



Managing Nematodes in Corn and Soybean

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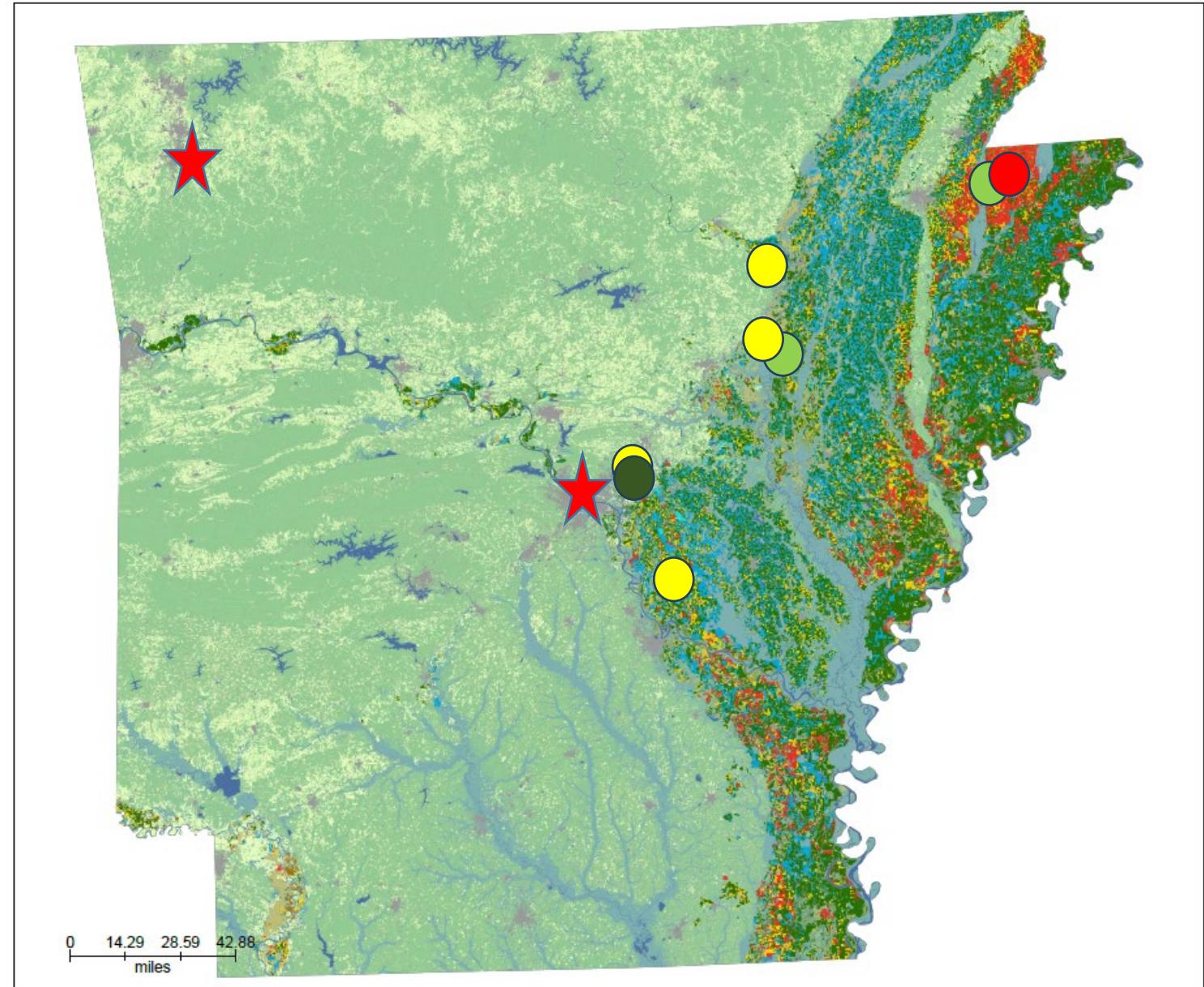
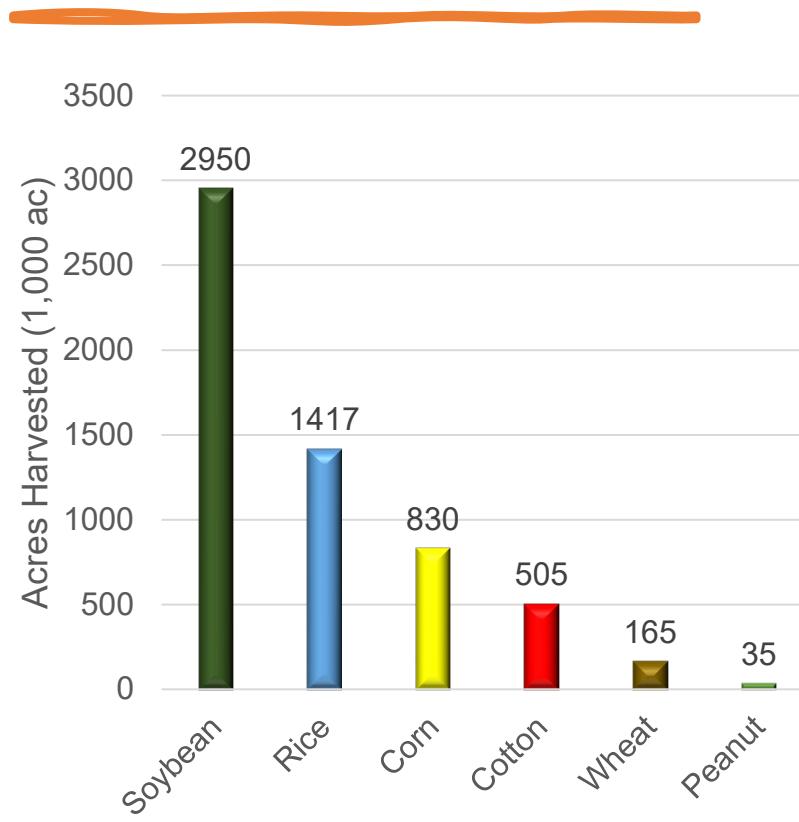
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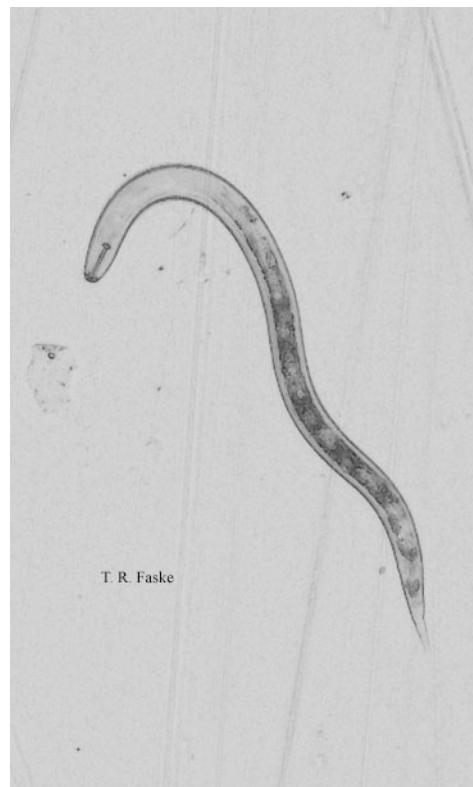
Major Nematodes of Soybean in the South

Southern root-knot nematode
(*Meloidogyne incognita*)



Infective stages

Soybean Cyst Nematode
(*Heterodera glycines*)

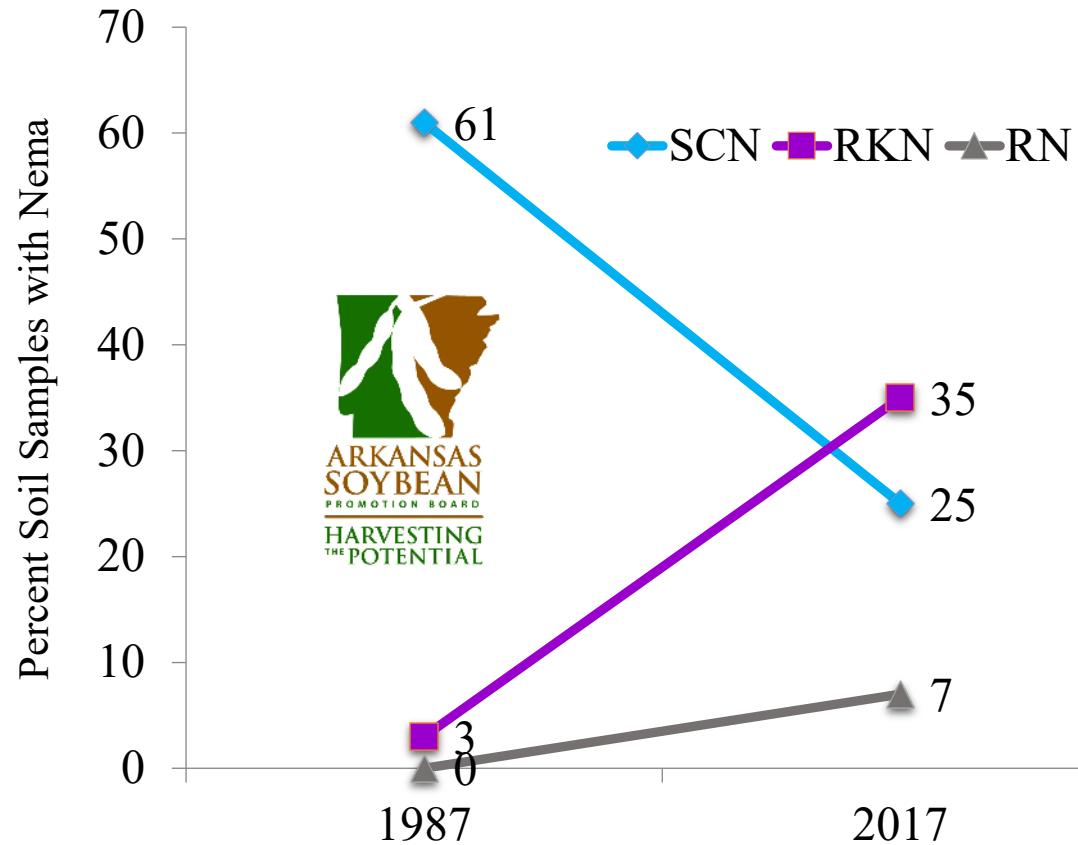


Reniform nematode
(*Rotylenchulus reniformis*)



