



SPot East Results Day 2018

Herbicide Demonstrations 2016-2018

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Herbicide update

- Linuron – approval now revoked
- Diquat – approval to end – sales end 4th May 2019 - end of use 4th February 2020

Will this be the end or the beginning?

Following changes to pesticide approval system to a new Regulation regime in 2009 – '*Regulation (EC) No. 1107/2009*' all new active substances or renewal of approvals of current active substances would need to comply with the new regulations

- **Hazard** not **risk** assessments
- 10 year renewals
- Candidates for substitution list 77 active substances inc Pendimethalin (EU approval 2024) , Metribuzin (EU approval 2019) and Flufenacet (EU approval 2019)

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Spot Farm East Demonstrations

2016 - Spot East Residual Demonstration (linuron alternatives)

2017 - Spot East Residual and post - em Contact Demonstration

2018 – Spot East Residual and post - em Contact Demonstration



2016



2017



2018

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Spot Farm East – 2018 Demonstrations

- 14 non replicated plots with different residual herbicide applications all including contact herbicide diquat @ 3l/ha
 - Further investigation of metobromuron in combinations
 - Assessments of potential new a.i. aclonifen in combinations
- 26 Varieties – each single row

Category	Varieties
Processing Varieties	R. Burbank, Royal, Performer, Challenger, Shepody, Innovator, Forza , Rooster
Prepack Varieties	Lanorma, Soraya , Jelly , Nectar, Melody, Sensation , Red Fantasy , Georgina
Crisping Varieties	Brooke, VR808
Salad Varieties	Maris Peer, Gwenne , Angelique , Bambino, Leontine , Iodea , Gemson
Ware Varieties	Maris Piper

- 4 non replicated Post emergence herbicide comparisons

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Treatments Single A.I 2016, 2017 & 2018

Year	Herbicide Application	Cost £/ha
2017 & 2018	UNTREATED	£0
2016, 2017 & 2018	VCS 1717 (aclonifen) 2.5l/ha	TBC
2016, 2017 & 2018	Stomp Aqua (pendimethalin 455g/l) 2.8 l/ha	£22
2016, 2017 & 2018	Praxim (metobromuron 500g/l) 4l/ha	£72
2017	Gamit 36SC (clomazone 360 g/l) 200ml/ha	£15
2017	No Product (flufenacet 500g/l) 600g/ha (maximum rate within Artisit)	TBC
2016 & 2018	Defy (prosulfocarb 800g/l) 4l/ha	£26
2016, 2017 & 2018	Shotput (metribuzin 70%) 600g/ha	£14

Other Products are available with identical active substances!



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Treatments Combinations A.I.'s 2018

Year	Herbicide Application	Cost £/ha
2018 (E&N)	Praxim (<i>metobromuron 500g/l</i>) 2.5 l/ha + Stomp Aqua (<i>pendimethalin 455g/l</i>) 1.8 l/ha + Shotput (<i>metribuzin 70%</i>) 200 g/ha	£66
2018 (E&N)	STD Praxim (<i>metobromuron 500g/l</i>) 2.5 l/ha + Defy (<i>prosulfocarb800g/l</i>) 3 l/ha + Shotput (<i>metribuzin 70%</i>) 200g /ha	£71
2018 (E)	(<i>aclonifen 600g/l</i>) 2.0 l/ha + Stomp Aqua (<i>pendimethalin 455g/l</i>) 1.8 l/ha + Shotput (<i>metribuzin 70%</i>) 200 g/ha	TBC
2018 (E)	(<i>aclonifen 600g/l</i>) 2.0 l/ha + Defy (<i>prosulfocarb800g/l</i>) 3l/ha + Shotput (<i>metribuzin 70%</i>) 200 g/ha	TBC
2018 (E)	(<i>aclonifen 600g/l</i>) 2.5 l/ha + Shotput (<i>metribuzin 70%</i>) 400 g/ha	TBC
2018 (E)	Stomp Aqua (<i>pendimethalin 455g/l</i>) 1.8 l/ha + Shotput (<i>metribuzin 70%</i>) 400 g/ha	£26
2018 (E&N)	Artist (<i>metribuzin 17.5% + flufanacet 24%</i>) 1.2 kg/ha + Stomp Aqua (<i>pendimethalin 455g/l</i>) 1.8 l/ha	£45
2018 (E&N)	VCS 1818 (<i>new ai + clomazone</i>)	TBC
2018 (E)	VCS 1919 (<i>3 ai's</i>)	TBC

