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Use of phosphorous acid-based products for control of late blight
and pink rot of potatoes

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Pink Rot and Late Blight

Phytophthora erythroseptica and *P. infestans*

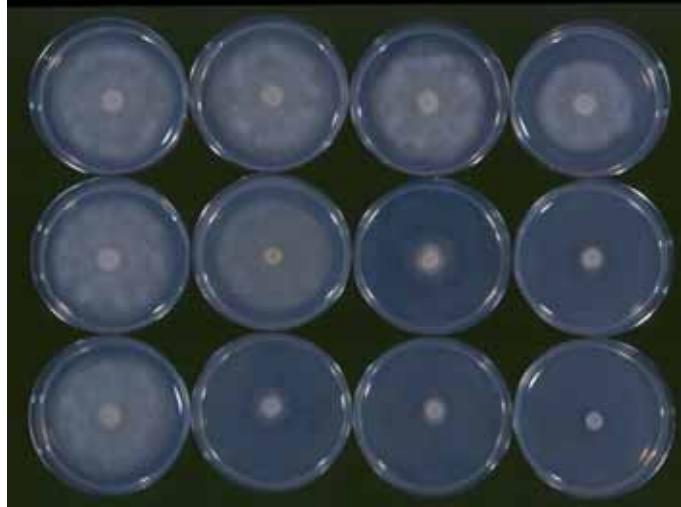


Pink rot

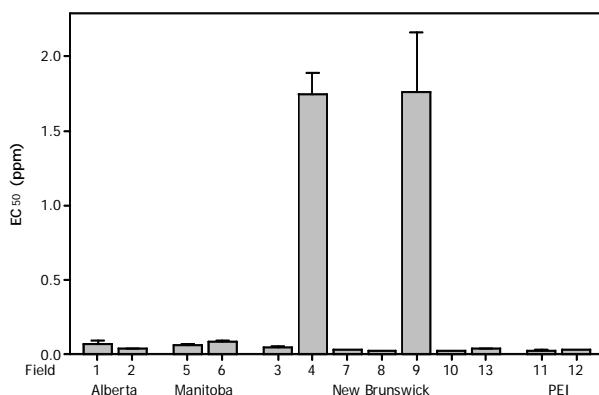
Late blight

Sensitivity to Ridomil Gold (metalaxyl-M)

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Sensitivity of *P. erythroseptica* to metalaxyl-M 2005 Canadian Survey



7 resistant isolates (14%) out of 49 isolates collected in total

2007: 2 isolates from Quebec = sensitive

1 isolate from NB = resistant

Late Blight (*Phytophthora infestans*) 2006 and 2007 Canadian Surveys

2006			2007		
MS	MMR	MHR	MS	MMR	MHR
10%	65%	25%	16%	52%	32%

- Predominantly A2, US-8 genotype
- Some exceptions (A1, US-11 genotype)

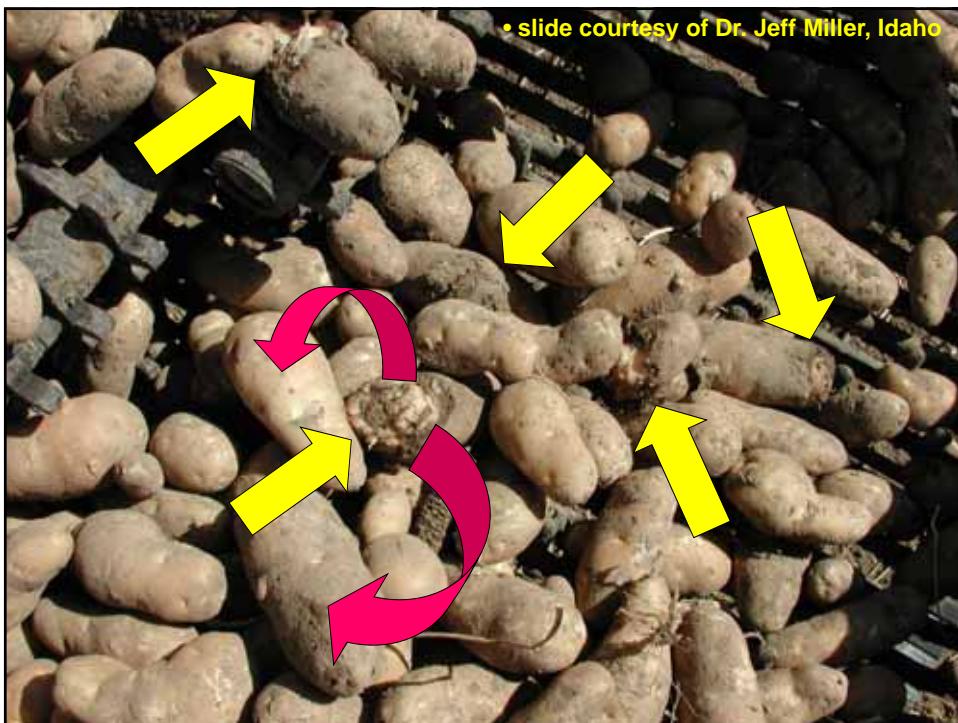
Late Blight (*Phytophthora infestans*) 2009 Canadian Survey

