

Tobacco Cyst Nematode Management

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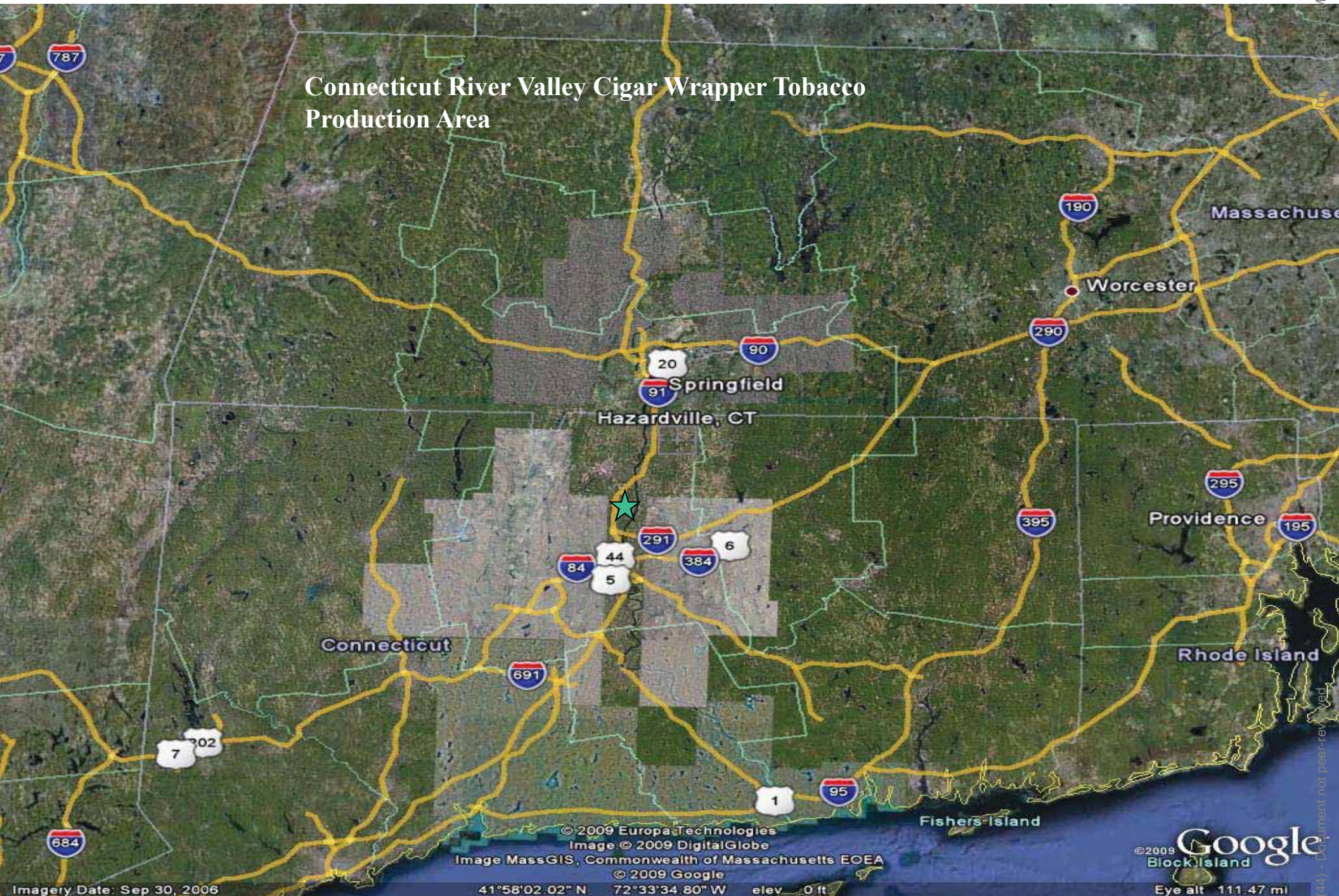
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Connecticut Shade Tobacco





