



SCN Management for 2025 and Beyond

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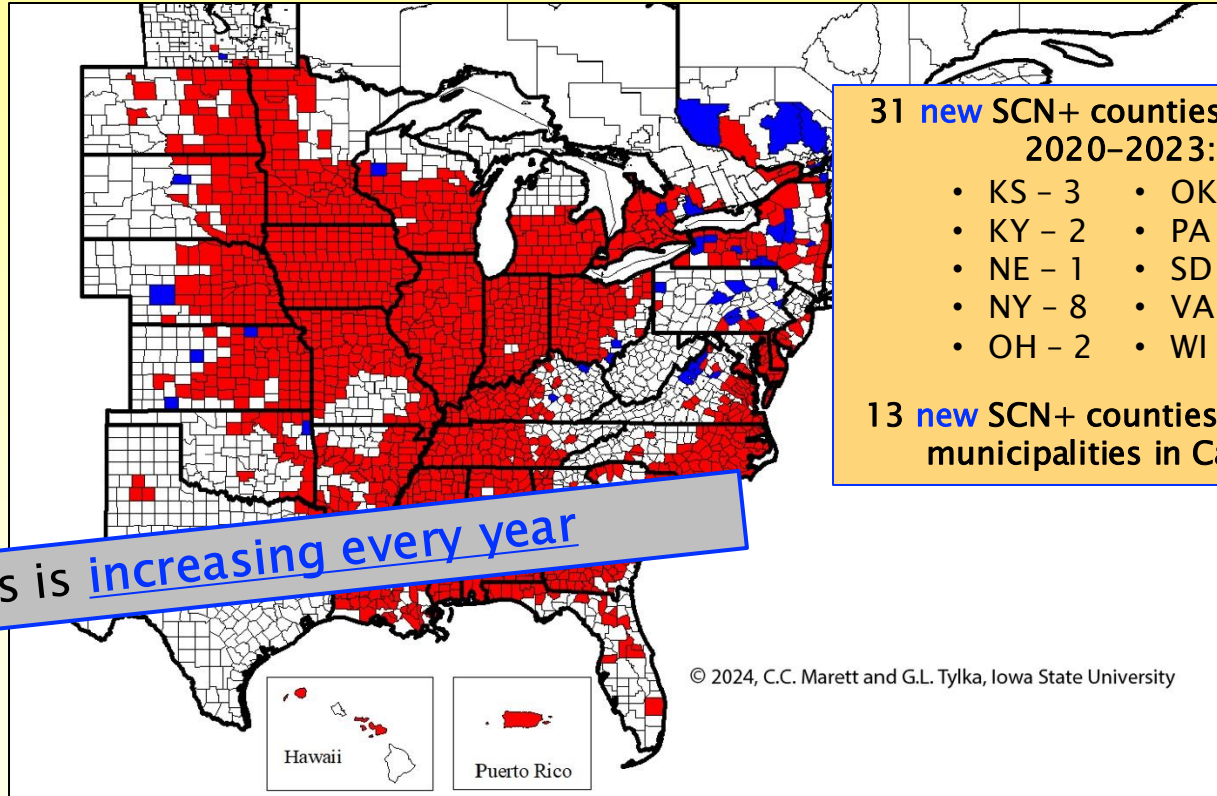
Soybean Cyst Nematode (SCN)

- most damaging pathogen of soybean in the Midwest
 - In U.S. and Ontario, \$1.5 billion yield loss annually from 1996 through 2016.
- yield loss is increasing every year



Known Distribution of SCN in the U.S. and Canada 1954 through 2023

West Virginia
is only soybean
state in which
SCN has not
been found



31 **new** SCN+ counties in the US
2020–2023:

- KS – 3
- KY – 2
- NE – 1
- NY – 8
- OH – 2
- OK – 1
- PA – 8
- SD – 1
- VA – 4
- WI – 1

13 **new** SCN+ counties and rural
municipalities in Canada

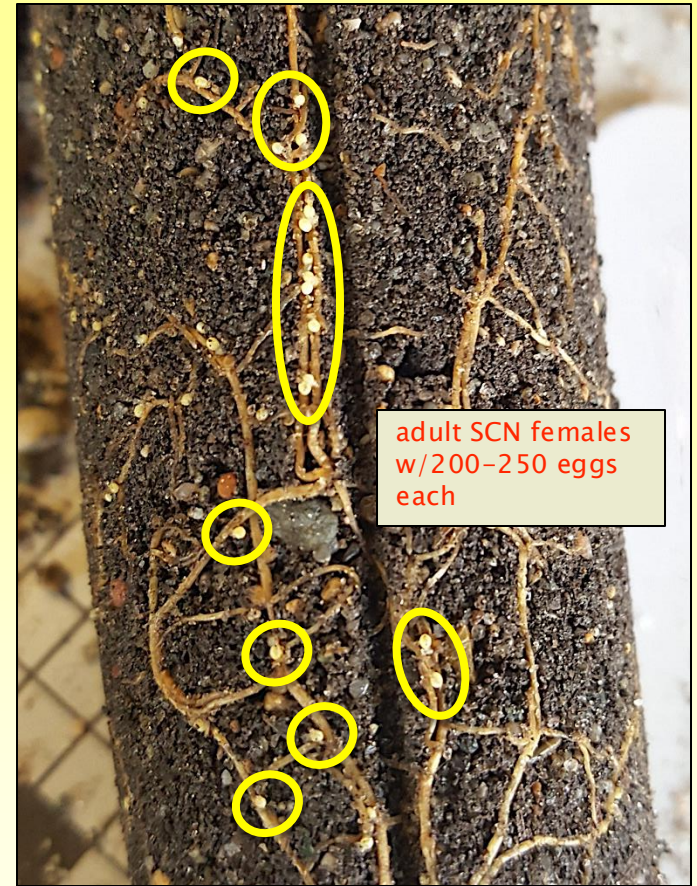
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SCN-infested fields often do not show obvious stunting and/or yellowing!





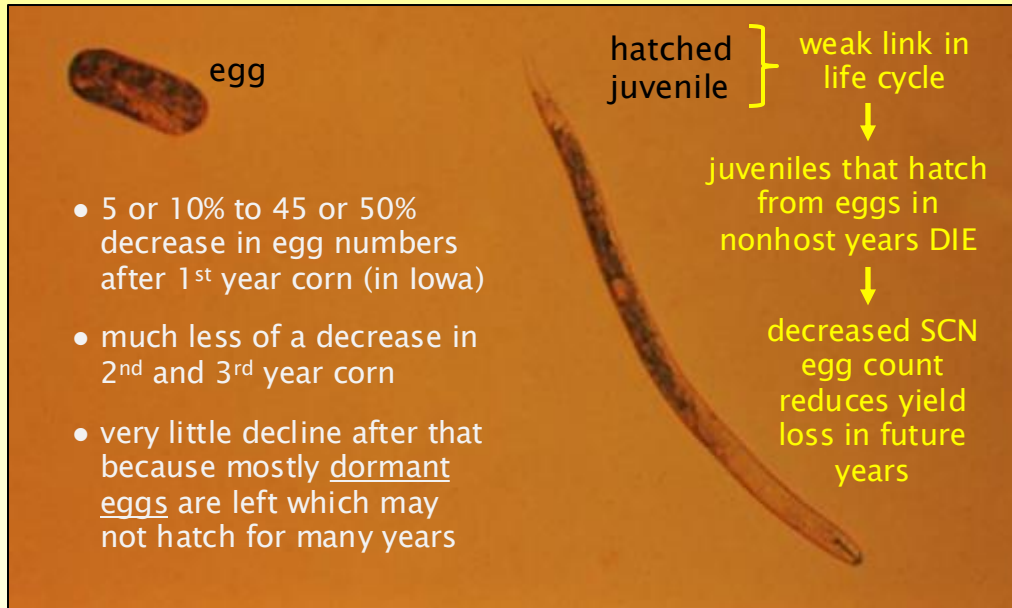
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Tools to Manage SCN

- nonhost crops (corn)
- resistant soybean varieties
- nematode-protectant seed treatments



Nonhost Crops (corn)



egg

- 5 or 10% to 45 or 50% decrease in egg numbers after 1st year corn (in Iowa)
- much less of a decrease in 2nd and 3rd year corn
- very little decline after that because mostly dormant eggs are left which may not hatch for many years

hatched juvenile } weak link in life cycle

↓

juveniles that hatch from eggs in nonhost years DIE

↓

decreased SCN egg count reduces yield loss in future years



SCN females full of 200–250 eggs



SCN cyst full of 200–250 eggs

No nonhost crop is better or worse at reducing SCN numbers (as far as we know).