- One sample from Quebec
- Preliminary result = A2, US-8
- Other isolates from NB, PE also A2, US-8

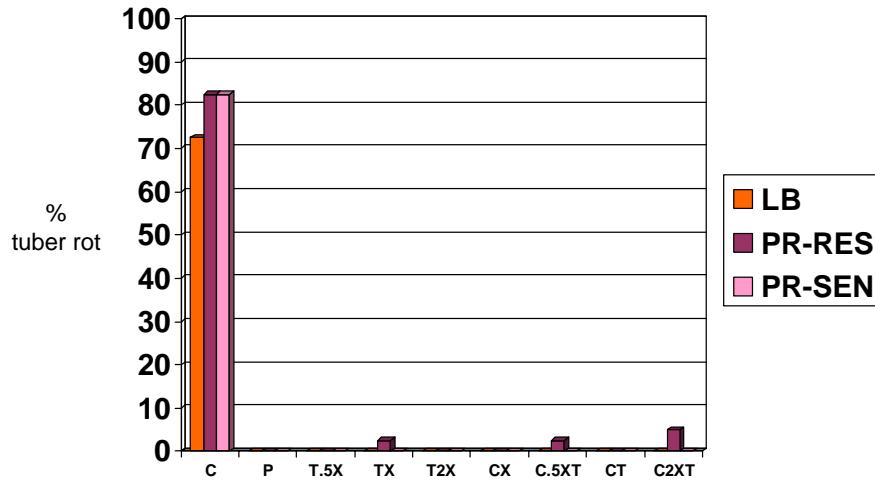


Phosphorous acid-based products

- Mono- and dibasic sodium, potassium and ammonium salts of phosphorous acid
 - Neutral blend of phosphorous acid salts; converted to phosphite ions in the plant
 - Systemic
 - Low environmental risk
 - Mode of action direct toxicity and/or stimulation of plant defences
(Gefu Wang-Pruski, Sanghyun Lim – NSAC)
- **Confine**, Phostrol, Rampart, etc.



Suppression of pink rot and late blight by phosphorous acid (Confine) Post-harvest Application



Field Trials – 2007-2009

Cavendish Farms

*with R. Coffin, Cavendish Farms and
G. Wang-Pruski, NSAC

Cultivars: Shepody
Russet Burbank

Replications: 4 (RCBD)

Treatments: Check (water)
Confine (5.8L product/250L water/ha)
Bravo (2L product/250L water/ha)
Confine + Bravo

Applications: 10

Phosphorous acid for control of foliar late blight - 2007

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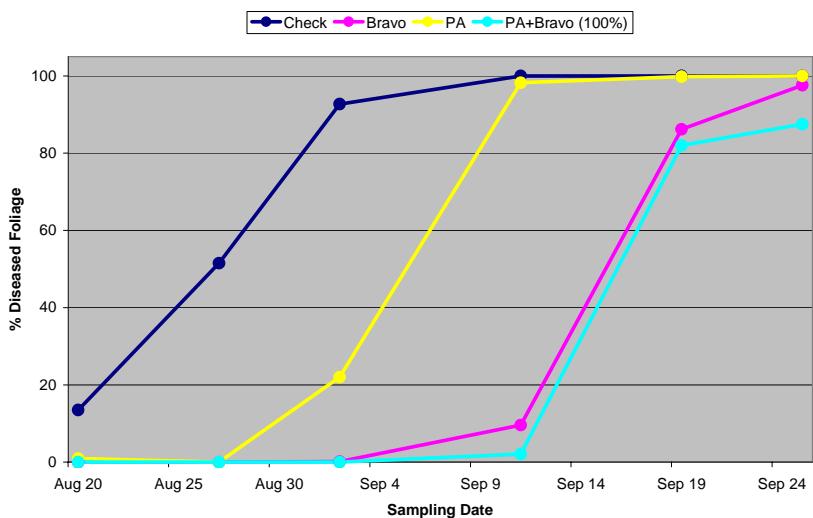
- Foliar disease ratings based on natural disease progression in the field