Connecticut River Valley Cigar Wrapper Tobacco Production Area

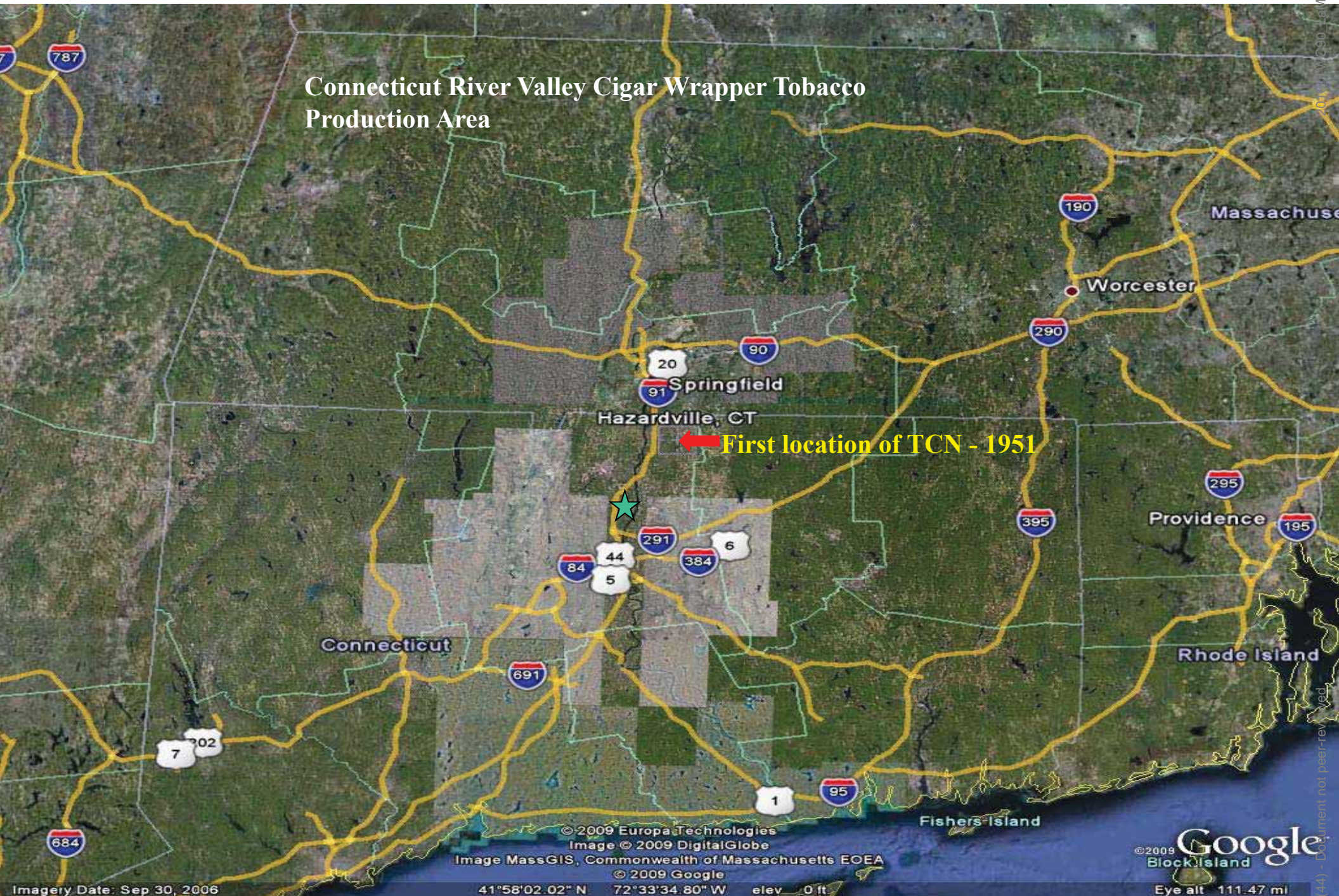


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First location of TCN - 1951

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A microscopic image showing two large, white, spherical eggs of the Tobacco Cyst Nematode (*Globodera tabacum tabacum*) attached to a tobacco stem. The stem is brown and textured, and the background is dark with some light-colored particles.