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Application Timings 2018

Planting Date	25 th April
Residual Application date	13 th May
Post Emergence Application 1	11 th June
Weed count Assessments 1	14 th June
Post Emergence Assessments 1	22nd June
Post Emergence Application 2	28 th June
Post Emergence Assessments 2	8th July

Residual Observations 2018

- Low levels of weed development on all plots including untreated
- Rapid canopy development following emergence
- Only very low levels of chlorosis when comparing residuals

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Metribuzin Phytotoxicity

Metribuzin – veinal yellowing/chlorosis – stunting – varietal variation (*label "do not use Shoput on sands"*)



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Clomazone Phytotoxicity

Clomazone – chlorosis- whitening – varietal variation (*label "do not use Gamit 36EC on sands or very light soils"*)



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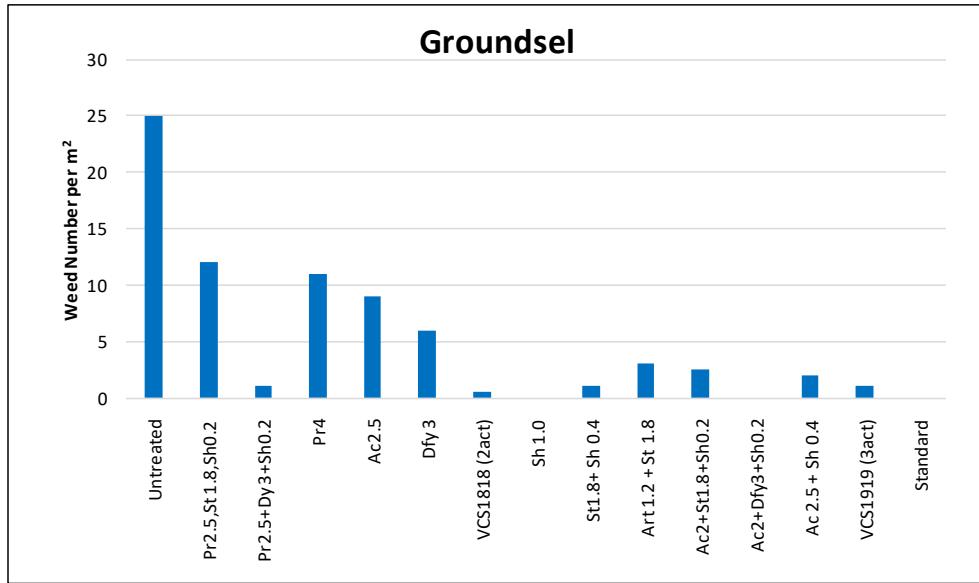
Pendimethalin Phytotoxicity

Pendimethalin – slight yellowing of leaf margins, leaf distortions (*label Stomp Aqua "on stony or gravely soils there is a risk of crop damage especially if heavy rain falls soon after application"*)



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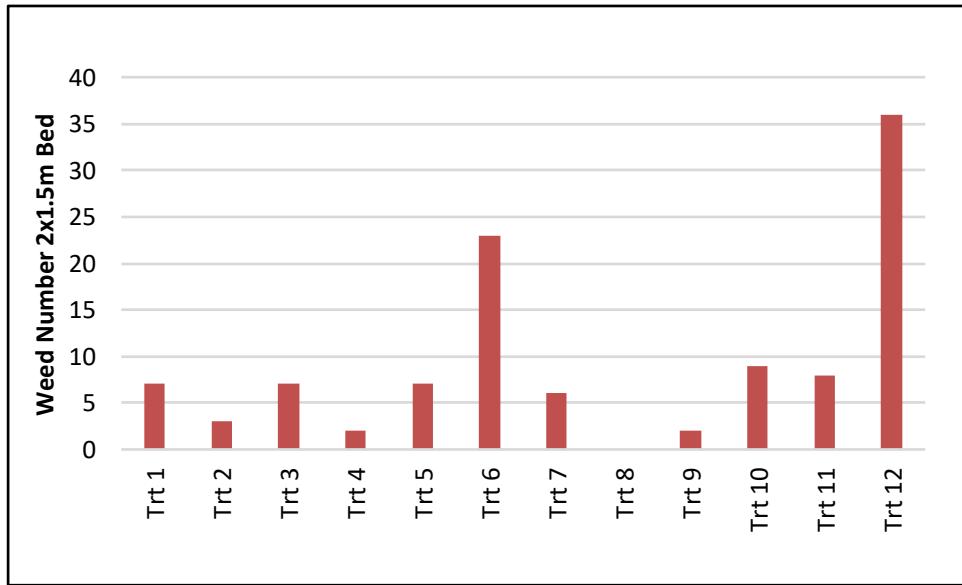
Groundsel – Observations and weed counts 2018 (East)



