# Interaction of chemigation timings with efficacy of reduced-risk insecticides and An update on West Coast cranberry variety trials and other pest management

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# Interaction of Chemigation Timings with Efficacy of Reduced-Risk Insecticides

#### How does variation in chemigation timing effect efficacy?

- Charge time time of run prior to injection
- Injection time duration of time chemical is injected
- Washoff time duration of run after chemical is injected

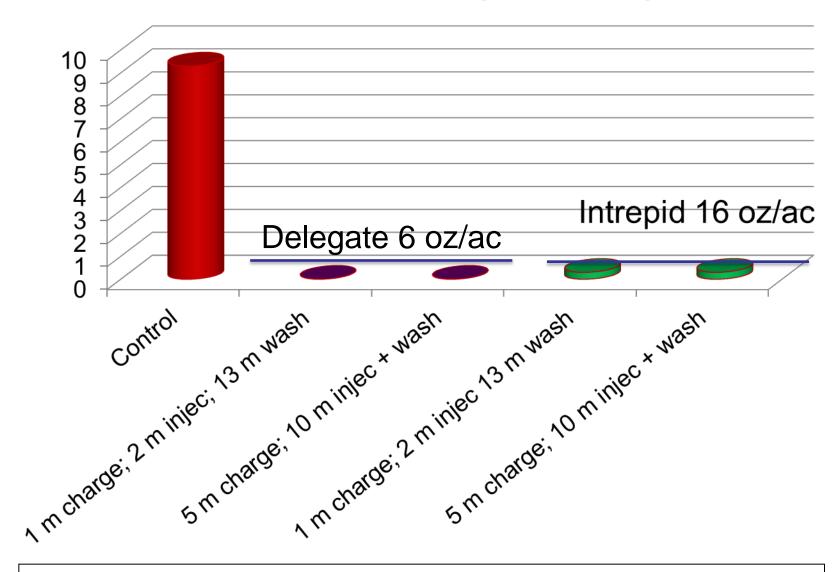
#### How does efficacy vary within a non-uniform system?

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#### How does efficacy with chemigation vary with the insecticide?

- Difference in type of chemistries
- Field data

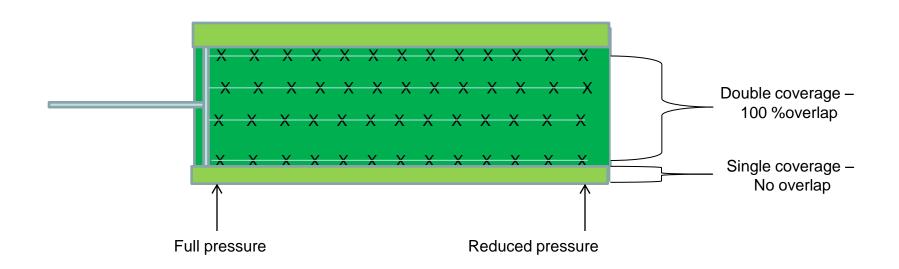
#### Total alive fireworm per 10 sweeps



Both Delegate and Intrepid respond well to chemigation with no variation in efficacy under different conditions.

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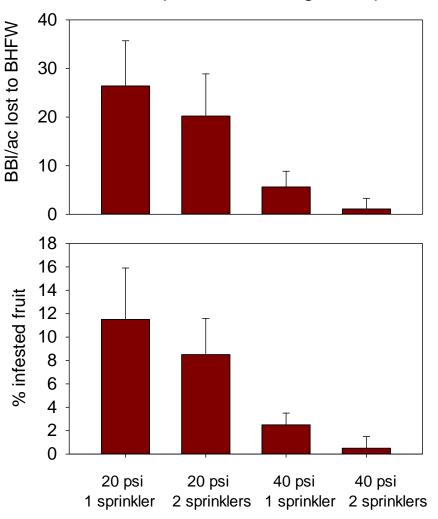
- Pressure/delivery rates of sprinklers can vary depending on their locations within beds or across farms
- Some beds are designed so that some sections of the beds are without 100% overlap with another sprinkler.



