Wheat Disease Alert - 2017

After a very dry winter and early spring, recent rainfall has greatly improved wheat prospects in the central U.S. At the same time, the extended damp conditions increase disease risk as well. Dr. Bob Hunger, Oklahoma State published a newsletter on April 5th with observations of various diseases, mostly common rust, powdery mildew and tan spot (photos from his newsletter below). Wheat with good yield potential should be scouted regularly now as we enter the critical growth stages where effective disease control is most necessary. If evidence of disease infection and conditions for its spread are present, Preemptor™ SC fungicide and Topguard® fungicides can provide powerful protection against a wide number of diseases.

The full text of his newsletter is available here: https://osuwheat.com/2017/04/05/wheat-disease-update-april-5-2017/

The familiar ‘disease triangle’
1. Wheat crop worth protecting
2. Prolonged damp conditions
3. Scout to identify pathogen infection early, so an application of an effective fungicide can provide the most benefit
Preemptor™ SC fungicide is a combination of highly systemic, fast-acting strobilurin and triazole chemistries for maximum protection and yield. When applied preventable, it provides strong protection at critical growth stages for maximum disease control.

**Application Guidelines**
- **Apply in a minimum of 10 gallons of spray solution per acre by ground and 2 gallons by air.** (15 gpa ground recommended for thick stands and optimum leaf coverage)
- Preemptor SC fungicide may be tank mixed with other fungicides, insecticides and additives unless prohibited on the tank-mix partners label. Do not tank mix with bromoxynil-containing herbicides as crop injury could occur.
- An adjuvant may be used with Preemptor SC fungicide unless otherwise stated on tank-mix partner label.
- Do not apply this product through any type of irrigation system.
- Use the highest labeled rate and shortest retreatment interval when disease pressure is high.

**Wheat (Spring and Winter)**

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<td>Split-application</td>
<td>Early season leaf disease suppression: Apply Preemptor SC fungicide at 2-3 fl. oz./A at late tiller-joining (stages 5-7) for early season septoria, tan spot, powdery mildew and suppression of rust diseases. A second application (minimum interval of 14 days) at flag leaf is recommended for maximum yield protection.</td>
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<td>Tan Spot</td>
<td>4 – 6 fl. oz./A (flag leaf)</td>
<td>For single fungicide timing, apply Preemptor SC fungicide at the flag leaf stage (Growth Stage 9-10)</td>
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**Technical Information**

**Active Ingredients**: Flutriafol + Fluoxastrobin

**Formulation**: SC – Suspension Concentrate

**Rain fast**: 2 hours

**PHI**: Wheat, grain, straw – 40 days

**Wheat, hay** – 15 days

**Wheat, forage***: 7 days

**REI**: 12 Hours

* Do not make more than one application prior to harvest of wheat forage
Value of FMC Fungicides in Wheat
Stripe Rust control - GV Farms, Salina, KS 2016

In this instance, Preemptor™ SC fungicide or Topguard® fungicide used in sequential programs protected more yield than a generic treatment for improved profit opportunity, even at $4 wheat less treatment cost.
HatchTrak

14 oz. Feekes 6

TOPGUARD
FUNGICIDE

Untreated check

P. Bruno, Wharton TX 2014
Strategies for Wheat Disease Protection

Disease management - green up to flag leaf.

- Apply as a preventative spray when conditions are favorable for disease development.
- 2-3 oz./acre for early disease management. Ruts, tan spot, septoria brown spot, others Feekes 5-8
- 4 oz./acre for light to moderate leaf and stem rust at 50% flag leaf emergence or when disease development is imminent. Feekes 9-10.
- 5-6 oz./acre for moderate to heavy disease pressure.
- May be mixed with other fungicides, herbicides or insecticides unless prohibited on mix partner label. Do not mix with bromoxynil based herbicides as crop injury could result.
- Do not apply past Feekes 10.5 (flowering)
- Pre-Harvest Interval (PHI) – 40 days for grain or straw, 15 days for hay or 7 days forage. Minimum Spray interval is 14 Days. Apply no more than 6 oz. per application, nor more than 12 oz./A total per year. REI is 12 hr.

Economical foliar disease control, plus fusarium head blight (scab) suppression at flowering.

- 5 oz./acre for early season suppression of tan spot, powdery mildew, septoria and rust, follow with 10 oz. at flag leaf.
- 7-10 oz./acre for light to moderate leaf and stem rust at 50% flag leaf emergence. Feekes 10.
- 12-14 oz./acre for moderate to heavy disease pressure at 50% flag leaf.
- 10-14 oz./acre for suppression of fusarium head blight(scab) at Feekes 10.51 (flowering). Spray nozzles should be oriented to provide maximum coverage of wheat heads.
- May be mixed with other fungicides, herbicides or insecticides unless prohibited on mix partner label.
- Pre-Harvest Interval (PHI) – 30 days for grain, 15 days for hay or 0 days forage. Minimum Spray interval is 14 Days. Apply no more than 14oz. per application, nor more than 28 oz./A total per year. REI is 12 hr.

Utilizing Preemptor™ SC & Topguard® Fungicides to Maximize Wheat Yields

GOOD PLAN: Light to Moderate Disease Pressure

- 2-3 oz./acre Preemptor SC fungicide early followed by 4 oz. Preemptor SC fungicide or 7 oz. Topguard fungicide at flag leaf.
  OR
- 5 oz./acre of Topguard fungicide early, green up disease suppression, follow with 5 oz. at flag leaf.

BETTER PLAN: Heavy Disease Pressure / Maximum Yield Protection.

- 2-3 oz./acre Preemptor SC fungicide early, followed by 5 oz. Preemptor SC fungicide or 10-14 oz. Topguard fungicide at flag leaf
  OR
- 7 oz./acre of Topguard fungicide early, F 5-6 disease suppression, follow with 10-14 oz. at flag leaf.
Always read and follow label directions. NOTE REGARDING RESTRICTED USE PESTICIDES: Anthem ATZ herbicide; Athena insecticide, Brigade 2EC Insecticide/Miticide, Brigade WSB Insecticide/Miticide, Brigadier Insecticide Capture 3RIVE 3D insecticide, Capture LFR Insecticide, Declare insecticide, Hero Insecticide, Mustang Insecticide, Mustang Maxx Insecticide, Pounce 25WP Insecticide, Stallion Brand Insecticide, Temtriy LFR Insecticide/Fungicide, Triple Crown Insecticide, Ethos XB Insecticide/Fungicide and Gladiator Insecticide/Miticide are Restricted Use Pesticides. 

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