- Improved control with increasing rates of a.i. *Metribuzin*
– **Shotput/Artist**
- Good activity – *linuron/clomazone* **Gamit 36EC**
- Low - moderate activity *metobromuron, pendimethalin, prosulfocarb* – **Praxim, Stomp Aqua & Defy**

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Cleavers – Observations and weed counts 2016

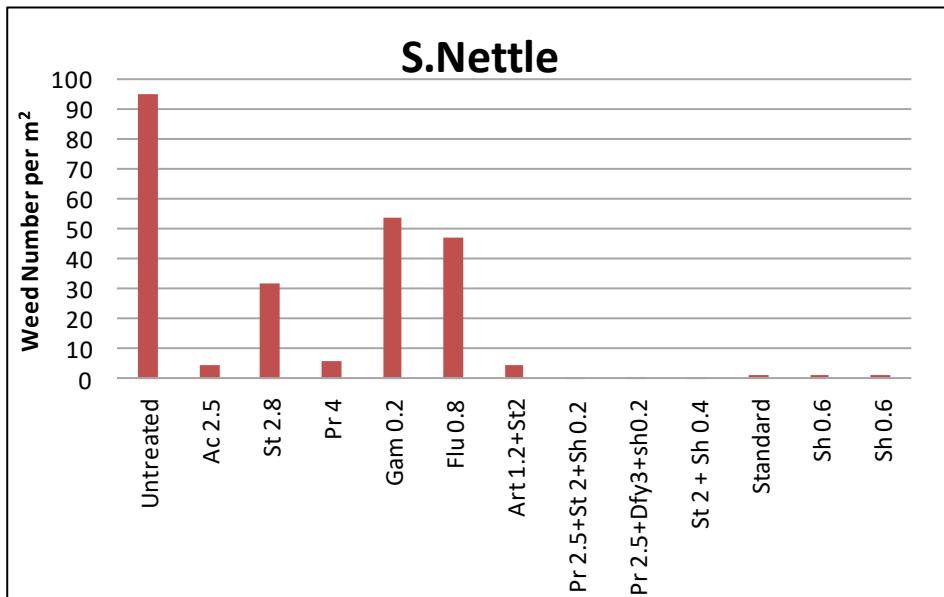


- Good activity prosulocarb - **Defy**
- Moderate activity flufenacet/ clomazone (both lower rate) – **Artist, Gamit 36 EC**
- Poor activity pendimethalin,linuron, metribuzin & metobromuron – **Stomp Aqua, Shotput & Praxim**

Note - uneven distribution of cleavers across site

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S.Nettle – Observations and weed counts 2017



- Good control within 3 way mixes
- Moderate activity *metobromuron/metribuzin/pendimethalin/aclonifen* – **Praxim, Shotput, Stomp Aqua**
- Poor activity *clomazone, flufenacet, prosulfocarb* - **Gamit 36EC, Defy**

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Fat Hen – Observations and weed counts 2017



- Good activity VCS 1717 (aclonifen)
- Moderate activity pendimethalin, linuron, metribuzin & metobromuron

