



## ROOT KNOT NEMATODE

(*Meloidogyne hapla*)

On Florida Strawberry

Field symptoms:

wilting, stunting,  
plant mortality

### *Transplant Introduced Pests*





# Root Knot Nematode has come again ! and It came with the TRANSPLANTS and it came with a Vengeance !

*Canadian bare root source of Radiance*

*North Carolina bare root source of Radiance*



70% end of season plant collapse

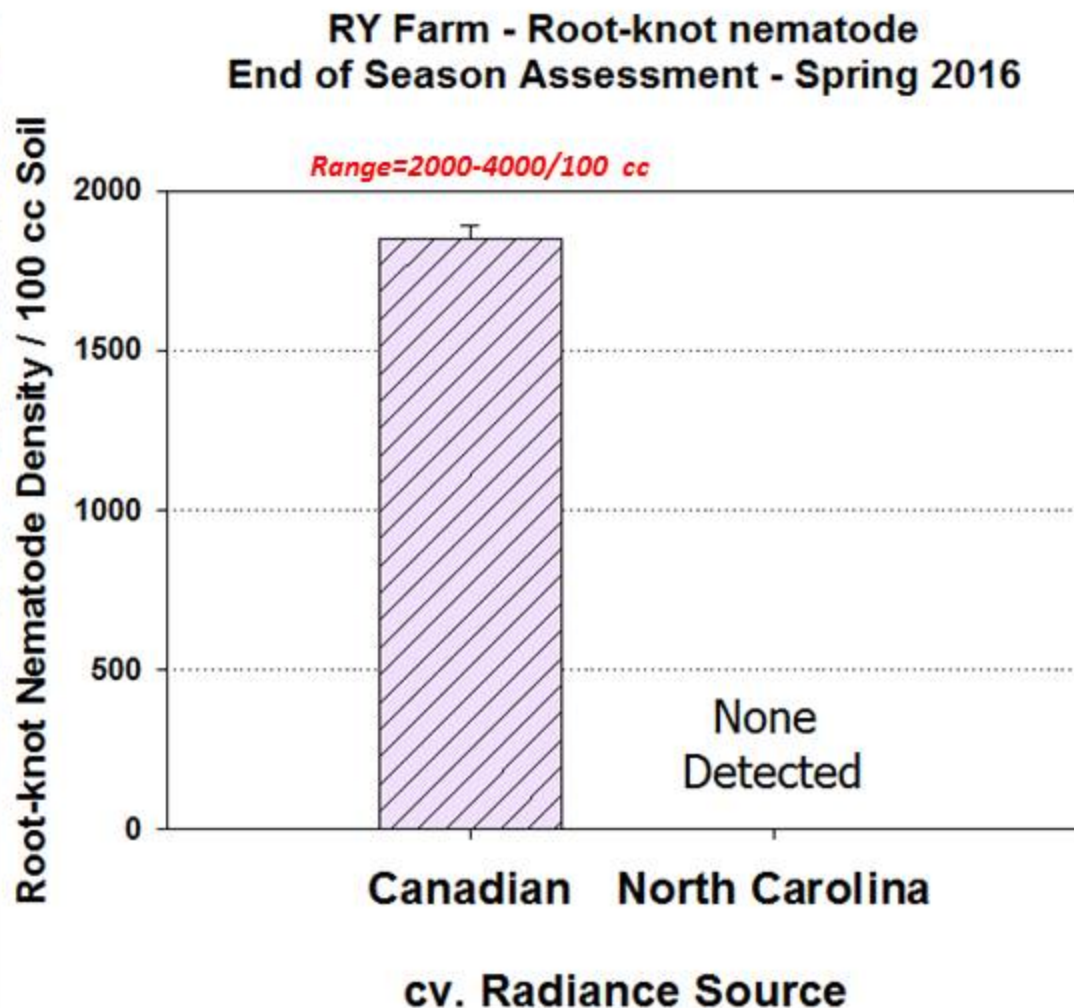
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# Second Crop of Watermelon will Suffer as well !



*> 300 / 100 cc Soil*

**All without VYDATE!**



## **2 OTHER FIELDS**

**Wilting**

**Stunting**

**Collapse**

**AY Farm**

**March 23, 2016**

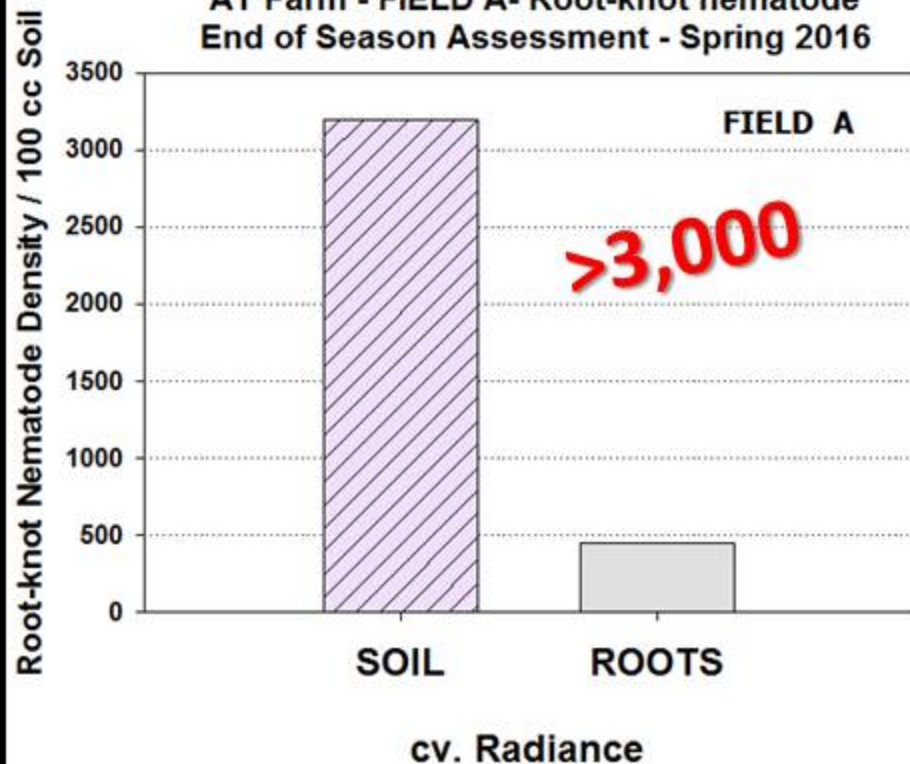
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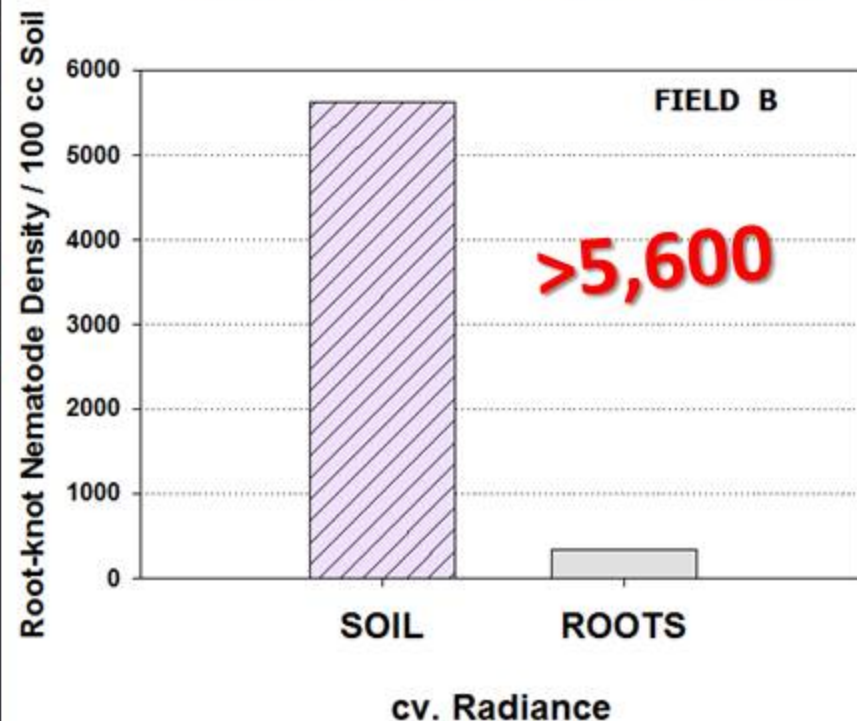


# Wilting

AY Farm - FIELD A- Root-knot nematode  
End of Season Assessment - Spring 2016



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End of Season Assessment - Spring 2016



**Extensive Infection  
of Strawberry roots by  
the Root knot nematode  
*Meloidogyne hapla***



# Root Knot Nematode Rearing Ugly Head!

Root Knot Nematode  
(*Meloidogyne hapla*)

*Bare root  
Transplant Source*



*When or  
From Whom !*

*Does it Survive from  
One Crop to Next ?*

**YES !**

70 - 80%

*end of season plant collapse*



- *Sandy Soils*
- *Ineffective Rotations*
- *Limited Fumigant Availability*



***WHY  
IS  
THIS  
HAPPENING?***







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## Safety Measures for Soil Fumigant Products

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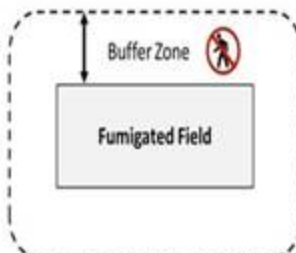
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### Buffer Zones

A soil fumigant *Buffer Zone* is an untreated area surrounding a fumigated field where entry by anyone other than authorized personnel is prohibited. The Buffer Zone allows for the fumigant to dissipate before it can reach occupied areas. Residences, businesses, or other public areas which are occupied are not part of the Buffer Zone.

The minimum Buffer Zone distance is at least 8 metres from the fumigated field, but may be more depending on the application conditions. Entry into a Buffer Zone is not permitted for 48 hours after the application is complete.



# 2016 Fumigants Available

# Chloropicrin Vapam Kpam

- ***All Shank Applied***
- ***Mulches not used to any great extent***
- ***Custom Applied***



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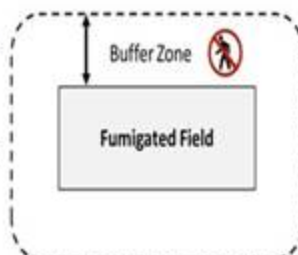
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# What Needs to be Done

## AG Canada and Growers Needs to be Informed of the problem!

## IPM Programs for Canadian Transplant Growers Needs to be Developed based on Survey & Presented!



# Vertical Management Zones: New Considerations for Sting Nematode Management

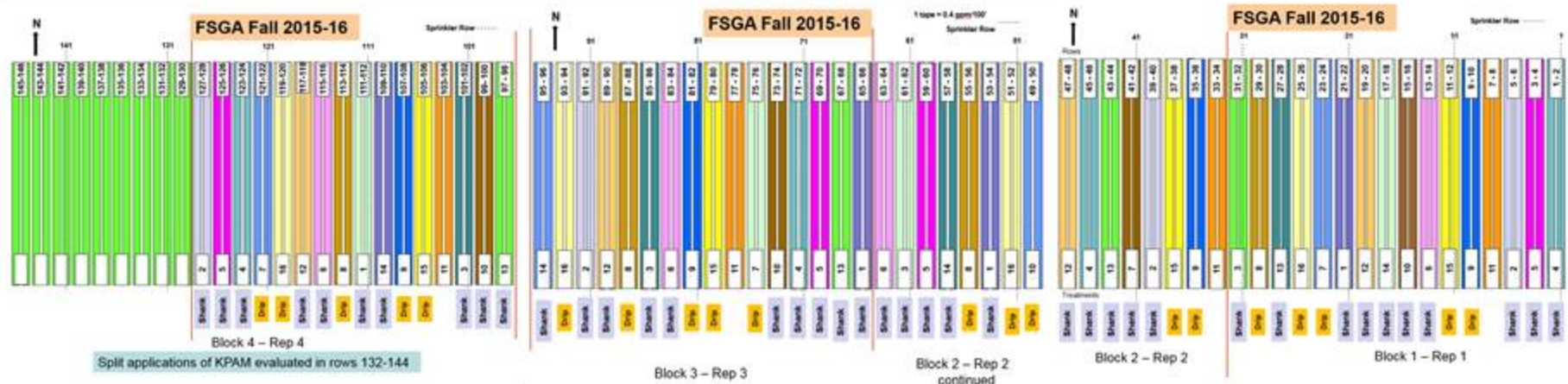
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Tour Guide

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Imagery Date: 1/17/2014 28°00'56.65" N 82°13'57.53" W elev 72 ft eye alt 618 ft





This  
Year

## Treatment List for FSGA 2015-16

1.	MBr + PIC 67/33 (350 lb/ta)	SHANK	+ TIF VaporSafe	1 tape	4 reps
2.	MBr + PIC 50/50 (320 lb/ta)	SHANK	+ TIF VaporSafe	1 tape	4 reps
3.	Telone C35 (30 gpta)	SHANK	+ LDPE	1 tape	4 reps
4.	Pic-Clor 60 (300 lb/ta)	SHANK	+ LDPE	1 tape	4 reps
5.	DMDS + PIC (40 gpta)	SHANK	+ TIF Vaporsafe	1 tape	4 reps
6.	DMDS + PIC (25 gpta)	SHANK	+ TIF Vaporsafe	1 tape	4 reps
7.	Dominus+PIC (400 lb/a)	DRIP	+ LDPE	1 tape	4 reps
8.	DMDS EC+PIC (40gpta)	DRIP	+ TIF Vaporsafe	1 tape	4 reps
9.	Kpam (62 gpta)	DRIP	+ LDPE	1 tape	4 reps
10.	Untreated + Deep Shank Telone II	SHANK	+ LDPE	1 tape	4 reps
11.	Untreated	--	+ LDPE	1 tape	4 reps
12.	Telone C35 +deep Shank Telone II (30gpta) + (12gpta)	SHANK SHANK	+ LDPE	1 tape	4 reps
13.	Telone C35 +deep Drip Telone EC (30gpta) + (12gpta)	SHANK DRIP	+ LDPE	1 tape	4 reps
14.	Telone C35 + deep Shank +deep Drip (30gpta)+(12gpta)+(12gpta)	SHANK DRIP	+ LDPE	1 tape	4 reps
15.	Dominus (25 gpta)	SHANK	+ LDPE	1 tape	4 reps
16.	Dominus+PIC 67/33 (325 lb/ta)	DRIP	+ LDPE	1 tape	4 reps

