Cruiser vs. Dermacor: Advantages and Disadvantages

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Status for 2010

• Cruiser: Section 3 label for 2010

• Dermacor: status for 2010 still unresolved

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- Efficacy against rice water weevil
- Spectrum of activity: what other pests do they control?
- Compatible agronomic practices
- Pricing
- Mechanism of action

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Stem borers	Stem borers
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2009 – direct comparison of Cruiser and Dermacor against rice water weevil (2 tests)

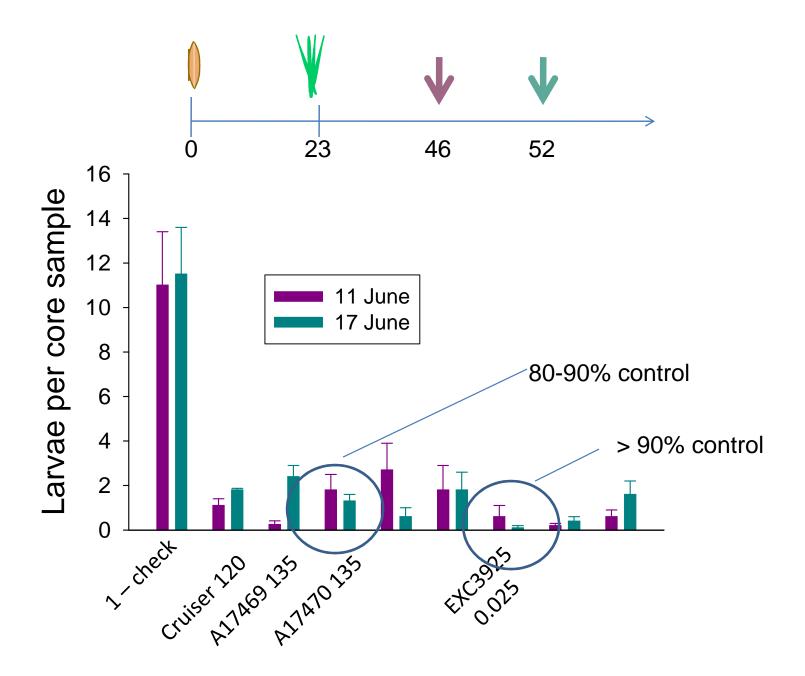
2009 weevil efficacy test (Syngenta)

Nine treatments; selected treatments discussed:

- 1. Untreated control
- 2. Cruiser 120 g ai per 100 kg seed
- 3. A17469 (= Cruiser) 135 g ai per 100 kg seed
- 4. A17470 (= Cruiser) 135 g ai per 100 kg seed
- 7. EXC3925 (= Dermacor) 0.025 mg ai per seed

2009 efficacy test

- Seeding rate: ~ 90 lbs seed per Acre
- Variety: Cocodrie
- Date of planting: 27 April
- Date of flooding: 19 May 2009
- Sampling dates: 11 June, 17 June (23 & 29 d after flooding)



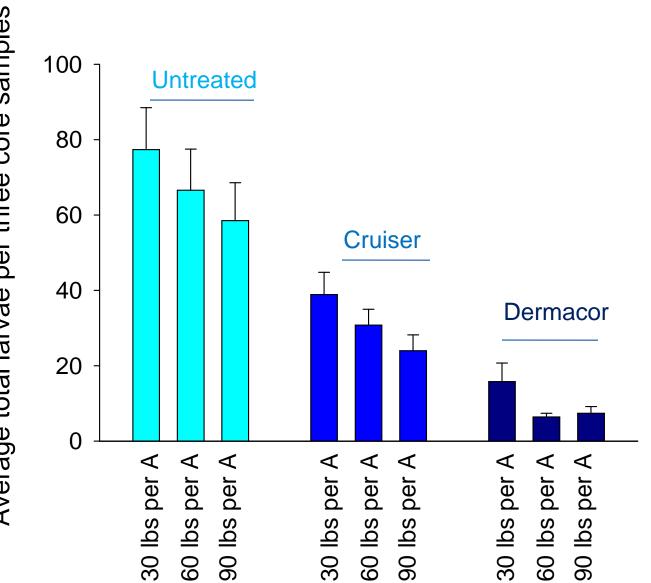
2009 seeding rate test

- Constant per seed rate; different seeding rates
- Seeding rate: 30, 60 or 90 lbs seed per A
- Variety: CL171 (from Syngenta)
- Date of planting: 11 May
- Date of flooding: 1 June
- Sampling dates: 19 June, 29 June, 7 July

