Management of Clubroot (*Plasmodiophora brassicae*) with Non-Traditional Products Venkat Chapara and Amanda Arens

<u>Objective</u>: To determine the effect of non-traditional products alone and in combination to manage clubroot on canola.

Methods: The following non-traditional products (OR-079-B, OR 009-A, OR-369-A and OR-329-H) were tested alone and in combination in a randomized complete block design (RCBD) with six replications under field conditions. The field had a natural soil population of *P. brassicae* of 5.5 million resting spores/g of soil. Treatments of non-traditional products and the fungicide Ranman®, were applied in-furrow as soil drenches just before planting at the rate listed in Figure 1. A susceptible canola cultivar to clubroot 'InVigor L233P' was planted at a depth of one half inch. The trial was planted the first week of June and was evaluated in the first week of August (exactly 60 days after planting) at growth stage BBCH-65. The trial was hand harvested the last week of August and the yield data was calculated in lbs/a at 13.5% moisture.

Rating scale: A clubroot rating scale: 0 = no galling, 1 = a few small galls (small galls on less than 1/3 of roots), 2 = moderate galling (small to medium-sized galls on 1/3 to 2/3 of roots), 3 = severe galling (medium to large-sized galls on more than 2/3 of roots) was used for disease rating of incidence and severity. A Clubroot Disease Severity Index (DSI) has been calculated using the incidence and severity data of clubroot obtained.

<u>Soil sampling to determine pH:</u> Soil samples were collected from all of the plots before application of soil treatments and on the day of clubroot evaluations to determine the effect of unit change in pH and their impact on clubroot control.

Figure 1: Means of the Clubroot DSI and their effect on the yield observed in various treatments of non-traditional products.

	Clubroot		
Treatments and Rates	Incidence (%)	Disease Severity Index (0-100)	Yield (lbs/a)
Ranman 20 fl. oz/a	87	82	1380
OR-079-B 4 pts/a	95	95	720
OR 009-A 4 pts/a	86	84	900
OR-369-A 4 pts/a	92	88	1020
Non-Treated	92	90	720
OR-079-B 4 pts/a+OR-329-H 2.8 fl. oz/a	94	89	979
Mean	91	87	973
CV (%)	12	17	54
LSD	NS	NS	NS
P- Value (0.05)	NS	NS	NS

Results: Statistically no significant differences observed among the treatments for clubroot disease severity indexes or yields. Likewise, there were no differences observed in the soil pH from samples collected before application of treatments to those collected 60 days after application.

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