16 treatments x 4 reps x 2 row plots = 128 rows x 240 ft /row

Block 4 - Rep 4

Split applications of KPAM evaluated in rows 132-144

Block 3 - Rep 3

Block 2 - Rep 2  
continued

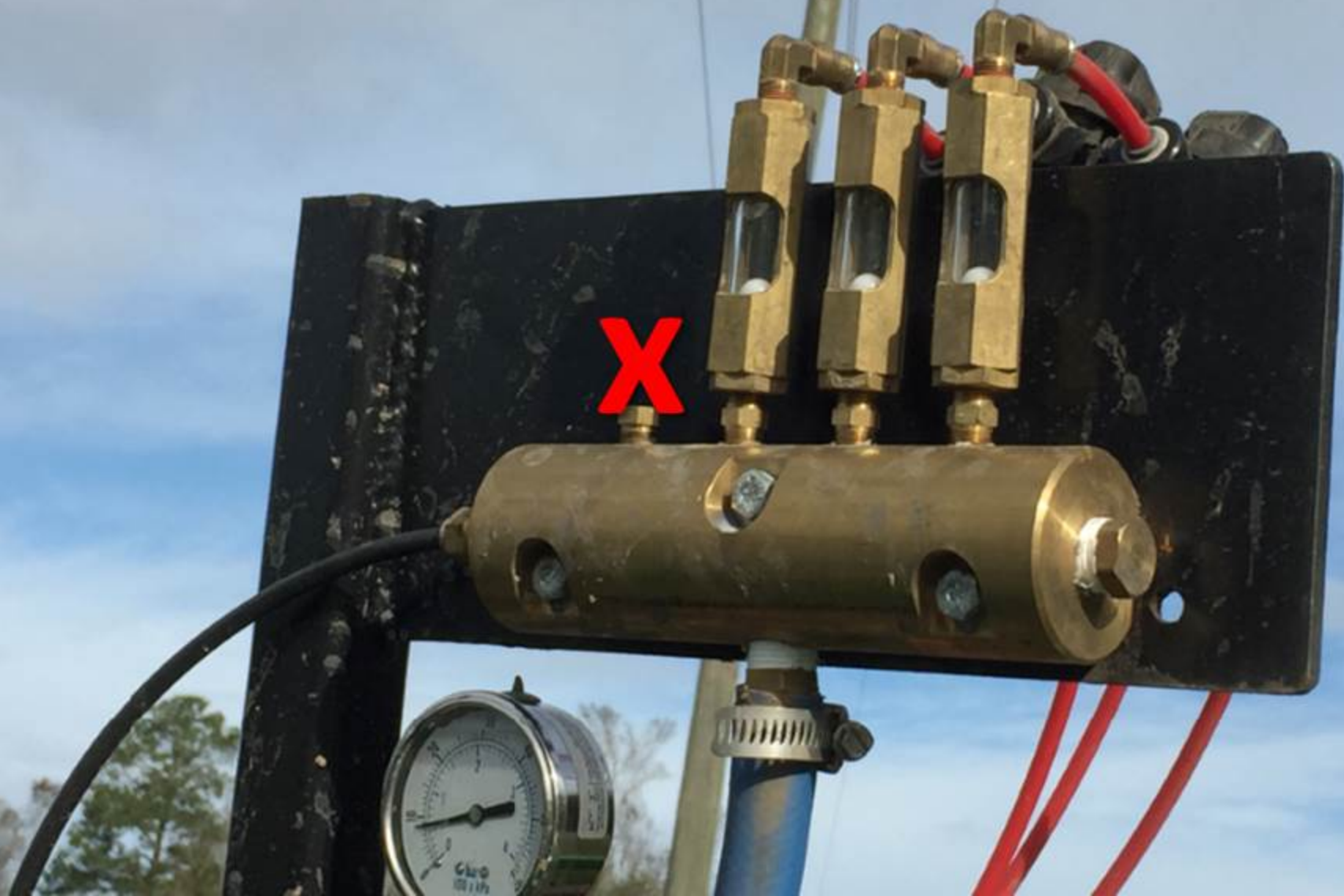
Block 2 - Rep 2

Block 1 - Rep 1



***The problem at FSGA this past season: Line plugging and No site gauges***

***Flowing out of 3 and NOT 4 lines during bedding***



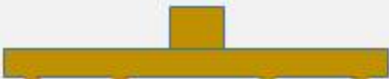




***“In a Perfect World”***



120



*Rear Manifold*

*Delivery lines to  
soil shanks / knives*

30 30 30 30

Bed 1 Bed 2

***Dose / bed***

60 60

***“In a Cheated World”***



120



40 40 0 40

Bed 1 Bed 2

2/3

Total Flow

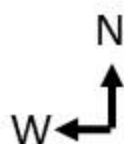
2x rate  
of Bed 2

***Take Home Message***

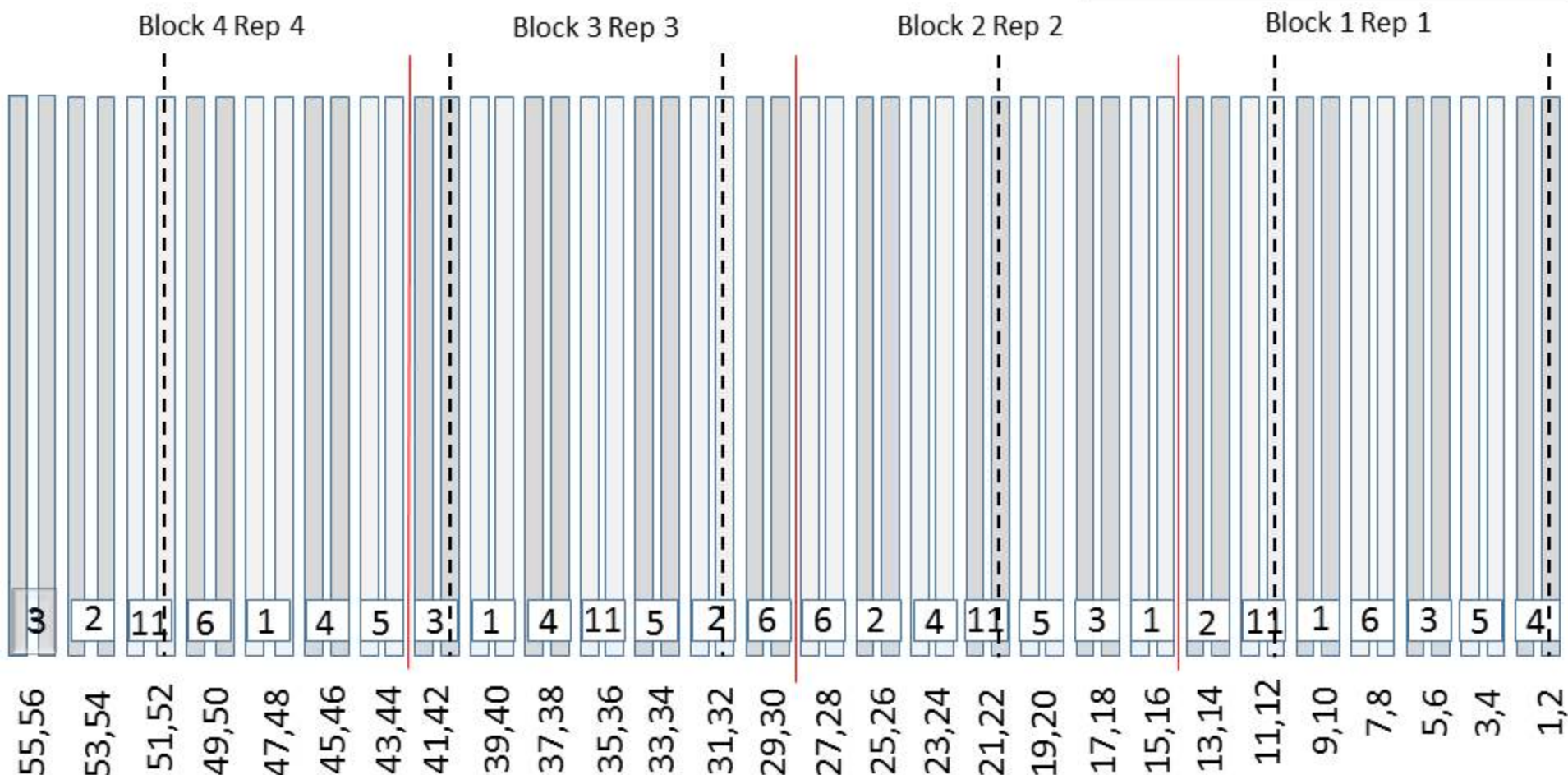


# FSGA Redo of Shank Treatments 9-28-2015

## Back North/West Field



Treatment	Row Assignments
1. MBR 67/33	9,10,15,16,39,40,47,48
2. MBR 50/50	13,14,25,26,31,32,53,54
3. C35	5,6,17,18,41,42,55,56
4. PC60	1,2,23,24,37,38,45,46
5. DMDS+PIC 40	3,4,19,20,33,34,43,44
6. DMDS+PIC 25	7,8,27,28,29,30,49,50
7. Check	11,12,21,22,35,36,51,52



Row Numbers (counted from east)

----- Sprinkler rows -----

3

Treatment numbers



**FSGA 2015** *Note weed emergence in rows with plugged shank*



**2 row Treatment Plots**



**FSGA**

# Shank Applied Fumigants

*"Impacts from line plugging"*



400 lb/ta

200 lb/ta



234 lb/ta

466 lb/ta



23.3 gal/ta

46.6 gal/ta

**Pic Clor 60  
(67/33)  
(300 lb/ta)**

Vapor Pressure=

**Methyl Bromide  
Chloropicrin  
50/50+TIF  
(350 lb/ta)**

Vapor Pressure=

**Telone C35  
(67/33)  
(35 gal/ta)**

Vapor Pressure=





# *Impacts from a plugged delivery shank*



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100 lb/ta



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**FSGA 2015**



# *Impacts from a plugged delivery shank*



400 lb/ta

100 lb/ta

**DMDS + PIC  
(67/33) +TIF  
(25 gpta)**



**Untreated  
Control**



62 gpta

62 gpta

**KPAM  
(62 gpta)  
Drip Applied**





Dominus + PIC  
67/33  
325 lb/ta (203 lb/a)  
+ Berry LDPE  
(1 tape / bed) Drip Applied



MeBr+PIC 67/33  
350 lb/ta (219 lb/a)  
+ VaporSafe TIF  
(1 tape / bed)



Dominus  
25 GPTA (16 GPA)  
+ Berry LDPE  
(1 tape / bed) Drip Applied

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(67/33)  
(325 lb/ta)  
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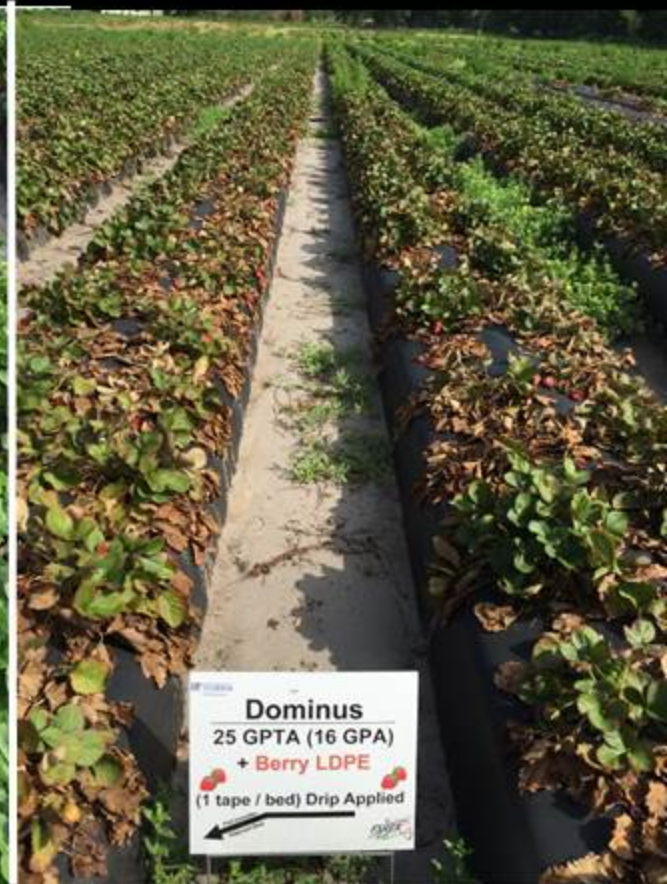