# Fireworm infestation and crop lost to fireworm as function of sprinkler coverage and pressure within a bed - Intrepid 7/4/12

Variation in fireworm damage within a bed as a function of sprinkler coverage and pressure

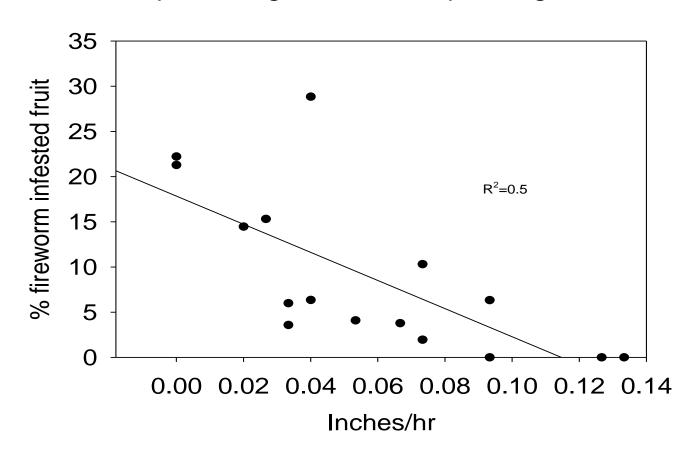
Survey of crop loss to fireworm on a cranberry bed with variation in sprinkler coverage and pressure.



A system with poor uniformity is maybe costing you more than you think!!

## Fireworm infestation as function of sprinkler coverage within a bed Intrepid 7/4/12

Irrigation uniformity vs BHFW control with chemigation spot damage vs 1 hour cup testing



#### Modes of action of cranberry insecticides

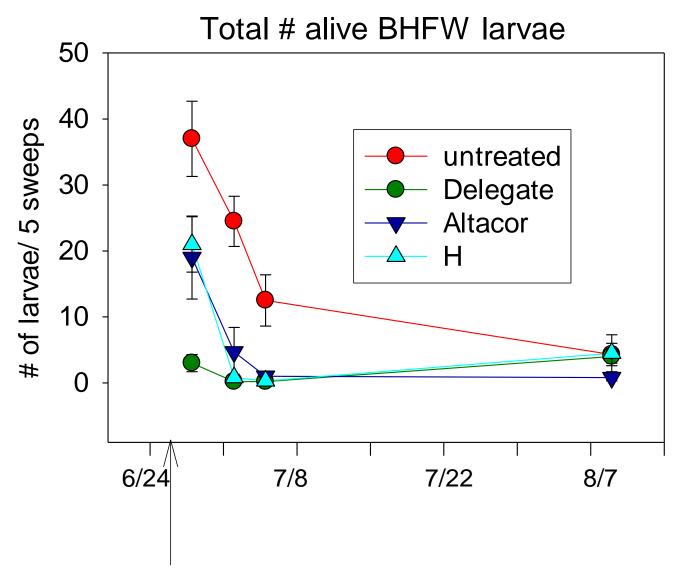
- RESIDUAL OVICIDE kills eggs that are laid on top of residues left behind by an earlier insecticide application.
- TOPICAL OVICIDE kills eggs that are already in the orchard at the time of the application.
- CONTACT LARVICIDE kills larvae on contact
- INGESTED LARVICIDE must be consumed to kill larvae
- CONTACT ADULTICIDE kills adult moths on contact
- ADULT BEHAVIOR DISRUPTION affects successful mating

Insecticide	Residual Ovicide	Topical Ovicide	Contact Larvicide	Ingested Larvicide	Adulticide	Adult Behavior Disruption
Diazinon			X	X	X	
Intrepid	X	Х		Х		
Delegate				Х		
Altacor	X	x	X	Х		X / ?

