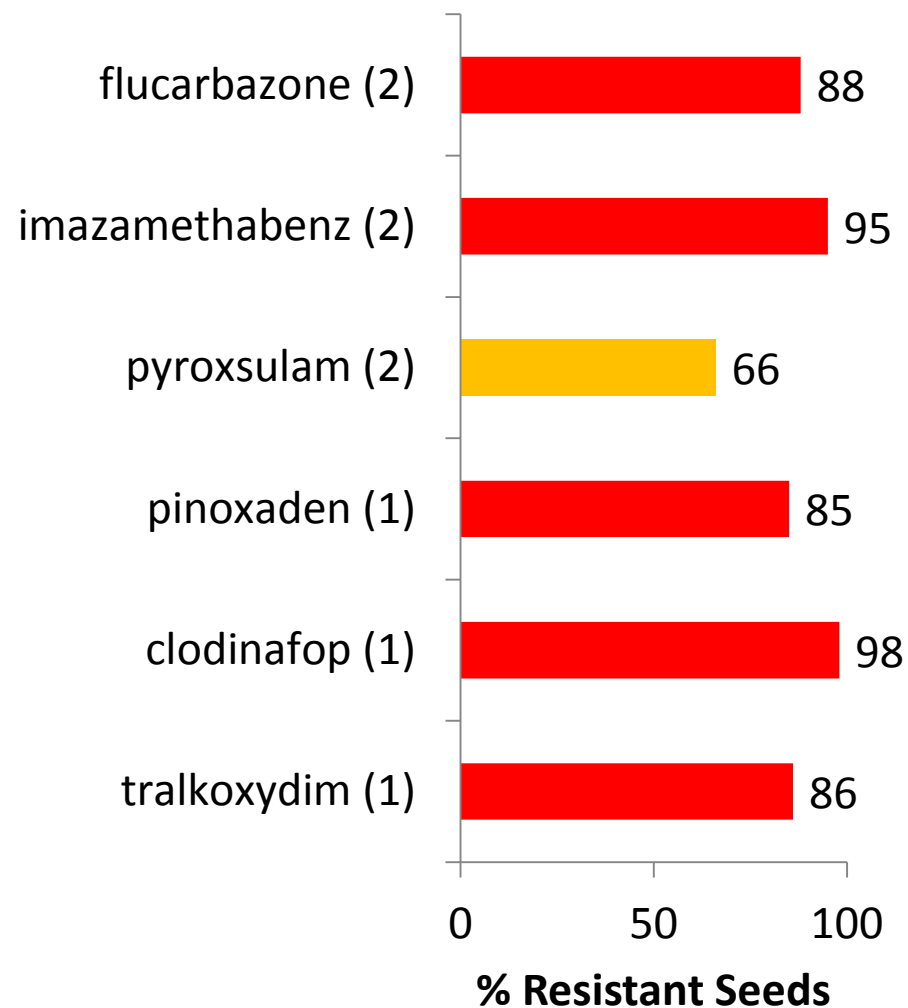
Patches from Field 2 (Fall 2014)

Year	Crop	WO Herbicides
2010	RR Canola	glyphosate
2011	Barley	pinoxaden
2012	Barley	pinoxaden
2013	LL Canola	quizalofop/glufosinate + glufosinate
2014	Barley	pinoxaden + pinoxaden



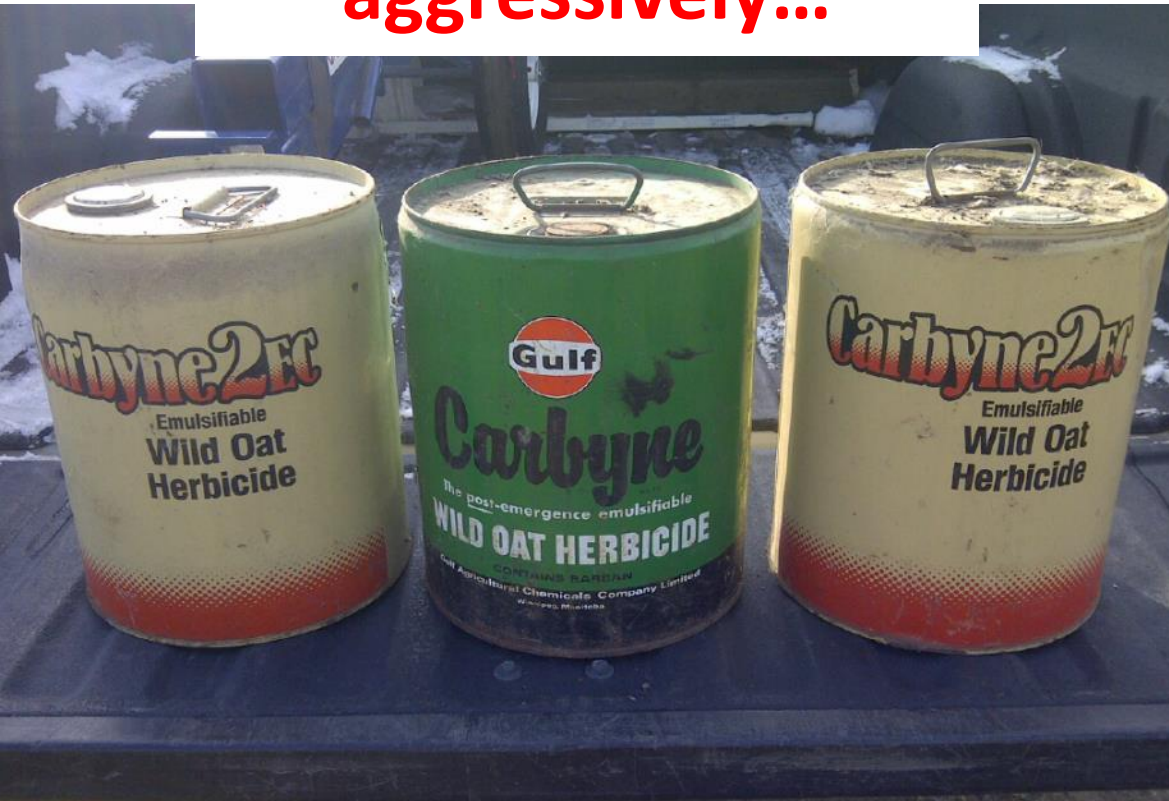
Patches from Field 3 (Fall 2014)

Year	Crop	WO Herbicides
2004	Wheat	clodinafop
2005	Wheat	fenoxaprop
2006	LL Canola	glufosinate/clethodim + clethodim
2007	Barley	pinoxaden + tralkoxydim
2008	Barley	imazamethabenz
2009	RR Canola	glyphosate + glyphosate
2010	Wheat	triallate/trifluralin + clodinafop
2011	Peas	quizalofop
2012	Wheat	pyroxsulam
2013	LL Canola	Glufosinate/clethodim
2014	Wheat	pyroxsulam + pinoxaden



Perhaps we should
not push 100%
herbicide
efficacy so
aggressively...

Has
anyone
heard
of
resistance
to
barban
(Carbyne)
?



A wide-angle photograph of a field. The foreground is filled with dense green plants, likely a cover crop, with many small white flowers. The middle ground shows a transition to a field of bright yellow flowers, possibly rapeseed. In the far background, there are residential houses and trees under a clear blue sky.

Crop & Crop Canopy Health

Seeding Depth & Weeds?

Hybrid
4 mph
1 cm

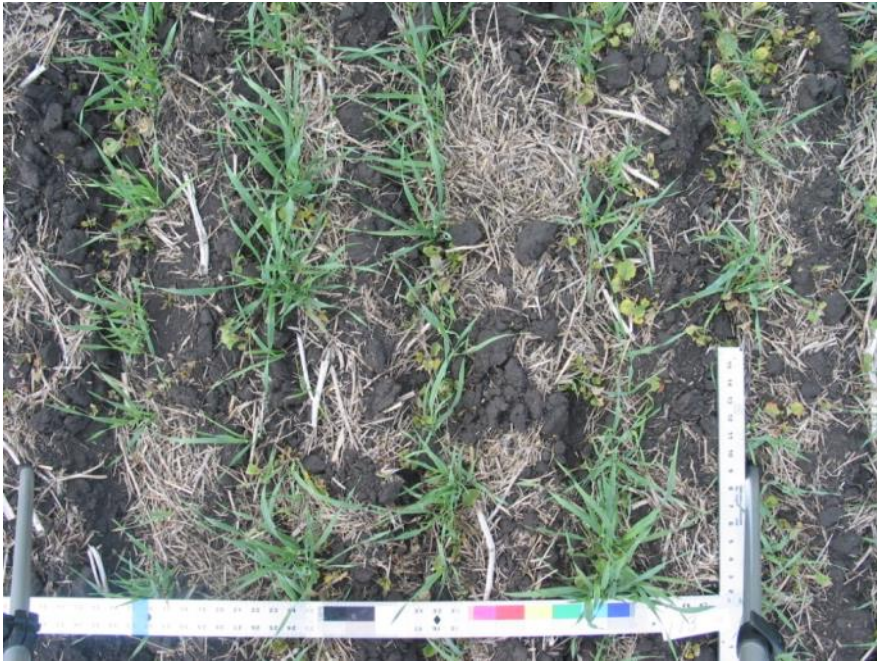
June 7 Photo
(April seeded)

Hybrid
4 mph
4 cm



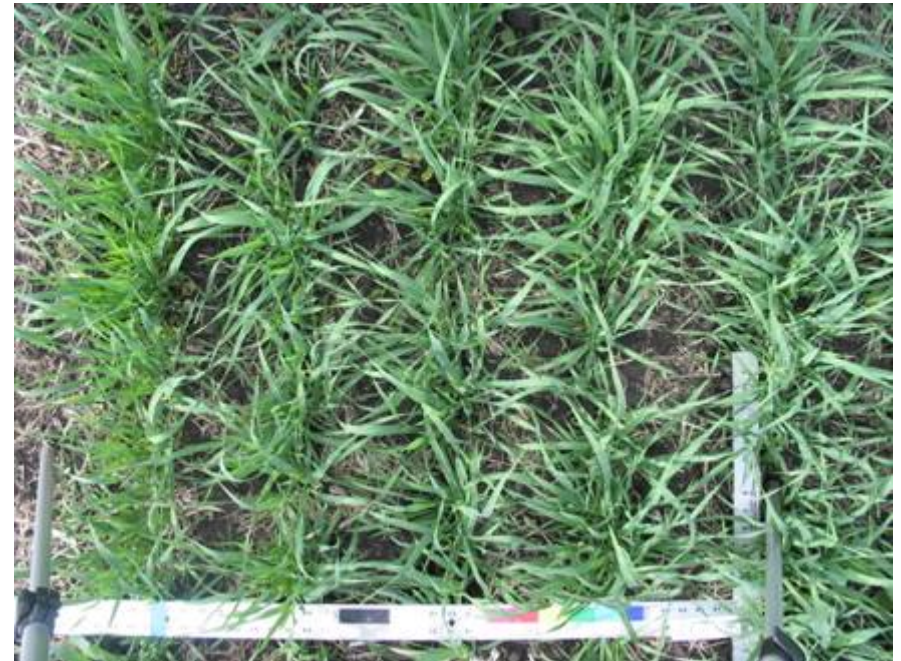
Fertilizer Placement & Weeds?

Barley Cover - June 20 , 2002



22%

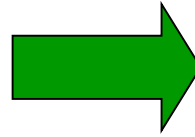
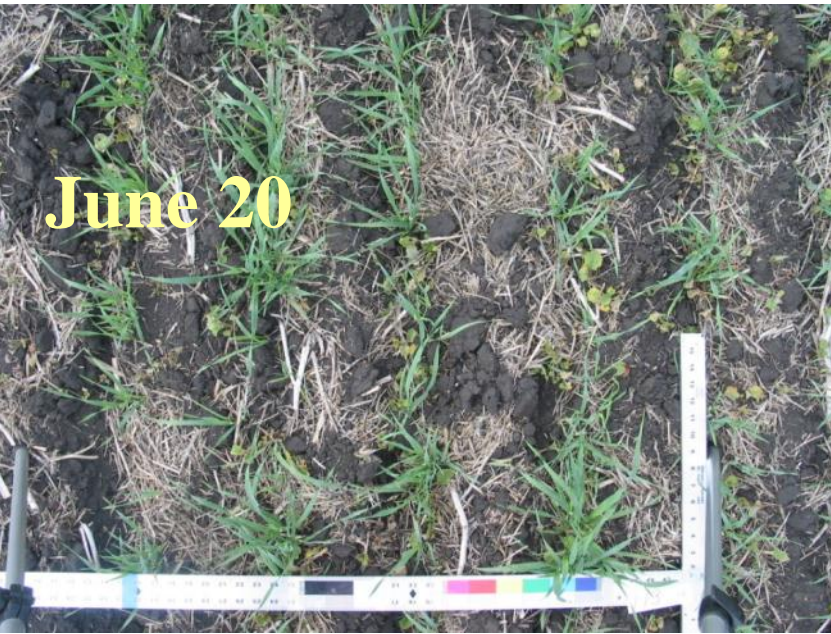
90 kg/ha N in seed row