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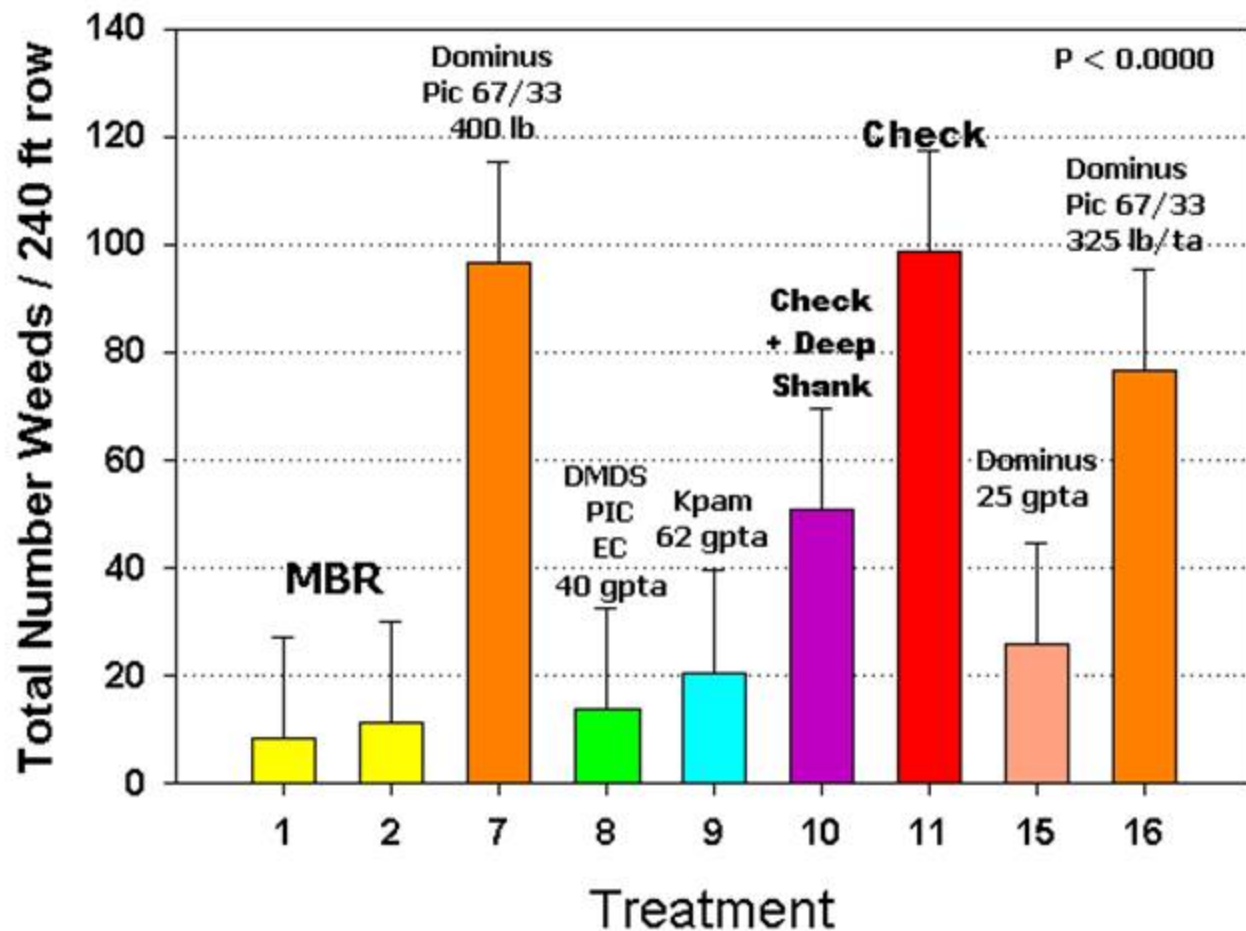
# FSGA 2015-16 - Total WEEDS

## Drip Treatments



## KEY POINTS

FSGA 2015-2016  
Total Weeds per 240 linear feet of row



Only Drip Treatments compared and identified due to line plugging problem on fumigation rig biasing 2 row distribution of most shank fumigants (not MBR)

● **Check the Worst**

● **MBR the Best  
Followed by  
DMDS EC, KPam**

● **Deep Shank Telone  
reduced total weeds  
almost 50%**

● **Adding PIC to  
Dominus  
Compromises  
Weed Control**





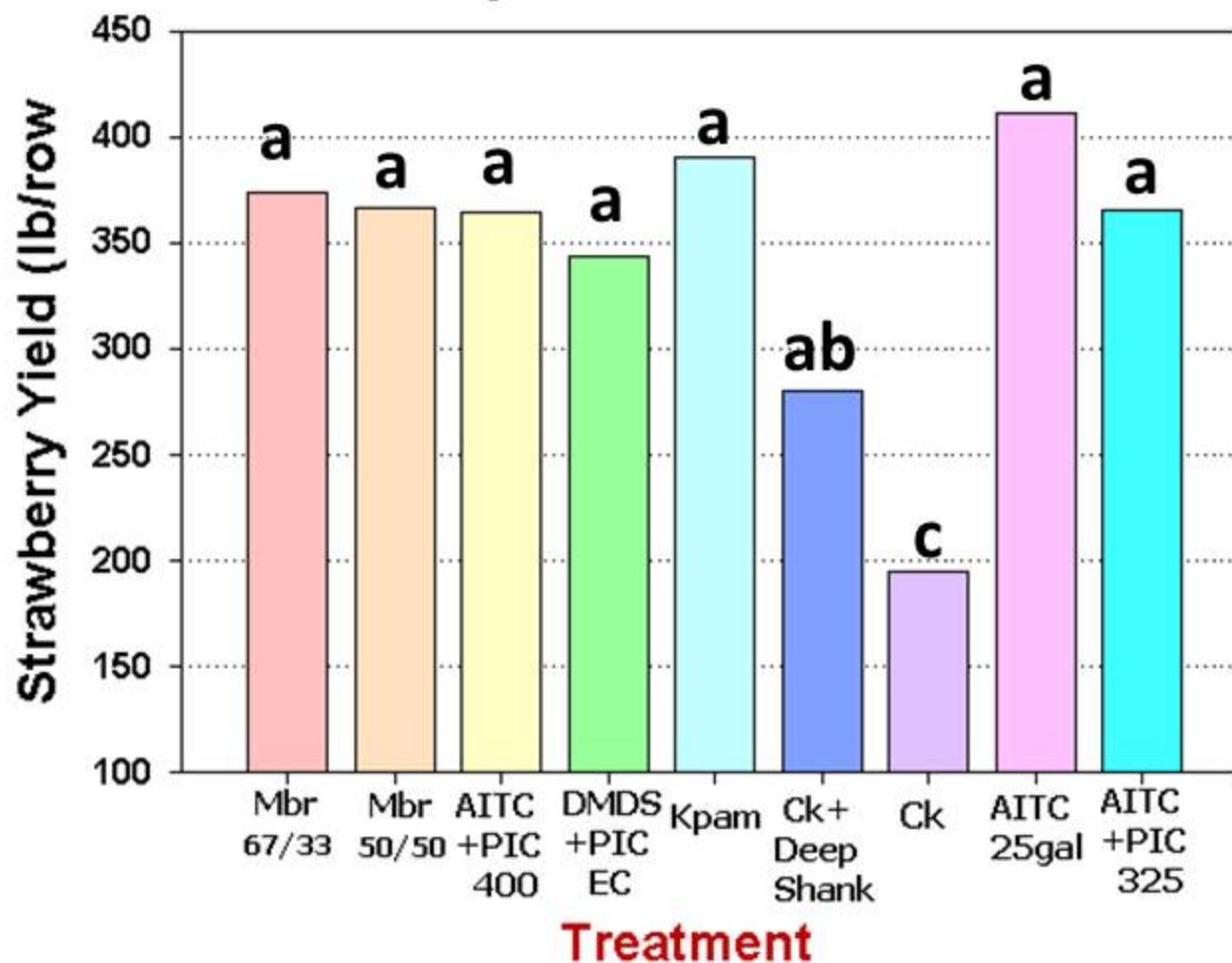
# FSGA 2015-16 - YIELD

## Drip Treatments



### KEY POINTS

FSGA Drip Treatments 2015 - 2016



● **Check the Worst**

*Most Treatments  
Not Different*

● **Deep Shank Telone  
Increased Yield  
almost 45%**

● **Adding PIC to  
Dominus  
Did not  
Increase Yield**





# FSGA 2015-16 - YIELD

## Shank Treatments



### KEY POINTS

● **Check the Worst**

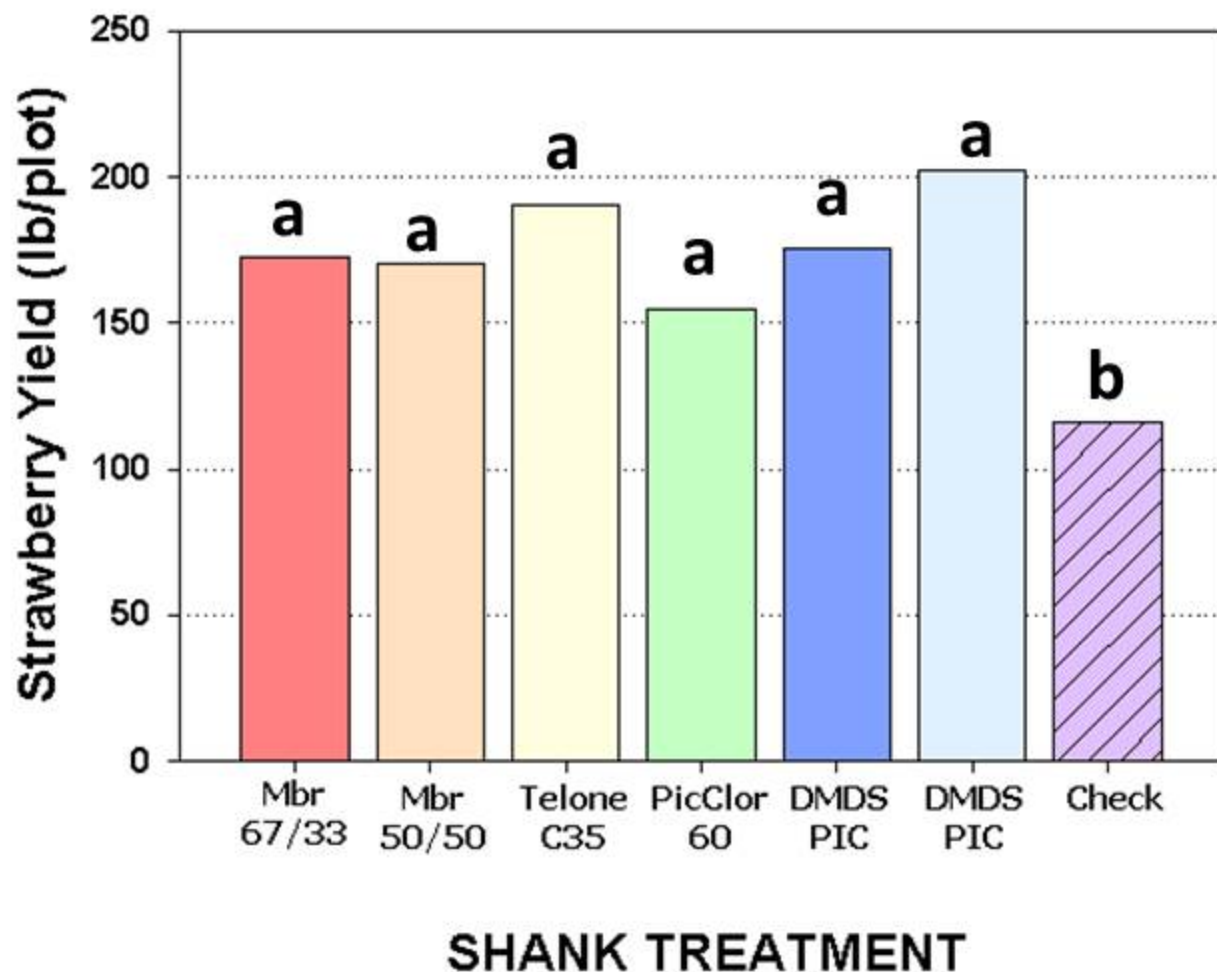
*Other Treatments*

● **Not Different**

*A Late Planting*

● *And a Hot  
Season Did not  
Help Yield*

FSGA Shank Redo 2015 -16







## **Maintain Equipment**

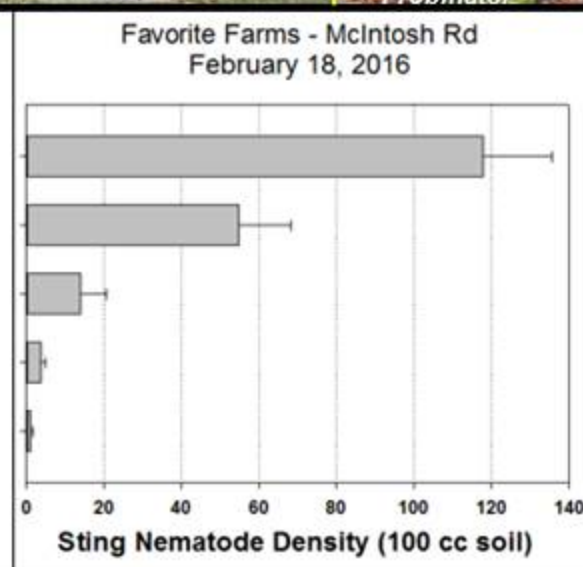
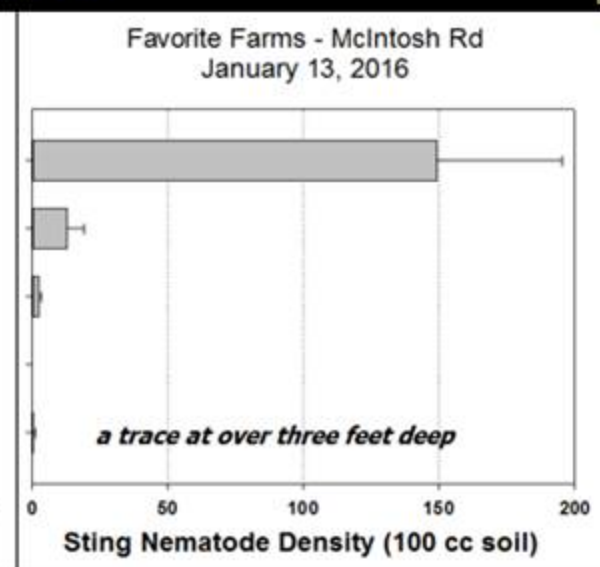
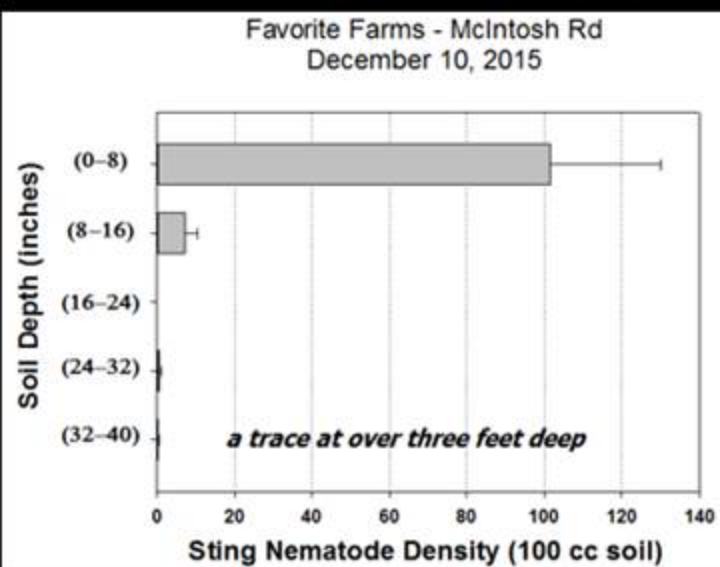
**Flush the system after use**  
**Inspect the system carefully**  
**Change Filters regularly**  
**Change and size the lines regularly**  
**Clean up after running a bad product**