There is no reliable way to "trick" or increase SCN eggs to hatch when nonhosts are growing.

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SCN-resistant Soybean Varieties



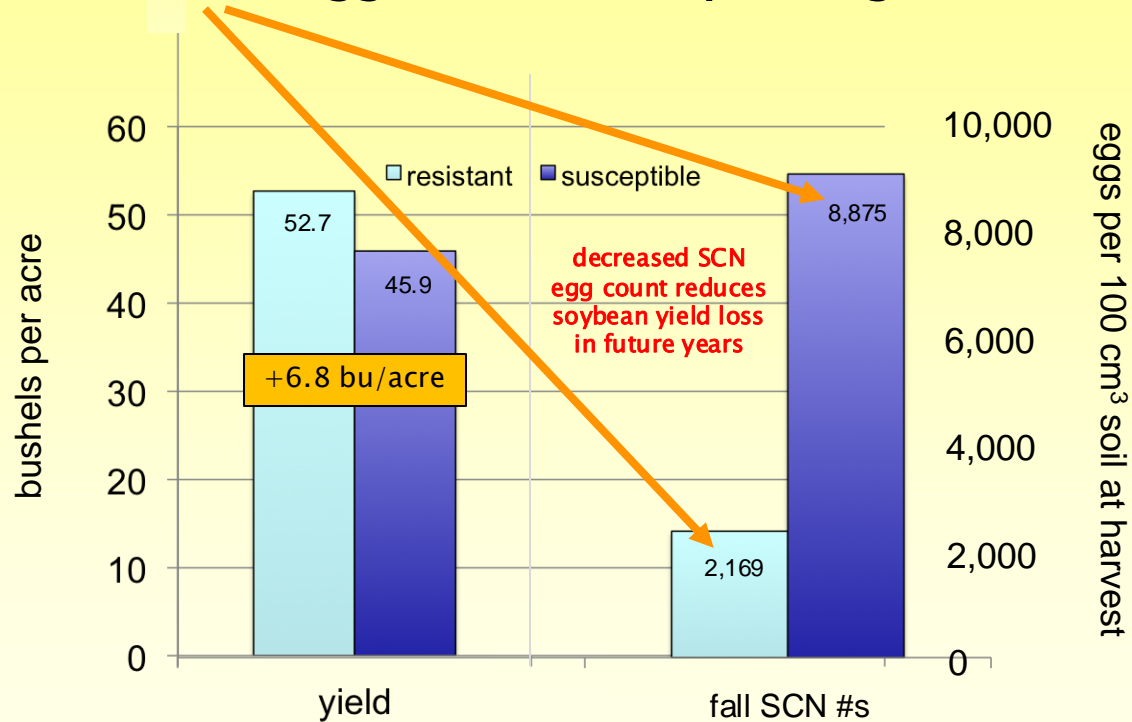
**susceptible
soybean variety**

**resistant
soybean variety**

Yield and SCN Control

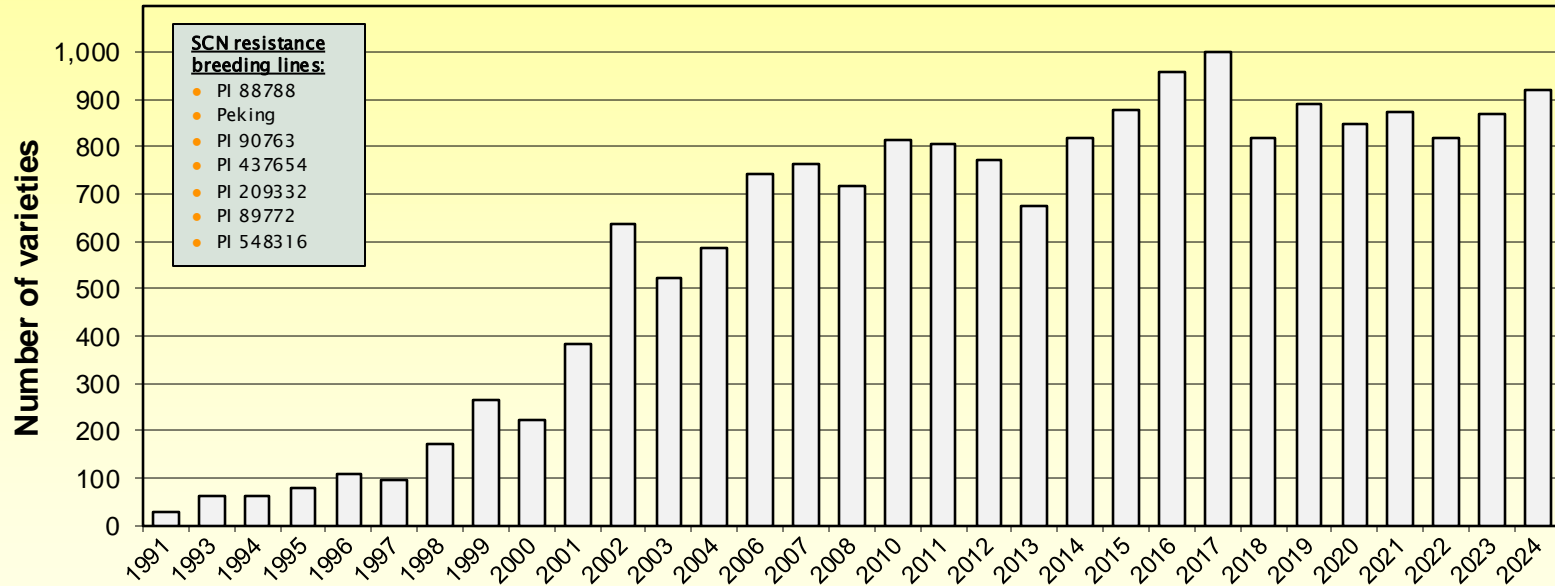
SCN-resistant vs Susceptible Soybean Varieties in the 1990s

(1,310 eggs/100 cm³ at planting)



