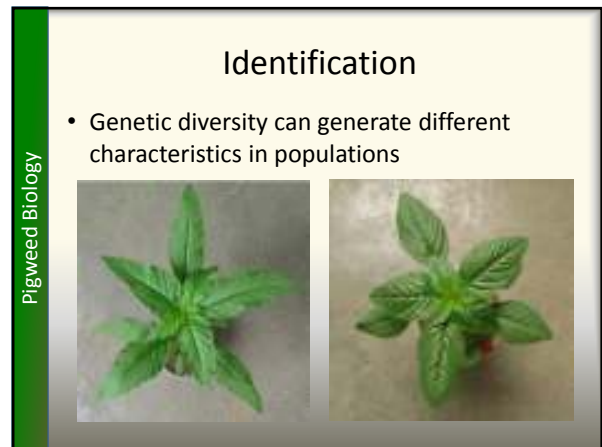
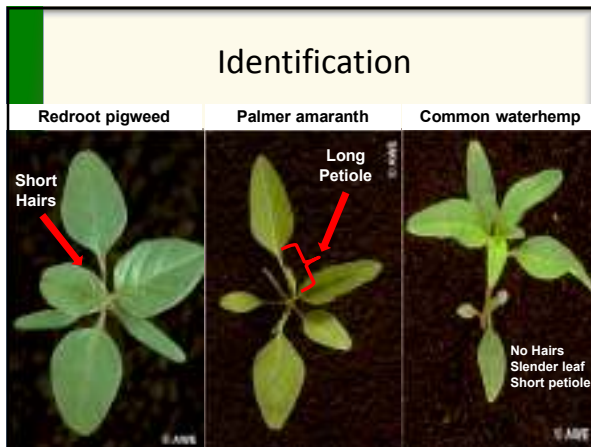


# Pigweed Management

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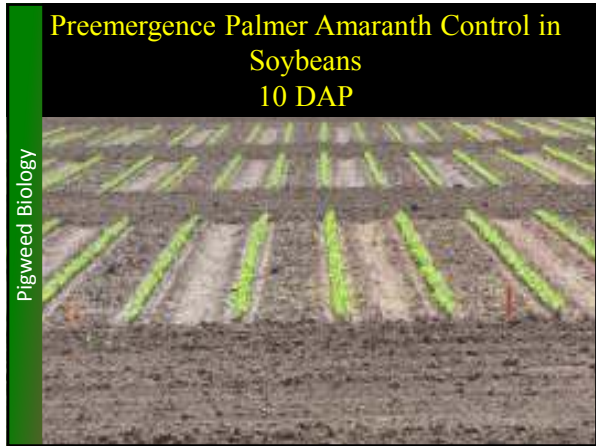
- ## Outline
- Identification/Competitiveness
  - Genetic Variability
  - Herbicide Resistance
  - Manage Resistance



### Pigweed Competition

Palmer amaranth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Height from 6 to 10 ft tall</li> <li>• Up to 500,000 seed/plant</li> <li>• Soy yield losses up to 79% at 8 plants/3ft-row</li> </ul>
Common waterhemp	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Height from 6 to 9 ft tall</li> <li>• Up to 2 million seed/plant</li> <li>• Soy yield losses up to 56% at 8 plants/3ft-row</li> </ul>
Redroot pigweed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Height from 5 to 8 ft tall</li> <li>• Up to 400,000 seed/plant</li> <li>• Soy yield losses up to 38% at 8 plants/3ft-row</li> </ul>

- ### Treatment of Weeds at Proper Size
- Rate of Growth when temperatures are in the 80's and 90's
    - Especially true with Palmer amaranth



Pigweed Biology

### Pigweed Pollination


- Redroot pigweed, smooth pigweed, and prostrate pigweed are monoecious
  - Male and female parts on same plant
- Palmer amaranth and common waterhemp are dioecious plants
  - Male and female parts on separate plants
- Amaranth can cross pollinate between species
  - Potentially transfer resistance genes

Pigweed Biology


### Pigweed Pollen Shape

- Pollen shape differences between species
  - Dioecious species generally more apertures

Prostrate pigweed



Common waterhemp




Franssen et. al.

