

Fire Blight Management using Biological and Chemical Control

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Materials registered for fire blight control

Biologicals:

BlightBan A506

Bloomtime

Blossom Protect (expect 2011)

Product effectiveness

poor to fair

poor to good

fair to good[#]

[#]limited data

Antibiotics:

Streptomycin

*pathogen strains resistant to streptomycin are widespread

Oxytetracycline

Kasugamycin (expect 2012?)

poor to excellent*

fair to very good

very good to excellent

Antibiotic-like:

Serenade Max plus NuFilm P

fair to good

Fixed coppers:

many

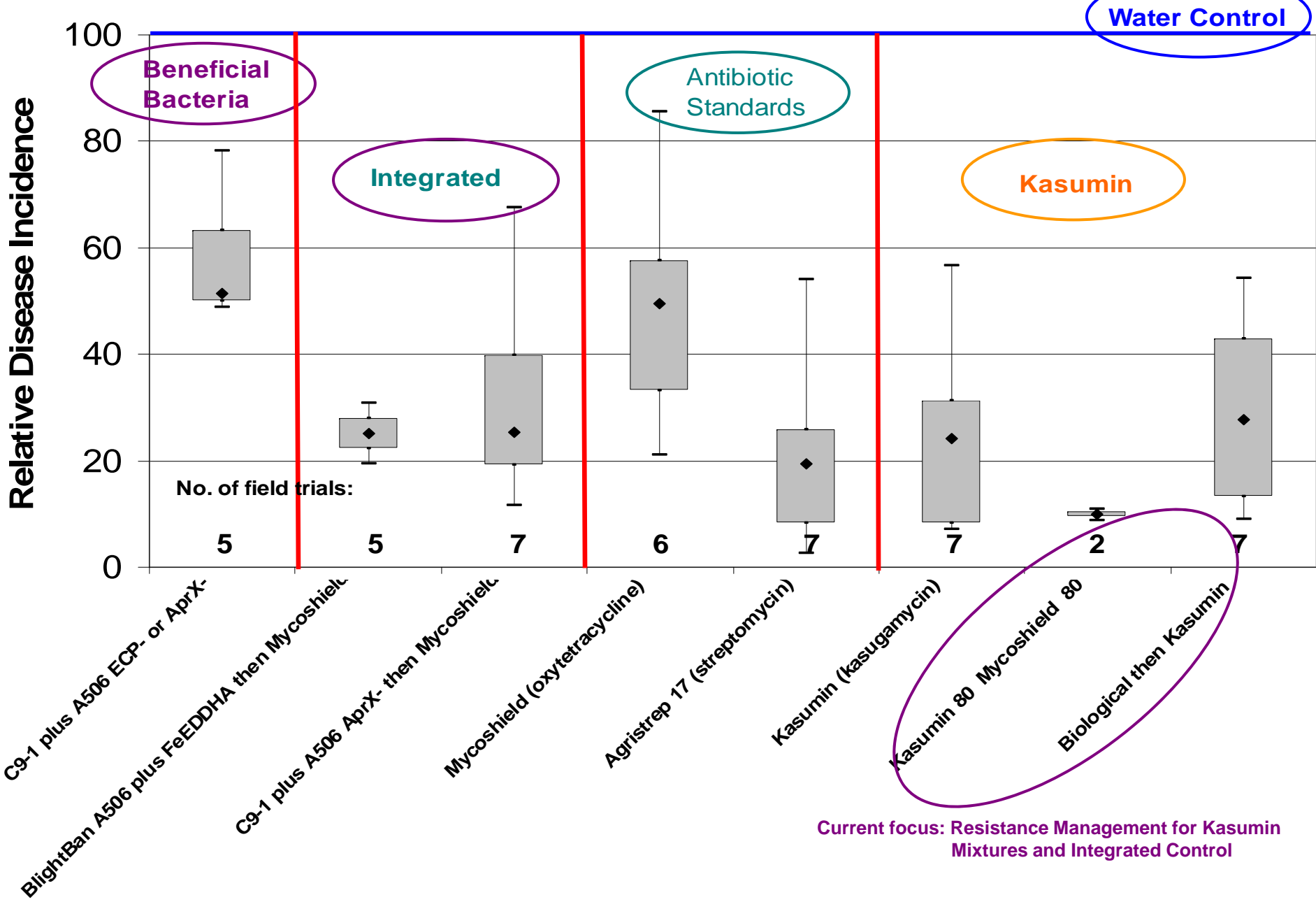
fair to excellent[^]

[^]generally limited to delayed-dormant applications owing to russet concerns

Why integrated control?

