

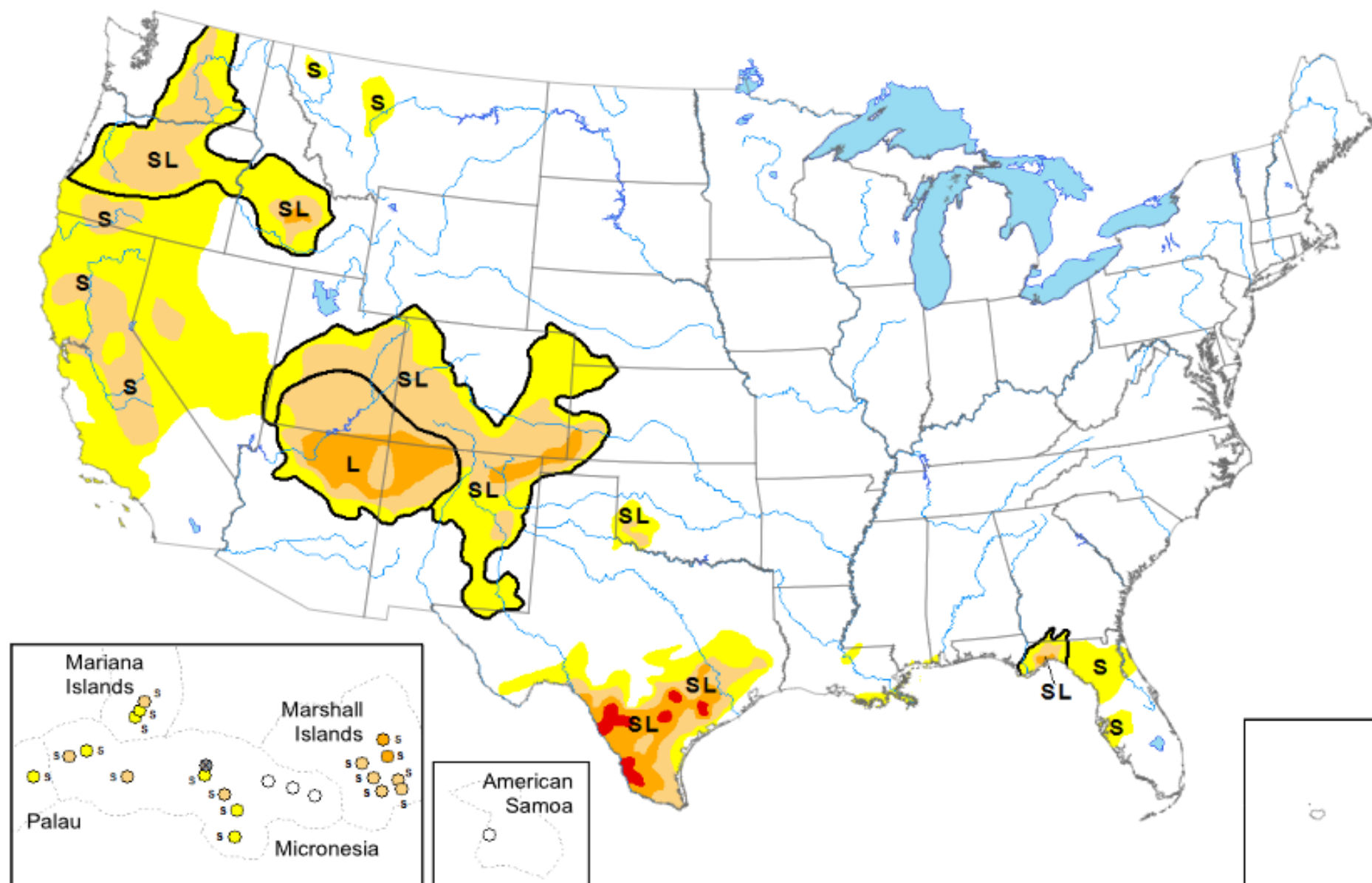
Cotton Varieties and Management

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2019 Costs of Improper Variety Selection: \$0.65/lb

Variety Selection Error	Range of costs	Average Cost
Top vs Bottom variety (Largest Error)	\$115 to \$487 per acre	\$186
Top 3 vs the others	\$49 to \$231 per acre	\$92
Above vs Below AVG	\$54 to \$231 per acre	\$92
Statistically Highest group vs others (Smallest Error)	\$59 to \$371 per acre	\$117

Improper Variety Selection could've cost FL growers over \$11 mil. if you use \$92/A on 120,000 acres when choosing among only best varieties of each brand. (Look across all brands and choose what's right for you)

On Farm Variety Performance Trials in The SE



Variety	Candler DRY	Tift (41) DRY	Midville DRY	Turner DRY	Athens DRY	Appling DRY	Atkinson DRY	Mitchell DRY	Toombs DRY	Bulloch IRR	Bacon DRY	Colquitt (Expo) IRR	Colquitt (Davis) IRR	Colquitt (Perryman) IRR	Berrien IRR	Worth IRR	Brooks IRR	Telfair DRY	Jeff Davis IRR	Pulaski IRR	Plains IRR	Grady DRY	Cook IRR	Early IRR	Midville IRR	All Loc. Avg.
DG 3615 B3XF	464	468	640	713	819	606	1,025	665	883	1,081	1,149	1,308	1,530	1,384	1,474	1,408	1,628	1,189	1,497	1,530	1,693	1,280	1,783	1,864	2,071	1,206
DP 1646 B2XF	564	652	562	824	755	808	811	924	1,106	1,223	1,190	1,068	1,278	1,354	1,381	1,390	1,392	1,370	1,491	1,453	1,533	1,548	1,547	1,784	1,605	1,185
PHY 400 W3FE	615	598	540	797	747	794	878	932	1,123	967	1,266	1,301	1,225	1,301	1,294	1,487	1,336	1,508	1,340	1,464	1,479	1,671	1,415	1,576	1,599	1,170
ST 5471 GLTP	583	590	553	763	794	766	896	864	991	1,122	1,018	1,027	1,299	1,357	1,207	1,338	1,365	1,369	1,363	1,607	1,505	1,867	1,606	1,629	1,646	1,165
DP 1851 B3XF	540	673	576	683	671	798	842	946	1,129	1,138	1,146	1,158	1,210	1,456	1,336	1,392	1,282	1,431	1,409	1,520	1,433	1,647	1,446	1,660	1,498	1,161
DP 1840 B3XF	498	639	629	607	762	685	946	943	1,023	1,175	1,350	1,041	1,397	1,255	1,323	1,296	1,337	1,491	1,437	1,414	1,406	1,433	1,474	1,349	1,590	1,140
ST 5600 B2XF	525	499	622	622	670	835	775	851	943	1,102	1,177	1,206	1,209	1,308	1,456	1,383	1,308	1,412	1,394	1,451	1,416	1,398	1,456	1,513	1,464	1,120
PHY 500 W3FE	476	459	558	600	731	720	955	906	986	1,163	1,055	1,158	1,267	1,369	1,230	1,259	1,284	1,581	1,388	1,449	1,439	1,387	1,474	1,368	1,709	1,119
CG 19XG9B3XF	503	503	538	597	625	651	812	715	999	1,209	1,083	1,108	1,213	1,269	1,263	1,322	1,419	1,317	1,346	1,227	1,542	1,419	1,495	1,659	1,683	1,101
NG 5711 B3XF	432	580	589	536	682	848	888	797	962	1,164	1,057	1,109	1,377	1,158	1,361	1,256	1,303	1,372	1,341	1,299	1,369	1,265	1,384	1,491	1,535	1,086
NG 3930 B3XF	507	532	545	703	673	682	667	789	1,026	1,020	887	1,043	1,191	1,196	1,151	1,216	1,122	1,195	1,308	1,345	1,224	1,394	1,269	1,357	1,359	1,016
Trial Average	519	563	578	677	721	745	863	848	1016	1124	1,125	1,139	1291	1,310	1,316	1,341	1343	1,385	1,392	1,433	1,458	1,482	1,486	1,568	1,615	

*Bold Italic font indicates above trial average lint yields, grey shaded cell indicates lint yield among top 3 of 11

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**Contact your local UGA County Extension Agent for more information on variety performance and selection.

Table 11. Cotton Lint Yield and Fiber Quality Means Across 9 Farm Locations in South Alabama.

2019

Locations: Baldwin (2), Covington, Elmore, Escambia, Geneva, Lee, and Macon (2) Counties.