Pigweed Biology

### Cultural Practices to Reduce Weed Pressure

- Pollen viability
  - Common waterhemp pollen shown to be viable up to 120h in greenhouse
- Pollen spread
  - Decreased fertilization with greater distances
    - Within 165 ft from pollen source
  - Distances up to a half mile were observed in field studies

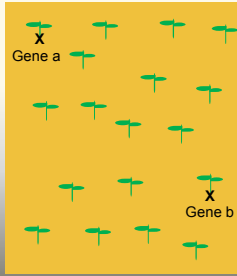


Liu et. al, 2012

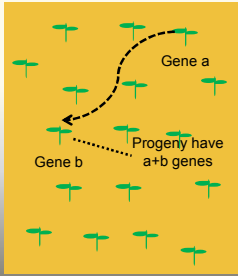
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### Pollination and Multi-Genes Resistance

Monoecious resistance





Dioecious resistance



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### Cultural Practices to Reduce Weed Pressure


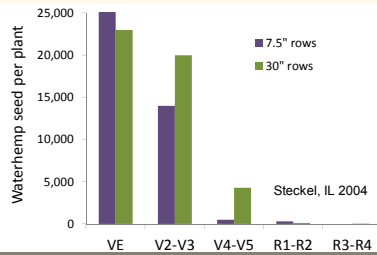
- Crop rotation
  - Crop suppression and use of different herbicide modes of action
- Mechanical
  - Inter-row cultivation
  - Rouging escapes
  - Deep plowing
    - Bury seed
- Crop competitiveness
  - Seeding rates?
  - Narrow row?

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### Narrow Row Weed Suppression

- Across 6 site years, narrow row soybean suppressed 60% of *Amaranthus* (Bell, AR '15; Schultz, MO '15; Steckel, IL '04)
- Seed suppression across soybean growth stage and row spacing

Growth Stage	7.5" rows	30" rows
VE	~24,000	~22,000
V2-V3	~14,000	~20,000
V4-V5	~1,000	~4,000
R1-R2	~1,000	~1,000
R3-R4	~1,000	~1,000

**Iowa State University**  
**What is the Cost of Late Season Waterhemp?**  
 by Dan Hartzler

Do the math...

1 plant/15ft of row = 24.4 mil seed/ac

If 60% enter seed bank and 6% emerge = 878,000 plants/ac

If your herbicide program is 95% effective = 1 plant/ft<sup>2</sup>

4 to 11 inches above the canopy = 71,000 seeds per plant

2 to 5 feet above the canopy = 224,000 seeds per plant

### Narrow Row Weed Suppression

- Yield losses can be reduced with narrow rows when under high weed pressure (Steckel, IL 2004)

Growth Stage	7.5" rows	30" rows
VE	~45	~45
V2-V3	~15	~25
V4-V5	~5	~10
R1-R2	~2	~5
R3-R4	~1	~3

### Cover crop suppression of weeds

- Cover crops suppress weed emergence
  - Significantly reduced populations and seed production
  - Common waterhemp populations built over time but significantly less in cover crop treatments
    - Can't rely entirely on CC for weed control