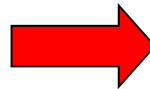
78%

90 kg/ha N pre plant band

Less Crop Canopy → More Weeds



22% vs. 78% Cover



WO Bio: 967 vs. 192 kg/ha

See Figure 1 - O'Donovan et al. 2008. Crop Sci. 48:1569–1574

Crop Health

- Rotating Varieties & Species

- continuous silage cropping

PRINCIPLE

Rotating Varieties & Species →

- ↑ Crop Health
- ↑ Productivity
- ↓ Diseases
- ↑ Crop Competition
- ↓ Weeds



Materials and Methods

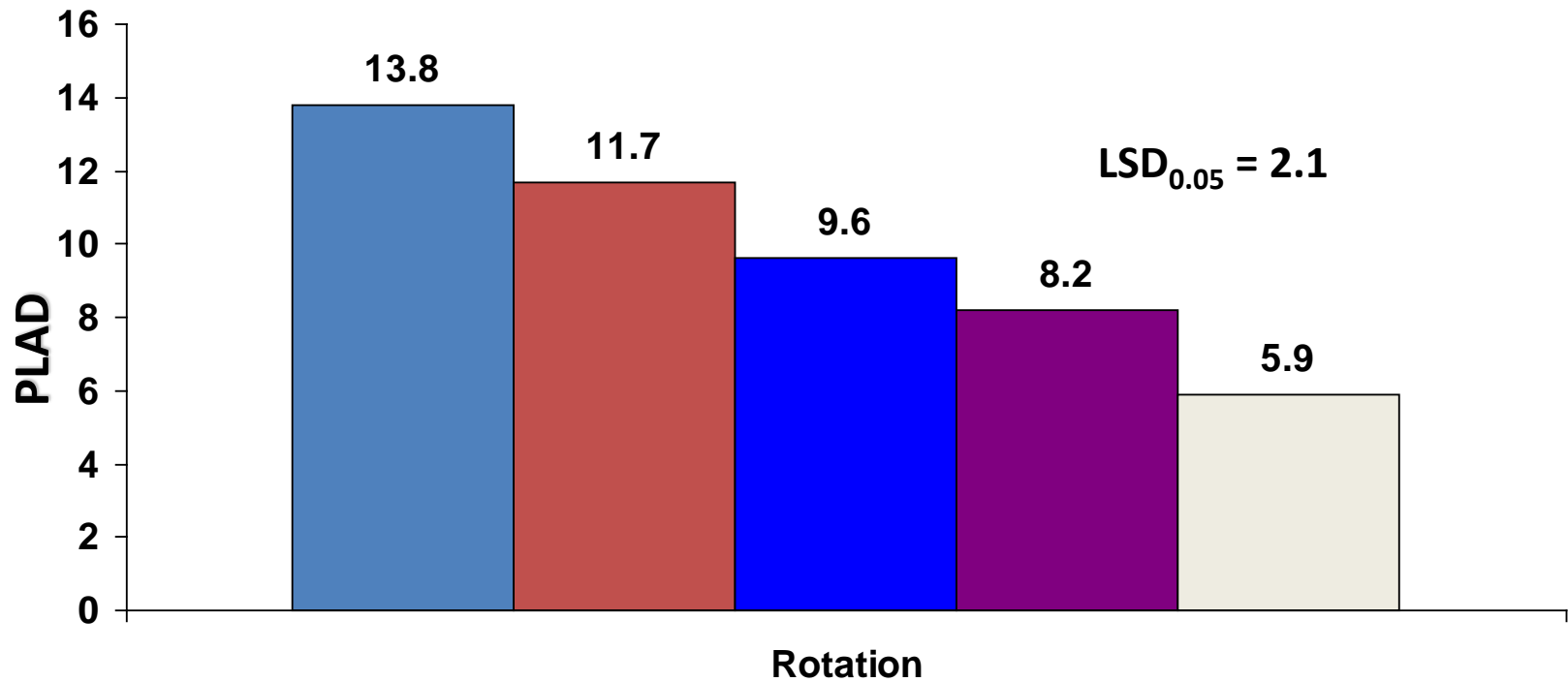
Cropping sequences: 2002-2004 & 2005-2007

- Barley cv. ‘Seebe’ / ‘Seebe’ / ‘Seebe’
- Barley cv. ‘CDC Helgason’ / ‘AC Harper’ / ‘Seebe’
- ‘CDC Helgason’ / Triticale ‘Pronghorn’ / ‘Seebe’
- ‘CDC Helgason’ / Oat ‘AC Mustang’ / ‘Seebe’
- ‘Pronghorn’ / ‘AC Mustang’ / ‘Seebe’

% Leaf Area Diseased (PLAD)

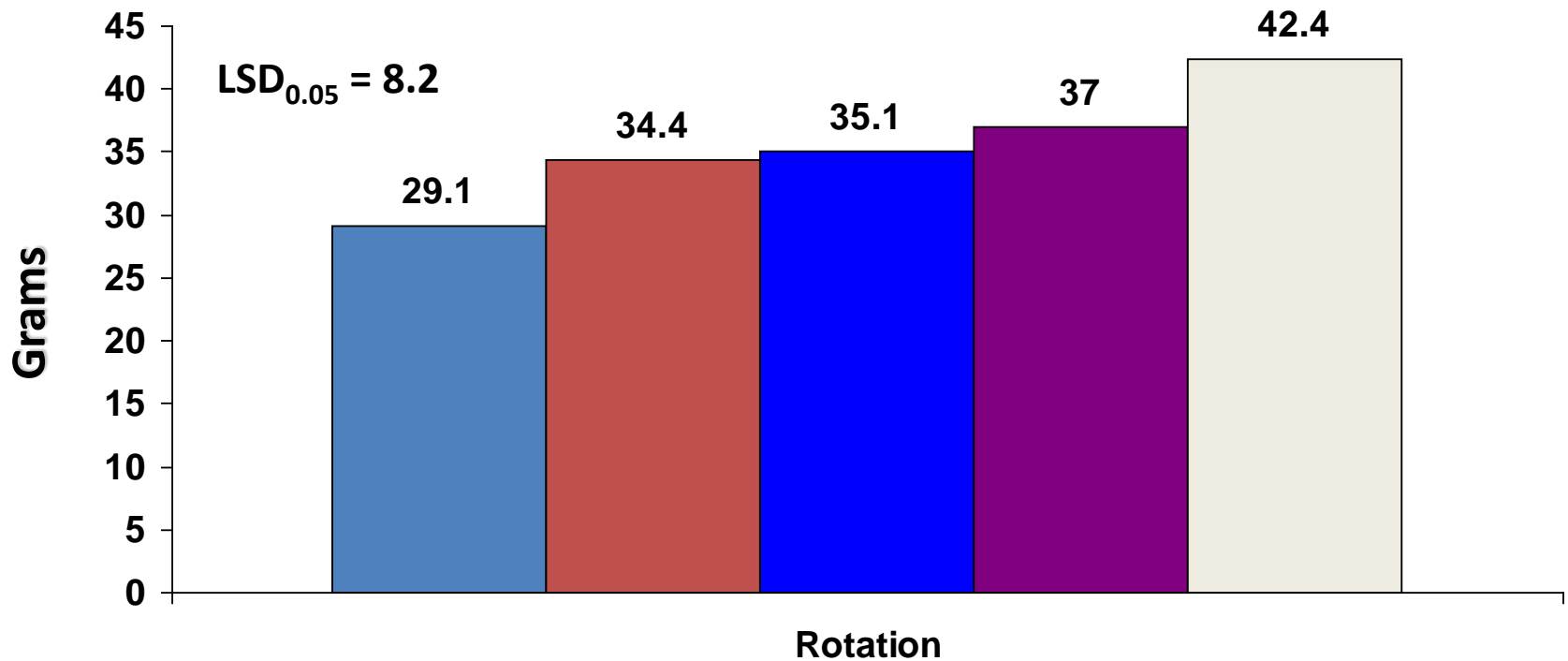
flag leaf – 2 (2004)

- Seebe/Seebe/Seebe
- Helgason/Pronghorn/Seebe
- Pronghorn/Mustang/Seebe
- Helgason/Harper/Seebe
- Helgason/Mustang/Seebe



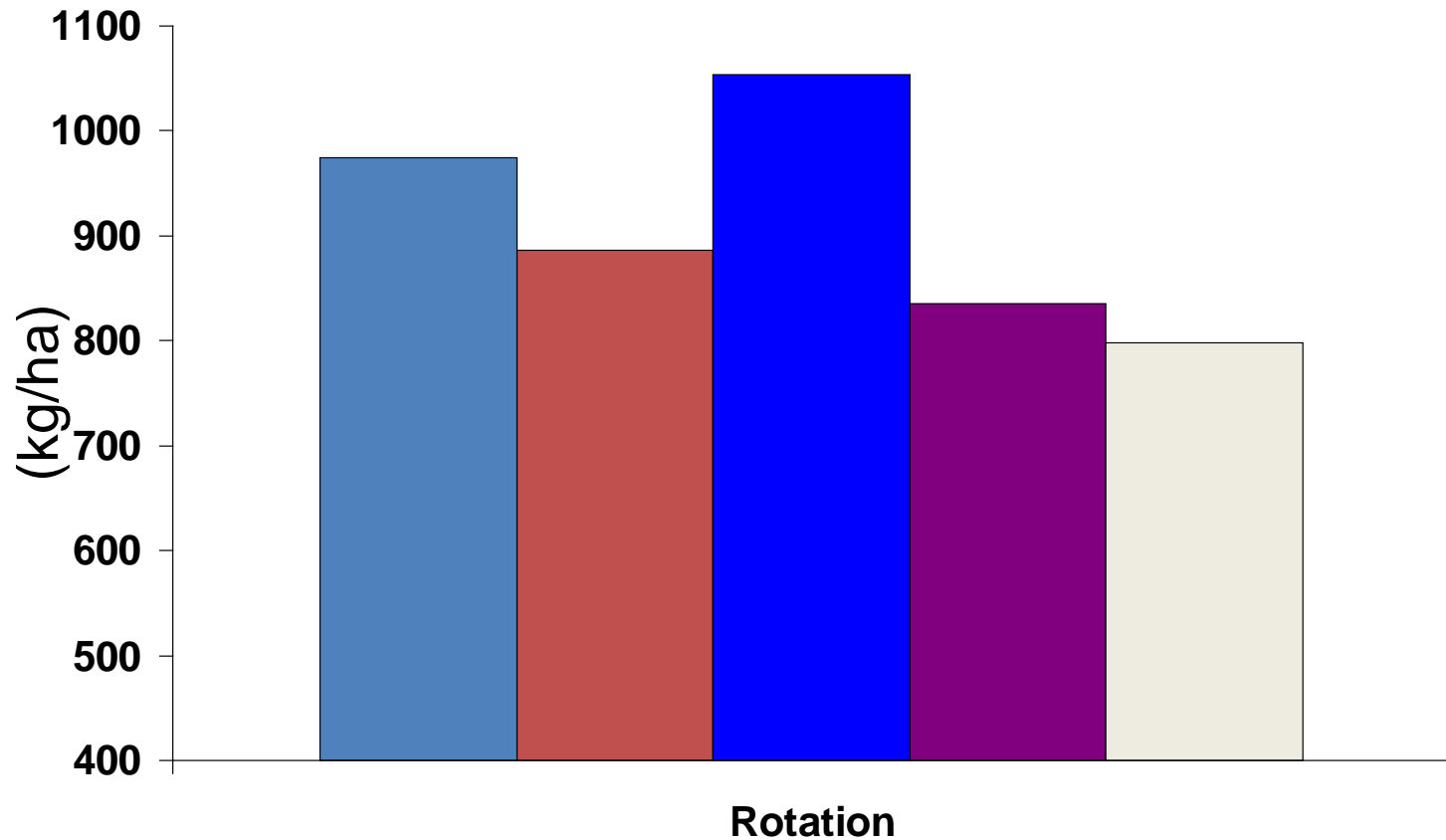


Root biomass (2004)



Wild Oat Biomass (2004)

- Seebe/Seebe/Seebe
- Helgason/Pronghorn/Seebe
- Pronghorn/Mustang/Seebe
- Helgason/Harper/Seebe
- Helgason/Mustang/Seebe



Crop Health - Rotating Species

- Wheat – Canola
 - Wheat – Canola – Peas
 - Canola – Canola
 - Wheat - Wheat
 - Wheat – Lentils/Chickpeas – Wheat – Canola
 - Wheat – Fallow
 - Barley silage
 - Barley silage - Winter Wheat – Canola
 - Wheat – Alfalfa – Alfalfa – Alfalfa – Canola
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Weeds fortunate enough to grow in simple, repeated cropping systems will continue to have little difficulty adapting and thriving.