Tobacco Cyst Nematode
Globodera tabacum tabacum



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Nightshade as a common weed in Tobacco

G. tabacum host status: Tobacco vs. Eastern Black Nightshade

<u>Plant</u>	<u>Hatch</u>	<u>Pf/Pi</u>	<u>Gen time</u>
Tobacco	138	3.23	6 wks
Nightshade	638	5.02	5 wks



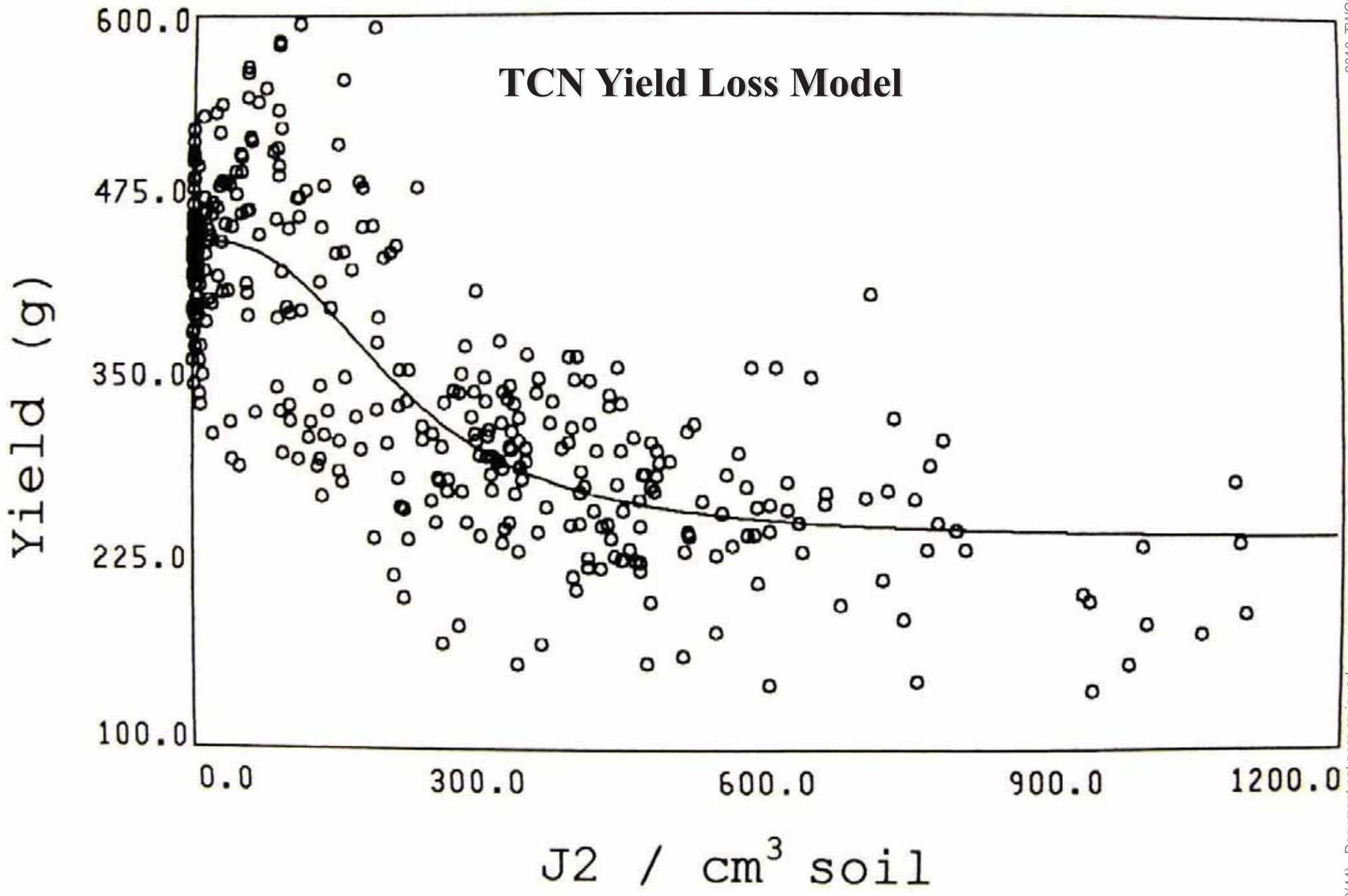
**Tobacco cyst nematode damage:
reduced growth and poor color.**