Davis, A., 2010, Univ. Ill

### Herbicide Resistance

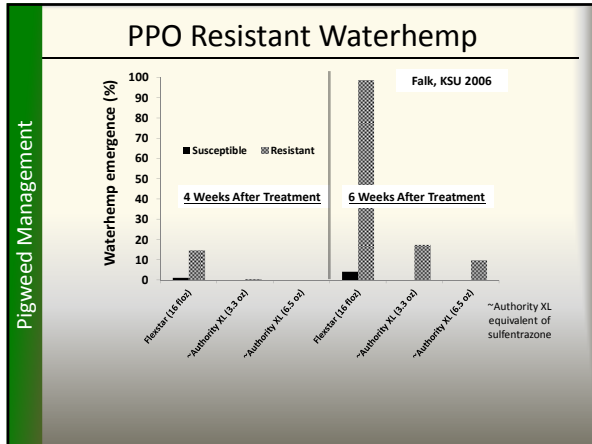
- Palmer and waterhemp have developed resistance across seven herbicide MOA (Heap 2015)
  - Dinitroaniline (Palmer): Treflan, Prowl
  - Triazine Resistance: Atrazine, Sencor
  - ALS Resistance: numerous Finesse, Pursuit, FirstRate
  - PPO Resistance (Waterhemp): Cobra, Flexstar, Sharpen
  - Glyphosate Resistance: Roundup, Touchdown
  - HPPD Resistance: Callisto, Armazon, Laudis, Balance
  - 2,4-D Resistance (Waterhemp):

### Herbicide Resistance Inheritance

- ALS and triazine resistance in pigweeds complete insensitivity to herbicide
  - Triazine also recently found to be metabolic resistance
- Waterhemp resistance to PPO herbicides is by one gene resistance
  - Resistant plants will show symptoms but won't die
- PPO resistant waterhemp may be common in KS
  - Resistance in KS, IL, MO

### PPO Resistant Waterhemp

- Although resistant to PPO herbicides postemergence, plants will be susceptible to PPO herbicides applied preemergence
  - Authority, Valor, Reflex, Sharpen



### Glyphosate Resistance

- The mechanism of glyphosate resistance in pigweed is increased expression of the EPSPS enzyme
- Multiple copies of EPSPS in individual plants explains varying response to glyphosate within a population

#### Greenhouse Population

Treatments:  
Pre: Pursuit (20x)  
Post: Atrazine (1x) + Cobra (1x) + Glyphosate (2x)

Susc: ALS  
Susc: Atz  
Susc: PPO  
Susc: Gly

#### Field Population

Treatments:  
Pre: Pursuit  
Post 2": Atrazine  
Post 5": Cobra + Glyphosate

Res: ALS  
Res: Atz  
Res: PPO  
Res: Gly

Bell, Tranel, Hager, U of Illinois

### HPPD resistant waterhemp and Palmer amaranth

**IA, IL, and NE in corn seed production fields**

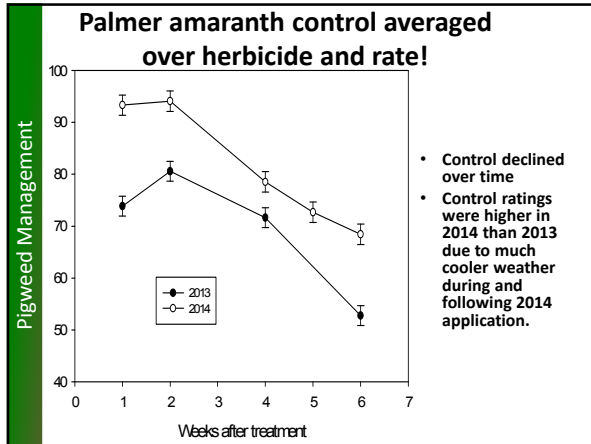
**Kansas in wheat / sorghum rotation**

### Impact/Armezon dose response.

Unt 1/32X 1/16X 1/8X 1/4X 1/2X X=.75oz 2x 4x 8x

### HPPD resistant Palmer amaranth control with PRE herbicides, Seward (Thompson, Peterson 2013)

Treatment (PRE applied)	Product/acre	3 WAT	6 WAT
Atrazine	1.5 qt	87	23
Evik DF	1.5 lb	87	23
Callisto	5.4 oz	99	85
Callisto + atrazine	5.4 oz + 1.5 qt	100	92
Balance Flexx + atrazine	6 oz + 1.5 qt	100	75
Balance Flx + atz + Zidua	6 oz + 1.5 qt + 4 oz	100	96
Corvus + Atrazine	5.6 + 1.5 qt	98	75
Lumax EZ	2.7 qt	100	93
Lumax EZ + Tricor 75DF	2.7 qt + 7 oz	100	96
Harness Extra 5.6L	2.3 qt	100	72
LSD (0.05)		5	13