Why do we need to consider Vertical Management Zones:

# Where do Nematodes occur in the soil profile, and WHEN?



**Sting Populations decline with soil depth !**  
**Population increase with time at all depths !**





# Traffic Pan

*Major component of problem !*



Disk Harrow Breaks the Clods & Smooths the Surface



- ***All fields, unless subsoiled, have a compacted zone (traffic pan) just below the depth of the deepest tillage implement used in the field.***
- ***Traffic pan occurs just below the base of the raised, plastic mulch covered bed.***
- ***Unavoidably cause changes in soil hydraulic conductivity, diffusion of fumigant gases, and thus fumigant efficacy and field distribution of nematodes and crop damage.***



*Dealing with a Traffic Pan is a new issue in Post Methyl Bromide era Florida !*



# What is Needed: NEW TECHNOLOGY for DEEP APPLICATION

Many Thanks Jerry Nance Dow AgroSciences



 Auto Reset – Deep Drip

Auto Reset - Deep Shank w/ Wings



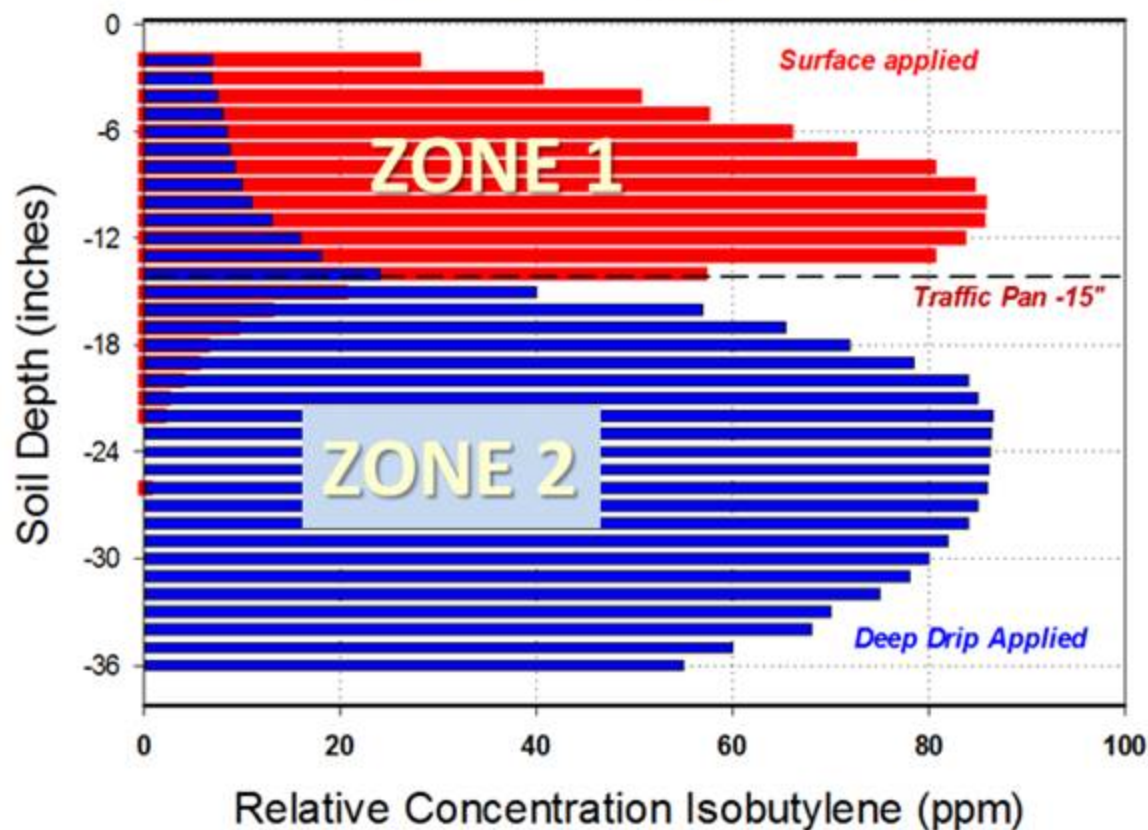
*In this supplemental approach it is useful to consider resolving inconsistency by....*

## **Restructuring Nematode Control**



## **As a Composite of Vertical Management Zones**

Illustrating the Relative Impact of a Compacted Traffic Pan layer on Surface and Deep Drip Applied 1,3-D and Soil Air Concentration of 1,3-D with Soil Depth in the Plant Bed



### **ZONE 1**

*Surface Drip  
or Bed Shank*

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### **ZONE 2**

*Deep Drip  
or Deep Shank*





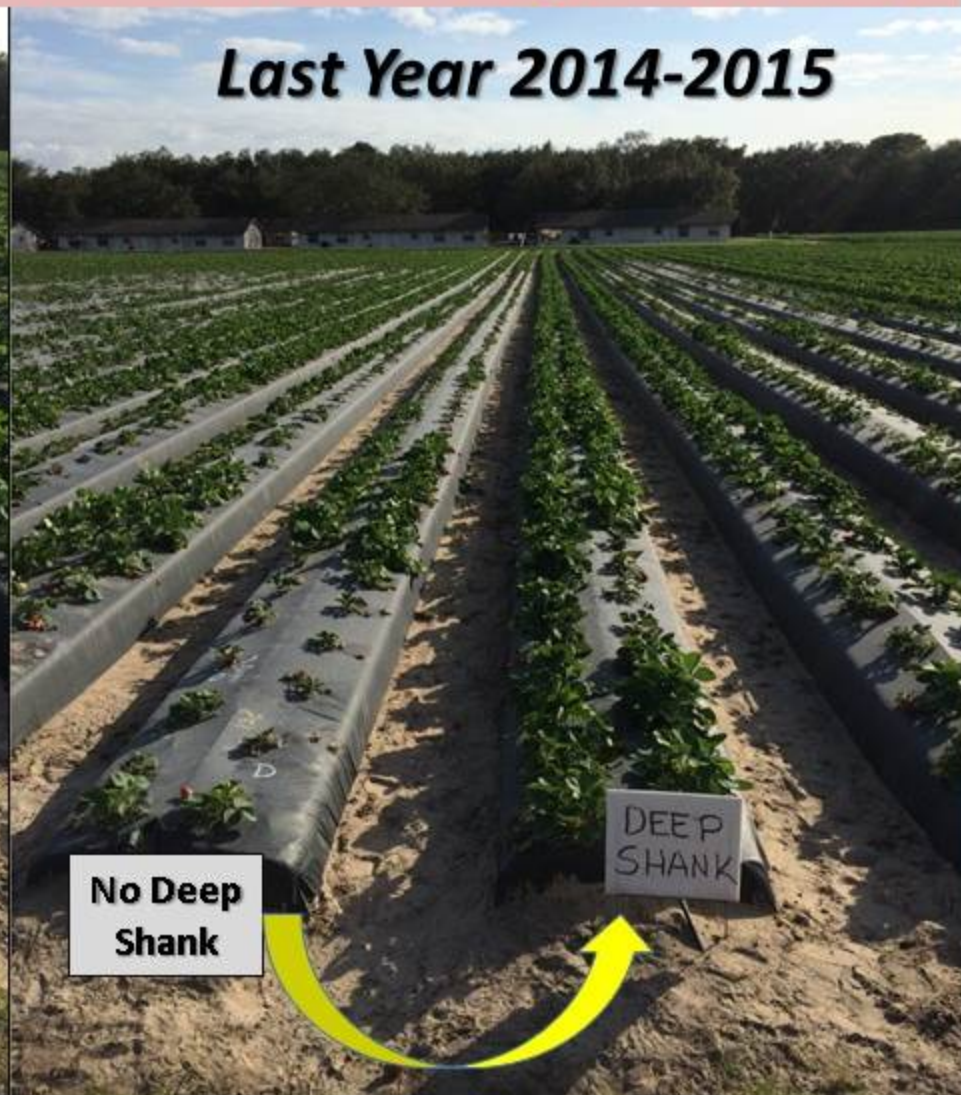
***No Deep Shank or Deep Drip Applications to Sprinkler Rows***



**Sprinkler Row**



# What might be reasonable to expect in crop response viewing Sting Nematode Control as different Vertical Management Zones



*Preliminary Results in Strawberry Look Very Interesting 😊*





*What might you expect from a deep placement fumigant?*



No  
Deep  
Drip

Deep Drip (DD)

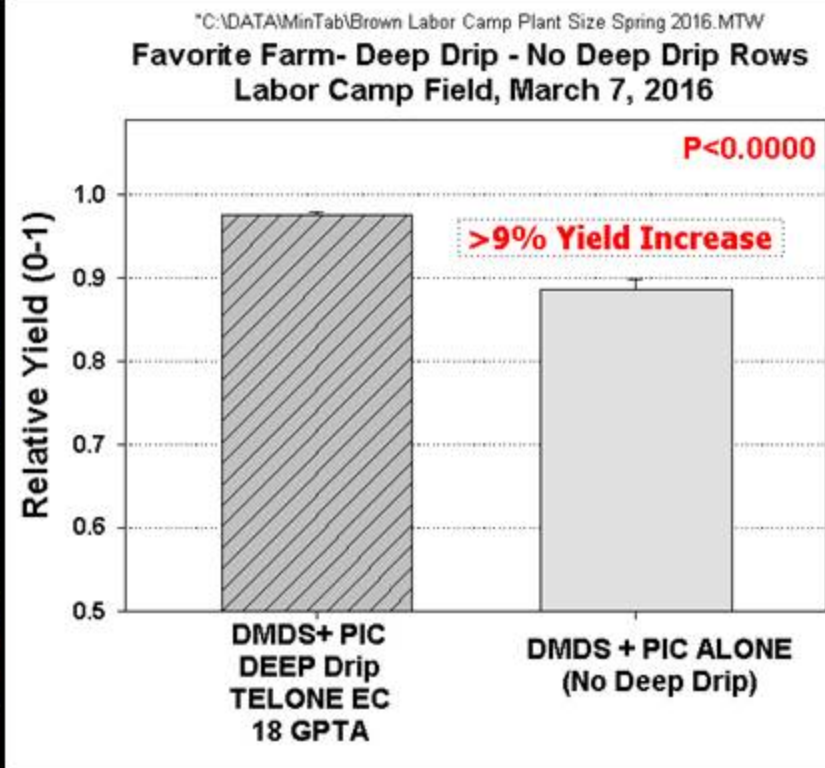
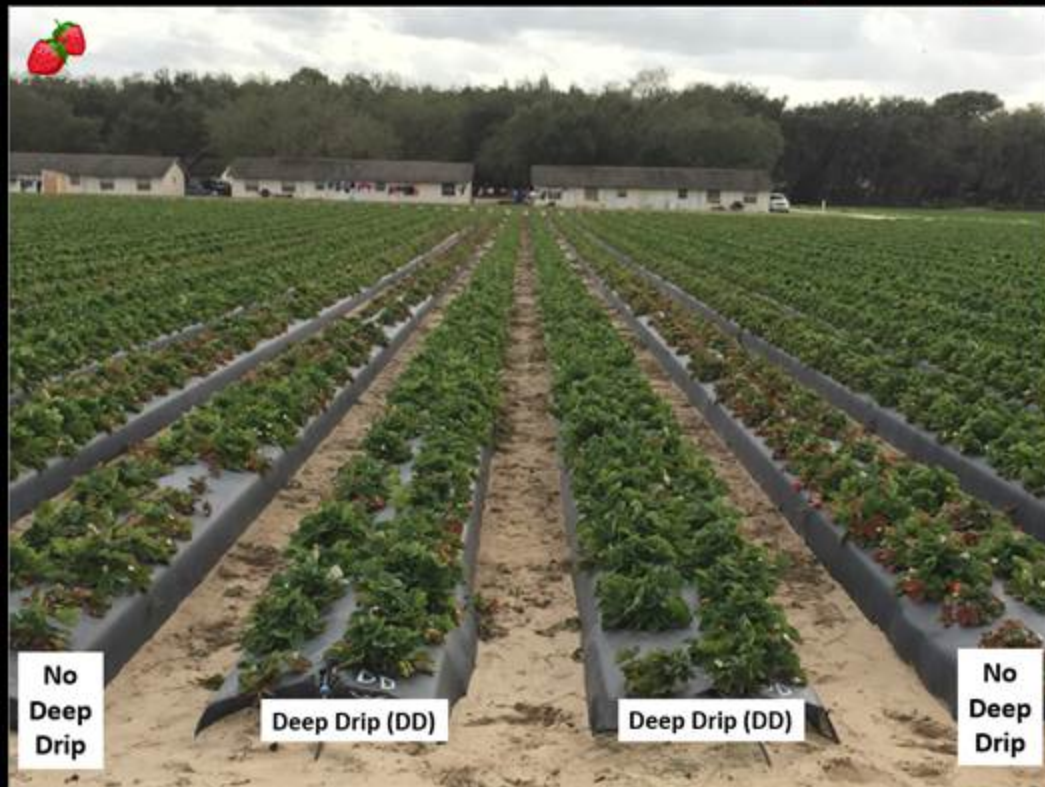
Deep Drip (DD)