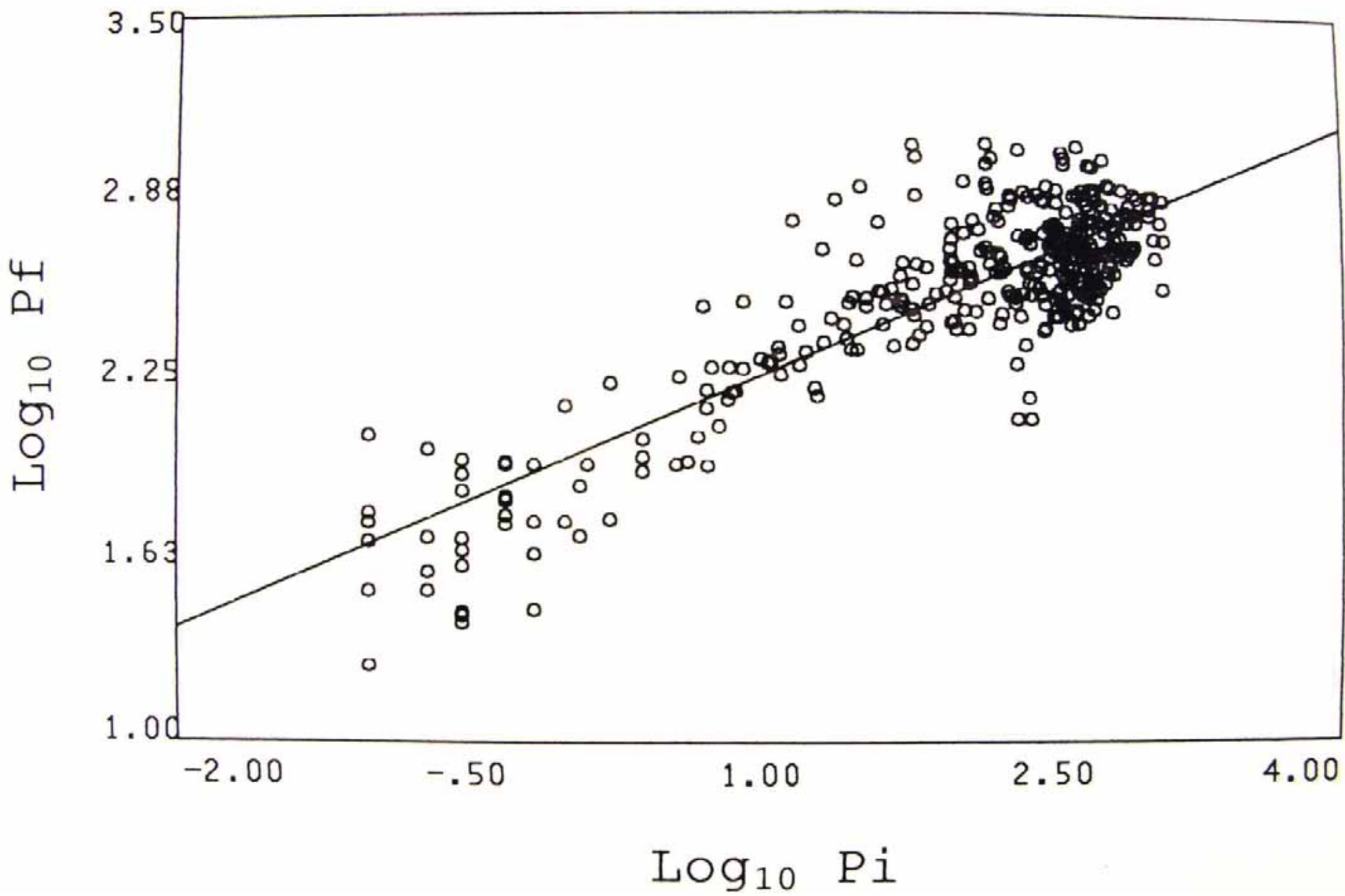
Fumigated Plot: Low TCN Density



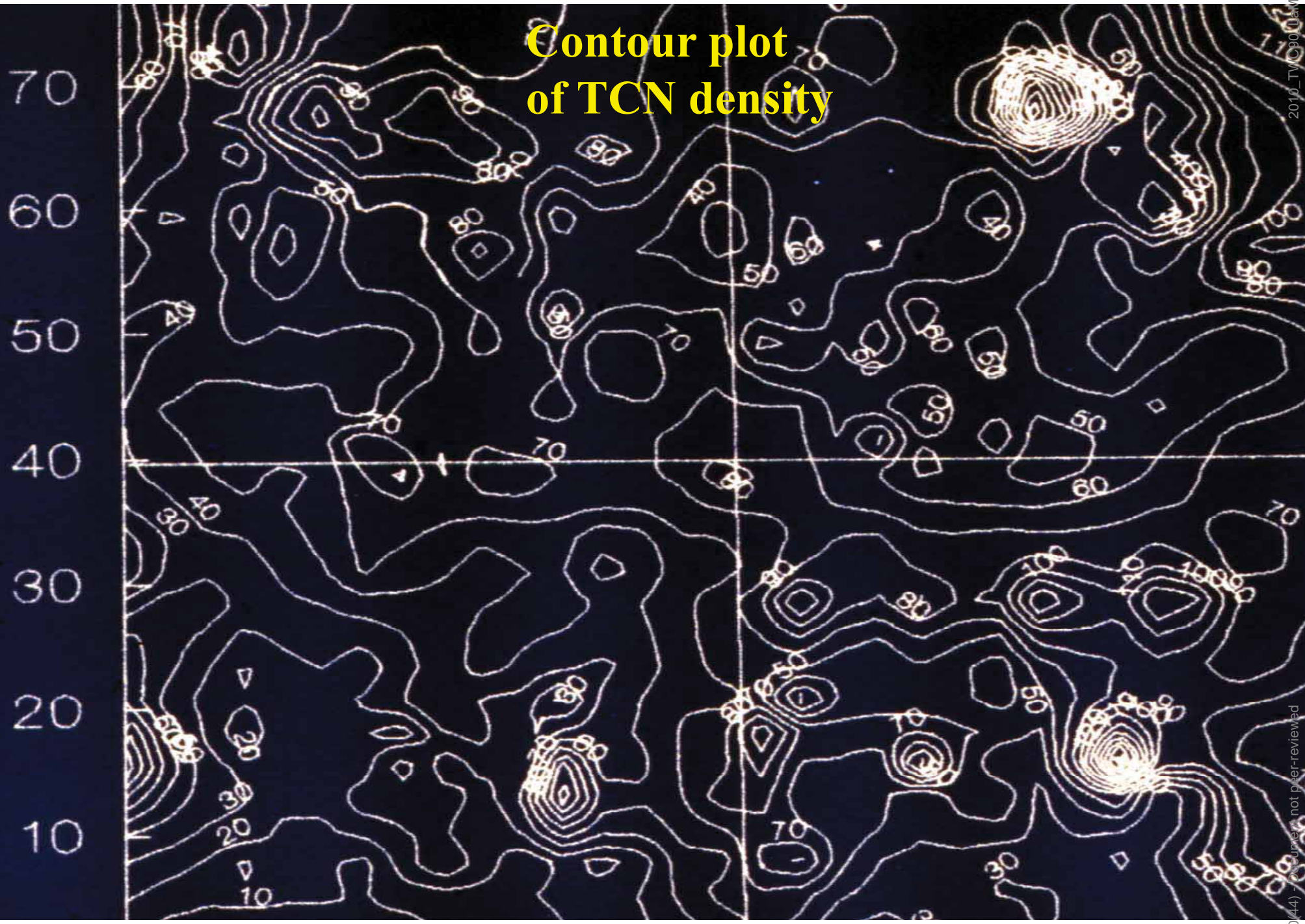
Non-Fumigated Plot: High TCN Density

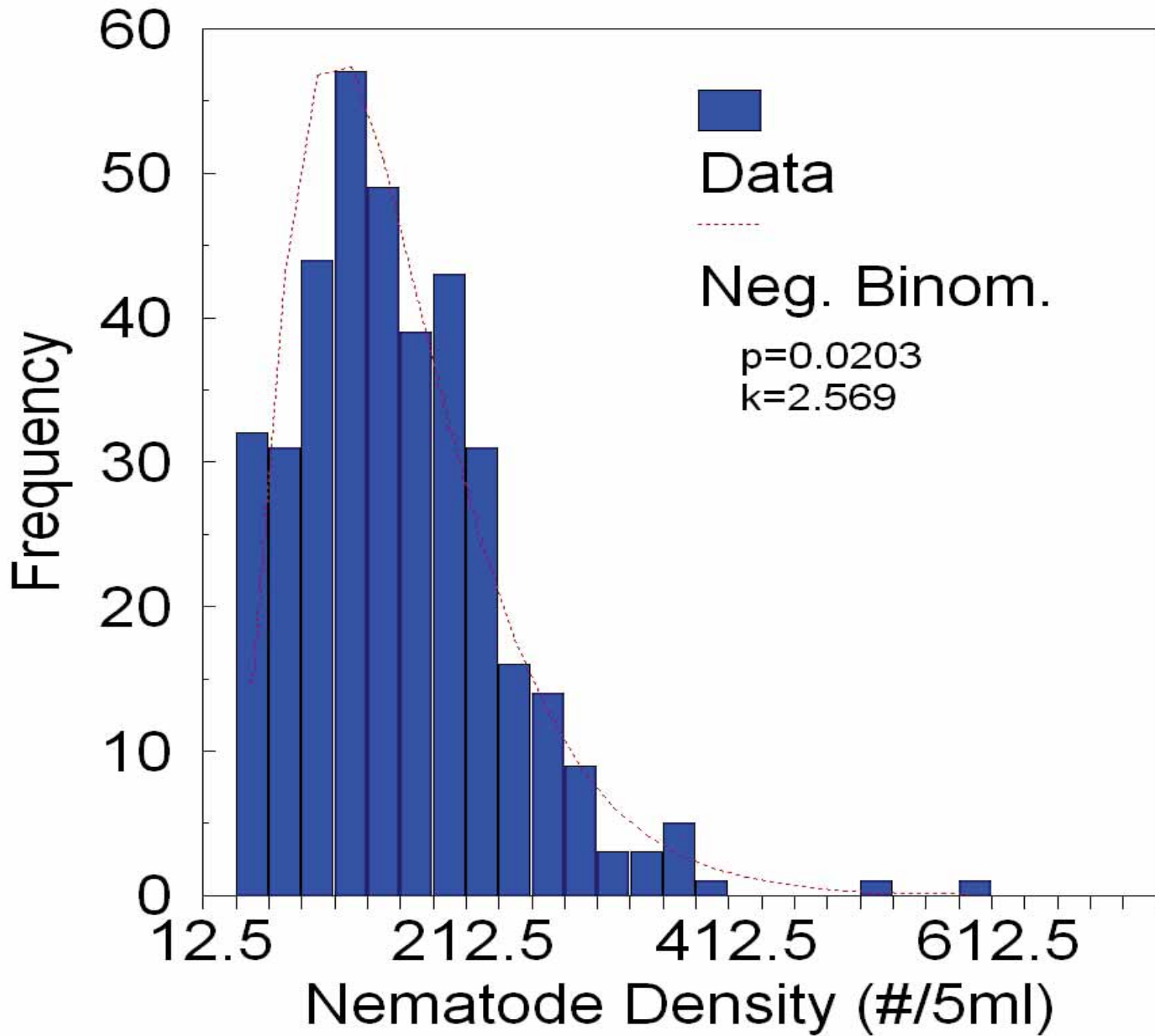




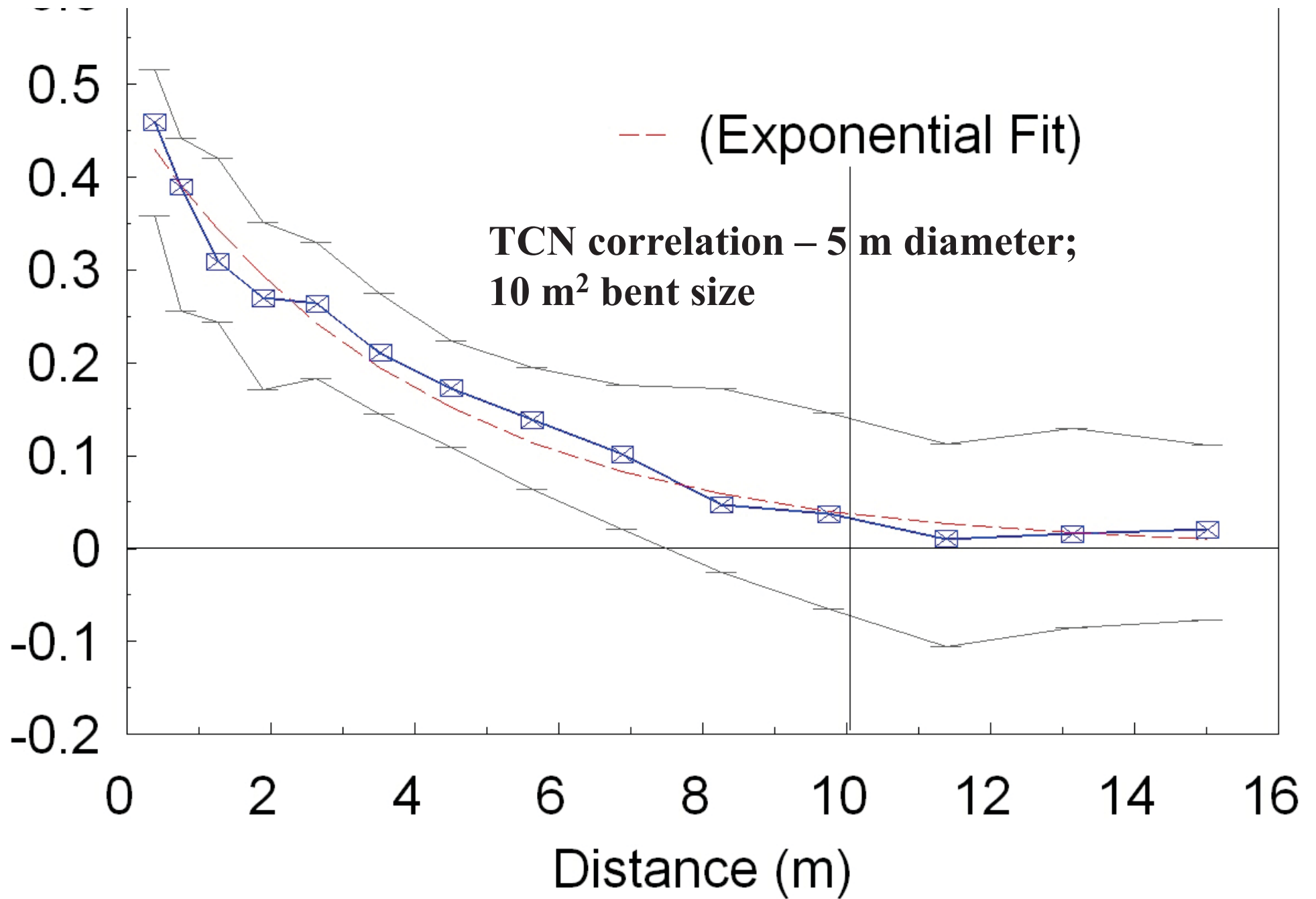


Contour plot of TCN density





Correlation



**TCN Sampling – 4 samples per bent,
40 bents per acre**



Fusarium Wilt



TCN – Fusarium wilt

Incidence % Rating 0-4

<u>Trt</u>	<u>2 wk</u>	<u>0 wk</u>	<u>2 wk</u>	<u>0 wk</u>
TCN	70	10	1.9	0.2
None	0	10	0.0	0.1

TCN – Fusarium wilt

Oxamyl

kg ai/ha

Incidence %

Severity

0.0

48

1.4

2.2

23

0.7

6.7

8

0.2

TCN – Fusarium wilt

Oxamyl

3 wk AT

kg ai/ha

J2

J3 - Adult

0.0

103

76

2.2

14

4

