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ROOT-KNOT NEMATODE MANAGEMENT IN ZIMBABWE : CURRENT AND FUTURE TRENDS

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NEMATODE CONTROL IN ZIMBABWE



Has mostly relied on the use of the fumigants eg

- **Methyl-bromide** in the seedbeds and
- **1.3 D** and **EDB** in the field.

ADVANTAGES OF FUMIGANT NEMATOCIDES

- have a broad-spectrum of activity,
- very effective when correctly applied
- Long period of control
- Good return on investment



SOME AGROCHEMICALS NO LONGER RECOMMENDED FOR USE ON TOBACCO IN ZIMBABWE

ACTIVE INGREDIENT	CATEGORY
1,3-Dichloropropene/Methyl bromide	Nematicide
Acephate, Thiodicarb	Insecticides
Alachlor, Trifluralin	Herbicide
Aldicarb	Nematicide/Insecticide
Benomyl	Fungicide
Dimethenamid, Metolachlor,	Herbicides
Ethylene dibromide	Nematicide
Fenvalerate	Insecticide
Methamidophos, Monocrotophos	Insecticides

ALTERNATIVE SYNTHETIC NEMATICIDES

TRB working on

- Chemical alternatives (seedbed and field)
- Genetic resistance
- Cultural control



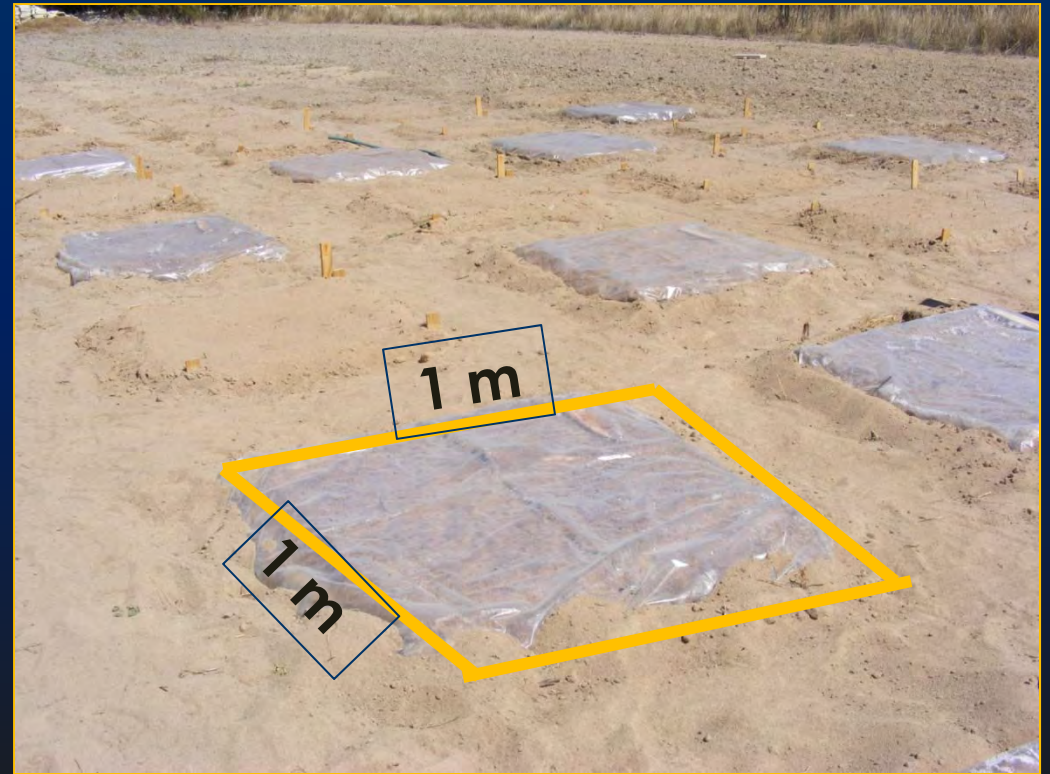
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SOME WORK ON THE CHEMICAL ALTERNATIVES

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Evaluation of Agrochemicals – Seedbed

- 1m² beds
- 3 blocks
- 2 varieties used
- 0.5 m x 0.45 m area pulled out for assessment



Evaluation of Agrochemicals - Field

THE TREATMENTS

1. an untreated control,
2. a standard,
3. The test product at the lab determined rate,
4. a lower
5. a higher rate



a resistant var
three seasons

NEMATODE POPULATION EVALUATION

- Soil samples collected from around the base of the plants
- Taken to the greenhouse
- Susceptible tomato plants planted
- Galling on the tomato plants indicates nematode populations



GALLING ON TOMATO PLANTS



ROOT GALLING ASSESSMENTS



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Daulton and Nasbaum (1961) scale of 0 – 8

SCORE	DEGREE OF GALLING
0	Free from galls
1	< 5 galls
2	Trace to 25 galls
3	20 – 100 galls
4	Numerous galls, mostly discrete
5	Numerous galls, many coalesced
6	Heavy, mostly coalesced
7	Very heavy, mass invasion, slight root growth
8	Mass invasion, no root development

Alternative Nematicides

The following were evaluated;

- Metham sodium
 - Metham potassium
 - Methyl iodide
 - Fluopyram
 - Fluensulfone (MCW-2)
- methyl isothiocyanate
generators

1. METHAM SODIUM

METHAM SODIUM - SEEDBEDS

- Beds watered - activate weeds & nematodes.
- MeNa applied as a drench
- Covered - polythene sheets for 7 days.



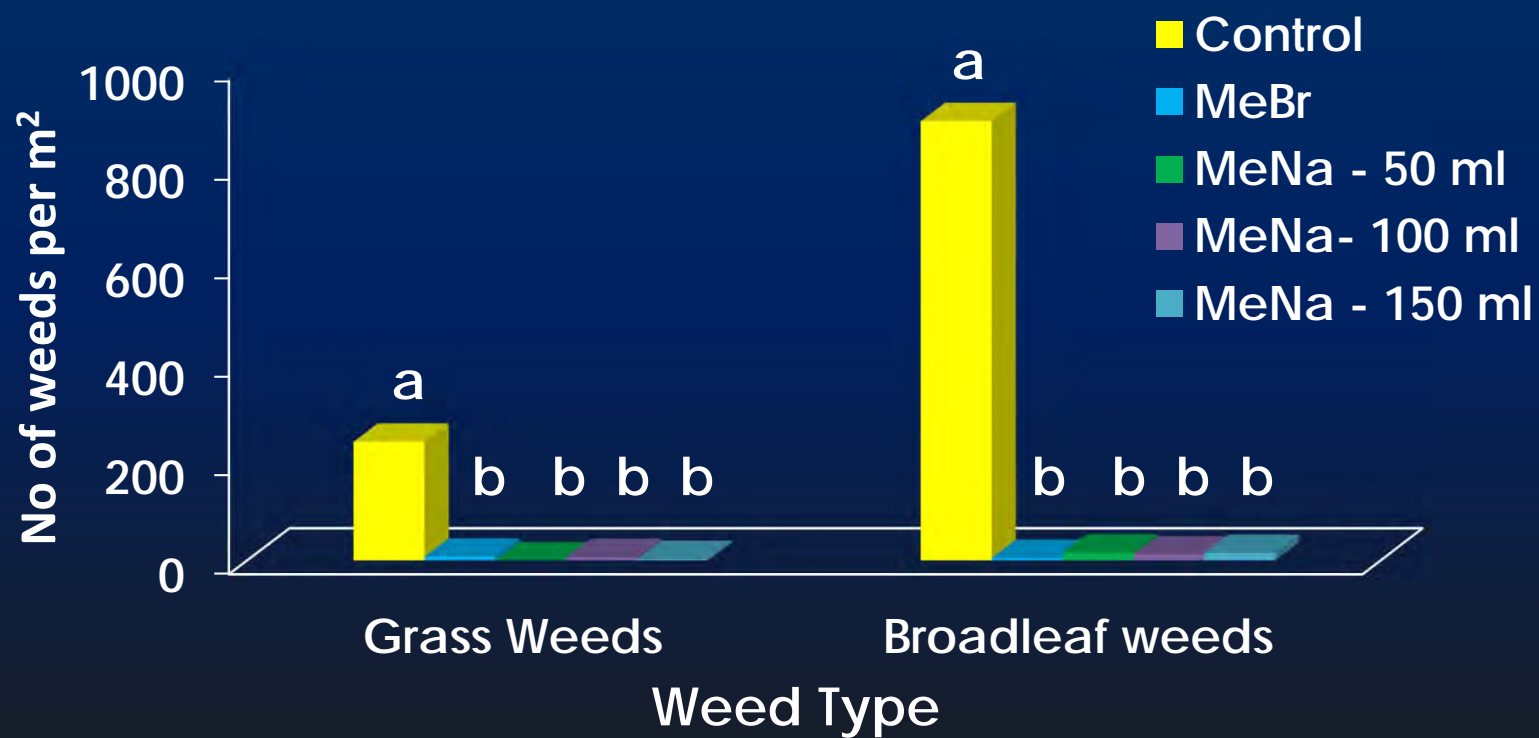
METHAM SODIUM - APPLICATION

- Soil aerated - a fine tilth with a spade.
- Sowing - 28 days after product application.