### Summary of new insecticides

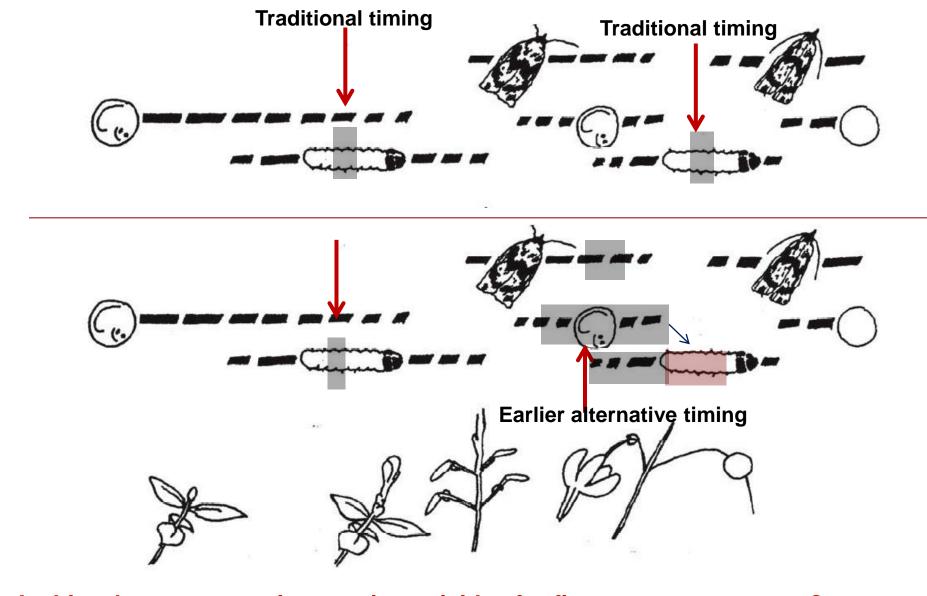
Chemical	Pros	Cons
Delegate	<ul> <li>Reasonable efficacy</li> <li>Not too toxic to non-target species</li> <li>Works on a range of FW larva instars</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Potential to harm beneficial insects</li> <li>Reports of mixed success</li> <li>Cost</li> <li>Decent, but not great residual</li> </ul>
Intrepid	<ul> <li>Good efficacy</li> <li>Very safe to all "non-lep" insects</li> <li>Not too expensive</li> <li>Good grower experience with</li> <li>Good ovicidal and larvicidal activity</li> <li>Good residual activity</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Narrow target window (small to medium instars)</li> <li>Must be ingested for larva activity</li> <li>Resistance management needed</li> </ul>
Altacor	<ul> <li>Good efficacy</li> <li>Extremely safe to beneficial insects</li> <li>Ovicidal and larvicidal activity</li> <li>Affects adult behavior</li> <li>Systemic activity (translaminar &amp; root uptake)</li> <li>Good residual activity</li> <li>Potential activity on other pests</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Cost</li> <li>Limited grower experience</li> <li>Resistance management needed</li> </ul>

