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2016-2018 Garlic Fusarium Trial Results: Part II: Nitrogen and Fungicides/Sanitizers

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Effect of Nitrogen on Fusarium of Garlic: Treatments



Nitrogen Rate:

- 50 lb/A
- 100 lb/A
- 150 lb/A
- Urea (46-0-0 NPK), broadcast by area Apr 13, 2017

Seed Source:

- Crystal German Hardneck
- Swedan German Hardneck
- Infested German Hardneck
- Planted: Oct 26, 2016
- P: 50 lb/A as MAP (11-52-0) + K: 100 lb/A as potash (0-0-60) on Oct 25



Infested seed

Effect of Nitrogen on Fusarium of Garlic: Trial Design – Batavia, NY



- 6-inch plant spacing
- 15-inch row spacing
- Flat bed
- Chateau 6 oz after planting in fall





Effect of Nitrogen on Fusarium of Garlic: Trial Design – Batavia, NY



Top necks to 4-6-inch



Curing: high tunnel with shade cloth



Storage: inside front door of steel barn in mesh bags

Effect of Nitrogen on Fusarium of Garlic: Trial Design – Batavia, NY





Yield assessment: Sept 26 & 28



Sub-sample 1 clove per 10-bulb random sample

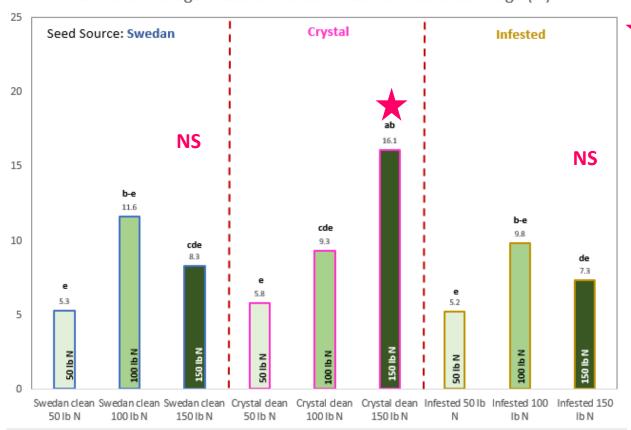


Estimate % clove coverage
With Fusarium
Nov 1

Effect of Nitrogen on Fusarium Garlic: 2017 Results – % Clove Coverage (Nov 1)



Effect of Nitrogen Rate on Percent Fusarium Clove Coverage (%)

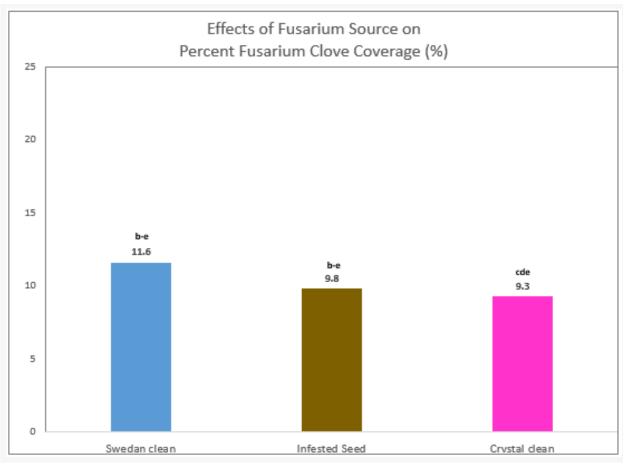


In Crystal, 150 lb N
resulted in significantly
almost 2x as much
Fusarium as 100 lb N and
3x as much as 50 lb N.

50 lb N consistently had least Fusarium (<6%).

Effect of Nitrogen on Fusarium Garlic: 2017 Results – % Clove Coverage (Nov 1)





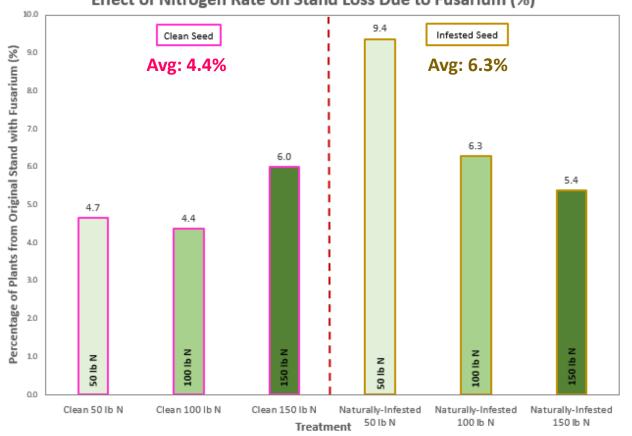
No significant differences among sources, not even in the infested seed lot

Where did the Fusarium go?