2009 seeding rate test

	30 lbs per A	60 lbs per A	90 lbs per A
Untreated	Trtmt 1	Trtmt 2	Trtmt 3
Cruiser 120 g ai per 100 kg seed	Trtmt 4	Trtmt 5	Trtmt 6
Dermacor 0.025 mg ai per seed	Trtmt 7	Trtmt 8	Trtmt 9

CL171 used for all plots
Thiamethoxam applied by Syngenta
Dermacor applied by MJS using untreated seed from Syngenta

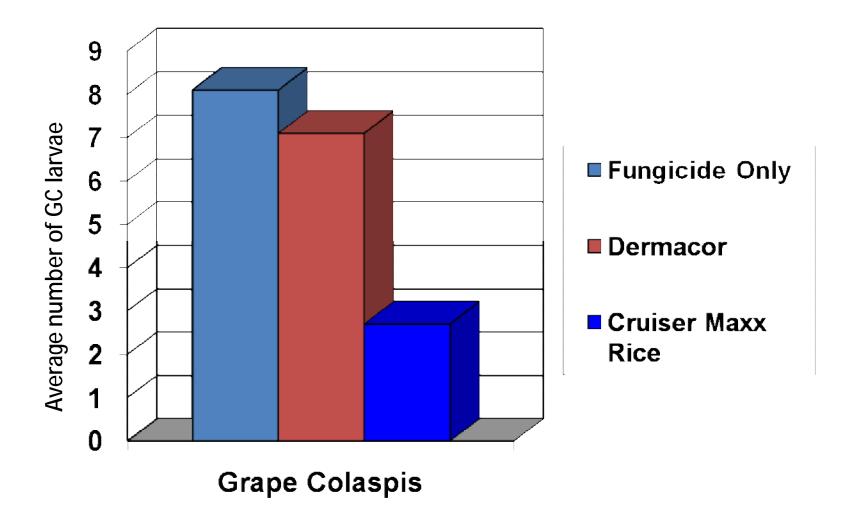


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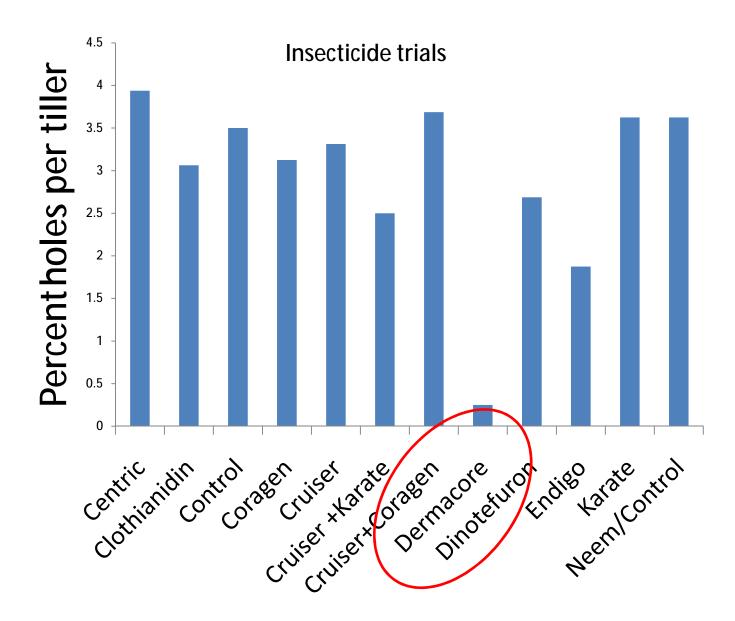
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2009 stem borer insecticde test

- Winnsboro (Dr. Leonard)
- Planted June 24 2009; Cocodrie
- Insecticide applications 3 September 2009



Treatments

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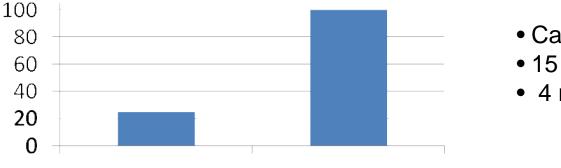
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Syngenta Seed Treatments for Chinch Bug Control Beaumont, TX

2008

M.O. Way, C. Menegaz (Lamar University Student Intern), M. Nunez and R. Pearson

http://beaumont.tamu.edu/eLibrary/Reports/2008AnnualReport_Way.htm



% Mortality

- Caged Chinchbug studies
- 15 days after emergence
- 4 replications (5 insects per rep)

Fungicide only CruiserMaxx Rice

Chinch bug (*Blissus leucopterus leucopterus*) is problematic on seedling rice (Figs. 1 and 2). Since the withdrawal of Icon 6.2 FS (fipronil active ingredient),

Texas rice farmers have complained about losing rice stands to chinch bugs. Recently, seeding rates have declined due to an increase in drill planting, high cost of seed rice and more planting of hybrid rice. Thus, information on rice seed treatment effects on seedling pests is assuming greater importance.