VARIETY	Rank	Lint Yield (lbs/Acre)	Lint Turn-Out (%)	Leaf	Mic.	Length (in.)	Strength (g/tex)	Uniformity (%)
DP 1646 B2XF	1	1104	39.46%	3	4.5	1.17	30.3	82.2
PHY 400 W3FE	2	1082	39.91%	3	4.4	1.13	32.0	82.3
ST 5600 B2XF	3	1062	37.96%	4	4.9	1.13	31.6	82.0
DP 1851 B3XF	4	1043	38.32%	3	4.5	1.13	32.4	83.0
NG 5007 B2XF	5	1035	38.14%	3	4.5	1.11	28.6	82.1
NG 4936 B3XF	6	1032	37.13%	3	4.5	1.16	30.3	83.2
ST 5471 GLTP	7	1025	37.04%	3	4.5	1.11	31.2	81.9
DP 1840 B3XF	8	1022	37.66%	3	4.5	1.15	31.2	82.2
ST 5818 GLT	9	1008	36.97%	3	4.4	1.13	30.6	81.8
PHY 480 W3FE	10	997	37.61%	4	4.3	1.11	30.9	83.0
NG 5711 B3XF	11	983	37.81%	3	4.4	1.16	31.2	82.2
PHY 500 W3FE	12	974	37.80%	4	4.1	1.11	32.9	82.3
AVERAGE:		1031	37.98%	3	4.5	1.13	31.1	82.3

AL Extension On-Farm Cotton Variety Performance-South 2018

VARIETY	RANK	LINT YIELD (LBS/A)	LINT TURN-OUT (%)	MICRONAIRE	LENGTH (IN.)	STRENGTH (G/TEX)	UNIFORMITY (%)
PHY480W3FE	1	1178	36.5%	4.2	1.20	33.6	84.0
DP1646B2XF	2	1174	40.5%	4.1	1.22	30.5	81.8
ST5471GLTP	3	1174	39.0%	4.1	1.18	31.7	81.7
NG5007B2XF	4	1171	37.5%	4.1	1.18	32.4	82.4
DP1840B3XF	5	1157	39.2%	4.4	1.14	28.6	81.7
NG5711B3XF	6	1138	38.8%	4.2	1.18	30.6	82.5
PHY430W3FE	7	1123	39.2%	4.1	1.16	31.3	82.3
ST5818GLT	8	1101	39.6%	4.2	1.11	31.0	82.1
ST6182GLT	9	1058	39.2%	4.2	1.15	29.9	82.5
DP1851B3XF	10	1054	37.6%	4.1	1.14	30.5	81.4
PHY330W3FE	11	1034	37.7%	4.1	1.17	31.2	82.1
DG3445B2XF	12	1004	41.4%	4.3	1.13	29.0	81.2
AVERAGE:		1114	38.9%	4.2	1.16	30.9	82.1

Jay cotton trial 2019

Brand/Variety	Seed Cotton Yield (lbs/A)	Lint at 40% lbs/A
ST 5818GLT	3750	1500
ST 4550	3556	1422
DP 1646	3413	1365
CG 3885	3264	1306
ST 6182GLT	3158	1263
PHY PX3B07	3111	1244
ST5471	3071	1228
PHY350	3063	1225
CG9608	3045	1218
DP1916	2979	1192
CG 19XG9B3XF	2894	1158
DP1851	2869	1148
PHY480	2853	1141
ST5600	2850	1140
DP1840	2840	1136
PHY580	2535	1014
PHY PX5D28	2484	994

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			Jefferson County, 2019 Cotton Trial			
	Variety		Lint lbs/A		Turnout	
	ST 4550 GLTP		634		41.53	
	DP 1840 B3XF		633		38.18	
	CG 3885 B2XF		612		39.97	
	DP 1646 B2XF		607		36.24	
	DP 1851 B3XF		606		36.71	
	PHY 580 W3FE		579		40.77	
	ST 5600 B2XF		563		39.59	
	ST 5471 GLTP		524		36.92	
	PHY 400 W3FE		508		35.06	
	PHY 500 W3FE		490		37.61	
	CG 19X		470		40.77	
	PHY 480 W3FE		392		32.06	
	Avg.		552			

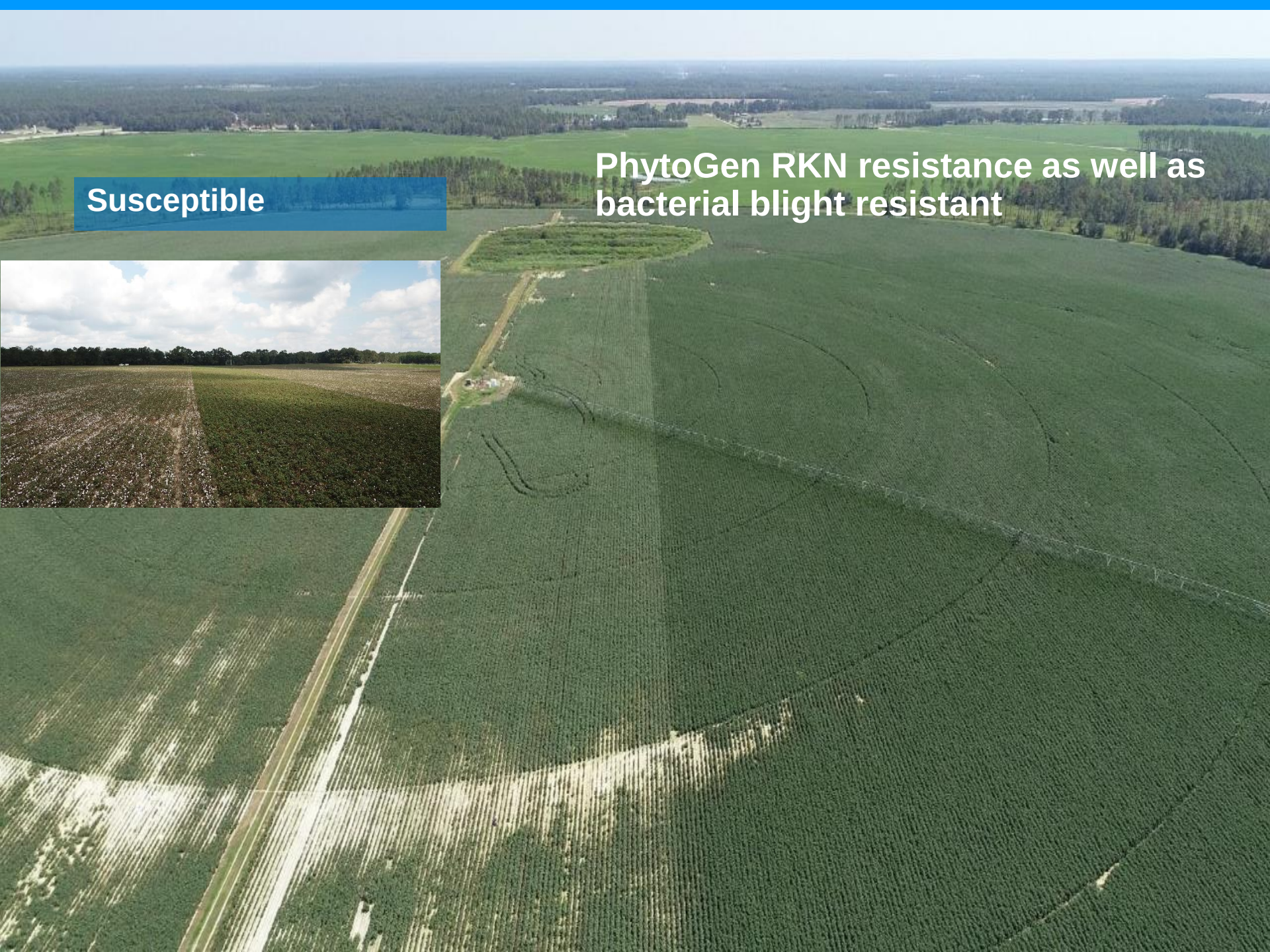
No rain from early August until early October

2019 NC On-Farm Trials (16 Trials Statewide)

Variety	Combined AVG Yield	Lint %	% #1	% Top 2	% Top 3	% of trials in highest group (p<0.1)
DP 1646 B2XF	1376	41.9	25	38	44	56
ST 4550 GLTP	1345	42.6	13	25	56	50
DG 1702 GLT	1317	39.7	13	25	25	44
ST 5471 GLTP	1311	39.3	13	19	31	44
DG 3605 B2XF	1305	41.4	13	19	25	31
NG 4936 B3XF	1304	39.7	13	31	38	31
PHY 350 W3FE	1292	39.6	0	25	38	38
PHY 340 W3FE	1282	42.2	6	6	19	31
DP 1916 B3XF	1280	42.7	6	6	19	25
NG 3522 B2XF	1253	40.9	0	6	6	19