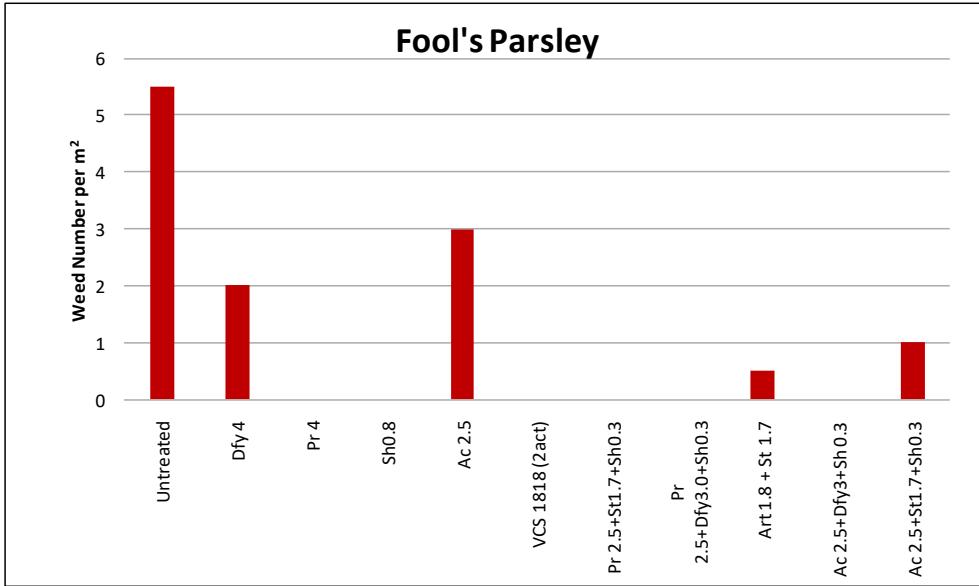
Stomp Aqua, Praxim & Shotput

- Poor activity clomazone & flufenacet – **Gamit 36Cs**

Note – weed counts full strip

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Fool's Parsley – Observations and weed counts 2018 (North)

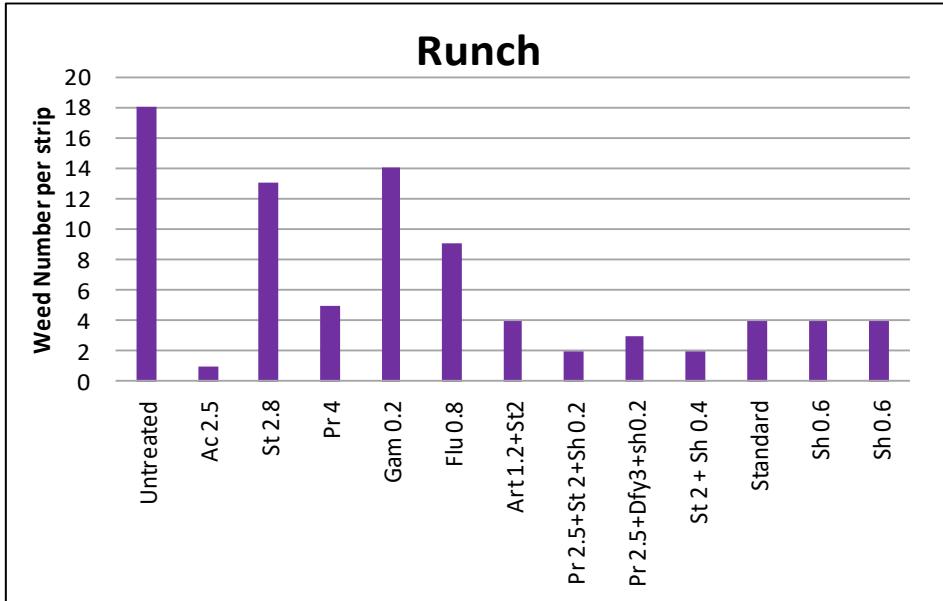


- Good activity metabromuron, metribuzin – **Praxim (higher rates), Shotput**
- Poor activity pendimethalin, aclonifen, prosulfocarb – **Stomp Aqua, Defy**

Note – low levels of weed present

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Runch – Observations and weed counts 2017



- Good activity metribuzin, VCS 1717 (aclonifen) - **Shotput**
- Moderate activity metobromuron - **Praxim**
- Poor activity pendimethalin, clomazone, flufenacet – **Stomp Aqua, Gamit 36CS**

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Summary Residual Herbicides 2016-2018

