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## 63 ROOT VEGETABLES

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**Moderator:** Ben Phillips, Michigan State University

- 2:00 PM      Horseradish Production**
- Alan Walters, Southern Illinois University
- 2:30 PM      Lorsban Alternatives for Cabbage Maggot in Brassica Root Crops (OH 2B, 1 hr)**
- Ben Werling, Michigan State University Extension
- 3:00 PM      Organic and Conventional Weed Control in Red Beets (OH 2C, 0.5 hr)**
- Jed Colquhoun, University of Wisconsin
- 3:30 PM      Sweet Potato Production for Michigan: Can We Do It? Yes We Can!**
- Ron Goldy, Michigan State University Extension
- 4:00 PM      Session Ends**



## Organic or conventional, we need to think outside the box!

*Weed Science*  
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**Investigations of 2,4-D and Multiple Herbicide Resistance in a Missouri Waterhemp (*Amaranthus tuberculatus*) Population**

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**Weed Management**

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**Abstract**  
Research was conducted from 2015 to 2017 to investigate the potential for 2,4-D and multiple herbicide resistance in a waterhemp [*Amaranthus tuberculatus* (Muhl.) J. D. Sauer] population from Missouri (designated MO-Ren). In the field, visual control of the MO-Ren population with 0.56 to 4.48 kg 2,4-D ha<sup>-1</sup> ranged from 26% to 77% in 2015 and from 15% to 55% in 2016. The MO-Ren population was highly resistant to chlorimuron, with visual control never exceeding 7% either year. Estimates of the 2,4-D dose required to provide 50% visual control (50% of the MO-Ren population were 1.44 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> compared with only 0.47 kg 2,4-D ha<sup>-1</sup> for the susceptible population. Based on comparisons to a susceptible population in dose-response experiments, the MO-Ren population was approximately 3–6-fold resistant to 2,4-D, and 7-, 22-, and 14-fold resistant to atrazine, fomesafen, glyphosate, and metolachlor, respectively. Dicamba and glufosinate were the only two herbicides that provided effective control of the MO-Ren population in these experiments. Examinations of multiple herbicide resistance at the individual plant level revealed that 10% of the plants of the MO-Ren population contained genes stacked for six-way herbicide resistance, and only 1% of plants were classified as resistant to a single herbicide (glyphosate). Results from these experiments confirm that the MO-Ren *A. tuberculatus* population is resistant to 2,4-D, atrazine, chlorimuron, fomesafen, glyphosate, and metolachlor, making this population the third 2,4-D-resistant *A. tuberculatus* population identified in the United States, and the first population resistant to six different herbicidal modes of action.



## There aren't more herbicides on the way for beets...

AZAFENDIN (DUPONT)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	USE CANCELED
GLETHODIN (ADAMA/ARYSTA/VALENT)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	USE REGISTERED
GLIMAZONE (FMC)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	REQUEST WITHDRAWN
CLOPYRALID (DOWAGR)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	USE REGISTERED
DESMEDIPHAM (BAYER)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	USE REGISTERED
DESMEDIPHAM + PHENMEDIPHAM (BAYER)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	USE REGISTERED
DESMEDIPHAM + PHENMEDIPHAM + ETHOFUMSATE (BAYER)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	DATA MINING PROJECT - NO PCR RECEIVED
DISTYRATIN ETYR (BAYER)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	USE CANCELED
DMETHEMAMID-P (BASF)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	MFG WILL NOT SUPPORT
DNOSIS (NO MFG)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	USE CANCELED
DROTHIAL (LUP)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	MFG WILL NOT SUPPORT
EPFIC (SONNAN)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	REREG USE CANCELED
ETHOFUMSATE (BAYER)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	USE REGISTERED
FLUFENACET (BAYER)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	DATA MINING PROJECT - NO PCR RECEIVED
ALPHACYPRATE (ADAMA/ARYSTA/VALENT)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	USE REGISTERED
HERBICIDE (PRE & POST) (MANY)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	REQUEST WITHDRAWN
RAZOSULFURON (VALENT)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	DATA MINING PROJECT - NO PCR RECEIVED
LNURON (TKI)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	DATA MINING PROJECT - NO PCR RECEIVED
METAMITRON (ADAMA/BAYER)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	DATA MINING PROJECT - NO PCR RECEIVED
PARAQUAT (AMAC/SYNGEN)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	MFG WILL NOT SUPPORT
PENDIMETHALIN (BASIF/LUP)	BEET (GARDEN) (DIAB + ROOT VEGETABLES SUBGROUPS)	01AB	MFG WILL NOT SUPPORT