Susceptible

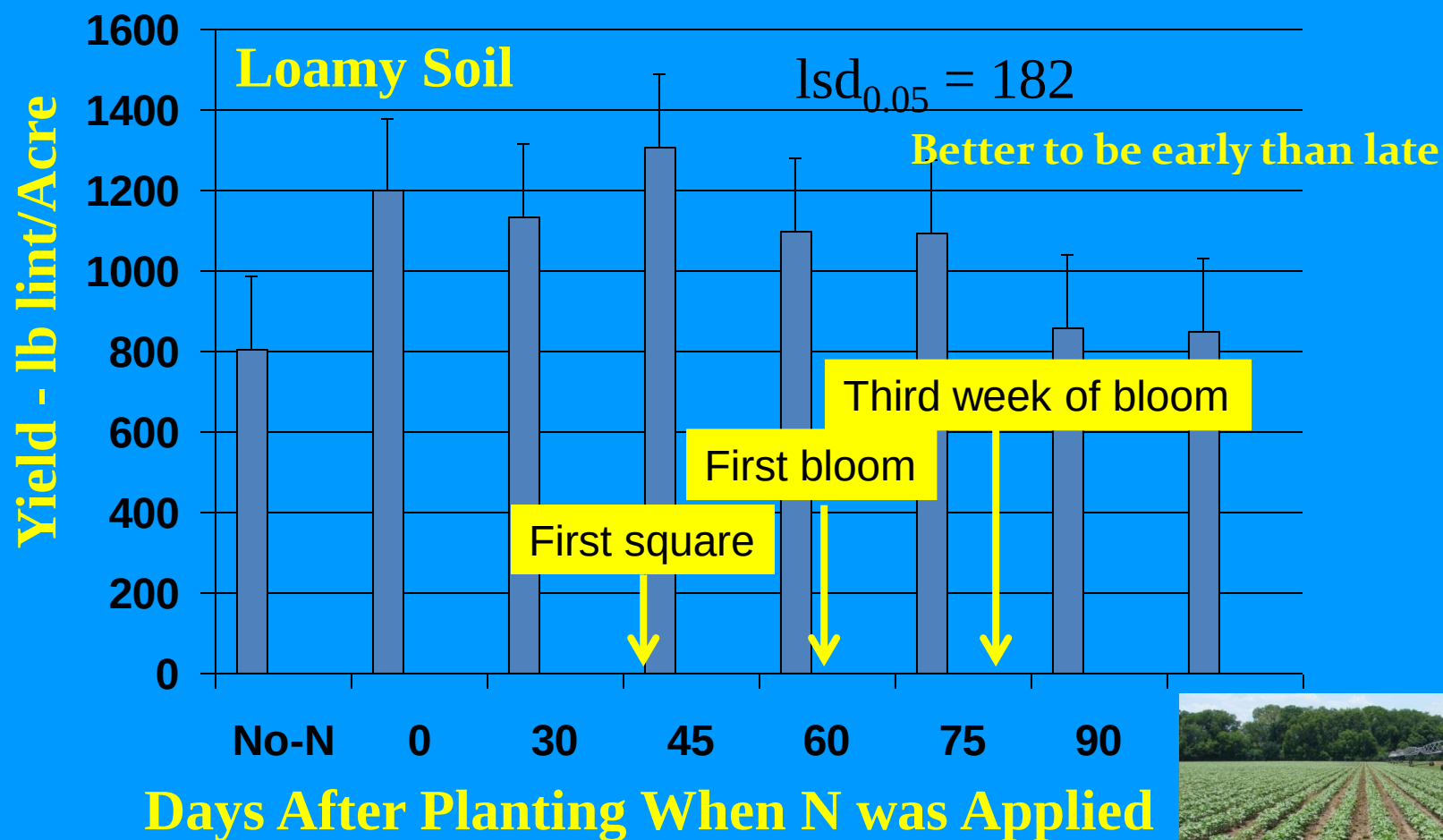
PhytoGen RKN resistance as well as
bacterial blight resistant