THE RESULTS

Weed populations in MeNa treated plots



The observation: Seedlings in MeBr, MeNa and untreated plots



MeBr



MeNa



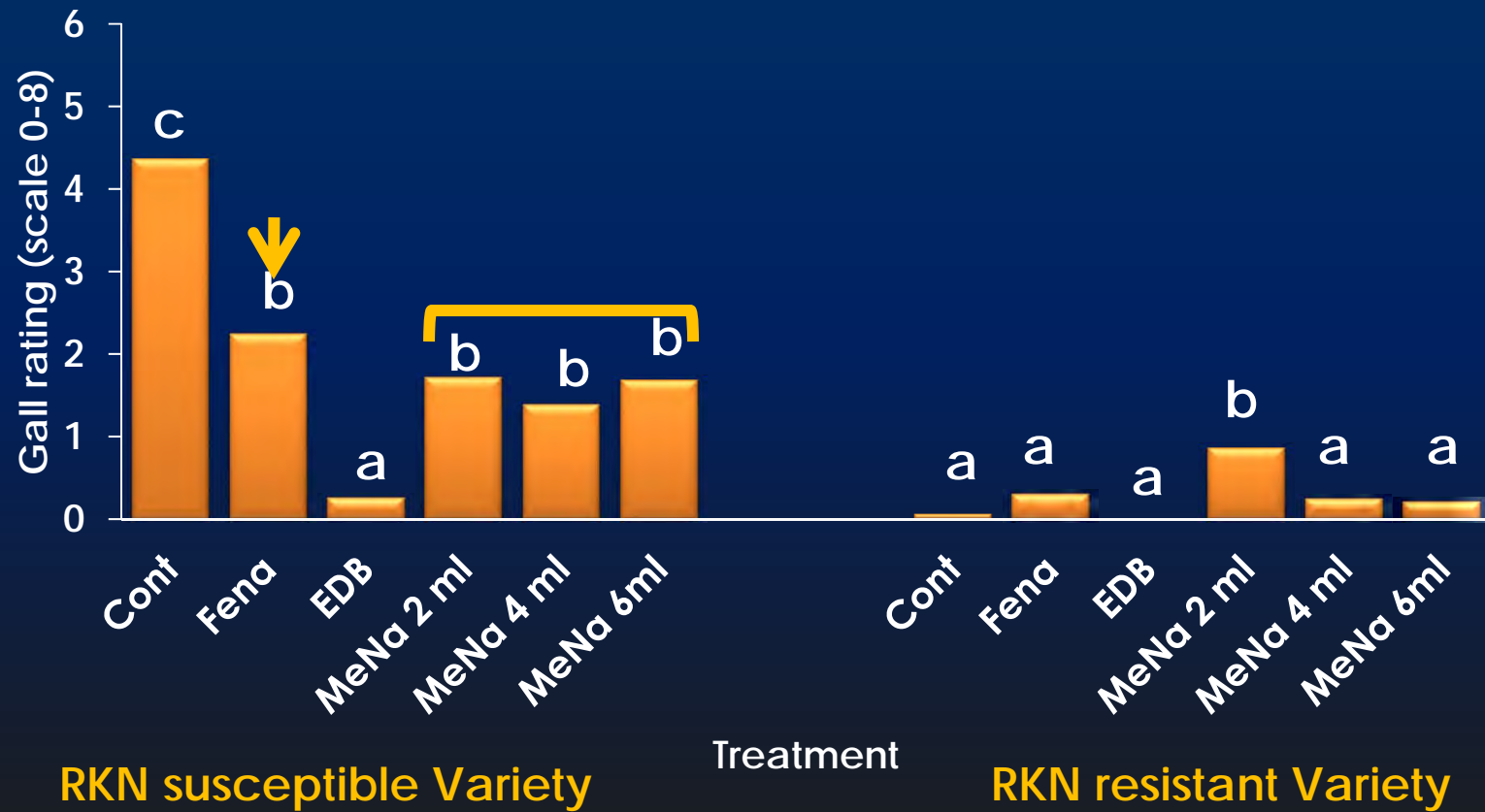
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METHAM SODIUM FIELD EVALUATION

Tractor Application



Performance of Metham sodium in the field



SUMMARY – METHAM SODIUM USE

- Broad spectrum activity in seedbeds - controls nematodes and weeds
- Registered at the rate of 100 ml in 4 L water/m²
- In the field - applied at the rate of 4 ml/planting station


CHALLENGES WITH METHAM SODIUM USE IN THE FIELD

- Can give inconsistent performance if not properly applied.
- Reported to be corrosive to equipment



2. METHAM POTASSIUM & 3. METHAM IODIDE

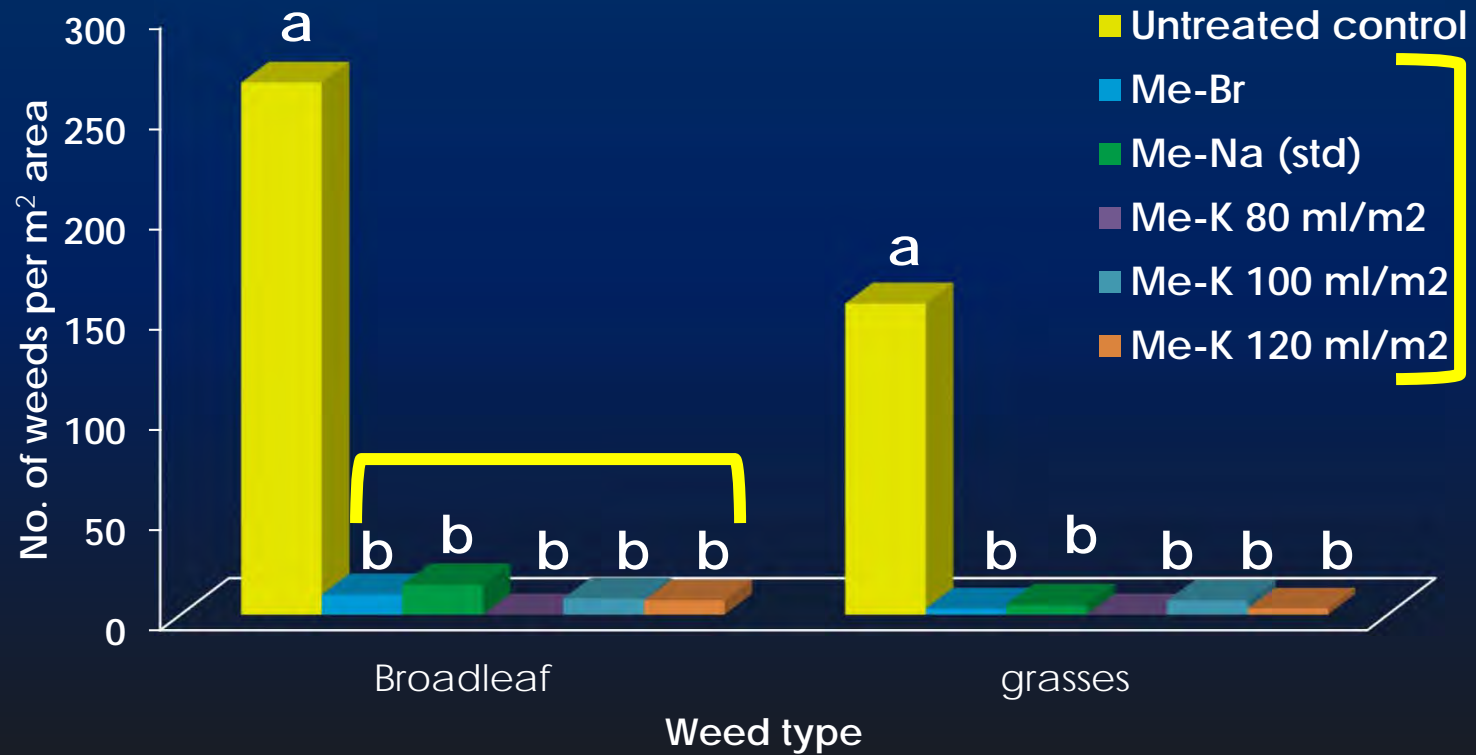
APPLICATION METHOD

- MeK – same as Metham sodium
- Methyl iodide -  applied under 125 gauge polythene sheets.