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## Broadleaf herbicides in red beets

Pre-emergent	Post-emergent
Ro-Neet 6E	Stinger
Dual Magnum (SLN(24c), select states)	Spin-Aid
Nortron SC	Upbeet
	Nortron SC

\*Pesticide labels change often and vary regionally. As always, read and follow the label!\*

## Ro-Neet 6E

Active ingredient	Cycloate
Timing	Pre-plant incorporated, mixed thoroughly in top 2-3 inches
Weed spectrum	Nightshades, common lambsquarters, common purslane, redroot pigweed, shepherdspurse, velvetleaf (suppression), some grasses, nutsedge (prior to emergence)

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## Nortron SC

Active ingredient	Ethofumesate
Timing	Pre-emergent or post-emergent (2 to 8 leaf beets)
Weed spectrum	Wild buckwheat, common chickweed, ladythumb and Pennsylvania smartweed, common lambsquarters, redroot pigweed, common purslane, some annual grasses

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## Dual Magnum

Special Local Needs (24c) label in select states only

Active ingredient	S-metolachlor
Timing	Pre-emergent, 30 day pre-harvest interval
Weed spectrum	Several annual grasses, hairy galinsoga, <i>Amaranthus</i> spp., eastern black nightshade, nutsedge (prior to emergence)

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## Stinger

Active ingredient	Clopyralid
Timing	Post-emergent, 2 to 8 leaf beets, 30 day pre-harvest interval
Weed spectrum	Common ragweed, hairy galinsoga, nightshades, prickly lettuce, annual sowthistle, wild buckwheat

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## Spin-Aid

Active ingredient	Phenmedipham
Timing	Post-emergent, 2 leaf beets or later, 60 day pre-harvest interval
Weed spectrum	Wild mustard, common lambsquarters, shepherdspurse, common chickweed, common ragweed, common purslane, annual sowthistle

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## UpBeet

Active ingredient	Triflurosulfuron methyl
Timing	Post-emergent, 2 to 8 leaf beets, 30 day pre-harvest interval
Weed spectrum	Wild mustard, shepherdspurse, velvetleaf

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## Common themes among red beet herbicides

- Narrow spectrum of weed control, so they often need to be used together and in series
- The post-emergent products control very small weeds
- Limited options from after beet emergence until the 2 leaf beet stage

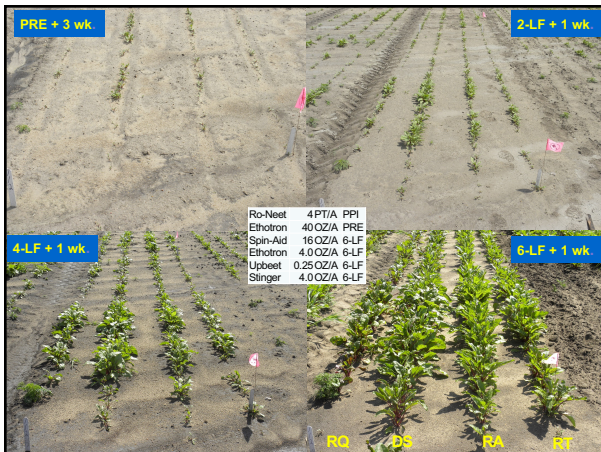


# Beet Herbicide Efficacy Trials

Locations: Silt loam soil – Arlington, WI  
Loamy sand soil – Plover, WI

## Plover Location

Soil Type: Meehan Loamy Sand; OM 1.5-2.5%  
Varieties: Ruby Queen, Detroit Supreme, Red Ace, Red Titan  
Row Spacing: 19"  
Plot Design: 6' x 20', 4 replications, with with one row of each variety per plot