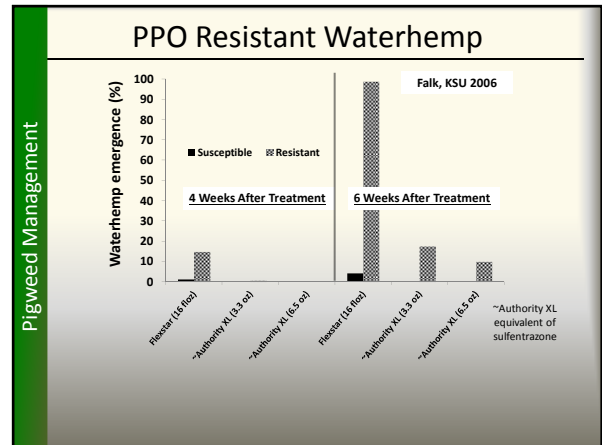


### So What's the Answer?

- Incorporate cultural practices previously mentioned
- Start using a more rigorous preemergence residual herbicide program

### Glyphosate Resistant Waterhemp and Palmer Amaranth Control

- Utilize an integrated approach incorporating preemergence residual herbicides with different MOA
- Foundation preemergence herbicides
  - Sorghum: Atrazine Premixes, Lexar/Lumax, Verdict
  - Corn: Atrazine/acetamide premixes, Lexar/Lumax, Balance Flexx, Corvus, Verdict, Accuron
  - Soybeans: Prefix, Authority Elite, Trivence, Boundary, Fierce, Optil Pro, Warrant Ultra



### HERBICIDE CLASSIFICATION

DUPLICATE USE OF HERBICIDES WITH THE SAME SITE OF ACTION CAN RESULT IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF HERBICIDE RESISTANT WEED POPULATIONS.

**Take ACTION**  
Agriculture's Commitment to Sustainability

**by ACTION** **by PREMIER**

WEED SPECIES	HERBICIDE	MOA	WEED SPECIES	HERBICIDE	MOA
Palmer Amaranth	Atrazine	ALS	Palmer Amaranth	Metribuzin	PSII
Palmer Amaranth	Metribuzin	PSII	Palmer Amaranth	Glufosinate	EPSP
Palmer Amaranth	Glufosinate	EPSP	Palmer Amaranth	Acetochloric acid	PPO
Palmer Amaranth	Acetochloric acid	PPO	Palmer Amaranth	Fluroxypyr	Auxin
Palmer Amaranth	Fluroxypyr	Auxin	Palmer Amaranth	2,4-D	Auxin
Palmer Amaranth	2,4-D	Auxin	Palmer Amaranth	Trifluralin	ALS
Palmer Amaranth	Trifluralin	ALS	Palmer Amaranth	Imazamox	ALS
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### WSSA Site of Action Classification

- Number system assigned to different Herbicide Sites of Action
  - ACCase inhibitors: Assure, Select, Poast, Fusion, etc
  - ALS inhibitors: Sulfonylureas, Imidazoliones, etc
  - Auxin receptors: 2,4-D, dicamba, Tordon, etc
  - Photosystem II inhibitors: atrazine, metribuzin, etc
  - EPSP inhibitor: glyphosate
  - Glutamine Synthetase inhibitor: Liberty
  - PPO inhibitors: Valor, Spartan, Sharpen, Cobra, Cadet, etc
  - Long Chain Fatty Acid Inhibitors: Dual, Harness, Outlook, Zidua, etc
  - HPPD inhibitors: Balance, Callisto, Laudis, Armezon, Huskie, etc

**GROUP 2/14/15 HERBICIDE**

**VALOR<sup>®</sup>**

**FIERCE XLT<sup>®</sup>**  
SOYBEAN WEA HERBICIDE

**BROADLEAF WEED AND ANNUAL GRASS HERBICIDE FOR RESIDUAL CONTROL AND/OR SUPPRESSION OF WEEDS IN SOYBEAN**

Active Ingredient By Wt

Chlorimethoxy <sup>1</sup>	8.67%
Pyrifosulfuron <sup>2</sup>	24.52%
Pyraclofosulfuron <sup>3</sup>	31.17%
Other Ingredients	35.64%
Total	100.00%