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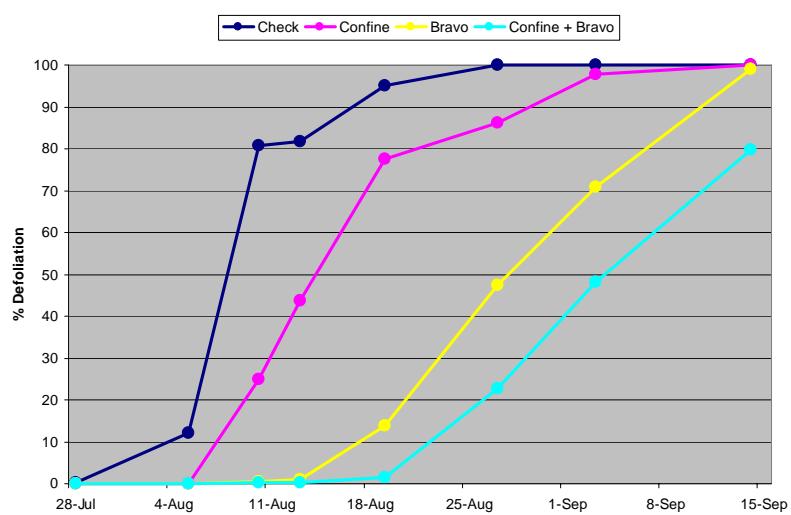
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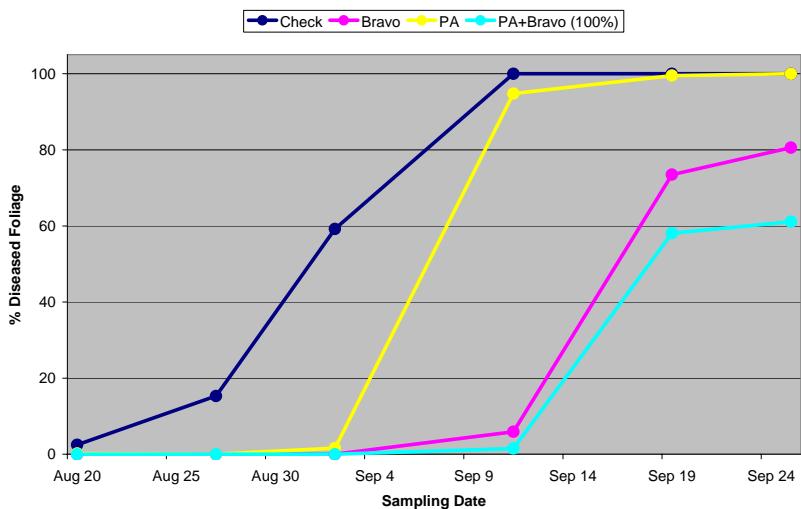
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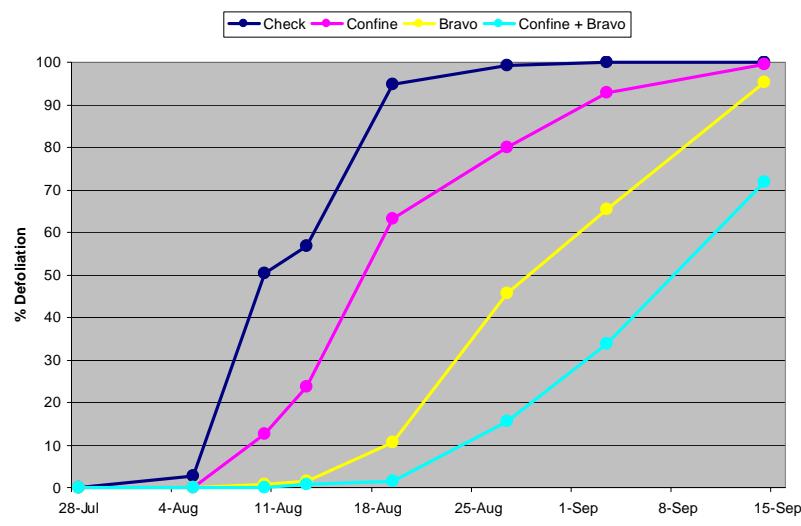
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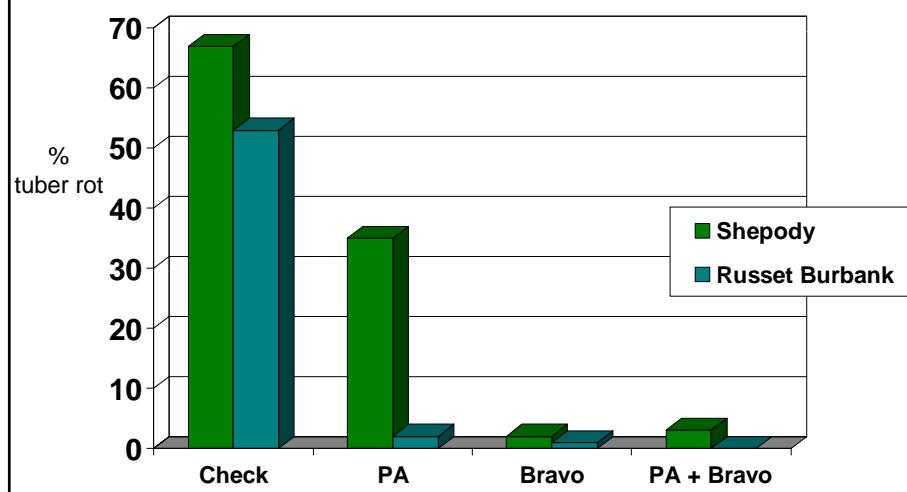
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- Tubers were harvested to assess overall yield and tuber rot

