

2007 Regional Dark Tobacco Sucker  
Control Trial  
UKREC, Princeton, KY

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# 2007 Sucker Control Trials

- Disclaimer:
  - The 2007 production season in west KY/TN was extremely dry and sucker growth and vigor was minimal. As a result, sucker control levels achieved from treatments applied in 2007 are higher than would be expected in years where average rainfall occurred.

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- Experimental design: RCBD with 4 replications
- Plots 4 rows, 40 ft. long (60 plants/plot)
- Treatments applied to all 4 rows, data collected from center 2 rows of plots.
- Variety: Narrowleaf Madole LC transplanted May 21.
  - 40" row spacing, 32" plant spacing (4900 plants/A)
- All applications made with 3-nozzle/row system
  - 2-row boom, all TG5 nozzles, 55 gal/A
- Data collected: crop vigor, % sucker control, sucker weight/plot, fire-cured yield, grade index, revenue.

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Treatment	Application Rate (gal/A)	Application Timing	Application Method
OST fb OST fb MH	2 gal fb 2 gal fb 2 gal	1 <sup>st</sup> top fb 2 <sup>nd</sup> top fb 7 days after 2 <sup>nd</sup> top	OT
OST fb OST fb MH	2 gal fb 2 gal fb 1.5 gal	1 <sup>st</sup> top fb 2 <sup>nd</sup> top fb 7 days after 2 <sup>nd</sup> top	OT
OST fb OST fb MH+Flupro	2 gal fb 2 gal fb 1.5 gal + 0.5 gal	1 <sup>st</sup> top fb 2 <sup>nd</sup> top fb 7 days after 2 <sup>nd</sup> top	OT
OST fb OST fb MH+Butralin	2 gal fb 2 gal fb 1.5 + 0.5 gal	1 <sup>st</sup> top fb 2 <sup>nd</sup> top fb 7 days after 2 <sup>nd</sup> top	OT
OST fb OST fb MH+Prime+	2 gal fb 2 gal fb 1.5 + 0.5 gal	1 <sup>st</sup> top fb 2 <sup>nd</sup> top fb 7 days after 2 <sup>nd</sup> top	OT
OST fb OST+MH+Butralin	2 gal fb 1 gal fb 1.5 + 0.5 gal	1 <sup>st</sup> top fb 2 <sup>nd</sup> top	SRD
OST fb OST fb Butralin	2 gal fb 2 gal fb 0.5 gal	1 <sup>st</sup> top fb 2 <sup>nd</sup> top fb 7 days after 2 <sup>nd</sup> top	SRD
OST fb OST fb Flupro	2 gal fb 2 gal fb 0.5 gal	1 <sup>st</sup> top fb 2 <sup>nd</sup> top fb 7 days after 2 <sup>nd</sup> top	SRD
OST fb OST fb Prime+	2 gal fb 2 gal fb 0.5 gal	1 <sup>st</sup> top fb 2 <sup>nd</sup> top fb 7 days after 2 <sup>nd</sup> top	SRD
1 OST (Topped not suckered )	2 gal	1 <sup>st</sup> topping	SRD

\*OST = Off Shoot-T; MH = Royal MH-30; OT = over-the-top application (3 TG5s/row, 55 gal/A); SRD=manual stalk rundown.

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Preharvest Rating and Sucker Biomass – August 28 (5 wks after topping)

Treatment	Tobacco Vigor (1-10, 10 best)	% Sucker Control (0-100%)	Sucker Wt/10 plants (lbs)	Sucker Wt/A (lbs)
2 OST fb MH (2 gal) OT	8.00 b	93 ab	1.14 ab	557.4 ab
2 OST fb MH (1.5 gal) OT	8.44 a	87 c	1.34 ab	655.4 ab
2 OST fb MH+Flupro OT	8.06 b	92 ab	0.34 b	166.6 b
2 OST fb MH+Butralin OT	8.25 ab	91 bc	1.14 ab	557.4 ab
2 OST fb MH+Prime+ OT	7.94 b	93 ab	1.80 a	882.0 a
1 OST fb OST+MH(1 gal)+Butralin SRD	8.13 ab	92 ab	1.13 ab	552.5 ab
2 OST fb Butralin SRD	8.13 ab	96 a	0.90 ab	442.2 ab
2 OST fb Flupro SRD	8.25 ab	93 ab	1.33 ab	652.3 ab
2 OST fb Prime+ SRD	8.06 b	94 ab	0.54 b	266.4 b
1 OST (Topped not suckered check)	8.44 a	60 d	1.96 a	961.6 a
LSD <sub>0.05</sub>	0.35	4.7	1.22	600