Nematode damage on susceptible variety, impacts on sandy soils

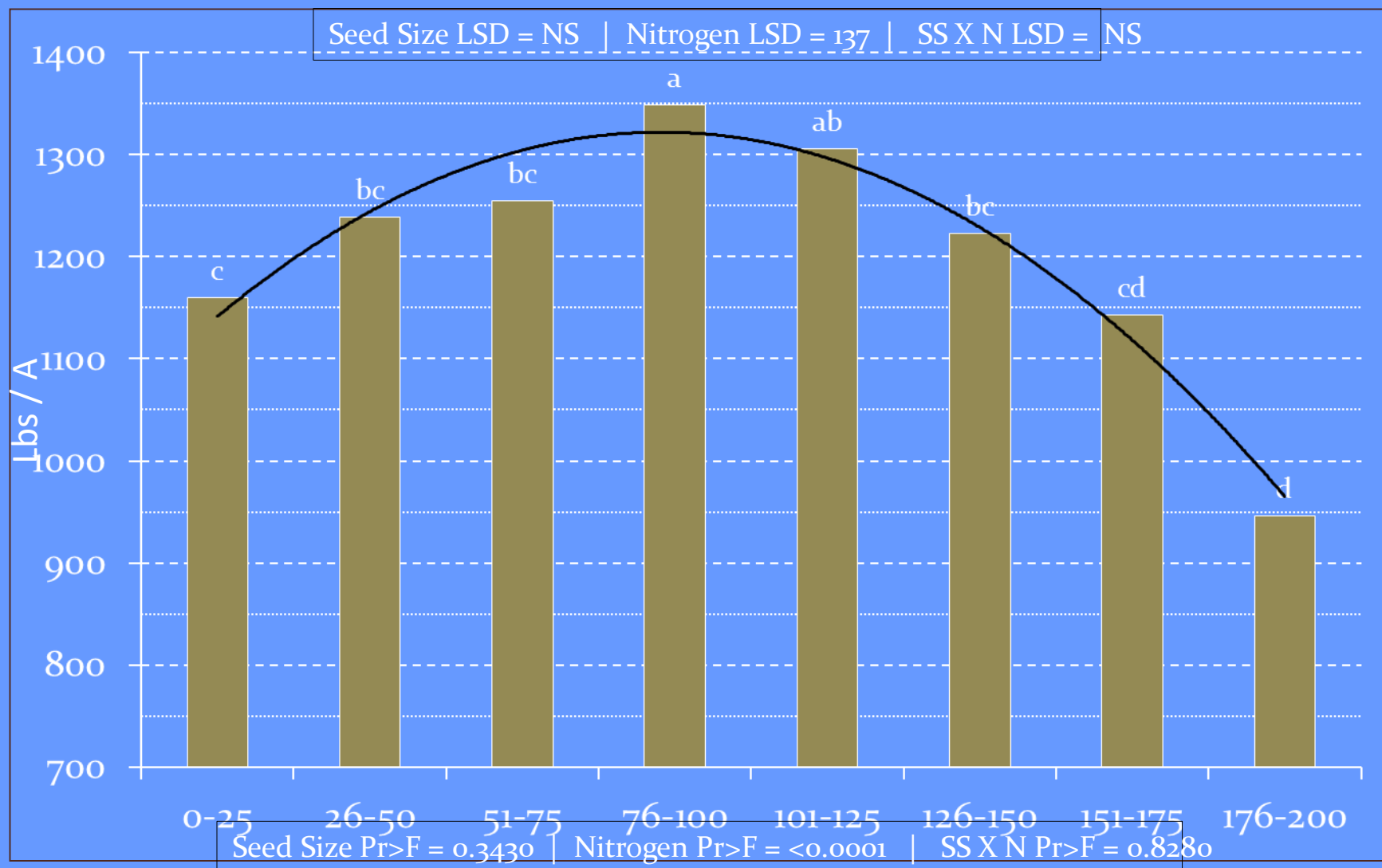


N timing is critical to yield of cotton - All plots except control got 60 lb N/A



Lint Yield*

Too much N reduces yields



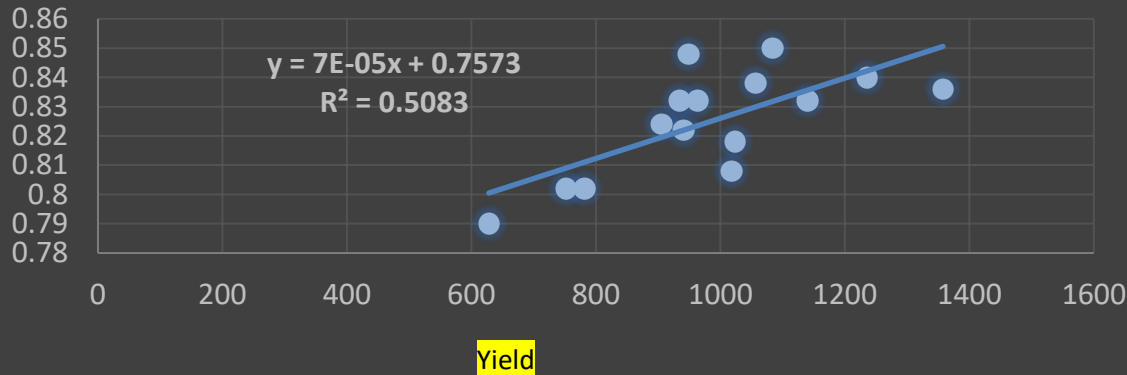
*16 locations across cotton belt

Using technology to identify plant growth (yield) and stress



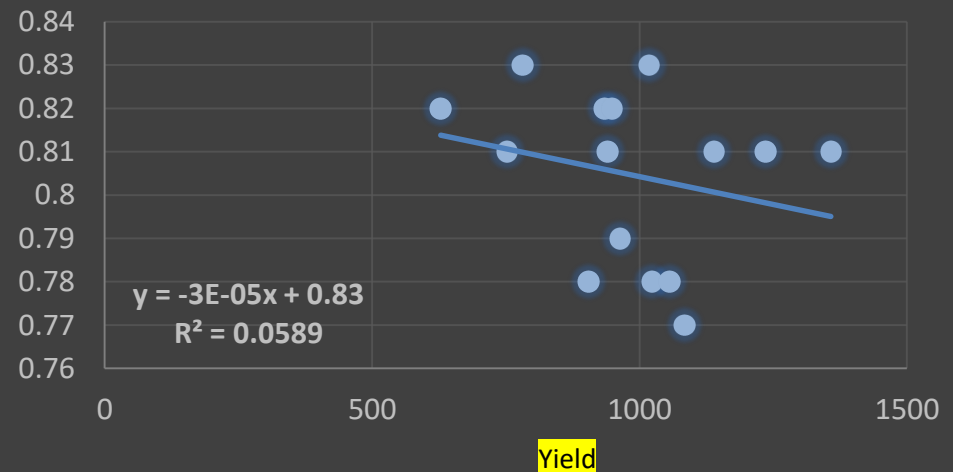
Predicting yield using vegetative index from sensor based technology (NDVI)

10 July, 55DAP



Late N applications can decrease yields. Plants may look healthier and greener but yield is lower.

28-Aug, 104DAP



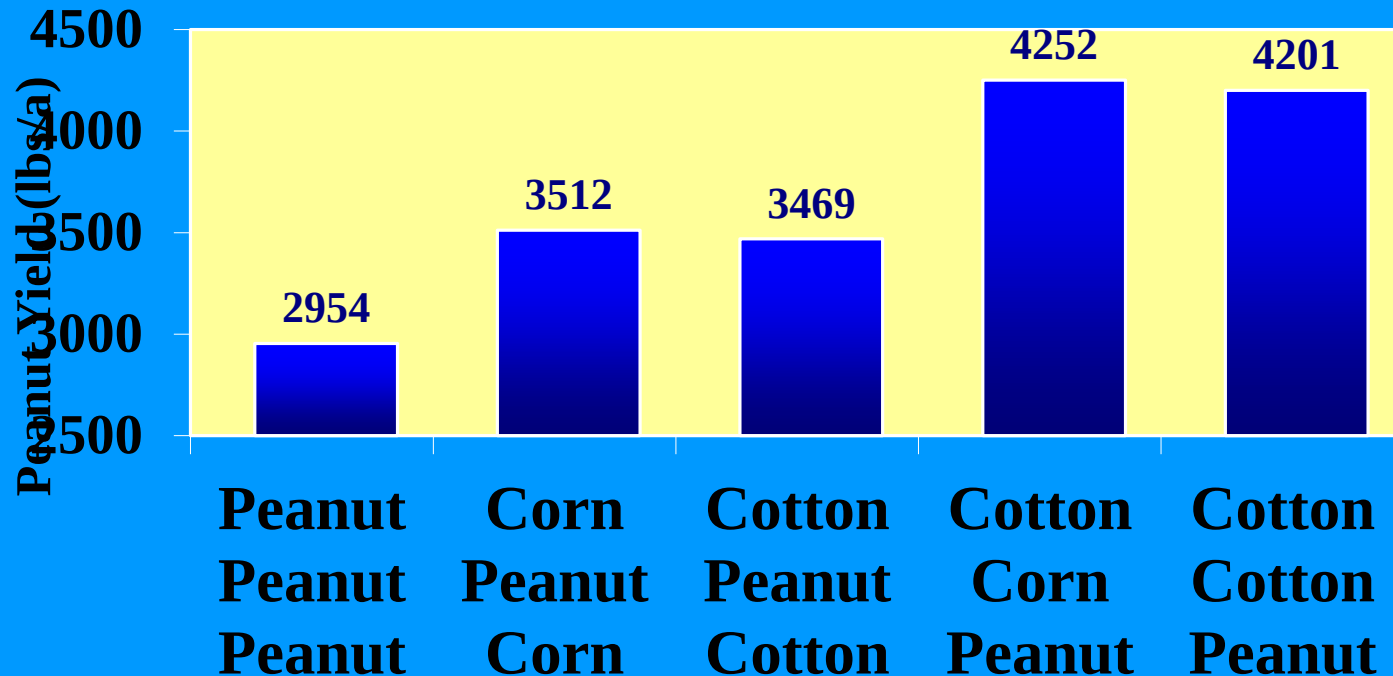
Rotation, irrigation and nematicide impacts on cotton

Years in cotton	IR Velum	IR no Velum	NI Velum	NI no Velum	AVG
		Lbs/A			
1 in 4	1705	1584	1662	1622	1643
1 in 2	1441	1415	1445	1396	1424
1 in 1	1445	1261	1344	1103	1288
AVG	1530	1420	1483	1374	
IR= irrigation	NI= no irrigation	100 -150lbs more lint/yr out of cotton			

What made the greatest impact? 1) rotation
2) nematicide 3) irrigation.

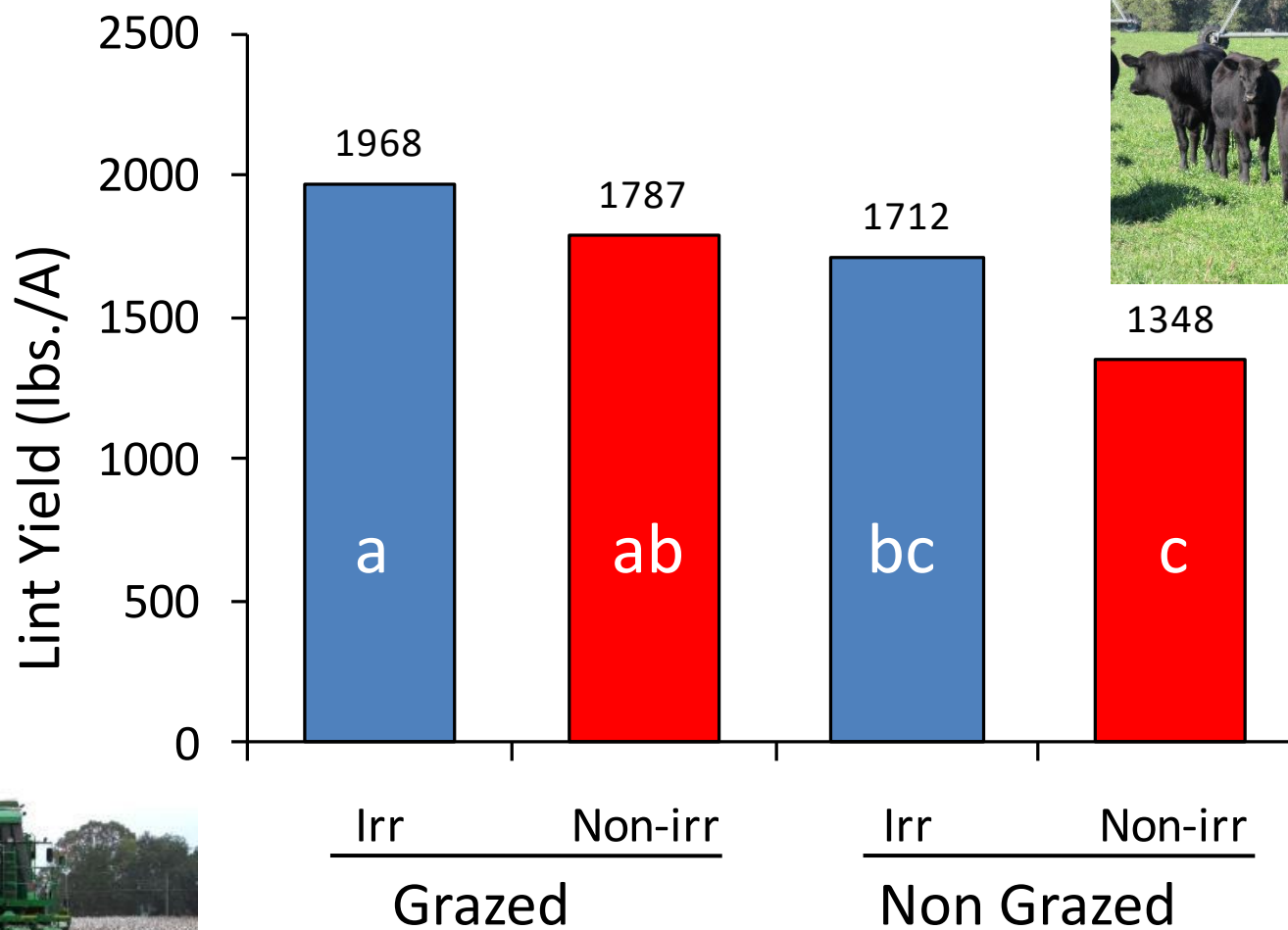
Peanut Yield in a 4-Year Rotation

Non-Irrigated Peanut Rotation



The National Peanut Research Laboratory

Cotton yield response to irrigation and winter grazing (NFREC Marianna)





For best yield with least risk:

- 1) best varieties,
- 2) in-row subsoiling,
- 3) split N with a total of 90 lbs/A unless leached, none after third week of bloom
- 4) follow winter grazing if possible (60-70 lbs of N and 50% less irrigation, 150-400 lbs/A more lint),
- 5) growth regulator on cotton at 7-8 node stage if needed,
- 6) insecticides at bloom to prevent hardlock,
- 7) planting in row middles vs. the old row of cotton resulted in a 25% increase in yield in a 3 years study,
- 8) timely harvest

Thank You! Questions?