Although 25% mortality was observed in the untreated 4 days after infestation, the Cruiser FS treatments gave 100% control of chinch bugs (Table 1). Results are promising; the authors encourage Sygenta to pursue a rice seed treatment for southern rice producers.



Figure 1. Adult chinch bugs on seedling rice

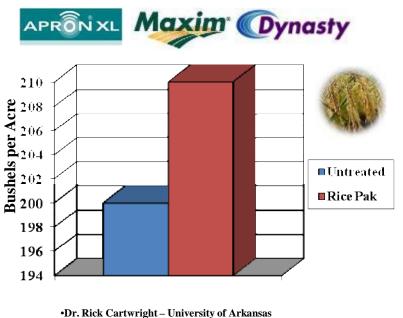
Figure 2. Levee rice destroyed by chinch bugs

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Early Season Disease Protection



•12% moisture •Means followed by the same letter do not significantly differ (P= 0.05, LSD)



Rice Pak = 0.32 Apron XL, 0.4 Maxim and 0.153 floz/cwt Dynasty

* Rick Cartwright – University of Arkansas - 2001

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Processor Dermacor®X-100 cwt Table 12/16/2009

Rate 1.75 oz - 6 oz / cwt

ai Target / acre	oz/acre target	Seeding rate	oz/cwt Target
0.07	1.75	120	1.5
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0.07	1.75	105	1.75
0.07	1.75	100	1.75
0.07	1.75	95	1.75
0.07	1.75	90	2
0.07	1.75	85	2
0.07	1.75	80	
0.07	1.75	75	2.5
0.07	1.75	70	2.5
0.07	1.75	65	2.5
0.07	1.75	60	3
0.07	1.75	55	3
0.07	1.75	50	3.5
0.07	1.75	45	4
0.07	1.75	40	4
0.07	1.75	35	5
0.07	1.75	30	6
0.07	1.75	25	6

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Cruiser Maxx label

- "apply Cruiser 5FS at a rate to achieve 0.03 milligrams thiamethoxam per seed"
- Target application rate: 3.3 fl oz per cwt
- Variation with seed size: ~17,000 21,000 seeds per lb

Per seed rate	Seeds per pound	Grams ai per 100 kg seed
0.03 mg ai	17,000	112
0.03 mg ai	21,000	139

Variation with seeding rate

Cruiser Seed Treatment Rate in Grams AI Per Acre at Selected Treatment and Planting Rates