## Red beets: Top yielding treatments across all varieties

3 Dual Magnum	7.62 EC	0.75 PT/A	PRE
Ethionon	4 SC	1 PT/A	PRE
Ethionon	4 SC	5.25 OZ/A	2-LF
Upbeet	50 DF	0.13 OZ/A	2-LF
COC	L	0.25% V/V	2-LF
Spin-Aid	1.3 EC	12 OZ/A	4-LF
Ethionon	4 SC	3 OZ/A	4-LF
Upbeet	50 DF	0.13 OZ/A	4-LF
Slinger	3 SL	4 OZ/A	4-LF
Spin-Aid	1.3 EC	16 OZ/A	6-LF
Ethionon	4 SC	4 OZ/A	6-LF
Upbeet	50 DF	0.25 OZ/A	6-LF
Slinger	3 SL	4 OZ/A	6-LF

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Ethionon	4 SC	4 OZ/A	6-LF
Upbeet	50 DF	0.25 OZ/A	6-LF
Slinger	3 SL	4 OZ/A	6-LF

11 Dual Magnum	7.62 EC	0.75 PT/A	PRE
Ethionon	4 SC	40 OZ/A	PRE
Ethionon	4 SC	10.5 OZ/A	6-LF
Slinger	3 SL	6 OZ/A	6-LF
Upbeet	50 DF	0.5 OZ/A	6-LF
COC	L	0.25% V/V	6-LF

12 Ro-Neet	6 EC	4 PT/A	PPI
Ethionon	4 SC	40 OZ/A	PRE
Spin-Aid	1.3 EC	16 OZ/A	6-LF
Ethionon	4 SC	4 OZ/A	6-LF
Upbeet	50 DF	0.25 OZ/A	6-LF
Slinger	3 SL	4 OZ/A	6-LF



## Lessons from red beet trials

- The loss of a.i. desmedipham (Alphanex, Betanex) is not catastrophic
- Varietal response to herbicides generally minor
- UpBeet provided excellent velvetleaf control
- Stinger in a single application had increased crop safety over a split-application

## Integrated, non-herbicide components of a system

Stale seedbed:

1. Prepare seedbed about 3 weeks prior to planting
2. Allow weeds to germinate, water if necessary
3. Destroy emerged weeds:
  - Flaming
  - Shallow tillage
4. Plant with minimal soil disturbance



## In-row cultivation tools: torsion weeder

- Very simple, affordable design
- Spring-loaded rods vibrate to disrupt young weeds
- Often belly-mounted on a small tractor
- Spacing can be easily changed



## In-row cultivation tools: finger weeder

- Rotating fingers rip weeds from soil
- Often belly-mounted on a small tractor
- Spacing can be easily changed



## In-row cultivation tools: star weeder



Source: Kress & Co.

## Between-row tools: basket weeder

- Rolling baskets rip young weeds from soil
- Faster driving speeds
- Rocky and cloddy soils can be difficult
- Crop and weeds should be young (short)



Source: R. Durgy, Univ. Conn.

## Between-row tools: brush hoe

- Combination of a road sweeper and a hook and ladder fire truck
- Creates dusty layer that reduces further weed germination
  - Dust layer extends into row
- Can destroy fairly large weeds
- Can be operated in fairly moist soil



## Between-row tools: brush hoe



## Thinking ahead: System components to consider next...

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**Beet seed priming with growth regulators**