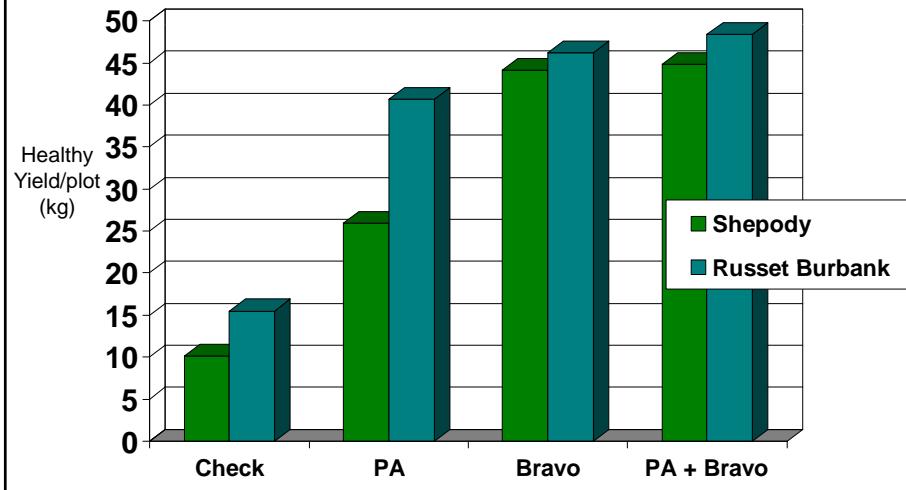


Suppression of late blight tuber rot by phosphorous acid (Confine) and Bravo

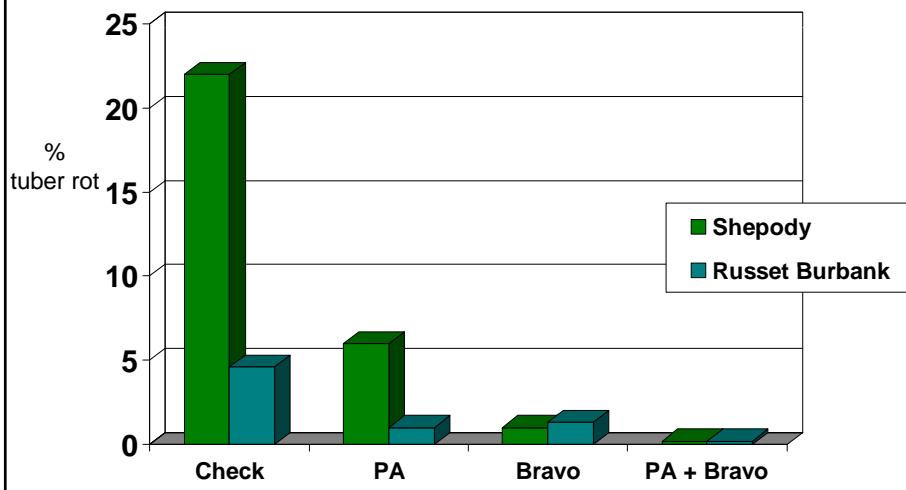
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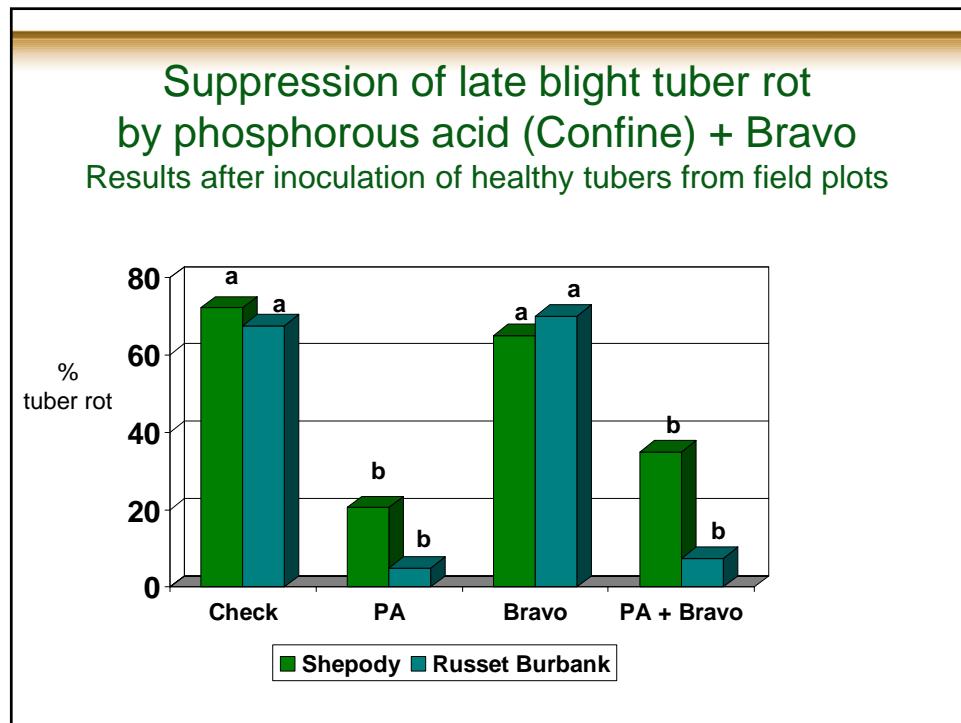
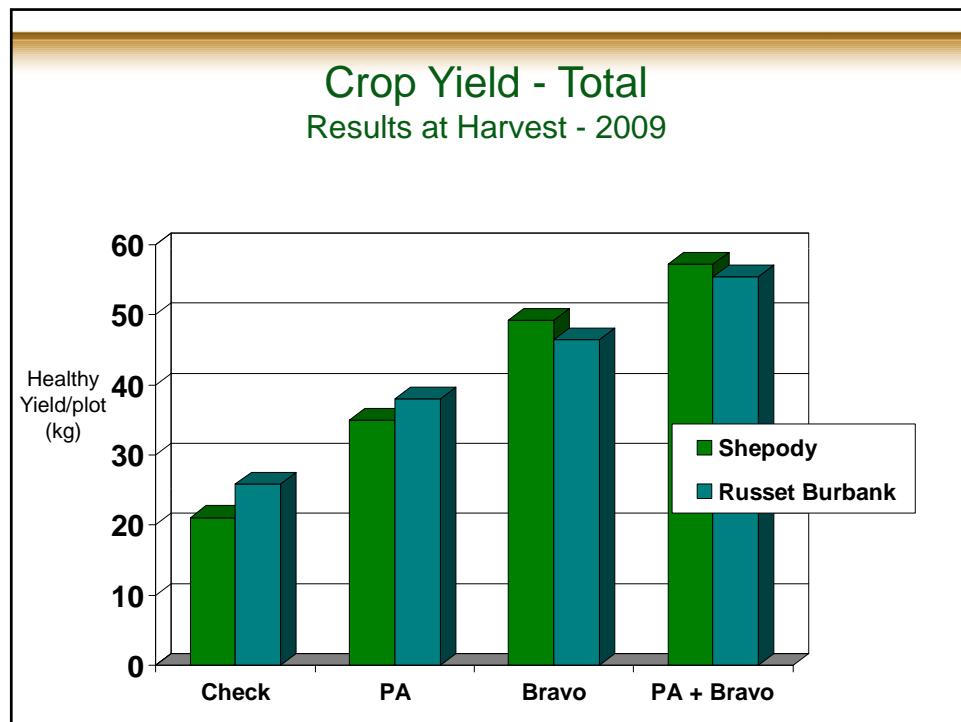