<sup>1</sup> Ethyl 2-[[[4-chloro-6-methoxyphenoxy]methyl]amino]carbamate  
<sup>2</sup> 1,1,1-trifluoro-2,4-dihydro-3-oxo-4H-pyridin-3-one  
<sup>3</sup> propyl 6-(2,4,6-trichloro-5-yl)-4,5,6-trihydro-1H-imidazole-5-carboxylate  
<sup>4</sup> 2-[[[4-(difluoromethyl)-1-methyl-3-trifluoromethyl-5-pyridyl]amino]ethyl]-4,5-dihydro-5H-imidazole

**PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE):**  
Applicators and other handlers must wear: long-sleeved shirt and long pants, chemical-resistant gloves made of waterproof material such as polyethylene or polyvinyl chloride, socks and shoes.

For aerial application in soybeans, wheat and corn we must also wear: PFC respirator.

Follow the manufacturer's instructions for cleaning/maintaining PPE. If no such instructions for washables exist, use detergent and hot water. Keep and wash PPE separately from other laundry.

**USER SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS:**  
Users should:  
• Wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco or using the toilet.  
• Remove clothing immediately if pesticide gets inside. Then wash thoroughly and put in clean clothing.  
• Remove PPE immediately after handling this product. Wash the outside of gloves before removing. As soon as possible, wash thoroughly and change into clean clothing.

**ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS:**  
This product is toxic to non-target plants and aquatic

**2015 Chemical Weed Control**

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**Herbicide Site of Action Designation**

Site of Action: 2,4-Dichlorophenoxyacetate (2,4-D) (Group 2) (Residual) (Pre-emergence) (Broadleaf and Grasses)

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**Soybean Weed Control Calendar**

Timeline: Mar 10 (Marestalk), Apr 20 (Pigweed), May 20 (Zidua, Reflex), Jun 20, Jul 20

Plant Crop: Mar 10 - Jun 20  
Crop Canopy: Jun 20 - Jul 20

- Foundation preemergence herbicides (No more than 1 to 2 weeks preplant)
  - Soybeans: Authority, Valor, Fierce, Trivence, Prefix, Dual, Verdict, Zidua, Prowl

**Soybean Pre Herbicide Solubility**

Dual Authority	Sencor	Reflex
30d*	32d	45d 100d

water soluble: active with less rainfall (blue arrow pointing right)

less water soluble: active with rain (green arrow pointing left)

Prowl	Treflan	Valor	Zidua
25d	23d	15d	25d

\* Approximate half life of herbicide according to the 2014 Herbicide Handbook

**Preemergence Residual Herbicides Critical for Weed Control in Crops**

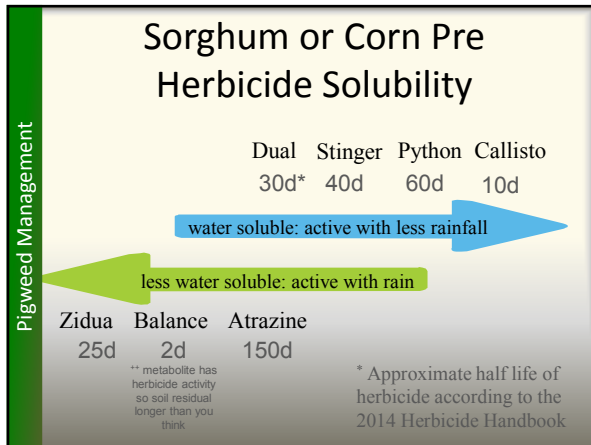
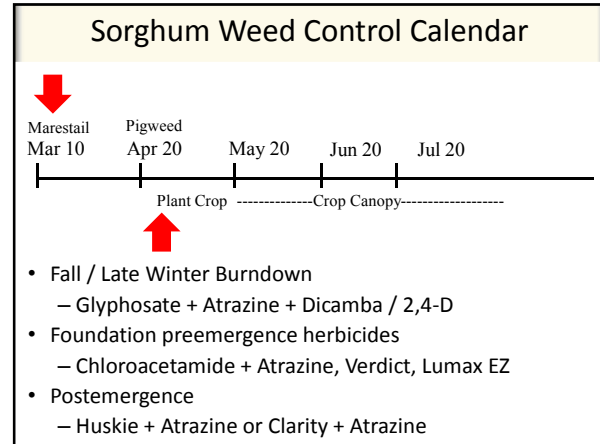
- 3 major processes govern herbicide fate in soil
  - Chemical (adsorption, acid hydrolysis)
  - Physical (leaching, volatility, photo degradation)
  - Microbial degradation
- Longevity and fate of herbicide is dependent on
  - Clay content, pH, organic matter, soil moisture, microbial population