Number of SCN-resistant Soybean Varieties Available for Iowa 1991 - 2024

late MG 0, 1, 2, 3

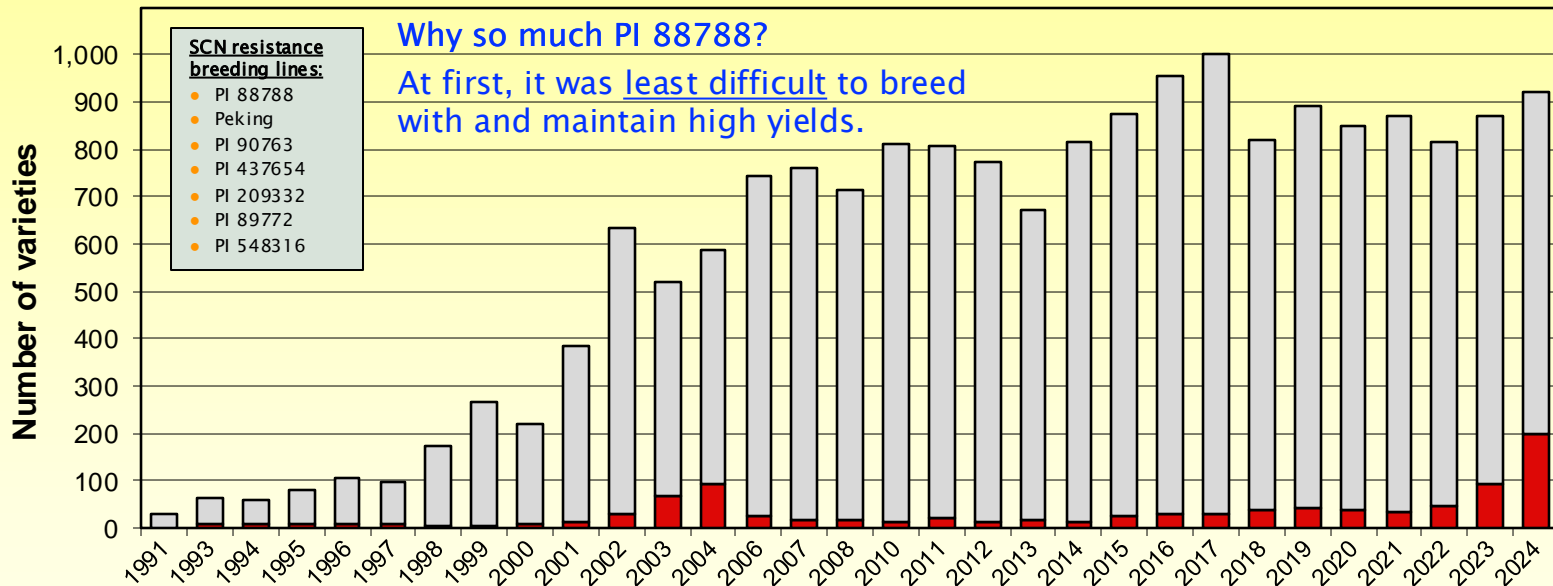


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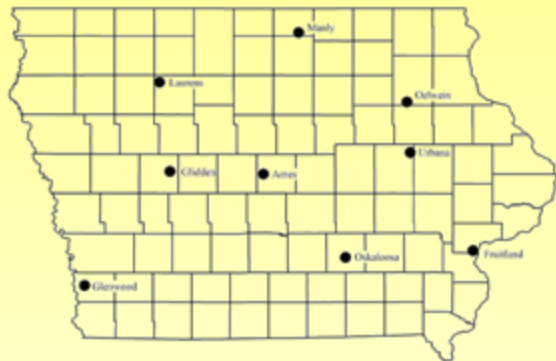


SCN-resistant Soybean Varieties



- not all resistant varieties yield equally; not all varieties suppress SCN #s equally

Iowa State University SCN-resistant Soybean Variety Trial Program



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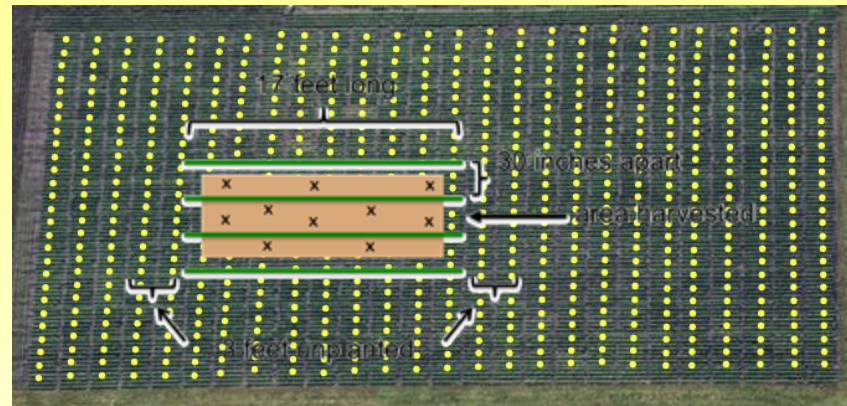
experimental site selection

- three each year in northern, central, and southern Iowa
- arbitrarily selected farmer fields, always following corn
- experiments never on land used previously for plots
- 72 varieties per location, 4 replicate plots per variety
- same varieties studied in northern or central or southern Iowa

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Iowa State University SCN-resistant Soybean Variety Trial Program



- we measure yield and collect a 10-core soil sample from each 4-row plot at planting and at harvest to determine SCN egg numbers
- leftover soil from samples collected at planting is mixed, then reproduction of the SCN population in each field is measured on **PI 88788** and **Peking**

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- Peking
- PI 88788
- susceptible

Percent reproduction (female index):