Crop Yield Results at Harvest - 2008



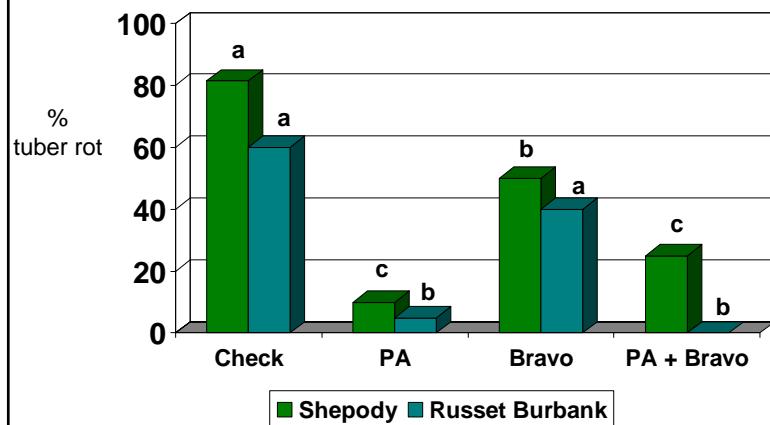
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Suppression of pink rot by phosphorous acid (Confine) + Bravo

Results after inoculation of healthy tubers from field plots



Photos: Guardian file, MacPhail Woods, Rob LeClair/CBC, PEI Government

Field Trials – 2008 and 2009 Cavendish Farms

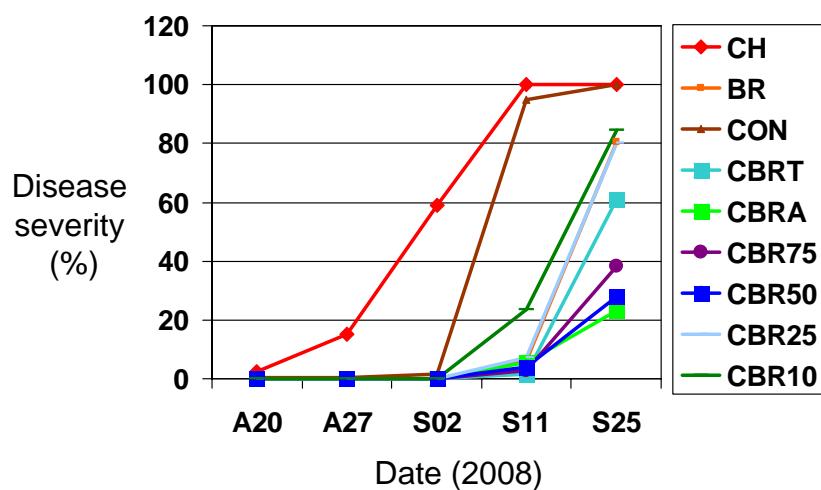
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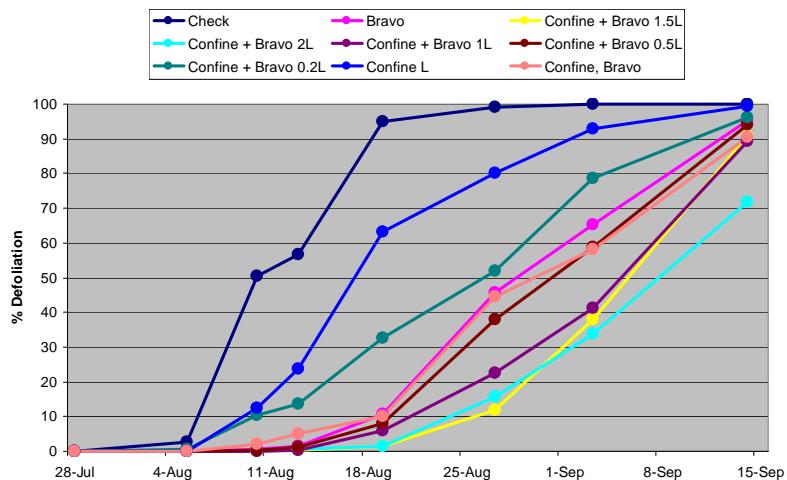
Impact of foliar treatment on the progression of late blight in a field trial conducted in 2008



