Managing Weeds in Mississippi Row Crops

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2022 Weed Control Issues

- Herbicide pricing and sourcing
- Italian ryegrass control
- Non-traditional/atypical weed species in burndown
- Off-target herbicide movement
- Poor grass control in all crops
- Weather Heat, wind, rain (too much and too little)







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Italian Ryegrass Control











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Italian Ryegrass Control Observations from 2021-22:

- Fall treatments
 - -Incomplete incorporation with unsettled beds
 - -Emerged plants survived fall treatment
 - -Residual herbicides dissipated in warm weather
- Winter treatments
 - -Advanced growth stage due to warm weather
 - -Plants green but not healthy
 - -Negative interactions in herbicide mixtures





Italian Ryegrass Control





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Italian Ryegrass Control Italian ryegrass control with fall residual herbicides 100 d after application in 2022



Italian Ryegrass Control Clethodim Labeling:

- CDMS lists 29 clethodim products
- Concentrations = 0.97 to 3 lb ai/gallon
- Rate = 0.094 to 0.125 lb ai/A
- Adjuvant requirement varies with product, but most labels list crop oil at 1% v/v plus ammonium sulfate.
- Spray volume = 15 GPA by ground; 5 GPA by air
- "<u>**Do not</u>** apply to grasses that have tillered, formed seedheads, or exceeded recommended stage."</u>
- Targeted Italian ryegrass size = 2 to 6 inches







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Italian ryegrass control with late burndown treatments 21 days following application in 2022



Non-traditional Weed Species







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Non-traditional Weed Species









Bog Yellowcress

Greenhouse observations:

- Growth: 75 branches per plant
- Fruit: 30 seed capsules per branch
- Seed: 60 seeds per seed capsule
- Seed number: <u>135,000 per plant</u>









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Source: Taghi Bararpour



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Bog Yellowcress Gramoxone SL Glyphosate Sharpen 2,4-D





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Bog Yellowcress



7 days difference in application timing with Sharpen





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Poor Grass Control





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Weather Trends

Daily high temperatures during the spring in Stoneville, MS, from 2018 to 2022







Weather Trends



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Poor Grass Control

- Application timing
- Mixtures Product interactions/antagonism
- No residual herbicide or residual not incorporated
- Difficult species johnsongrass, goosegrass
- Bad weather hot and dry







Questions?



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