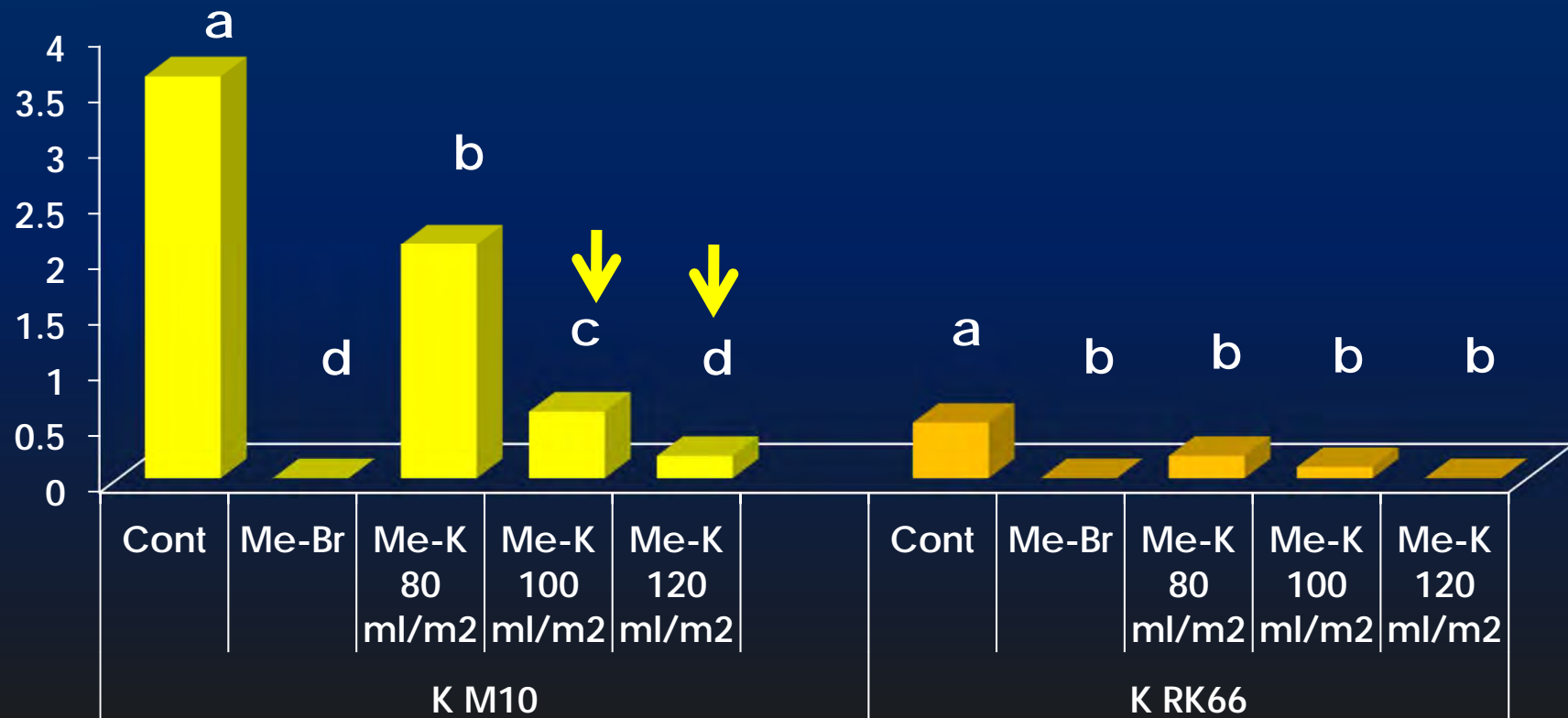


2. RESULTS – METHAM POTASSIUM

Weed populations in Me-K treated plots

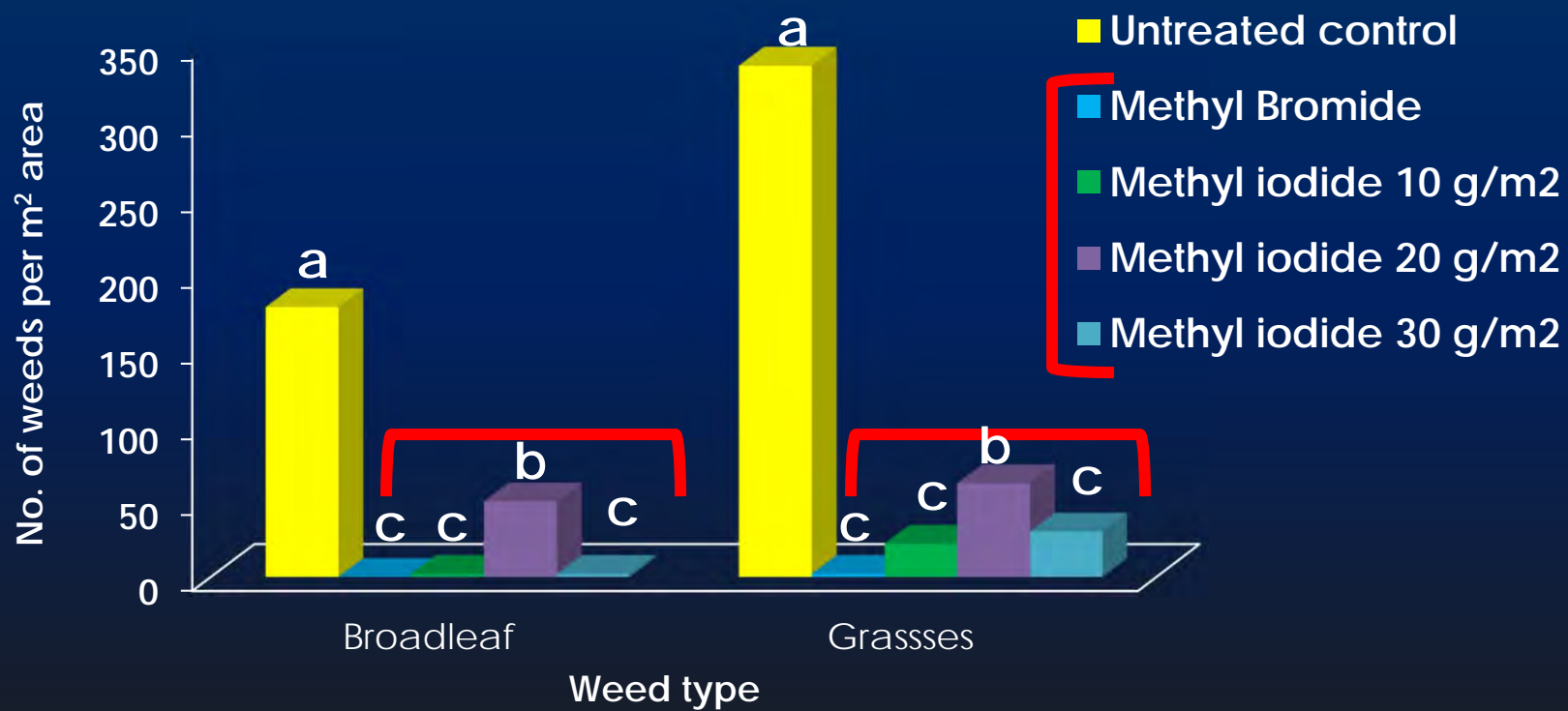


ROOT-KNOT NEMATODE ON SEEDLINGS

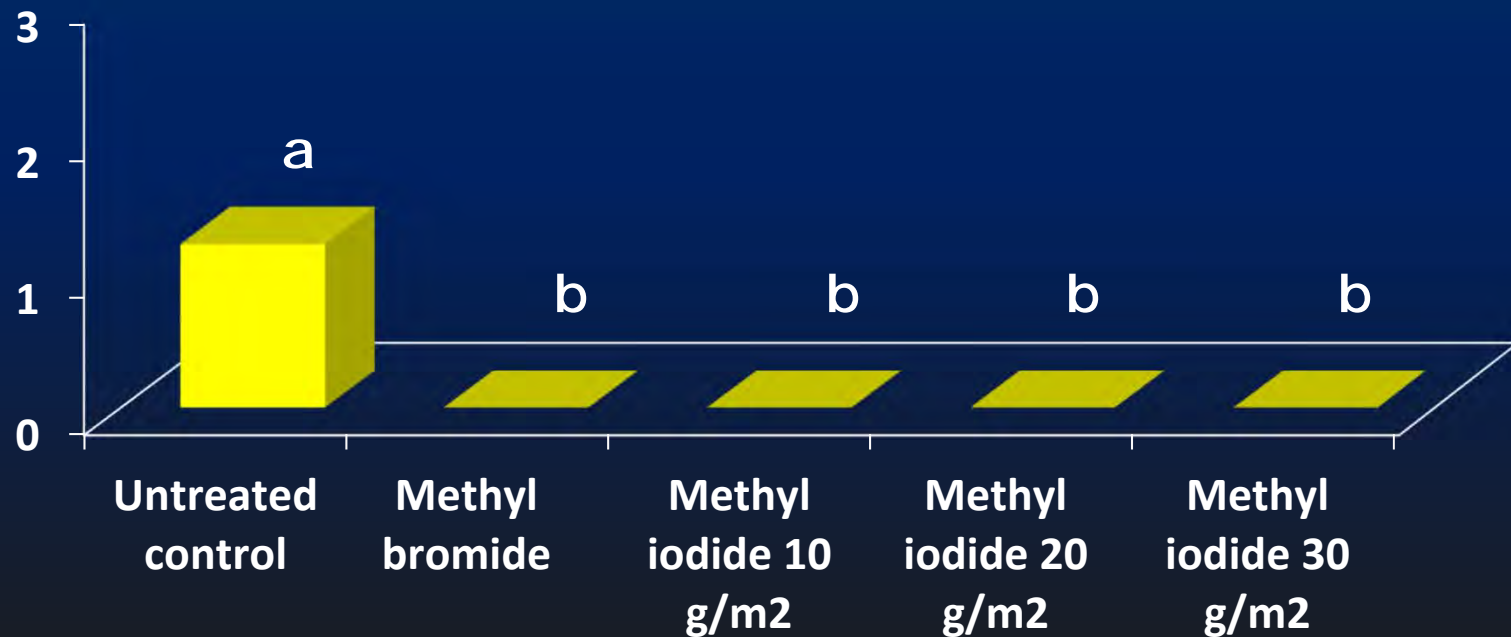


3. RESULTS - METHYL IODIDE