Changes in soybean nematodes in 30 yrs in Arkansas

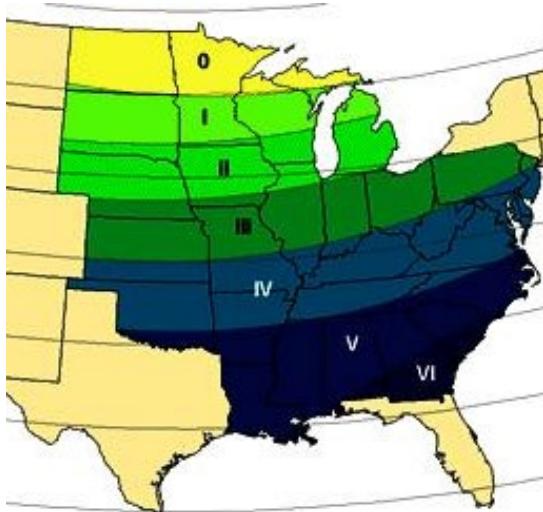
MC McDaniel (1958-90)



TL Kirkpatrick (1984-2019)



Contributing factors to increased Southern RKN



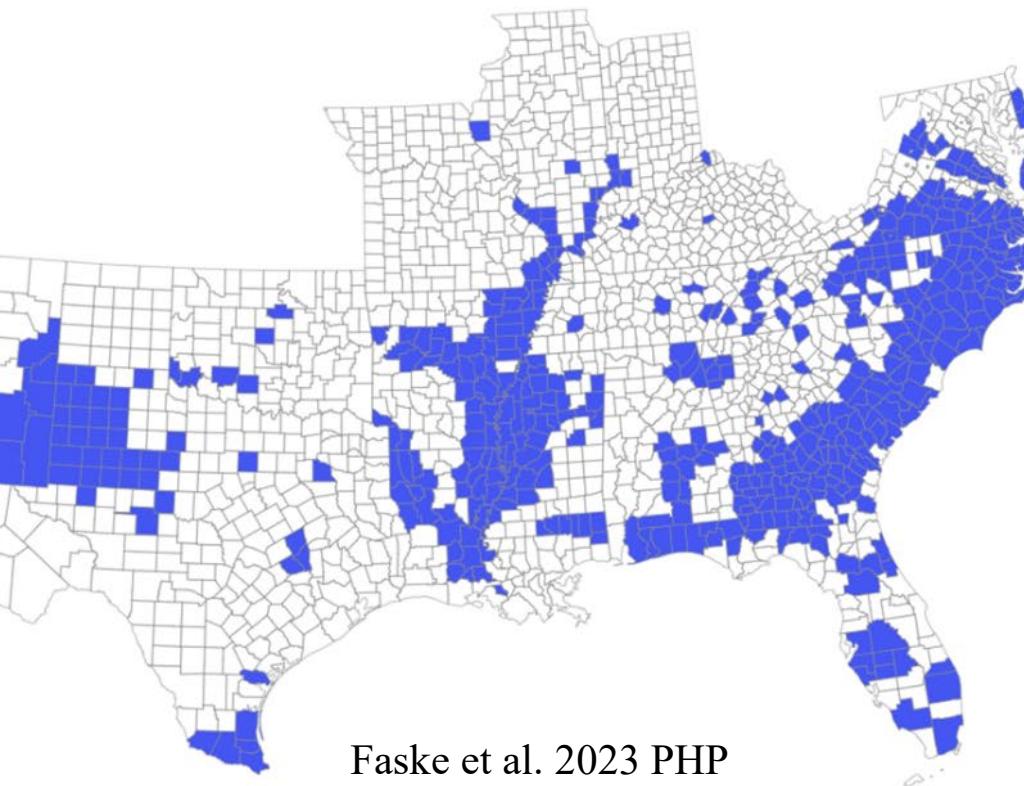
Meloidogyne spp. that infect soybean

- Southern root-knot nematode (*M. incognita*)
- Peanut root-knot nematode (*M. arenaria*)
- Javanese root-knot nematode (*M. javanica*)
- Northern root-knot nematode (*M. hapla*)
- Guava root-knot nematode (*M. enterlobii*)
- Texas root-knot nematode (*M. haplanaria*)
- Others



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Distribution of the *M. incognita* in field crops



Faske et al. 2023 PHP





When a root-knot nematode issue is often recognized

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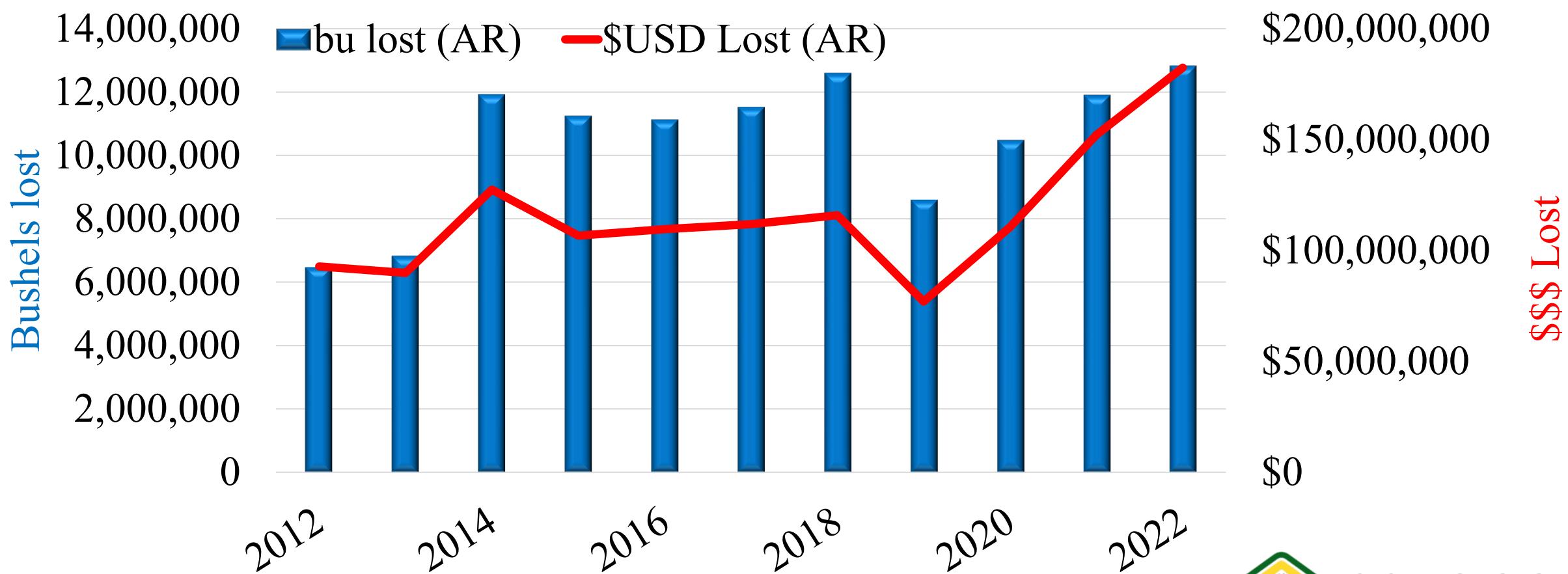
Mississippi Co., AR:
soybean following
cotton (S. Monfort)

25 to 30% yield loss per field



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Yield loss estimates due to Southern RKN in US



Southern root-knot nematode
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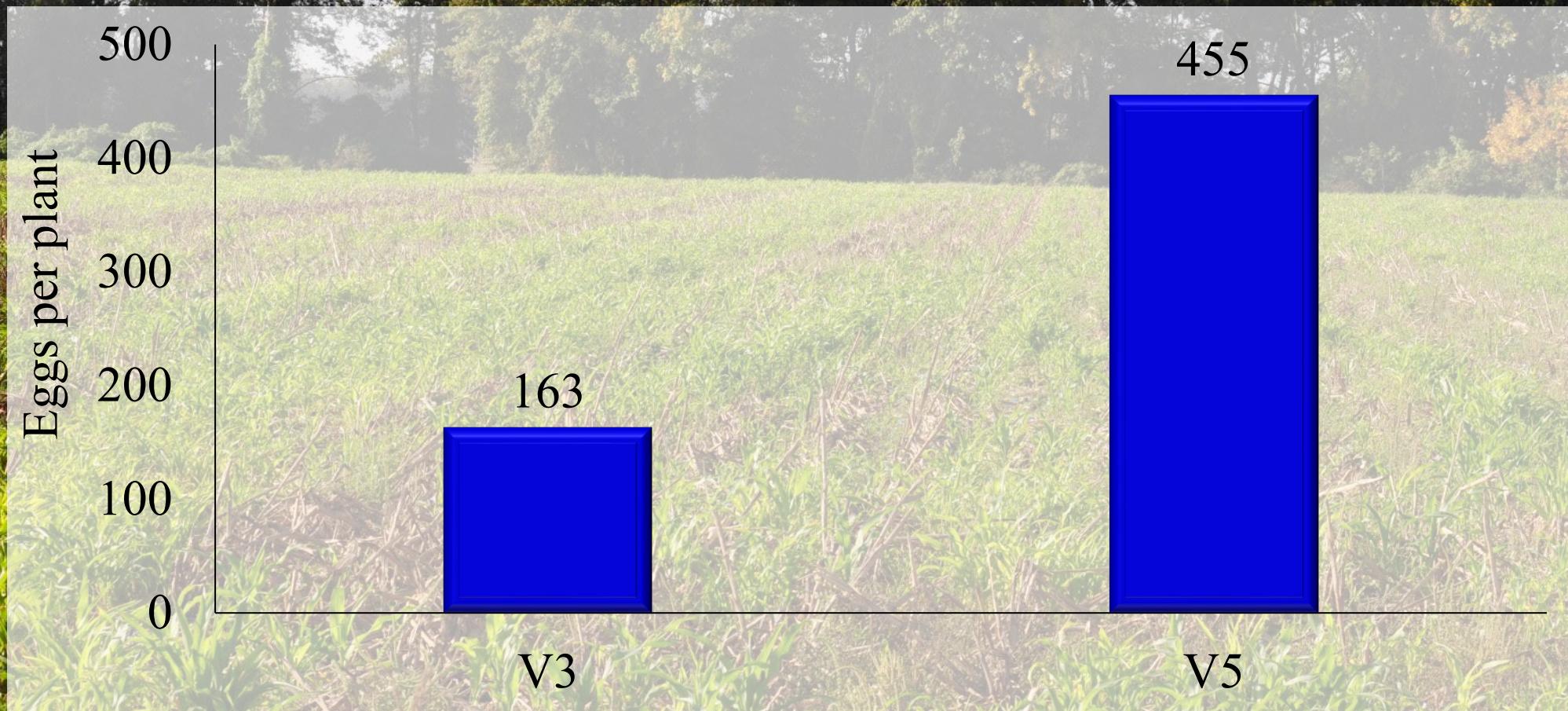
Hosts