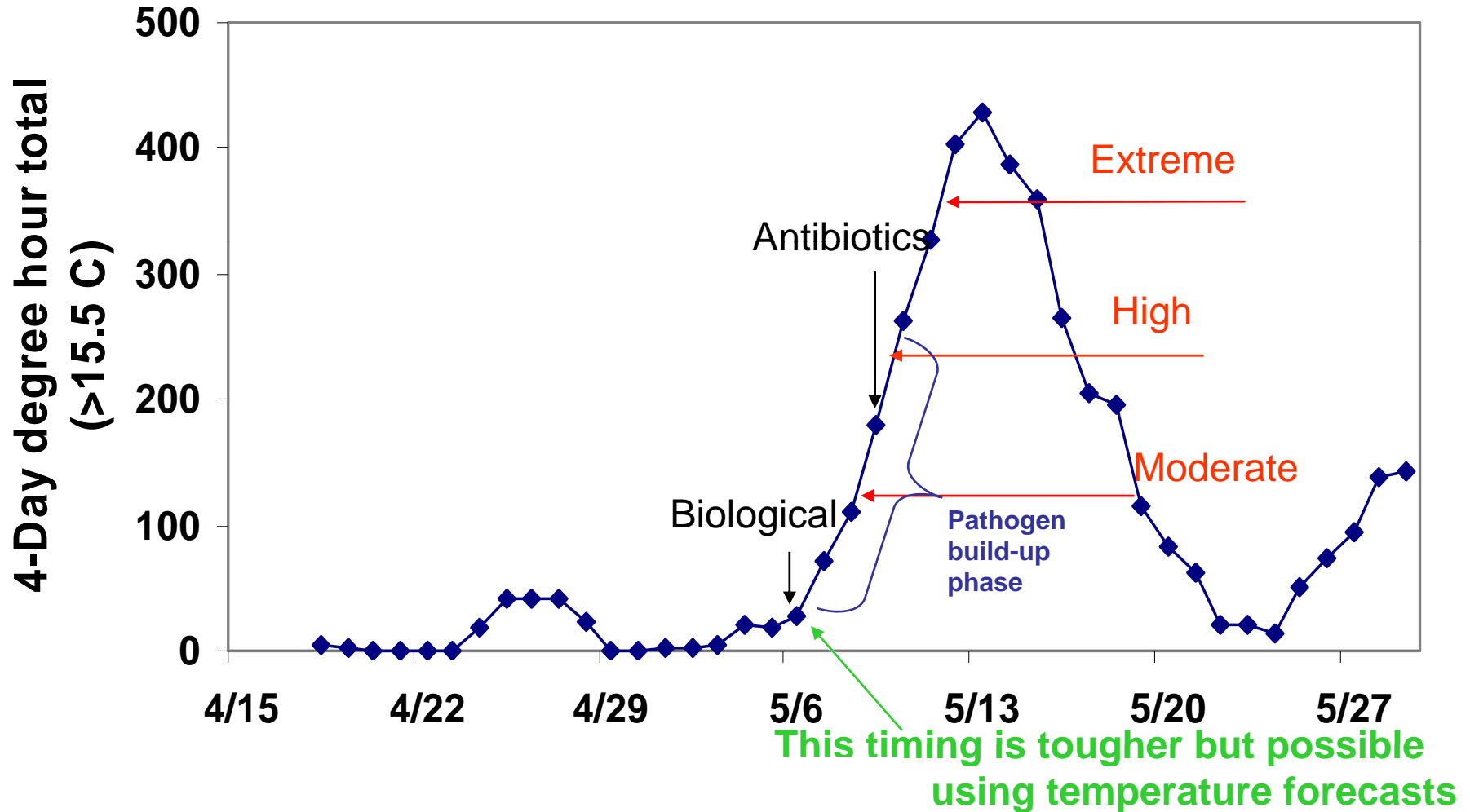
- ‘Integrated’ in this case means combining biological and chemical control
- It has been shown to improve disease suppression compared to either approach used by itself
- Integrated control may reduce the risk of selection of antibiotic-resistant strains
- The approach is compatible with forecasting models

Oregon State Inoculated Fire Blight Trials 2007-2009



Timing 'integrated' treatments for blossom blight suppression

Daily Fire Blight Risk - COUGARBLIGHT Model



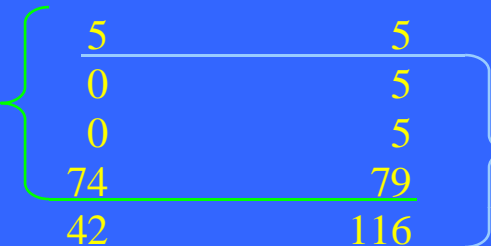
ONLINE COUGARBLIGHT MODEL

Date	Max T	Min T	Precip	°h/day	4-day °h total	Fire blight risk
4 17	63.4	35.7	0.00	5	5	
4 18	57.9	44.9	0.00	0	5	
4 19	58.1	35.6	0.00	0	5	
4 20	71.6	35.6	0.00	74	79	very low risk
4 21	69.2	38.1	0.00	42	116	low risk
4 22	69.6	46.7	0.00	52	168	low risk
4 23	57.4	46.8	0.37	0	168	low risk
4 24	57.9	34.6	0.06	0	94	very low risk
4 25	57.9	34.6	0.00	0	52	very low risk
4 26	64.7	35.2	0.00	14	14	
4 27	72.1	42.5	0.00	74	88	very low risk
4 28	77.4	43.1	0.00	146	234	low risk unless blighted in '97
Forecast using: Corvallis OR NWS 5-DAY FORECAST						
4 29	77.0	42.0	0.00	146	380	*5D_fcst* moderate risk
4 30	82.0	45.0	0.00	228	594	*5D_fcst* high risk if nearby in '97
5 1	68.0	53.0	0.00	50	570	*5D_fcst* high risk if nearby in '97
5 2	68.0	47.0	0.00	33	457	*5D_fcst* moderate risk
5 3	70.0	54.0	0.00	70	381	*5D_fcst* moderate risk