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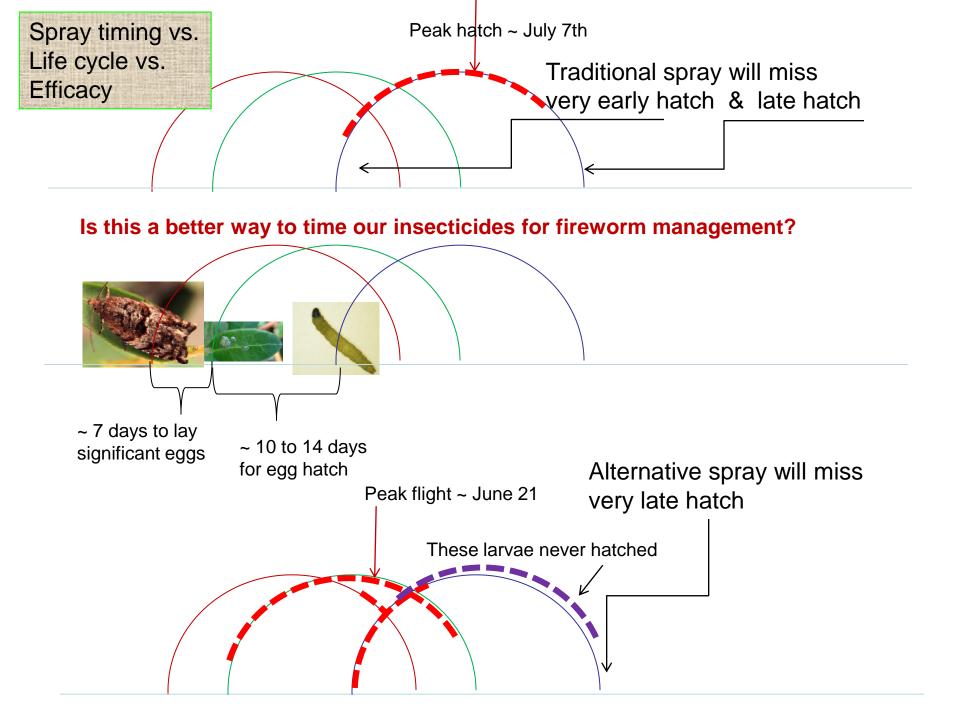


New chemistries work great with chemigation, but time frame for activity will vary.

Applied 280 gpa, washoff 730 gpa 6 reps 10' x 10'



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  - Two sprays (1<sup>st</sup> one at first larvae hatch ~ May 7th, the 2<sup>nd</sup> in 10 to 14 days)
- Second generation larvae
  - One spray @ peak of second hatch (bees removed, ~14 days after peak flight)
  - Two sprays (1<sup>st</sup> at mid to late bloom w/ RR, 2<sup>nd</sup> after bees removed w/ OP)

#### Alternative timing as ovicide (reduced risks insecticides)

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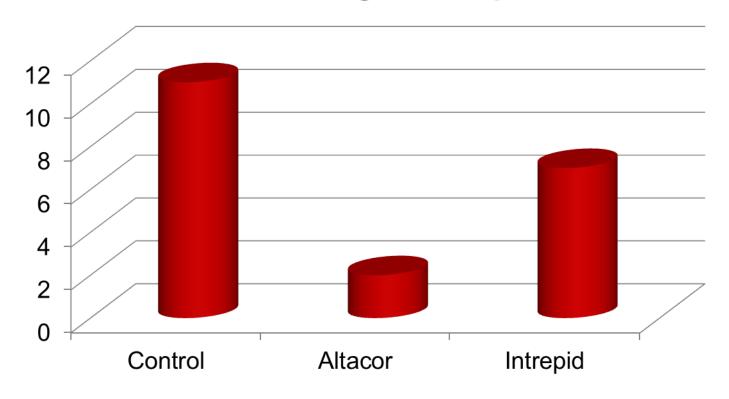
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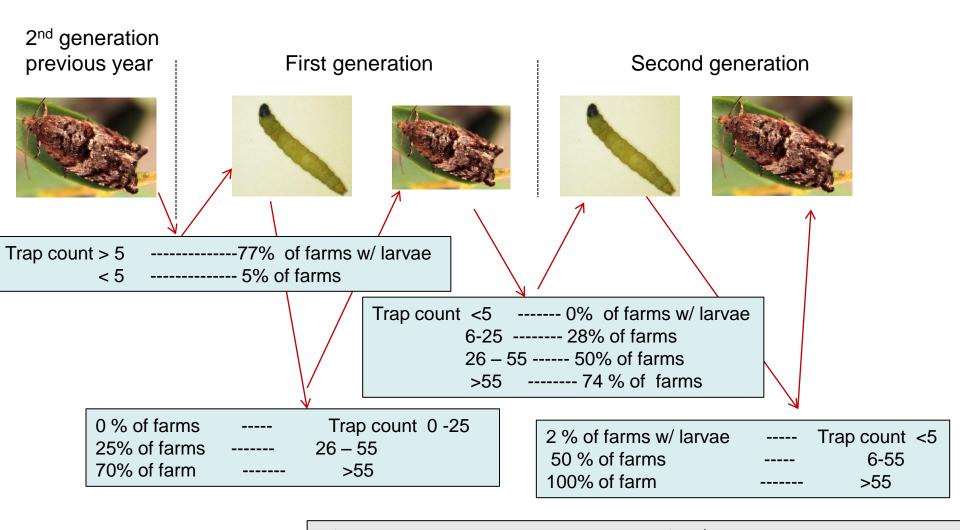
Altacor provided control of fireworm larvae 6 to 7 weeks after application via ovicidal activity. That is, application during first egg laying prevented viable larvae hatch.