WEED COUNTS - METHYL IODIDE

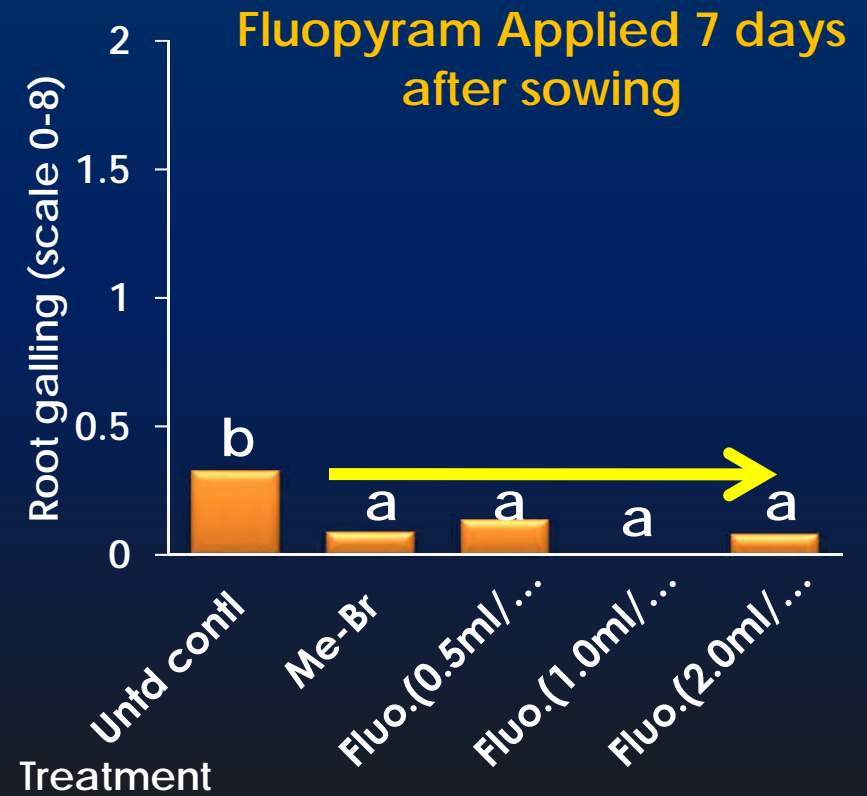
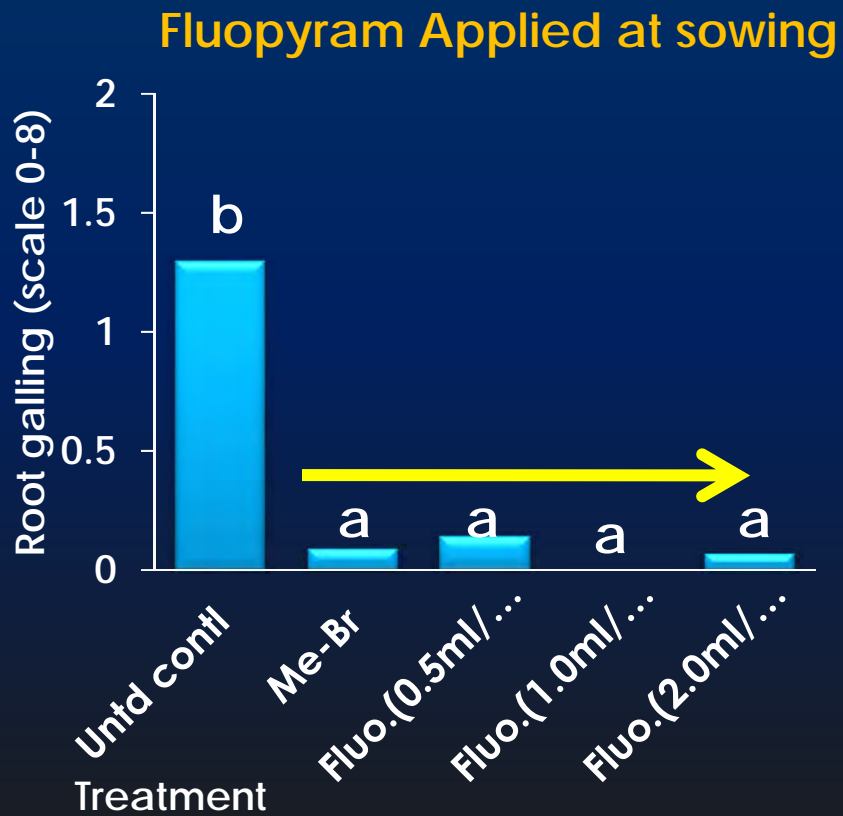


RKN GALL RATINGS ON SEEDLINGS FROM METHYL IODIDE TREATED PLOTS AT PULLING

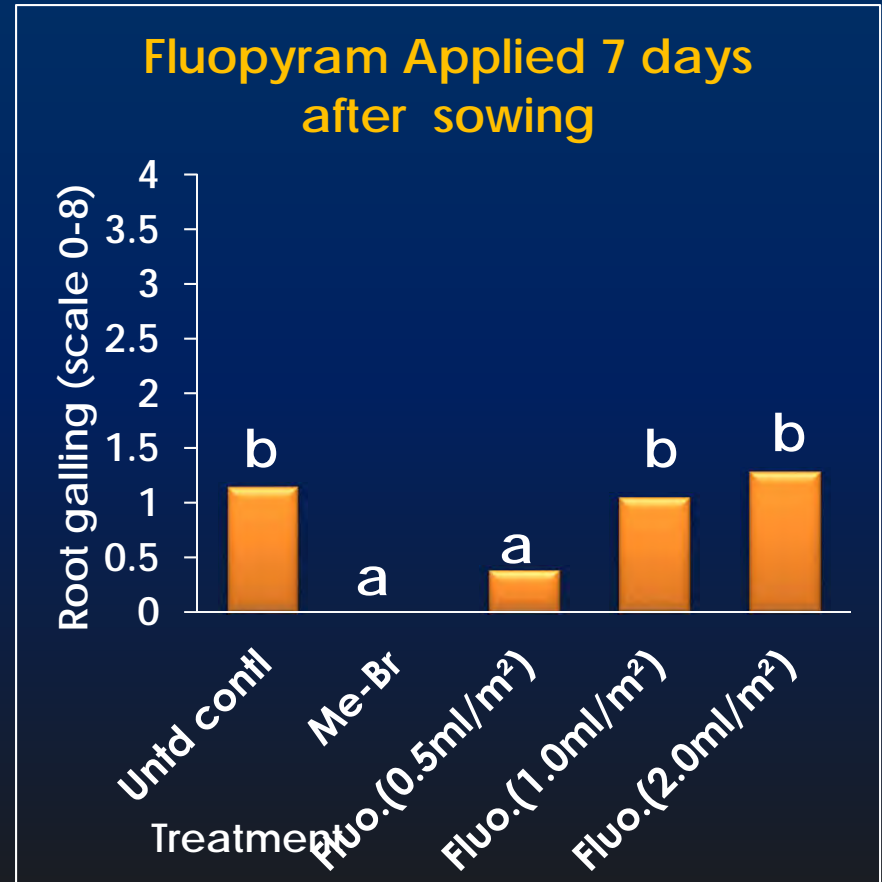
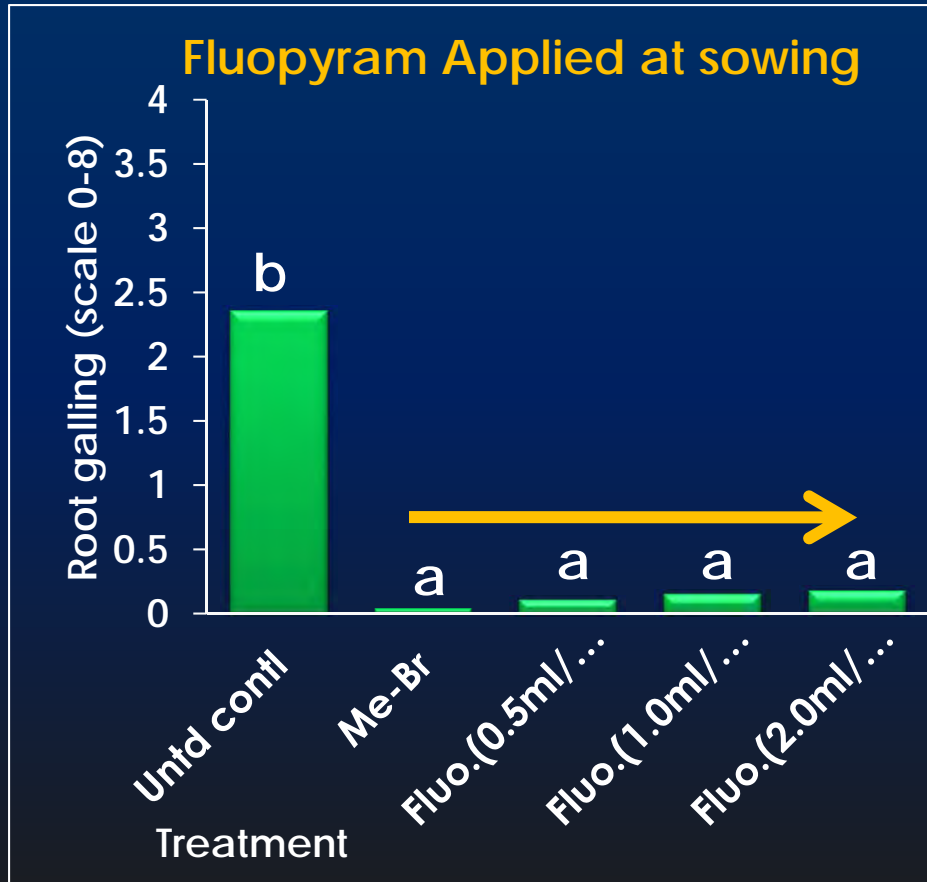