Fire blight risk

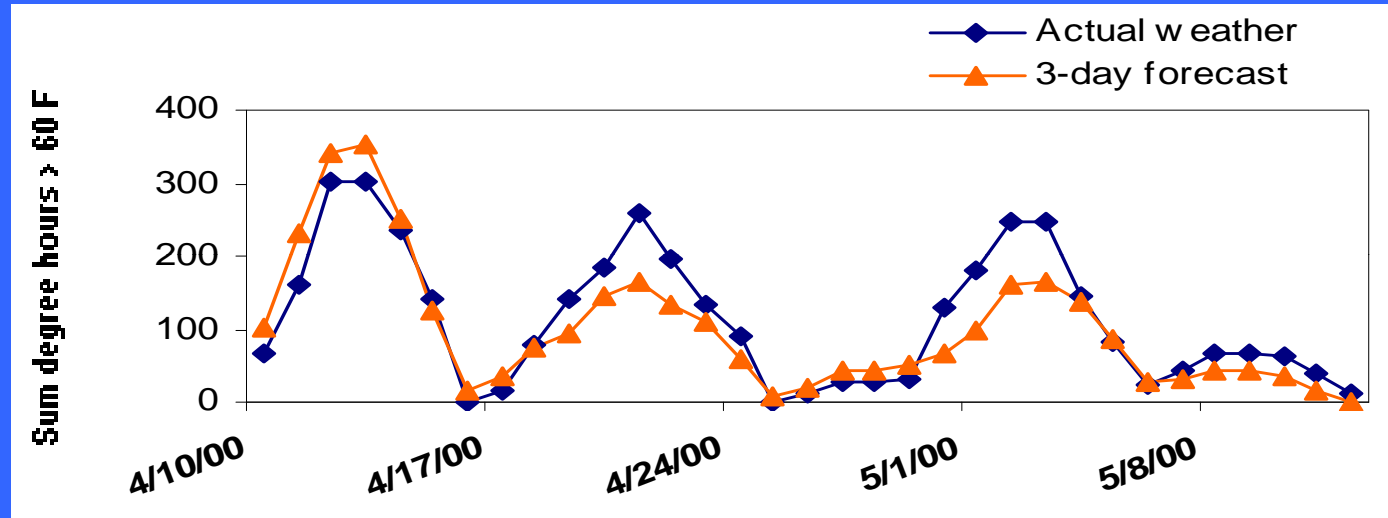
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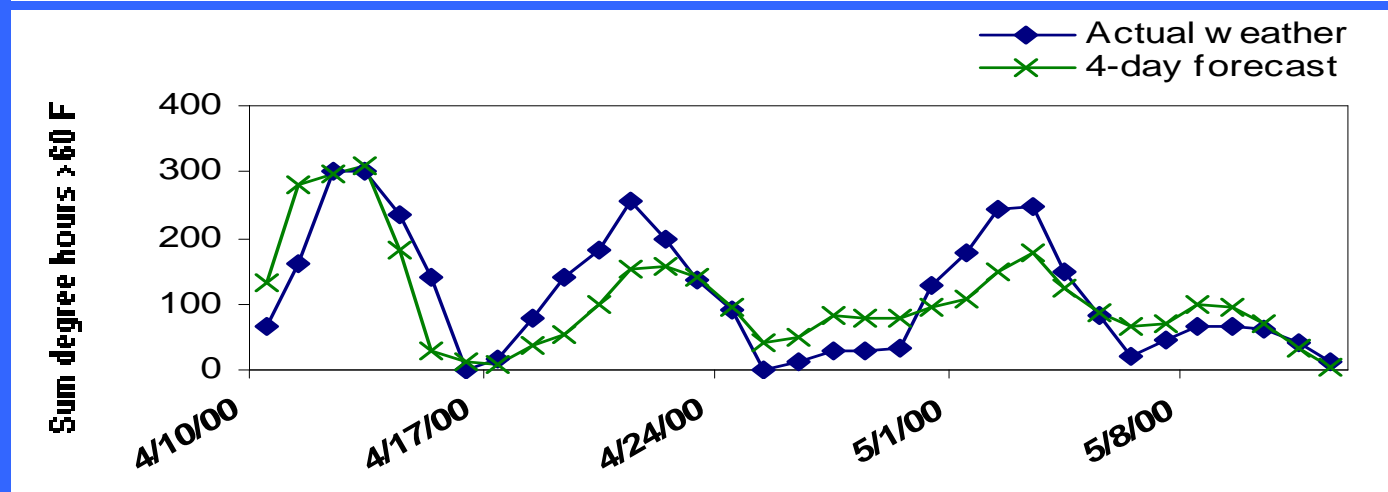
How far out can we forecast temperature and future fire blight risk?

3-day
risk
forecast

COUGARBLIGHT – Yakima 2000



4-day
risk
forecast
























EVALUATION OF KASUMIN FOR SUPPRESSION OF FIRE BLIGHT OF PEAR, 2009

BARTLETT PEAR, Corvallis, Oregon

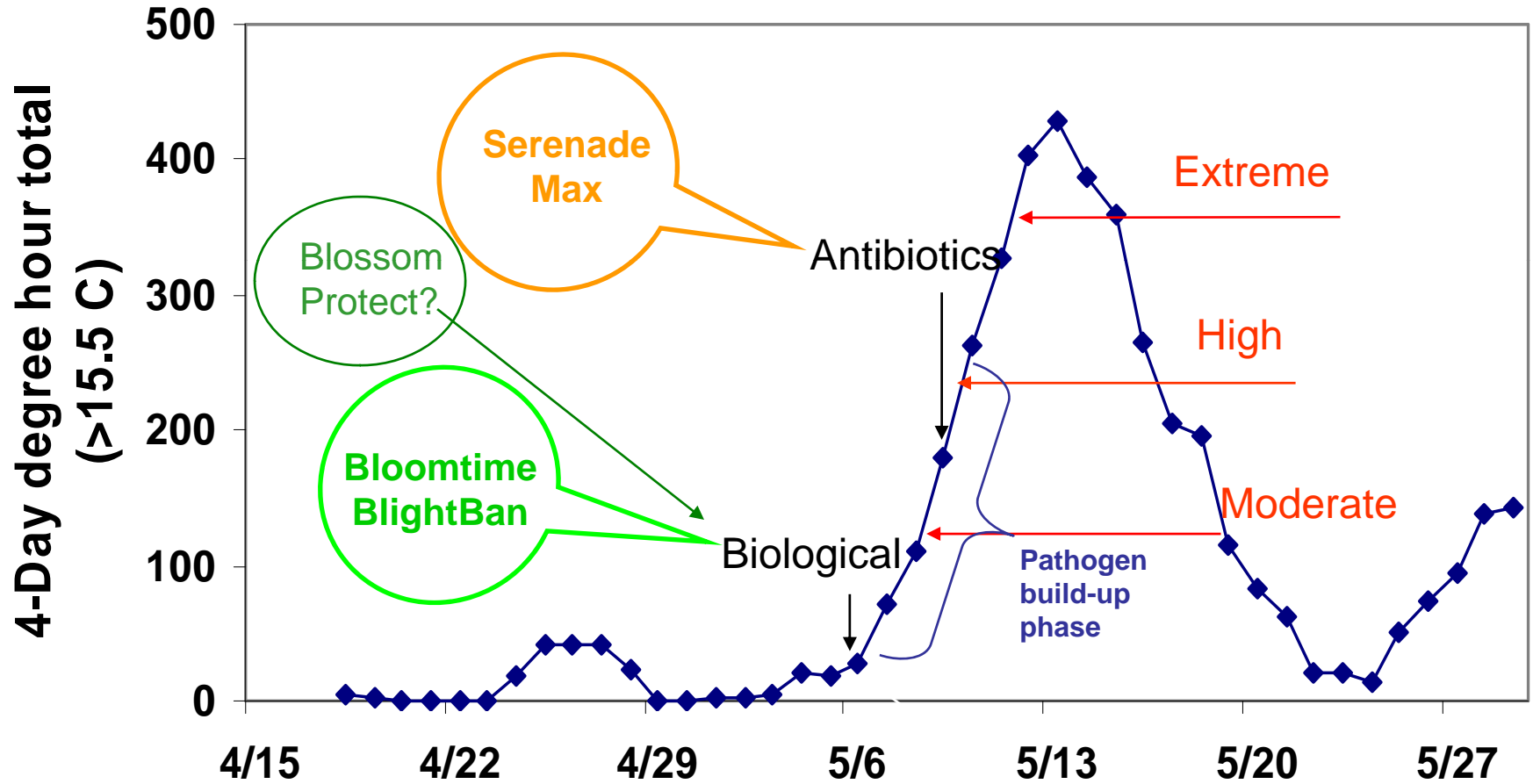
K.B. Johnson, T. N. Temple, and A.R. Hubbard, Oregon State University