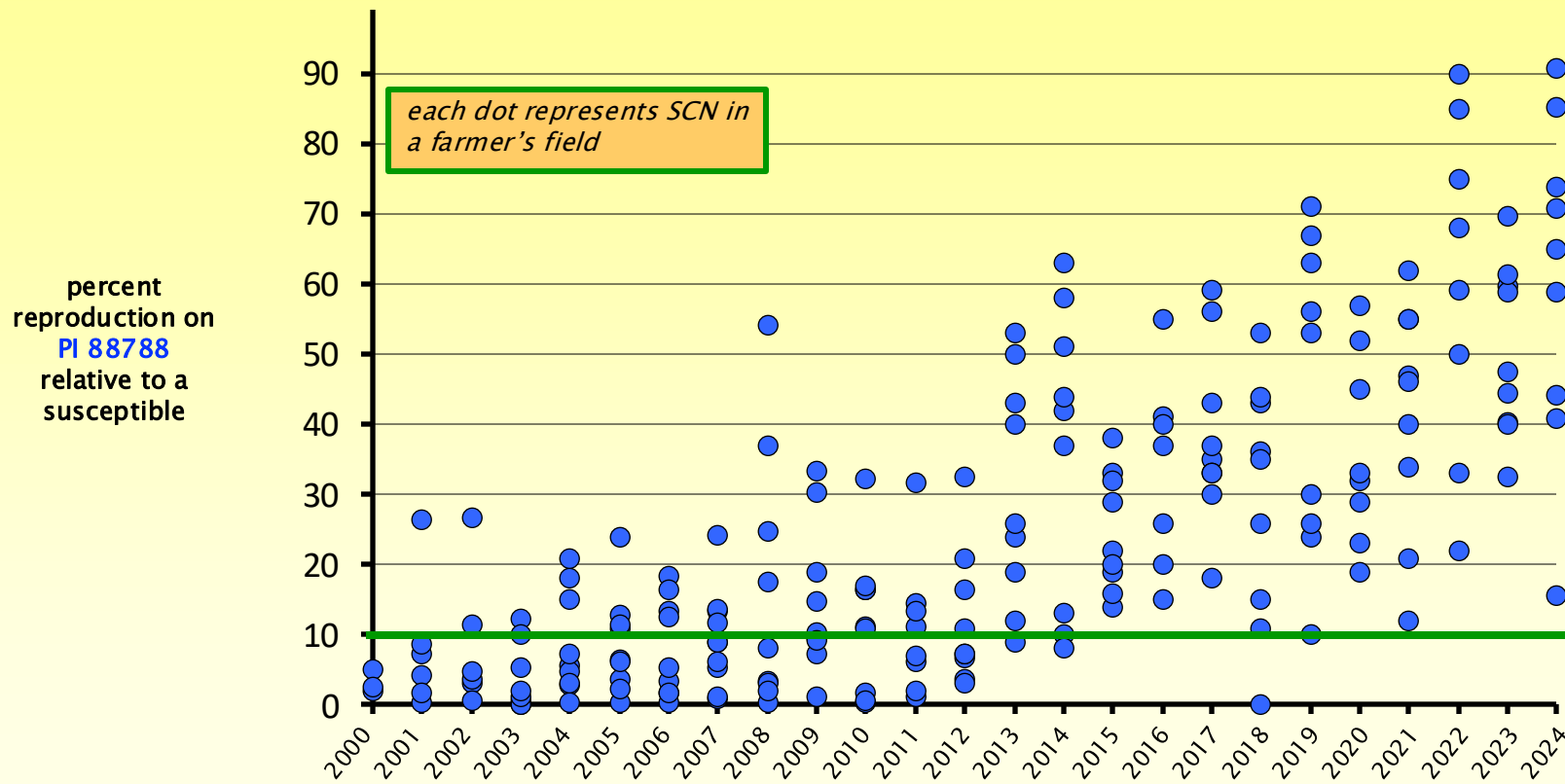
on PI 88788 ÷ # on susceptible

on Peking ÷ # on susceptible

scientific definition of effective resistance
against SCN: $\leq 10\%$

Reproduction of Iowa SCN populations on PI 88788:

- ◆ 25 growing seasons
- ◆ 210 Iowa field locations

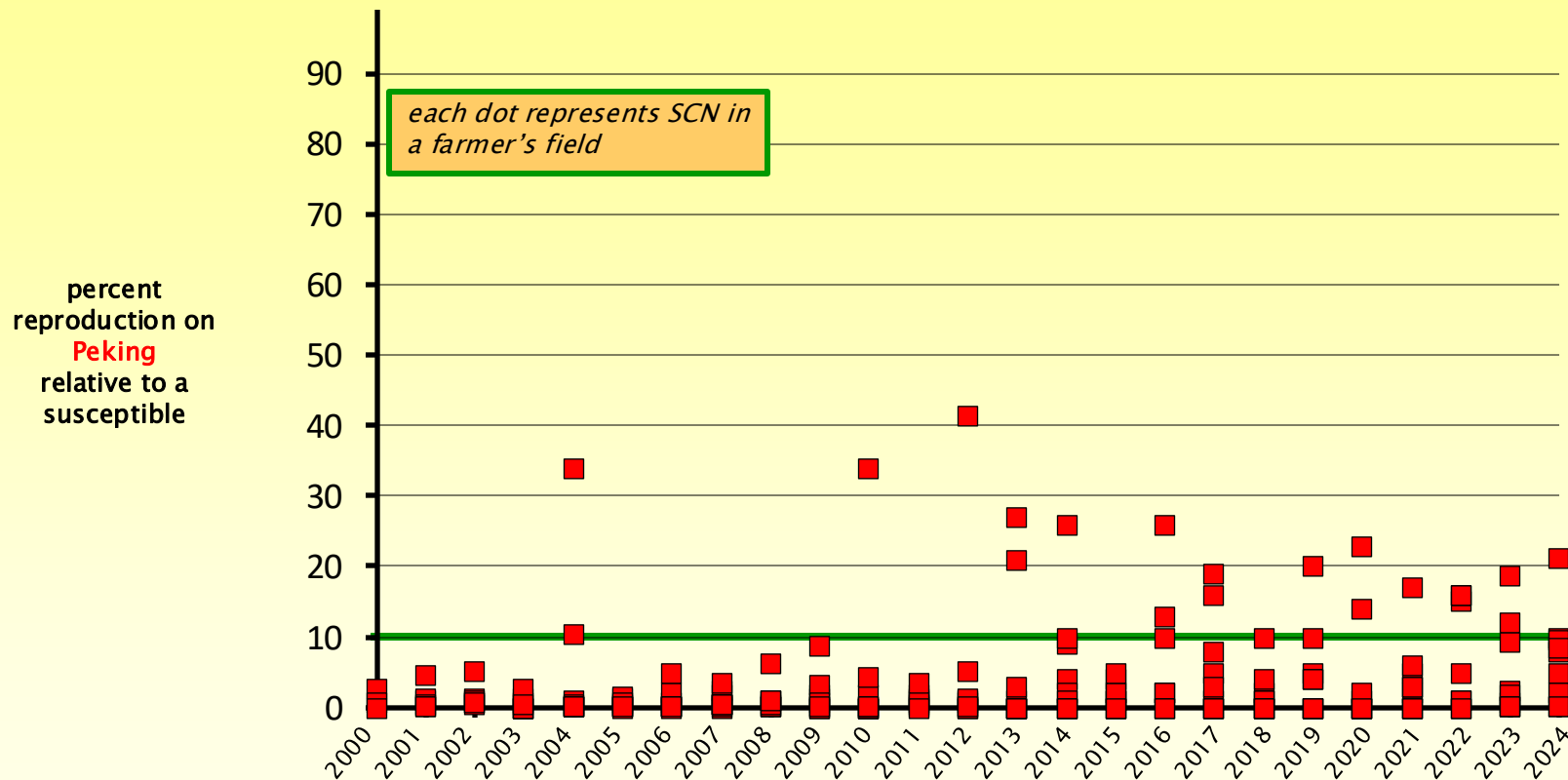


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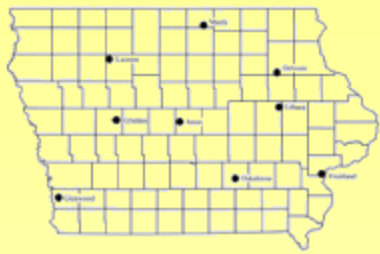
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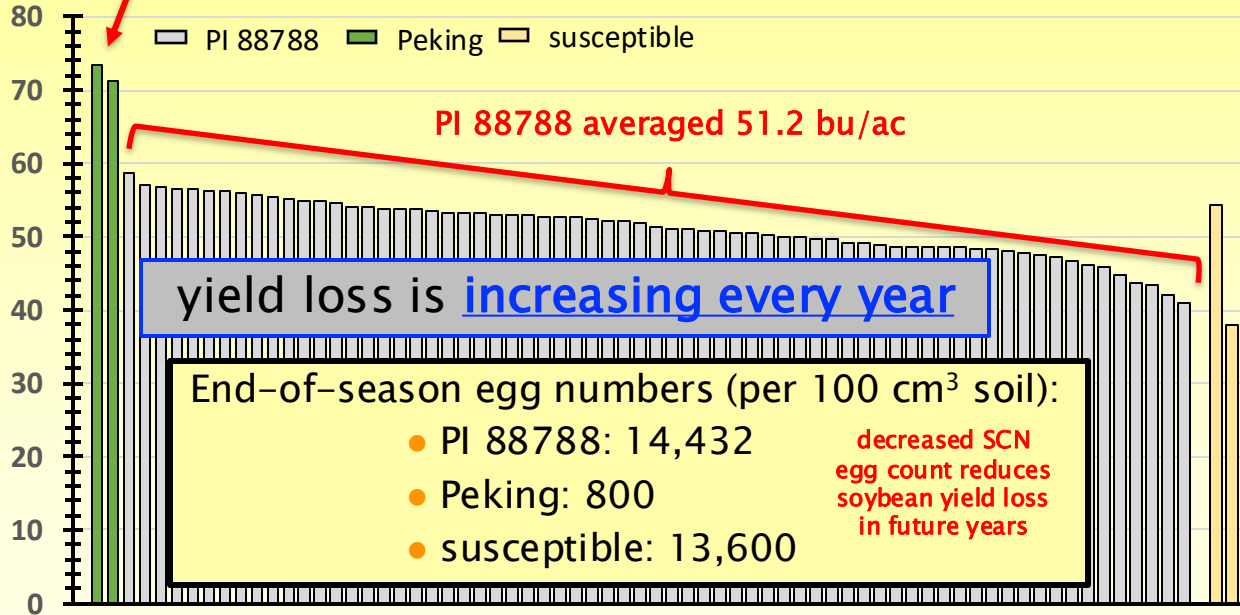
Fruitland (SE Iowa) 2019

