2024 Row Crop Disease Update

"Bob, do you have anything new for me, or are you just going to waste my time?" **Chris Goodman, Tift County**



Row Crop Diseases & Nematodes







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Terrell Webster Sumter 22 February 2024





Twitter



Bob Kemerait @bobkemerait · 4/12/23 ···· Corn affected by stubby root nematodes in southwest Georgia. No nematicide applied. When the furrow closed, tactics to battle those nematodes ended. Growers get one chance. UGA Extension



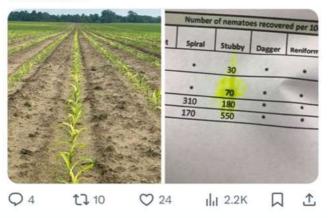
Bob Kemerait 972 posts

Posts Replies Highlights Media Likes



Bob Kemerait @bobkemerait · 4/13/23 My buddy and weed scientist Dr Eric Prostko has been called to look at beaucoup yellowed, stunted corn in south GA already this season. Much of the time it ends up having nothing to do with herbicide injury and everything to do with stubby-root nematodes. Don't forget nematodes!

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Fear Monger?



Things you get one chance at:

- Tomato spotted wilt in peanuts.
- Nematode control in all crops. (I know, pegging time in peanuts too...)
- Fusarium wilt in cotton.
- Seedling diseases, especially in cotton and peanuts.
- Bacterial blight in cotton.



• Starting a fungicide program on all crops.

4 Threats for 2024

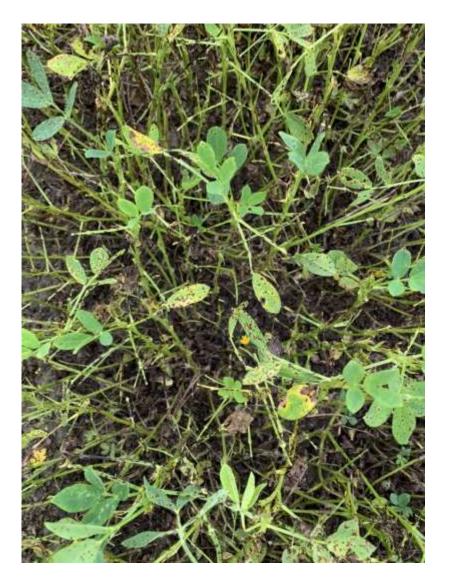
- 1. Tomato Spotted Wilt
- 2. Seedling disease
- 3. Nematodes

4. Leaf spot and white mold





Late Leaf Spot





Leaf Spot Problems Are Not New

- A late start on a fungicide program.
- Getting behind on a fungicide program.

Using the wrong product at the wrong time.

What about NOW?

Pathogens overwinter in peanut debris



Late leaf spot

Early leaf spot

• CBR

White mold (maybe)



Why White Mold in 2023?





2023 – An EPIC white mold year! (especially dryland fields)



Why White Mold in 2023?



- Early season moisture initially very good growing conditions.
- Hot soil temperatures midseason fueled white mold.
- Sparse rainfall prevented movement of fungicide to crown.
- Desire to use lowest rates of good fungicides.

Getting the most from a soilborne fungicide





Tim Brenneman

Does night spraying work?

YES!

07/10/200

Why do night sprays work better?



- Get more and larger droplets deeper into the canopy
- Fungicides last longer in shaded part of canopy
- Redistribution by spraying wet foliage in morning (vs <u>evening</u> w/ dry, folded leaves