Cropping - Rotations & Cycles

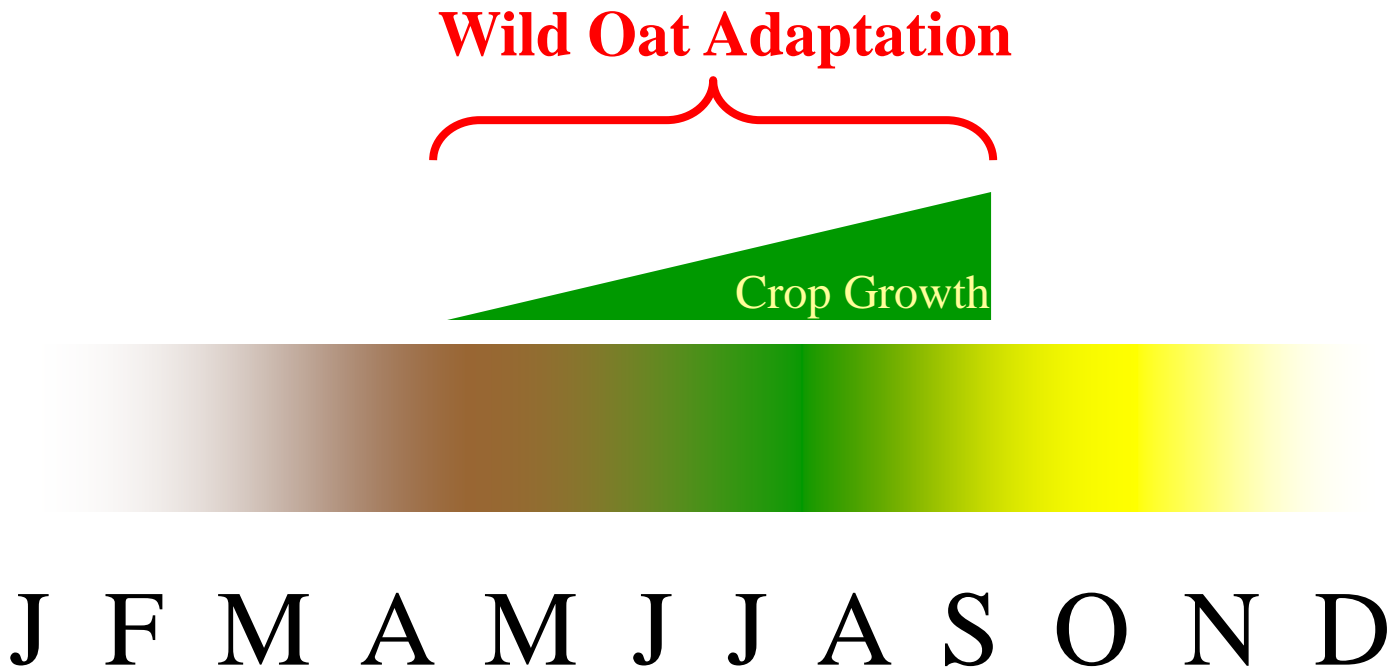
Winter - Spring - Summer - Fall - Winter



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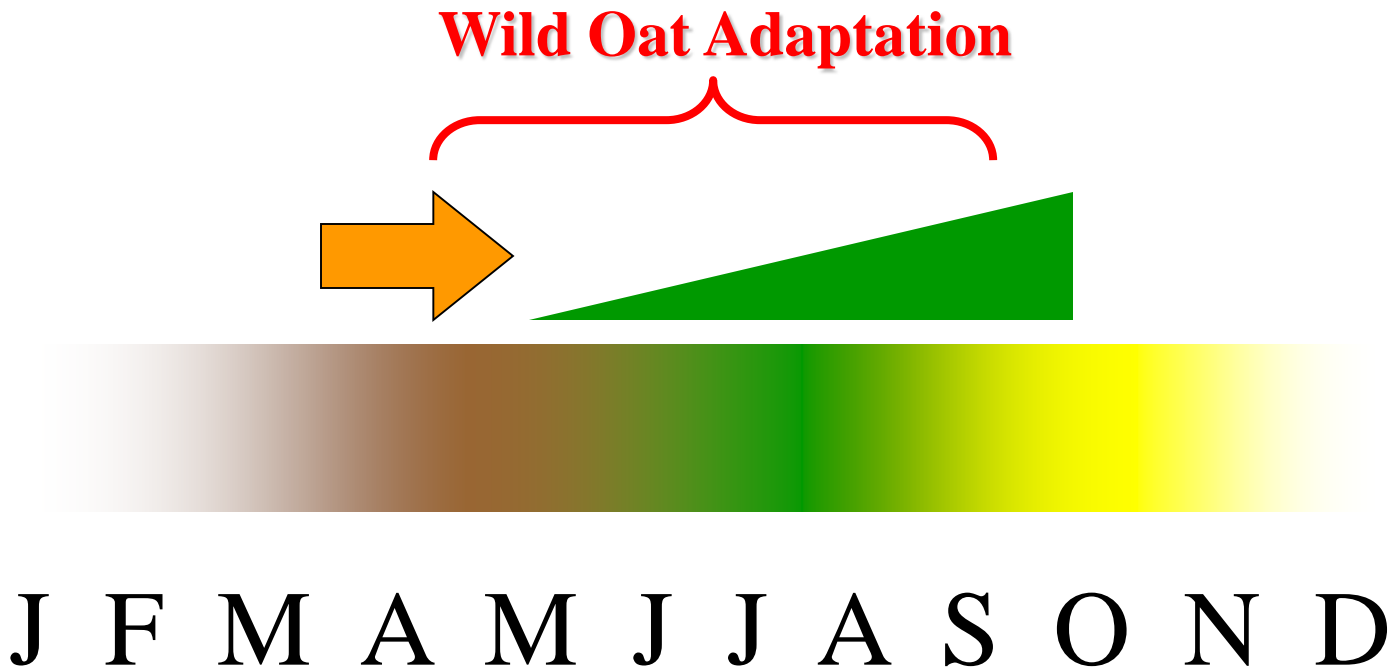
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- Summer Annual Crops



Cropping - Rotations & Cycles

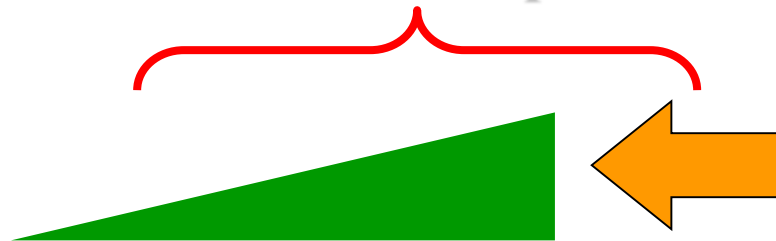
- Later Seeding



Cropping - Rotations & Cycles

- Earlier Seeding

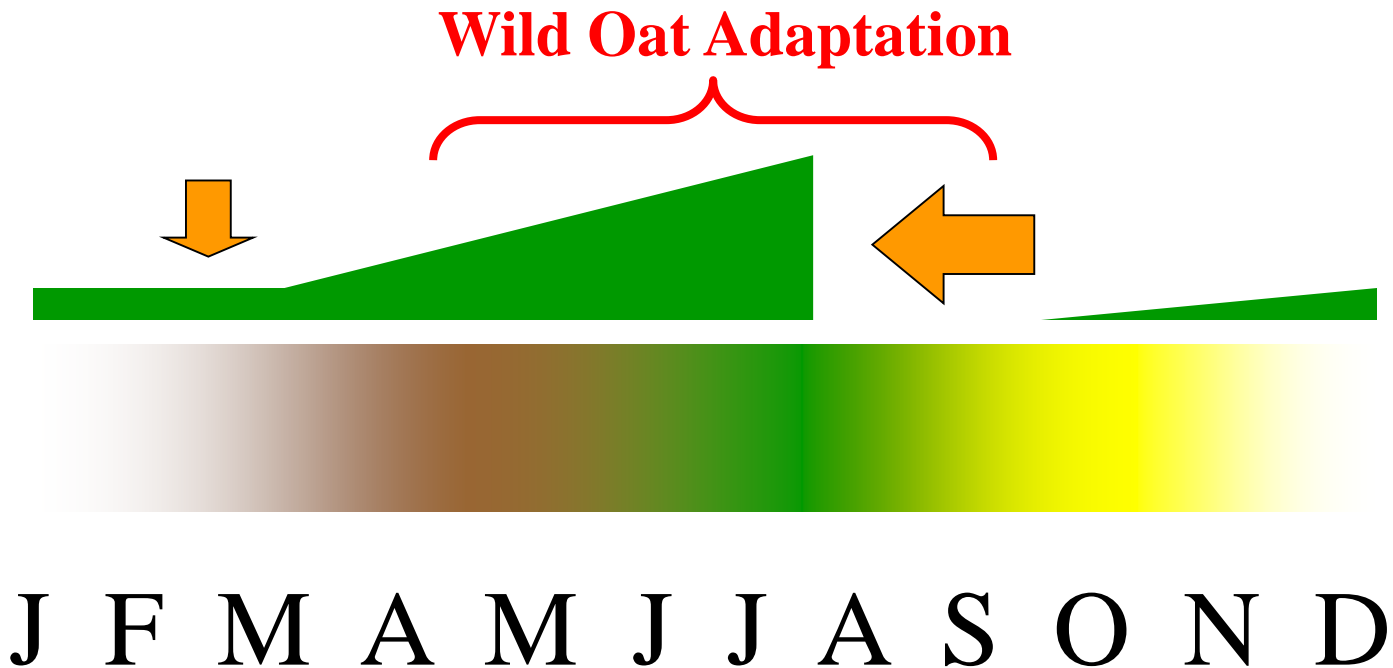
Wild Oat Adaptation



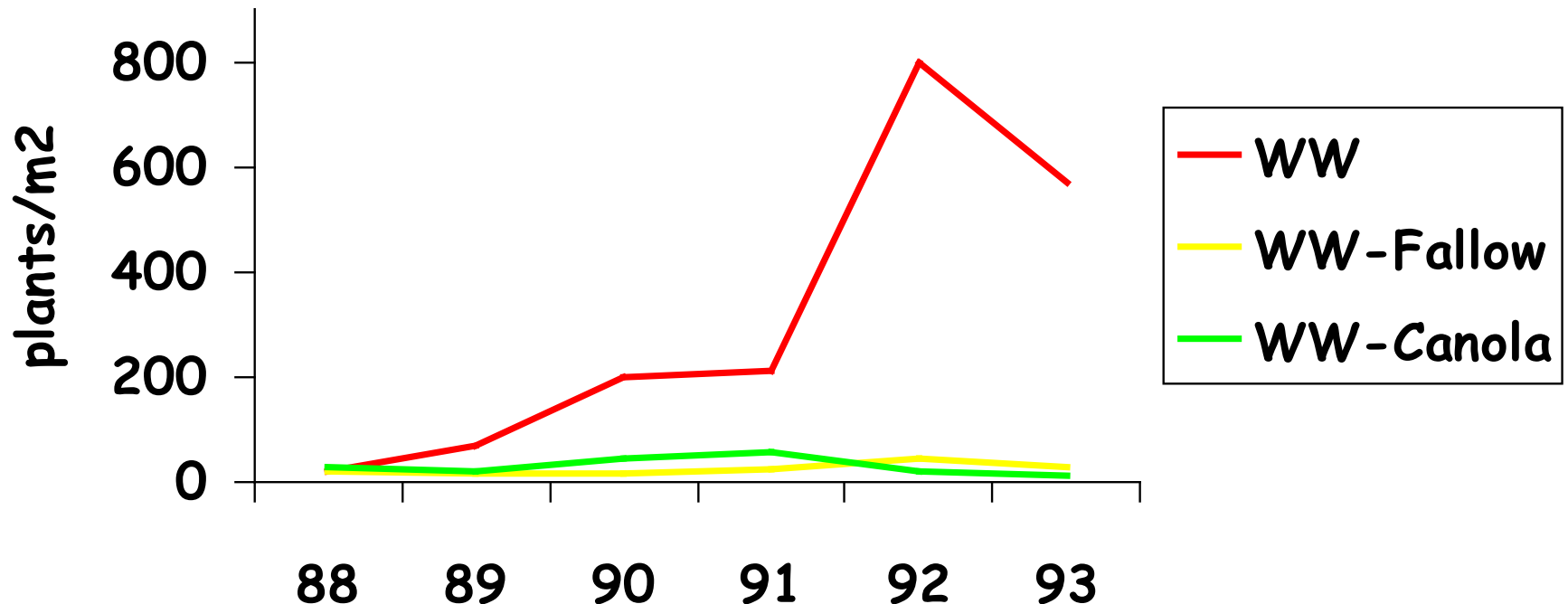
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Cropping - Rotations & Cycles

- Winter Annual Crops



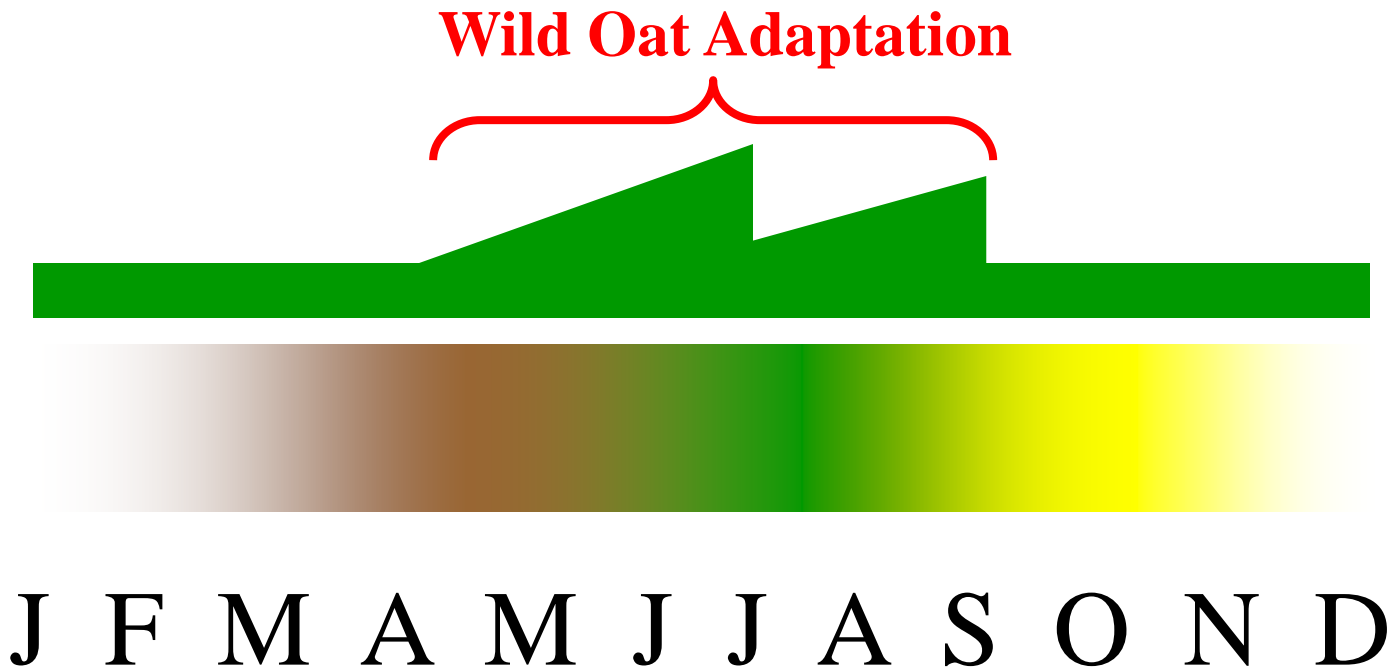
Downy Brome & Winter Wheat – Weed Density