4. FLUOPYRAM

RKN GALL RATINGS AFTER FLUOPYRAM APPLICATION

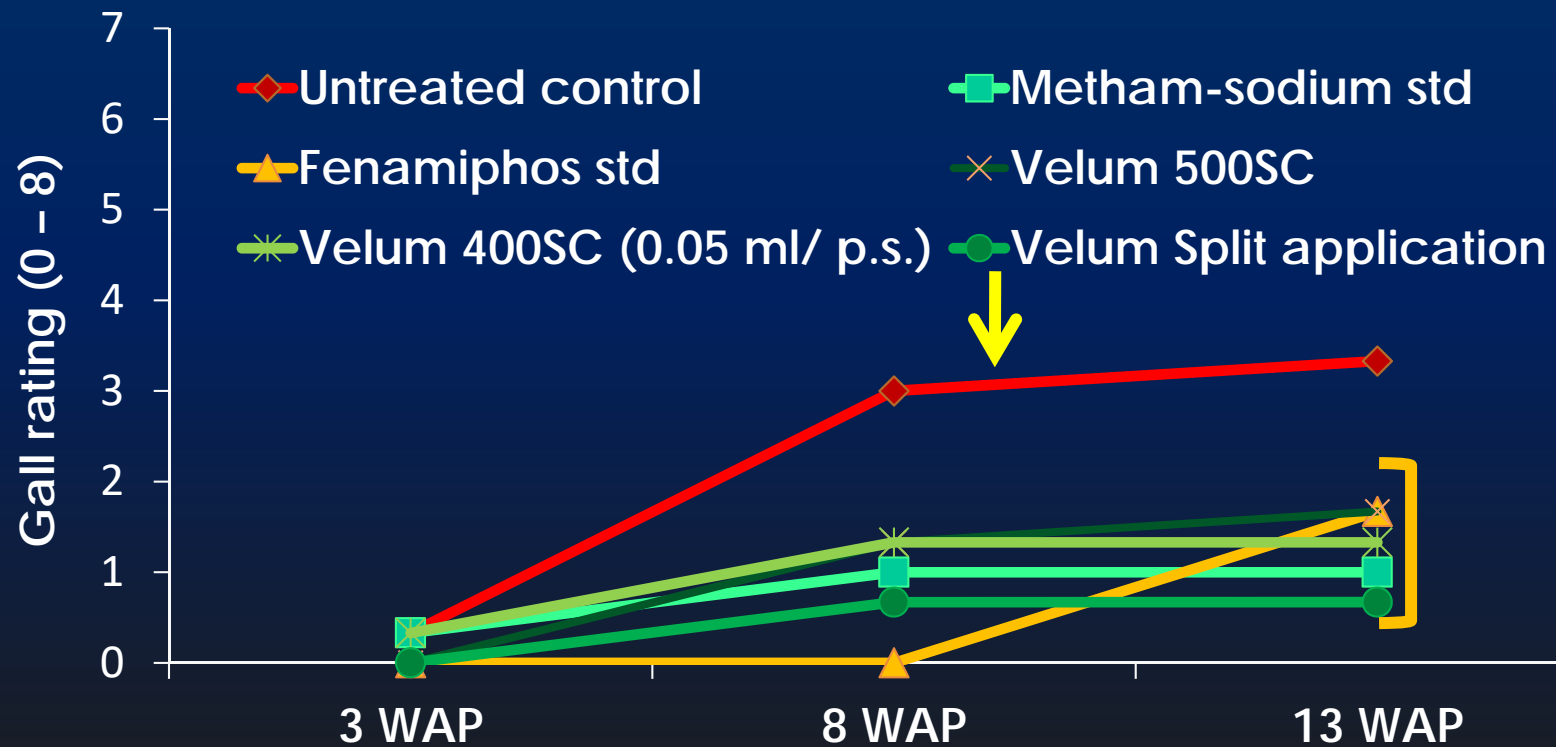


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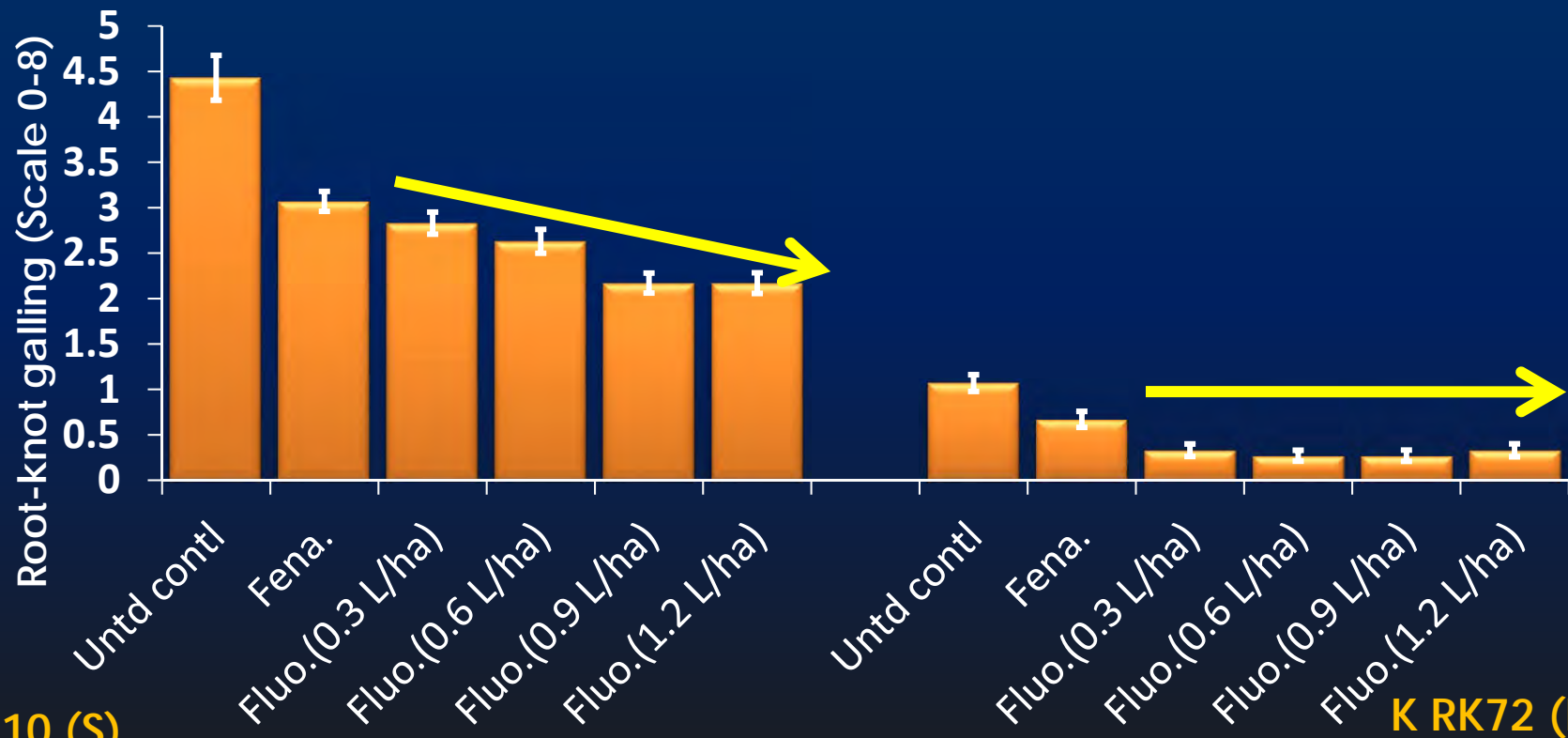