Tift County, the impact of shifting 18 inches on cotton behind cotton

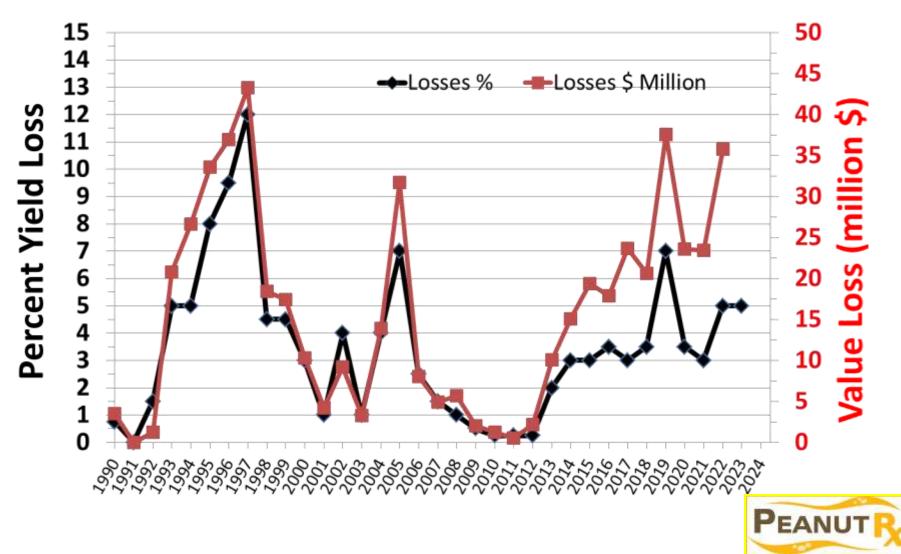




Tomato Spotted Wilt: Tough again in 2023



Losses to Tomato Spotted Wilt in Peanut in Georgia 1990-2023



www.peanutrx.org



Peanut Rx updated for 2024



- Variety update
 - Adjust some point values
 - Add some new varieties
- Classic herbicide update from Dr. Prostko



GA-12Y vs GA-06G for Stem Rot (2015, T. Brenneman)





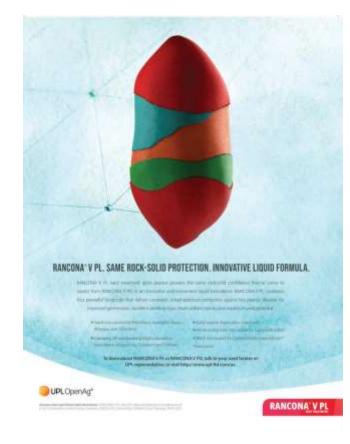
Aspergillus spp. – Virulent peanut pathogens that thrive when hot & dry





Current Seed Treatment Options





- Trebuset (liquid + polymer)
 - Azoxystrobin* Group 11
 - Fludioxonil Group 12
 - Mefenoxam Group 4
 - Pydiflumetofen Group 7
 - Sedaxane
 - Group 7
- Rancona VPD
 - Ipconazole
 Group 3
 - Carboxin Group 7
 - Metalaxyl Group 4
- Rancona VPL (+ polymer)
 - Ipconazole
- Group 3
- Carboxin
- Group 7

- Metalaxyl
 Group 4
- Thiophanate methyl Group 1

In Furrow Fungicides

1. Abound/Quadris (6-11 fl oz)

- Used to enhance stands & vigor
- Good on *Rhizoctonia* but not on *Aspergillus*, (Resistance verified)

2. Proline (5.7 fl oz)

- Used for CBR and early season white mold, with some stand and vigor benefits

3. <u>Velum</u> (4.3-6.5 oz) or Propulse (13.6 oz)

- Fluopyram for <u>nematodes</u> is currently the best option for Aspergillus (but not all seedling diseases, as in 2023!)

Peanut Root Knot Nematode



Attapulgus REC



Nematicide Options for 2024

- AgLogic
- Velum (fluopyram ONLY)
 - In-furrow
 - 6.5-6.84 fl oz/A (VELUM)
 - Needs thrips product
- Propulse (fluopyram + prothioconazole)
 - Pegging-time for leaf spot, white mold and nematodes.
 - Irrigated/chemigated 13.7 fl oz/A
- Vydate-CLV is back
- Telone II
 - Supply ?



INSECTICIDE/NEMATICIDE







Telone* II

Early and Late Leaf Spots 2024



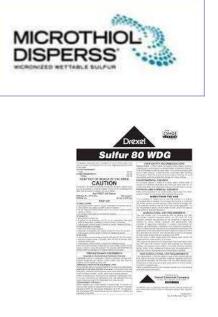




Sulfur as a "tank-mix" partners for Peanut Leaf Spot

- Microthiol 80W
- Drexel Sulfur 80W
- Drexel Suffa 6F
- TechnoS 90W
 - Accoidal 80WG











• Yellow Jacket 90W (not recommended)

More recent fungicides for leaf spot

- Aproach Prima
 - Picoxystrobin + cyproconazole
- Aproach[®] Prima

- Miravis
 - Pydiflumetofen



- Provost Silver
 - Prothioconazole + Tebuconazole
- Provysol
 - Mefentrifluconazole
- Lucento
 - Flutriafol + Bixafen