Peking
averaged
72.4 bu/ac

- $P_i = 4,687$ eggs per 100 cm³ soil
- 71% reproduction on PI 88788
- 0% reproduction on Peking

72 varieties

- 67 PI 88788
- 2 Peking
- 3 susceptible

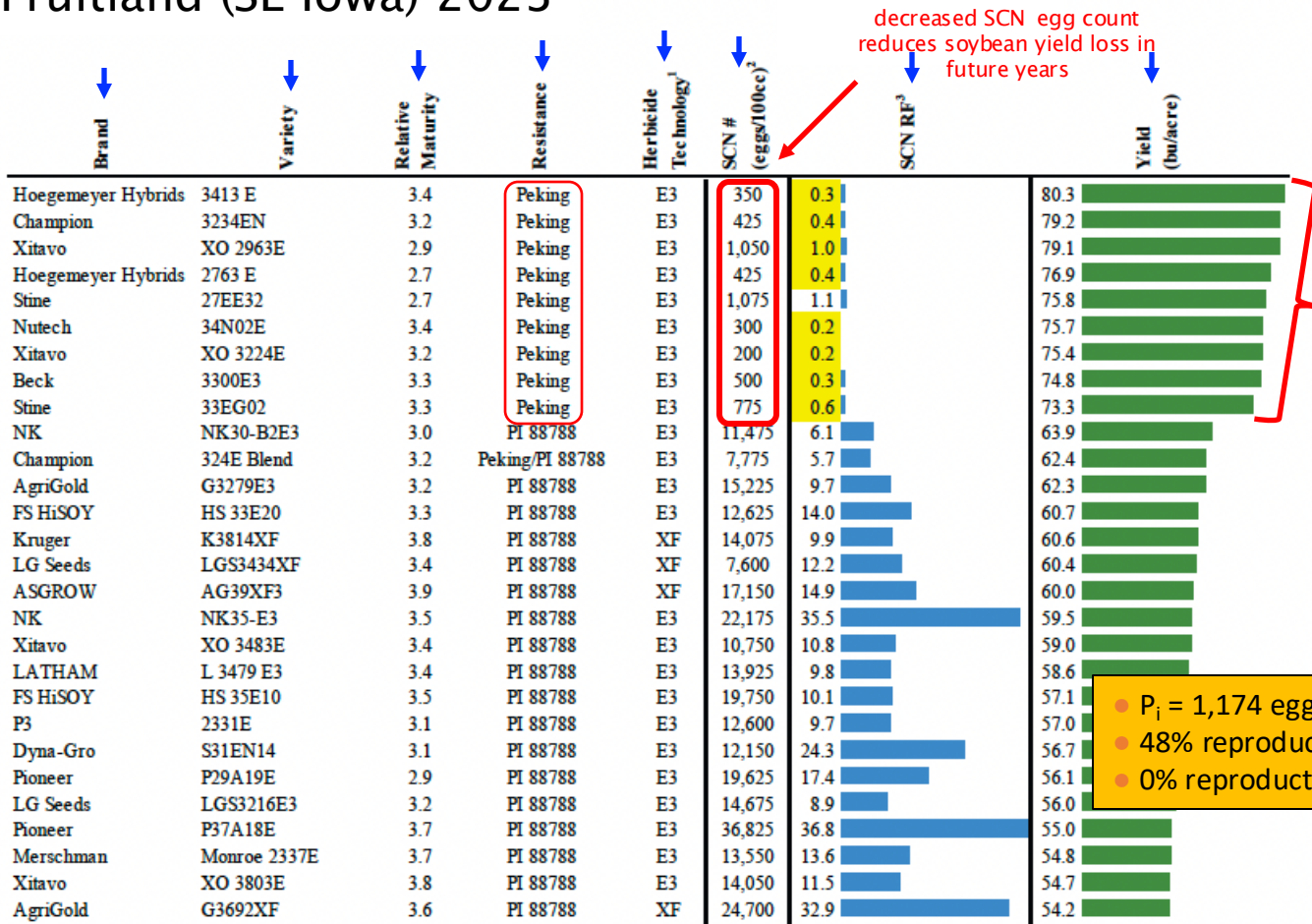


21.2 bu/ac x \$9/bu (2019) = \$191/ac lost income

Fruitland (SE Iowa) 2023

72 varieties

- 61 PI 88788
- 9 Peking
- 2 susceptible



9.4-16.4 bu/ac more than top-yielding variety with PI 88788

● P_i = 1,174 eggs per 100 cm³ soil
 ● 48% reproduction on PI 88788
 ● 0% reproduction on Peking

