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TOPGUARD® EQ

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Manage Disease and Resistance in Soybeans With This Dual Mode of Action Fungicide Premix

New Topguard® EQ fungicide is the only premix that combines the benefits of highly systemic and long-lasting Group 3 fungicide flutriafol with a top-of-class Group 11 strobilurin fungicide azoxystrobin. This unique combination broadens the spectrum of diseases that can be controlled and offers two modes of action to combat disease resistance.

Topguard EQ fungicide’s two modes of action are distinctly different. Flutriafol provides some of the longest residual control in its class and is very mobile in the plant’s xylem. Once applied, flutriafol rapidly penetrates the waxy layer of the leaf and moves throughout the plant to prevent disease onset. Azoxystrobin inhibits fungal respiration, causing the fungal cells to die, and it also reduces plant stress for improved plant health.

These two active ingredients provide long lasting, preventative and curative control of major plant diseases, including those that have developed resistance to strobilurin fungicides. In field trials across the U.S., Topguard EQ fungicide performed equal to or better than competitive standards and provided excellent crop safety. Topguard EQ fungicide is an effective dual mode of action fungicide where strobilurin alone is not enough to combat yield-robbing diseases.

Target Soybean Diseases:

Aerial Blight
Alternaria Leaf Spot
Anthracnose
Brown Spot
Cercospora Blight
Purple Seed Stain

Frogeye Leaf Spot
Pod and Stem Blight
Powdery Mildew
Target Spot
Rust

CONTROLS KEY SOYBEAN DISEASES
and PROVIDES EXCELLENT PLANT HEALTH

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Topguard® EQ Fungicide Systemic Activity

This series of photographs compares leaf uptake and subsequent plant response to Topguard EQ fungicide vs. difenoconazole, the triazole found in Quadris Top™ SBX fungicide. FMC’s patented flutriafol is rapidly taken up by the plant and distributed throughout the leaf to control the spread of disease. All soybean leaves were exposed to Asian soybean rust. The leaf icons on the left indicate the point of application, as shown by the lighter green color.
Increase Soybean Profitability With Fungicides

**TOPGUARD® EQ FUNGICIDE** - A DUAL MODE OF ACTION FUNGICIDE PROVIDING BROAD-SPECTRUM ACTIVITY ON KEY SOYBEAN PATHOGENS

*Pictures courtesy of University of Illinois, Department of Crop Sciences*

**SOYBEAN GUIDELINES**

**Rate:** 5 - 7 fl. oz./A

**Timing:** R1 – R5

- For cercospora leaf blight begin applications at first flower (R1)
- For other diseases apply beginning at first visible flower or when conditions are favorable for disease development
- Apply additional applications if environmental conditions are favorable for continued disease development

**REI:** 12 hours

**PHI:** 21 days

**Maximum amount/year:** 15.5 fl. oz./A

**Maximum applications:** 3/year

**Minimum retreatment interval:** 21 days for rust, 14 days for all other diseases

**Restrictions:**

- Do not feed forage or hay to animals or permit animals to graze
- Only one application of product at 7 fl. oz./A may be made to any one field during a single growing season
- Do not apply more than 3 applications per year
- Do not apply more than 0.23 lb a.i. flutriafol per acre per year
- Do not apply more than 1.5 lb a.i. of azoxystrobin per acre per year
(Above) The 2016 trial was conducted by Dr. Tom Allen, Mississippi State University. The fungicide treatments were made at R2 and R3 timings. The highest yields were achieved from the R3 timing application with Topguard EQ fungicide treatment yielding 4.1 bu. per acre higher than the untreated.

(Above) This 2016 fungicide trial was conducted by Dr. Rusty Mitchell, Southern Ag Services, in Mantee, MS. Applications of fungicides were made at the R3 timing to a susceptible frogeye soybean variety, DK-4744. Topguard EQ fungicide provided the best control of frogeye and had the highest yields versus all other treatments.
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