No  
Deep  
Drip





# Subsurface Deep Drip- Favorite Farms Spring 2016



***9% Increase in Yield***



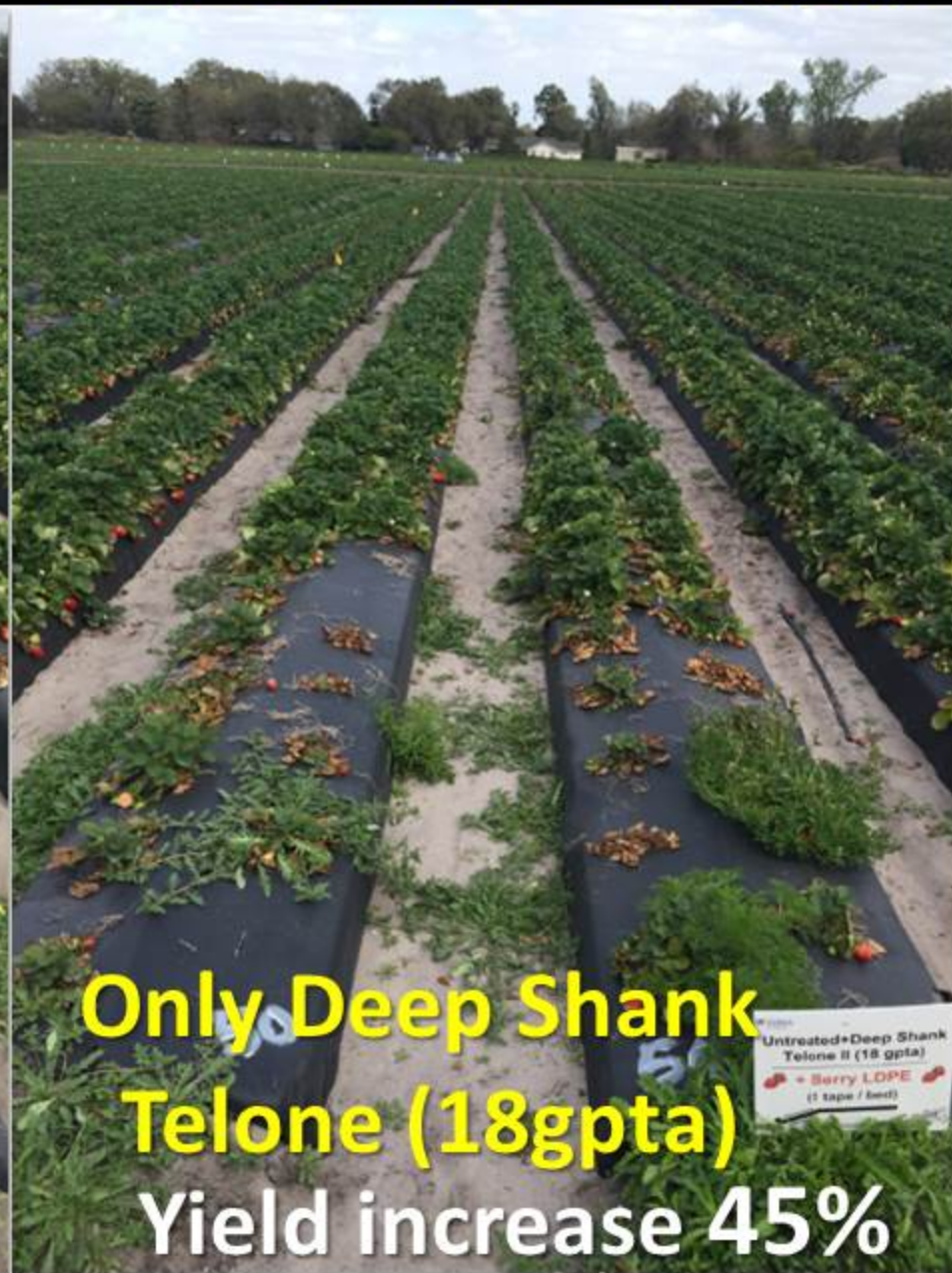




## Untreated Control



## Deep Shank Telone (18gpta)





# *Do we need any treatments other than In-Bed and Deep Shank fumigants to manage Sting Nematode?*



**Untreated Control**



**Only Deep Shank  
Telone (18gpta)**

**Yield increase 45%**



**In-Bed Telone C35  
+ Deep Shank  
Telone (18gpta)**





# Summer Broadcast -Deep Shank

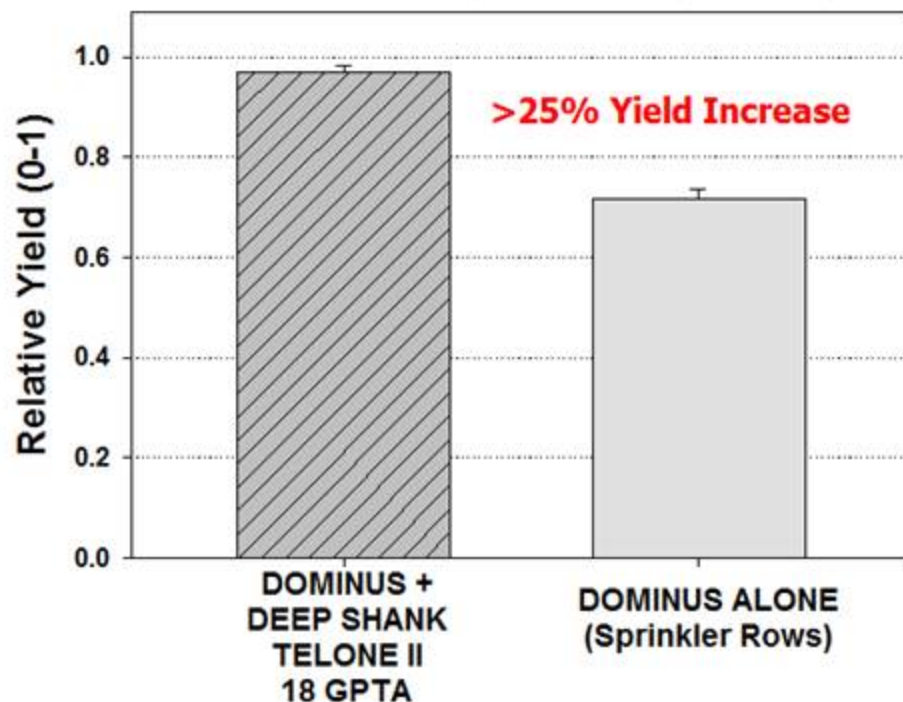
Deep  
Shank

Sprinkler Row  
No Deep  
Shank

No Deep  
Shank

## Thomas South Field -Spring 2016

Thomas Farm- Deep Shank - Untreated Areas  
Walden Sheffied Farm, South Field, March 7, 2016



**25% Increase  
in Yield**

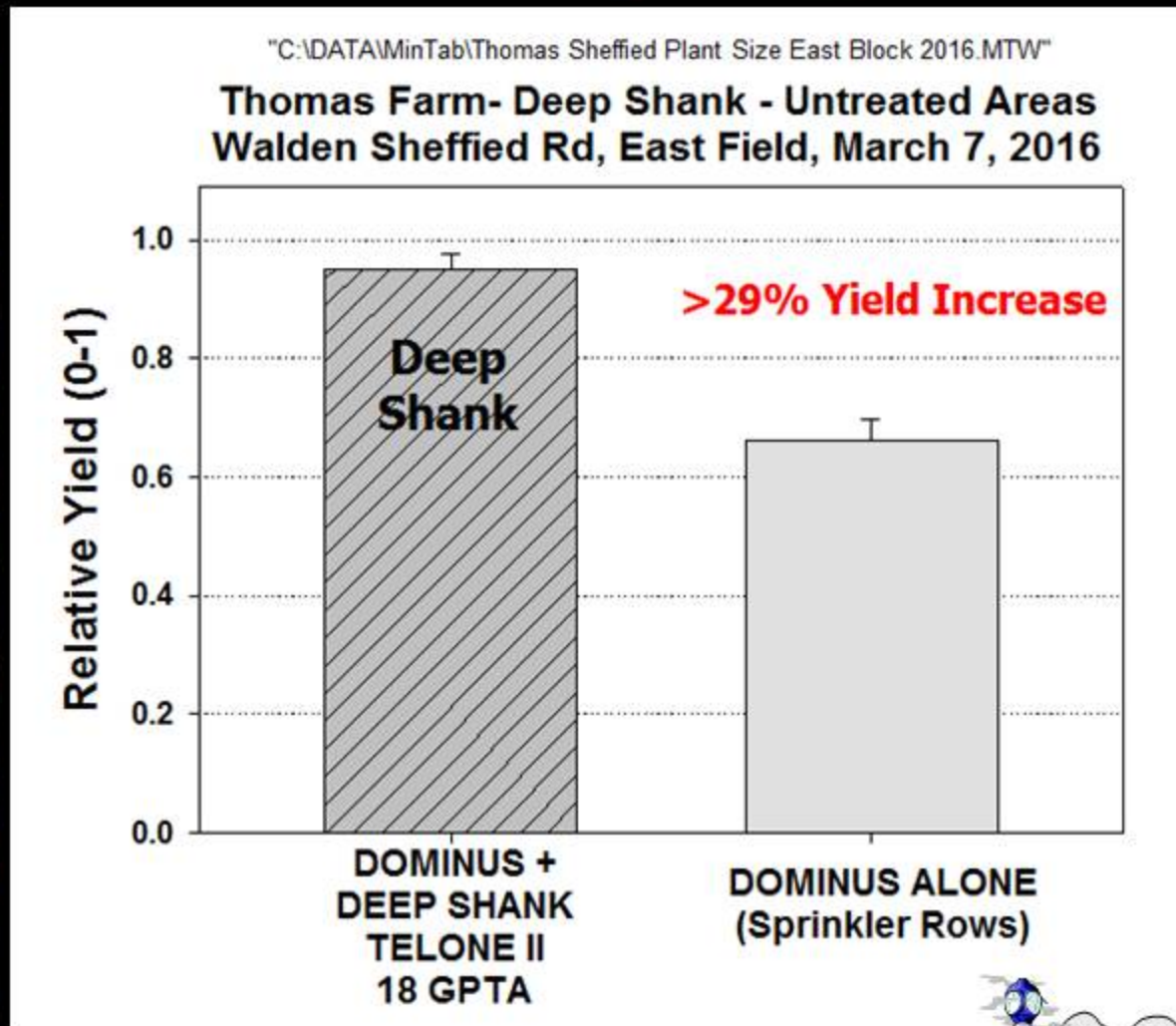






# Deep Shank - Summer Broadcast

## Thomas East Field WS - Spring 2016



**29% Increase in Yield**



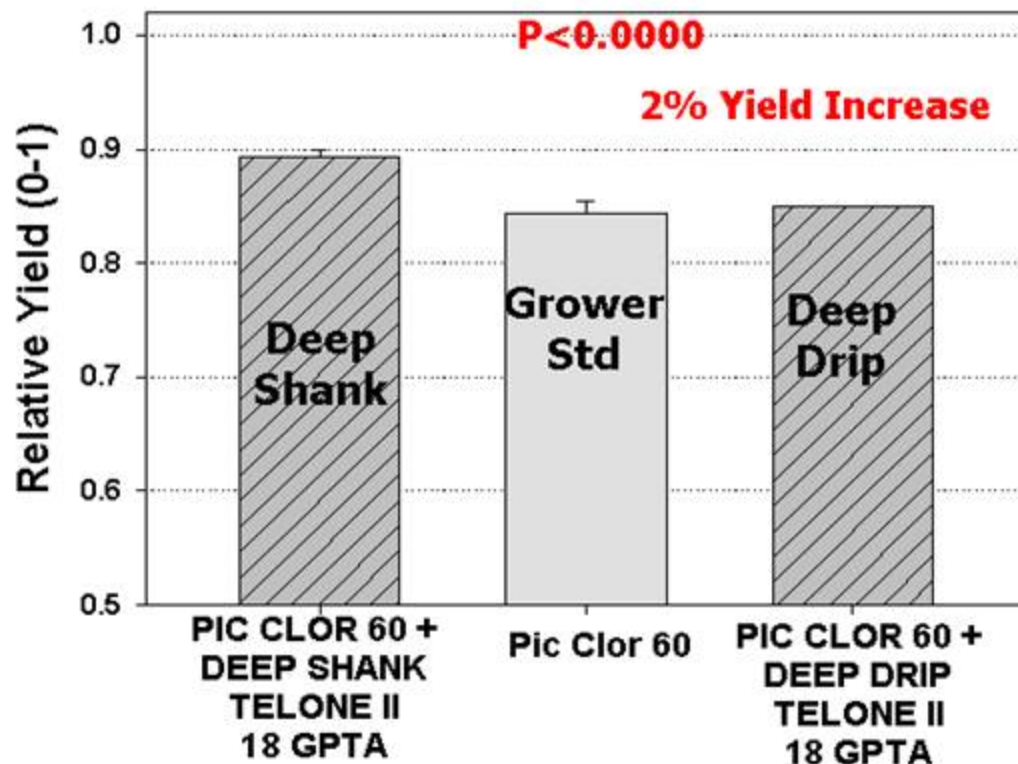




# Deep Shank (In-Row) and Deep Drip Florida Pacific Office Field - Spring 2016



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**Florida Pacific- Deep Shank-Deep Drip- Grower Standard**  
Moore's Lake Rd, Behind Office, March 7, 2016



**2% Increase in Yield**







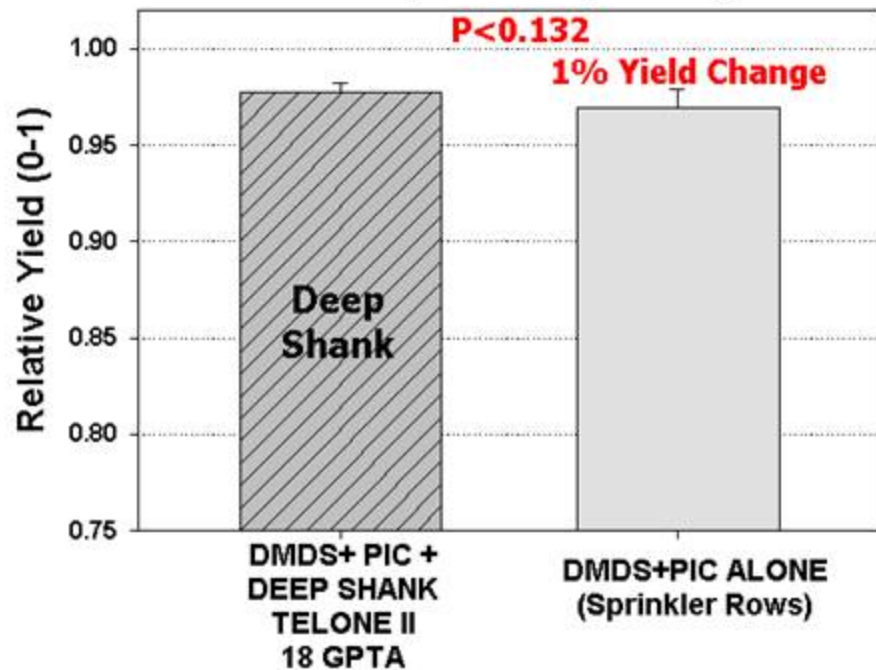
# Subsurface Deep Shank- (In-Row)