Pear

Treatment	Rate per 100 gallons water	Date treatment applied*			Number of blighted clusters per tree**	Percent blighted floral clusters ***	
		16 April	18 April	21 April			
 Water control	-----	X [§]	X	X	485 a [#]	44.0 a [#]	
 Mycoshield 200 ppm	16 oz.	---	X	X	90 b	9.3 b	
  C9-1 ^{Kr} then Mycoshield 200 ppm	10 ⁸ CFU/ml 16 oz.	X ---	X ---	--- X	66 bc	7.0 bc	
  C9-1 then Mycoshield 200 ppm	10 ⁸ CFU/ml 16 oz.	X ---	X ---	--- X	50 bc	5.1 bc	
  Kasumin 80 ppm & Mycoshield 80 ppm	52 fl. oz. 6.4 oz.	--- ---	X X	X X	45 bc	4.8 bc	
  C9-1 then Kasumin 100 ppm	10 ⁸ CFU/ml 64 fl. oz.	X ---	X ---	--- X	42 bc	4.0 bcd	
  C9-1 ^{Kr} then Kasumin 100 ppm	10 ⁸ CFU/ml 64 fl. oz.	X ---	X ---	--- X	38 bc	3.5 bcd	
 Kasumin 100 ppm	64 fl. oz.	---	X	X	33 bcd	3.5 bcd	
  Kasumin 80 ppm & Mycoshield 100 ppm	52 fl. oz. 8 oz.	--- ---	X X	X X	31 cd	3.3 bcde	
   C9-1 ^{Kr} then Kasumin 80 ppm & Mycoshield 80 ppm	10 ⁸ CFU/ml 52 fl. oz. 6.4 oz.	X --- ---	X --- ---	--- X X	23 de	3.0 cde	
  Kasumin 100 ppm & Mycoshield 100 ppm	64 fl. oz. 8 oz.	--- ---	X ---	X ---	23 de	2.5 de	
 Agri-mycin 100 ppm	8 oz.	---	X	X	11 e	1.1 e	

Timing 'integrated' treatments for blossom blight suppression

Daily Fire Blight Risk - COUGARBLIGHT Model



2009 Organic fire blight control in pears

Treatment	Rate per 100 gallons water	Date treatment applied*					Number of blighted clusters per tree****	
		13 April	16 April	18 April	21 April	25 April		
		10% bloom	30% bloom	70% bloom	Full bloom	petal fall		
Water control	-----	---	X [§]	X	X	---	485	a [#]
BlightBan C9-1 plus	5×10^7 CFU/ml	---	---	X	---	---		
BlightBan A506 then	5×10^7 CFU/ml	---	---	X	---	---		
Serenade Max plus	64 oz.	---	---	---	X	---		low frequency integrated
Nu-Film-P	6 oz.	---	---	---	X	---	178	b
Westbridge Yeast BCYP-B plus buffer A	1.34 lbs. 9.35 lbs.	---	X	X	---	---	120	cd
								yeast – we don't understand this stuff
Westbridge Yeast BCYP-B plus buffer A	1.34 lbs 9.35 lbs	X	X	X	X	---	129	bc
BlightBan C9-1 plus	5×10^7 CFU/ml	---	X	X	---	---		
BlightBan A506 then	5×10^7 CFU/ml	---	X	X	---	---		
Serenade Max plus	64 oz.	---	---	---	X	X		high frequency integrated
Nu-Film-P	6 oz.	---	---	---	X	X	101	de
Mycoshield 200 ppm	16 oz.	---	---	X	X	---	90	de
BlightBan C9-1 then	1×10^8 CFU/ml	---	X	X	---	---		conventional integrated
Mycoshield 200 ppm	16 oz.	---	---	---	X	---	50	e
Agri-mycin 100 ppm	8 oz.	---	---	X	X	---	11	f

2009 Organic fire blight control in apples

Treatment	Rate per 100 gallons water	Date treatment applied*					Number of blighted clusters per tree****	Percent blighted floral clusters ***
		13 April	16 April	18 April	21 April	25 April		
		10% bloom	30% bloom	70% bloom	Full bloom	petal fall		
Water control	-----	---	X [§]	X	X	---	133 a[#]	44.1 a[#]
BlightBan C9-1 plus BlightBan A506 then Serenade Max plus Nu-Film-P	5x10 ⁷ CFU/ml 5x10 ⁷ CFU/ml 64oz. 6 oz.	---	---	X	---	---	low frequency integrated	
Westbridge Yeast BCYP- B plus buffer A	1.34 lbs. 9.35 lbs.	---	X	X	---	---	68 ab	27.5 ab
Westbridge Yeast BCYP-B plus buffer A	1.34 lbs 9.35 lbs	X	X	X	X	---	108 a	26.0 ab
BlightBan C9-1 plus BlightBan A506 then Serenade Max plus Nu-Film-P	5x10 ⁷ CFU/ml 5x10 ⁷ CFU/ml 64 oz. 6 oz.	---	X	X	---	---	high frequency integrated	
Rex Lime Sulfur & Crocker's Fish oil	2 gal. 2 gal.	---	X	X	X ^{##}	---	lime sulfur and fish oil	
BlightBan C9-1 then Mycoshield 200 ppm	1x10 ⁸ CFU/ml 16 oz.	---	X	X	---	---	conventional integrated	
Fireline 200 ppm	16 oz.	---	---	X	X	---	7 c	2.4 c
Agri-mycin 100 ppm	8 oz.	---	---	X	X	---	5 c	2.3 c