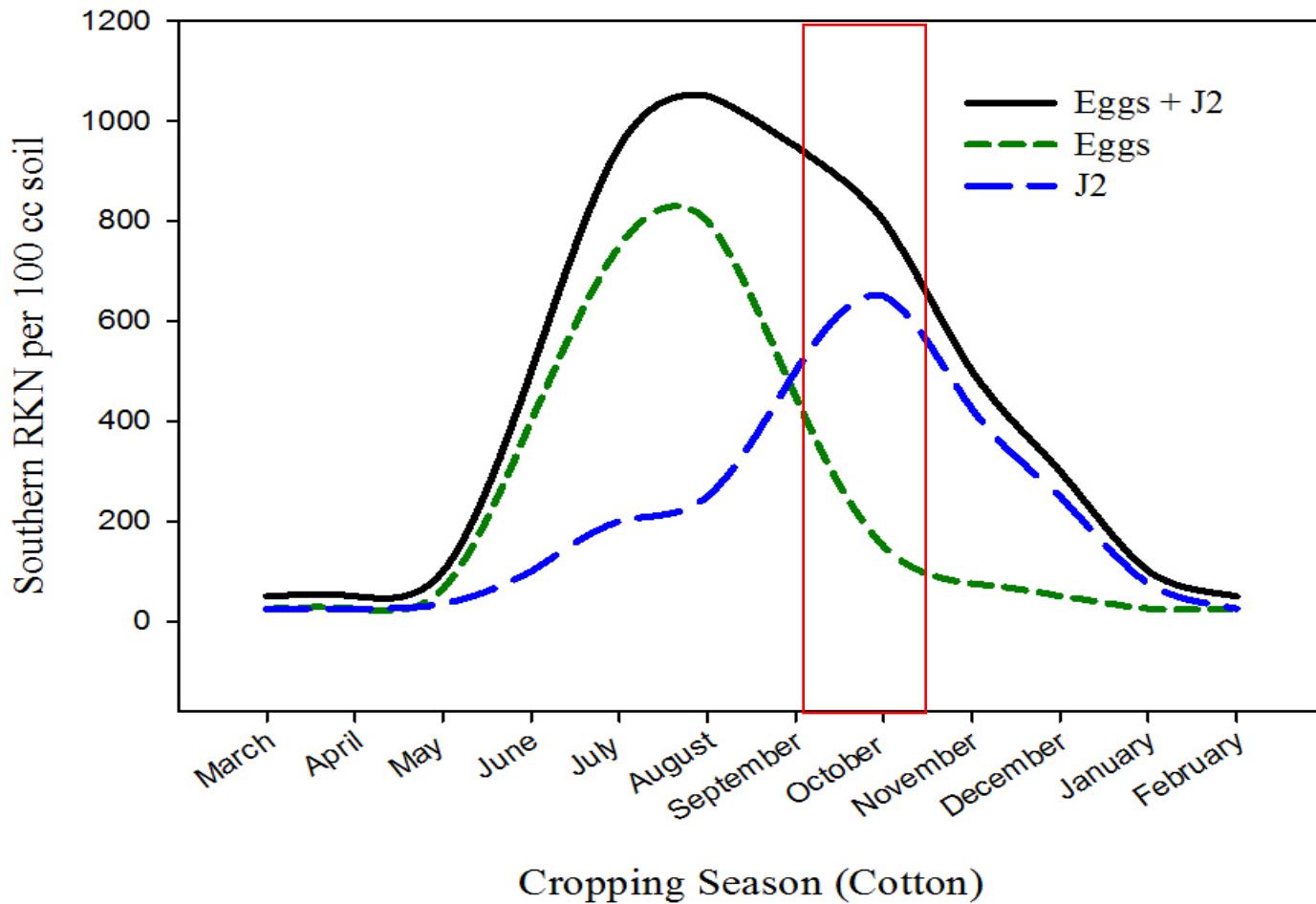
Nonhost



Volunteer corn



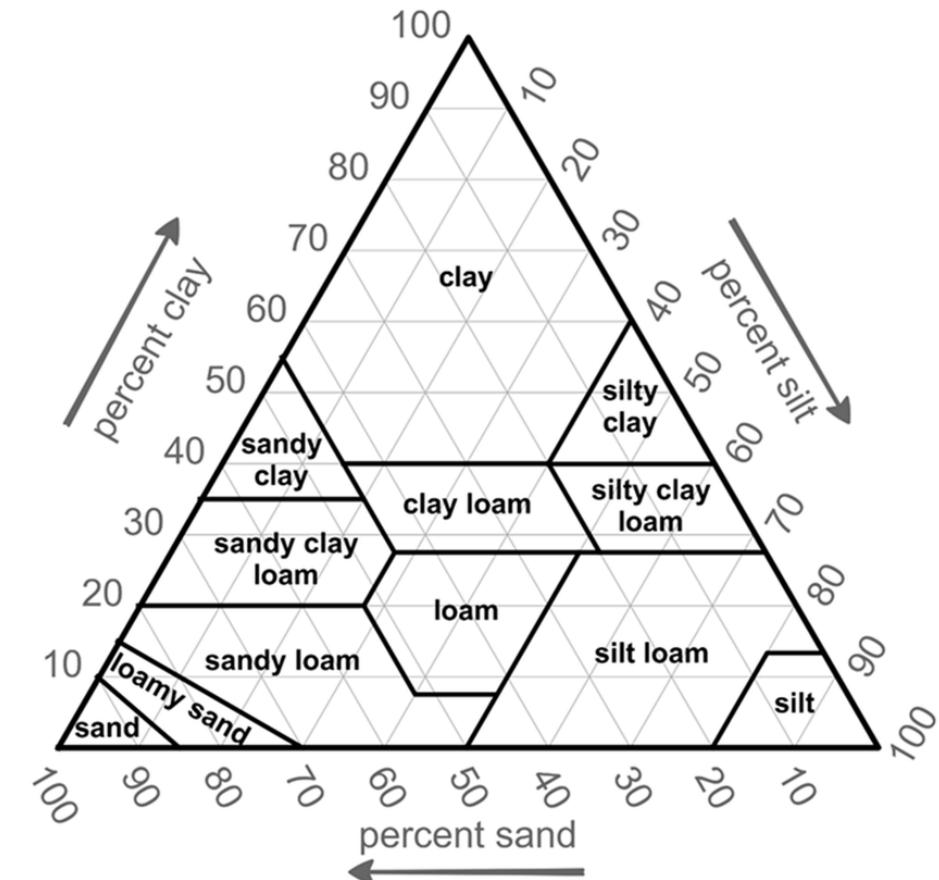
Changes in RKN population density in a year



Threshold in Arkansas

Post-harvest population density for...

Nematode	(nema/100 cm ³)	(nema/pint)
southern root-knot	60	236





Management

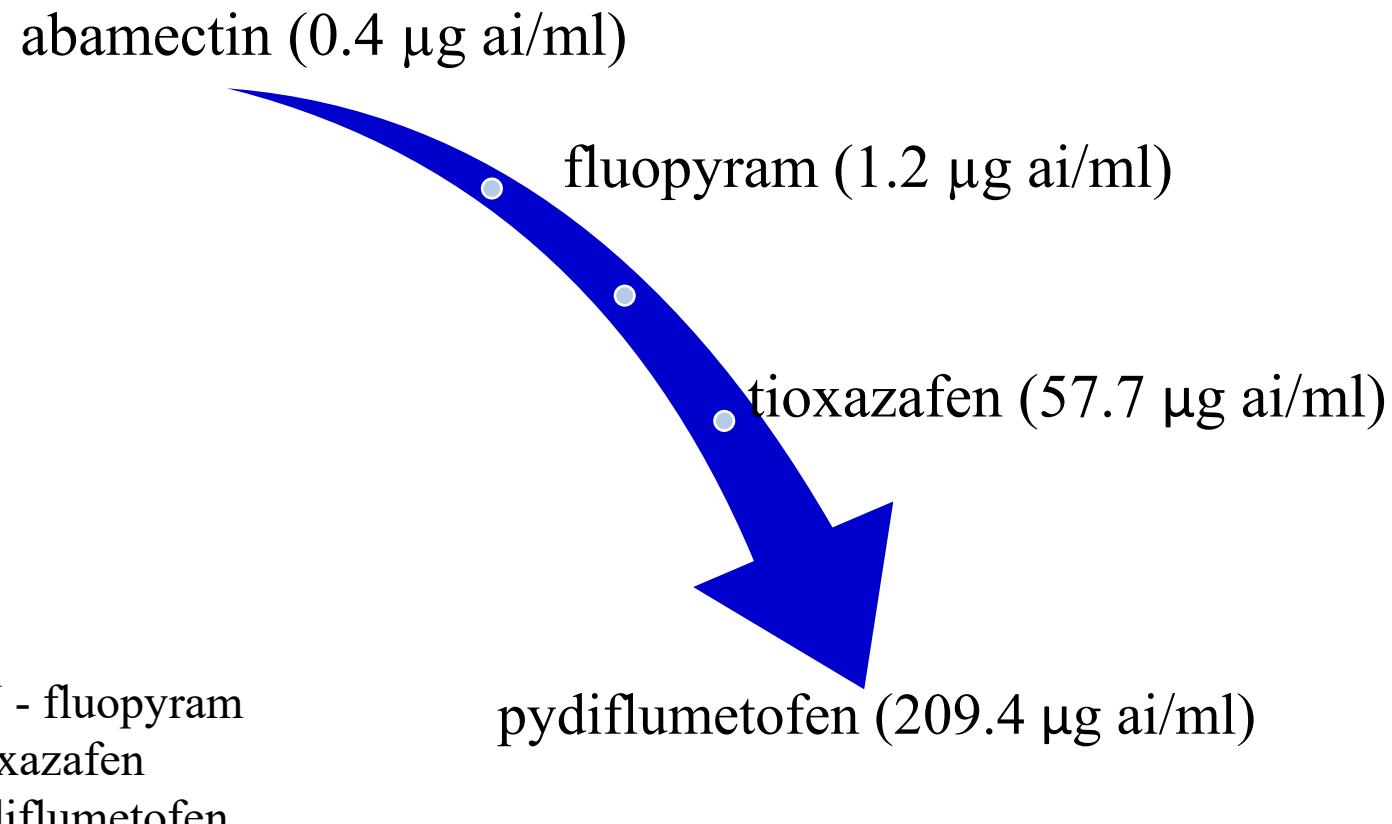
- Nematicides

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Seed-applied nematicides registered for use in soybean