Effect of Nitrogen on Fusarium Garlic: 2017 Results – % Stand Loss due to Fusarium



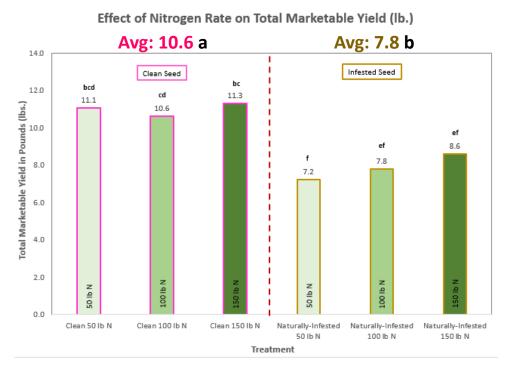


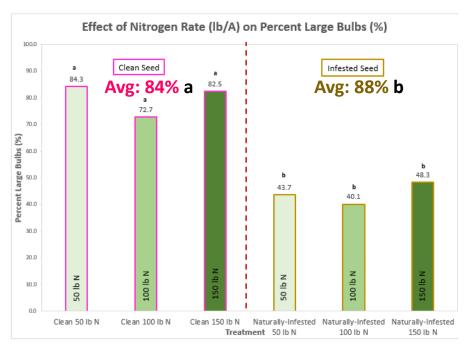


No significant differences among N rates or seed source

Effect of Nitrogen on Fusarium Garlic: 2017 Results – Yield (Sep 19)







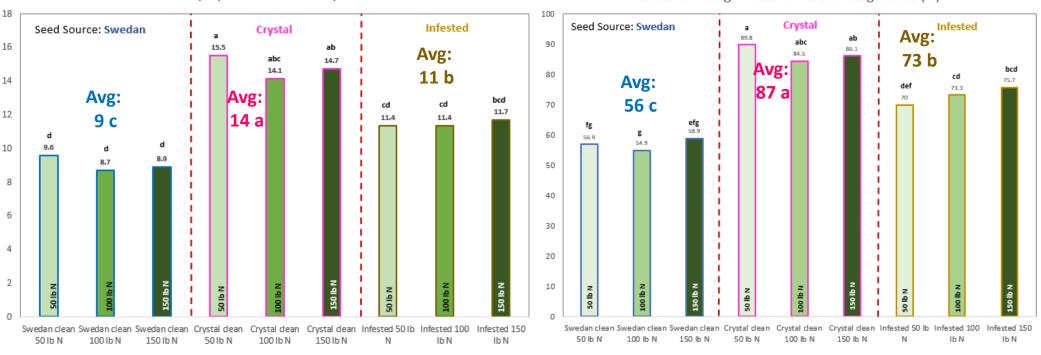
No response to applied nitrogen between 50 and 150 lb/A Seed Source had greatest effect on yield – infested seed had lowest yield

Effect of Nitrogen on Fusarium Garlic: 2017 Results – Yield (Sep 26 & 27)



Effect of Nitrogen Rate on Total Marketable Yield (lb per 40 feet of row)

Effect of Nitrogen Rate on Percent Large Bulbs (%)