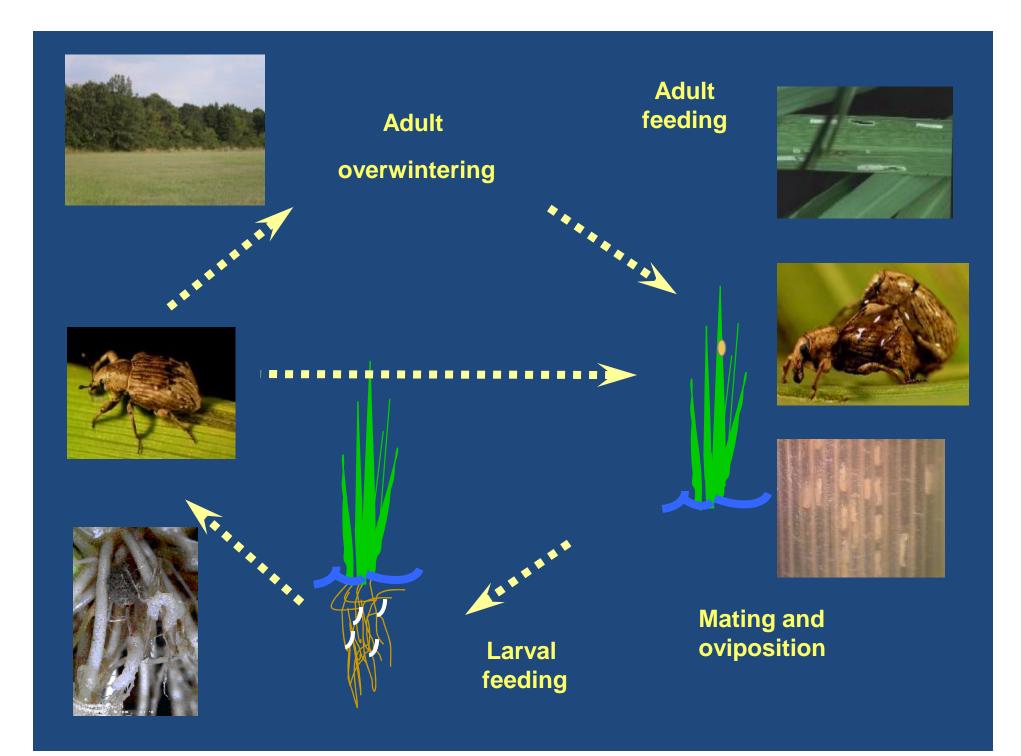
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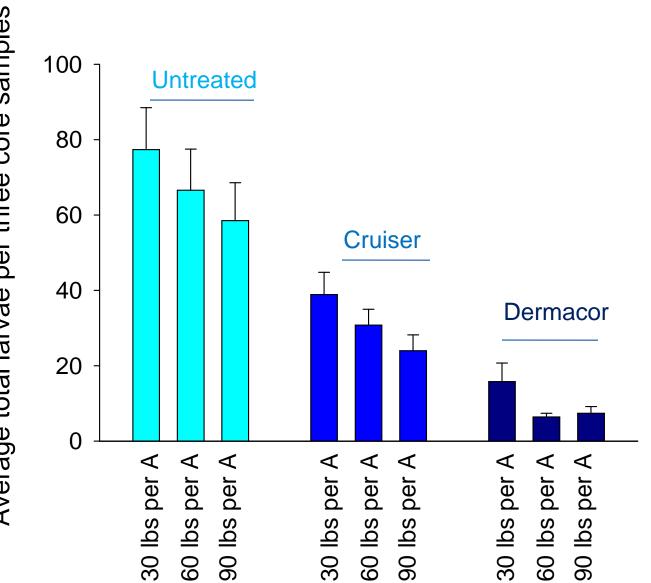
Data

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(oz/lb)	25	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120
0.0275	12.2	14.6	19.5	24.3	29.2	34.1	38.9	43.8	48.7	53.5	58.4
0.0285	12.6	15.1	20.2	25.2	30.3	35.3	40.4	45.4	50.4	55.5	60.5
0.0295	13.1	15.7	20.9	26.1	31.3	36.6	41.8	47.0	52.2	57.4	62.7
0.0305	13.5	16.2	21.6	27.0	32.4	37.8	43.2	48.6	54.0	59.4	64.8
0.0315	13.9	16.7	22.3	27.9	33.5	39.0	44.6	50.2	55.8	61.3	66.9
0.0325	14.4	17.3	23.0	28.8	34.5	40.3	46.0	51.8	57.5	63.3	69.0
0.0335	14.8	17.8	23.7	29.6	35.6	41.5	47.4	53.4	59.3	65.2	71.2
0.0345	15.3	18.3	24.4	30.5	36.6	42.7	48.9	55.0	61.1	67.2	73.3

Will Cruiser Maxx work at low seeding rates?

- Both Cruiser and Dermacor are systemic (taken up by the plant), but Cruiser probably more so
- Greenhouse experiments: Cruiser-treated plants kill adults, 1st instars, and late instars as they feed on treated plants
- Theoretically, it is amount of Cruiser in the plant that is important, not amount in soil





Average total larvae per three core samples

Pricing

- Pricing not yet released, but expected that Cruiser will be cheaper at low seeding rates (prices similar at higher seeding rates)
- Cruiser Maxx has fungicides Apron / Maxim / Dynasty

You might consider using Dermacor if...

- Field has a history of heavy weevil infestations or borer infestations
- You are nervous about lack of data on Cruiser at low seeding rates or lack of commercial data for weevil efficacy

You might consider using Cruiser Maxx if...

- You think you may have problems with colaspis
- You are worried about early-season diseases or early season sucking pests (chinch bugs & aphids)