Herbicides on Strawberry: Factors impacting efficacy

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Strawberry Herbicides

Herbicide	Active	Group	When	Weed
Aim EC	Carfentrazone	14	New, F-W, W-S	Post
Chateau	Flumioxazin	14	New, F-W, W-S	Post/PPI
Devrinol	Napropamide	15	New, F-W	PPI
Prowl H2O	Pendimethalin	3	New, F-W, W-S	PPI
Spartan	Sulfentrazone	14	New, F-W	PPI
Sinbar	Terbacil	5	New, F-W	Post/PPI
Stinger	Clopyralid	4	F-W	Post
Princep	Simazine	5	F-W	PPI

Strawberry Herbicides

- Will not talk about
 - Grass herbicides Select (clethodim) and Poast (sethoxydim)
 - Non selective herbicides Acetic acid and Glyphosate
 - -2,4-D
 - Dacthal
 - Bed renovation products

- Post emergence herbicides
 - Plant stress
 - Surfactant
 - Weed species
 - Plant size
 - Other

- Post emergence herbicides
 - Plant stress

Aim reduces

Chateau reduces

Sinbar reduces

Stinger reduces

All plant stresses reduce efficacy

- Post emergence herbicides
 - Surfactant

• Aim coc, mso, or nis required

Chateau none, may injure crop

Sinbar none

Stinger none, may injure crop

Surfactants generally increase efficacy

- Post emergence herbicides
 - Weed species
 - Aim
 - Chateau
 - Sinbar
 - Stinger
- Read the label

- Post emergence herbicides
 - Plant size

Aim up to 4" tall

Chateau only some burnback

Sinbar cotyledons

Stinger actively growing, pre flower

Size really matters

- Post emergence herbicides
 - Other
 - Aim
 - Chateau
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rate based on weed species

longer half-life

not on sandy soils, long 1/2 life

do not compost vegetation

- Pre emergence herbicides
 - Timing
 - Incorporation
 - Soils
 - Other

- Pre emergence herbicides
 - Timing
 - Chateau winter to early spring ½ rate
 - Devrinol fall to early spring
 - Prowl H₂O fall to early spring
 - Spartan during dormancy
 - Sinbar fall to winter
 - Princep after harvest through Nov.
- Emerged weeds not controlled*

- Pre emergence herbicides
 - Incorporation
 - Chateau at least ¼" irrigation
 - Devrinol wet soil 2 to 4" deep
 - Prowl H₂O wet to weed emergence zone
 - Spartan ½ to 1" irrigation
 - Sinbar ½ to 1" irrigation
 - Princep irrigate
- Often activation requires incorporation

- Pre emergence herbicides
 - Soils
 - Chateau no restrictions
 - Devrinol no restrictions
 - Prowl H₂O no restrictions
 - Spartan not on coarse sandy soils <1% OM
 - Sinbar not on coarse sandy soils <2% OM
 - Princep not on sandy soils
- Know your soils

- Pre emergence herbicides
 - Other
 - Chateau can injure crop foliage
 - Devrinol 4 lb ai/A max for year
 - Prowl H₂O do not cover with plastic
 - Spartan can injure crop foliage
 - Sinbar 2 year replant interval
 - Princep more active in winter

Injury example

- Spartan Splash
 - Julie Pond sent this to me with permission from Pat Jones, faculty research assistant at OSU, North Willamette REC, Aurora, OR



- June 14, 2017 the field sprayed post over the top with 2 oz/A Spartan 4F + 1.5 pts/A Prowl H₂0
 - The spartan rate is ½ recommended
- Field was planted June 21, 2017
 - Planting temperature was 76
 - Following days were 85, 92, 99, and 101
 - Watered (several inches) to compensate

- About 3 weeks later noticed injury
- Injury symptoms looked like a fertilizer or surfactant burn
- Plants in the middle looked worst
- Assumed 'Spartan Splash' and added more water

• July 25, 2017





• July 31, 2017



• August 14, 2017



• August 30, 2017



• September 13, 2017



• September 13, 2017



• September 13, 2017



• October 4, 2017



Actually a case of moving herbicide into the strawberry root zone



Other Herbicide Concerns

- Herbicide resistance
 - 5 herbicide groups
 - Some weeds are now resistant to all but Devrinol

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Other Herbicide Concerns

- Varietal differences
 - Reports that there are differences in tolerances to these herbicides by different strawberries
 - I have not read any studies confirming this
 - Be careful of getting carried away

Other Herbicide Concerns

- Increased microbial degradation
 - There are studies confirming that for certain soil applied herbicides, degrading microbe populations can increase resulting in faster breakdown of the herbicide
 - This would lead to weeds coming back more quickly
 - Warmer soils mean faster microbial herbicide degradation

Questions-Discussion