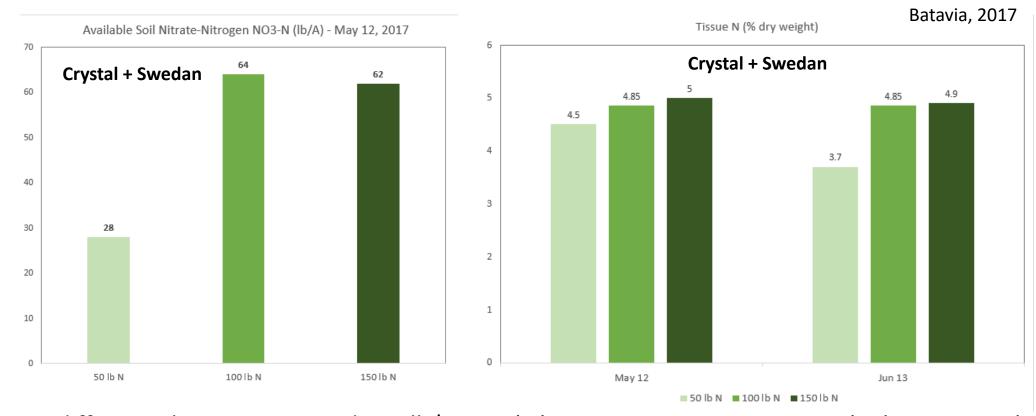


No response to applied nitrogen between 50 and 150 lb/A

Seed Source had greatest effect on yield – infested seed not the lowest yield

Effect of Nitrogen on Fusarium Garlic: 2017 Results – Soil NO₃-N and Tissue N



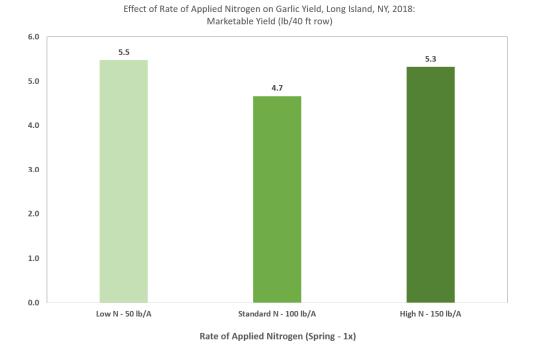


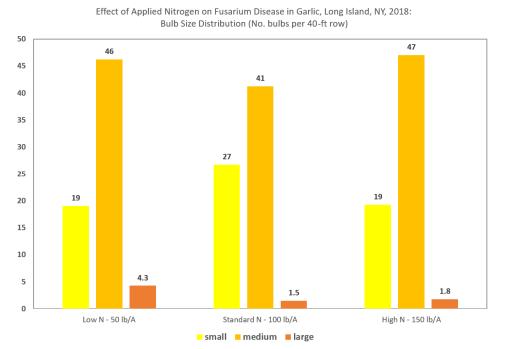
No difference between 100 and 150 lb/A

Slight increase in tissue N as applied N increased

Effect of Nitrogen on Fusarium Garlic: 2018 Results – Yield (Jul 9 & 10)







No response to applied nitrogen between 50 and 150 lb/A

Effect of Nitrogen on Fusarium Garlic: 2018 Trial in Albion



• Planted: Oct 20, 2017

• Plant Spacing: 6-inch

• Row spacing: 7-inch

Planted flat, grower hilled

 Chateau 6 oz in fall after planting



Oct 26, 2017

Effect of Nitrogen on Fusarium Garlic: 2018 Trial in Albion



Seed Source:

 Clean bulbs from 2017 trial (Crystal & Swedan)

Seed Size:

- Medium Bulbs (1.5-2 inch)
- Large Bulbs (>2 inch)

Nitrogen Rate:

- 0 lb/A
- 50 lb/A
- 100 lb/A
- 150 lb/A

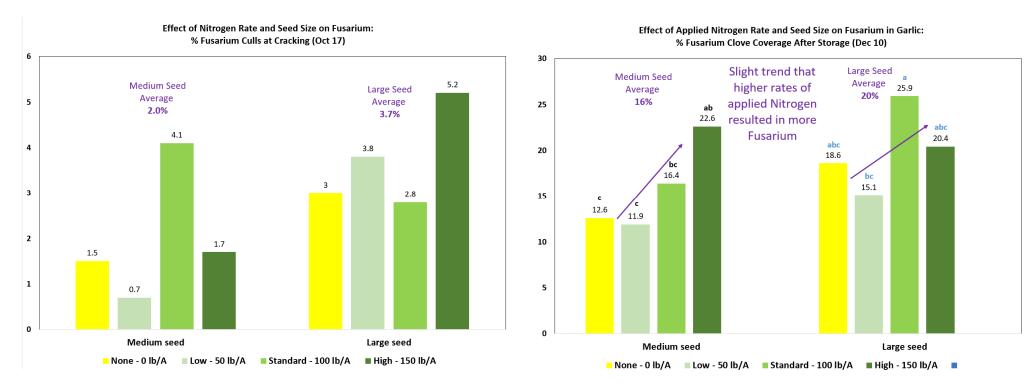
Urea (46-0-0) applied concentrated over each row (Apr-23 2018)