Trade Name	Active Ingredient	Company	Year Reg.	Signal Word
Avicta	Abamectin	Syngenta	2010	Danger
ILEVO	Fluopyram	BASF	2014	Caution
NemaStrike ST	Tioxazafen	Bayer	2017	Caution
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Toxicity (24-hr EC₅₀) to the southern RKN



Faske and Hurd, 2015 – JON - fluopyram

Faske et al. 2022 – JON - tioxazafen

Brown et al. 2023 – CP - pydiflumetofen

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VOTIVO	<i>Bacillus firmus</i> I-1582	BASF	2010	Caution
BioST Nematicide or Nemasect	<i>Burkholderia rinojensis</i> A496	Albaugh or Becks	2014	Caution
AVEO EZ Nematicide	<i>B. amyloliquefaciens</i> PTA-4838	Valent	2017	Caution
Trunemco	<i>B. amyloliquefaciens</i> strain MBI 600 + cis-Jasmone	Nufarm	2020	Caution

Soybean Nematicide Study (2018 to 2021)



Seed-applied nematicide study



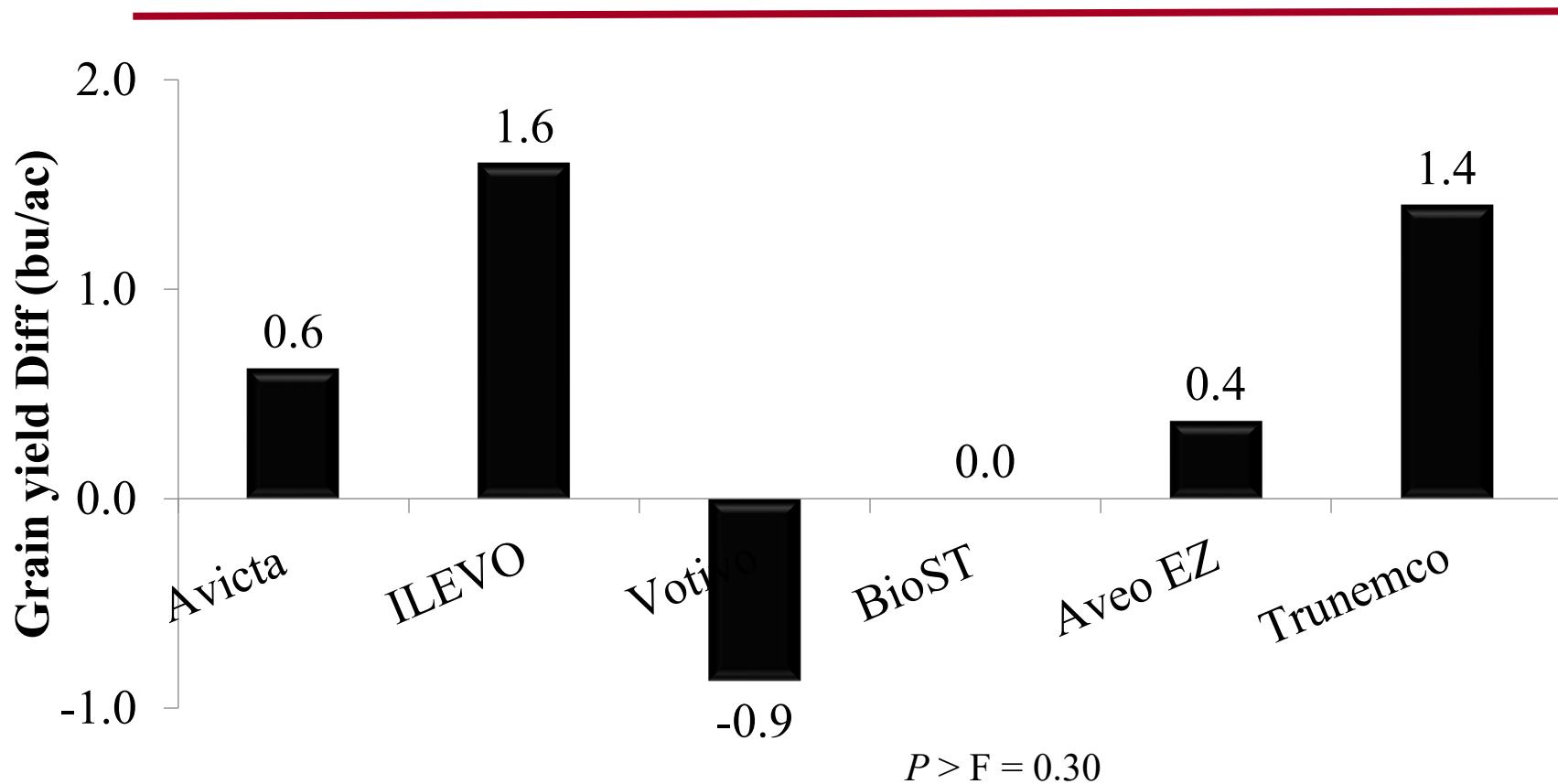
- 4 yr summary (2018 to 2021)
- Delta Grow, DG 4880 GLY
- 4 row, 30-ft long plots, 4 to 6 reps, RCBD
- Pf avg. 500 J2/100 cm³ soil

Soybean Nematicide Study

- No nematicide consistently suppressed RKN galling



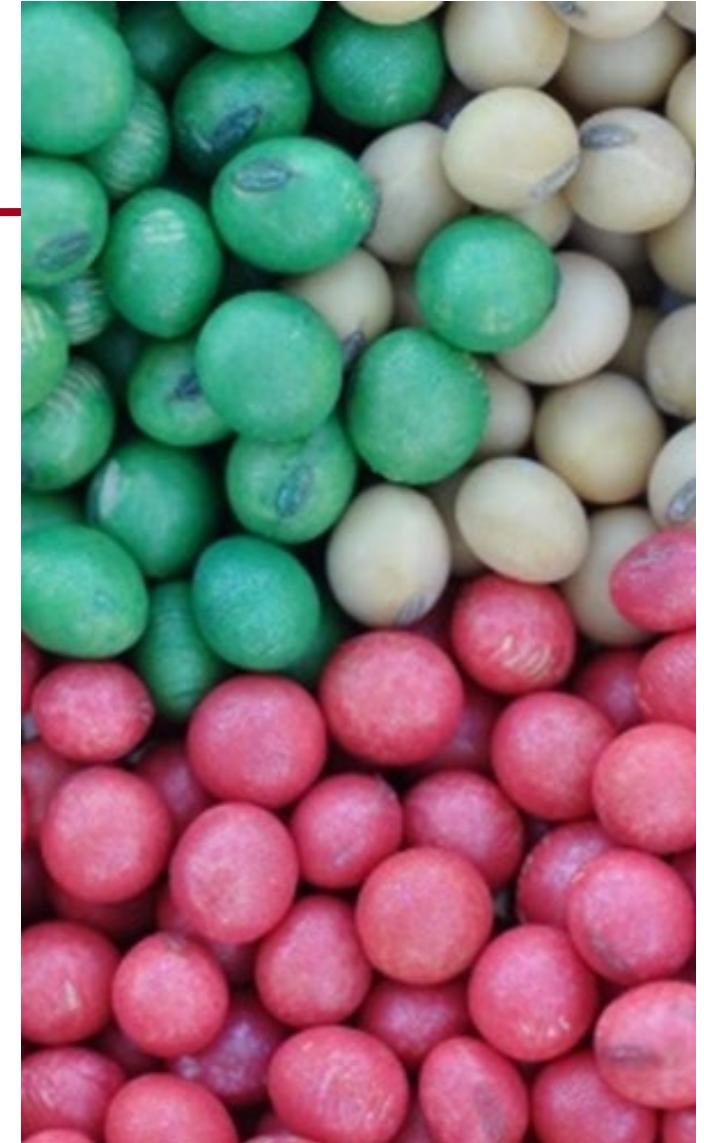
Susceptible var. Avg. 36.1 bu/ac



Frequency of > 2 bu/ac:

- Trunemco = 45%
- ILEVO = 50%
- Avg. Yield protection 4%

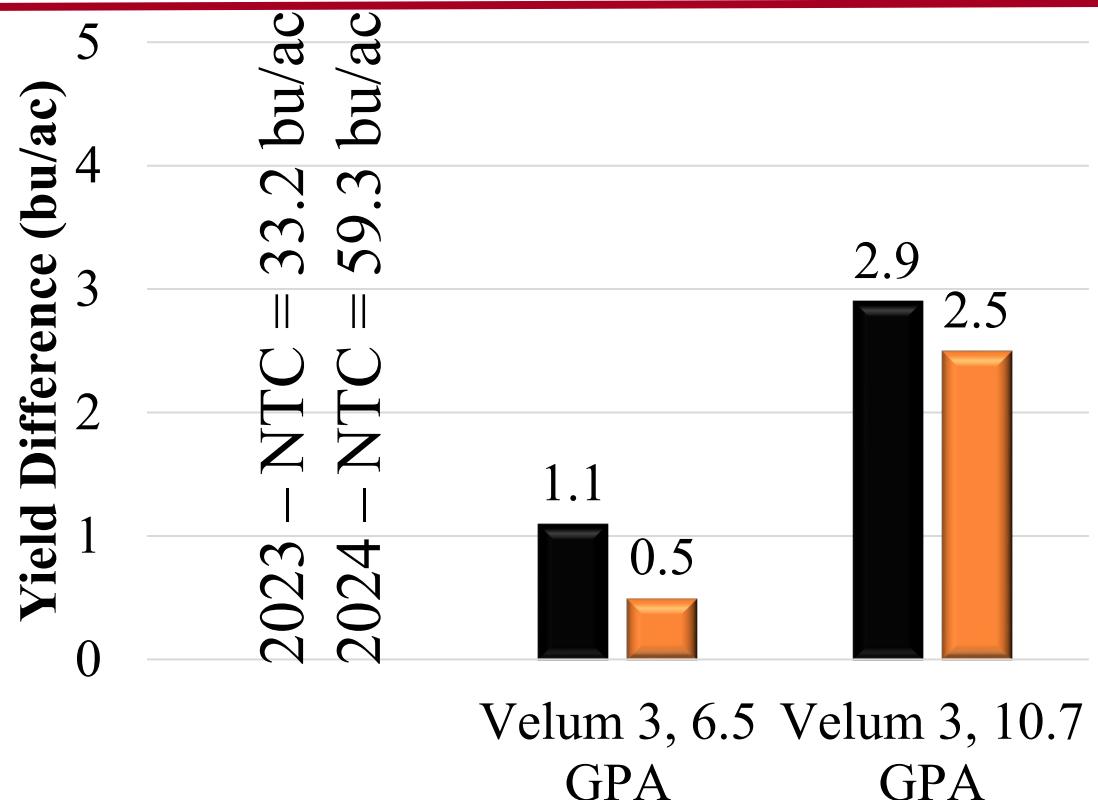
Limitations in Root Protection by Seed- Applied Nematicides



Velum Experiments (2023 and 2024)

4 RKN-S cv. used

1. 3 vs 5 fl oz at 6.5 GPA
2. 3 fl oz at 6.5 and 10.7 GPA



$P > F = 0.07$ for 2023

$P > F = 0.42$ for 2024



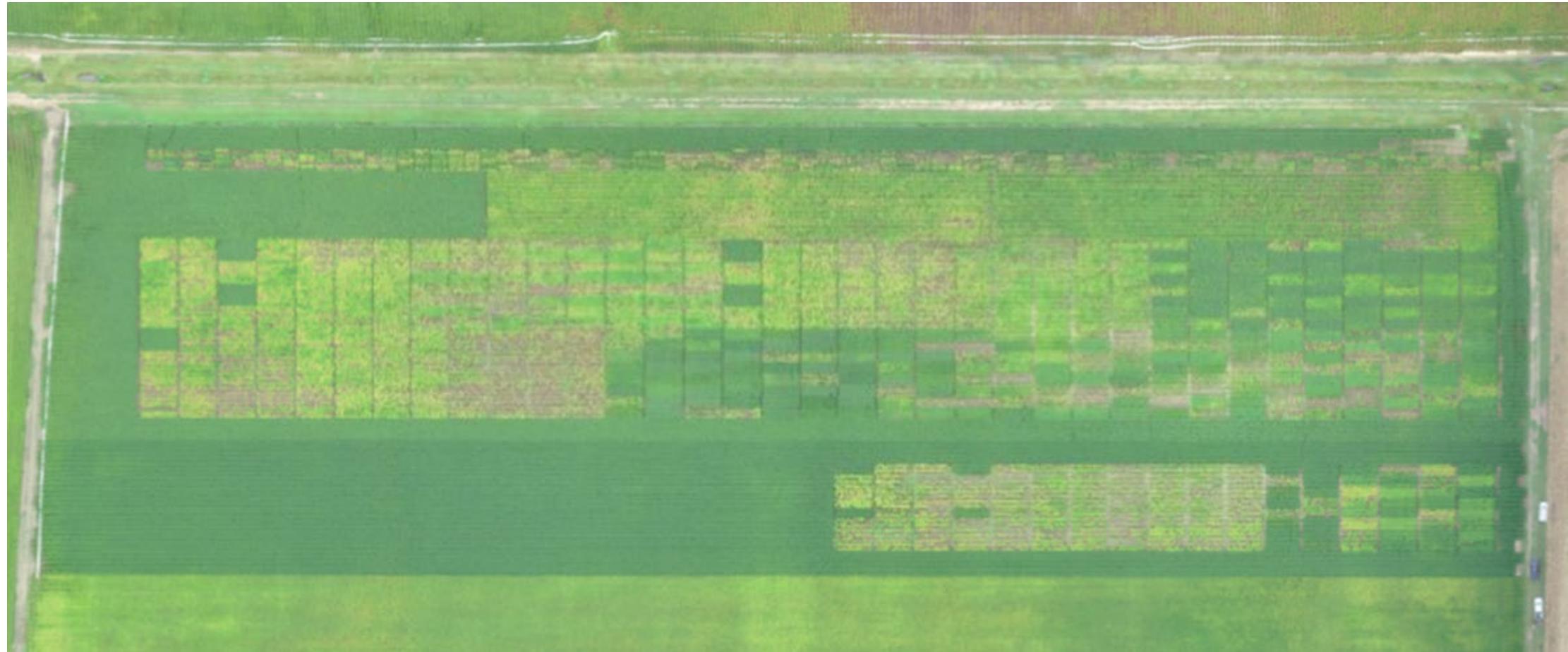
Challenges

- Nematicides
- Host Plant Resistance

2024 Field Call (XF Cultivar)



Nematode distribution in field screen



Susceptibility Ratings

Percent Galling	Susceptibility
0.0– 1.0	VR
1.1 – 4.0	R
4.1 – 9.0	MR
9.1 – 20.0	MS
20.1 – 40.0	S
40.1 – 100.0	VS

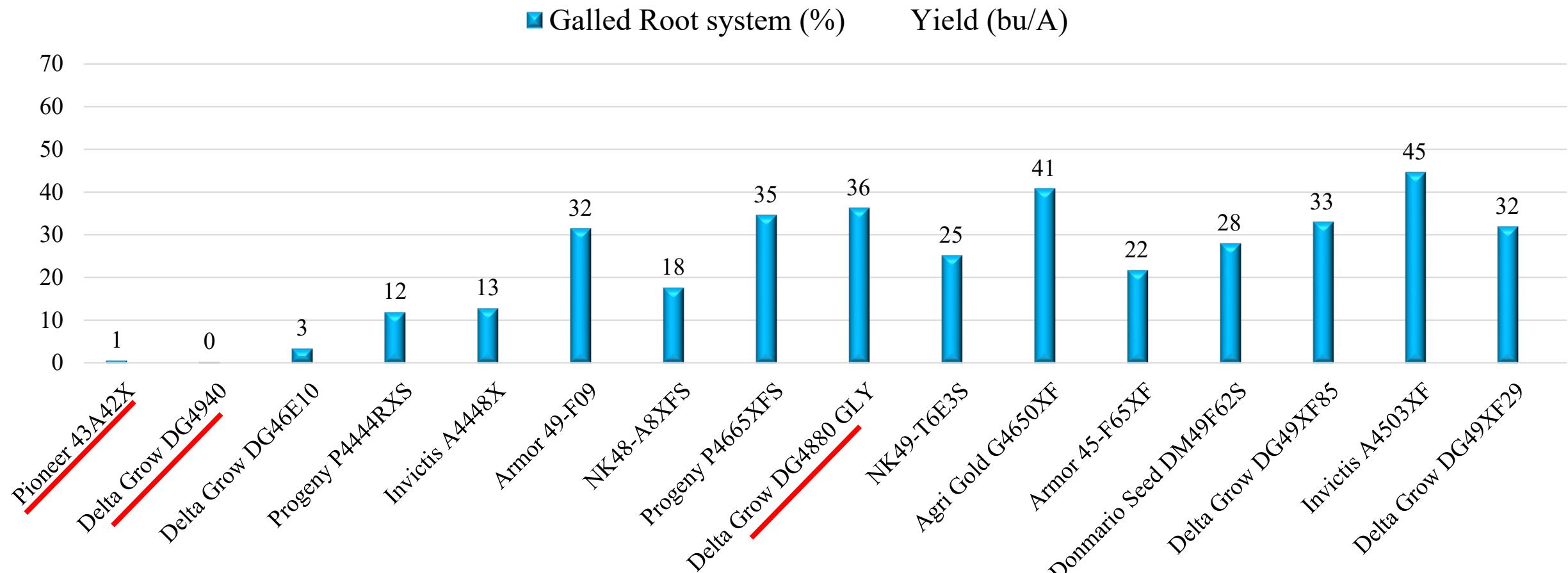


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2023 MG IV Exp. 1

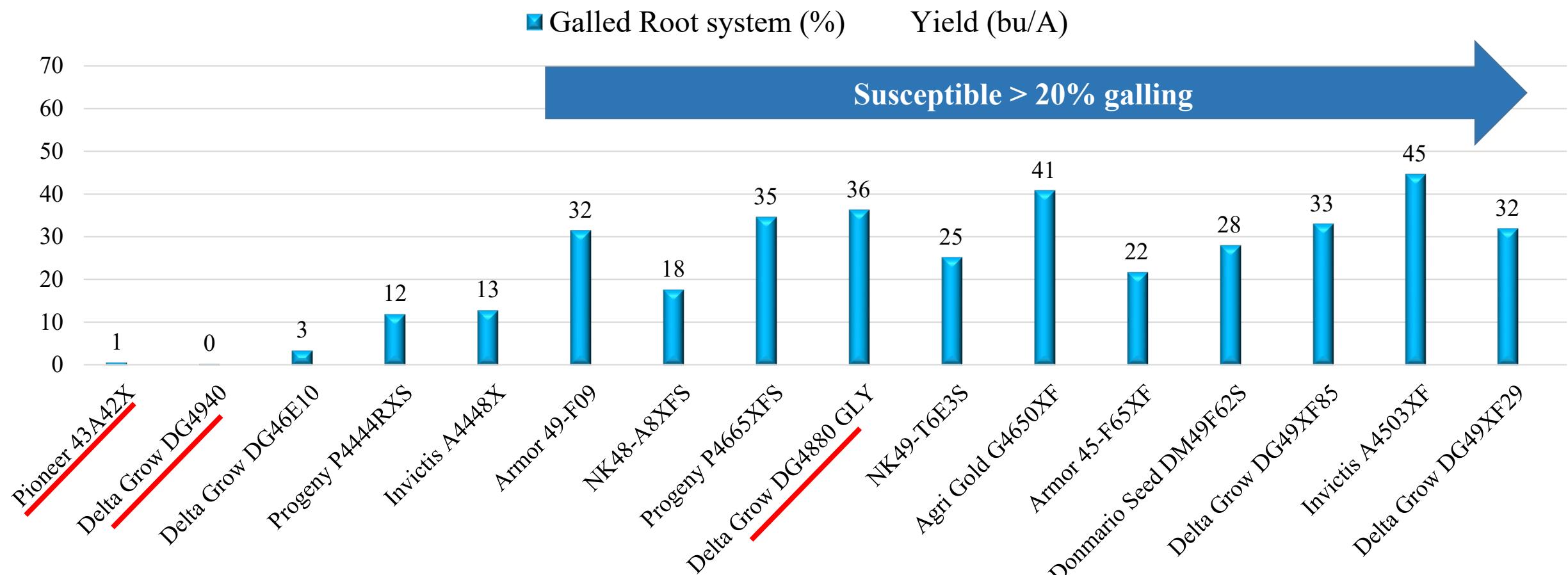
**Pf = 455 J2/100 cm³ soil
Sandy loam (49 – 46 – 5)**





