Evaluation of effects of chemical treatments on tobacco leaf spot diseases

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Target Spot

Caused by the <u>fungal</u> pathogen *Thanatephorus cucumeris*

- Survive in soil and on crop residues
- Warm and moist conditions
- syn: Rhizoctonia solani





Management practices

- Harvesting mature leaves
- Manage nutrient level
 - Nitrogen
- Crop rotation
- Chemical applications
 - Quadris (Azoxystrobin)
 - Manzate Pro Stick (Mancozeb)





- Caused by the <u>fungal</u> pathogen Alternaria alternata and other Alternaria spp.
 - Survive on crop residues
 - Warm and moist conditions
 - syn: Lewia spp.
- Crop rotation
 - Avoid host plants including tobacco, potato, and others
- Remove/destroy crop debris



Frogeye Leaf Spot

- Caused by the <u>fungal</u> pathogen Cercospora nicotianae (races?)
 - Warm and moist conditions
 - syn: Mycosphaerella
- Crop rotation
- Remove/destroy crop debris



Research questions

Fungicide efficacy on reducing the severity of three common foliar fungal diseases







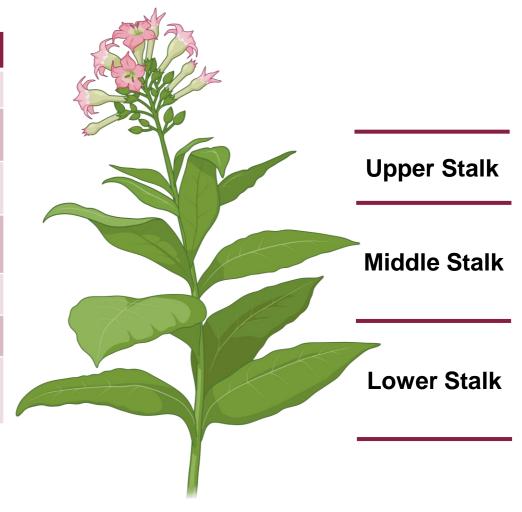
Treatment Table

Number	Treatment (Rate/A (fl oz))
1	Control
2	Adastrio (7.0) + Adastrio (7.0)
3	Adastrio (9.0) + Adastrio (9.0)
4	Quadris (9.0) + Adastrio (9.0)
5	Adastrio (9.0) + Quadris (9.0)
6	Quadris (9.0) + Quadris (9.0)
7	Manzate Pro-stick (2 lbs/A) + Manzate Pro-stick (2 lbs/A)

Adastrio: Fluindapyr, Flutriafol, Azoxystrobin (7+3+11)

Quadris: Azoxystrobin (11)

Manzate Pro-Stick: Mancozeb (M3)

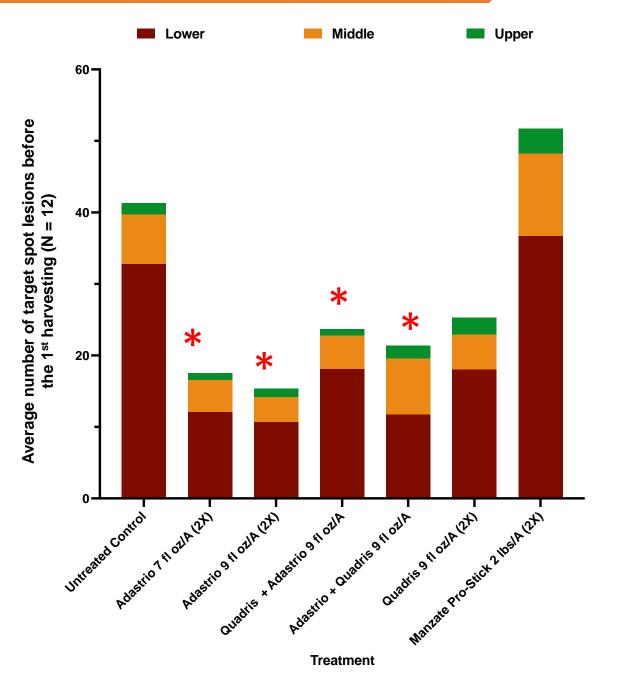


	Block 1						Block 3								
50' long	401	701	301	601	101	501	201	Gap	303	403	203	103	703	503	603
	Gap														
	16'	16'	16'	16'	16'	16'	16'		16'	16'	16'	16'	16'	16'	16'
50' long	702	602	202	102	502	302	402	Gap	604	304	704	404	504	104	204
	Block 2						Block 4								