yeast – we don't understand this stuff

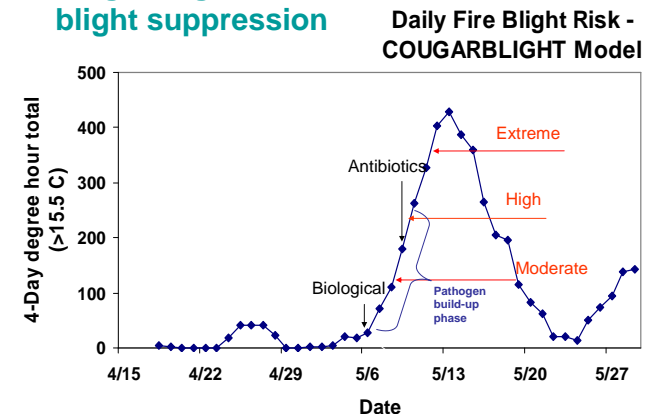
Bloom thinning: Lime sulfur (plus fish oil)

- As used for bloom thinning in apples, it appears to be providing a benefit to fire blight suppression
- It's not compatible in mixture with any of the other fire blight control products
- We are recommending that other products should follow 1-2 days after the last LS + FO treatment.
Future efforts will generate the support data for this recommendation 😊

Comments on spraying biologicals:

- They are living organisms
- Thus, to the degree that you can afford to increase the volume of water applied to a tree (up to 200 gallons per acre), it will help their establishment
- Similarly, spraying early in the morning on days with max temps > 60 F promotes good establishment
 - Early morning: promotes slow drying
 - Warmish days: promotes growth of biologicals

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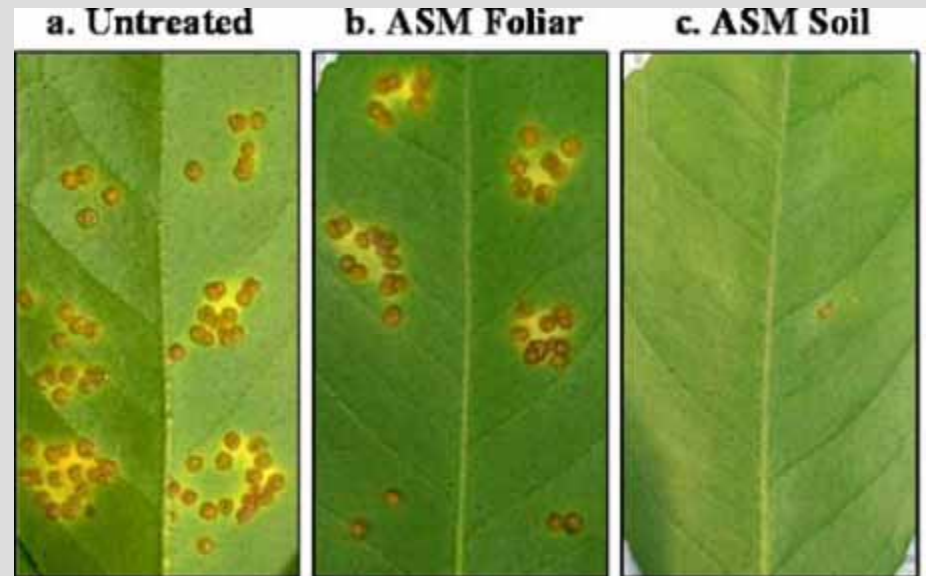
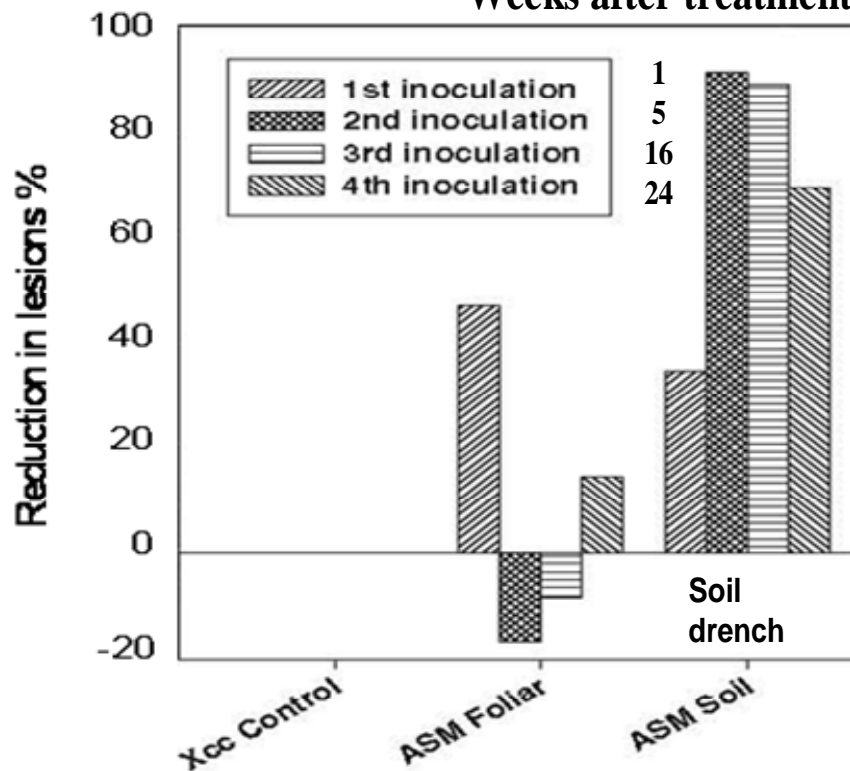
The problem:



SAR induction via soil treatment

Induction of SAR via drench provides long lasting protection in citrus

Weeks after treatment



From : M. I. Francis & A. Redondo & J. K. Burns & J. H. Graham. 2009. Soil application of imidacloprid and related SAR-inducing compounds produces effective and persistent control of citrus canker. *European J. Plant Pathology* 124:283–292.