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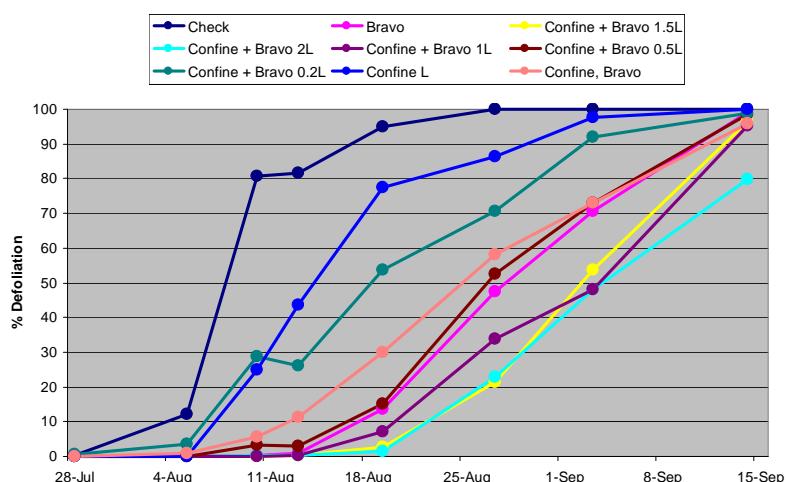
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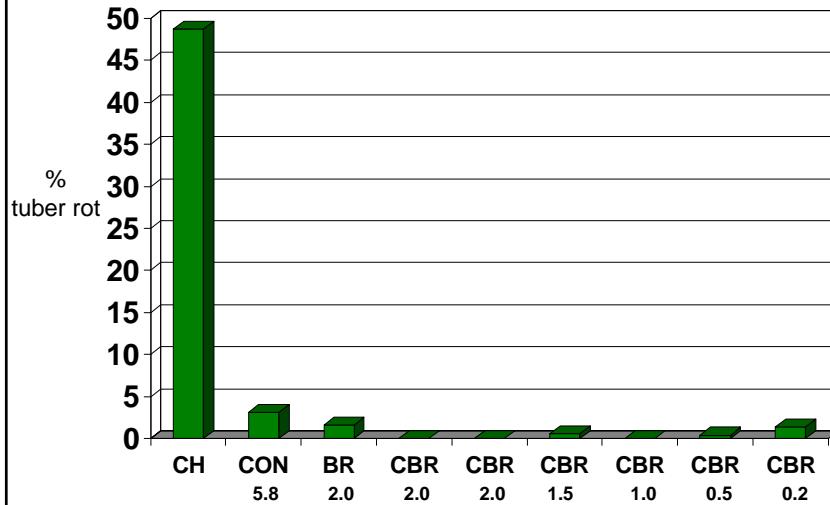
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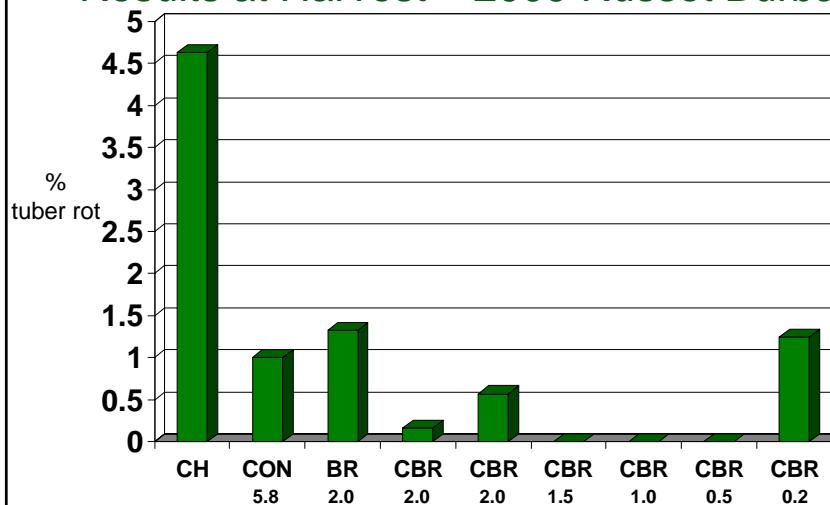