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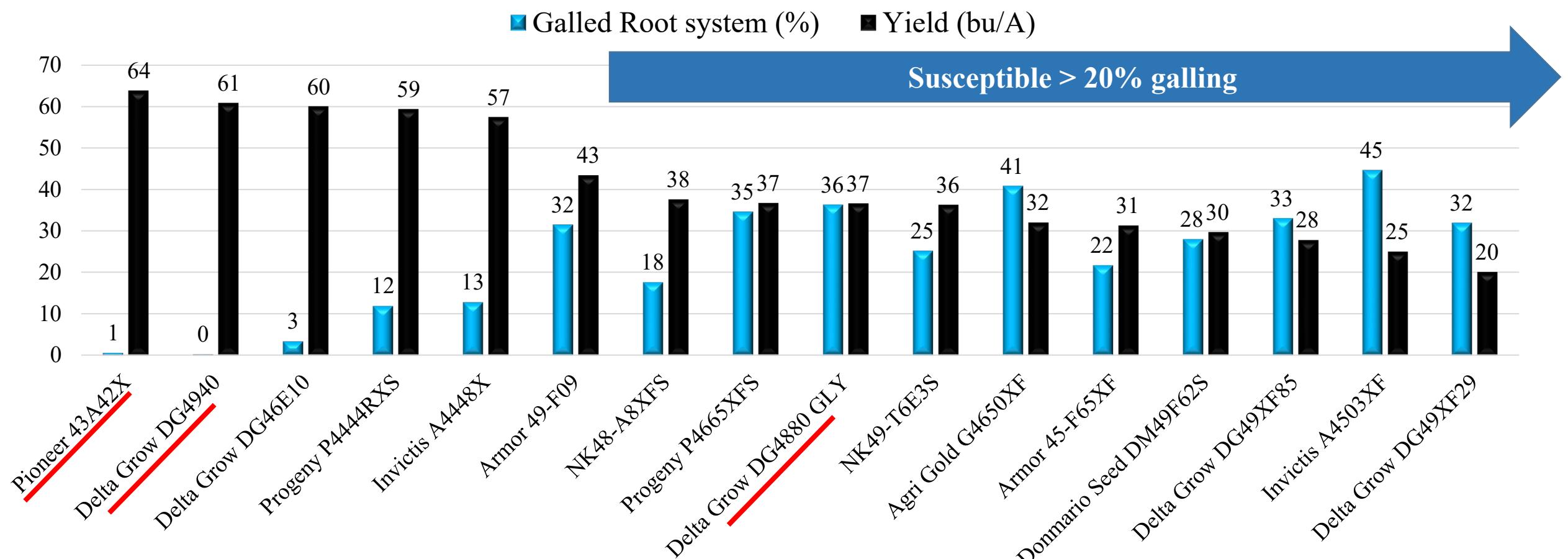
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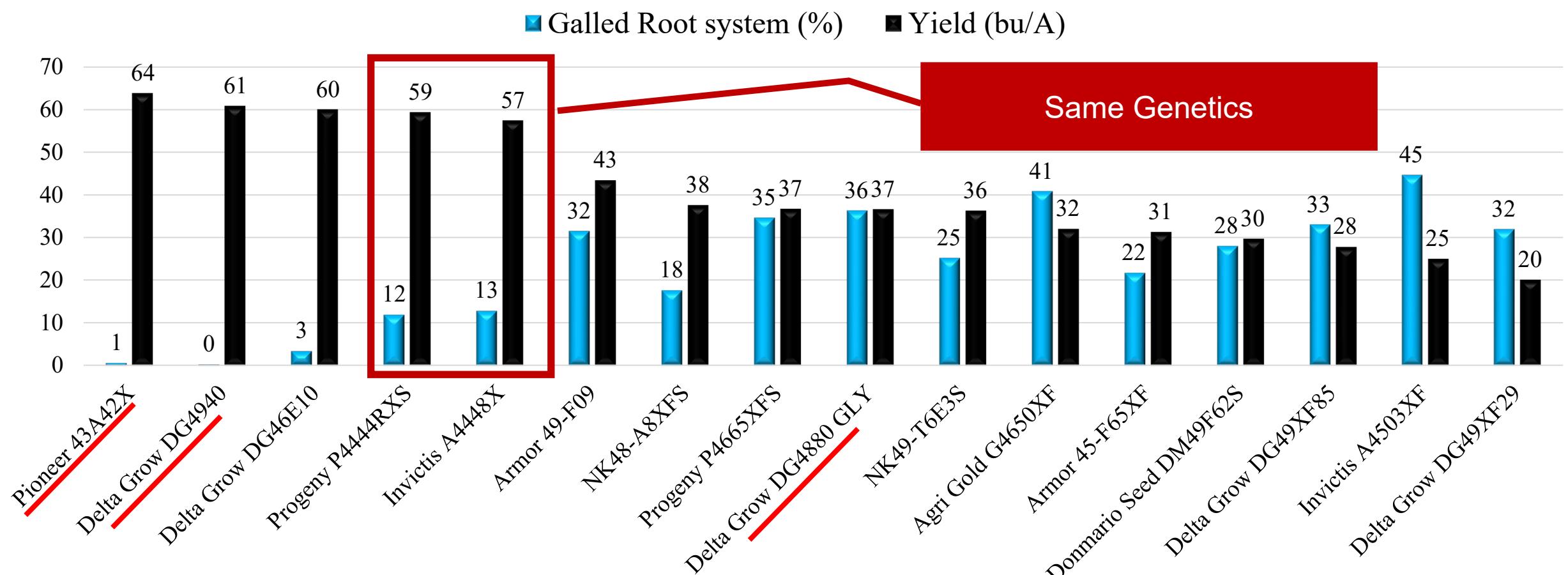
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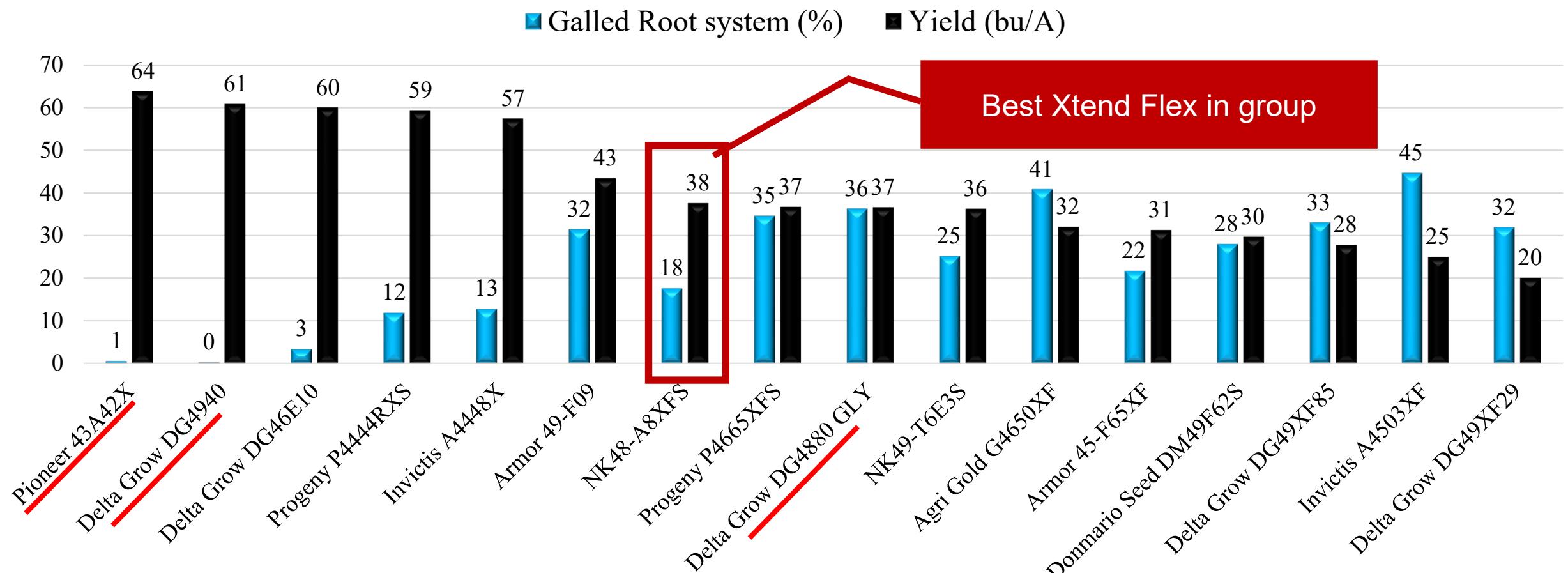
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Management

1. Nematicides
2. Resistant Soybean Cultivars
 - MG IV is MR at best and provide **35 to 45%** grain yield protection.



Selected MR, MGIV Cultivars

- Delta Grow DG46E10, DG4940
- Go Soy 493E22N
- Petrus Seed 49G16 GT
- Pioneer P43A42X, P46A36X, P43Z44SE*, P46Z53E*