Other SAR related literature

Foliar sprays of Actigard suppresses fire blight of apple

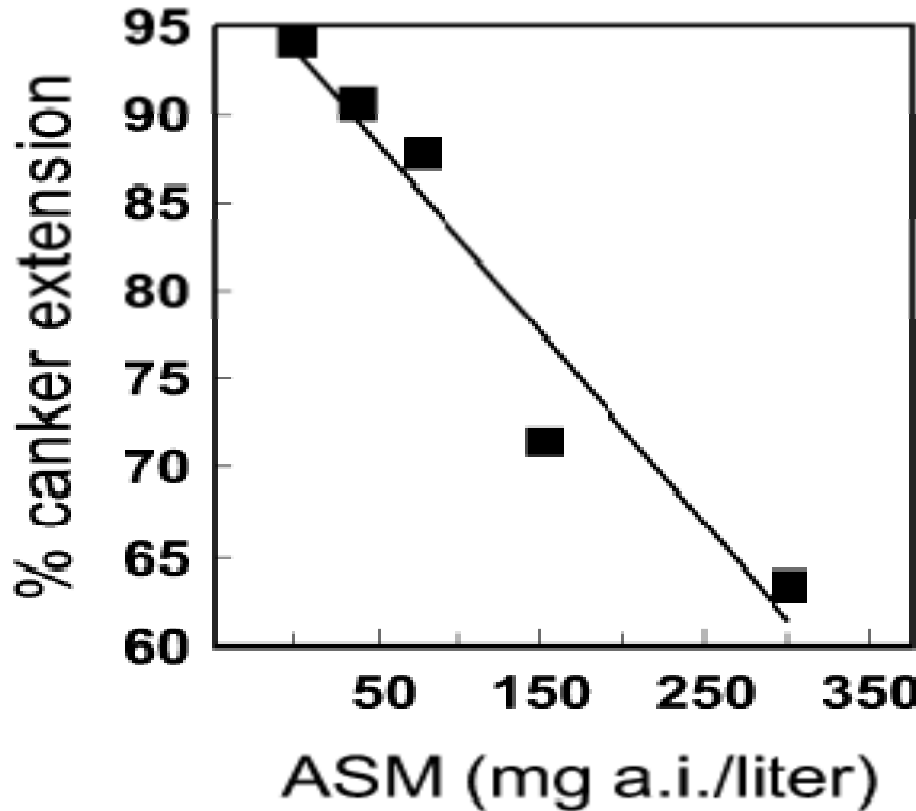
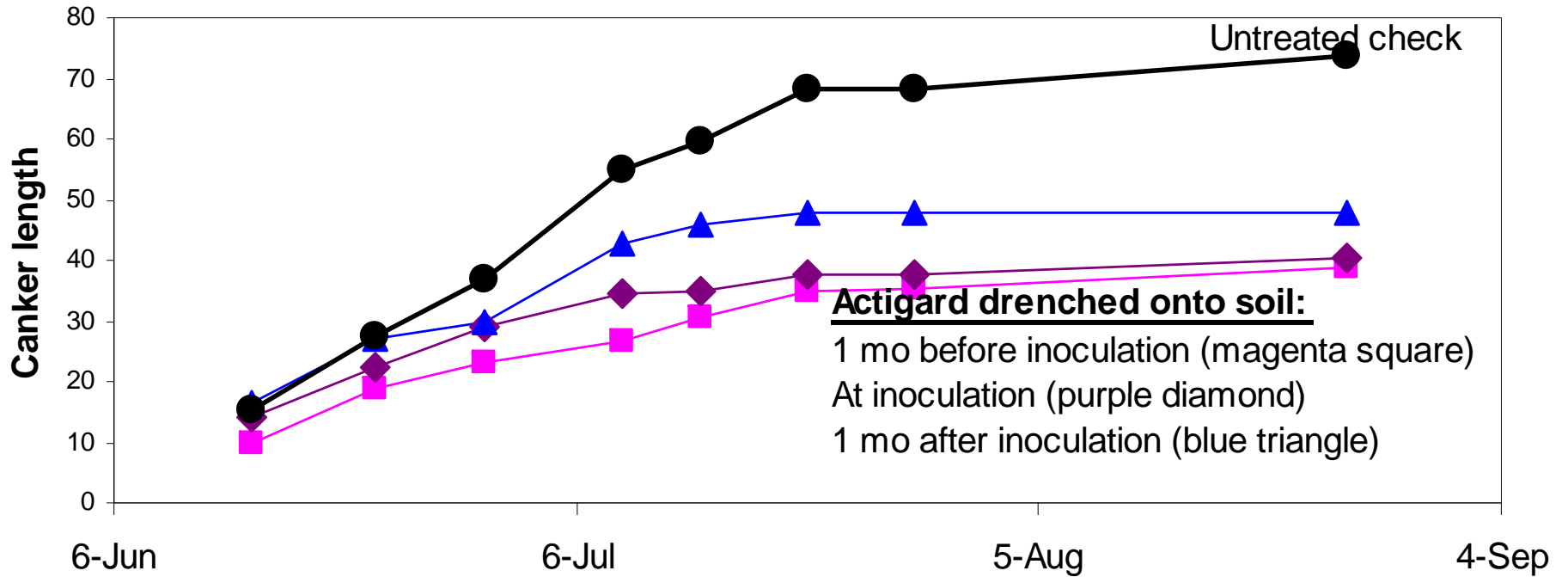


Fig. 4. Relationship of rate of acibenzolar-*S* methyl (ASM) to extension of fire blight in 1- year-old shoots of Fuji apple trees inoculated with *Erwinia amylovora* in 2000. Treatments were applied weekly for 3 weeks, and inoculations were made 7 days after the first application. Line depicts a linear trend ($y = -0.11x + 94$; $R^2 = 0.93$).
Data from Maxson-Stein, K., He, S.-Y., Hammerschmidt, R., and Jones, A. L. 2002.

These rates of Actigard are high relative to most labeled rates in tobacco and vegetable crops

- Actigard is registered for suppression of *Pseudomonas* canker of hazelnut (Italy) and it suppresses *Pseudomonas* canker of mango (Spain).

Fire blight canker expansion in Golden Russet Bosc pear



Inoculated control



Actigard drenched on soil 1 mo before inoculation



Actigard sprayed foliar 1 mo after inoculation



Untreated control

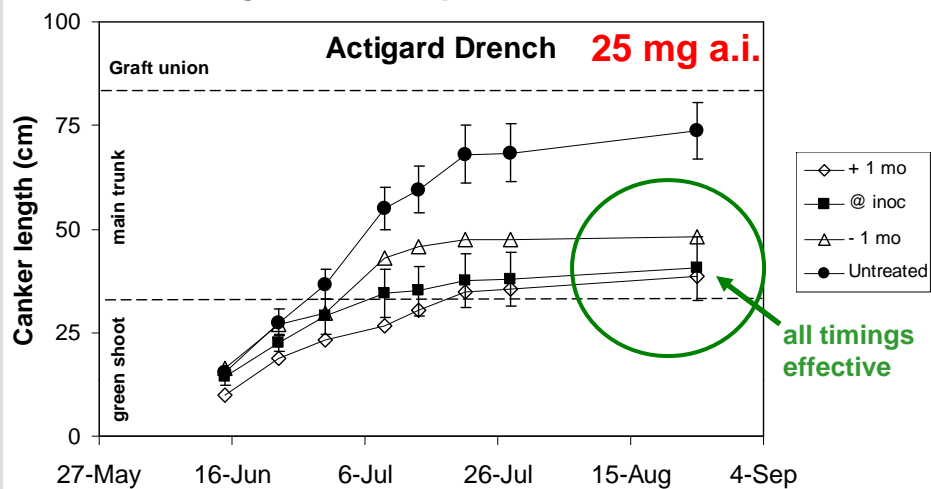


Actigard 50 mg a.i. + 1 mo

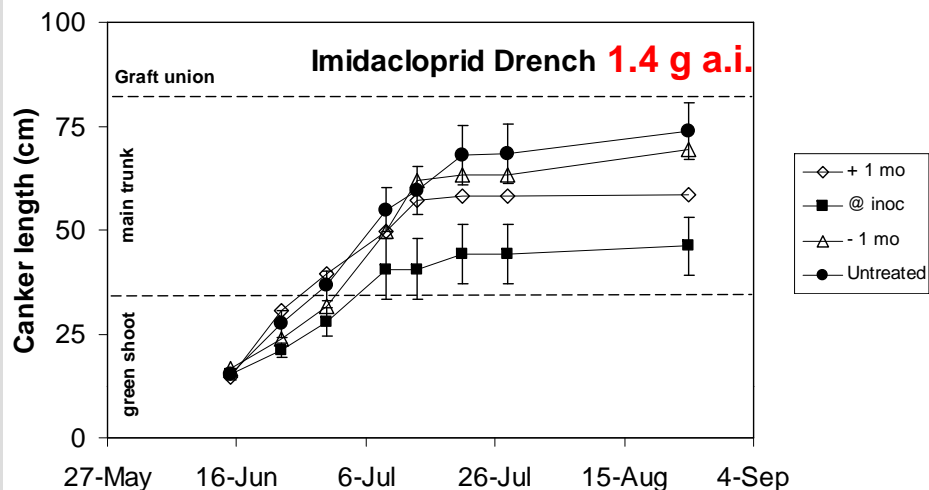


Pot study - greenhouse

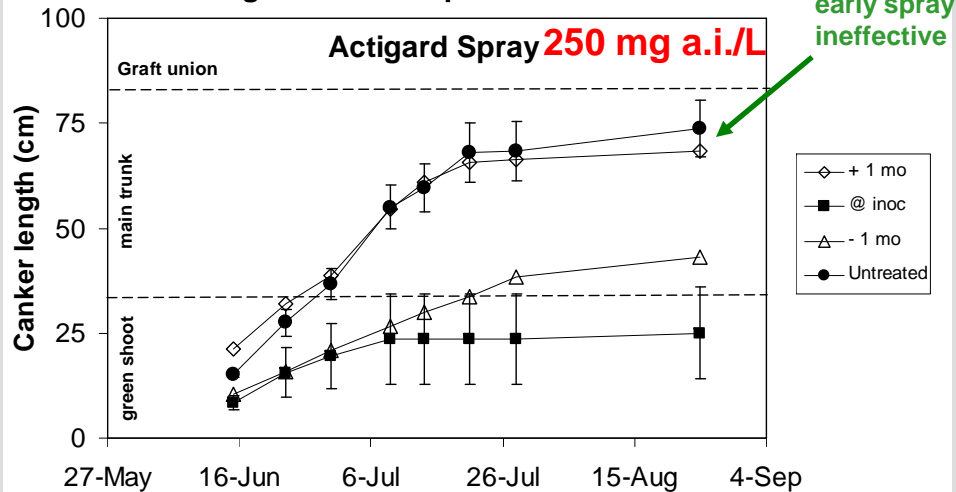
Fire Blight Canker Expansion in Bosc Pear



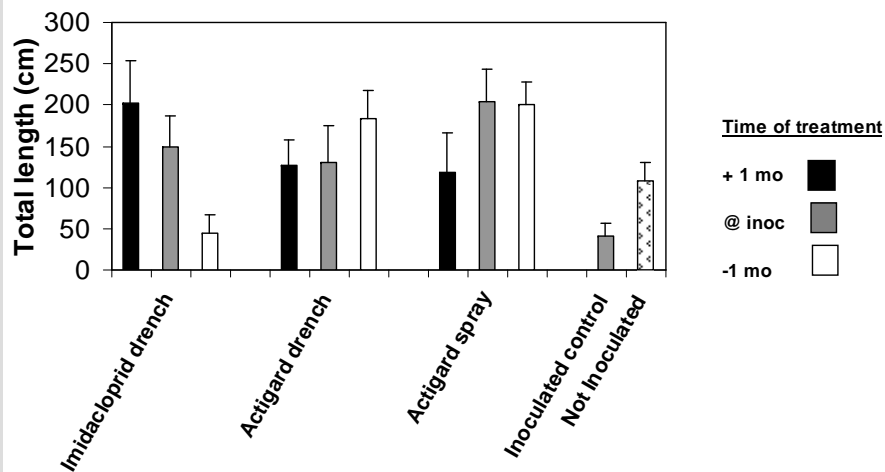
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New Shoot Growth on Bosc Pear (August 25)