6.7

0

0

Spread of Fusarium Wilt

Rapid spread throughout the Valley

Infected stalks applied to new fields

Soil carried on equipment

Between farms - seed / plant transfer

TCN – Obligate parasite: Wilted plants act as trap crops and reduce nematodes in infested soil





TCN wilt resistant cultivars (1991) controlled Fusarium wilt: allowed damaging populations to build up over time

Cyst nematodes now cause direct losses in broadleaf

Cyst Nematode Management

Chemical control:

Fumigation: Vorlex, Vapam, Telone

Non-Fum: Vydate (3 gpa), Nematicur



Cyst Nematode Management

Chemical control:

Fumigation: **Vorlex**, **Vapam**, **Telone**

Non-Fum: **Vydate (3 gpa)**, **Nemacur**

Fumigation is costly and threatened
by regulation

Cyst Nematode Management

Rotation

Trap cropping

Crop residue destruction at harvest

Plant resistance (long-term)

Cyst Nematode Management

Rotation crops –limited to 20 – 30% control due to lack of hatching factor.

Typical rotation crops include grains, weedy fallow, and recently, soybean.

Weedy fallow – danger of nightshade.

Cyst Nematode Management

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Trap cropping

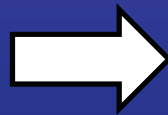
Crop residue destruction at harvest

Plant resistance (long-term)

Trap Cropping

Pf/Pi

<u>Wk AT</u>	<u>Susceptible</u>	<u>Resistant</u>
4	0.38	0.44
5	0.52	0.48
6	0.49	0.38
8	1.14	0.35