Seed from Medium Bulbs (1.5-2") Seed from Large Bulbs (>2")

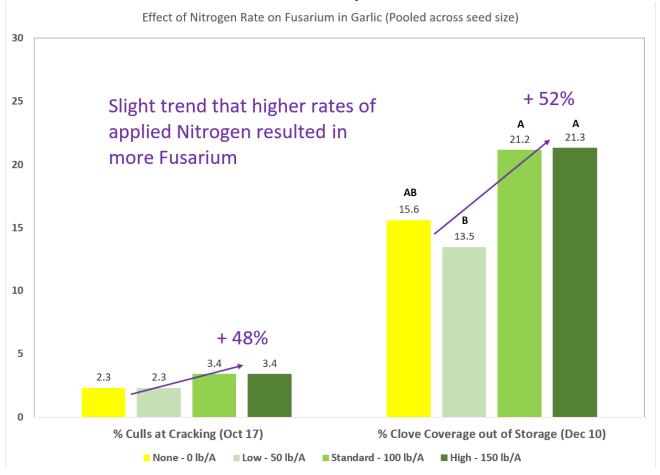
Effect of Nitrogen on Fusarium Garlic: 2018 Results - Fusarium





Slight trend that large seed has more Fusarium

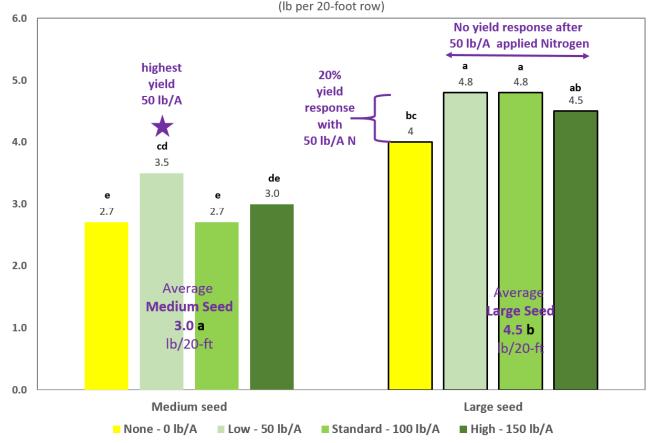
Effect of Nitrogen on Fusarium Garlic: 2018 Results – Fusarium (Pooled across seed size)



Effect of Nitrogen on Fusarium Garlic: 2018 Results – Yield (Oct 17)

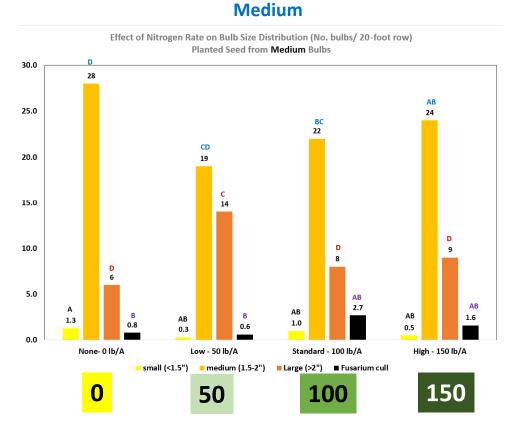






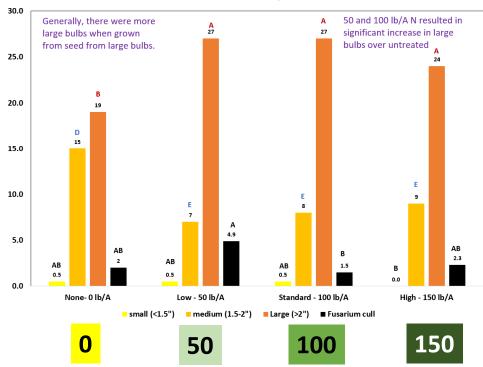
Effect of Nitrogen on Fusarium Garlic: 2018 Results – Bulb Size Distribution (Oct 17)