Ken's SAR induction projects for bacterial disease suppression

Fire blight: Rescue of pear (funded)

Fire blight: Protection of apple rootstock (funded)

P. syringae canker: Cherry establishment (funded)

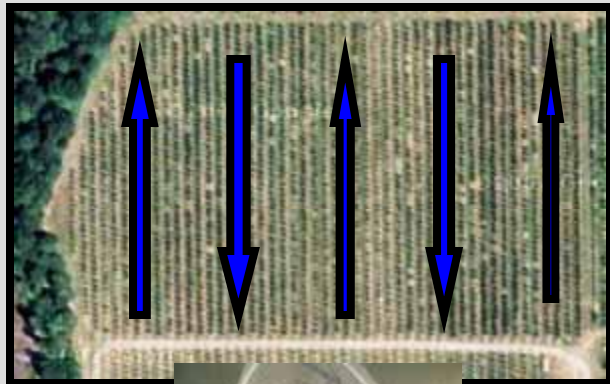
P. syringae canker: Lilac blight (bootleg research)

Xanthomonas blight: carrot seed production (funded)

PI: Dr. Bo Ming Wu (Madras)

Resistance to streptomycin 2009

LAMP-based scouting for early detection
of the fire blight pathogen



Positive

Negative

	2009 Percentage of Pop's Streptomycin Res or Sen			Blight ?
	1	2	3	
Zillah, WA	nd	nd	nd	no data
	nd	nd	nd	no data
	nd	nd	Res. (100%)	no data
Yakima, WA	nd	nd	nd	Y light
Wenatchee, WA	nd	nd	nd	N
	nd	nd	nd	N
Okanogan, WA	nd	nd	Res (100%)	Y light
Parkdale, OR apple	nd	nd	Sen (100%)	N
	nd	nd	Sen (100%)	Y light
Parkdale, OR pear	sen (100%)	nd	sen (100%)	N
	sen (100%)	nd	sen (100%)	N
	nd	nd	not det.	Y light
Hood River, OR	nd	nd	Sen (100%)	Y light
	nd	nd	nd	Y light
	nd	nd	nd	N
Medford, OR	Sen (100%)	nd	nd	N
	nd	nd	Res (100%)	N
	nd	nd	Res (100%)	Y light
	nd	nd	nd	N
Milton Freewater, OR	nd	Res (100%)	Sen (100%)	Y light
	nd	nd	nd	N
	nd	nd	Res (100%)	Y light
	nd	Sen (33%) Res (67%)	Res (100%)	Y light
Lake County, CA	sen (100%)	sen (100%)	sen (100%)	Y light
	nd	nd	nd	N
	nd	sen (100%)	nd	N

Red Bold are Resistant to Streptomycin and **Green bold** are sensitive to streptomycin.

Resistance
to
streptomycin
2009

Utah

Utah sample 1				sample 2				sample 3			
date	LAMP	Pops		date	LAMP	Pops		date	LAMP	Pops	
2-May	U1.1	Y	3.60E+03	3-May	U2.1	N	not det.	4-May	U3.1	N	nd
2-May	U1.2	Y	3.10E+05	3-May	U2.2	Y	2.10E+05	4-May	U3.2	Y	5.40E+05
2-May	U1.3	N	nd	3-May	U2.3	N	nd	4-May	U3.3	N	nd
2-May	U1.4	N	nd	3-May	U2.4	Y	nd	4-May	U3.4	Y	nd
2-May	U1.5	N	nd	3-May	U2.5	Y	nd	4-May	U3.5	N	nd
2-May	U1.6	Y	6.00E+04	3-May	U2.6	Y	8.70E+05	4-May	U3.6	Y	1.27E+06

sample 4				sample 5				sample 6			
date	LAMP	Pops		date	LAMP	Pops		date	LAMP	Pops	
5-May	U4.1	Y	3.00E+04	6-May	U5.1	Y	2.70E+05	7-May	U6.1	Y	6.40E+05
5-May	U4.2	Y	1.60E+06	6-May	U5.2	Y	4.40E+05	7-May	U6.2	Y	1.10E+05
5-May	U4.3	N	nd	6-May	U5.3	N	nd	7-May	U6.3	Y	1.30E+03
5-May	U4.4	N	nd	6-May	U5.4	Y	7.00E+02	7-May	U6.4	N	nd
5-May	U4.5	Y	nd	6-May	U5.5	Y	1.00E+02	7-May	U6.5	Y	1.12E+06
5-May	U4.6	Y	1.31E+06	6-May	U5.6	Y	1.50E+06	7-May	U6.6	N	nd
pos contol not working				6-May	U5.7	Y	9.00E+02	7-May	U6.7	Y	4.00E+05

sample 7				sample 8				sample 9			
date	LAMP	Pops		date	LAMP	Pops		date	LAMP	Pops	
8-May	U7.1	Y	6.30E+03	9-May	U8.1	Y	5.70E+03	10-May	U9.1	Y	1.90E+05
8-May	U7.2	Y	1.80E+05	9-May	U8.2	Y	2.00E+04	10-May	U9.2	N	nd
8-May	U7.3	Y	6.00E+02	9-May	U8.3	N	nd	10-May	U9.3	N	nd
8-May	U7.4	Y	8.00E+02	9-May	U8.4	N	nd	10-May	U9.4	Y	1.80E+03
8-May	U7.5	N	nd	9-May	U8.5	N	nd	10-May	U9.5	Y	1.00E+04
8-May	U7.6	Y	1.60E+06	9-May	U8.6	Y	6.95E+05	10-May	U9.6	Y	4.20E+05
8-May	U7.7	N	nd	9-May	U8.7	N	nd				

sample 10				sample 11				sample 12			
date	LAMP	Pops		date	LAMP	Pops		date	LAMP	Pops	
11-May	U10.1	Y	2.10E+05	12-May	U11.1	Y	8.20E+05	13-May	U12.1	Y	6.60E+05
11-May	U10.2	N	nd	12-May	U11.2	N	nd				
11-May	U10.3	N	nd	12-May	U11.3	Y	1.30E+03				
11-May	U10.4	Y	1.60E+05								
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Bottom line:
if you want to use strep, use it only once and mix it with a full rate of oxytet