Variety: PVH2310

Three plants were assessed per block (12 plants/treatment)

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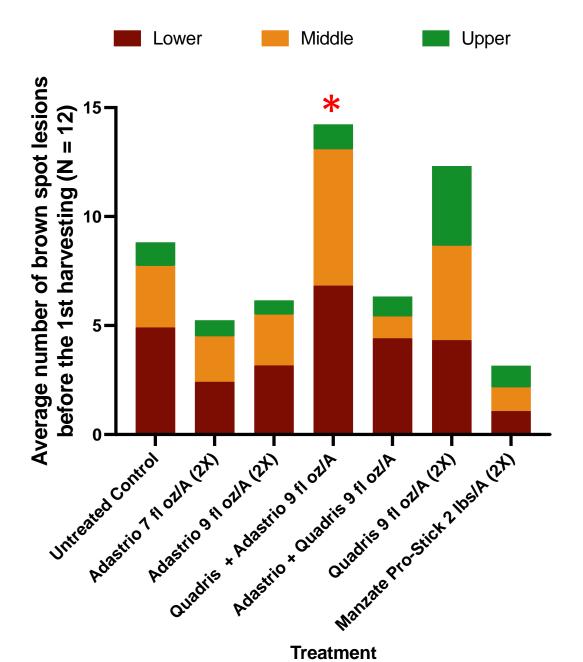
Type III Tests of Fixed Effects					
Effect	<i>F</i> -value	Pr > F			
Treatment	4.59	0.0005			
Stalk position	48.21	<.0001			

Foliar sprays of <u>Adastrio (2X)</u> and <u>the combination</u> <u>of Adastrio and Quadris</u> significantly reduced target spot.

Lower stalk > Upper stalk

Mid-stalk > Upper stalk

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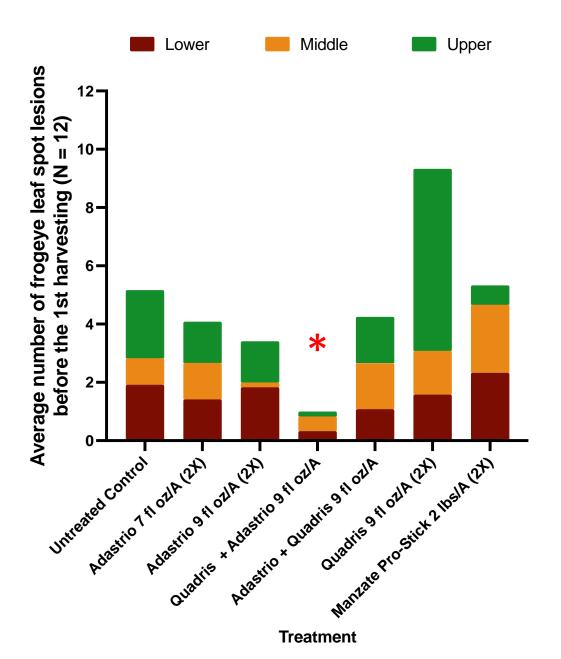
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Effect	<i>F</i> -value	Pr > F			
Treatment	4.5	0.0008			
Stalk position	20.48	<.0001			

The number of brown spot lesions was not reduced by most foliar applications that we tested.

Lower stalk > Upper stalk

Mid-stalk > Upper stalk

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Type III Tests of Fixed Effect					
Effect	<i>F</i> -value	Pr > F			
Treatment	4.95	0.0003			
Stalk position	4.27	0.0176			

The application of Quadris followed by Adastrio significantly reduced frogeye leaf spot.

Lower stalk < Upper stalk

Mid-stalk < Upper stalk

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