*All these factors influence availability and phytotoxicity of residual herbicides*

**Pigweed Management**

Preemergence weed control (3 WAP) at Manhattan (Peterson and Thompson 2014)

Herbicide	Rate	Paam	Vele	Iimg
		-----(%)-----		
Fierce	3 oz	100	100	70
Sonic	3 oz	92	70	70
Sonic	6 oz	96	88	88
Surveil (Valor+FirstRate)	2.4 oz	100	100	78
Trivence	8 oz	100	100	75
Prefix	2 pt	98	20	30
Boundary	2 pt	100	80	13
LSD (5%)				



**Pigweed Management**

Weed control in sorghum, Manhattan (Thompson and Peterson 2014)

Treatment	Timing	Rate	% control		Yield Bu/a
			Palmer	VELE	
Lumax EZ	Pre	2.7 qt	99	100	110
Huskie+atrazine	POST	13oz + 1 pt	84	100	100
H+A+2,4-D LV4	POST	13+1+4 oz	89	100	88
H+A+Starane Ultra	POST	13+1+6.4 oz	93	100	105
H+A+Clarity	POST	13+1+4 oz	90	100	108
Starane NXT+Atra	POST	14 fl oz+1pt	77	87	76
Dual II Magnum/Huskie+atrazine	Pre	1.3 pt	100	100	105
Dual II Magnum/Clarity+Atrazine	Pre	1.3 pt/	89	85	105
Dual II Magnum/Aim EC+Atrazine	Pre	1.3 pt/	97	94	103
LSD (0.05)	POST	0.5 oz+1 pt	8	4	16