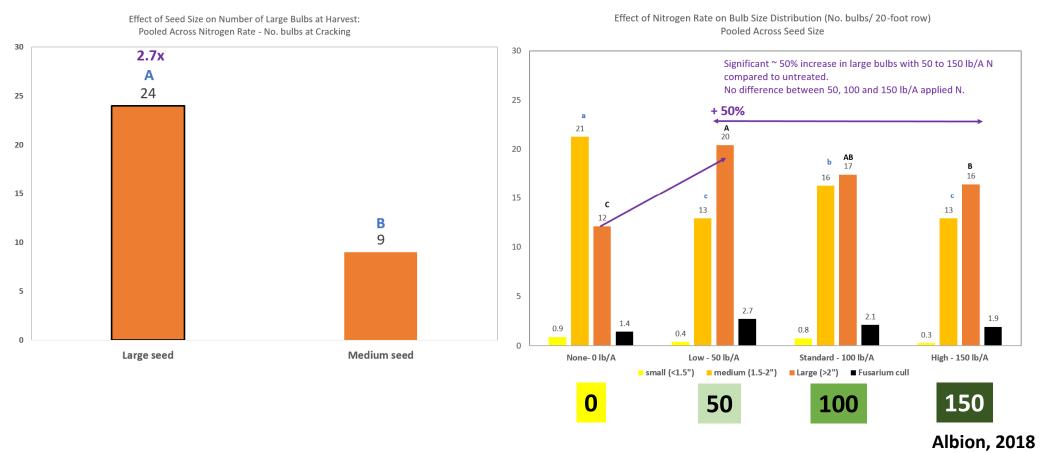
Large



Albion, 2018

Effect of Nitrogen on Fusarium Garlic: 2018 Results – Pooled Data

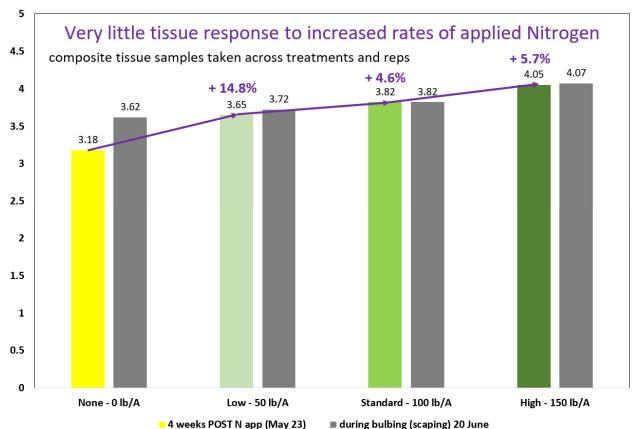




Effect of Nitrogen on Fusarium Garlic: 2018 Results – Tissue %N

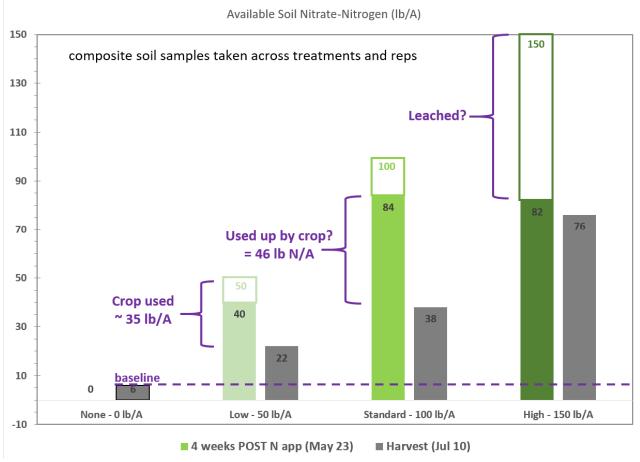


Foliar Nitrogen (% dry weight)



Effect of Nitrogen on Fusarium Garlic: 2018 Results – Available NO₃-N in Soil





Effect of Nitrogen on Garlic: Summary



- In 2 out of 7 datasets (= 29%), Fusarium clove coverage was higher with higher rates of applied N:
 - 2017 Batavia Crystal: 150 lb/A (16%) 2x more than 100 lb/A (9.3%), 3x more than 50 lb/A (6%)
 - 2018 Albion Medium Seed: 100 & 150 lb/A (~19%) greater than 0 & 50 lb/A (~12%)
 - 2018 Albion Large Seed: 100 & 150 lb/A (~23%) greater than 0 & 50 lb/A (~17%)
 - NOT ENOUGH OF A RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN NITROGEN & FUSARIUM TO BE RELEVANT
- In 8 out of 8 datasets (= 100%), no difference in yield between 50, 100 and 150 lb/A applied nitrogen
 - 50 lb/A resulted in significantly 20% higher total yield due to 1.4x to 2.3x more large bulbs
- Garlic only needs 50 lb/A nitrogen (available in spring when crop begins to grow)
- Seed size was the most important factor associated with yield
 - Seed from large bulbs had significantly almost 3x greater yield than seed from medium bulbs

