Yield Optimization Through Plant Health in 2017

As prepay plans are determined, it will be important to implement strategies that increase bushels in the bin and return on investment. FMC has a diverse portfolio of plant health products from furrow to finish to assist in optimizing crop yield and return on investment.

In the Furrow:

Uniform plant stands are critical for maximizing yield. Whether it is an insect chewing through crop growing points, pathogens damping seedling plants off or a combination of both, there are a whole host of detrimental organisms compromising invariable crop emergence. Seed investments are commonly protected by insecticide / fungicide seed treatments. However, they are employed at low doses to maintain seed safety and seed flow through planters. Research has demonstrated synthetic fungicide seed treatments remain at efficacious levels approximately 14 days beyond planting. Soil pathogens such as Rhizoctonia can persist well beyond this window of protection. Soil insects exposed to low seed treatment insecticide doses may still afflict seedling plants reducing emergence. FMC has introduced two value products for broad spectrum, long lasting protection in the furrow. Ethos™ XB Insecticide / Fungicide and Temitry™ LFR® Insecticide / Fungicide provide insect and disease protection to growing plants, well beyond seed treatment capabilities.

High Risk Field Situations for Insect / Pathogen Presence:

- No-till, poorly drained
- Early planting – Cool / Wet Soils
- History of soil crusting, temporary flooding, soil compaction
- Dense winter annual or cover crop vegetation
Value-added FMC in-furrow Brands for corn

Two new products were added to the expanding line-up of FMC in-furrow options to help protect corn plants from insects, as well as seedling diseases and provides early-season growth benefits.

LFR® “Liquid Fertilizer Ready” Formulation of bifenthrin insecticide + Bacillus amyloliquefaciens strain D747 biological fungicide.

- The bacteria colonize the roots forming a protective biofilm which acts as a defensive barrier against pathogens and which grows and expands with the root system
- Anti-fungal lipopeptides are formed as spores germinate and colonize in the soil
- Anti-fungal metabolites are secreted that compromise the cell membranes and cell walls of specific pathogens
- Labeled for suppression of Pythium, Rhizoctonia, Fusarium, and Phytophthora

Side by side field trial – Western Missouri 2016

Application Rate 30” Spacing (See label for narrow spacing / twin rows):
4 oz. – Secondary insect pests, suppression of Pythium, Rhizoctonia, Fusarium and Phytophthora.
8.5 oz. – CRW + pests mentioned above.
**Temitry™ LFR® Insecticide/Fungicide**

*Maximize protection to unlock yield potential*

- **Powered by the active ingredients in Capture® LFR® insecticide and Headline® fungicide**
- Full spectrum insect control *plus Rhizoctonia solani* protection give every seed the chance to emerge, increasing plant stands
- Stronger, more consistent early plant stands provide the best opportunity for maximizing yield potential
- Patented LFR® formulation mixes readily, ensuring consistent application rates from the first acre planted to the last
  - Maximum insect protection, even in heavy CRW infestations or known resistant acres
  - *Rhizoctonia solani* protection through V3 growth stage
  - Increase stands & provide every seedling an opportunity to become productive
- **Use Rate:** 9.5 oz/a 30” Spacing (See label for narrow / twin rows)

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**Temitry™ LFR® Insecticide / Fungicide Replicated Trials**

Data Pooled Over 2015 – 2016 Trials

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**Protects Yield Potential**
- Corn Rootworm protection impacts root ratings and increases yields
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Corn Foliar Fungicide Performance in 2016:

Minimal disease presence prior to VT did not facilitate many reactive fungicide applications in 2016. However, rainfall in August and September introduced an environment conducive for disease presence resulting in later epidemics of Gray leaf spot and southern rust specifically. Southern rust fortunately does not overwinter in the Midwest and requires movement by winds carrying spores from southern states each year. It will be important to monitor S. rust progression in states such as TX, AR, TN and KY when making decisions this season. Applications occurring early in the disease cycle will optimize fungicide efficacy and scouting will be critical for success if an epidemic occurs.

**Evaluation of Foliar Fungicides for Disease Control and Yield**

**Southern Illinois University**

Carmi, IL - 2016

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**Purdue Univ.**

West Lafayette, IN - 2016

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Insect and Disease Management During Reproductive Stages in Soybeans:

Maximizing leaf health throughout the reproductive stages optimizes photosynthetic potential. Leaf area intercepts light and creates carbohydrates necessary for grain fill. Diseases and insects reduce leaf area which may influence productivity. Conditions were conducive for disease and insect presence in soybeans in 2016. Several reports of lepidopteran feeding and disease infections materialized in the early - mid reproductive stages last season. Growers taking advantage of FMC’s Preemptor™ SC Fungicide + Hero® Insecticide yield assurance program realized the benefit of preserving soybean leaf health in many cases. The data below indicates average yield increase experienced over 27 commercial field trials conducted in 2016.

Contact your local FMC Retail Market Manager for Details Regarding the 2017 Yield Assurance Program

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