Galling of tomato plants from soil assayed in the greenhouse



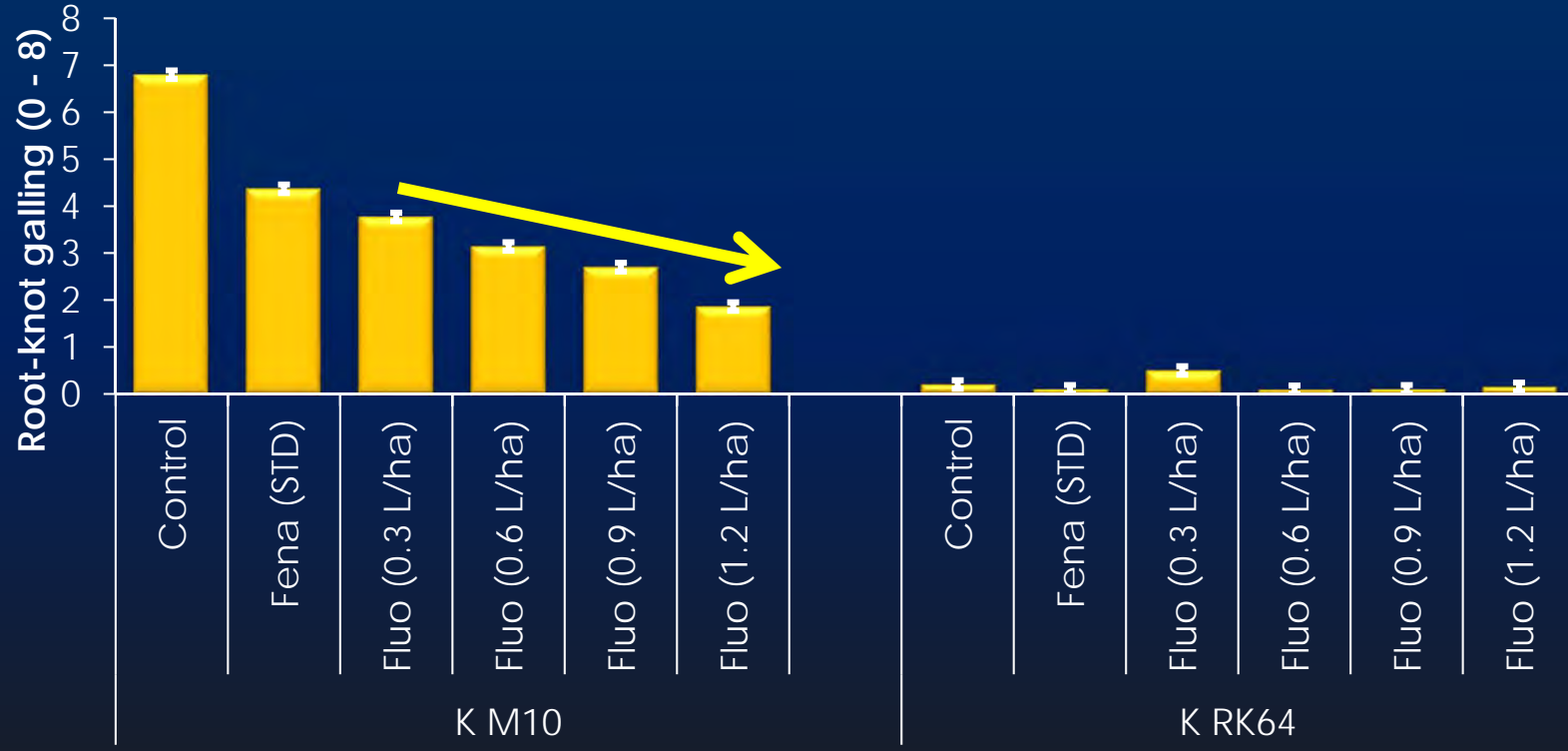
Root galling in Fluopyram treated plots - 1



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Root galling in Fluopyram treated plots - 2





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10 April 2016

Dear Grower

RE : REGISTRATION OF FLUOPYRAM (VELUM®) FOR NEMATODE CONTROL IN TOBACCO

Fluopyram (VELUM® 500 SC*) has now been registered for use on tobacco against rootknot nematodes, in the lands (TRB Certificate Number 15-18-E-16).

Fluopyram belongs to the chemical class known as pyridinyl ethylbenzamides and has been reported to control both nematodes and fungal pathogens. Its mode of action on

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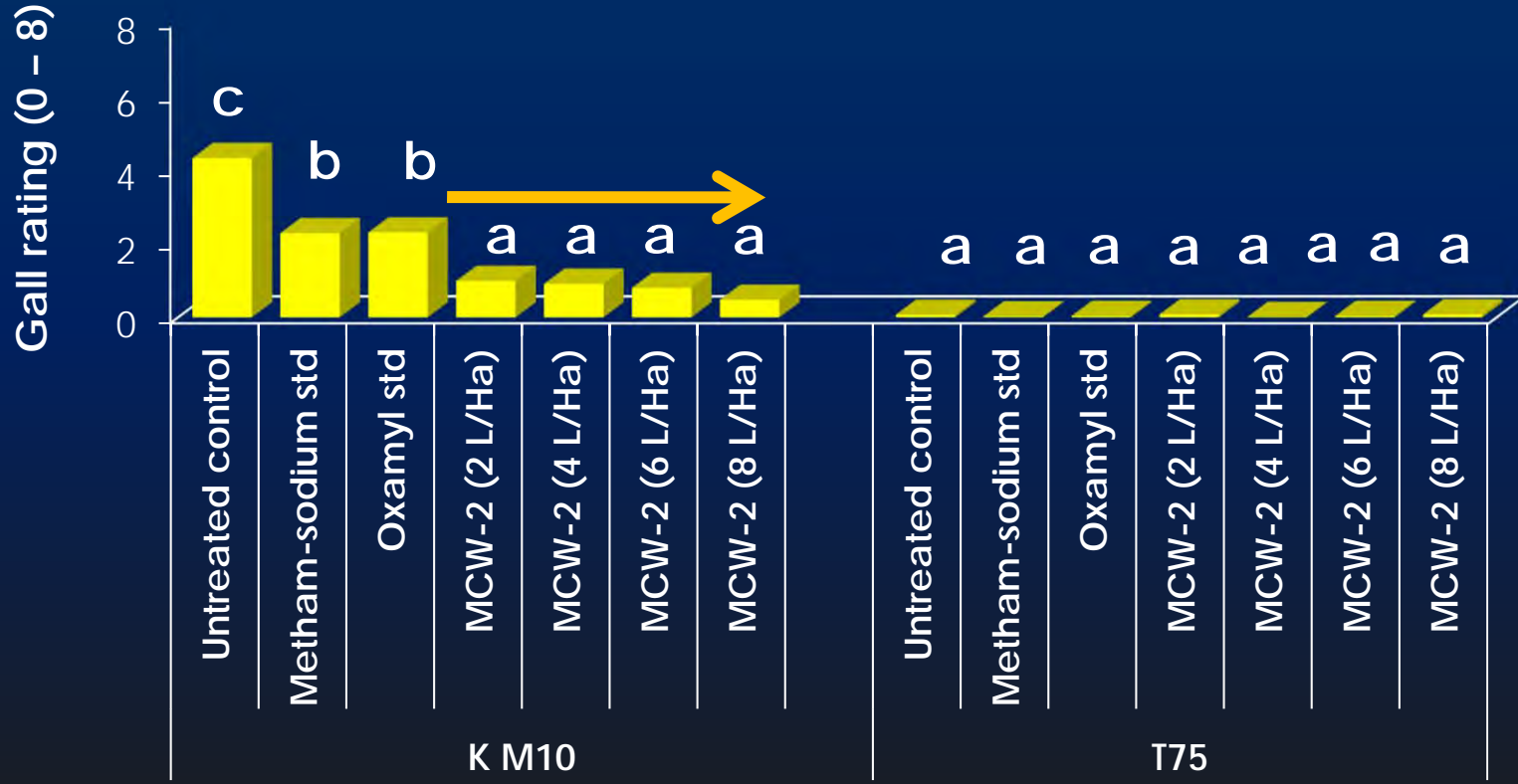
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5. FLUENSULFONE (MCW-2) - ADAMA

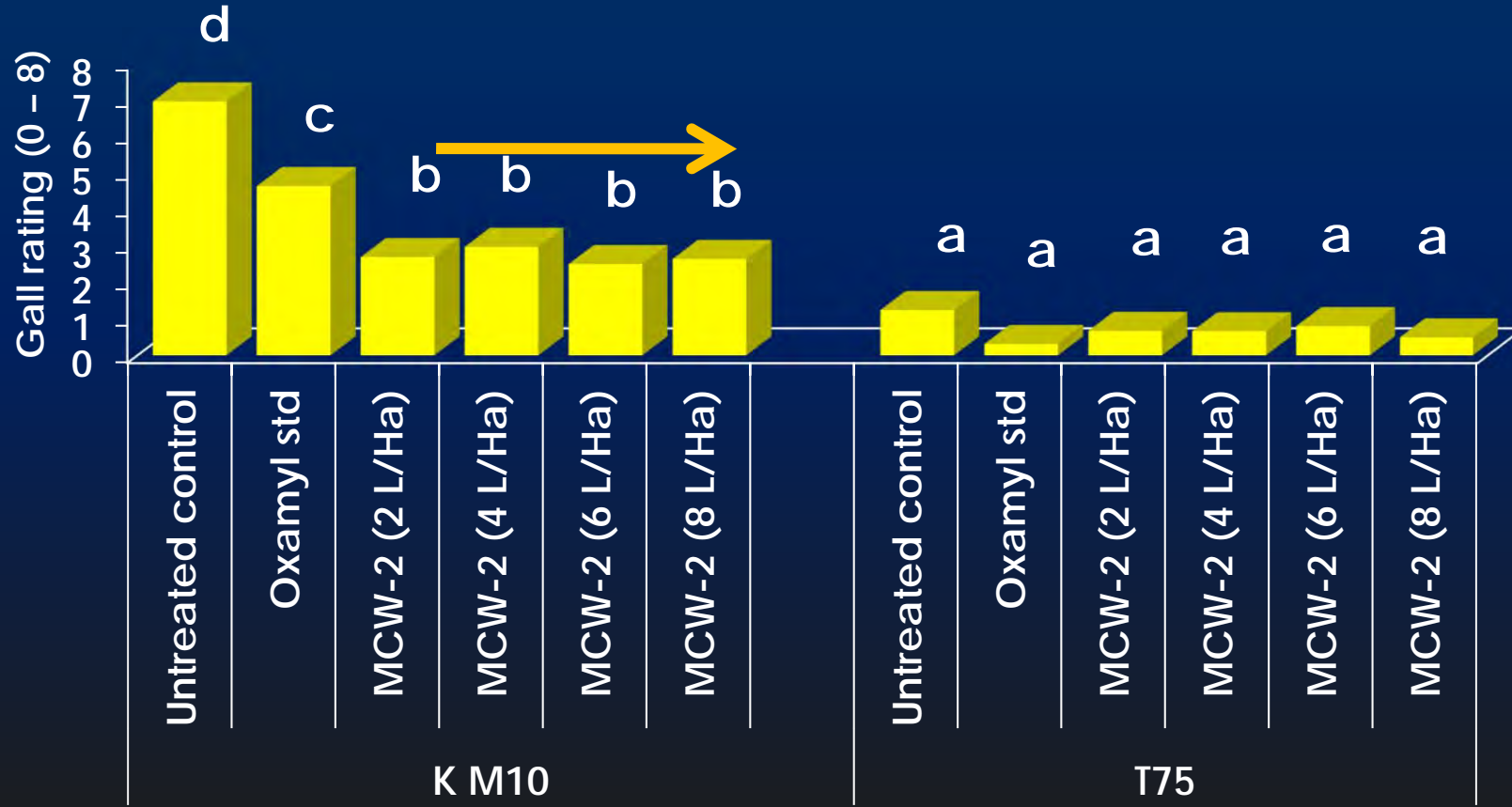
FLUENSULFONE – FIELD TRIALS

1. Untreated control	
2. Metham sodium (STD)	60 L/ha
3. Oxamyl (STD)	3 L/ha
4. MCW-2	2 L/ha
5. MCW-2	4 L/ha
6. MCW-2	6 L/ha
7. MCW-2	8 L/ha

Root-knot nematode gall rating - 2015



Root-knot nematode gall rating - 2016



FLUENSULFONE (MCW-2) : SUMMARY

- Registered for use
- Applied in planting water @ 2 L in 450 L /ha)



ALTERNATIVE NEMATICIDES ON TOBACCO IN ZIM

CHEMICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	FOR USE
1. Potassium N-methyldithiocarbamate	Metham Potassium	Seedbeds
2. Iodomethane	Methyl iodide	Seedbeds
3. Tetrahydro-3,5-dimethyl-2H-1,3,5-thiadiazine-2-thione	Dazomet®/Basamid®	Seedbeds
4. Sodium N-methyldithiocarbamate	Metham Sodium	Seedbeds/ Field
5. Fluopyram - Bayer	Velum®	Field
6. Fluensulfone - Adama	MCW 2	Field