Laurens (NW Iowa) 2023

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72 varieties

- 45 PI 88788
- 25 Peking
- 2 susceptible

Brand	Variety	Relative Maturity	Resistance	Herbicide Technology ¹	SDS Index ²	SCN # (eggs/100cc) ³	SCN RF ⁴	Yield (bu/acre)
AgriGold	G2450XF	2.4	PI 88788	XF	1.9	5,275	1.4	75.5
LG Seeds	LGS2505E3	2.5	<u>Peking</u>	E3	1.1	400	0.2	73.2
Dyna-Gro	S25EN74	2.5	<u>Peking</u>	E3	3.3	675	0.2	73.1
LATHAM	L 1881 E3	1.8	<u>Peking</u>	E3	0.8	750	0.3	72.5
LG Seeds	LGS1832E3	1.8	<u>Peking</u>	E3	0.0	925	0.1	72.4
NK	NK19-T8E3S	1.9	<u>Peking</u>	E3	1.4	775	0.2	72.3
Hoegemeyer Hybrids	1903 E	1.9	<u>Peking</u>	E3	3.3	600	0.2	72.1
Champion	2093EN	2.0	<u>Peking</u>	E3	0.8	725	0.3	71.7
ASGROW	AG22XF3	2.2	PI 88788	XF	2.5	6,975	4.5	71.5
ASGROW	AG19XF3	1.9	PI 88788	XF	2.8	3,475	0.7	71.0
Cornelius	CB18XF88	1.8	PI 88788	XF	0.0	3,875	1.1	70.7
Hoegemeyer Hybrids	2484 E	2.1	<u>Peking</u>	E3	2.2	1,325	0.4	70.7
Kruger	K2115XF	2.1	PI 88788	XF	4.2	5,625	1.1	70.0
P3	2218E							69.9
NK	NK20-							69.5
Champion	1994EN							69.4
AgriGold	G2107E3	2.1	<u>Peking</u>	E3	1.1	775	0.3	69.3
Xitavo	XO 1822E	1.8	PI 88788	E3	4.4	2,200	0.7	69.3
Golden Harvest	GH2004XF	2.0	PI 88788	XF	0.3	2,625	0.8	69.1
LG Seeds	LGS2364XF	2.3	PI 88788	XF	1.9	6,075	1.5	68.8
LATHAM	L 2031 E3	2.0	<u>Peking</u>	E3	1.1	1,025	0.6	68.5
Hoegemeyer Hybrids	2123 E	2.1	<u>Peking</u>	E3	3.1	1,425	0.3	68.1
Channel	2123RFX	1.9	PI 88788	XF	3.1	4,350	1.0	68.0
Loyal Brand	L2150E	2.1	PI 88788	E3	0.3	1,000	0.2	67.6
ASGROW	AG24XF3	2.4	PI 88788	XF	0.8	4,400	1.0	67.6
Pioneer	P18A73E	1.8	<u>Peking</u>	E3	1.1	500	0.1	67.6
Pioneer	P23A40E	2.3	PI 88788	E3	0.8	5,850	2.1	67.1
Xitavo	XO 1632E	1.6	PI 88788	E3	4.4	3,975	1.0	67.1
Stine	20EG02	2.0	PI 88788	E3	1.7	2,775	0.5	67.0
Golden Harvest	GH1973E3S	1.9	<u>Peking</u>	E3/STS	0.3	650	0.2	67.0
Nutech	22N03E	2.2	PI 88788	E3	0.8	2,825	0.9	66.9
Beck	2009XF	2.0	PI 88788	XF	16.1	3,125	1.1	66.7
NK	NK16-Z6E3	1.6	<u>Peking</u>	E3	11.7	475	0.2	66.4
Nutech	20N05E	2.0	PI 88788	E3	2.2	3,500	1.1	66.3
Loyal Brand	L2130E	2.1	PI 88788	E3	5.6	3,625	0.9	66.1
AgriGold	G2306XF	2.3	PI 88788	XF	2.2	4,750	2.0	65.6

Your yields may vary.

no significant difference

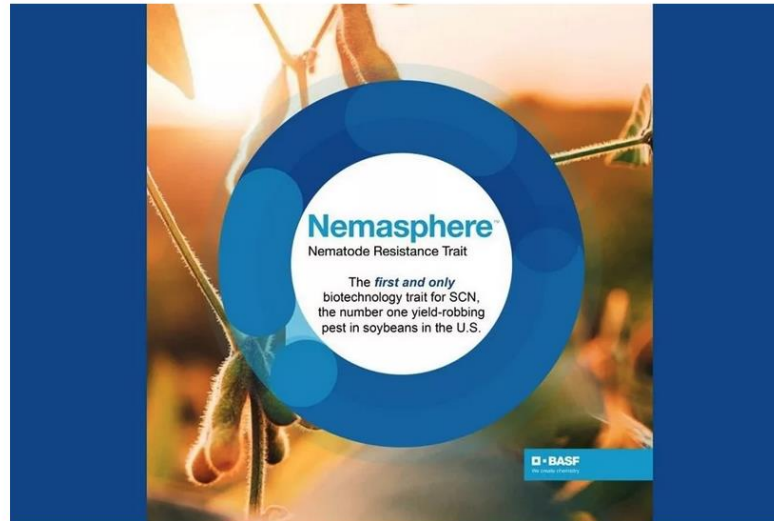
- P_i = 3,537 eggs per 100 cm³ soil
- 60% reproduction on PI 88788
- 0% reproduction on Peking

Nemasphere™

Bt-based SCN resistance approved by EPA in 2020 and will be available by 2028

BASF Introduces Nematode Resistant Trait for Soybeans

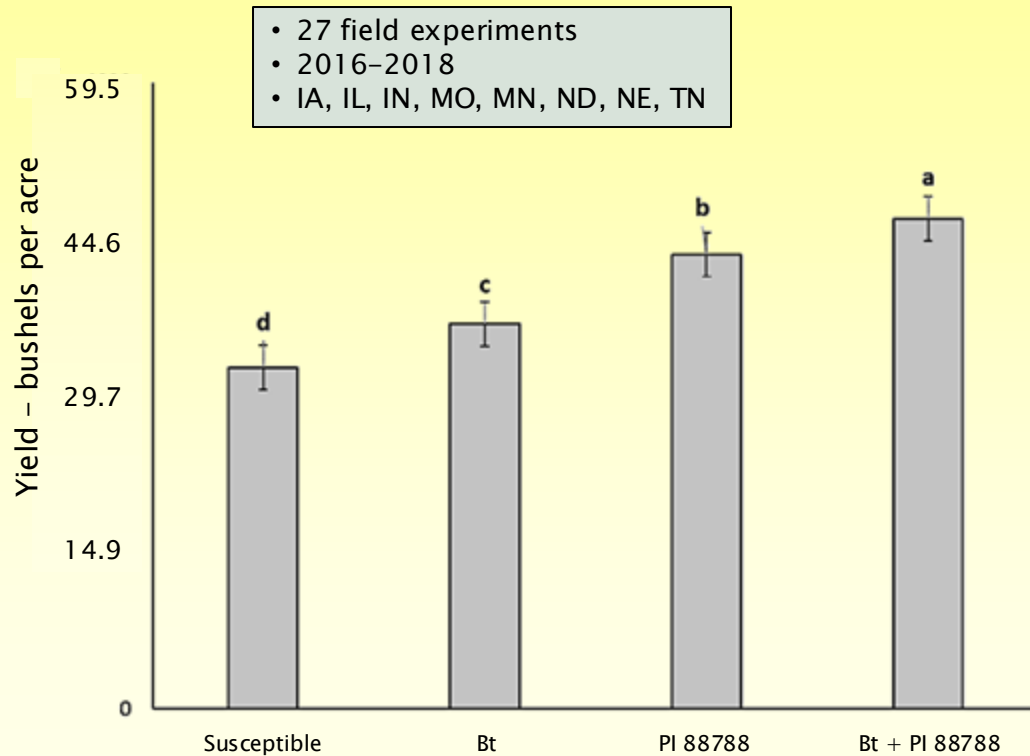
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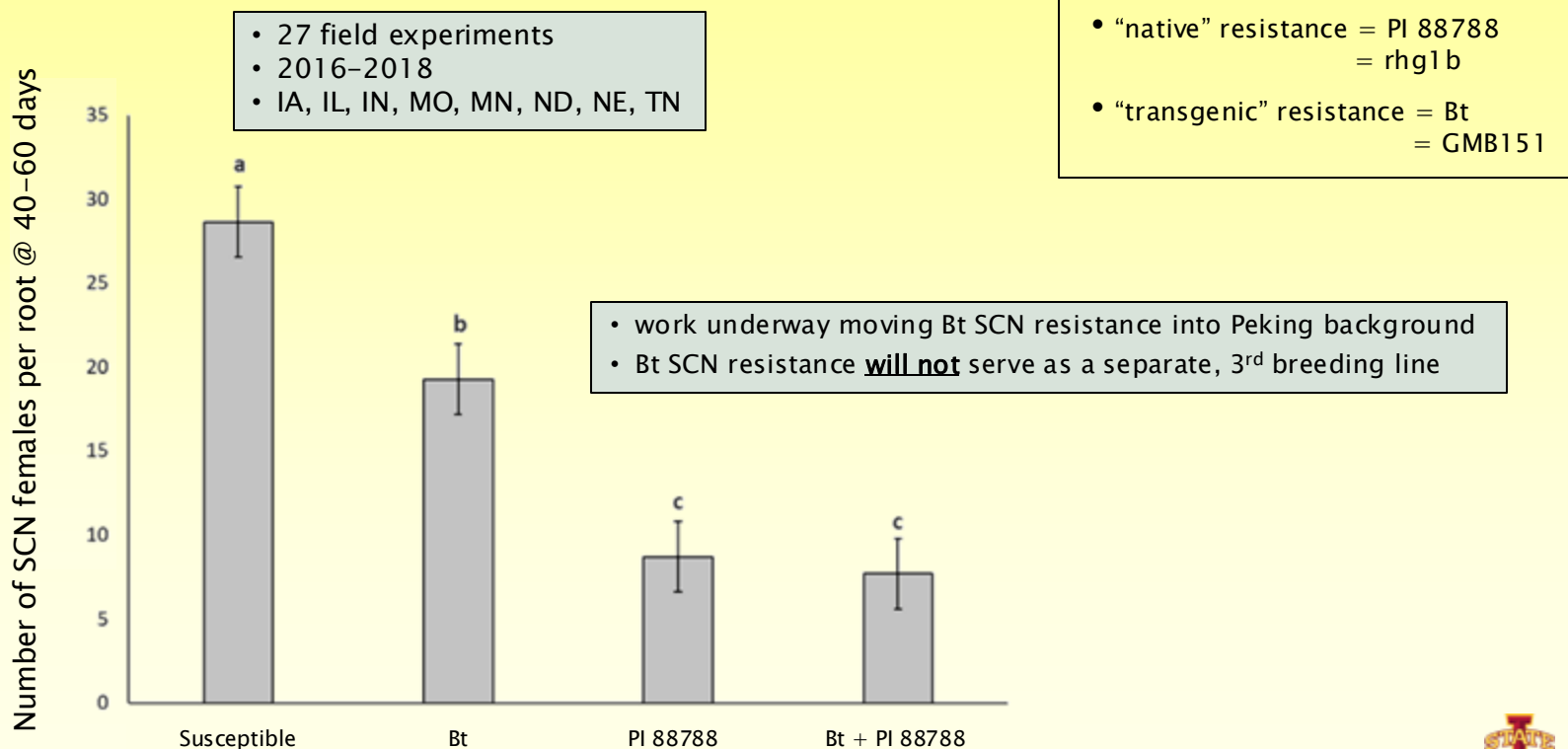
- “native” resistance = PI 88788
= rhg1b
- “transgenic” resistance = Bt
= GMB151