* = 1 yr data

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Soybean Variety Field Screen Results 2017 to 2024





Avg. yield of MS and MR Entries

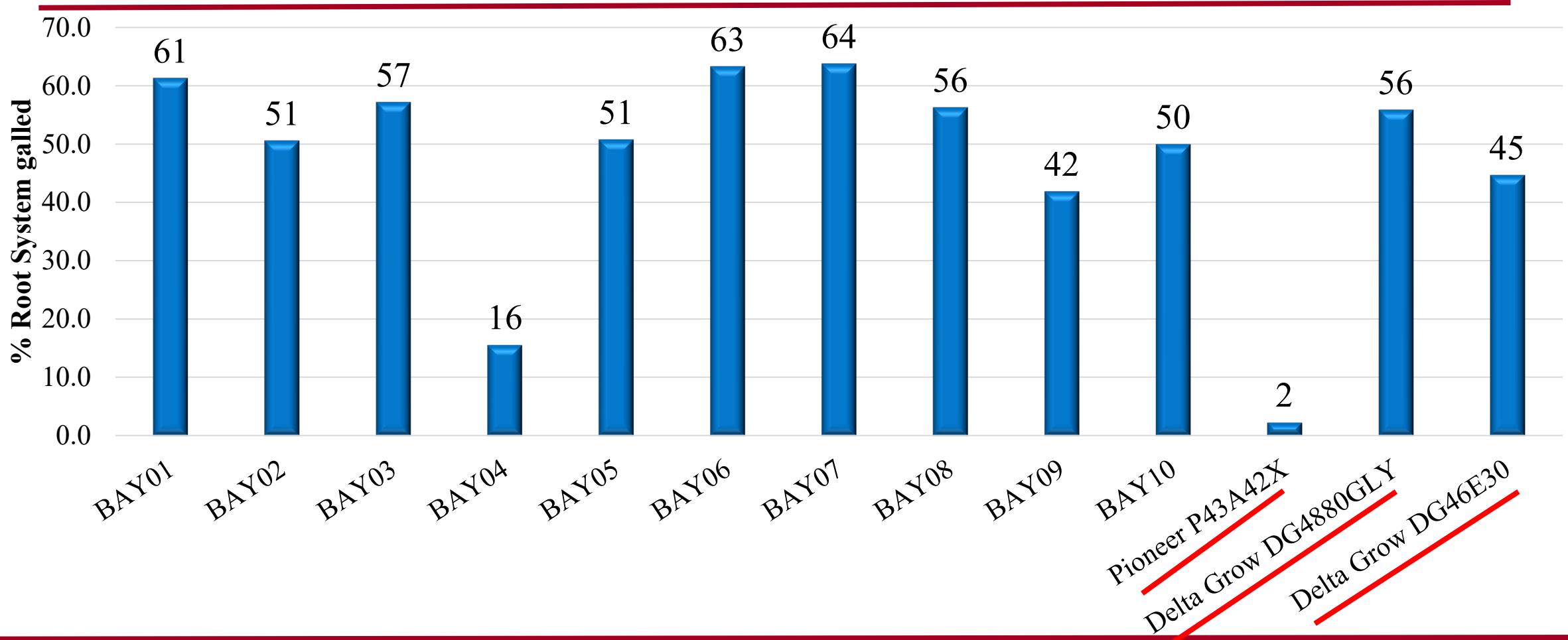
- MG IV = 58 bu/ac
- MG V = 64 bu/ac
- 10% difference or avg. 7 bu/ac



MG III Cultivars - 2024

Kerr, Arkansas

Planting date: June 7, 2024
Silt Loam (45 – 51 – 4)
 $Pf = 693 \text{ J2}/100 \text{ cm}^3$ soil



Impact of Variety
selection on
reduction of
RKN densities.

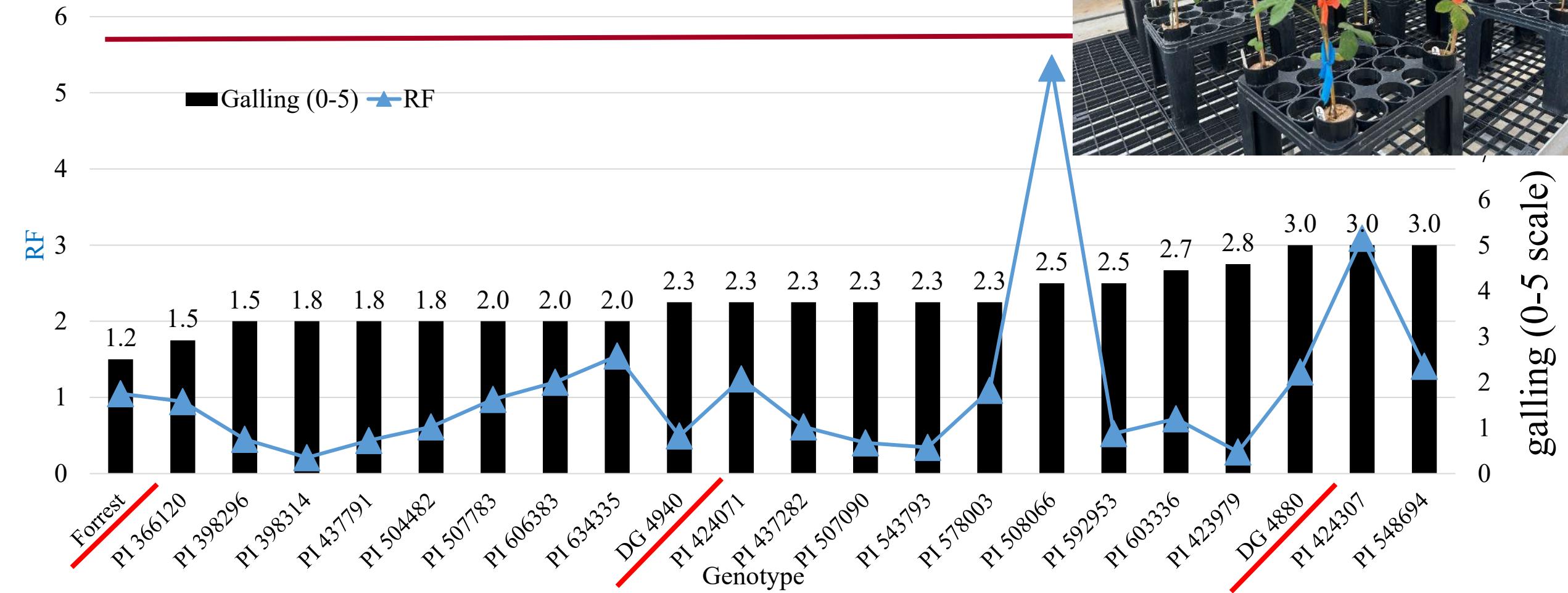


RKN Reduction

- 50% with MR Soy
- 90% with R Cotton
- 99% with peanut



Better Sources of Resistance



Corn Nematodes



- Nematode survey sponsored by CGSB. In 360 samples...
 - Stubby-root nematode (22%)
 - Lesion nematode (63%)
 - Southern root-knot nematode (31%)



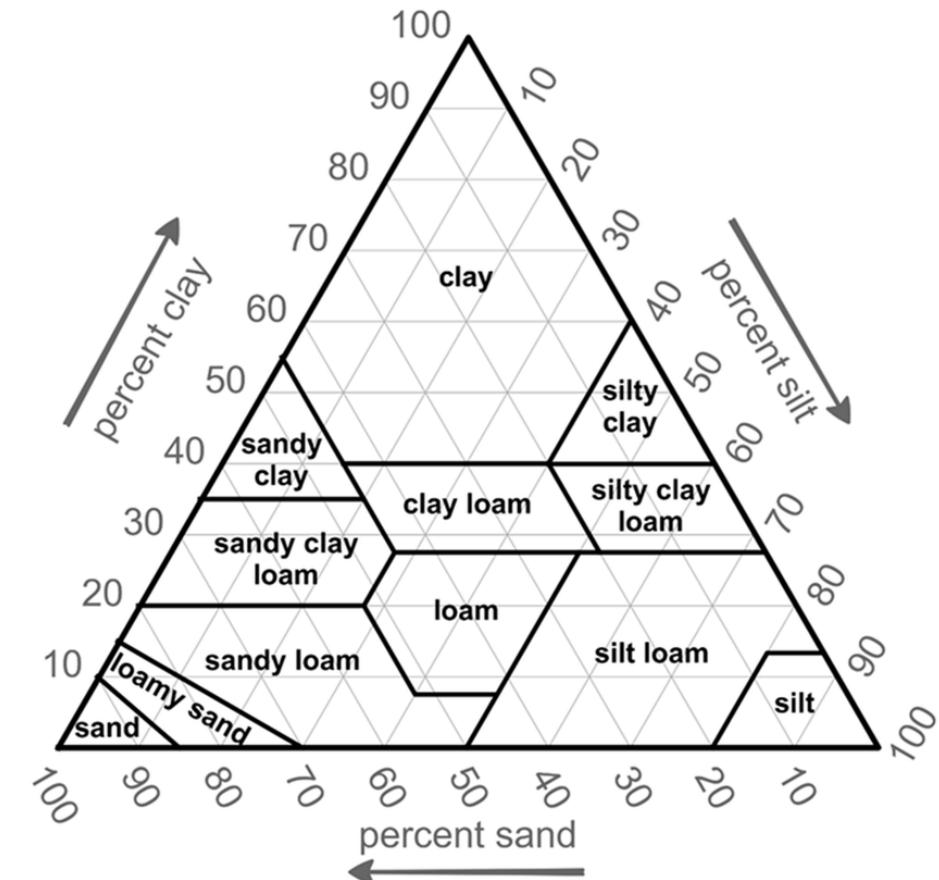


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Fall thresholds (nema/100 cm³ soil)

Nematode	Loamy Sand	Sandy Loam
Stubby-root	30	40
Lesion	250	500
Southern root-knot	400	500