## Favorite Farms - Spring 2016



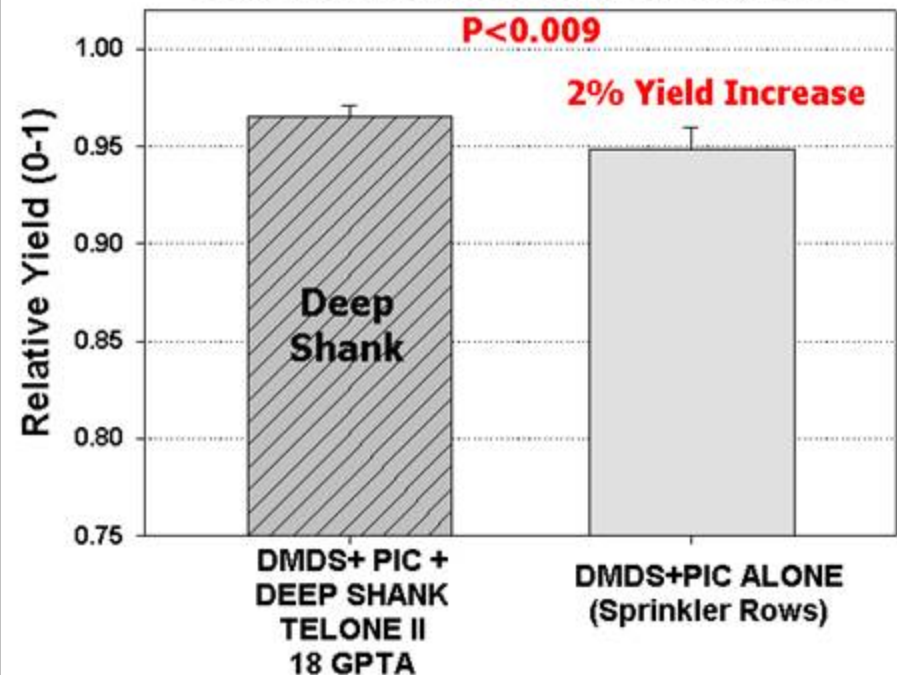
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**Brown Farm- Deep Shank - Grower Standard**  
**Bethlehem Rd, East Field, March 7, 2016**



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**Brown Farm- Deep Shank - Grower Standard**  
**Bethlehem Rd, North Field, March 7, 2016**



***Nematode Pressures did not develop this year***







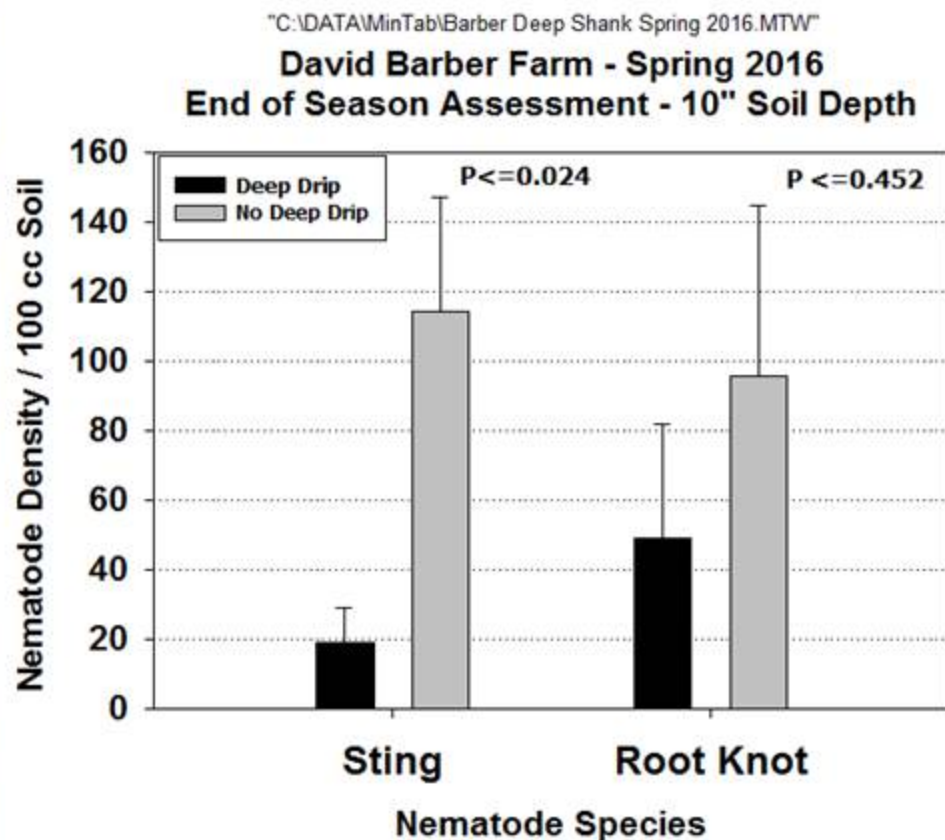
# Supplemental Deep Drip

## David Barber Farm- Spring 2016



**Dominus Alone**

**Dominus + Deep Drip  
Telone II**



*Half as many nematodes  
at season's end  
With Deep Drip*







***Strategy is gaining traction !  
Think about doing it yourself !***





# Where is the Research Going To ensure Deeper Coverage?

## In-Row Resettable Shanks



No Shear pins to replace  
Two Depths Fumigant Injection  
Two Depths allow Flexibility  
(Pic to Top & Telone to bottom)

## Broadcast – Turn Plow



Turns Soil – Destroys Pan  
Eliminates Shank Trace  
Well in advance of Bedding





**Deep, Multiport Shanks**



**Resettable Shanks**



**A Sophisticated Delivery System  
to ensure spatial uniformity**



**An Integrated System: "State of the Art"  
Tracking, Fumigating & Bedding Machine**



# Flat Land –Turn Bottom Plow Fumigant Applications

*All Photos courtesy: Austin Hamilton, Southern Valley Farms*



***Destroy Traffic Pan and No residual Shank Trace to Deal With !***





**Active Ingredient:**

Heat-killed *Burkholderia* spp. strain A396 cells and spent fermentation media ..... 94.46%

**Other Ingredients:** ..... 5.54%

**Total:** ..... 100.00%

\*Contains not less than 1,500 Beet Armyworm Killing Units (BAWKU)/mg. *Note:* The percent active ingredient does not indicate product performance and potency measurements are not federally standardized.

EPA Reg. No. 84059-14

EPA Est. No. 84059-MI-001

**KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN  
CAUTION**



Crop	Application Method	Product Use Rate per Application	Application Instructions
Strawberry	Soil Drench	4 – 8 quarts per acre	Apply in sufficient water to thoroughly soak the growing media and root zone. Apply MAJESTENE™ prior to planting, at planting or shortly thereafter, at transplant or shortly thereafter, and in-season
	Chemigation	4 – 8 quarts per acre	Apply prior to, at, or shortly after planting or transplanting, and in season

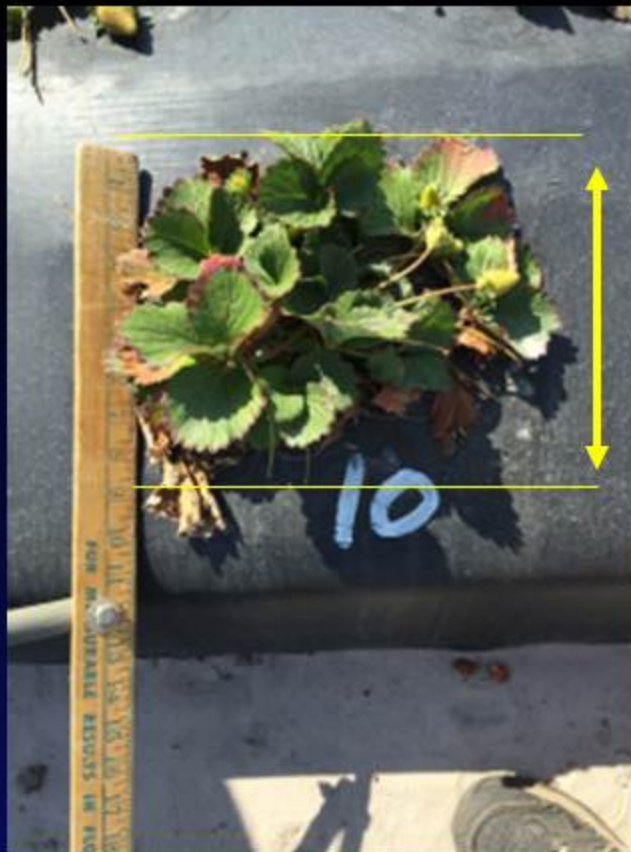
**Application Instructions for Drip Chemigation**

- 1) Check to be sure that the system provides a uniform waterflow.
- 2) Irrigate crop with sufficient water to wet the root zone. Then, begin flow of the solution containing product solution from the chemical tank for a period to uniformly distribute the material. Discontinue flow of the MAJESTENE™ mixture and let the system continue to run only as necessary to purge the line with fresh water. Let the MAJESTENE™ solution remain in the root zone of the crop.

**SHAKE WELL BEFORE USE**

**FOR USE ON THE FOLLOWING CROPS FOR CONTROL OF THE FOLLOWING NEMATODES:** Root-knot (*Meloidogyne* spp.), lesion (*Pratylenchus* spp.), sting (*Belonolaimus* spp.), stunt (*Tylenchorhynchus* spp.), ring (*Bursaphelenchus* spp.) and reniform (*Rotylenchulus* spp.) nematodes





- Plant Canopy Diameter measured prior to treatment in Sting Nematode infested Field
- Averaged from two separate measurements
- Measurements reacquired 6 to 8 weeks after treatment
- Positive or negative changes in Canopy Diameter compiled from hundreds of plants



# Florida Pacific –Dairy Farm Moores Lake Rd

**Treatment Date**

Jan 30, 2016

**Field size**

7.2 acres

**Application Rate**

1.4 gpa (10 gallons used)