Provysol Fungicide

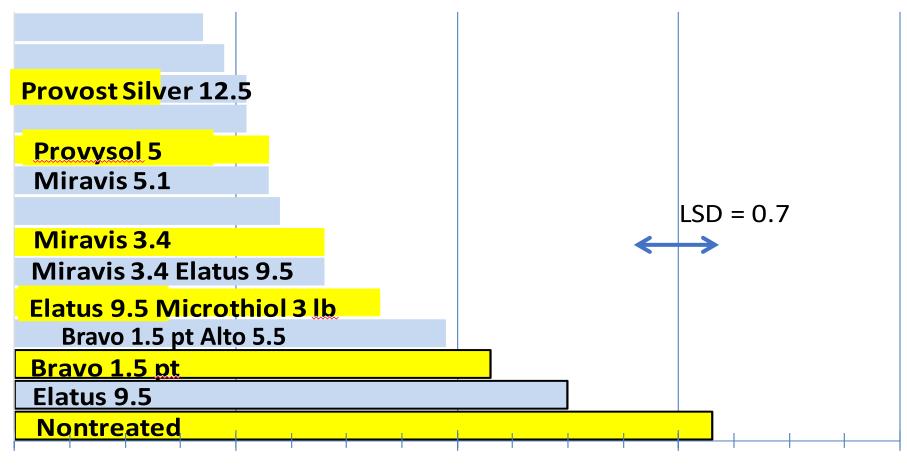


PROVOS

Treatment application timing, Fungicide Test, Lang Farm, 2023

Α	B+7	D	Ε	F+7
Alto 5.5 Bravo 1.5	TRT	Bravo 1.5	TRT	Bravo 1.5
40 DAP	57 DAP	78 DAP	92 DAP	113 DAP

Effect of fungicides on early leaf spot, UGA Lang Farm, 2023 (Florida Scale 1-10)



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Leaf Spot Control in 2024

- Leaf spot control may be more difficult.
- You do not have to have perfect leaf spot control to make top yields.
- Making top yields where leaf spot occurs does require timely harvests.
- Extended intervals can and do work, but consider a) Peanut Rx and b) your tolerance for leaf spot.
- Triazole fungicide combinations like Provost Silver and, possibly Provysol + teb, benefit in full programs.
- SPECIFIC Sulfur products (2.5-5 lb/A) can help improve a leaf spot program.

White Mold 2023 and 2024





Tebuconazole 30 years later



- Inexpensive.....
- Still effective, especially for white mold



• Tebuconazole should be tankmixed for best leaf spot control....

Remember **RATE** and resistance management...

• WE HAVE BETTER FUNGICIDES

White Mold Control at 45 Days?

In-furrow option



 Strong leaf spot control, fair white mold control **Priaxor**[®]



Xemium[®] Brand Fungicide

- Tebuconazole
- Premium fungicides at generally lower rates





And then to 60 days and beyond



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Fungicide and Best Results for

White Mold control

- 1. Initial deposition
 - Application method (pressure, spray volume, nozzle)
 - Timing of application (ex. night sprays)

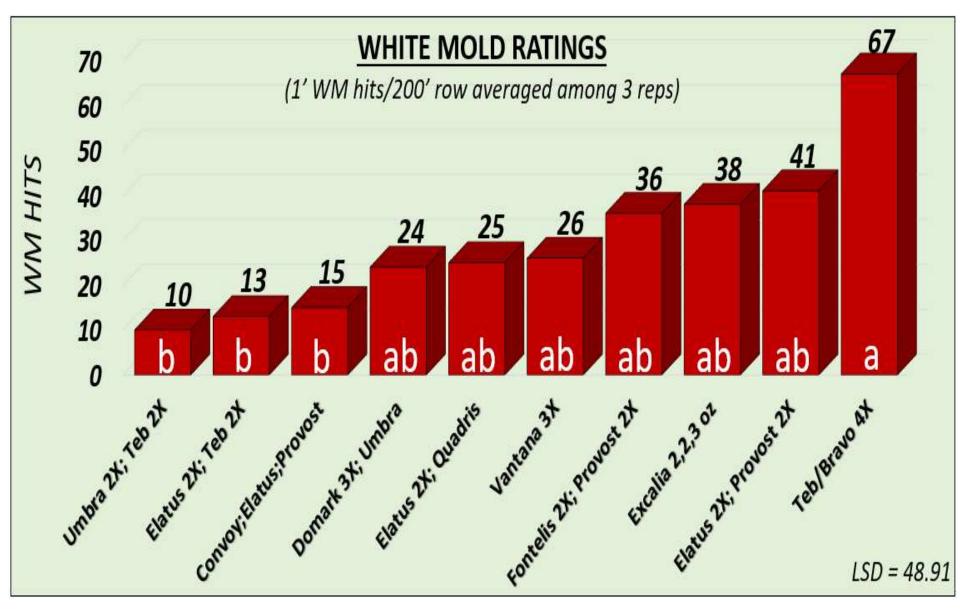
2. Redistribution

- Systemic movement within plant (up only)
- Downward needs irrigation or rainfall