**Condicionamento fisiológico de sementes de beterraba com reguladores de crescimento**

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**Abstract**

Seed priming is a technique used to induce metabolic germination processes. Use of growth regulators in seed priming may facilitate increments in physiological processes during seed germination. The objective of this study was to evaluate the effect of priming and growth regulators on beet seed germination. The treatments were cultivar type (Early Wonder, Inpaci and Marvilia) and seed priming technique, which included a control (monodistilled water) standard hydropriming (water) and a conditioning with salicylic, gibberellic and ascorbic acids, respectively. The treatments were defined by initially sowing 0, 1, 2 and 4 mM ascorbic, gibberellic and salicylic acids. Before seed priming, inhibitors seed curves were established to determine the optimal conditioning time. After conditioning, the germination, rate of germination, seedling length and seedling dry weight were evaluated. First, the appropriate dosage for conditioning was determined by using a completely randomized experimental design, with four replications per cultivar. Then, a 3 x 3 x 3 (cultivar x conditioning technique) factorial design was adopted. Whenever the results were significant by variance analysis, regression analysis was performed. Finally, Tukey's test was used to compare the means at P=0.05. Beet seed priming alters the potential of germination and is influenced by the cultivar and conditioning technique. Pretreatment with 1-2 mM ascorbic, gibberellic or salicylic acids, respectively, promotes beet seed germination, whereas at 1-3 mM, the growth of roots and shoots of beet seedlings is promoted. The most effective techniques to promote germination and growth of sugar beet seedlings were priming with water, salicylic acid or gibberellic acid.

**Key words:** *Beta vulgaris*. Hydropriming. Gibberellic acid. Salicylic acid. Ascorbic acid.

## Thinking ahead: System components to consider next...

**Effect of foliar spray with benzyladenine and gibberellic acid on growth, yield and some chemical constituents of fodder beet plant (*Beta vulgaris* L.).**

By: El-Dayem, H. M. M.

Annals of Agricultural Science, Moshtohor  
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Published: 1999  
Document Type: Journal article

**Abstract**

Two field experiments were conducted in Egypt during the 1994/95 and 1995/96 season to study the effect of benzyladenine (25, 50 and 100 mg BA/litre) and gibberellic acid (100, 150 and 250 mg GA<sub>3</sub>/litre) applied twice (70 and 90 days after sowing) as foliar spray on the growth, yield and some chemical constituents of the fodder beet plant (cv. Rozsa-szine Beta). Both BA and most GA<sub>3</sub> treatments significantly increased the root length and diameter, total leaf area per plant, fresh and dry weights of both roots and shoots, photosynthetic pigments, endogenous gibberellin- and cytokinin-like substances, percentage and total amount of N, P and K and total carbohydrates in both roots and leaves during most growth periods, as well as the roots and shoots of fodder beet yield and crude protein percentage at harvest time. An opposite trend in root diameter and fresh and dry weights of root yield as well as the percentage and total amount of N and P, total carbohydrates and crude protein percentage in the roots was observed at the treatment with 250 mg GA<sub>3</sub>/litre (high level). The most effective concentrations found in this study that could increase fodder beet yield was 100 mg BA/litre, followed by 50 mg BA/litre, and then 150 mg GA<sub>3</sub>/litre.

## Can plant growth regulators make beets more competitive? 0 mg/L GA      400 mg/L GA



## Thinking ahead: System components to consider next...

**Effect of plant spacing on marketable yield of table beet (*Beta vulgaris* L.).**

By: Gaharwar, A. M. ; Ughade, J. D.  
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Document Type: Journal article

**Abstract**

A field experiment to standardize package of practices for beet root cultivation in Vidarbha region and to find out optimum spacing for higher yield of marketable beet root during the winter seasons of three consecutive years was undertaken. The experiment was conducted in a Randomized Block Design at the farm of Agricultural Research Station (Dr. PDKV), Yavatmal. On the basis of spacing, plants were transplanted at two row spacing viz., 30 cm and 45 cm and in row three plant to plant spacing viz., 10 cm, 20 cm and 30 cm with one separate 45 cm x 45 cm wider spacing plot with three replications. The result indicated that different plant spacing had significantly influenced on shoot fresh weight, beet root fresh weight, diameter of beet root and marketable yield of beet root. Spacings have significant effect on marketable yield of beet root in the three seasons of experimentations. However, TSS content of beet root was significantly influenced with different plant spacing. Beet root sown at closer planting distance 30 cm x 10 cm gave significantly higher marketable root yield but fresh weight of beet root was significantly greater under wider plant spacing.

## Closing thoughts

- Organic or conventional, time to think about a weed control *system* instead of individual *tools* in a tool box
- Areas to consider next:
  - Row spacing
  - Cultivar selection
  - Planting timing
  - Natural plant growth regulators