Clean Garlic Seed Artificial Fusarium Inoculation











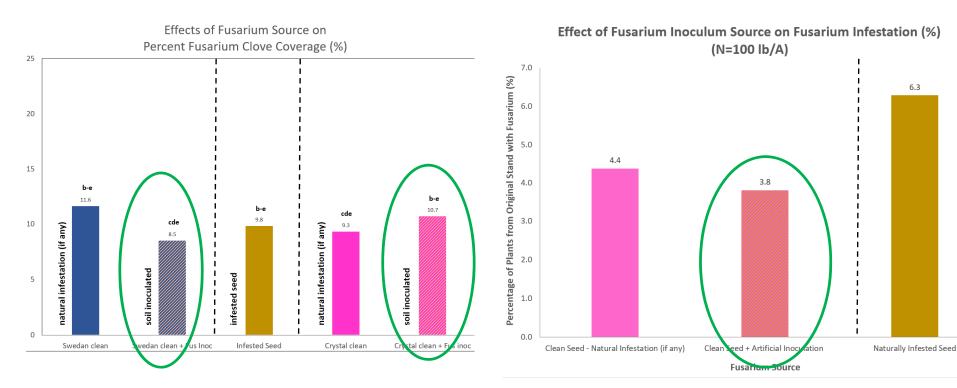


Clean Garlic Seed Artificial Fusarium Inoculation



Batavia, 2017

Long Island, 2017



Artificial inoculation had no effect on incidence of Fusarium disease

Evaluation of Sanitizers for Fusarium Control: Treatments (100 lb/A N)



- Swedan Clean Oxidate 1% dip
- Crystal Clean Oxidate 1% dip
- Fusarium-infested Seed Oxidate 1% dip
- Swedan Clean Furrow artificial inoculation Oxidate 1% dip
- Swedan Clean Oxidate 1% dip + Terraclean/Terragrow drench
- Fuarium infested Seed Oxidate 1% dip + Terraclean/Terragrow drench
- Swedan Clean Furrow artificial inoculation Oxidate 1% dip + Terraclean/Terragrow drench

Evaluation of Sanitizers for Fusarium Control:

Treatments





Oxidate 1% 2 min dip Plant wet

Terraclean: hydrogen peroxide, peroxyacetic acid



Terraclean 1:500 dilution fb. Terragrow 1 oz/100 gal 4 hours between Terraclean & Terragrow 2000 ml per 20-ft

Terragrow: microbe package



Bacillus licheniformis
Bacillus subtilis
Bacillus pumilus
Bacillus amyloliquefaciens
Bacillus megaterium
Trichoderma harzianum
Trichoderma reesei
Humic Acids (derived from leonardite)
Soy Protein Hydrolysate (microbial nutrient)
Kelp (Ascophyllum nodosum) (microbial nutrient)
Molasses (microbial nutrient)



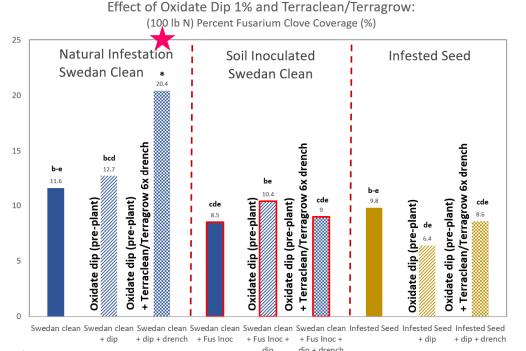
Applied every 2 weeks: Apr 18, May 3, May 17, Jun 1&2, Jun 13, Jun 28