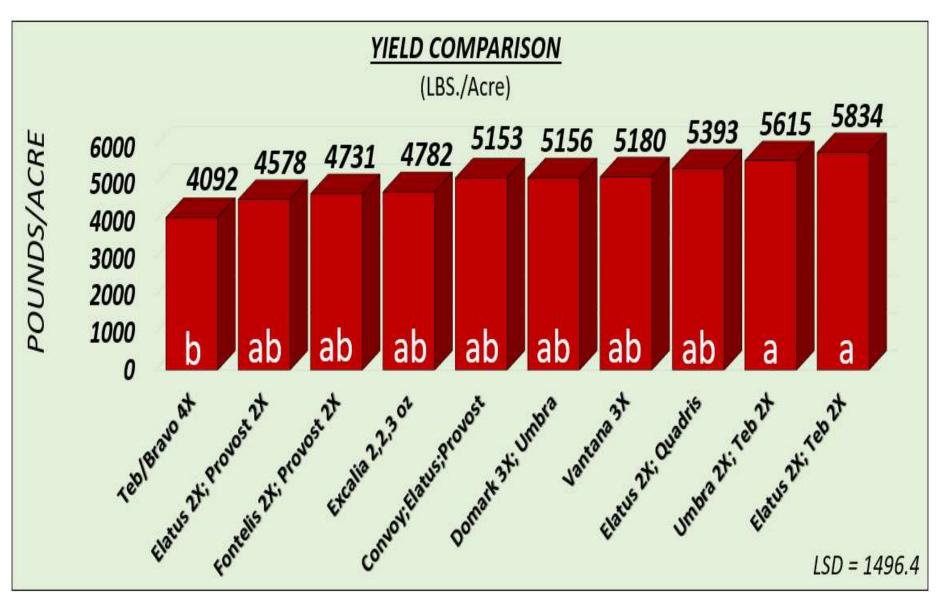
3. SELECTION OF FUNGICIDE



Cook County 2023



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Cotton, Diseases, and Nematodes Update for 2024





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Areolate Mildew







Fungicides for Foliar Diseases of Cotton

- Headline (pyraclostrobin) (6 fl oz/A)
- Twinline (pyraclostrobin + metconazole) (7-8.5 fl oz
- Quadris (azoxystrobin) (6 or 9 fl oz/A)
- AzoxyStar (azoxystrobin)) (6 or 9 fl oz/A)
- Tebuzol 3.6F (tebuconazol) (6-8 fl oz/A)
 - Labeled for control of southwestern cotton rust
 - Puccinia cacabata



AzoxyStar

- PROLINE (prothioconazole)) (5.0-5.7 fl oz/A)
- PRIAXOR (4.0-6.0 fl oz/A)
- MIRAVIS TOP (13.6 fl oz)
- Elatus
- TOPGUARD (flutriafol)







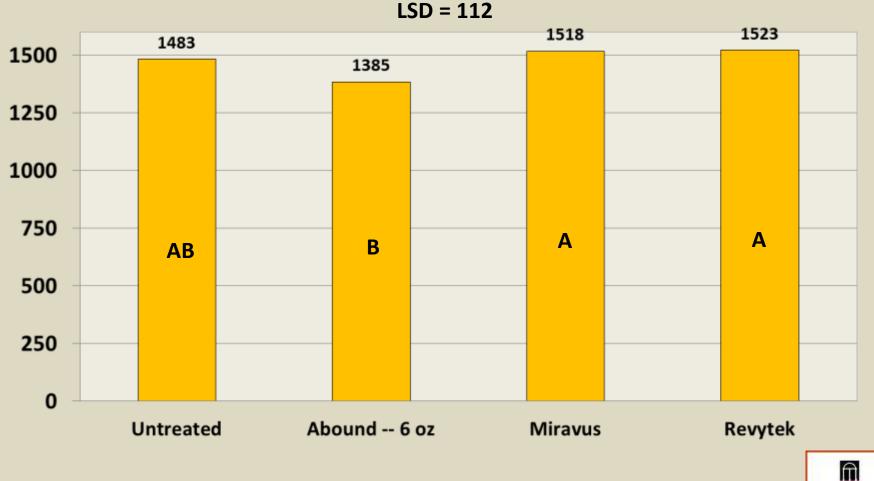
2023 Colquitt County Cotton Fungicide Plot – 50 DAT



2023 Colquitt County Cotton Fungicide Plot – 69 DAT



2023 Colquitt County Cotton Fungicide Plot Bay, Georgia Lint Yield (lb/A)



Fungicide Application 3rd week of bloom. DG 3799 Assuming 40% Turnout

GEORGIA EXTENSION

Conclusions for Areolate Mildew

- Until 2023, use of fungicides always reduced defoliation.
- In 2023, azoxystrobin did not reduce defoliation.
- Until 2023, Priaxor and Miravis Top were best, azoxystrobin better than untreated check.
- In 4 out of 5 trials, yields increased by at least 100 lb lint/A, sometimes more.
- Concern now is that growers likely not able to use azoxystrobin for management of Areolate Mildew.

QUESTIONS