Florida Cotton Production

	2015	2016	2017
Acres planted	85,000	103,000	99,000
Yield per acre (lbs)	885	922	784
Production (bales)	153,000	196,000	160,000

Cotton Supply

- US Planted acreage up 12% to 14.1 M acres.
- Higher abandonment acreage in Southwest due to early season drought.
- Southeast yields down due to hurricanes.
- Global production down in major countries except Brazil and Argentina.

2018	Planted Acres	Harvested Acres	Yield
Alabama	510	500	826
Florida	117	90	640
Georgia	1,430	1,350	693
South Carolina	300	290	728
US	14,099	10,530	838

Nematicide Trial

Nematode resistant variety in center

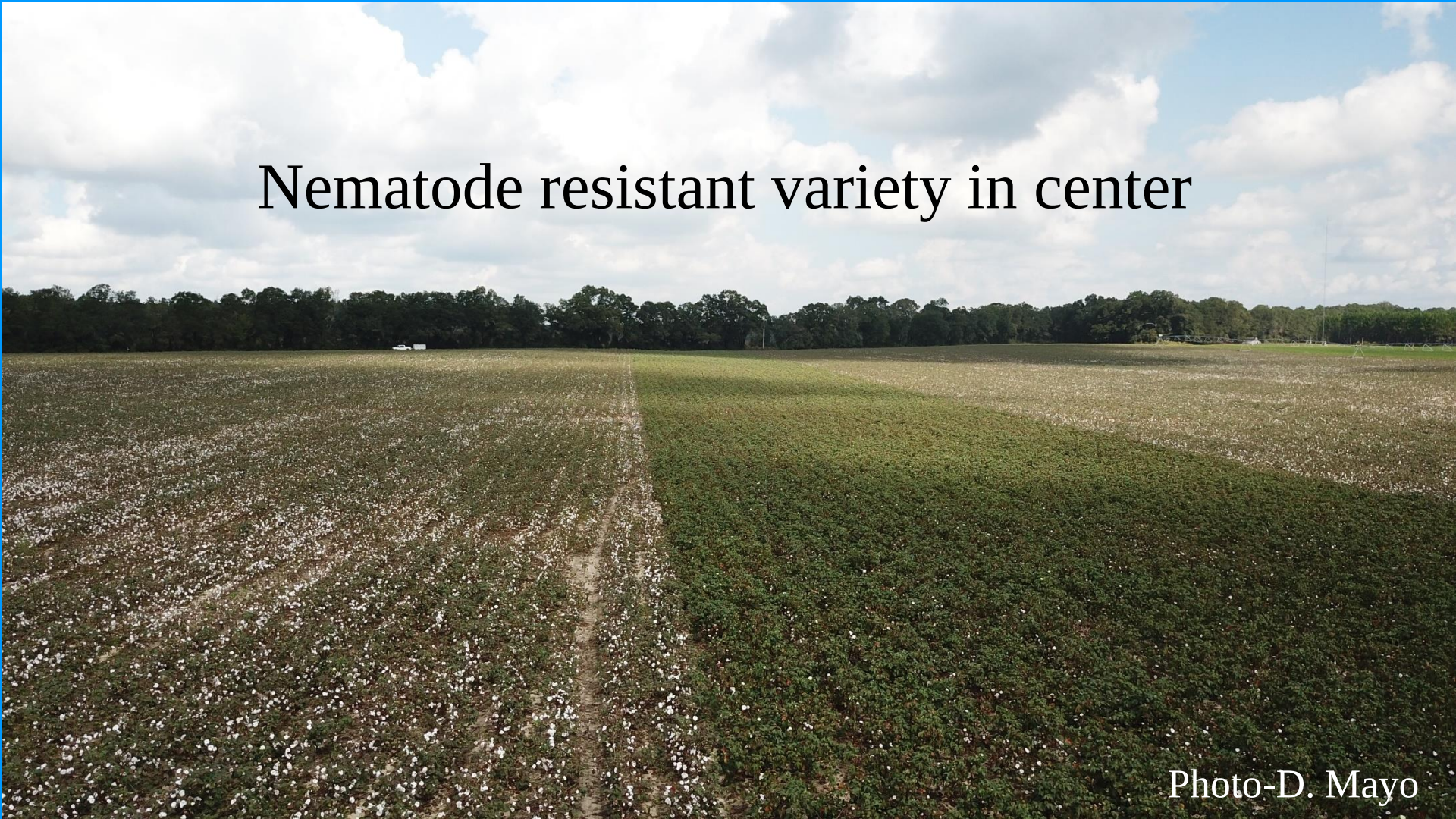


Photo-D. Mayo

Table 1. Nematicide application economics based on 2017 on-farm nematicide trial. All values are on a per-acre basis							
Treatment (rate)	Seed cotton yield	Yield increase vs. untreated	Revenue increase from lint†	Revenue increase from seed†	Total revenue increase	Product cost (no fuel/equipment)	Income increase
Velum Total (18 oz/a)	2706 lb/a	272 lb/a	\$72.71	\$16.85	\$90	\$34	\$56
Telone (3.5 gal/a)	2686 lb/a	252 lb/a	\$67.48	\$15.63	\$83	\$70	\$13
AgLogic 15GG (7 lb/a)	2611 lb/a	177 lb/a	\$47.53	\$10.98	\$59	\$42	\$17
Untreated	2434 lb/a	-	-	-	-	-	-
†Revenue is based on \$0.70/lb for lint and \$.10/lb for seed. Revenue and income increases are relative to untreated control.							

Grabau and Carter- Jackson Co.



K deficiency due mostly to nematodes

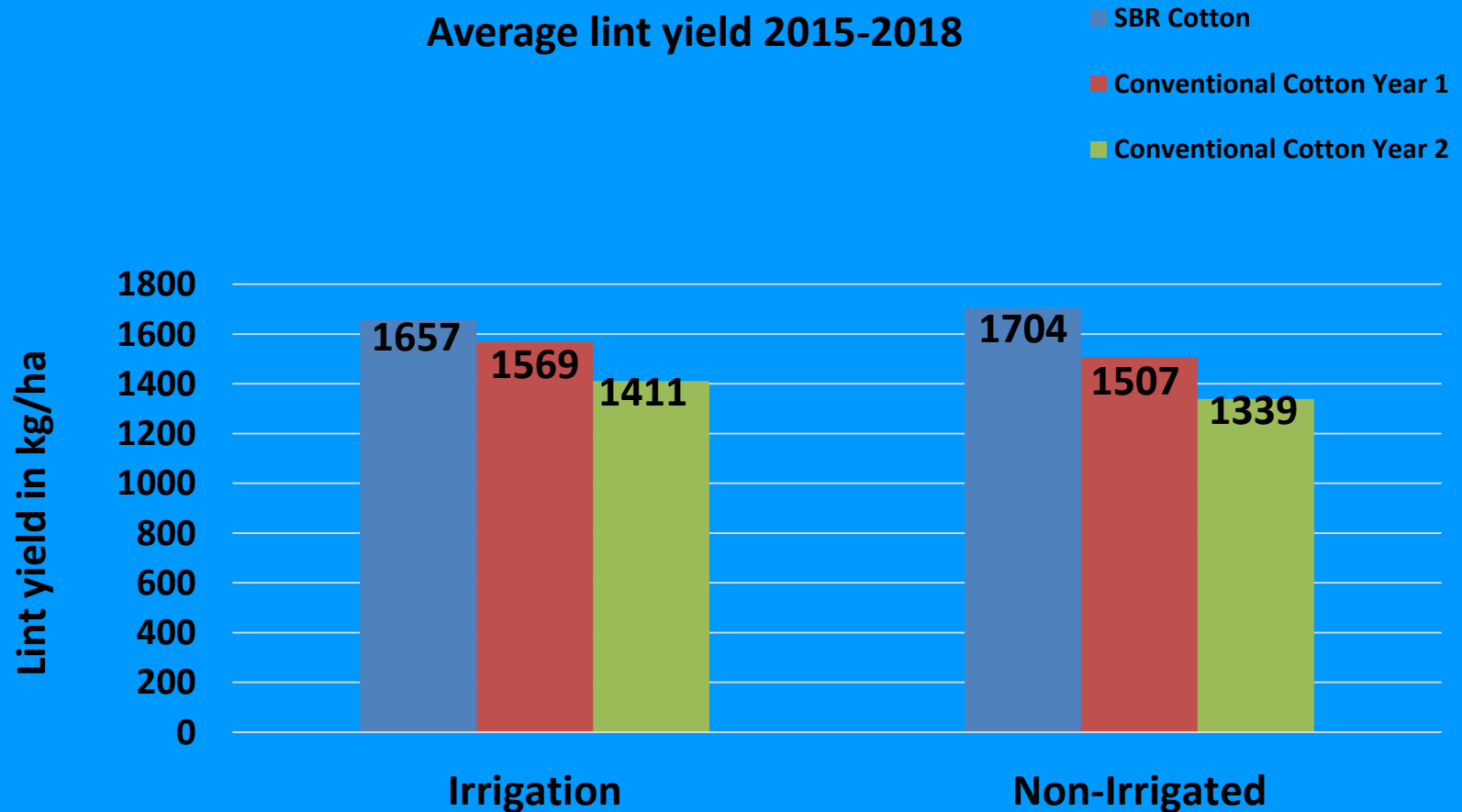
High residue mulches help with weed control and the other factors associated with cover crops