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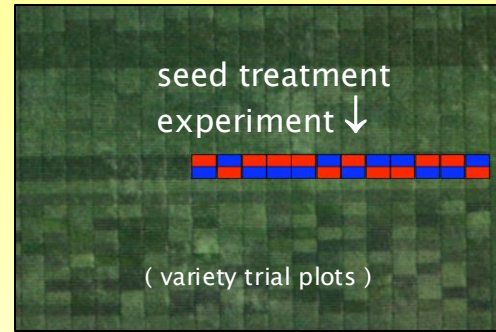


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Iowa State University SCN-resistant Seed Treatment Testing Program

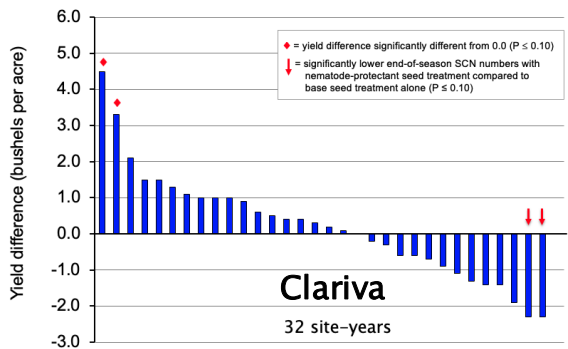


- we measure yield and collect a 10-core soil sample from each 4-row plot at planting and at harvest to determine SCN egg numbers
- 225 experiments since 2014, 9 experiments annually per seed treatment, 3 nematode seed treatment products each year
- 12 replications w/nematode product+base and 12 replications w/base alone

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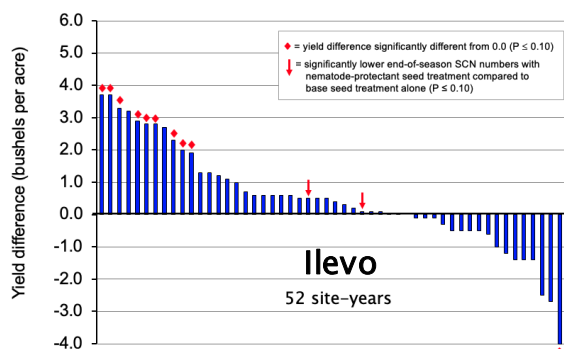
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Clariva + base versus base alone



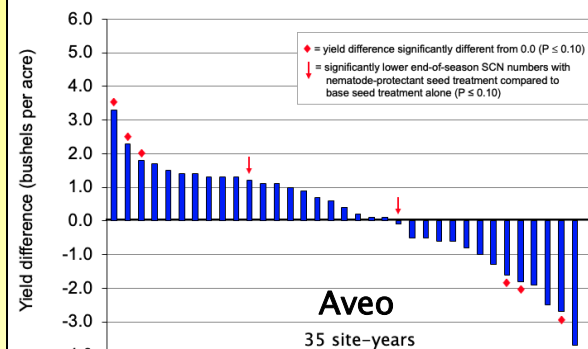
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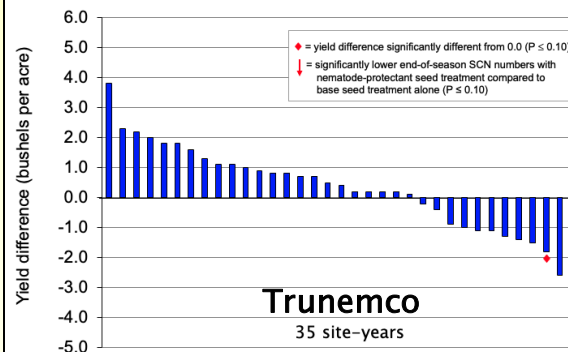
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◆ statistically significant ($P \leq 0.10$) yield difference; ↓ significant decrease in SCN #s