**Irrigation Flow**

No idea of gpm water flow

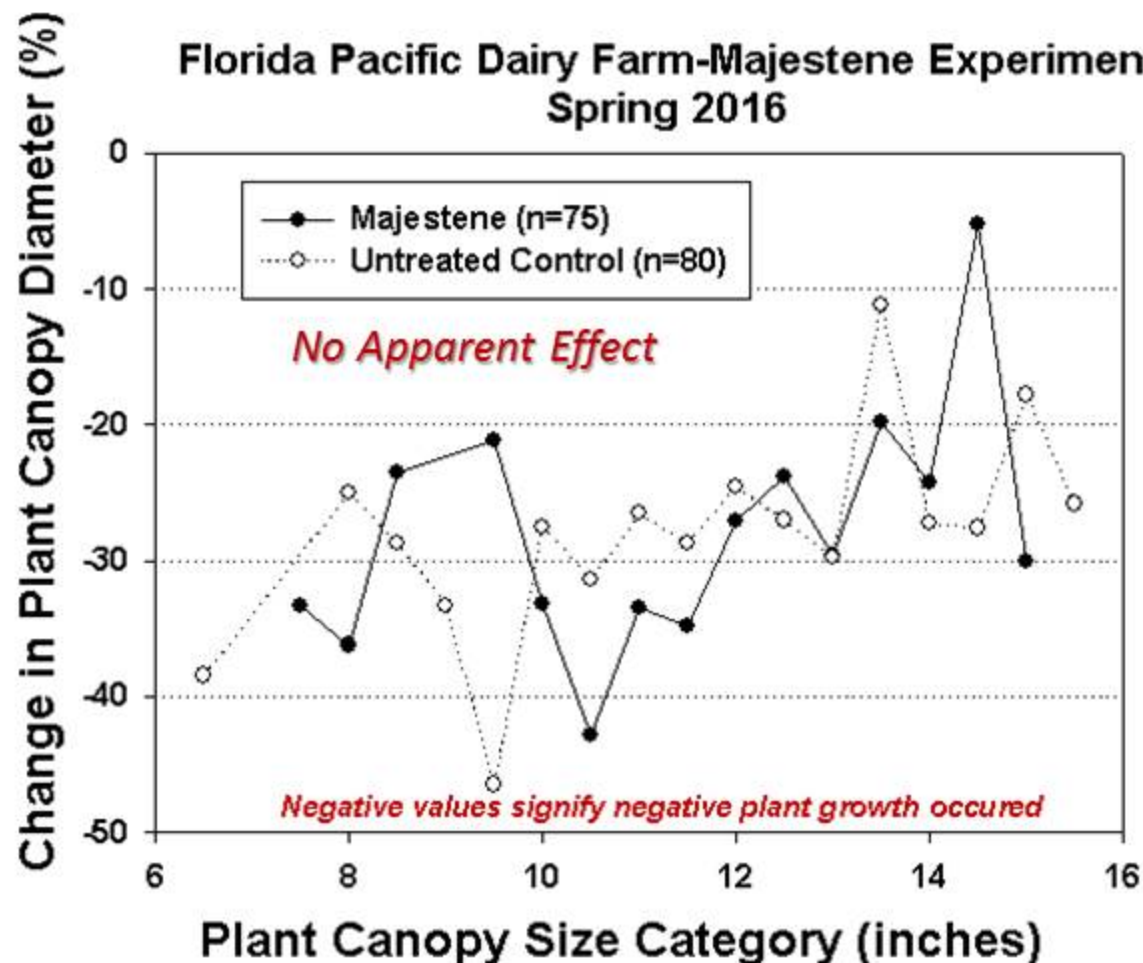
1 drip tape/ bed

**Injection period**

45 minutes + 30 min Flush

**Majestene**

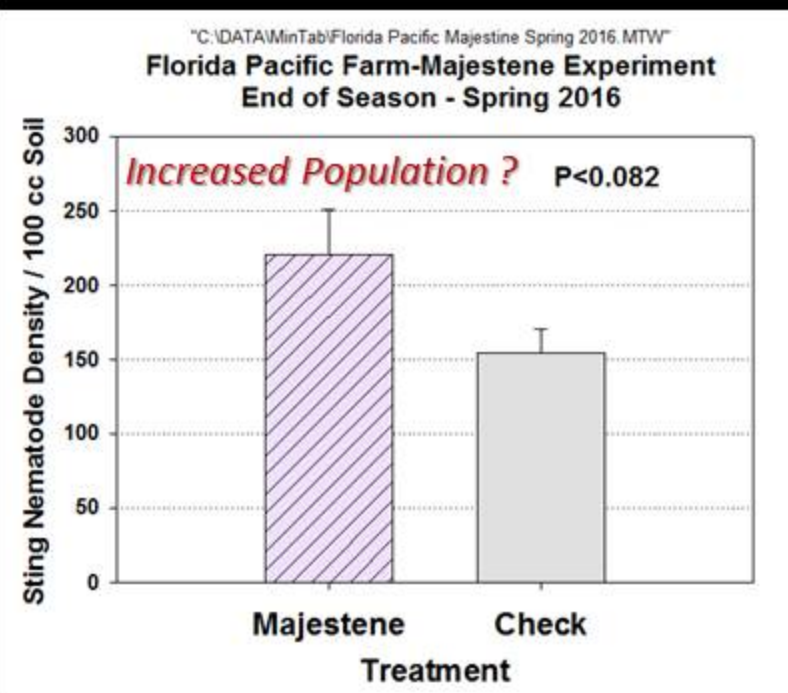
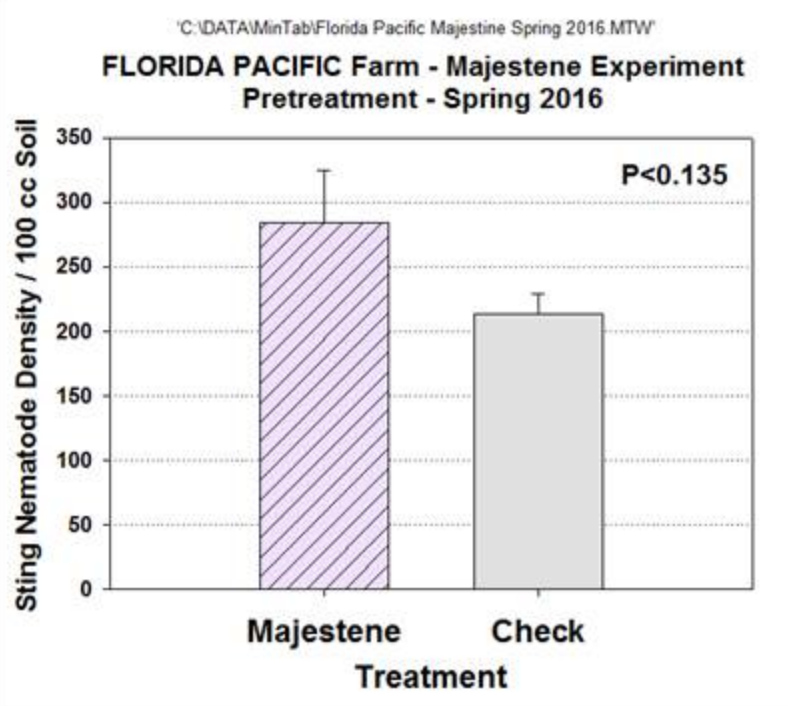
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Collaborator: Alex Jimenez



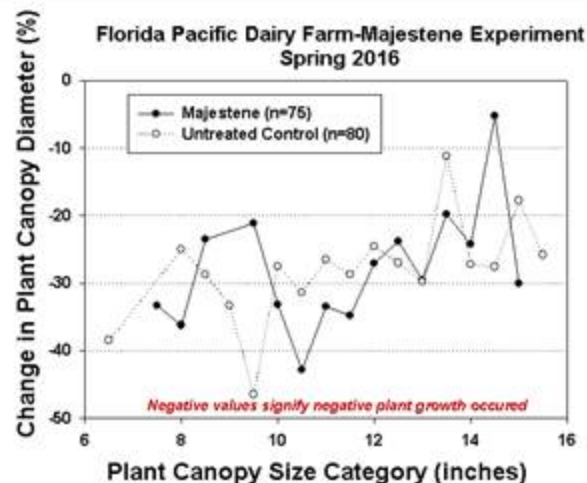
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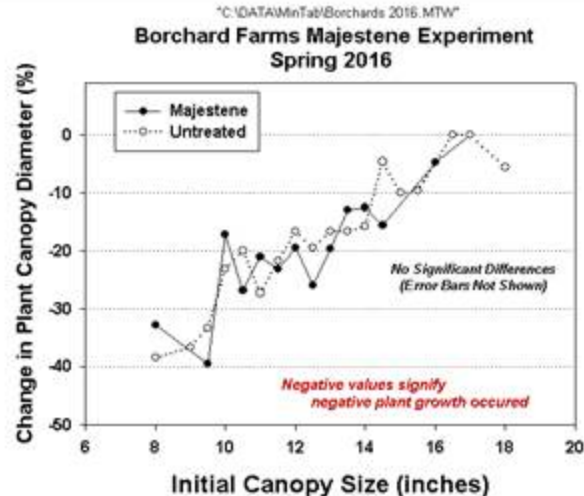




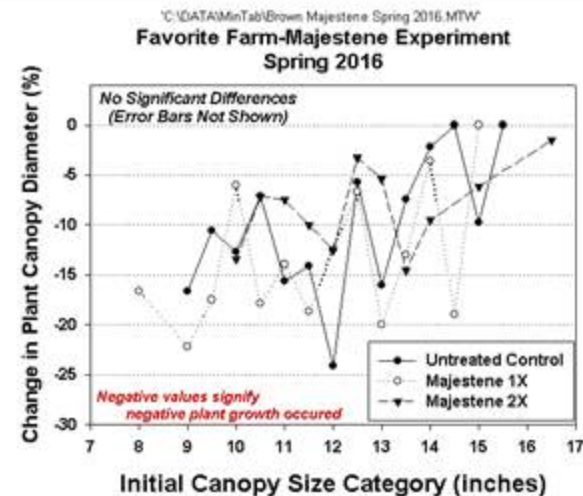
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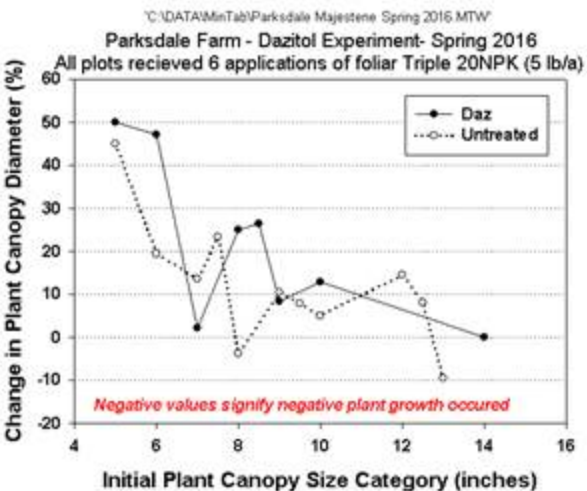
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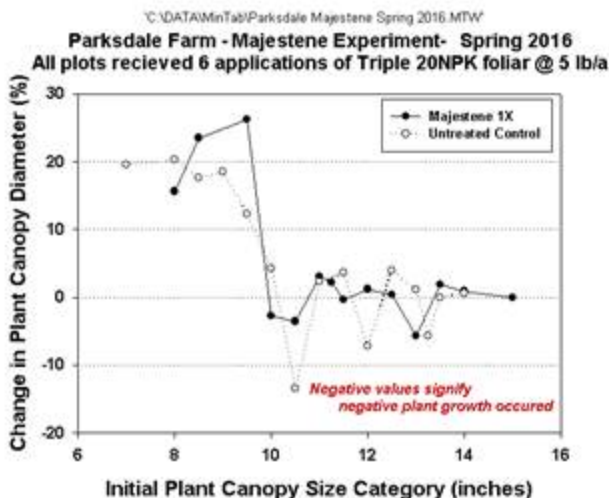
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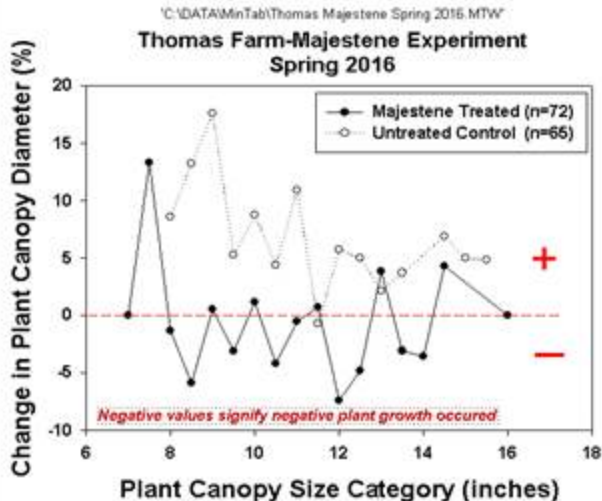
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## Site 5



## Site 6



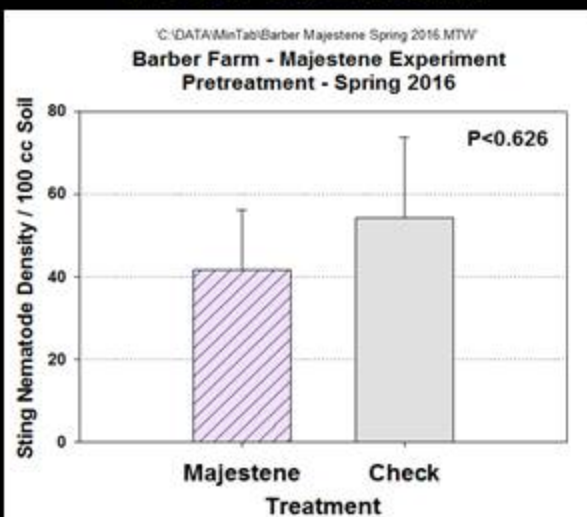


# Suppression of Sting Nematode ?



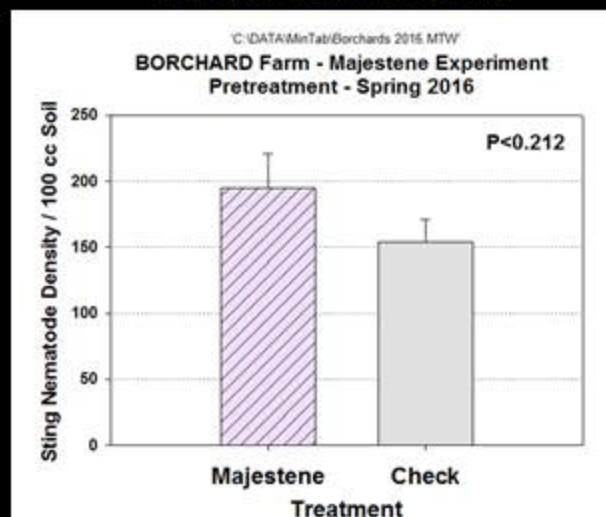
Site 1

Pretreatment



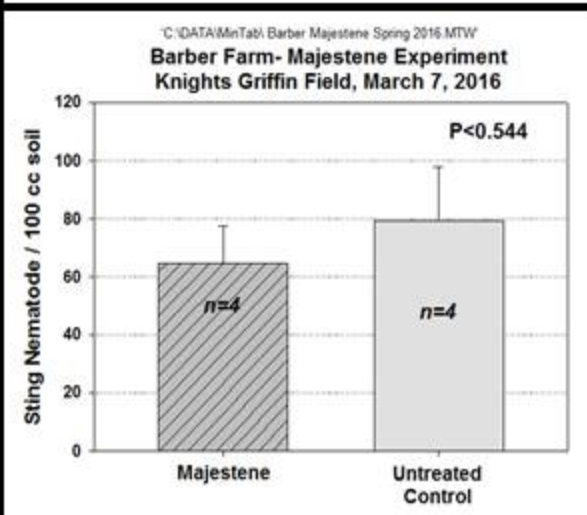
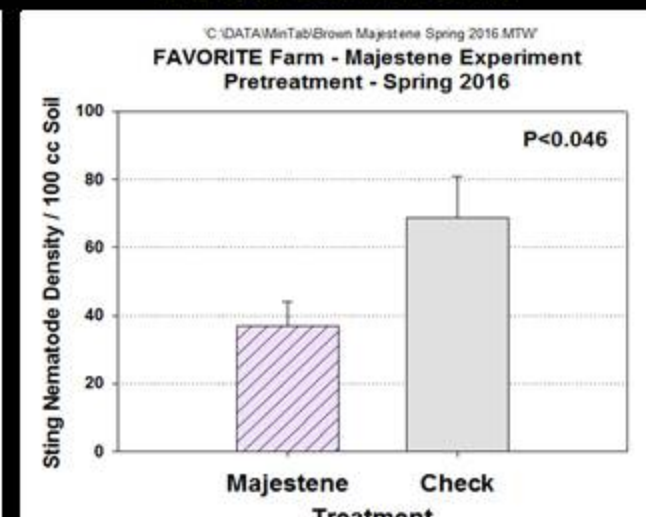
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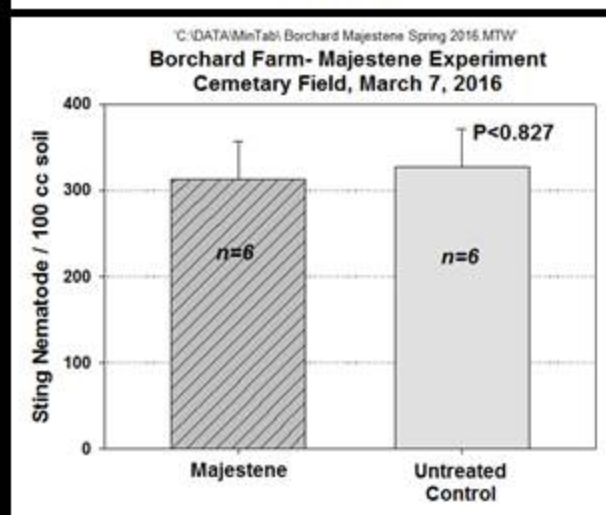
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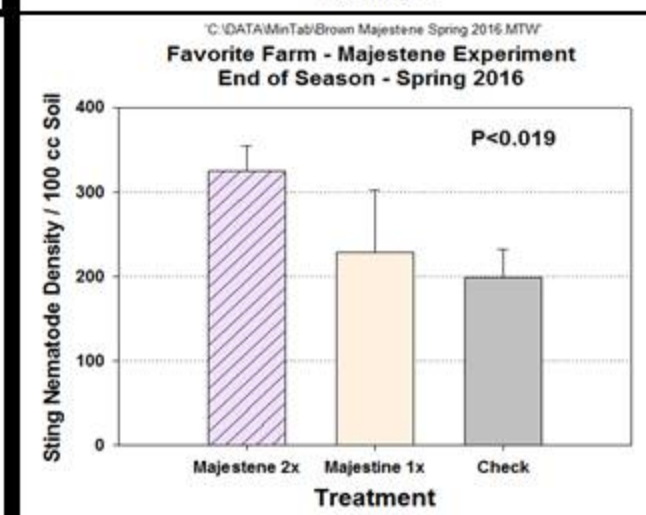
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8 wks Post-treatment