Cover crops and conservation tillage, proven concept with better economics



Cotton lint yield-sod rotation and conventional with strip tillage



Control volunteer peanuts and most other weeds should be controlled

Palmer amaranth can be controlled in bahia with broadleaf herbicides. Some hand weed control is often needed in conventional rotations of peanut and cotton

Resistant weed control



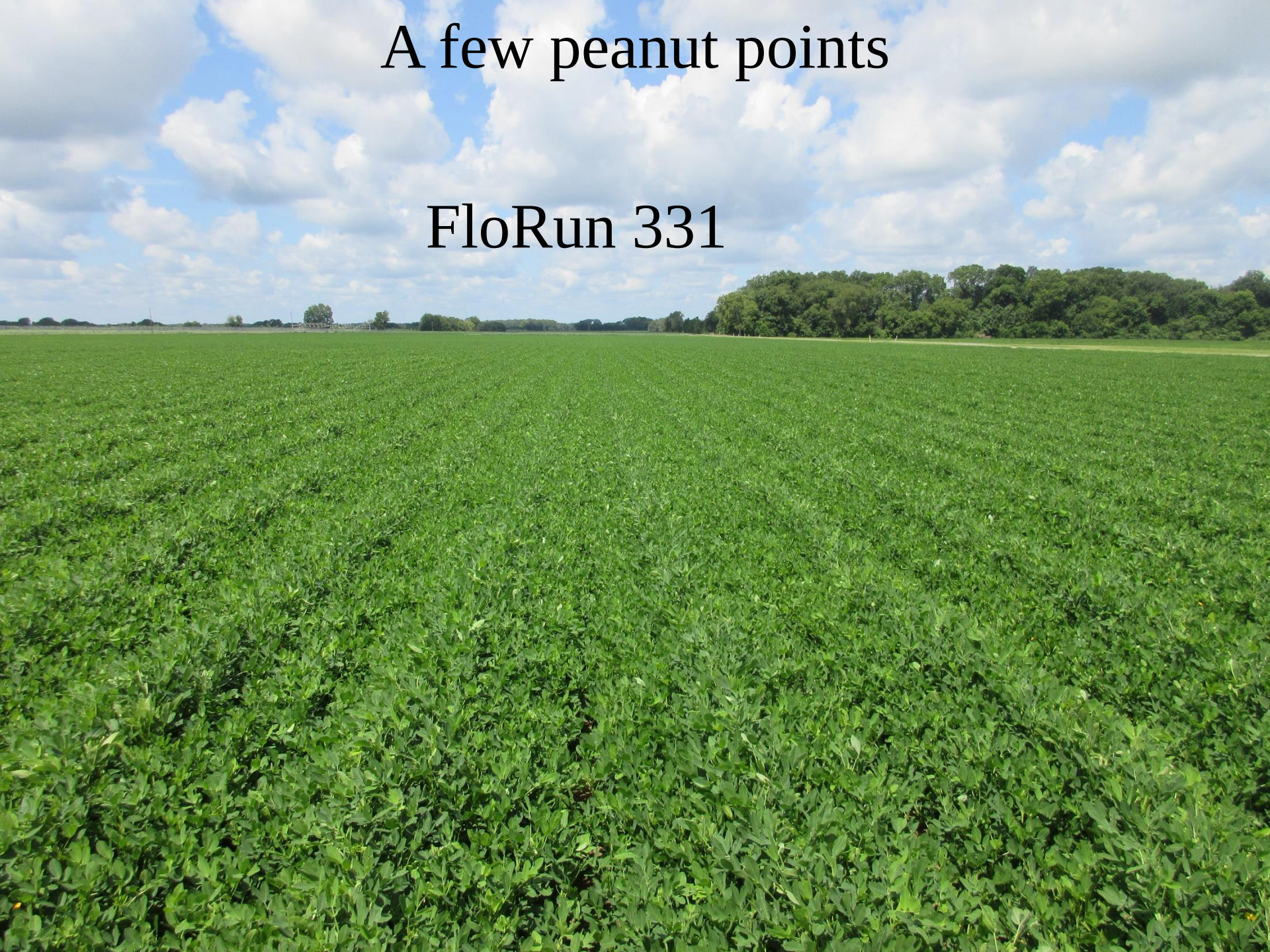
Control Stinkbugs First

A close-up photograph of a bright green stinkbug perched on a cotton bud. The cotton bud is green and covered in fine hairs, with several reddish-brown, pointed bracts extending from its base. The background is a blurred green, suggesting a cotton field.

Cotton starts blooming late June to early July so scouting and control of insects is important for July and early August

A few peanut points

FloRun 331



Planting cotton after winter grazing has been shown to reduce irrigation needs by 50% and N application needs to 60 lbs/A with yield increases of from 150-400 lbs lint per acre. Try a field if it is convenient and let your neighbor bring the cows in and have them out by April 15 to plant cotton. EQIP may help on infrastructure.



State	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017**	2017 FSA Acreage
	<i>1,000 acres</i>					
AL	140	175	200	175	195	191.6
AR	-	10.5	16.3	24	30	29.1
FL	140	175	190	155	195	184.9
GA	430	600	785	720	840	827.6
MS	34	32	44	39	44	42.2
SE	744	982	1,219	1,113	1,304	1,277
NM	7	5	5	8	9	8.4
OK	17	12	10	13	21	18.8
TX	120	130	170	305	275	237.8
SW	144	147	185	326	305	265
NC	82	94	90	101	120	115
SC	81	112	112	110	125	119.8
VA	16	19	19	21	27	26.3
VC	179	225	221	232	272	261
US	1.067	1.354	1.625	1.671	1.881	1.808