#### # alive fireworm using 10 sweeps 7/23 + 8/3



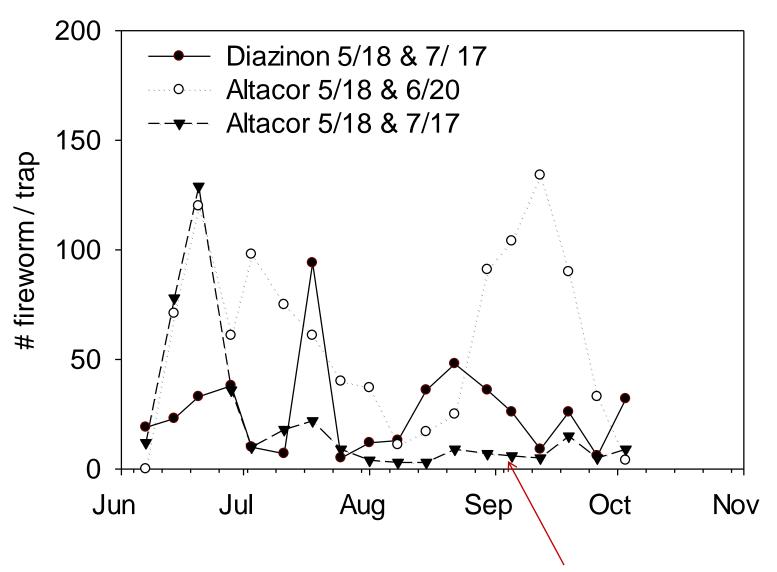
Treatments applied 6/11/12 at first significant moth flight recorded in pheromone trap

#### What is the relationship between populations?



1<sup>st</sup> generation trap counts good predictor of 2<sup>nd</sup> generation larvae 2<sup>nd</sup> generation trap counts good predictors of 1<sup>st</sup> generation larvae next year

# Season long fireworm trap counts on 3 beds within a farm with differrent reduced risk insecticides



Goal is to keep late summer adult population as low as possible.

#### Pros and Cons of different insecticide timing for fireworm management

#### Advantage of traditional timing

- 1. Tradition
- 2. Cost (\$30 to 60/ac)
- 3. Effective

#### **Problems with traditional timing**

- Difficult to find small larvae
- 2. No peak larvae hatch
- 3. Bees removed too late or earlier
- 4. Asynchronous hatch
- 5. Works better with OPs than with biorational insecticides
- 6. Tough on beneficial insects (affects other pest outbreaks)
- 7. OPs won't be around too much longer