Adapted from Blackshaw, Weed Technol. 1994. 8:728-732

Cropping - Rotations & Cycles

- Perennial Forages



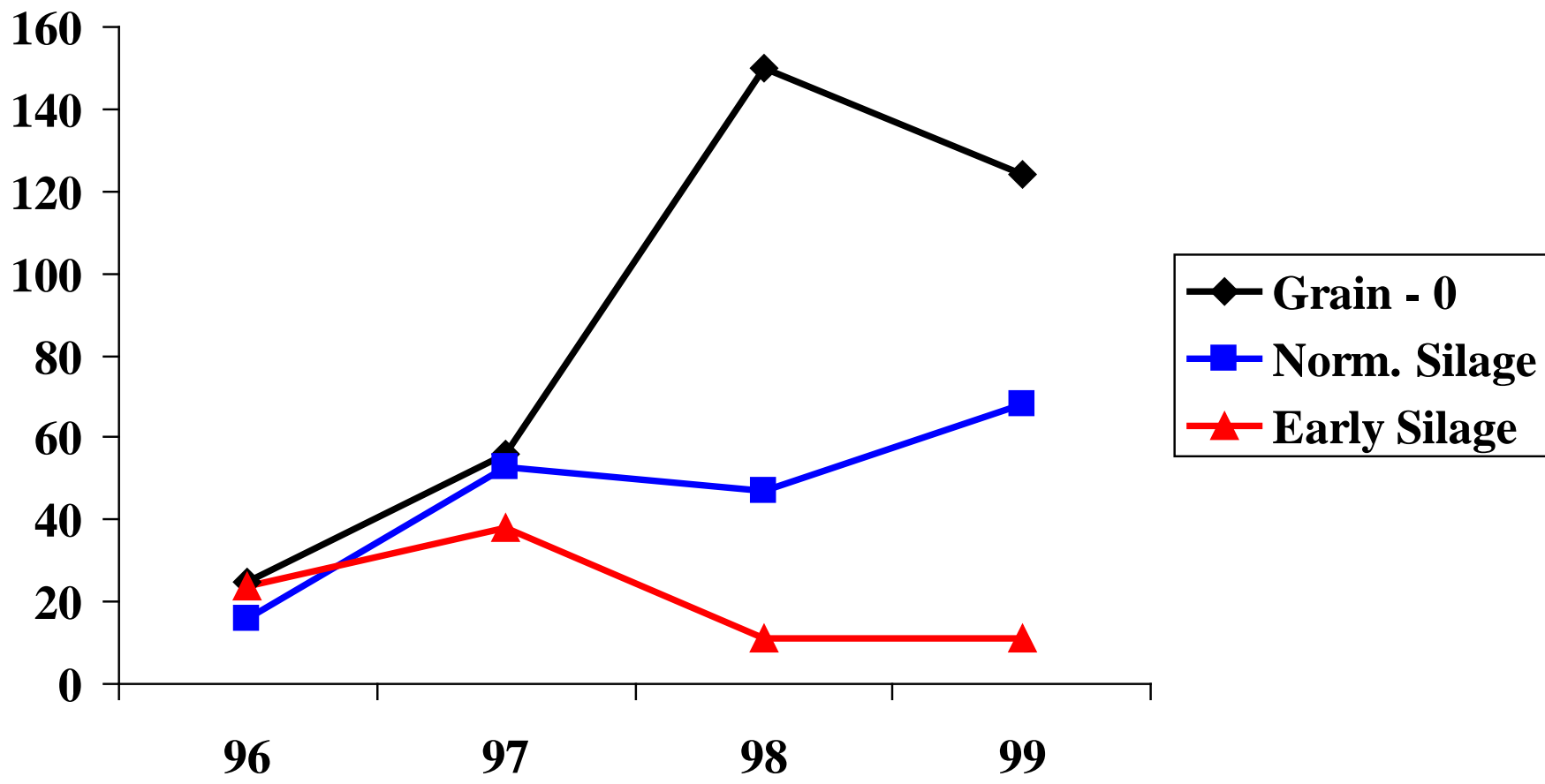
Silage Harvest Timing & Wild Oats?



Treatments

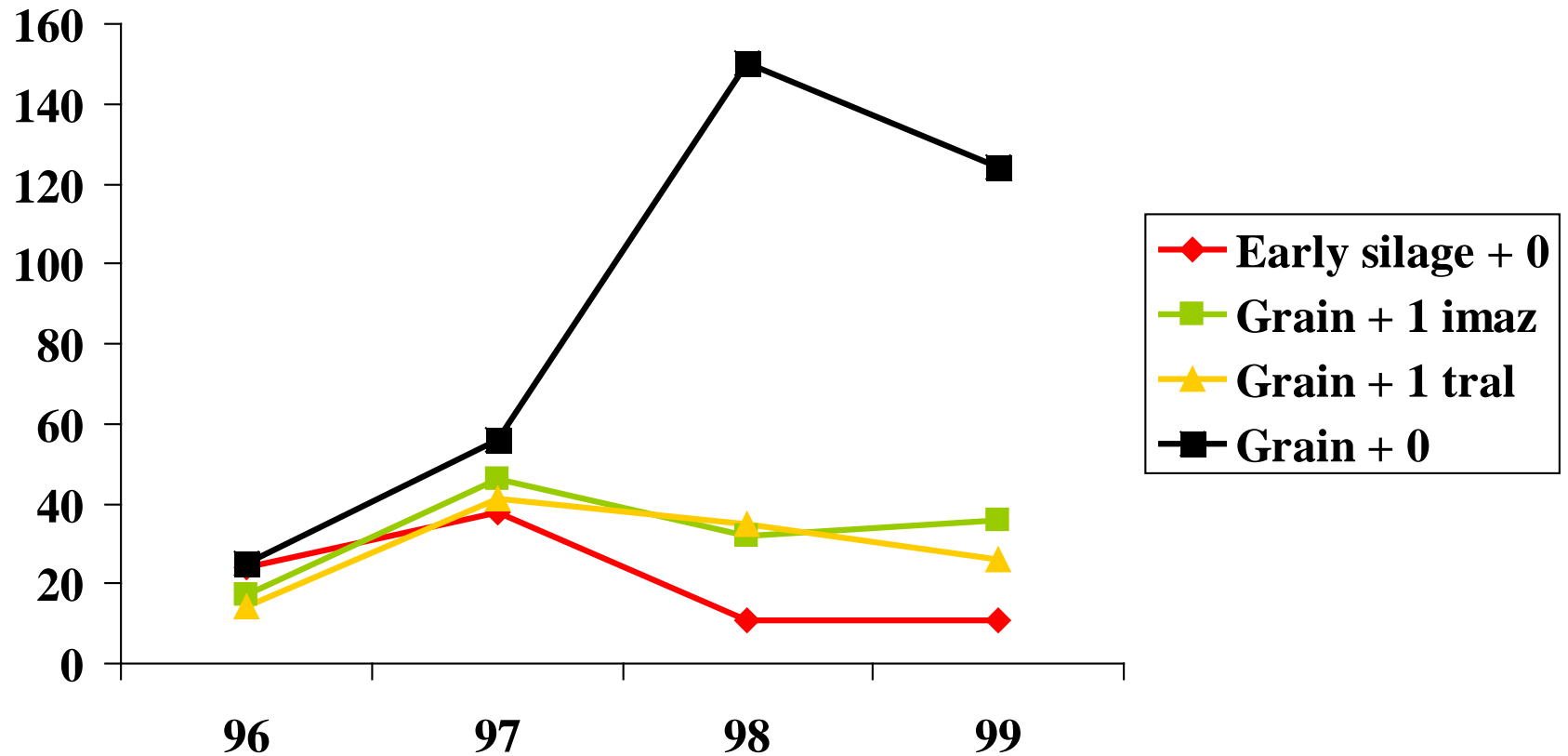
1. Barley grain - no herbicide
2. Early-cut barley silage - no herbicide
3. Normal-cut barley silage - no herbicide
4. Barley grain - Assert (1/2)
5. Barley grain - Assert (1)
6. Barley grain - Achieve (1/2)
7. Barley grain - Achieve (1)
8. Early-cut barley silage - Assert (1/2)
9. Early-cut barley silage - Achieve (1/2)
10. Normal-cut barley silage - Assert (1/2)
11. Normal-cut barley silage - Achieve (1/2)

Treatments w/o Herbicides: - wild oat/m²



Early Silage vs. Grain + Herb.:

- wild oat/m²



Integrated Weed Management



Treatments

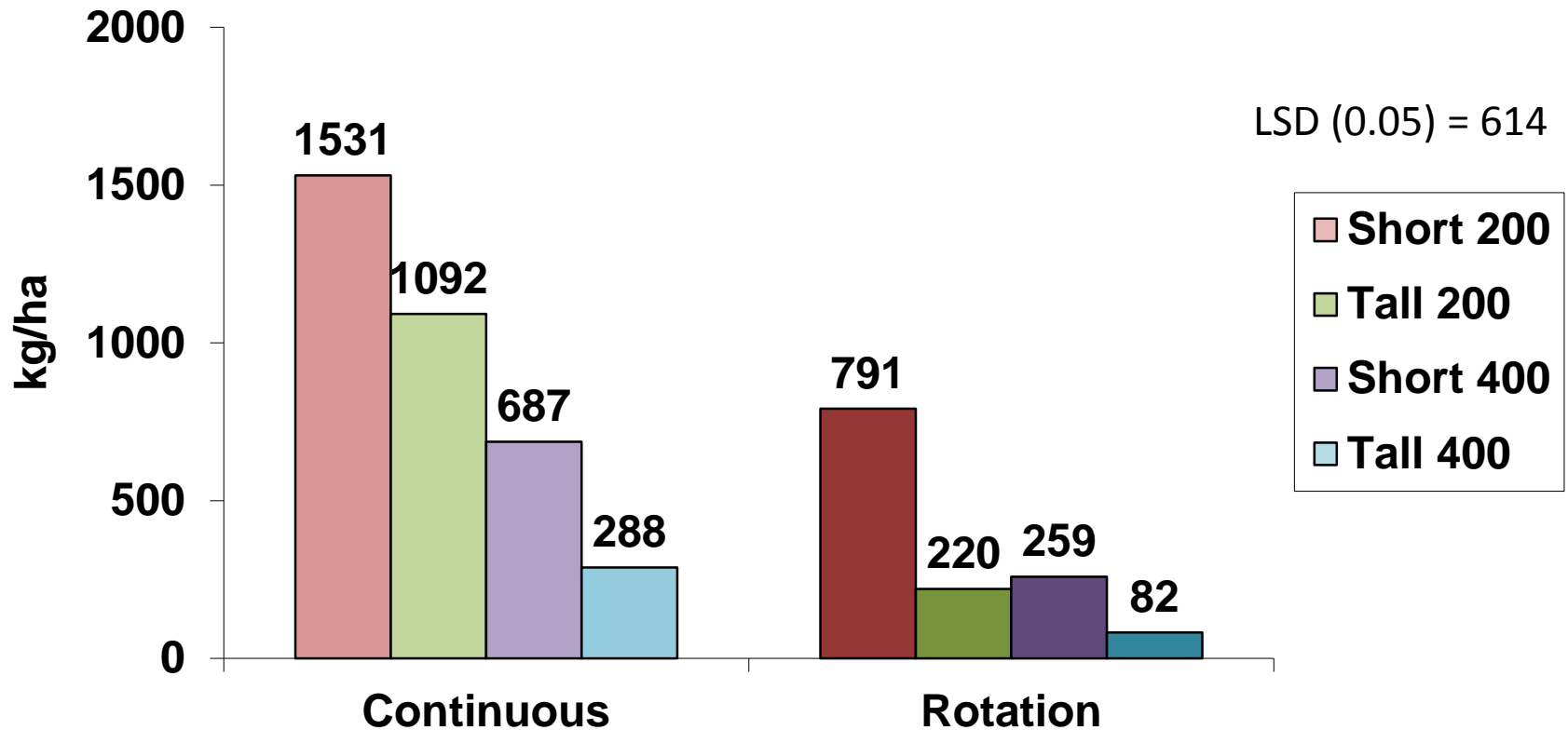
- Rotation – Continuous Barley vs. Bar-Can-Bar-Pea
- Varieties/Cultivars – Short versus Tall
- Seeding Rate – 1X or 2X (200 or 400 seeds/m²)
- Herbicide Rate – $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$, or 1X (ACCase or ALS)
- Treatments applied to same plots year after year –
cumulative treatment effects

Year 5



Wild Oat BM – Maturity – $\frac{1}{4}$ X Rate


– 2005 (3-site means after 5 years)




Combining Optimal Factor Synergy

- Wild oat biomass **Reduction**


# Factors	Description	(x)	Range
1	1x to 2x	2.9	
	Short to Tall	1.9	
	Cont to Rot	2.7	2-3
2	1x-Short to 2x-Tall	6.3	
	1x-Cont to 2x-Rot	7.7	
	Short-Cont to Tall-Rot	7.3	6-8
3	1x-Short-Cont to 2x-Tall-Rot	18.7	19



August 23, 2005



- Short
- 200 seeds
- B-B-B-B-B
- ¼ Rate



Tall
400 seeds
B-C-B-P-B
¼ Rate

Is a B-C-B-P-B rotation really diverse?