Evaluation of Sanitizers for Fusarium Control: Results – Incidence of Fusarium

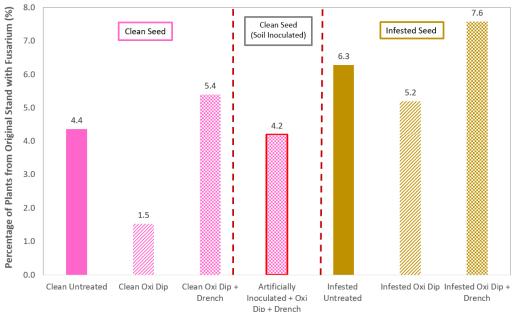


Batavia, 2017

Long Island, 2017



Effect of Oxidate Dip 1% and Terraclean/Terragrow Drench on Fusarium Infestation (N=100 lb/A)



Significantly highest Fusarium with Oxidate Dip + Terra drenches Otherwise, no significant differences

No significant differences

Evaluation of Sanitizers for Fusarium Control: Results - Marketable Yield

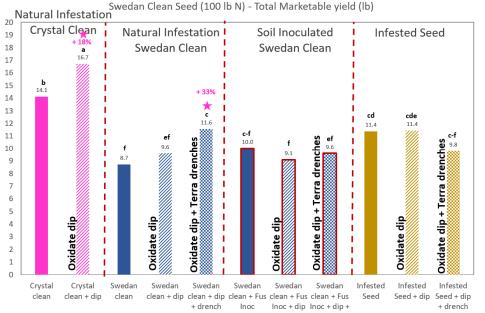


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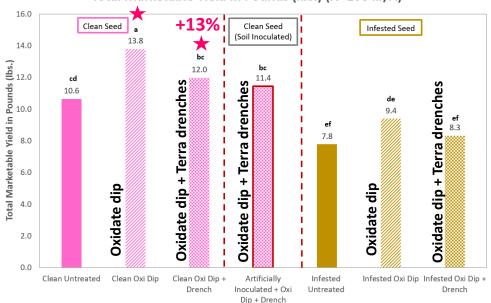
Long Island, 2017 +30%

Effect of Oxidate Dip 1% and Terraclean/Terragrow:

Swedan Clean Seed (100 lb N) - Total Marketable yield (lb)



Effect of Oxidate Dio 1% and Terraclean/Terragrow Drench on Total Marketable Yield in Pounds (lbs.) (N=100 lb/A)



Only when seed was clean or when furrow not artificially inoculated did Oxidate or Oxidate + Terra drenches significantly increase yield by 13 to 33%. (Yield bump not related to Fusarium control).

Evaluation of Fungicides for Fusarium Control: Treatments – Albion, 2018



Trade Name	Active ingredient	FRAC Group	Application
Maxim 4FS	fludioxonil	7	Seed slurry
Vibrance	sedoxane	12	Seed slurry
Serifel Reatshaild Plus	Bacillus amyliliquefaciens strain MBI 600 Trichoderma	??	In-furrow at planting In-season drench: May 9, 23, Jun 8, 20
Rootsheild Plus	harzianum, T. virens	((2 min seed dip
Terraclean	hydrogen peroxide, peroxyacetic acid	sanitizer	2 min seed dip
Terraclean Terragrow	See above Microbe package	Sanitizer 44	In-furrow drench at planting In-season drench: Apr 23, May 9, 23, Jun 8, 20

Evaluation of Fungicides for Fusarium Control: **Treatments**







Clean Seed (2016 Infested Seed)

Fusarium Culls

Evaluation of Fungicides for Fusarium Control: 2018 Results: Fusarium-infested vs. Clean Seed



Fusarium-Infested Clean

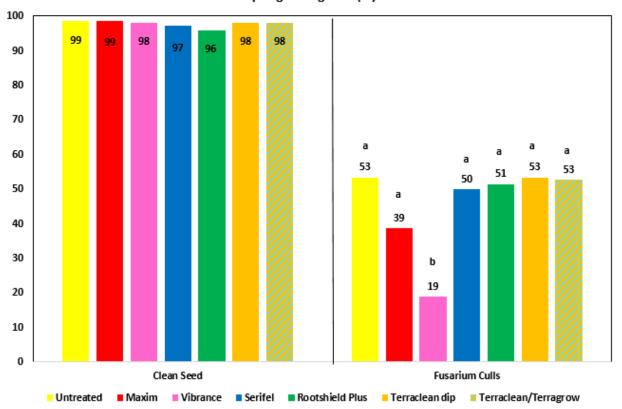


Fusarium-Infested

Clean

Evaluation of Fungicides for Fusarium Control: 2018 Results: Fusarium-infested vs. Clean Seed