NON-CHEMICAL ALTERNATIVES

NON-CHEMICAL ALTERNATIVES - SEEDBEDS

- The floating tray system



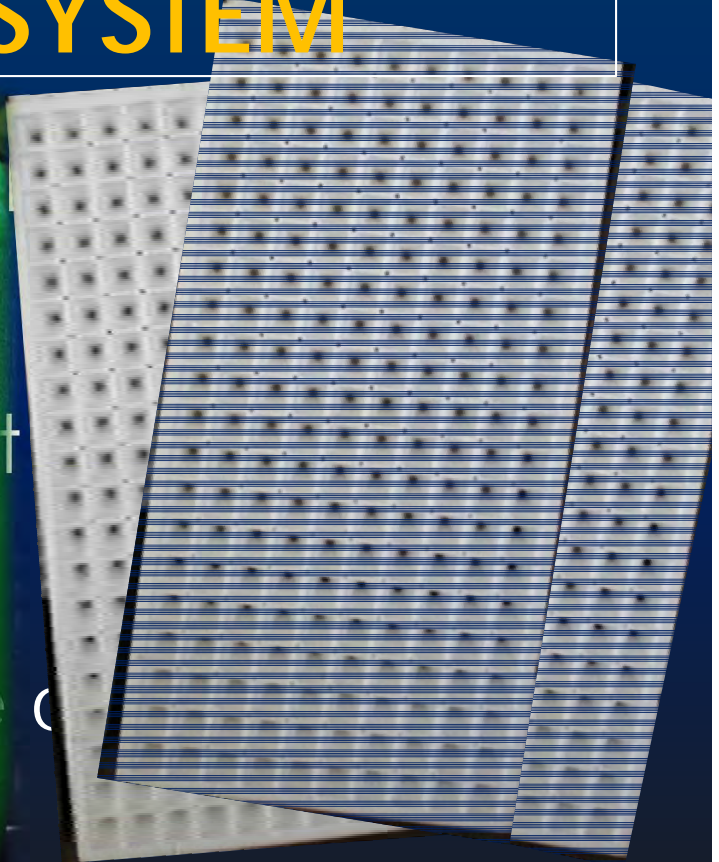
FLOATING TRAY SYSTEM



Pine bark based



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200, 242 & 120 cells

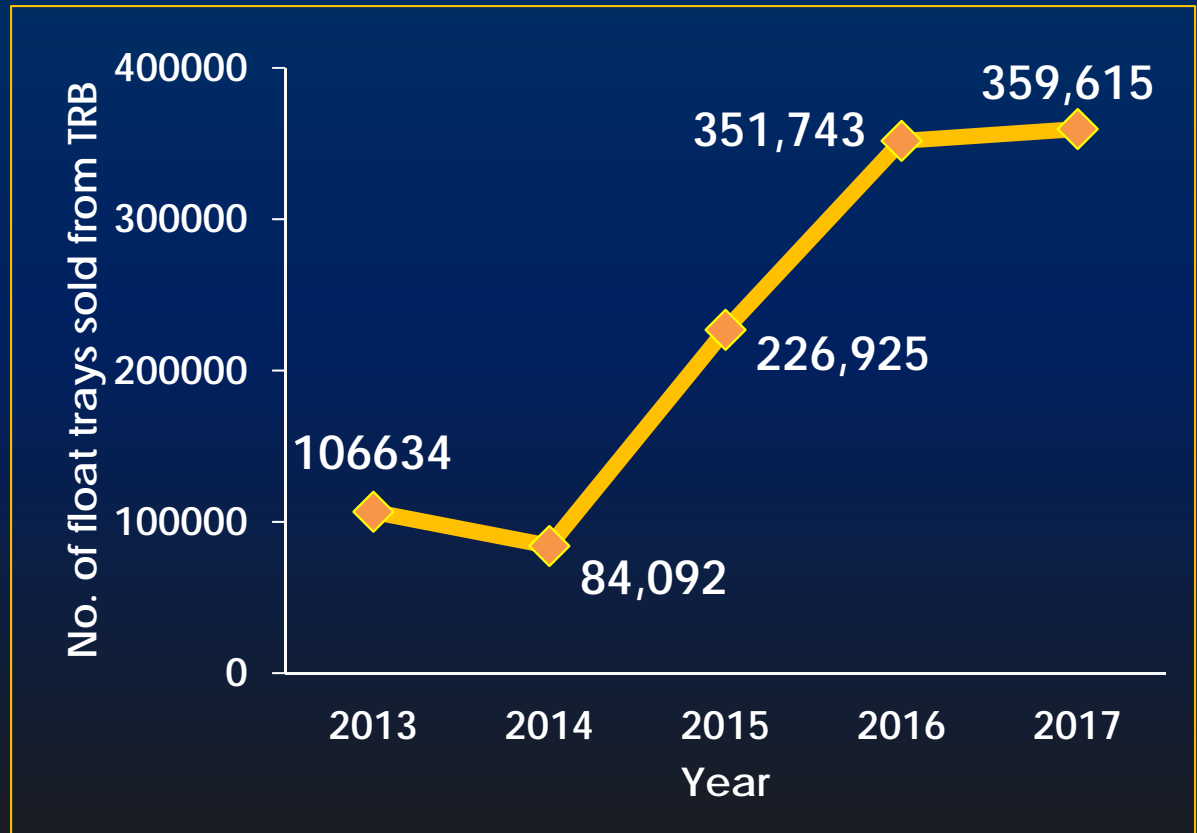


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THE FLOATING TRAY SYSTEM - ADOPTION

- Adoption rate reported to be 30-40%
- Float trays sales data show the **increased use**



Kaylite: Wrecking Sunshine city | The Herald

www.herald.co.zw/kaylite-wrecking-sunshine-city/ ▼

Oct 11, 2011 - These trays are made up of a type of plastic called

non-biodegradable

block sunlight from r

The death of marine



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Cleaning up Zimbabwe with a styrofoam ban - The Zimbabwean

www.thezimbabwean.co/2017/10/cleaning-zimbabwe-styrofoam-ban/ ▼

Oct 3, 2017 - Cleaning up Zimbabwe with a styrofoam ban. Styrofoam pollution is a serious problem in Zimbabwe. The government is set to ban the ubiquitous material for use in food containers to promote greener alternatives. But not everyone is happy with the move.

Zimbabwe Temporarily Lifts Ban on Foam Food Containers - VOA

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Jul 18, 2017 - Zimbabwe's Environmental Management Agency has temporarily lifted its ban on the use of expanded polystyrene (EPS) as food packaging material to allow businesses to clear their stocks. The Agency says it has given businesses until October 17 to stop using existing containers and replace them with ...

CULTURAL PRACTISES – CROP ROTATIONS



KATAMBORA GRASS

GHR1 VARIETY

RESISTANT VARIETIES

ROOT GALLING IN A SUSCEPTIBLE AND RESISTANT VARIETY POST-REAPING



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SUSCEPTIBLE VS RESISTANT VARS UNDER HIGH NEMATODE PRESSURE

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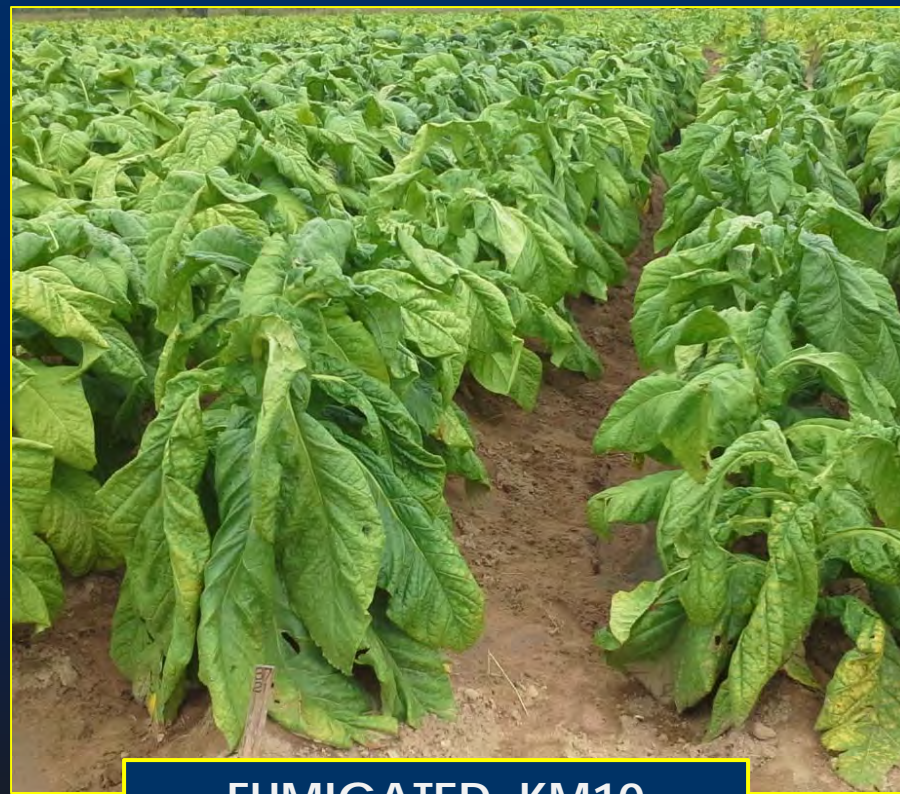


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KM10 IN LAND WITH HIGH NEMATODE PRESSURE

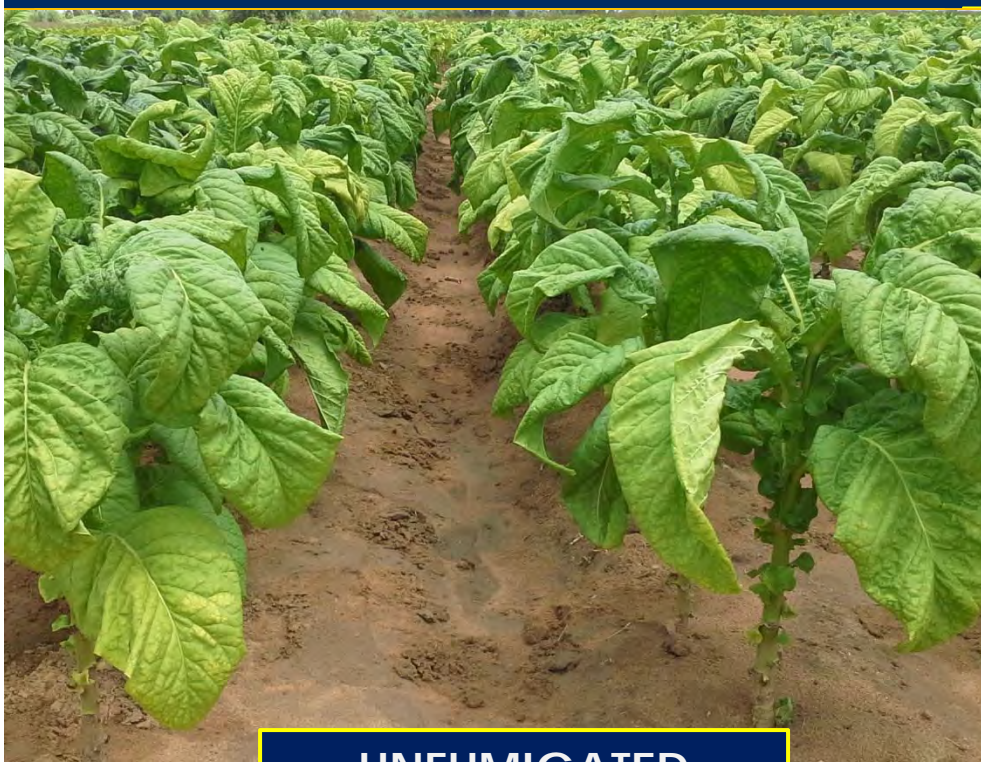


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K RK72 IN LAND WITH HIGH NEMATODE PRESSURE



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Thank you