Cyst Nematode Management

Rotation

Trap cropping

Crop residue destruction at harvest

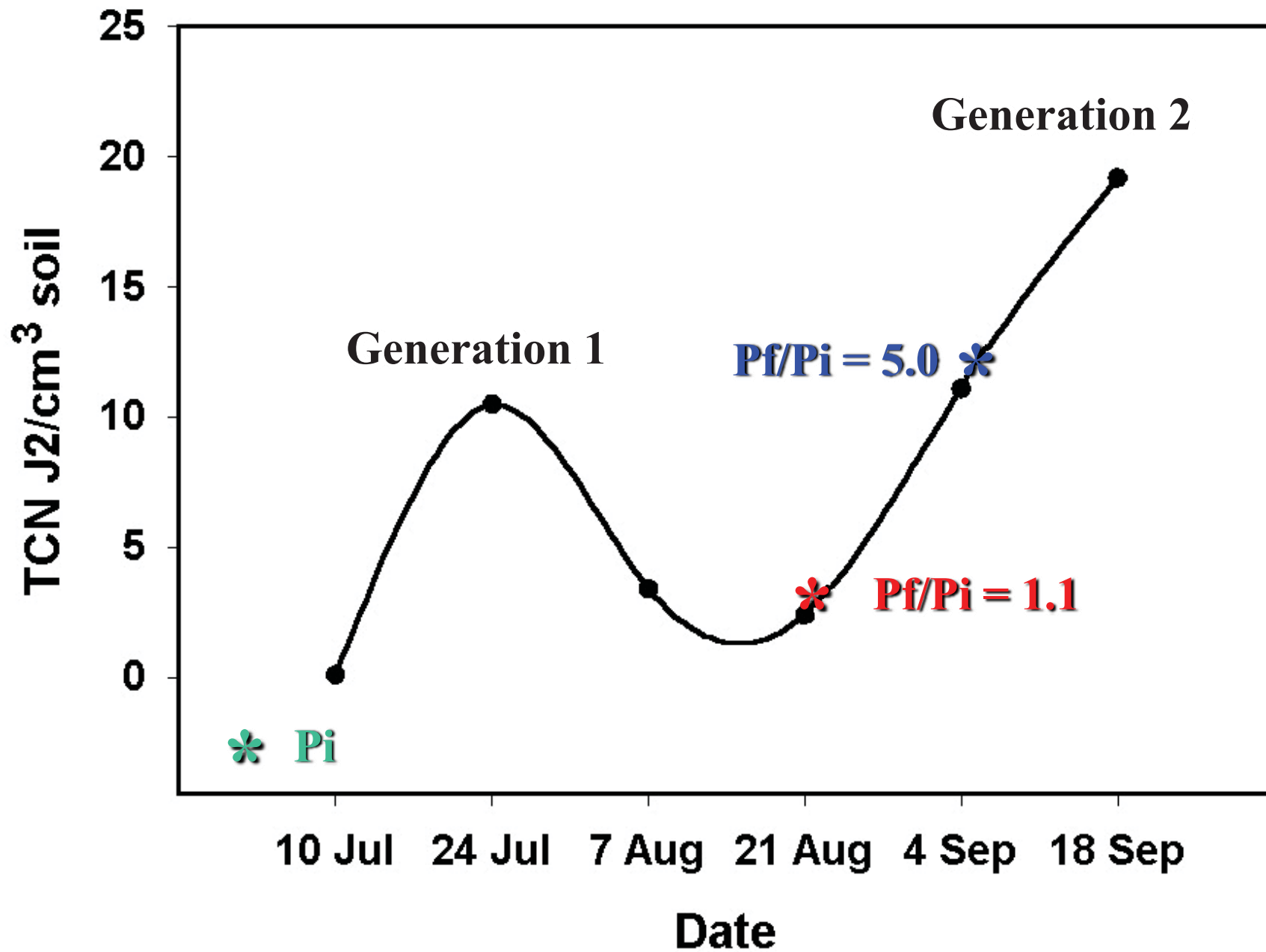
Plant resistance (long-term)

Bdlf Tillage: timing on TCN

<u>Treatment</u>	<u>Pf/Pi</u>	<u>Pi</u>	<u>Pf</u>
Till immediately	1.03	4.4	4.6
3 wks after cutting	5.42	6.3	24.4
6 wks after cutting	5.89	8.3	24.8

Bdlf Tillage and nematicide effects on TCN

<u>Nematicide</u>	<u>Tillage</u>	<u>Pf/Pi</u>
None	Cutting	2.21
None	5 wks	6.78
Nemacur	Cutting	0.59
Nemacur	5 wks	1.32



Cyst Nematode Management

Rotation

Trap cropping

Crop residue destruction at harvest

Plant resistance (long-term)

TCN Resistance Breeding

Source of resistance VA-81 and
Clemson PD-4.

Resistance segregated as a single,
dominant effect gene.

B2 Broadleaf Tobacco

- **F1 male-sterile hybrid**
- **Initial crosses for TCN-R made in 1987**
- **BC2 selected to inbred, backcrossed and inbred, crossed to MS bdlf**
- **27 generations of field and greenhouse selection with 8 cycles ea of selection for wilt-resistance, TCN & TMV-R**
- **Field evaluation over 4 yrs**

Resistance Breeding

<u>Lines</u>	<u>TMV</u>	<u>Fwilt</u>	<u>TCN</u>	<u>BMold</u>
C9	R	R	S	S
B2	R	R	R	MR

**B2 is a male-sterile F1 hybrid
uniform seed stable over time**

TCN Resistance

<u>Treatment</u>	<u>Effect on nematodes</u>
Susceptible	increase of $\geq 2x$
Fallow	20 percent decrease
Resistant B2	60 – 70 % decline
Fumigation	70 - 80 % decline
Fum + Susc	maintains popns

Broadleaf Breeding 2006-08

<u>Line</u>	<u>lb/acre</u>	<u>% wrapper</u>	<u>%M & D</u>
C9	2003	53 *	28 *
B-2	2105	55 **	29 **

* = good quality wrapper

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TCN Tracker –
A Decision-based
Cyst Nematode
Management Aid
For Connecticut
Wrapper Tobacco
Types

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TCN Tracker

User-friendly point and click Access database. Uses TCN density to predict impacts of field use on nematodes and yield.