Management Options

Crop Rotation

Host Resistance

Avoidance

Nematicides

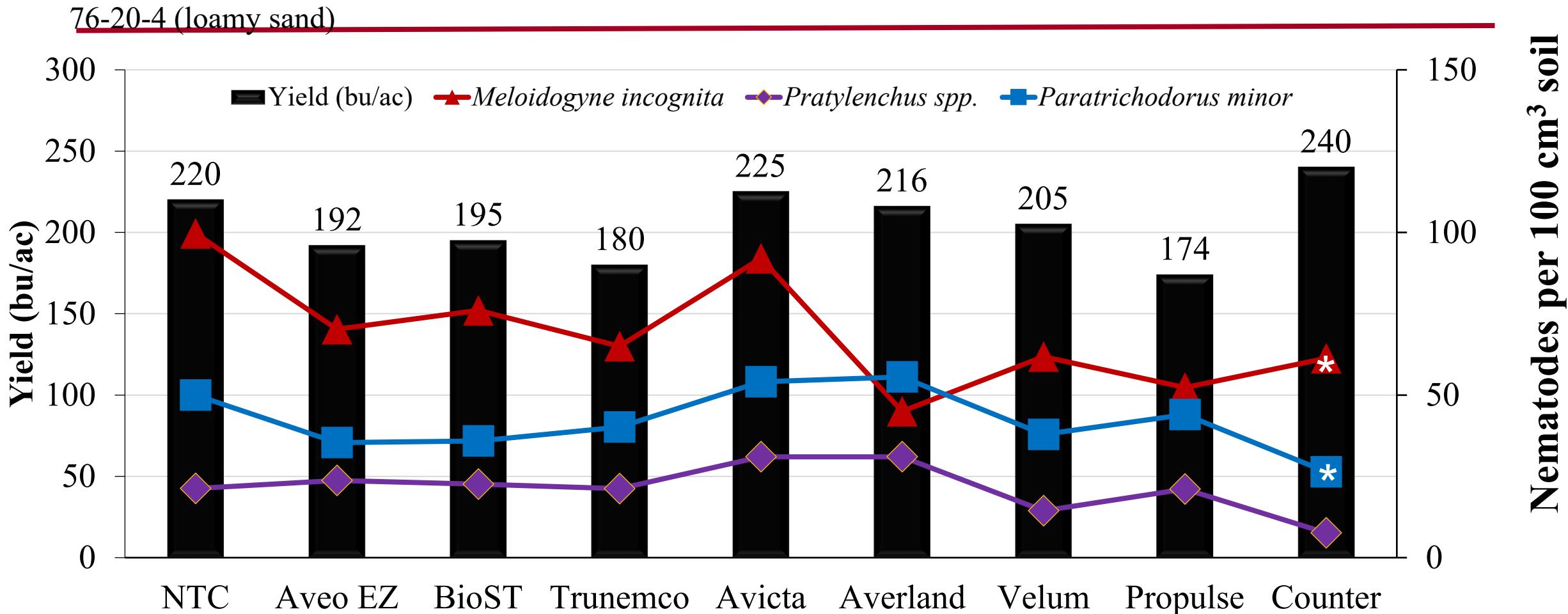


2021- 2022 Trial Treatments, Jackson Co.

Treatment (rate)	Nematicide	App
Non-nematicide control		
Aveo EZ Nematicide (0.1 fl oz/cwt)	<i>Bacillus amyloliquefaciens</i> PTA-4838	ST
BioST Nematicide 100 (7.0 oz/cwt)	<i>Burkholderia rinojensis</i> A396	ST
Trunemco corn/soy (0.30 fl oz/cwt)	<i>B. amyloliquefaciens</i> MBI 600 + cis-Jasmone	ST
Avicta 500 FS (2.37 fl oz/cwt)	abamectin	ST
Averland 0.7 FC (6 fl oz/ac)	abamectin	IF
Velum 4.16 SC (3.0 fl oz/ac)*	fluopyram	IF
Propulse 3.34 SC (8.0 fl oz/ac)*	fluopyram + prothioconazole	IF
Counter 20 G (6.5 lb/ac)	terbufos	IF

Corn nematicides (2021), Jackson Co.

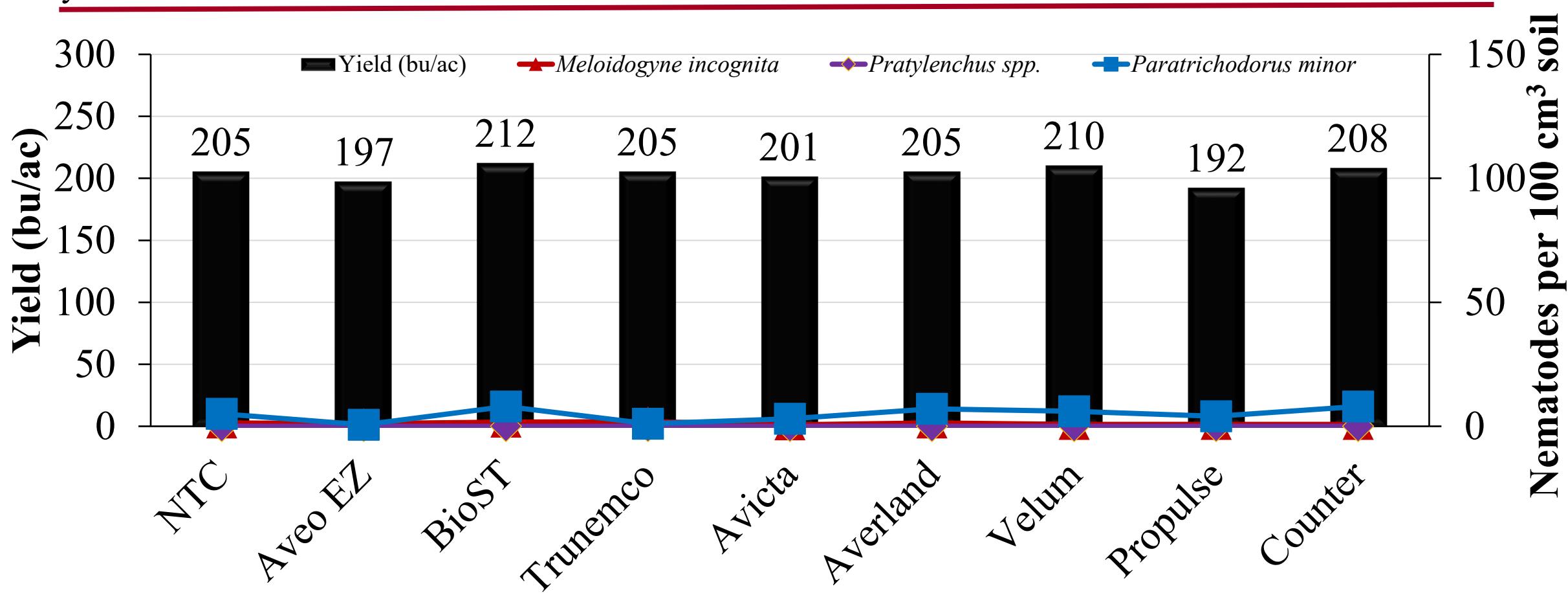
Local Seed LC1577, Planted April 13, 2021



Corn nematicides (2022), Jackson Co.

Pioneer P1870YHR, Planted May 11, 2022

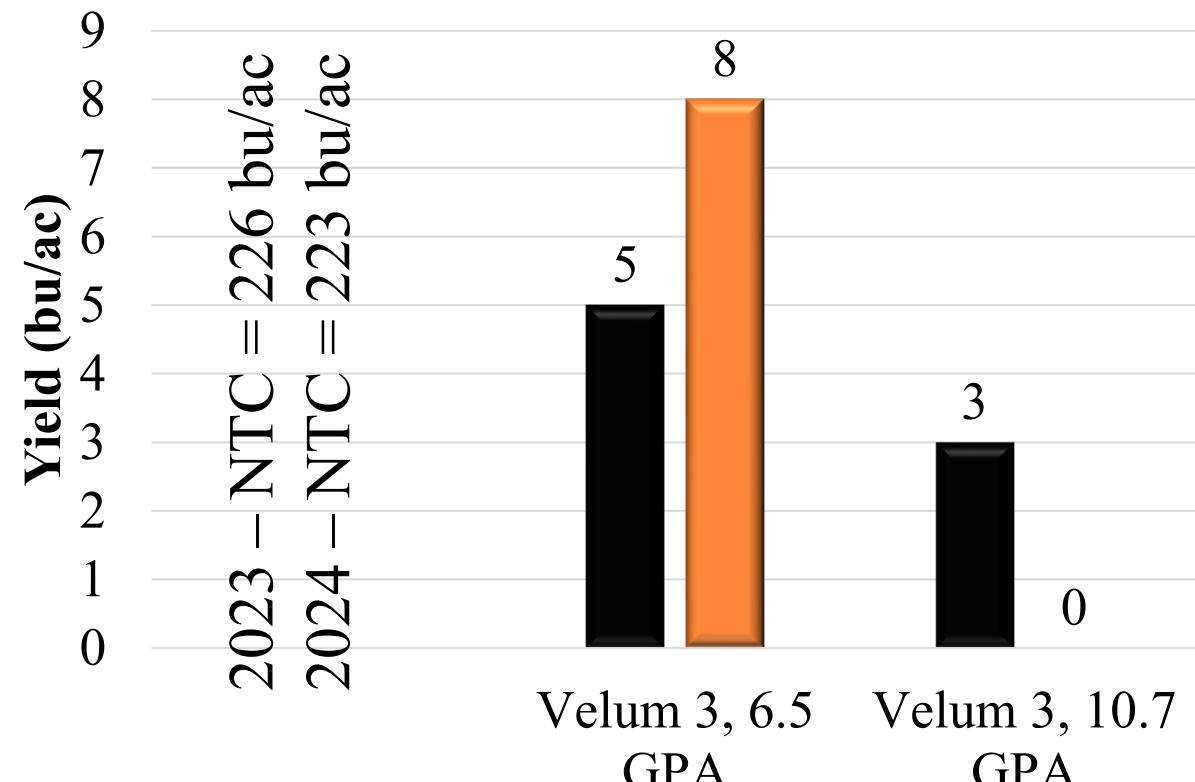
Sandy loam 64-25-11



Yield $P > F = 0.82$

Velum Experiments in corn

- 5 hybrids used
 - 3 fl oz/ac at 2 GPA



$P > F = 0.21$ for 2023

$P > F = 0.12$ for 2024

Closing thoughts

- Nematodes are not going away
- Nematicide availability has increased, but variable in root and yield protection.
- More resistant cultivars are needed in soybean



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