Source: *USDA NASS Crop Production Reports

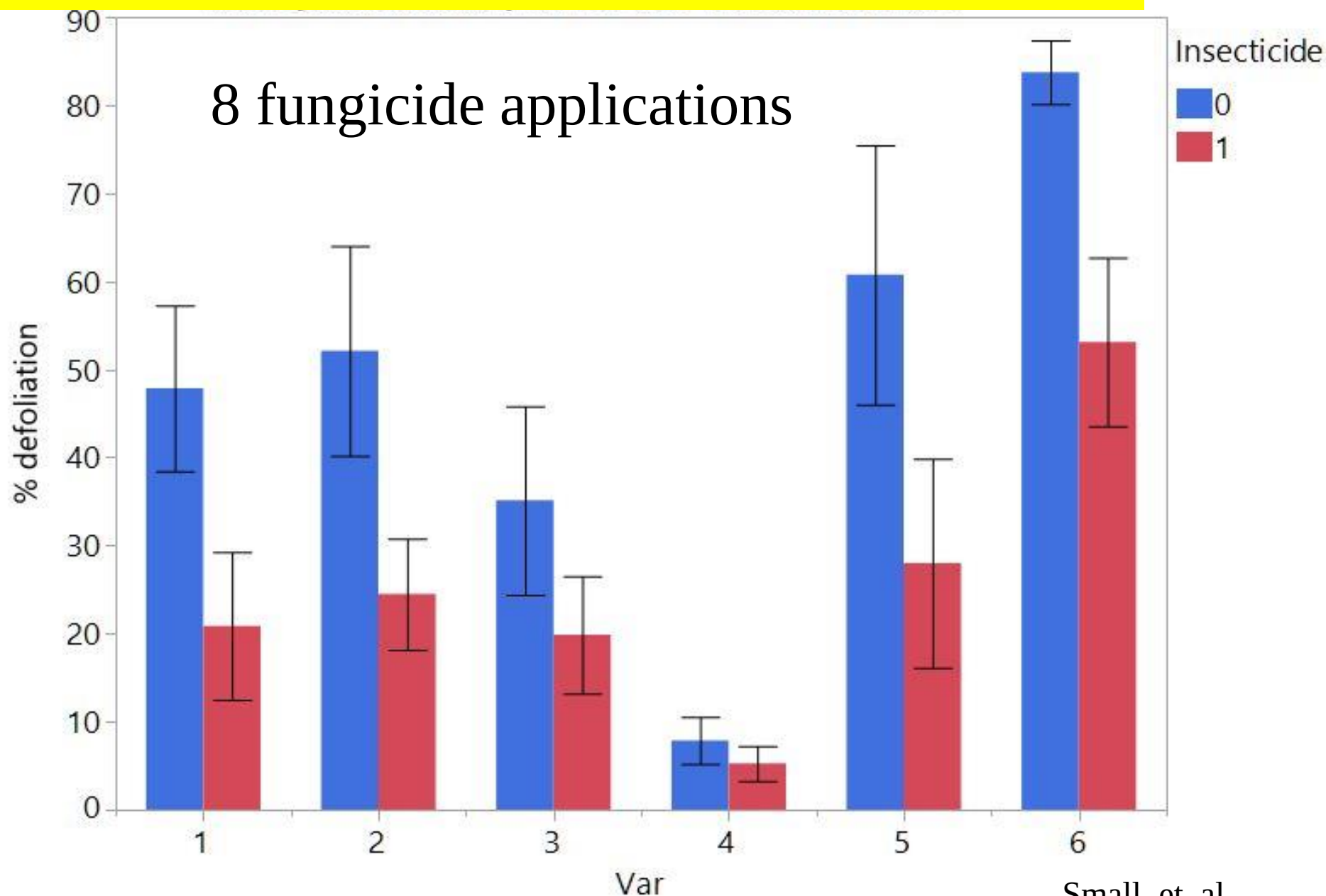
Peanut Situation

- 2018 US Planted Acreage down 24% to 1.425 million acres.
- US Yield slightly smaller than last year at 3,991 lb/ac.
- 2018 US Production at 2.73 M tons. (2012 record 3.38 M tons).
- Buildup of stocks to 1.3 million tons.
- Domestic use stable and increasing.
- Exports key for prices.

2018	Planted Acres	Harvested Acres	Yield
Alabama	165	162	3,400
Florida	155	140	3,600
Georgia	665	650	4,450
South Carolina	87	82	3,400
US	1,425	1,369	3,991

Peanut defoliation with and without Thimet

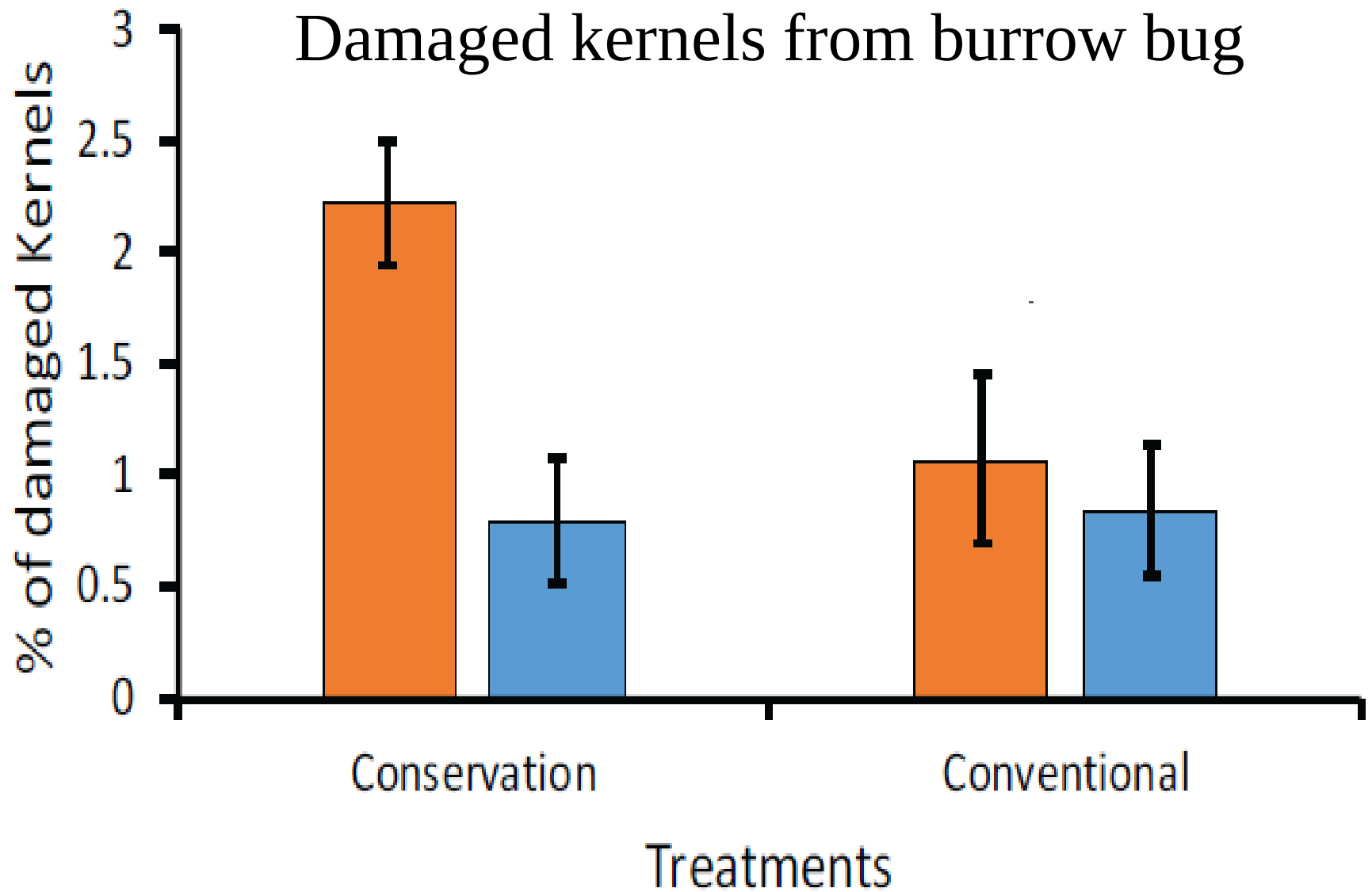
8 fungicide applications



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Each error bar is constructed using 1 standard error from the mean.