Site 2

8 wks Post-treatment



Site 3

8 wks Post-treatment





# Parksdale Farm

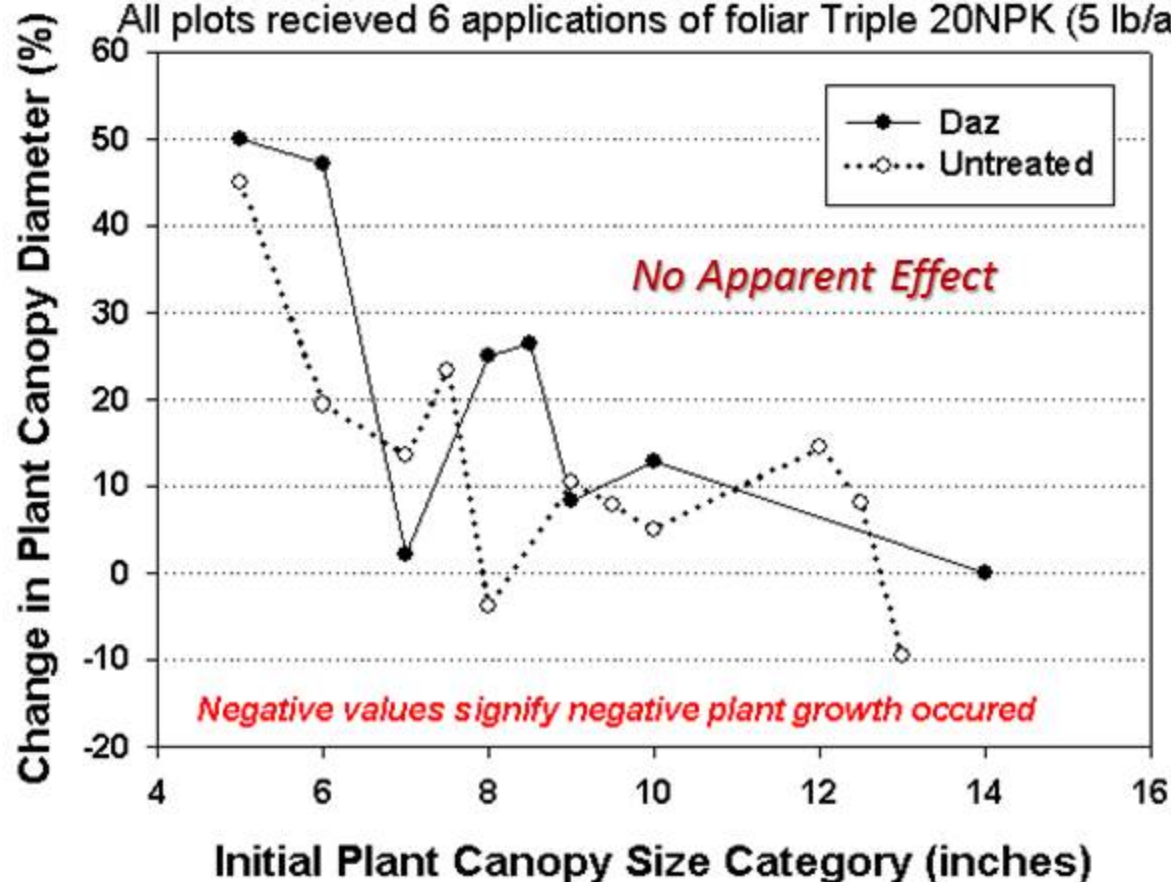
## Tanner Rd Field, Spring 2016



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### Parksdale Farm - Dazitol Experiment- Spring 2016

All plots recieved 6 applications of foliar Triple 20NPK (5 lb/a)



Collaborator:  
Matt Parks



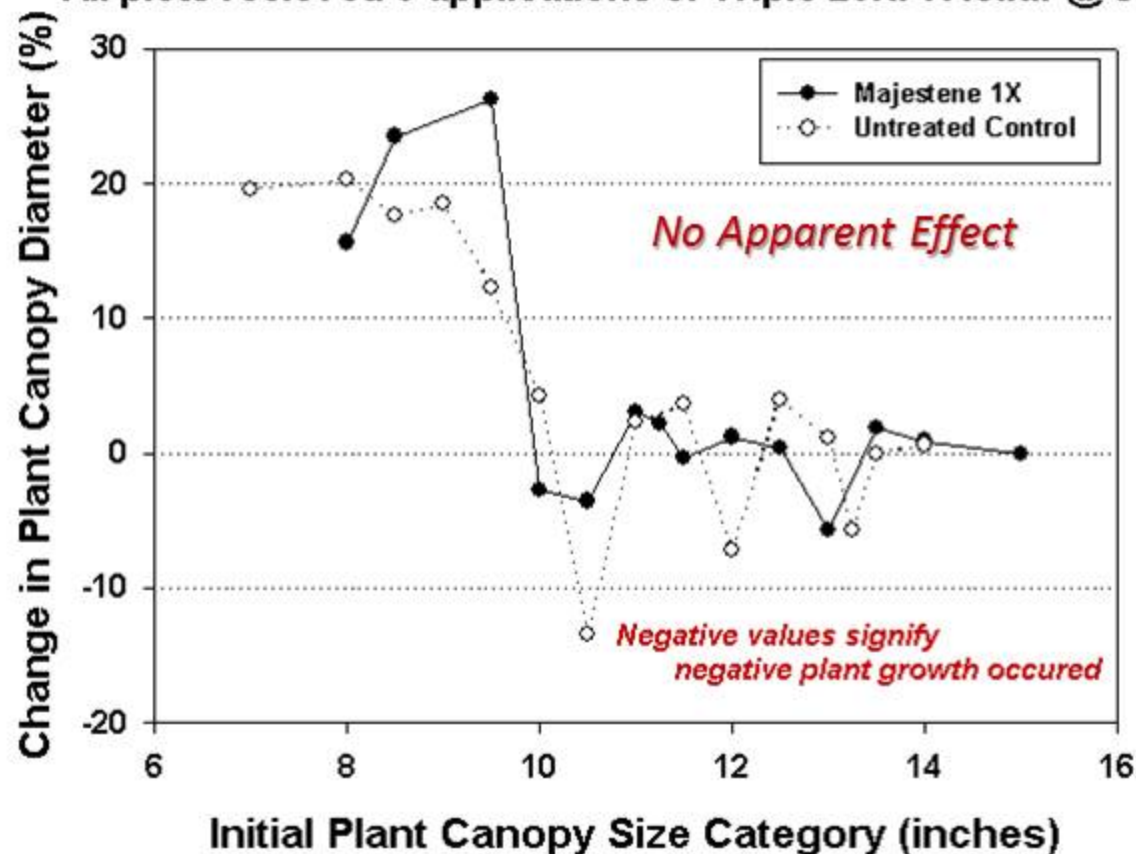


# Parksdale Farm Tanner Rd Field Spring 2016



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**Parksdale Farm - Majestene Experiment- Spring 2016**  
All plots recieved 6 applications of Triple 20NPK foliar @ 5 lb/a



**Treatment Date**

Jan 22, 2016

**Field size**

25 acres

**Application Rate**

2 gpa (50 gallons used)

**Irrigation Flow**

1027 gpm water flow

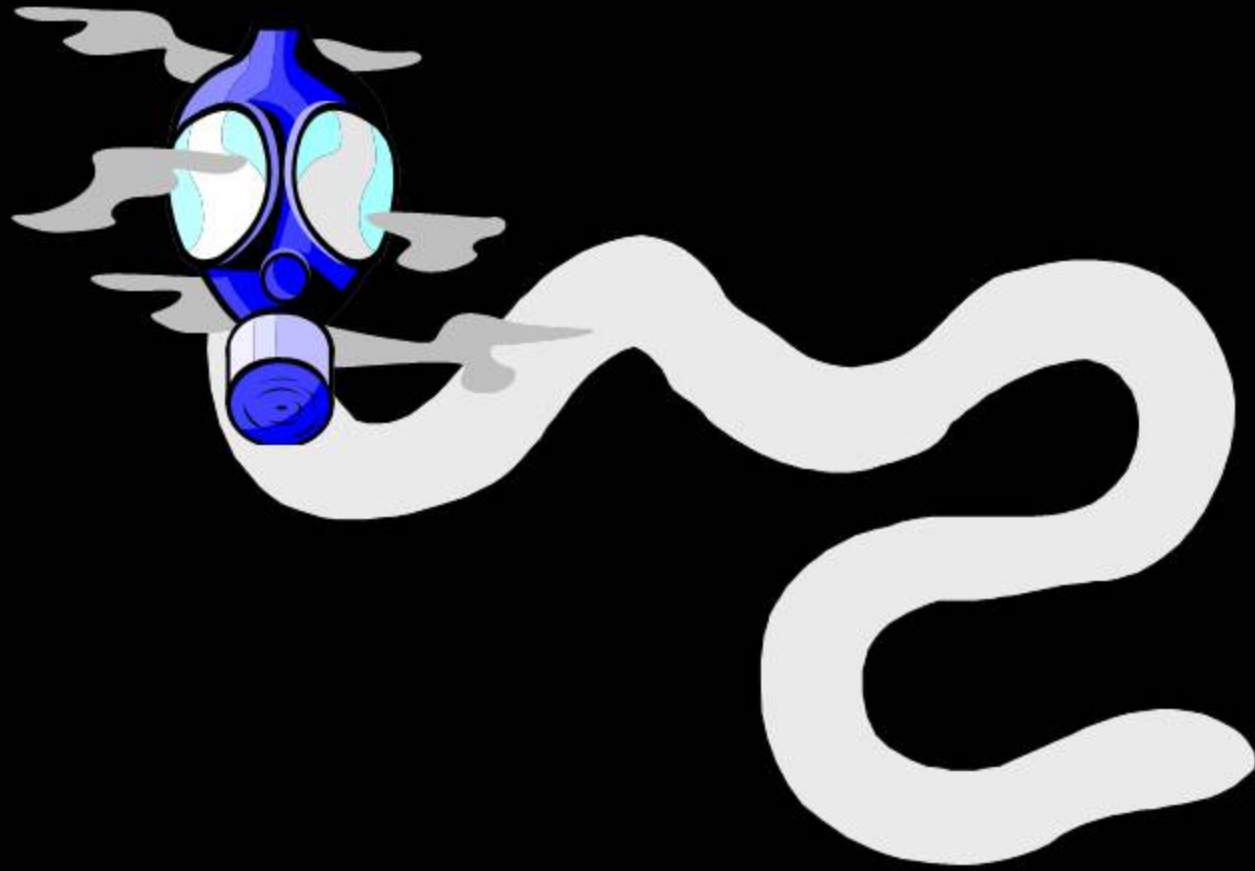
**Injection period**

49 minutes + 20 min Flush

**Collaborator:**  
**Matt Parks**



***Thank you ---- ANY QUESTIONS?***





## ***Triest Rig- Summer broadcast rig – 15 inch injection depth***



June 2014





*Disked and Rolled*

**24" Subsoiler Applications  
to Destroy the Traffic Pan  
and Kill Nematodes deep**



Running  
depth

**Resolving Problems of Fumigant Inconsistency  
with Deep Tillage and Fumigant Application**



# Potential Treatment Combinations to Manage Sting Nematode

40gpa@\$6.5/gal=\$260/a

12gpa@\$24/gal=\$288/a  
Plus Custom Application

1 Crop Termination  
18gpa@\$24/gal=\$432/a  
Plus \$265 Custom Application

Sept Bedding  
& Fumigation

Deep Shank  
Deep Drip

2 Crop Termination  
Broadcast  
Deep Shank

Sept Bedding  
& Fumigation

Deep Shank  
Deep Drip

3 Crop Termination  
Broadcast  
Deep Shank  
VIF Plastic  
Broadcast

Sept Bedding  
& Fumigation

Deep Shank  
Deep Drip

4 Crop Termination  
June Bedding  
& Fumigation

Deep Shank  
Deep Drip

5 Crop Termination  
Broadcast  
Deep Shank  
June Bedding  
& Fumigation

6 Broadcast  
Deep Shank  
June Bedding  
& Fumigation

1 vs 4 compares June vs Sept bedding and fumigation

2 vs 3 demonstrates whether VIF will resolve inconsistencies of broadcast deep shank

4 vs 5 demonstrates the superiority of broadcast deep Shank or Deep Shank at June Bedding & fumigation



Spring Treatment	Summer Treatment	Fall Treatment	Plant Variety
Vapam Crop Termination	X Double Crop Plastic	InLine (35 gpta) Pic Clor 60 EC (400 lb/ta) Tri Pic EC (94%) (345 lb/ta) KPam (62 gpta)	X WinterStar Sensation Radiance Albion
Tri Pic EC ???	± Foliar Fungicide ???		

Product	Density	Telone 1,3-D (62.5% of acre)	Chloropicrin (62.5% of acre)
InLine (35 gpta) (392 lb/ta)	11.2 lb/gal 6.81 lb/gal 1,3-D 3.73 lb/gal PIC	149.5 lb/a	81.6 lb/a
Pic Clor 60 EC (400 lb/ta) (33.9 gpta)	11.81 lb/gal 4.49 lb/gal 1,3-D 6.73 lb/gal PIC	95 lb/a	142.5 lb/a
Tri Pic EC (94%) (345 lb/ta) (25.6 gal/ta)	13.46 lb/gal 12.7 lb/gal PIC	0 lb/a	203 lb/a
Kpam (62 gal/ta)	5.8 lb MITC/gal	0	0

70-80 rows -2.5 acres  
Plot size -4 rows