Microsoft Access: uses population dynamics models, yield loss models.



TCN Tracker - Broadleaf

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Broadleaf Tobacco Cyst Nematode Management Decision Model

Title: _____

Date: _____

Initial Tobacco Cyst Nematode Population: _____ 0.0 J2/cm³

Year One Field Use

<input type="checkbox"/> Fallow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fumigation
<input type="checkbox"/> Resistant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trap Crop
<input type="checkbox"/> Susceptible (Till Immediately)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Susceptible (Till Later)

Population After Year 1: _____ 0.0 J2/cm³
 Yield Loss Year 1: _____ 0.00 %

Year Two Field Use

<input type="checkbox"/> Fallow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fumigation
<input type="checkbox"/> Resistant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trap Crop
<input type="checkbox"/> Susceptible (Till Immediately)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Susceptible (Till Later)

Population After Year 2: _____ 0.0 J2/cm³
 Yield Loss Year 2: _____ 0.00 %

Year Three Field Use

<input type="checkbox"/> Fallow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fumigation
<input type="checkbox"/> Resistant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trap Crop
<input type="checkbox"/> Susceptible (Till Immediately)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Susceptible (Till Later)

Population After Year 3: _____ 0.0 J2/cm³
 Yield Loss Year 3: _____ 0.00 %

Year Four Field Use

<input type="checkbox"/> Fallow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fumigation
<input type="checkbox"/> Resistant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trap Crop
<input type="checkbox"/> Susceptible (Till Immediately)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Susceptible (Till Later)

Population After Year 4: _____ 0.0 J2/cm³
 Yield Loss Year 4: _____ 0.00 %

Year Five Field Use

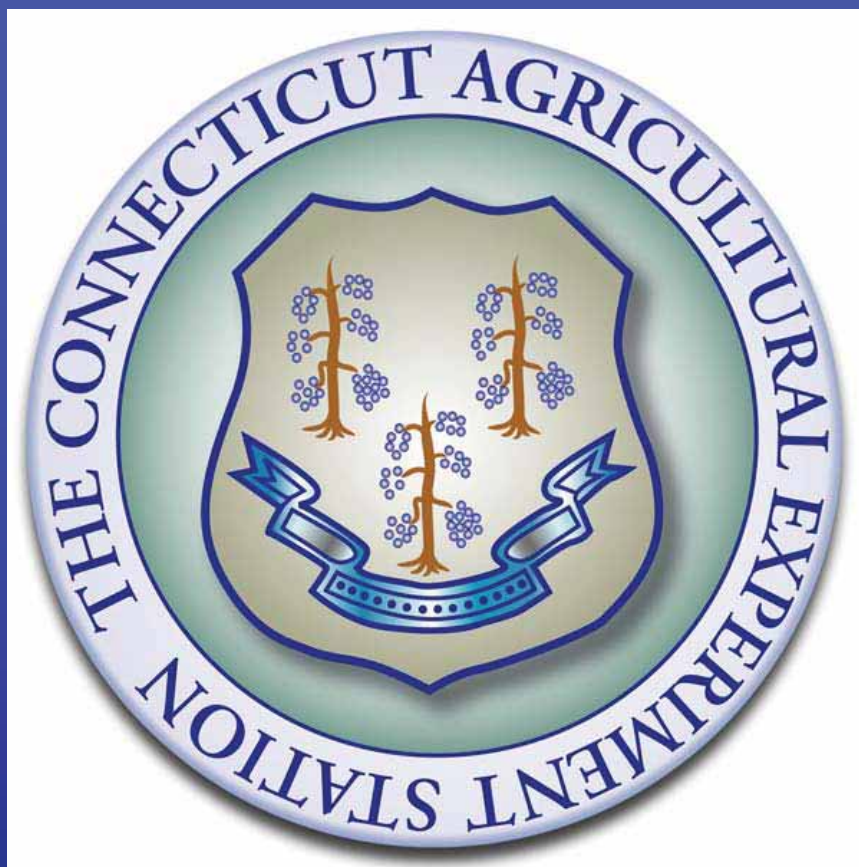
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<input type="checkbox"/> Resistant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trap Crop
<input type="checkbox"/> Susceptible (Till Immediately)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Susceptible (Till Later)

Population After Year 5: _____ 0.0 J2/cm³
 Yield Loss Year 5: _____ 0.00 %

TCN Control - shade

Fall '06 start at: 100 J2/cm³ soil

<u>Treatment</u>	<u>Fall '07</u>	<u>Fall '08</u>
Fallow	80	64
Resistant cv -	40	16
Fumigation	(20)	(22)
+susceptible -	108	110



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Bdlf Blue Mold Resistance -2007

Lines

Lesions/plant

B2

0.2 a

B6

0.8 b

B3

1.6 bc

C9

2.1 c

Bdlf Blue Mold Resistance -2009

<u>Lines</u>	<u>Disease rating</u>
NC2000	1.7 a
NC2002	2.0 a
B2	3.0 ab
KT206	3.3 ab
C9	3.5 b
KT200	4.7 b

Bdlf Blue Mold Resistance -2009

Rating

Disease

1

No lesions

2

Single lesions few plants

3

Single lesions most plants

4

Multiple lesions few plants

5

Multiple lesions most plants