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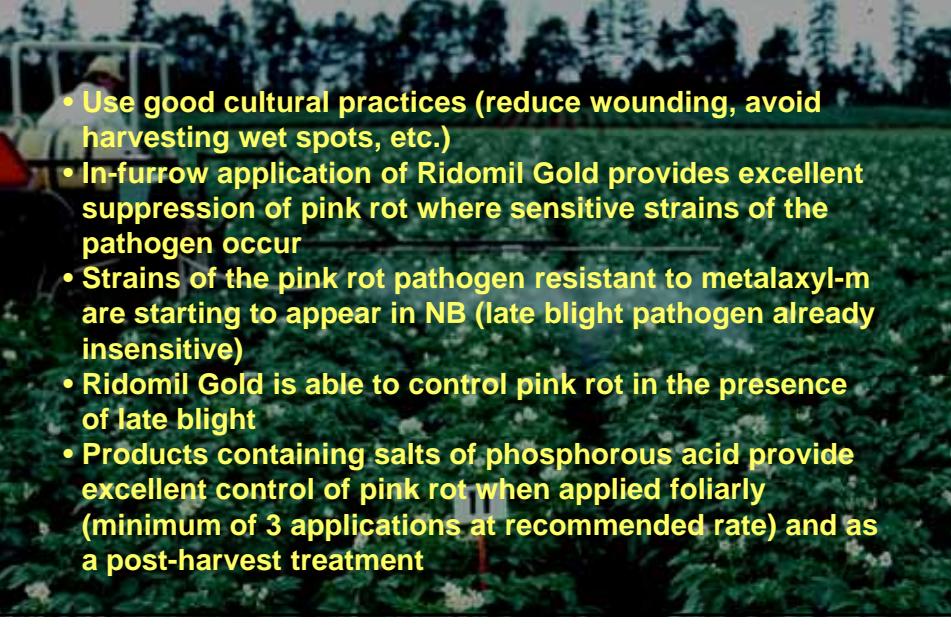
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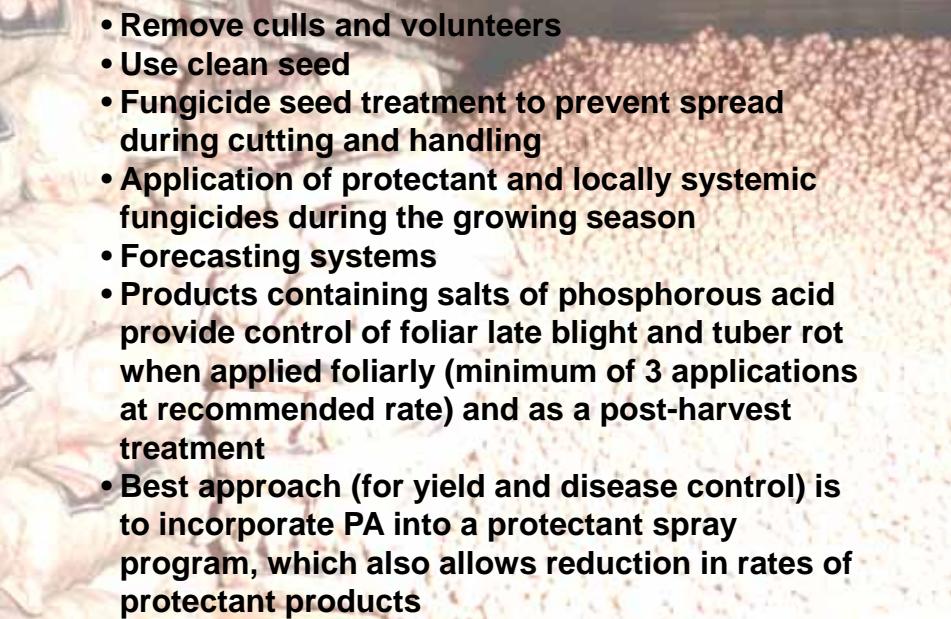
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P. erythroseptica - DISEASE MANAGEMENT