Fungicide Evaluation for Control of Fusarium Basal Rot in Garlic, Holley, 2018: Spring Emergence (%)



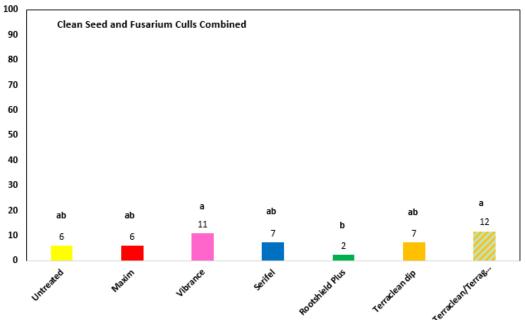
Planting Fusarium culls reduced stand by ~50%

No significant differences among treatments, EXCEPT Vibrance had significantly lower emergence than other treatments in Fusarium-infested seed.

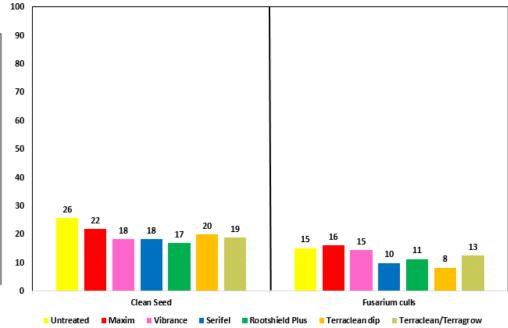
Evaluation of Fungicides for Fusarium Control: 2018 Results: Incidence of Fusarium



Fungicide Evaluation for Control of Fusarium Basal Rot in Garlic, Holley, 2018: Percent (%) Fusarium culls at Cracking (Oct 3 & 4)



Fungicide Evaluation for Control of Fusarium Basal Rot in Garlic, Holley, 2018: Mean Fusarium Clove Coverage (%) December 10



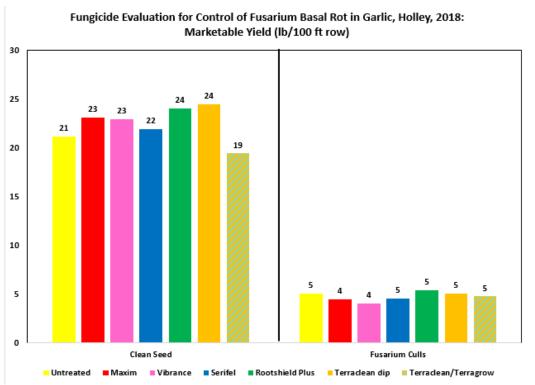
Evaluation of Fungicides for Fusarium Control: 2018 Results: Marketable Yield

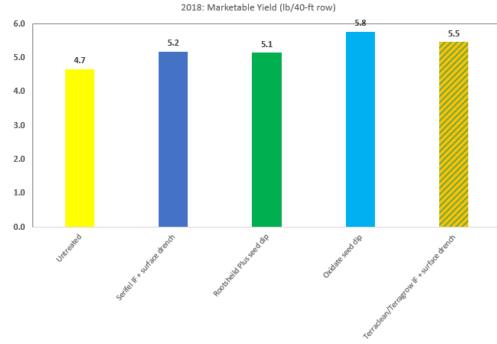


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Long Island, 2018

Evaluation of Fungicide Treatments for Control of Fusarium Diseases in Garlic, Long Island,





No significant differences

Evaluation of Sanitizers and Fungicides for Fusarium Control: Summary



- Sanitizers applied as a pre-plant dip and/or fb. Terra products applied bi-weekly as a surface drench:
 - NO EFFECT on Fusarium.
 - In 2 out of 6 (=50%) of the data sets, had significantly higher marketable yield by 13 to 33%.
- Planting seed severely infested with Fusarium reduced emergence by ~50% in 2018 and not at all in 2017 – WHY???
- First year fungicide trial results did not yield any promising leads for Maxim (FRAC 7), Vibrance (FRAC 12), Serifel (FRAC 44) or Rootshield Plus.

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Questions? Discussion