What would be better?



Materials and Methods

- Supplement natural wild oat infestation in fall and spring of the 1st year
- Combine optimal **cultural** wild oat management tactics with **truly diverse rotations** (not just summer-annuals) under **no-till** regime
- 14 Treatments
 - 100% herbicide, Chem Fallow and Alfalfa checks
- All plots receive a full rate of dicot herbicides
- 4 x 15 m plots in RCBD with 4 replications
- 8 locations

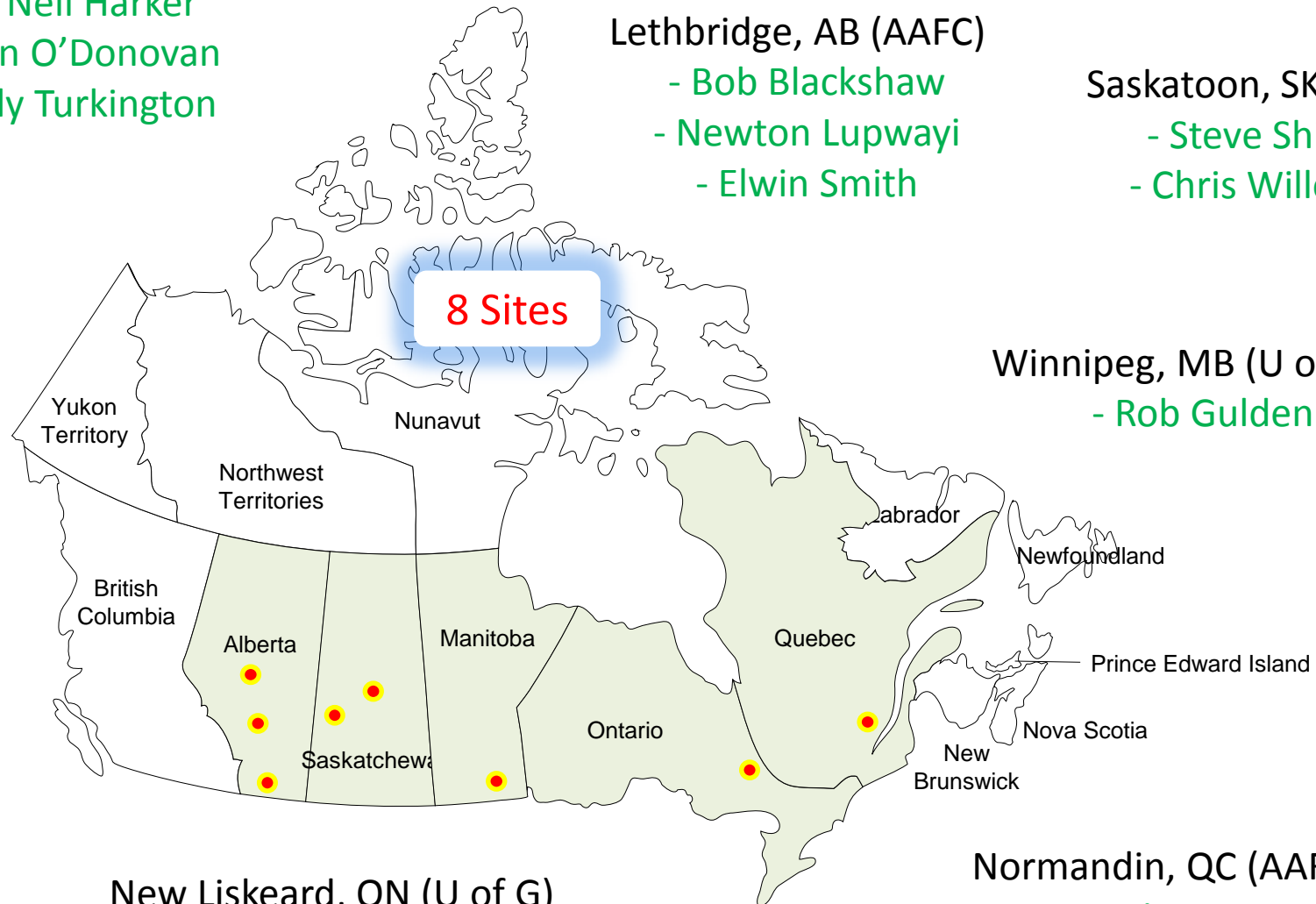
Edmonton, AB (U of A)
- Linda Hall

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- Bob Blackshaw
- Newton Lupwayi
- Elwin Smith

Saskatoon, SK (U of S)
- Steve Shirliffe
- Chris Willenborg



Winnipeg, MB (U of M)
- Rob Gulden

New Liskeard, ON (U of G)
- John Rowsell

Normandin, QC (AAFC)
- Denis Pageau

Data Collection

- Crop stand density - Spring
- Crop biomass - Summer
- Crop yield
- Wild oat density counts - Spring
- Wild oat biomass - Summer
- Wild oat seed bank determination

Treatments – I

Treatment	2010	2011	2012	2013
	Checks			
Canola-Wheat	C 100H	W 100H	C 100H	W 100H
Chem Fallow	C 50H	CF 100H	2xFR 0H	CF 100H
Alfalfa	C 50H	Alf 0H	Alf 0H	Alf 0H

Treatment	2010	2011	2012	2013
	Summer Annuals			
Canola-Barley	C 50H	2xB 0H	C 100H	2xB 0H
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Can-Bar-Pea-Wht	C 50H	2xB 0H	P 100H	2xW 0H
Can-Bar-Pea-Wht	C 50H	2xB 50H	P 100H	2xW 50H

0, 50, & 100% Herbicide rates are for wild oat herbicides only, dicot herbicide rates were 100%

Treatments – II

Treatment	2010	2011	2012	2013
	Early-Cut Silage & Winter Annuals			
Can-ES-Pea-WT	C 50H	2xES 0H	P 100H	2xWT 0H
Can-FR-Pea-WT	C 50H	2xFR 0H	P 100H	2xWT 0H
Can-ES-ES-WW	C 50H	2xES 0H	2xES 0H	2xWW 0H
Can-ES-ES-Wht	C 50H	2xES 0H	2xES 0H	2xW 0H
Can-ES-WW-WT	C 50H	2xES 0H	2xWW 0H	2xWT 0H
Can-ES-WW-ES	C 50H	2xES 0H	2xWW 0H	2xES 0H
Can-ES-WT-ES	C 50H	2xES 0H	2xWT 0H	2xES 0H

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Wild Oats Cut with Silage



Cutting Alfalfa



2X Spring Wheat – 0 WO Herbicide

2013 Plots

2011 – Early-cut silage – no wild oat herbicide

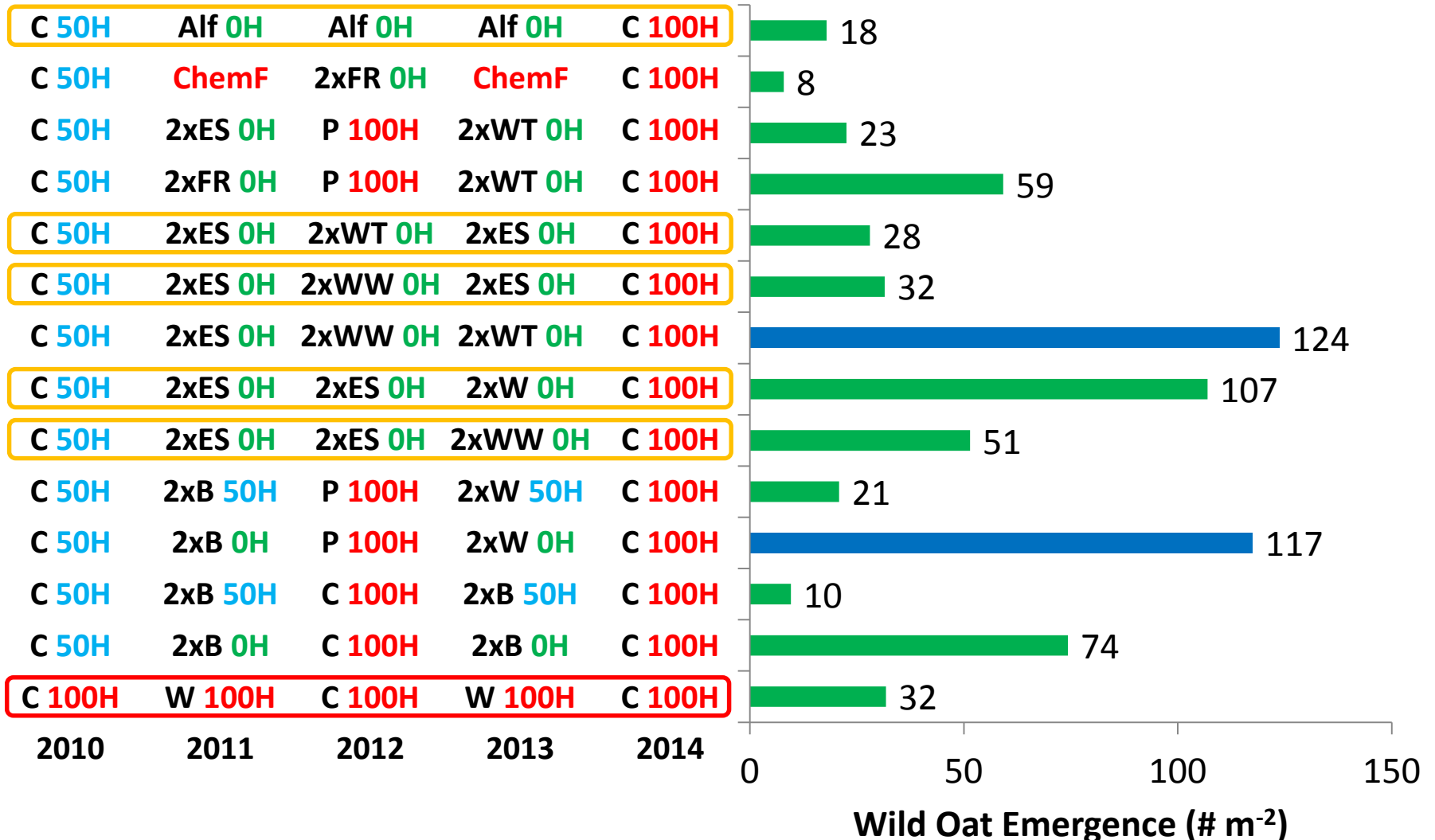
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2X Winter Triticale – 0 WO Herbicide

2013 Plots

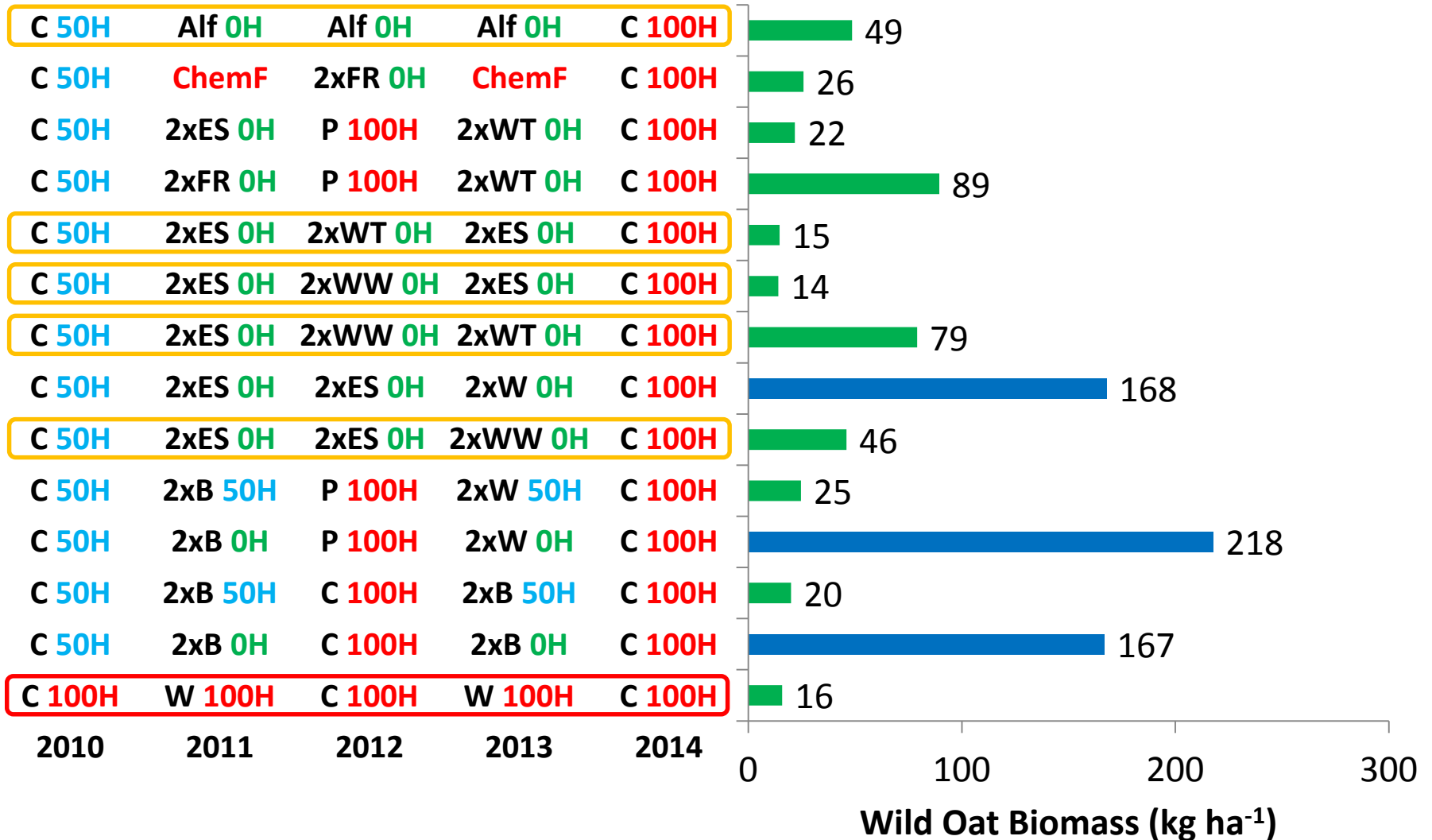
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Wild Oat Emergence (2014) – 8 Sites