#### Advantage of alternative timing

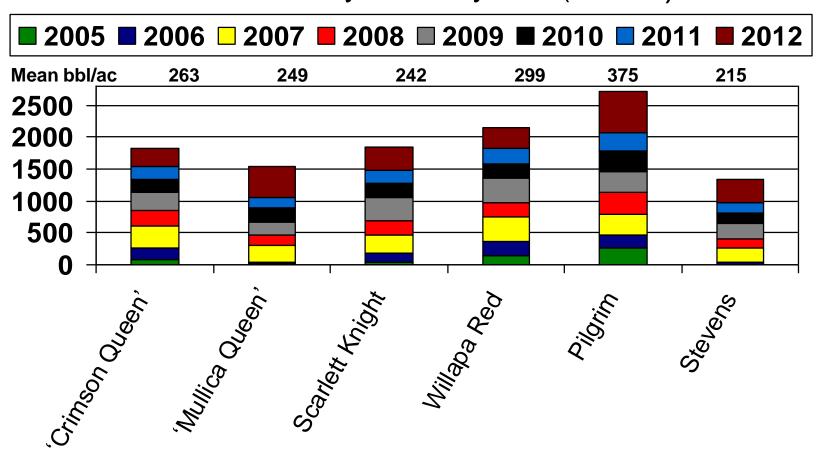
- 1. Monitoring very easy (trap counts)
- 2. No effect on bees or beneficial insects
- 3. Better season-long management of whole farm populations

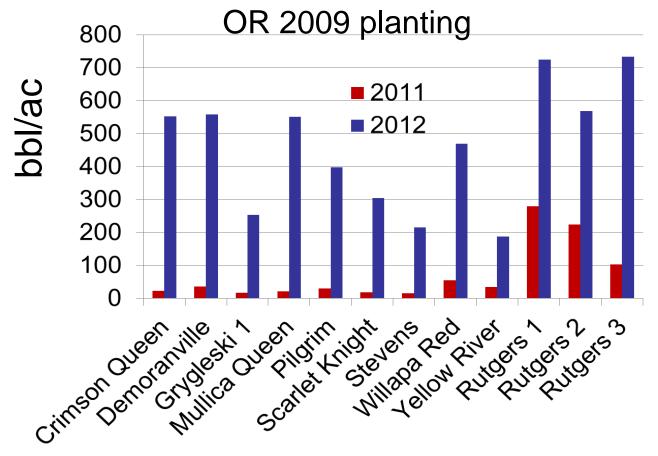
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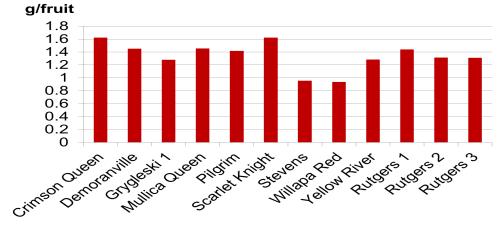
- 1. Too new and untried
- 2. Cost (\$75 to \$120/ac)
- 3. Overall effectiveness has yet to be determined outside of research plots

#### West Coast cranberry variety trials

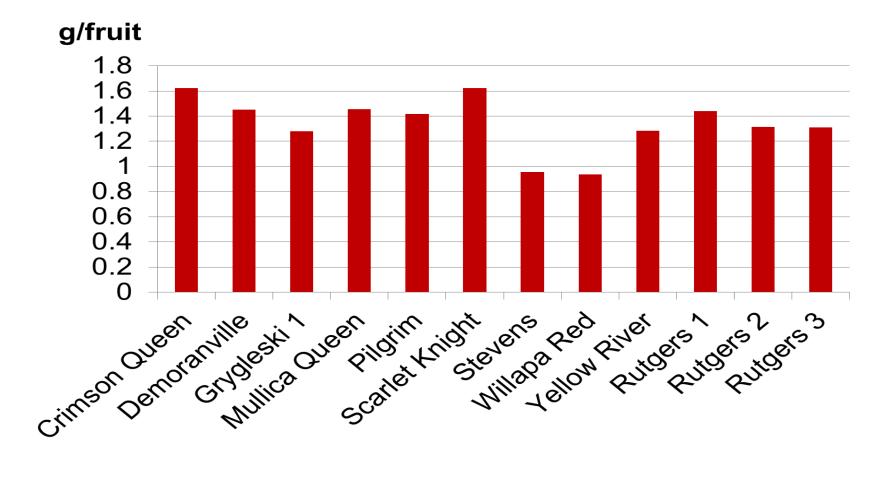
WSU 2003 planting Cumulative yield – 8 years (bbl/ac)