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- Use good cultural practices (reduce wounding, avoid harvesting wet spots, etc.)
 - In-furrow application of Ridomil Gold provides excellent suppression of pink rot where sensitive strains of the pathogen occur
 - Strains of the pink rot pathogen resistant to metalaxyl-m are starting to appear in NB (late blight pathogen already insensitive)
 - Ridomil Gold is able to control pink rot in the presence of late blight
 - Products containing salts of phosphorous acid provide excellent control of pink rot when applied foliarly (minimum of 3 applications at recommended rate) and as a post-harvest treatment

P. infestans - DISEASE MANAGEMENT

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- Remove culms and volunteers
 - Use clean seed
 - Fungicide seed treatment to prevent spread during cutting and handling
 - Application of protectant and locally systemic fungicides during the growing season
 - Forecasting systems
 - Products containing salts of phosphorous acid provide control of foliar late blight and tuber rot when applied foliarly (minimum of 3 applications at recommended rate) and as a post-harvest treatment
 - Best approach (for yield and disease control) is to incorporate PA into a protectant spray program, which also allows reduction in rates of protectant products

Advantages of a phosphorous acid + protectant foliar program:

- Excellent control of foliar late blight
- Combines the benefits of a protectant with a systemic product
- Superb control of late blight tuber rot, even if foliar disease is present (especially late in the season)
- Allows usage of reduced rates of protectants for environmental benefits
- Excellent control of pink rot and provides a resistance management tool for Ridomil
- Suppression of late blight and pink rot in tubers lasts into storage
- Suppression of early blight
- Post-harvest application of PA for late blight, pink rot and silver scurf

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