Wild Oats

UNTREATED



Linuron 450g/L @ 1.2 L/ha



Aclonifen @ 1 L/ha pre-em



Aclonifen @ 2 L/ha pre-em



Aclonifen @ 3 L/ha pre-em



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Summary Residual Herbicides 2016-2018

Annual Meadow Grass

UNTREATED



Linuron 450g/L @ 1.2 L/ha



Aclonifen @ 1 L/ha pre-em



Aclonifen @ 2 L/ha pre-em



Aclonifen @ 3 L/ha pre-em



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Summary Residual Herbicides 2016-2018

Chickweed

UNTREATED



Linuron 450g/L @ 1.2 L/ha



Aclonifen @ 1 L/ha pre-em



Aclonifen @ 2 L/ha pre-em



Aclonifen @ 3 L/ha pre-em



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Summary Residual Herbicides 2016-2018

Annual Sow thistle

UNTREATED



Linuron 450g/L @ 1.2 L/ha



Aclonifen @ 1 L/ha pre-em



Aclonifen @ 2 L/ha pre-em



Aclonifen @ 3 L/ha pre-em



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Summary Residual Herbicides 2016-2018

Mayweed and B.Bindweed

Untreated



Aclonifen @ 2 L/ha pre-em



Weed Screen 2018 - Pictures courtesy Bayer UK

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Summary Residual Herbicides 2016-2018

- Low level of weeds on East 2018
- Options for Linuron replacement exist but costs will likely increase
- Knowledge of weed spectrum present will aid cost effective control – target actives to expected weed spectrum
- *Metribuzin* is the most cost effective *a.i.* for many weeds, include in most applications - **but** be careful of soil types and variety susceptibility
- 3 Residual A.I. mixes provide a broader range of control of weed spp.
- A.I. *aclonifen* looks a useful addition when used in combination with other actives – strengths F.hen, mayweed, s.nettle, amg, blackgrass, runch, charlock. **Residual control only-** Application required pre-emergence of the weeds. No phytotoxicity observed on any variety in 2017 (one site) 2018 (2 sites) when applied pre-emergence of the crop. Approval??

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Post Emergence Herbicide East 2018

Trt no.	Water volume	Herbicide Application	Cost £/ha
15	200 l/ha	Shotput (metribuzin 70%) 200g/ha	£4.70
16	200l/ha	Shotput (metribuzin 70%) 500g/ha	£11.70
17	200l/ha	Shotput (metribuzin 70%) 200g/ha + Titus (rimsulfuron 25%) 30g/ha + NI Wetter	£20
18	200l/ha	Basagran (bentazone 87%) 1.1kg/ha + Wetter	

- Application @ 15-20cm crop height – 15th June (East)
- Significantly reduced level of scorch than anticipated, all treatments

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Post Emergence Herbicide 2018

Basagran 1.1kg/ha



Significant Phytotoxicity – R.Burbank



Significant Phytotoxicity - Leontine

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Post Emergence Herbicide 2018

Basagran 1.1kg/ha

Tolerant to Very Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensivity
Gwenne	M.peer	R.Burbank
Angelique	Innovator	Leontine
Bambino	Forza	Jelly
Gemson	Soraya	
Iodea	Sensation	
Georgina	Red Fantasy	
Brooke	Shepody	
Challenger	VR808	
Royal	Melody	
Performer		
Rooster		
Lanorma		
Nectar		
M.piper		

2018 Demonstration Results – Caution not Recommendation!



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Post Emergence Herbicide 2018

Shotput 500g/ha



Severe Scorch – Innovator



Moderate Scorch - Melody

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Post Emergence Herbicide 2017

Trt 15 - Shotput 500g/ha



Slight Scorch – Georgina



No Scorch - Royal

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Post Emergence Herbicide 2016-2018

Shotput 500g/ha

Tolerant	Low Sensitivity	Moderate Sensitivity	High Sensitivity
V.Sovereign Brooke Marfona Saxon Challenger Markies	Royal Daisy Lanorma R.Burbank Jelly Angelique Bambino Gemson Rooster Soraya	M.piper Leontine Eurostar Melody Nectar Performer Gwenne Shepody Georgina Iodea	Forza Innovator M.Peer VR808

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