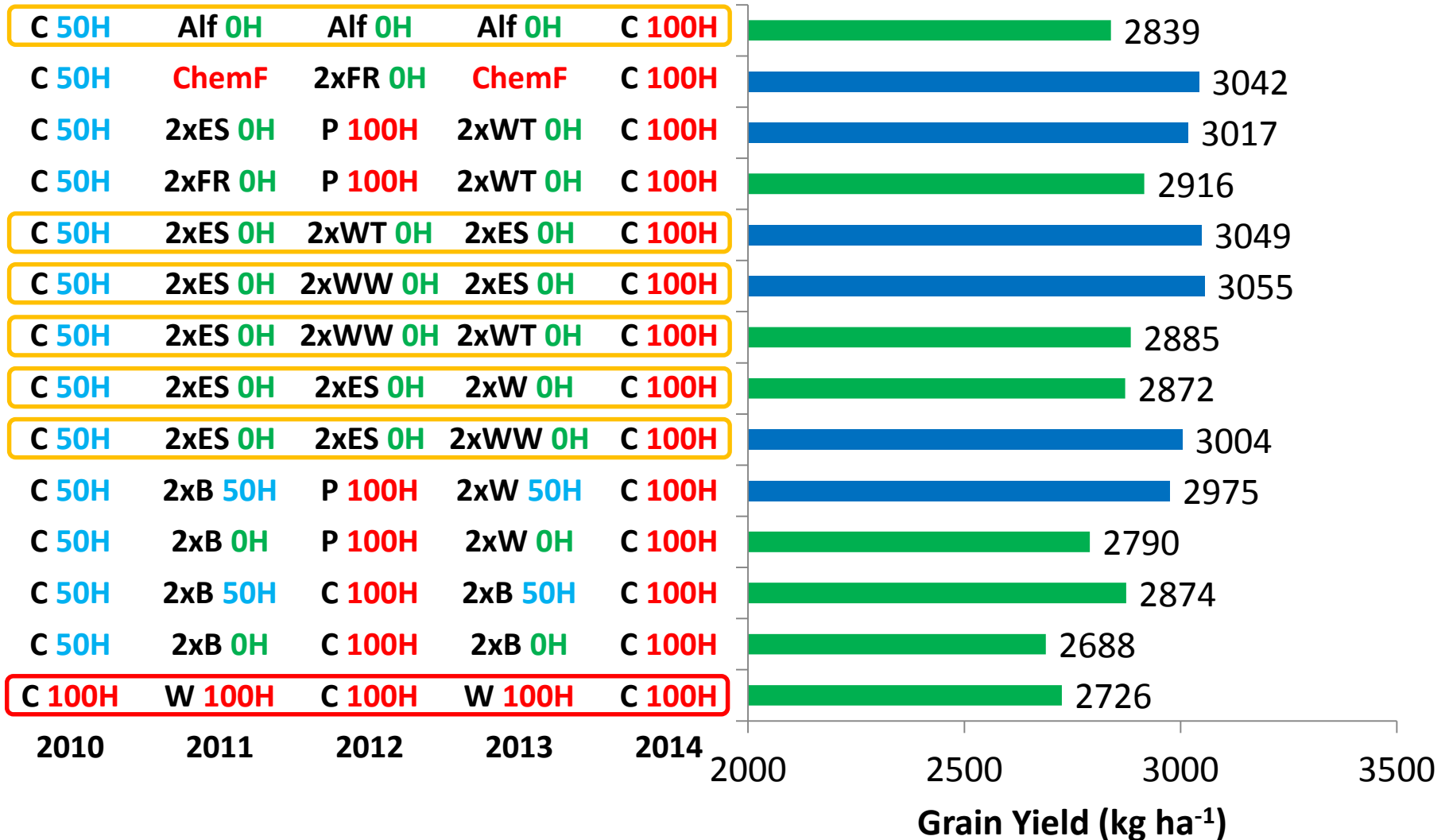
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Wild Oat Biomass (2014) – 4 Sites



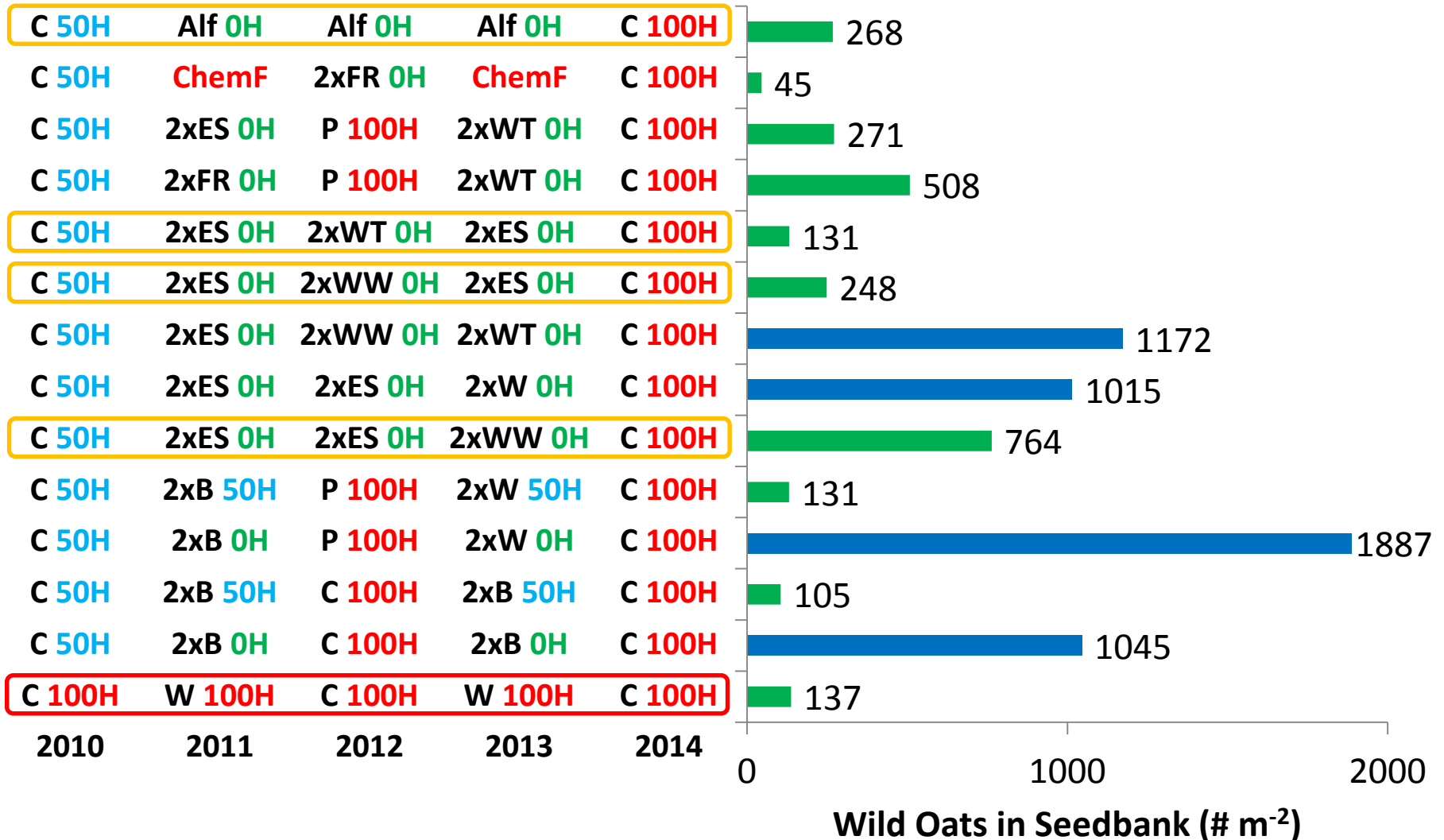
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Canola Yield (2014) – 7 Sites



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Wild Oat Seedbank (2014) – 7 Sites



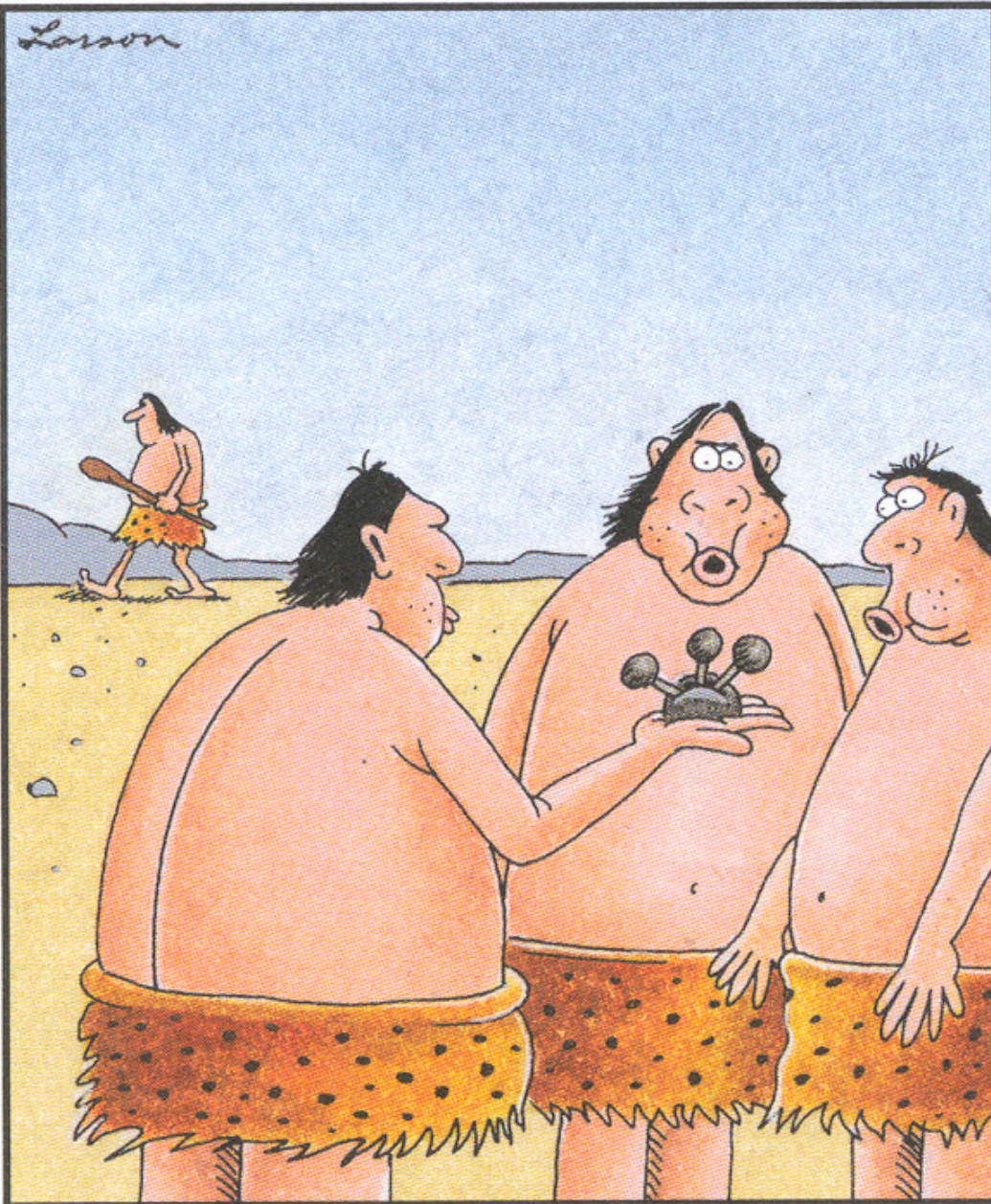
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Conclusions - I

- Combining 2x seeding rates of early-cut barley silage with 2x seeding rates of winter cereals and excluding wild oat herbicides for 3 of 5 yr often led to similar wild oat density, above-ground wild oat biomass, wild oat seed density in the soil and canola yield as a repeated canola-wheat rotation under a full wild oat herbicide rate regime.
- Wild oat was similarly well-managed after three years of perennial alfalfa without wild oat herbicides.

Conclusions - II

- Forgoing wild oat herbicides in only two of five years from exclusively summer annual crop rotations resulted in higher wild oat density, biomass and seed banks.
- Management systems that effectively combine diverse and optimal cultural practices against weeds, and limit herbicide use, reduce selection pressure for weed resistance to herbicides and prolong the utility of threatened herbicide tools.

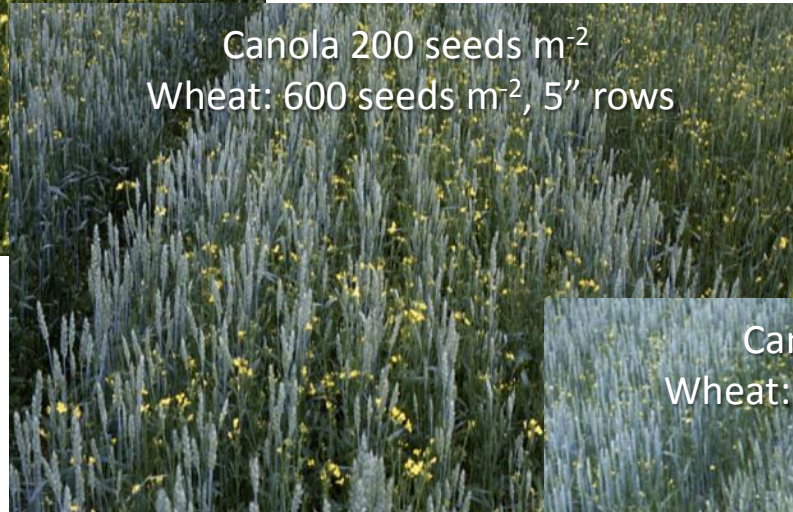
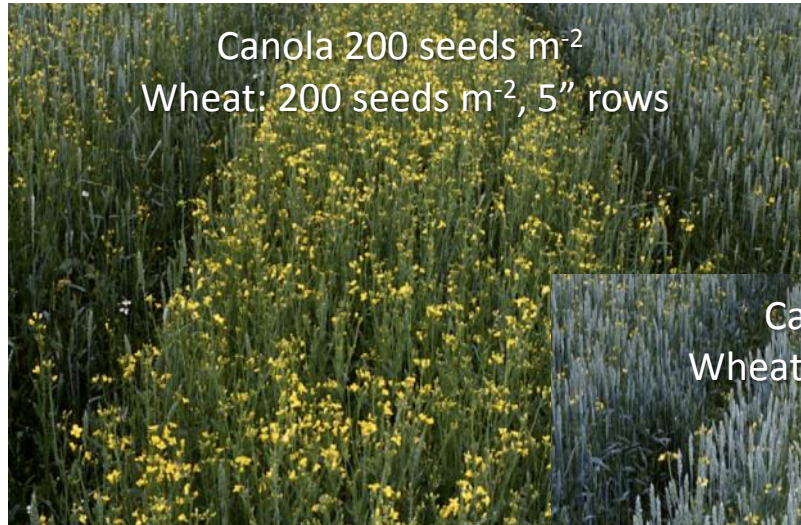


Danook shows off his Swiss Army Rock.

New
Weed
Mgmt.
Tools

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Crop Density & Spatial Distribution



Weiner et al. 2001. J. App. Ecol. 38:784-790

Weiner et al. 2010. Evol. Appl. 3:473-479.

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CombCut™



Weed Seed Removal / Destruction



Harrington Weed Seed Destructor



Corrigan, WA, AU
Feb 22, 2013

Chaff Cart



Chaff in Narrow Windrows



Photos: Michael Walsh

Burn Chaff & Weed Seed



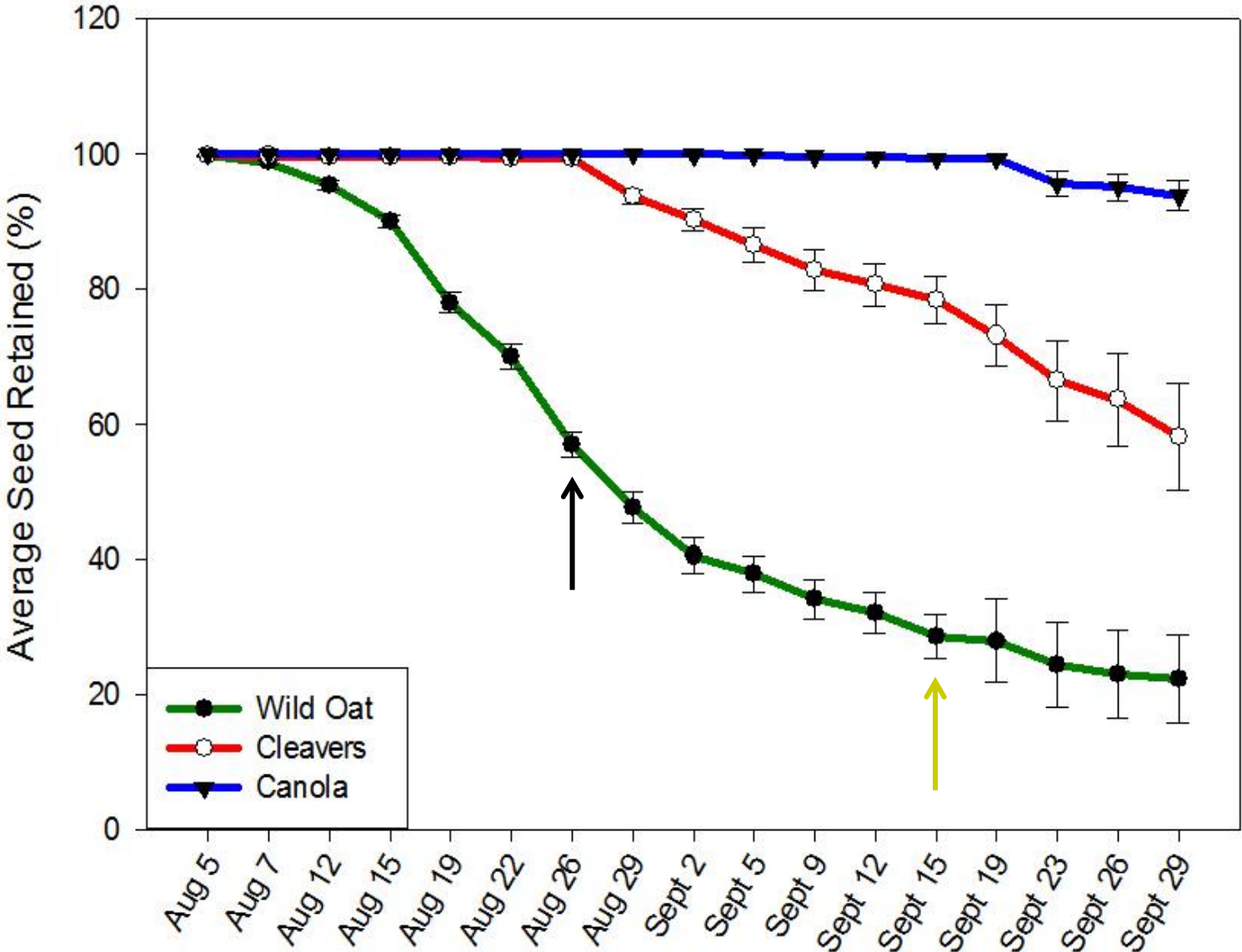
- > 90% control of Ryegrass and Wild Radish
- Most Western AU growers use this technique

Photo: Michael Walsh

Chaff Diversion



Weed Seed Retention over Time – 1 site, 1 year



Weed Target Suitability

Excellent targets

- Canola, green foxtail



Good targets

- Cleavers, wild mustard



Poor target

- Wild oat

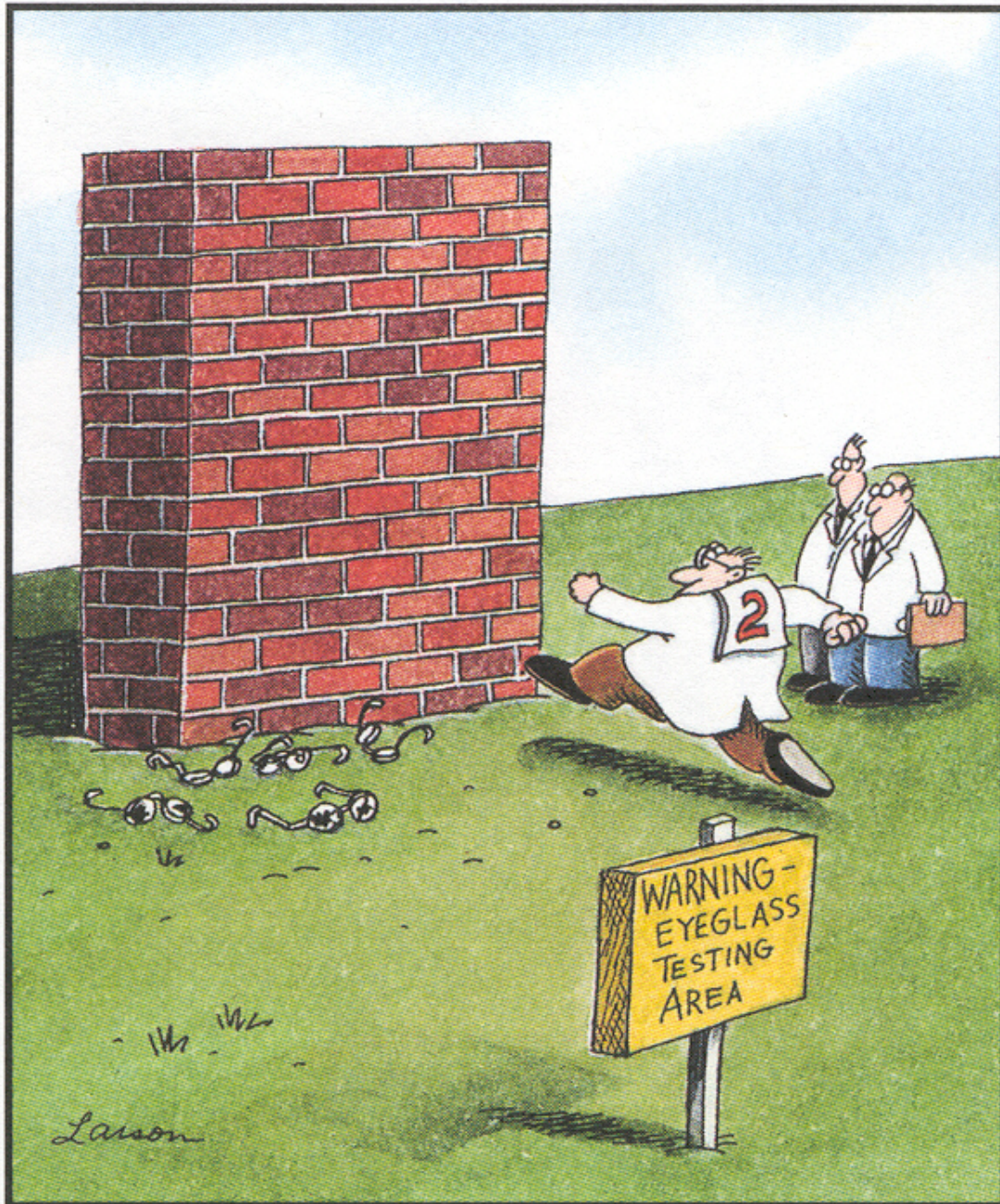


Summary - I

- Some herbicides are being over-used
- Weed Resistance to herbicides continues to increase at a rapid pace
- Many popular wild oat herbicides are already less useful than a few years ago
- Few or no new herbicide mode of actions are being registered
- **Low Diversity Rotations are Dominant**

Summary - II

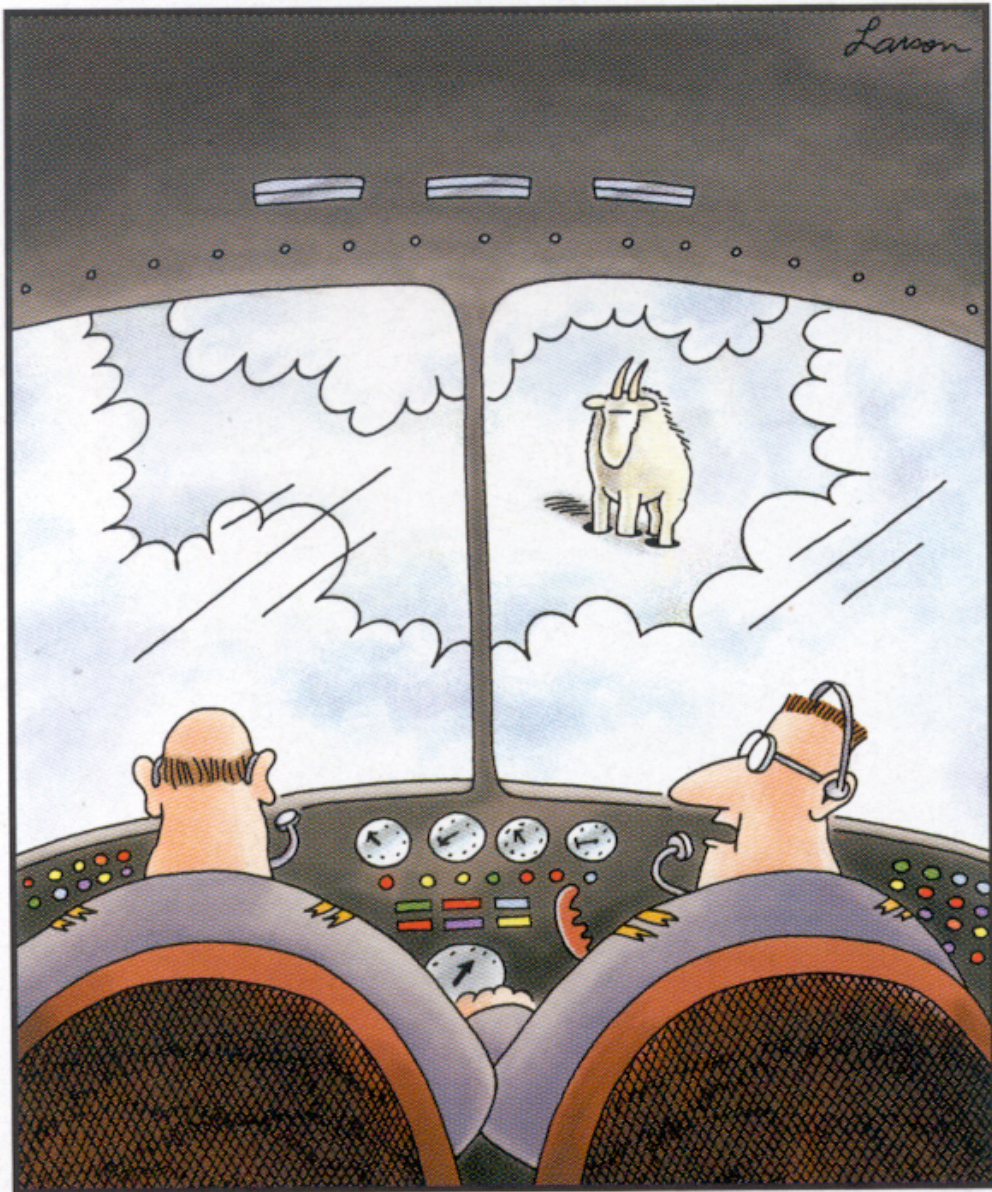
- HR Canola → a Resistance Reprieve, but less cropping system diversity → more problems...
- The most-profitable crops drive a lack of rotational diversity
- Harvest Weed Seed Control should be taken seriously
- So far, Weed Resistance has not driven much greater IWM adoption – that could change!