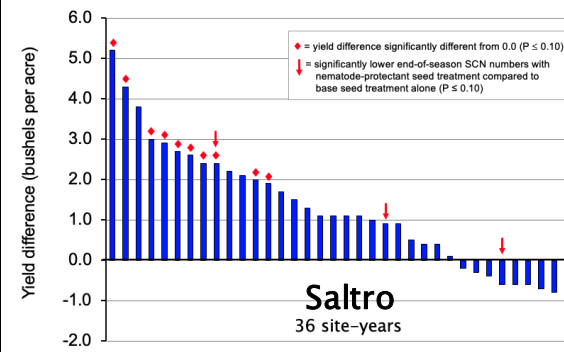
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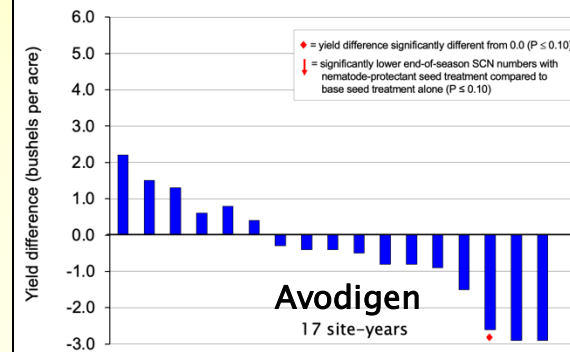
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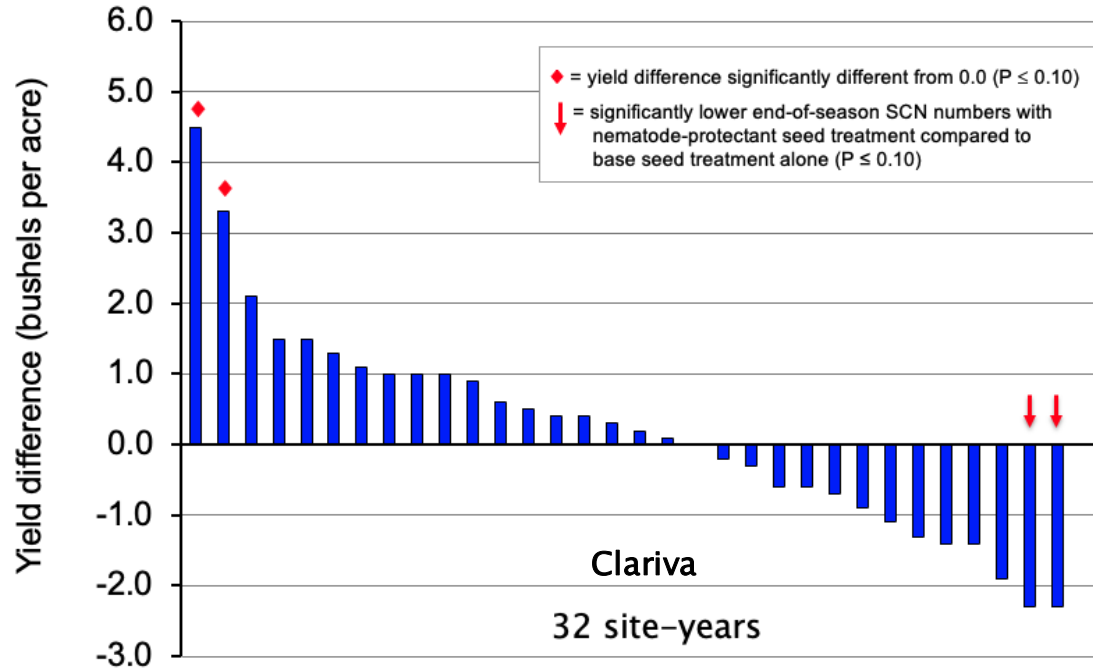
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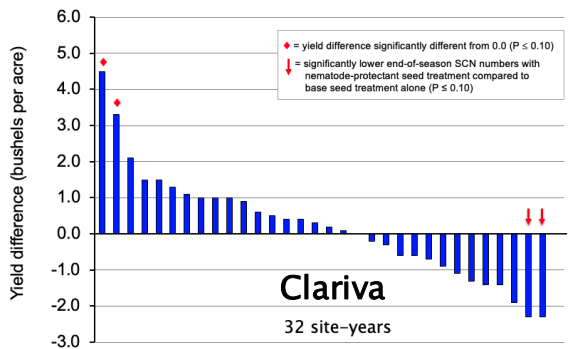
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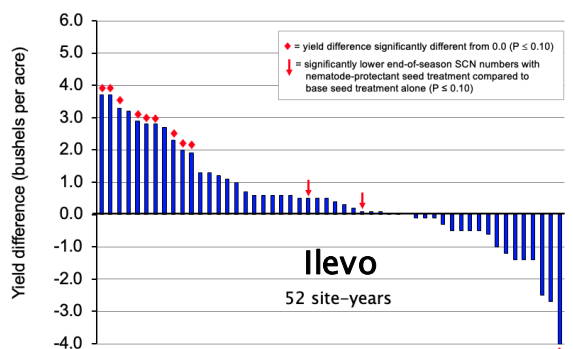
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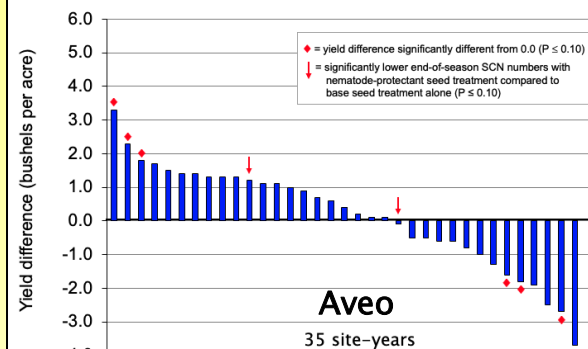
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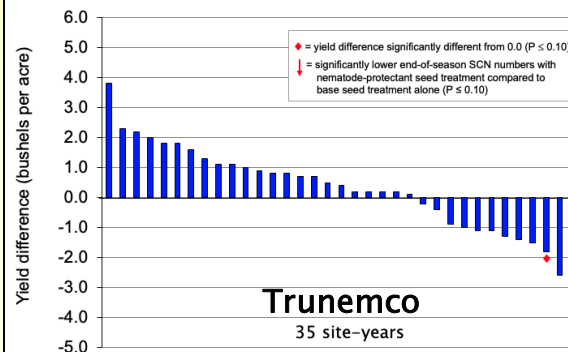
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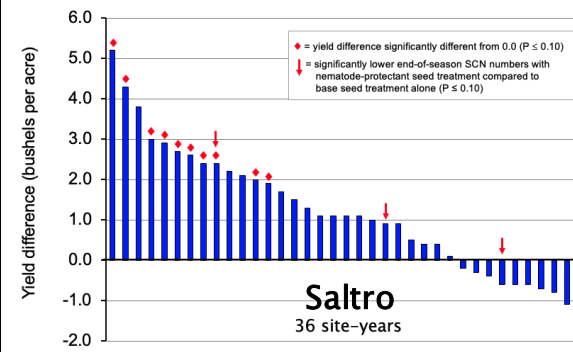
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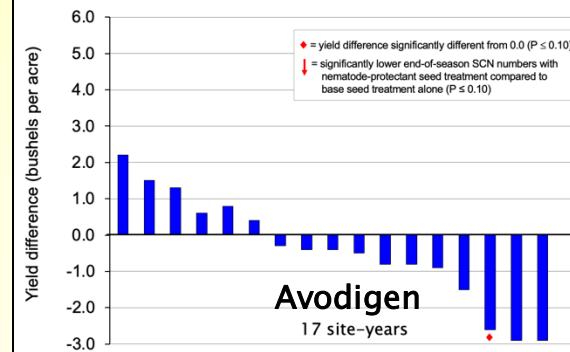
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SCN Management Recommendations for Iowa New

- start growing varieties with Peking SCN resistance in SCN-infested fields (200 Peking varieties available now)



Varieties with Peking SCN resistance for 2025

MG 2



95 varieties

MG 3



32 varieties

search for: “Quick Guide to Soybeans with Peking”



SCN Management Recommendations for Iowa New

- start growing varieties with Peking SCN resistance in SCN-infested fields (200 Peking varieties available now)
- never grow varieties with Peking SCN resistance twice in a row

It is anticipated that SCN populations will adapt much quicker to Peking resistance than they did to PI 88788 resistance.



SCN Management Recommendations for Iowa New

- start growing varieties with Peking SCN resistance in SCN-infested fields (200 Peking varieties available now)
- never grow varieties with Peking SCN resistance twice in a row
- alternate growing Peking resistance and PI 88788 resistance
- always rotate growing corn with SCN-resistant soybeans
- use seed treatments on soybeans for added yield protection





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