Damaged kernels from burrow bug



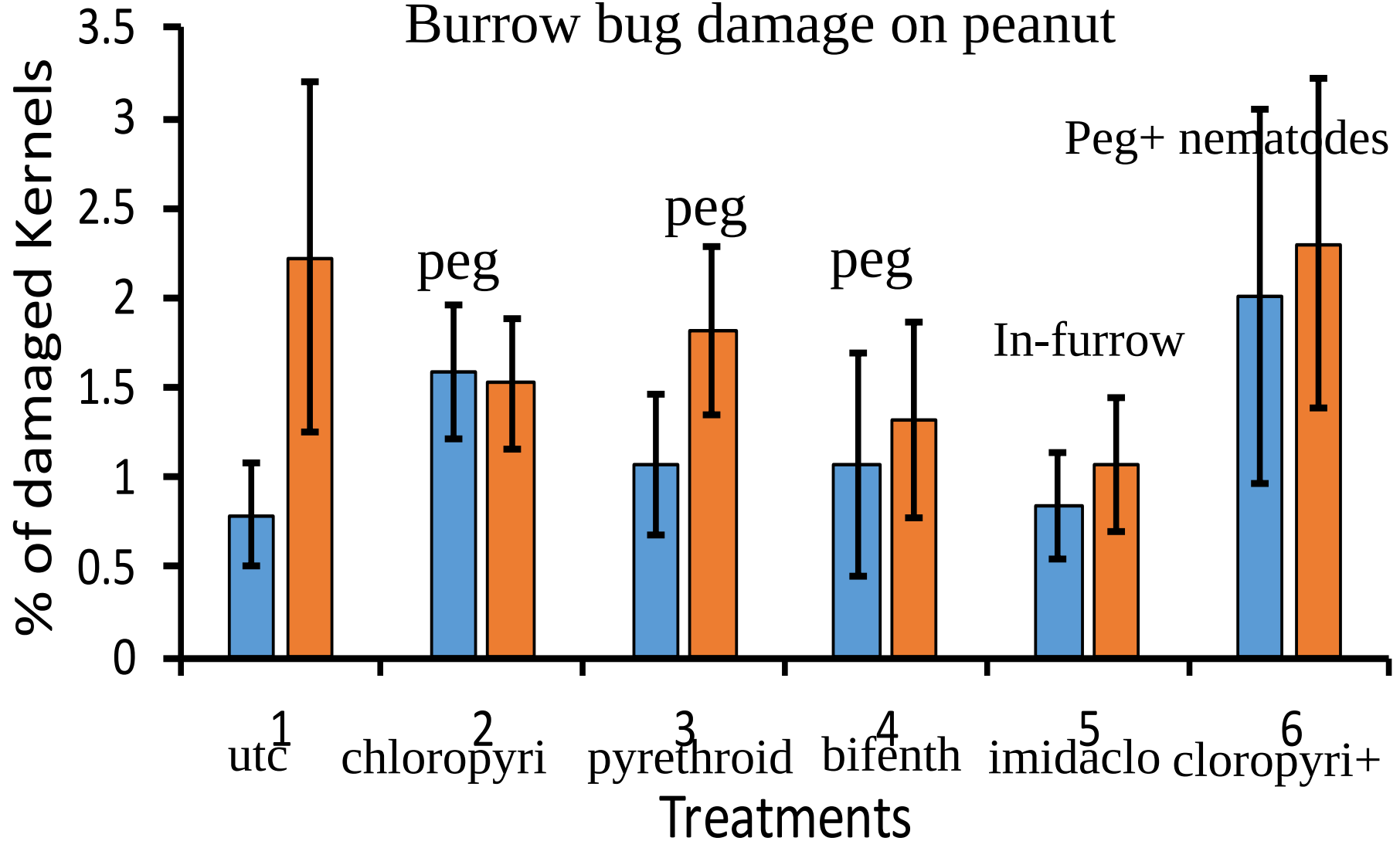
■ Untreated control

■ Imidacloprid

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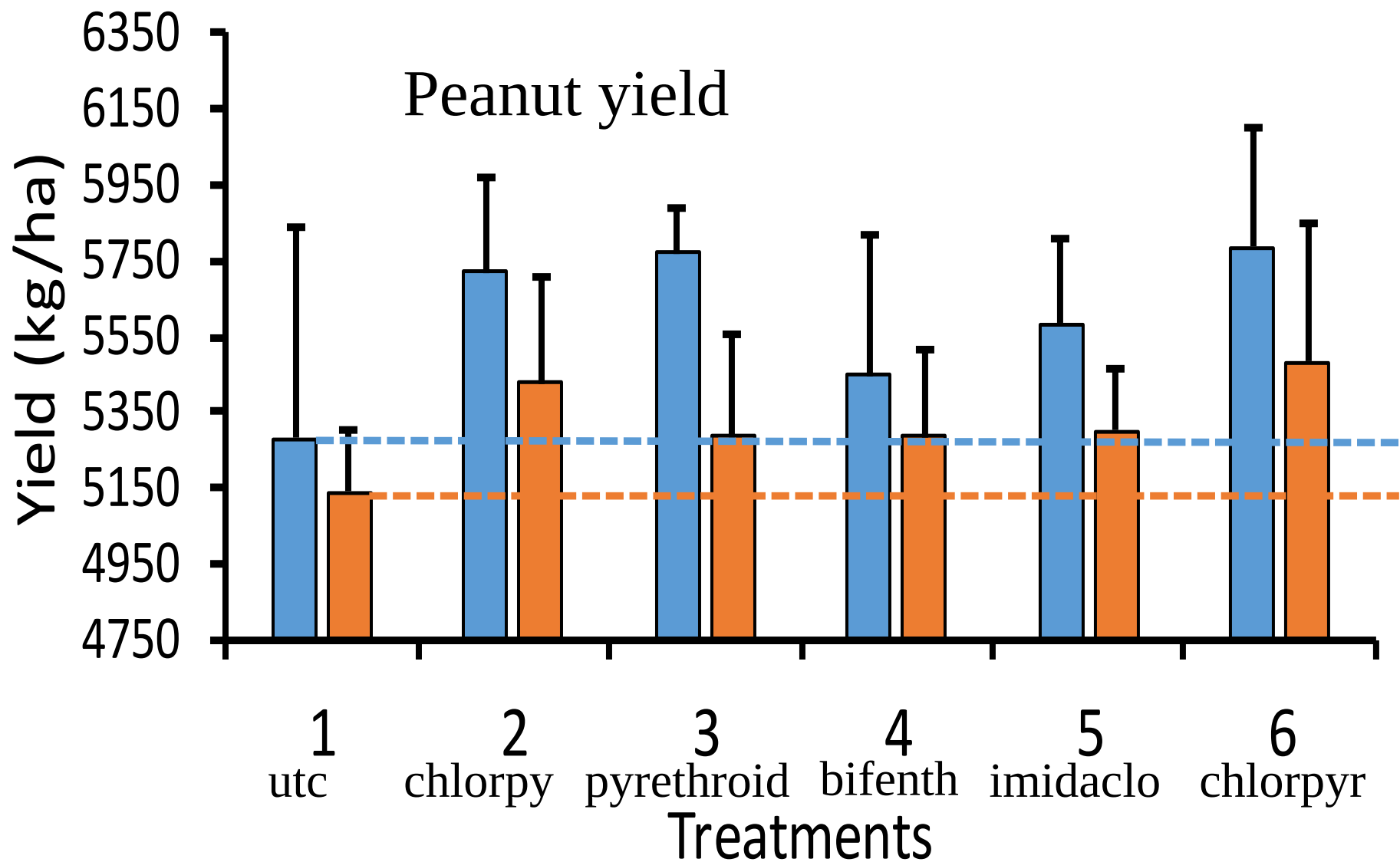
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Burrow bug damage on peanut



Martini, et. al

Peanut yield



■ Conventional ■ Conservation Martini et. al

Peanut plant population impact on peanut yield and grade.

Plant spacing in row	Yield	Grade (%)	SMK (%)	Other (%)	Damage (%)	AUDPC
3 plants/ft.	4931 a	75.7	91.64 a	5.8 a	2.1	287.7 a
2 plants /ft.	5064 a	76.0	90.48 a	6.7 a	2.3	261.4 a

Planting Date Impacts on Yields and Grades, 2 yr. avg.

Planting Date	Yield lbs/A	SMK %	OK%	Damaged %
Mid-April	5149 c	71 c	4.4 a	.4 b
Mid-May	5501 b	73 b	1.9 b	.5 b
Early June	5839 a	76 a	1.7 b	.8 a
Mean	5496	73	2.7	.5

Avg. over 5 varieties

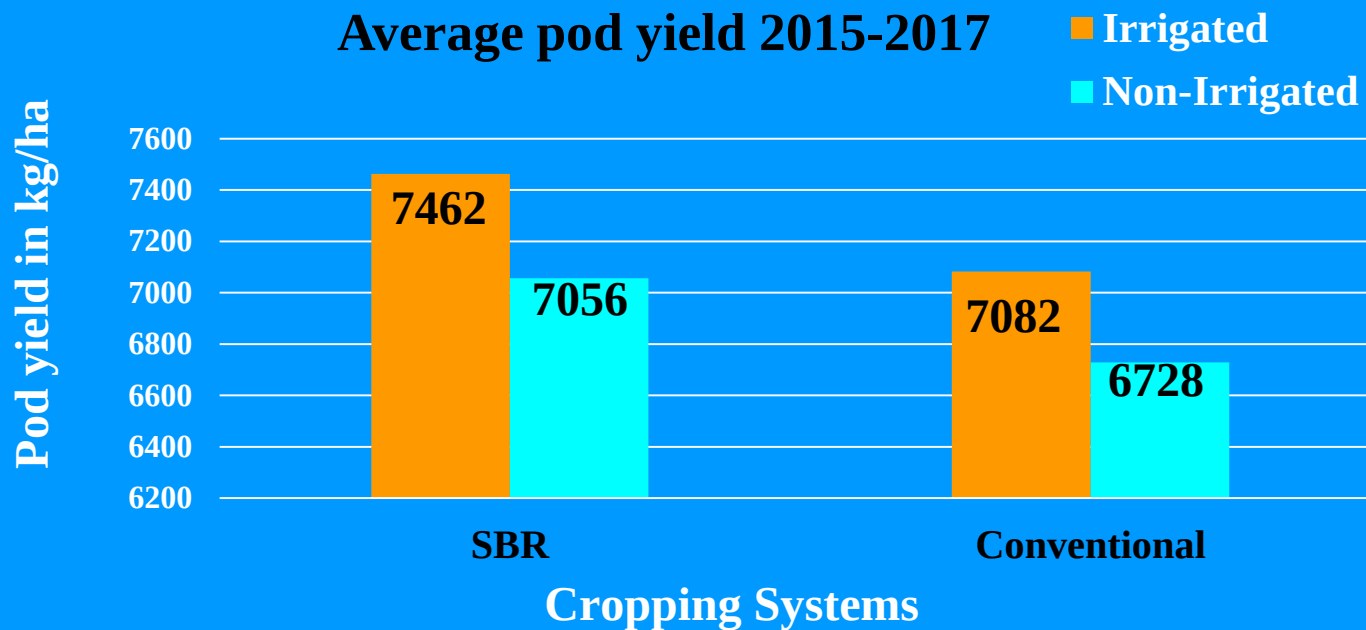
Rotation impacts on peanut yield

Years out of peanut	Irrigated	Non-irrigated
	Lbs/A	Lbs/A
3	6481	5891
2	5525	4795

One extra year out of peanut adds about 1000lbs/A



Peanut yield-SBR and conventional cropping using strip tillage



Thank you!