Do We Have
To Observe
Resistance to
Every Last
Herbicide and
Weed Before
We Act
Decisively?

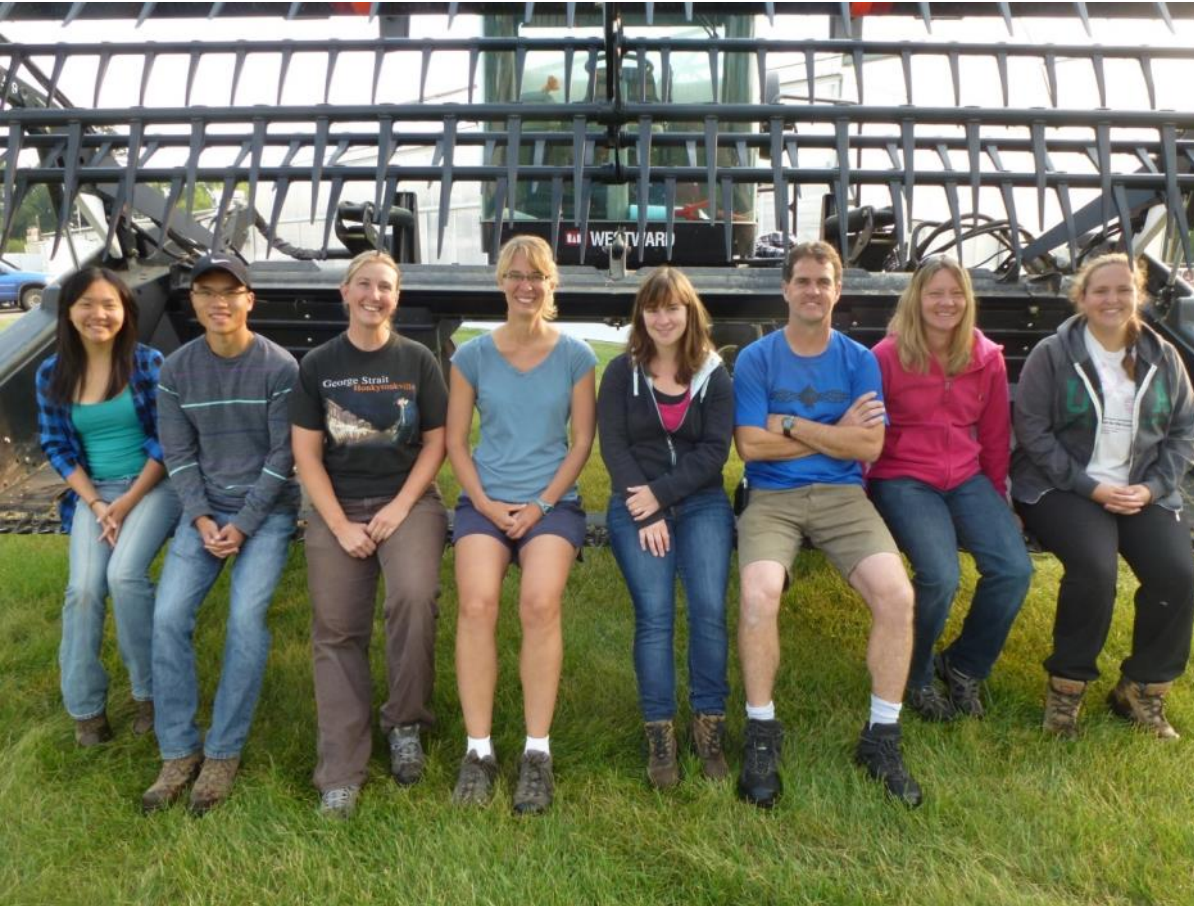
Reducing Herbicide Resistance

“The only sustainable solution is for government or end-users of commodities to set herbicide-use reduction targets in our major field crops similar to European Union member states, and include financial incentives or penalties in agricultural programs to support this policy.”



“Say ... what’s a mountain goat doing way up here in a cloud bank?”

There
Are
Signs
That
Serious
Trouble
is
Ahead
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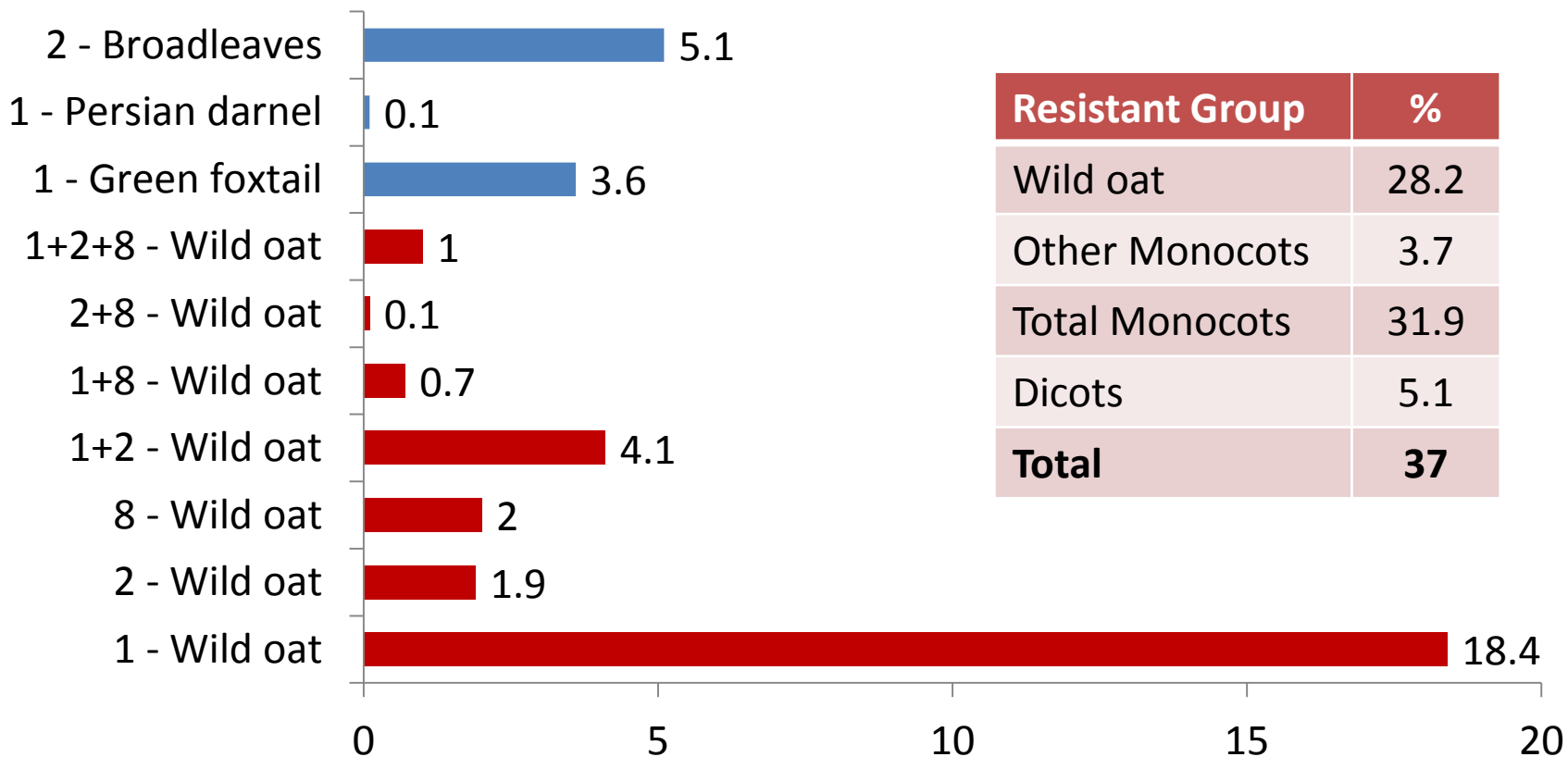
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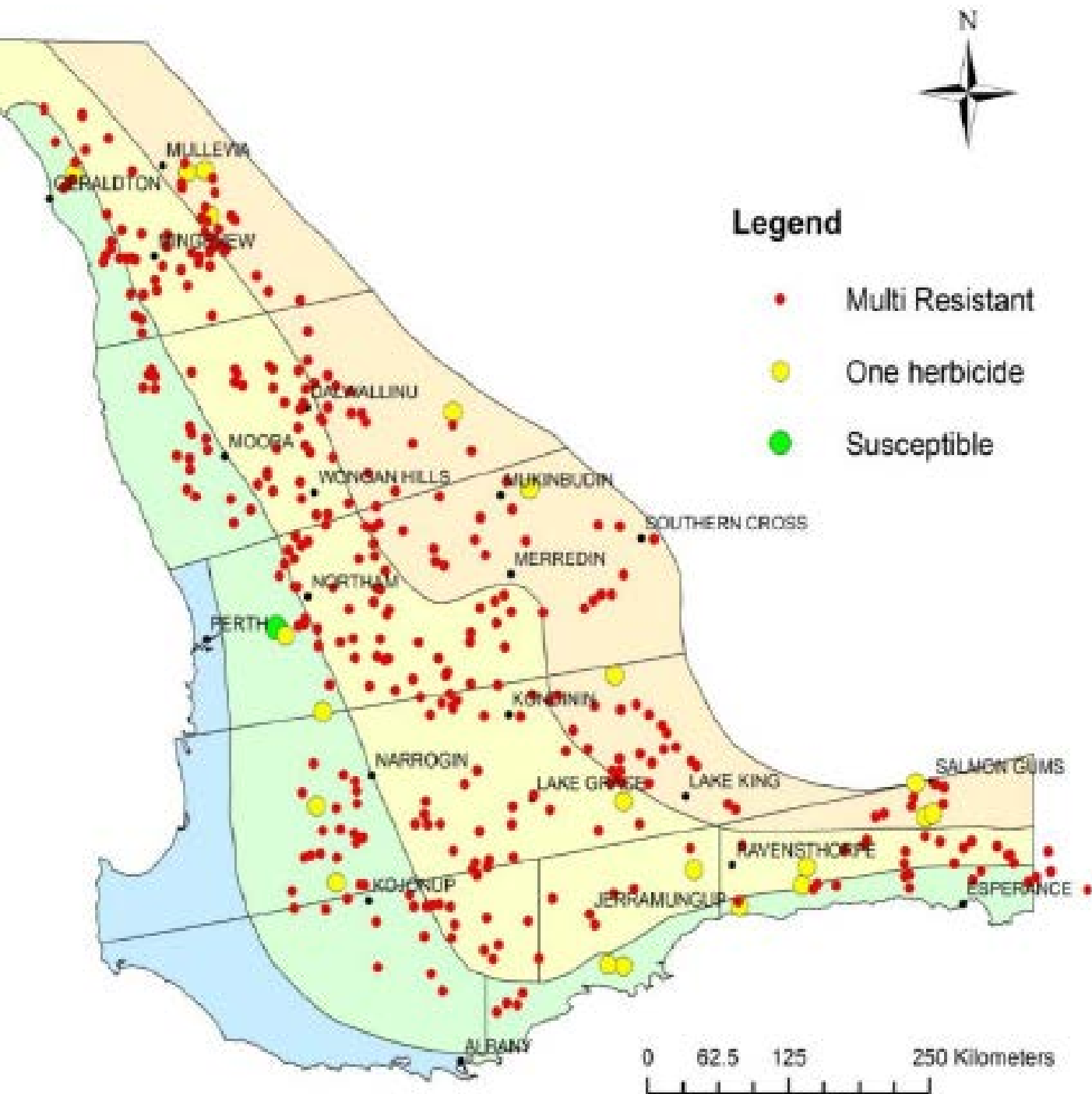
Western Canada Resistant Weeds

- Weed Resistance Spectrum (2007-2009)

% of Cropped Land having Resistant Weeds



Adapted from: Beckie et al. 2013 Weed Technol. 27:171-183



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acre rigid
ryegrass
random
resistance
survey
(West Aus.)

Owen et al. 2014
Weed Research