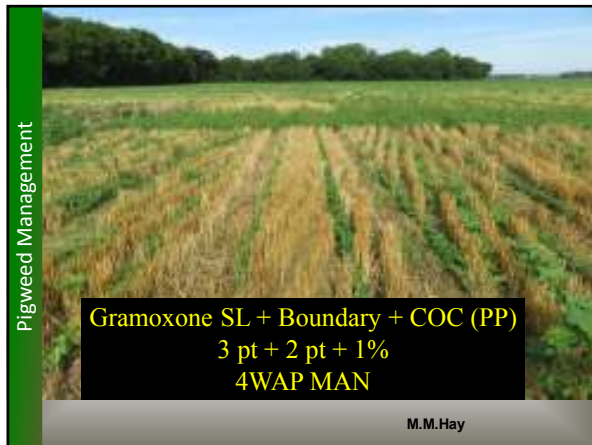
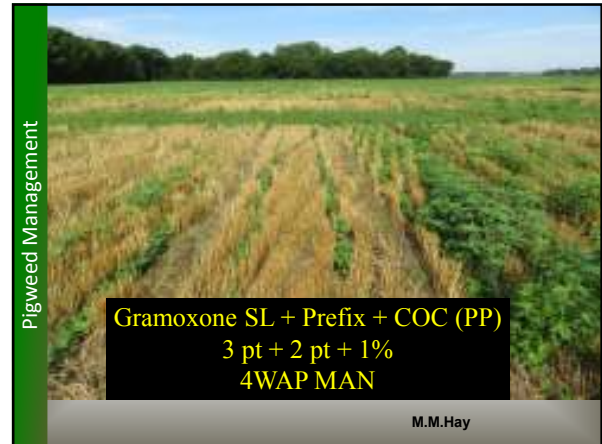
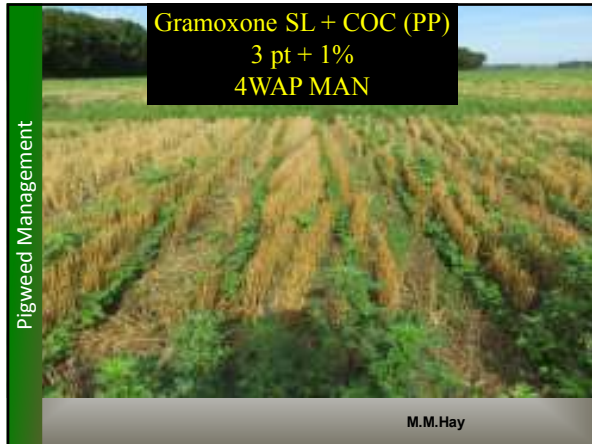
- Pigweed Management**
- Glyphosate Resistant Waterhemp and Palmer Amaranth Control**
- Utilize an integrated approach incorporating postemergence and residual herbicides with different MOA
  - Postemergence herbicide options
    - Sorghum – Huskie, atrazine, dicamba, 2,4-D
    - Corn – Callisto, Laudis, Capreno, Impact, Armezon, Status, 2,4-D, Glyphosate
    - Soybean – Flexstar, Cobra, Ultra Blazer, Glyphosate
  - Burndown options for wheat fallow and DC Soybean?

**Pigweed Management**

Palmer amaranth control in double crop wheat with preplant treatments (Hay, Peterson, and Shoup, 2015)

Herbicide	Rate (per acre)	Palmer amaranth Control (%)		
		7/8	7/24	8/22
Zidua (March 30 in wheat)	2 oz	5	0	0
Gramoxone + COC	3 pt	95	60	45
Prefix + COC	2 pt	75	70	60
Gramoxone + Prefix +COC	3 pt + 2 pt	99	95	90
Gramoxone + Trivence + COC	3 pt + 8 oz	99	99	97
Gramoxone + Anthem + COC	3 pt + 8 oz	99	95	85
LSD (5%)		13	14	14





### Future for Weed Management

- Genetically modified crops
  - Liberty-Link crops (currently available)
  - 2,4-D resistant corn, cotton, and soybean (Dow)
  - Dicamba resistant soybean and cotton (Monsanto)
  - Isoxaflutole-resistant soybeans (Bayer & Syngenta)

Pigweed Management

Preemergence in Liberty Link soybeans at Manhattanin 2014 (Peterson and Thompson)

Herbicide	Rate	Paam	Vele	Iimg
------(%)-----				
Liberty (P)	36 oz	67	98	93
Liberty/Liberty (EP/P)	29/29 oz	97	100	100
Valor/Liberty (PRE/P)	3/29 oz	100	100	97
Fierce/Liberty (PRE/P)	3.5/29 oz	100	100	97
Authority XL/Liberty (PRE/P)	6/29 oz	100	100	100
Authority Max/Liberty (PRE/P)	7/29 oz	100	100	100
LSD (5%)		3	2	6

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### Summary

- Amaranthus species are a major challenge for all producers,
  - More of a “watch-out” for no-till producers where tillage isn’t used
- Competitiveness of pigweeds can have a negative impact on yield
- Currently there is resistance to 7 different herbicide MOA in amaranth species
- Proper management against resistance is important to keep our technology relevant

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The logo for Kansas State University Weed Science is a purple square. At the top, the words "KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY" are written in white, serif, all-caps font. Below this is a white silhouette of the state of Kansas, containing a green pigweed plant with a purple flower. At the bottom of the square, the words "WEED SCIENCE" are written in white, serif, all-caps font.

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