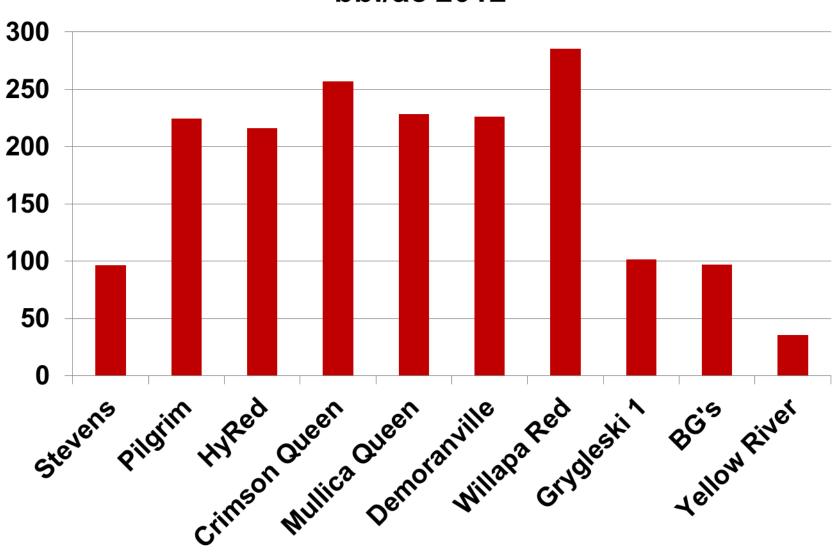


#### OR 2009 planting

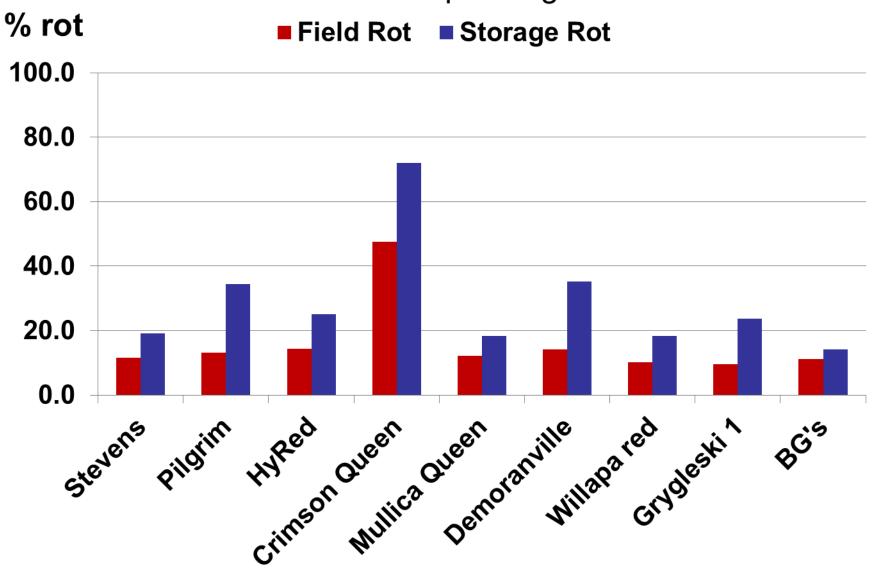


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#### Recommendations

- Genetically tested Pilgrim and Stevens
- Any of the currently released Rutgers selections
- Wait until 2014 for new Rutgers releases
- HyRed
- Willapa Red