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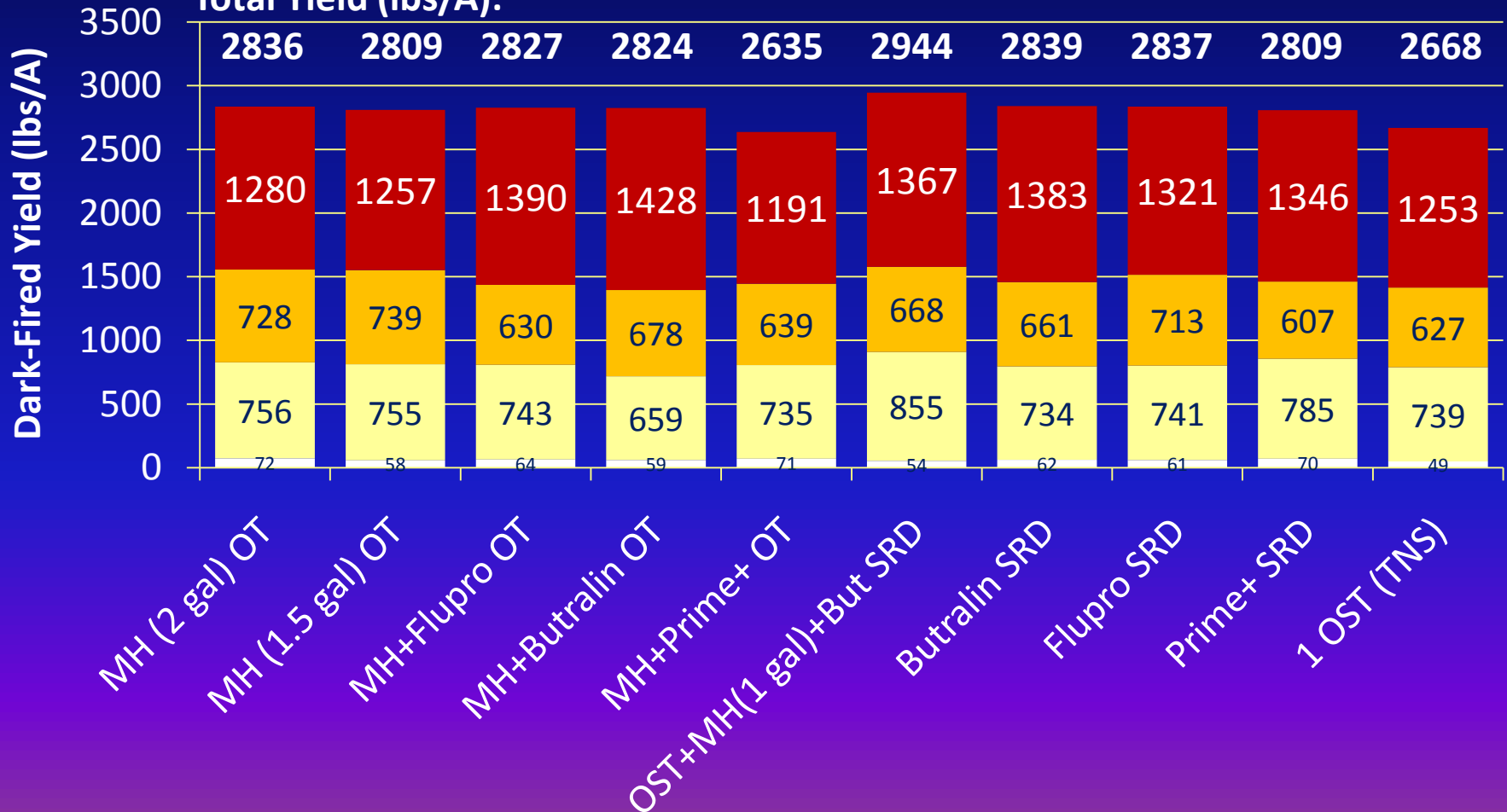
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### Dark-Fired Tobacco Yield

LSD<sub>0.05</sub> = 30      128      132      225      192 (total)

■ Trash   ■ Lug   ■ Second   ■ Leaf

**Total Yield (lbs/A):**



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Dark-Fired Quality Grade Index and Gross Revenue (\$/A)\*

\*Based on 2004 USDA Grade and Price Support for Type 22 Eastern Dark-Fired Tobacco.

LSD<sub>0.05</sub> = 750

8.2 (Quality Grade Index)

■ Gross Revenue (\$/A)

Quality Grade Index:

