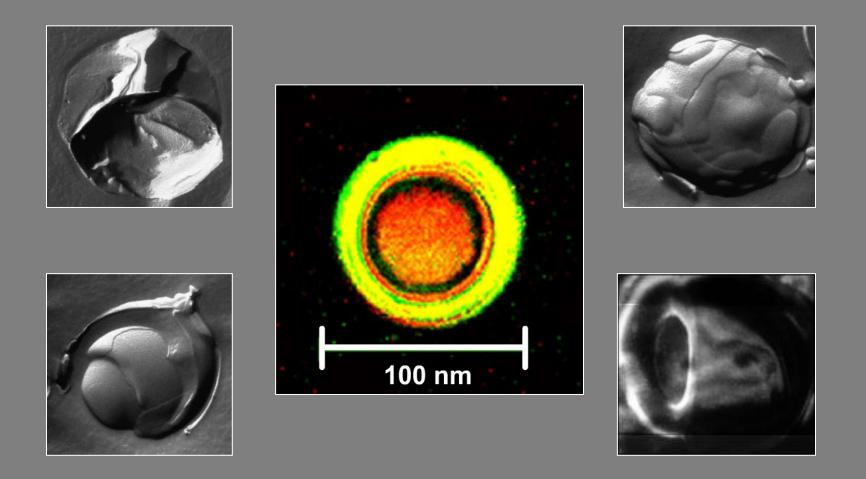


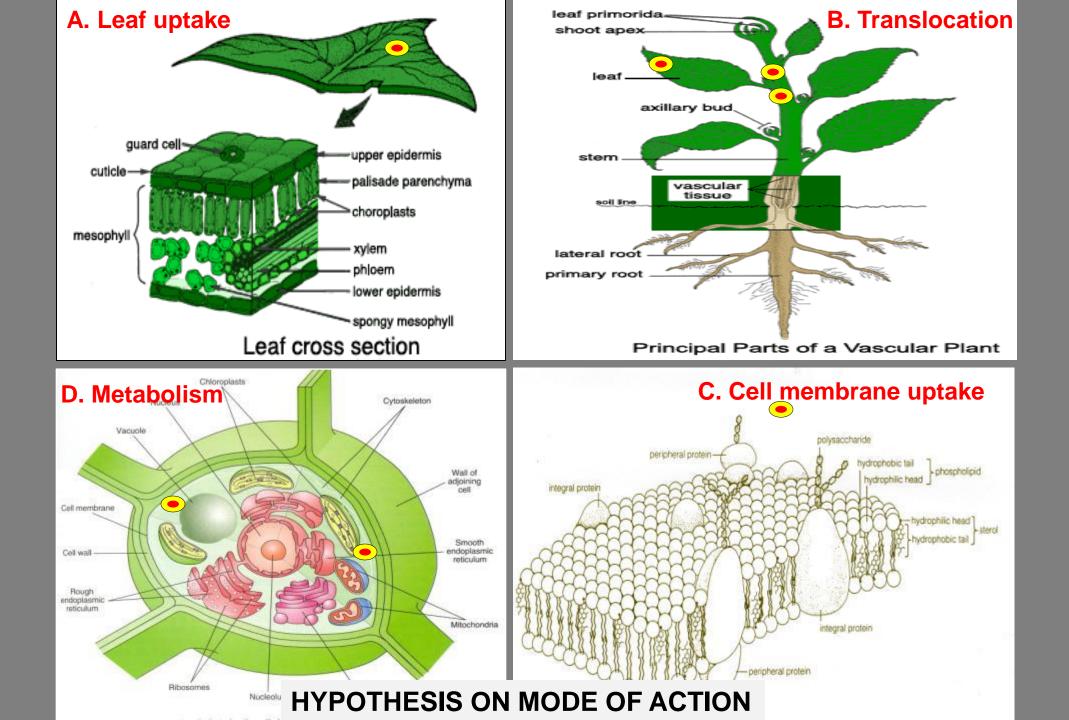
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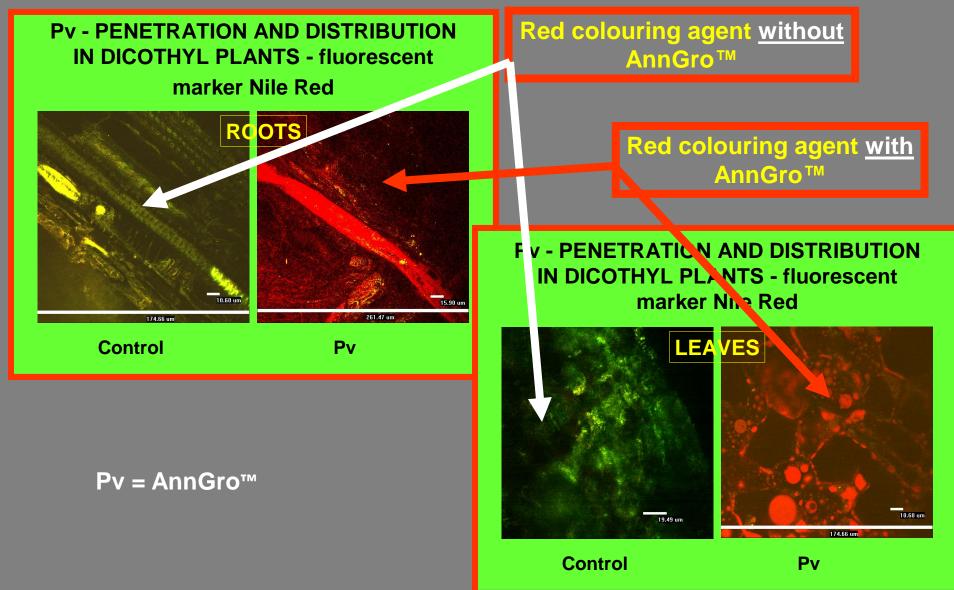
#### WHAT IS ANNGRO™: TRANSPORT VESICLE



AnnGro<sup>™</sup> consists of micro/nano sponges acting as nano transporters that have the ability to package diverse active compounds and swiftly transport them inside the plant as well as over membranes into plant cells. The packed molecules are released intracellular when the AnnGro<sup>™</sup> vesicles are metabolized.



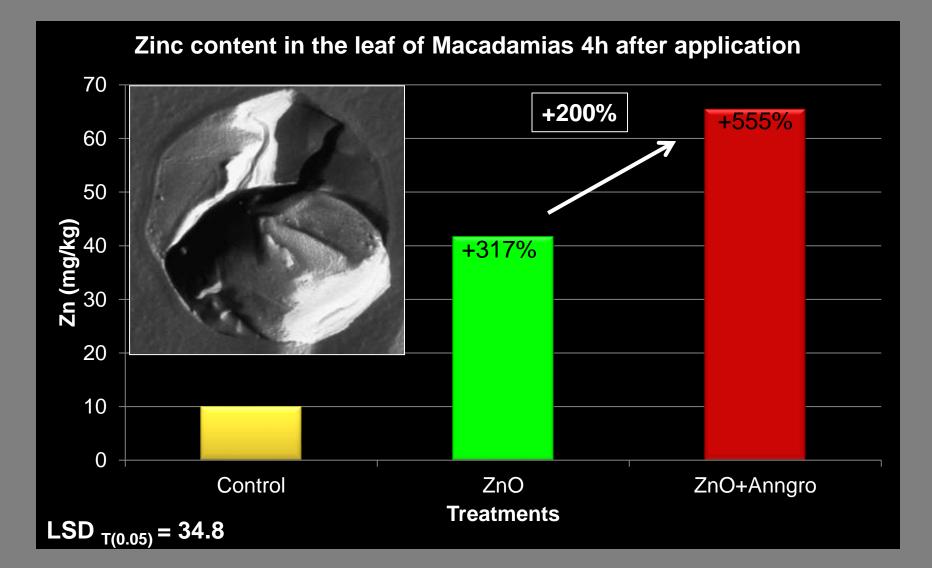
#### Qualitative illustration of AnnGro's capability as an uptake enhancer, North West University



# EFFICACY RESULTS AnnGro & Foliar Feeding

# A. IMPROVED UPTAKE B. ENHANCED TRANSPORT C. CELL MEMBRANE UPTAKE D. METABOLISM

# **A. IMPROVED UPTAKE:** zinc uptake in macadamia nuts - Nelspruit, South Africa



Maize, Foliar, 2016

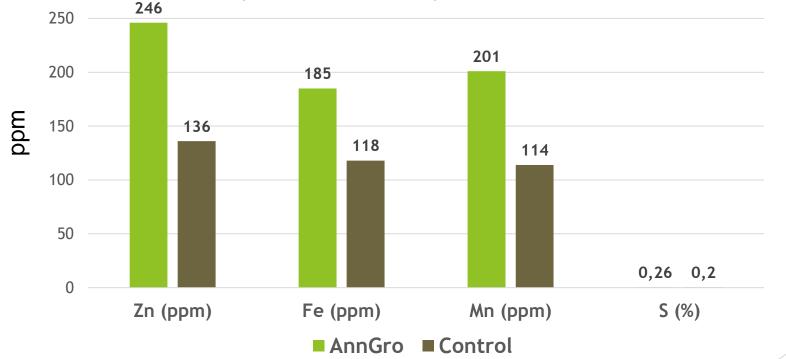
#### Foliar applied MnSO<sub>4</sub> on maize, University of Nebraska Extension Centre in Concord, NE, USA, 2016

Manganese ppm 24 hour sampling								
Treatment	Average	Std dev.	% increase from control					
Check (water control)	54.5	11.6						
MnSO <sub>4</sub> only	188.4	76.3	246%					
MnSO <sub>4</sub> + AnnGro	221.0	86.0	306%					
Prob (all Mn vs check) > F : <.0001								
Prob (Mn-AnnGro vs Mn-only) > F: 0.0629								
Manganese ppm 5 day sampling								
Treatment	Average	Std dev.	% increase from control					
Check (water control)	65.5	7.9						
MnSO <sub>4</sub> only	183.3	27.9		180%				
MnSO <sub>4</sub> + AnnGro	212.3	27.0		224%				
Prob (all Mn vs check) > F : <.0001								
Prob (Mn-AnnGro vs Mn-only) > F: 0.0003								

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### Nutrients Foliar Applied to Almond Trees using AnnGro - April 2019 -SG Crop Science, California, USA

Leaf Analysis Results - 7 Days after the Treatment



Note: Leaf analysis was completed by Precision Agri Lab April 2019.Data obtained from SG Crop, USA

# Gratitude to SG Crop Science & Helena

# Trial conducted by Helena R&D Team, Yuma, Arizona, USA, 2019



## AnnGro Trial on Lettuce

<b>Freatment</b>	Rate	Rate Unit	Timing	Code
1 Grower Standard				
BorZin		1pt/A	Post thinning	А
BorZin		1qt/A	Post thinning	А
Gro	4	8ml/A	Post thinning	А
BorZin		1pt/A	Post thinning	А
Gro	4	8ml/A	Post thinning	А
BorZin		1qt/A	Post thinning	А
Gro	4	8ml/A	Post thinning	Α
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- Study conducted in Fall of 2018 (Oct-Dec).

- RCB with 4-replications. Applications made foliar at thinning at 50 GPA

- Location: Yuma, AZ

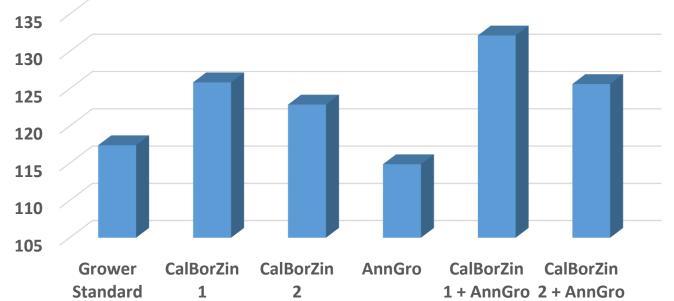
- Objective: Evaluate AnnGro for its potential to help with uptake of micro-nutrients Ca, B and Zn and for yield increase in Lettuce.



# Results



Plant Volume (cm)

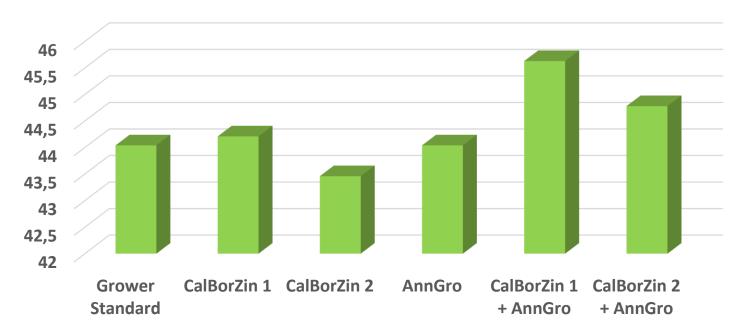




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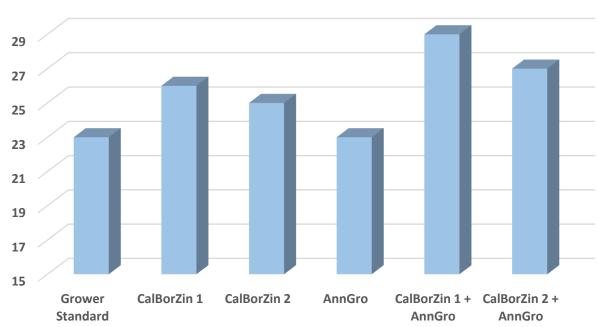


**Chlorophyl Content (SPAD)** 





# Results: Nutrient Uptake



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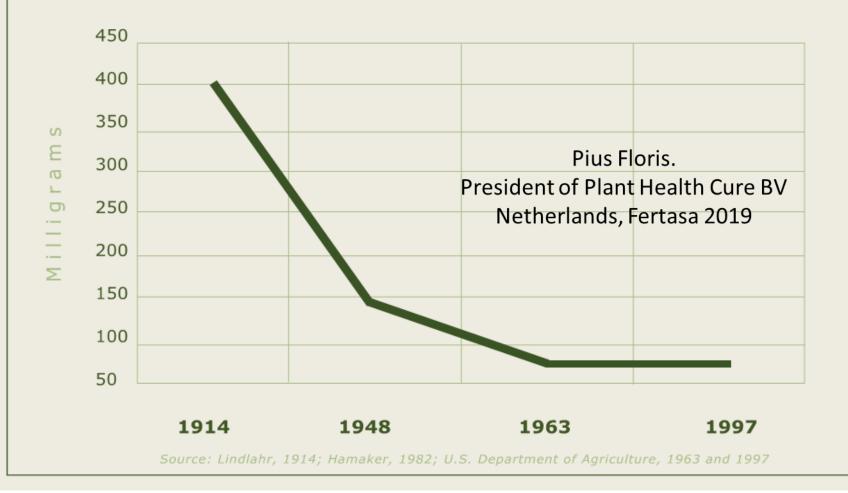
HELEN

Zinc Conent (ppm)



Average Mineral Content in Selected Vegetables, 1914 - 1997

Sums of averages of calcium, magnesium and iron in cabbage, lettuce, tomatoes and spinach



#### AnnGro<sup>®</sup> as a transporter of <sup>65</sup>Zn and <sup>54</sup>Mn into maize (*Zea mays* L.) plants via leaves

<sup>1</sup>Shaba TJ, <sup>1</sup>Tshivhase VM, <sup>2</sup>Zeevart JR, <sup>1</sup>Dlamini TC

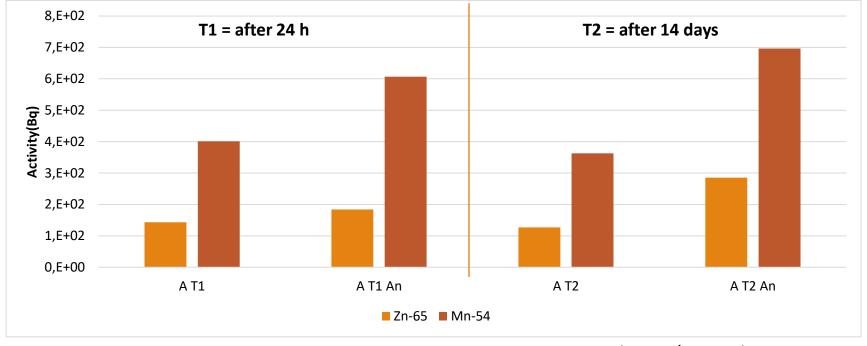
<sup>1</sup>Centre for Applied Radiation Science and Technology, North-West University <sup>2</sup>Nuclear Energy Corporation South Africa

Date : 25 September 2019



<u>Preliminary data; Experiment 1:</u> The content of <sup>65</sup>Zn and <sup>54</sup>Mn taken up by the maize leaf 24 h and 14 days after application with and without the addition of AnnGro.





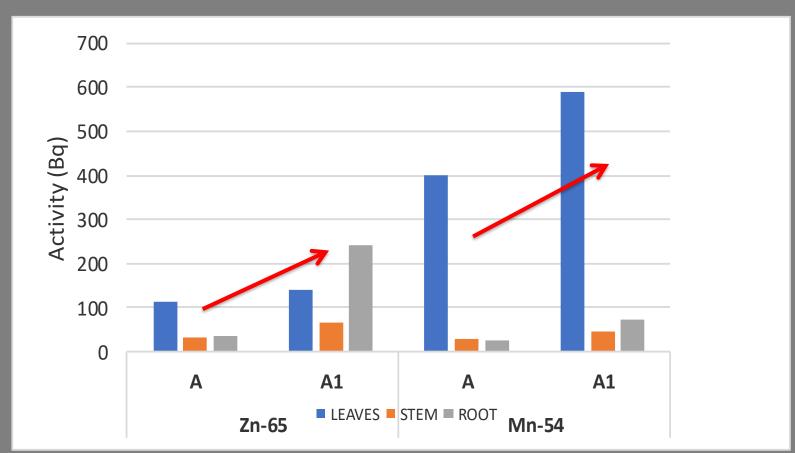
A = Zn-65 activity (Bq) = 661,00; Mn-54 activity (Bq) = 537,00

An = 1 ml AnnGro/L spray volume

#### B. ENHANCED TRANSPORT: AnnGro<sup>™</sup> used with foliar applied Ca(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> on potatoes

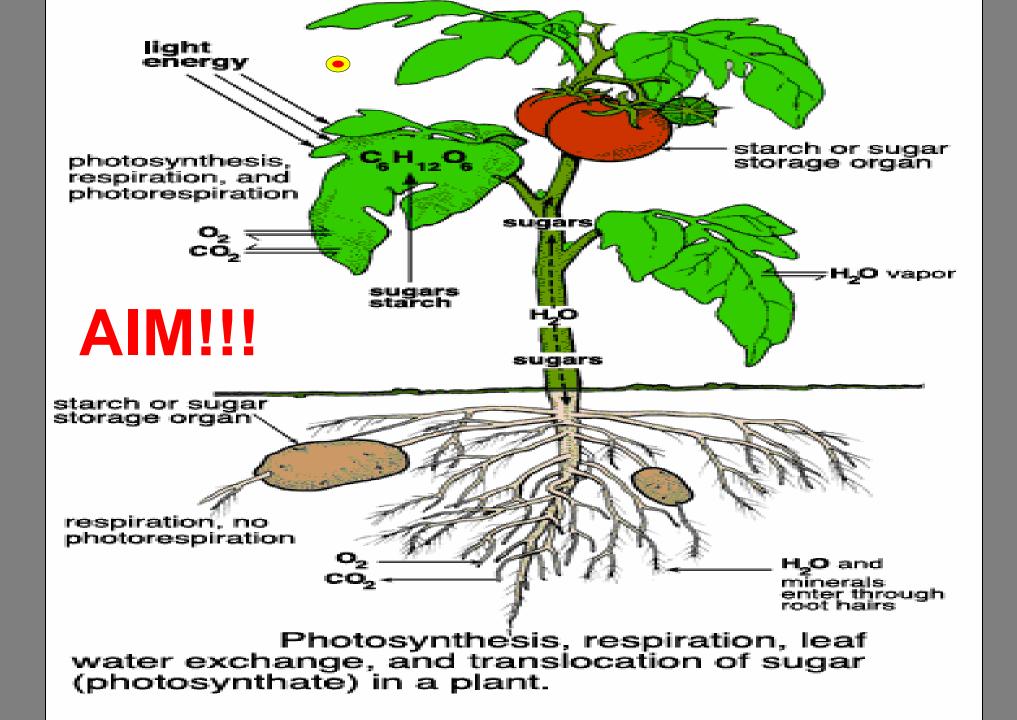


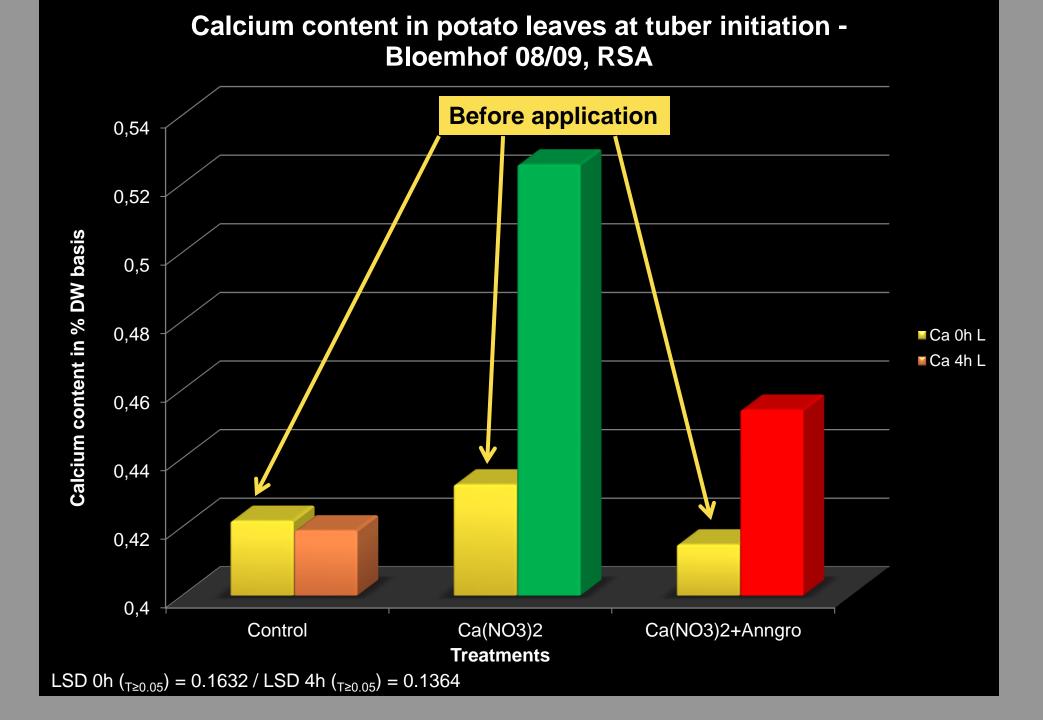
The distribution of <sup>65</sup>Zn and <sup>54</sup>Mn that were applied foliar to maize plants were monitored to stems and roots in the absence (A) and presence (A1) of AnnGro<sup>®</sup> 4 hours after application. TJ SHABA (Northwest University, RSA)



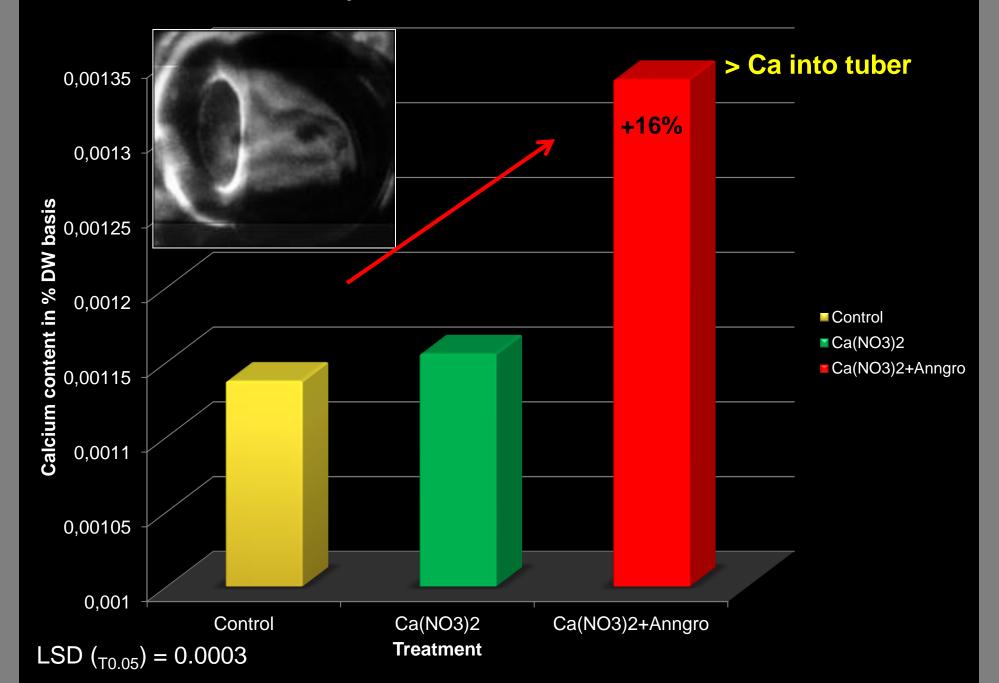
Radioactivity in different plant parts 4 h after <sup>65</sup>Zn and <sup>54</sup>Mn were applied foliar in the absence (A) and presence (A1) of AnnGro<sup>®</sup>.



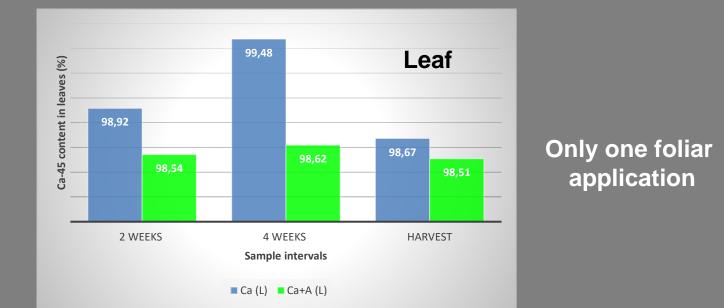


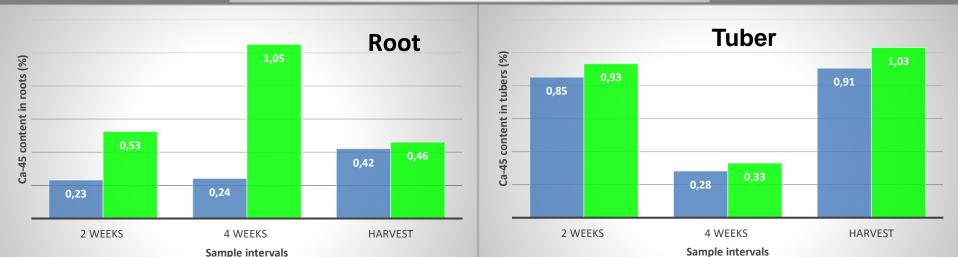


#### Calcium content of potato tubers at harvest- Bloemhof 08/09, RSA

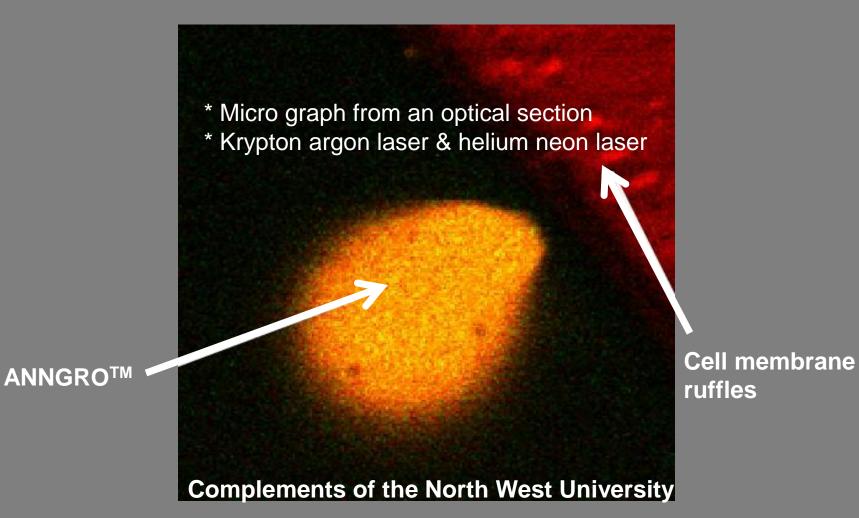


Preliminary data: <sup>45</sup>Ca-study to confirm the translocation of Ca in potatoes from the leaves to the roots using AnnGro, 2018





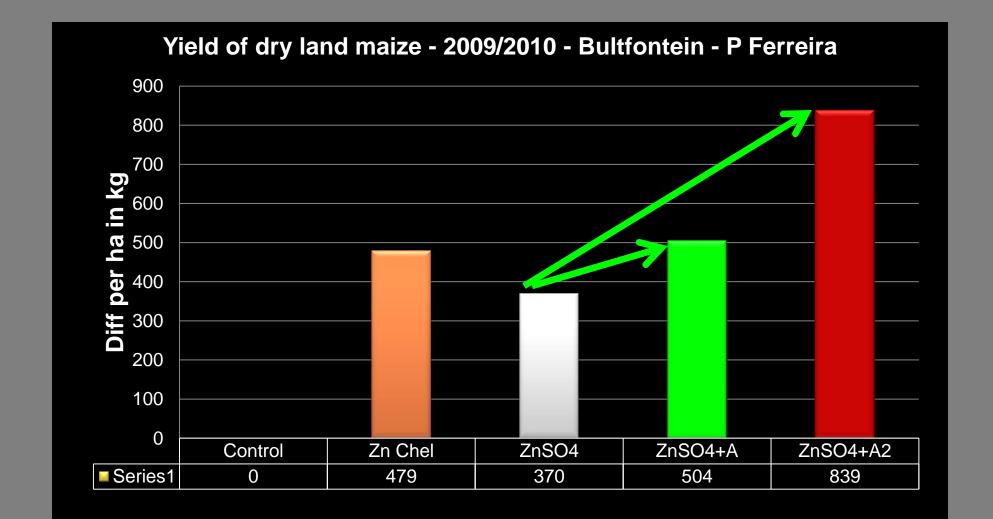
#### **C.** AnnGro<sup>™</sup> and cell membrane uptake



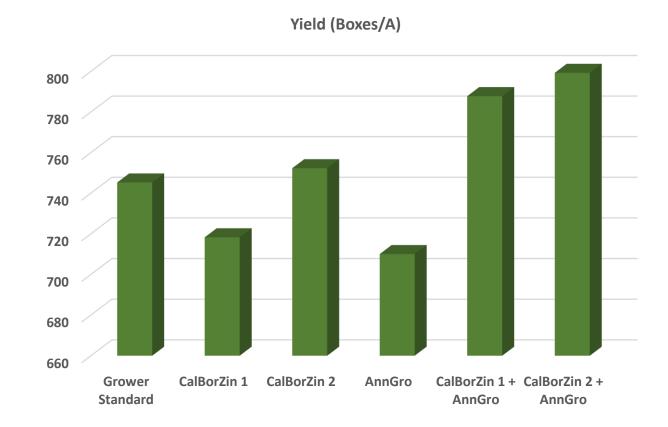


# **D. METABOLISM:** yield effect of foliar applied fertilizer on rain fed maize

**GRAIN YIELD IN MAIZE** 2010 – Bultfontein – South Africa



# Yield (boxes/A)





# AnnGro<sup>™</sup> used with soil applied fertilizer







Photos of sunflower plants treated with the 4:2:1 (18) + 3% S clear liquid fertilizer (Left) and the 4:2:1 (18) + 3% S clear liquid fertilizer + AnnGro<sup>™</sup> combination treatment (Right) on 23/3/2011

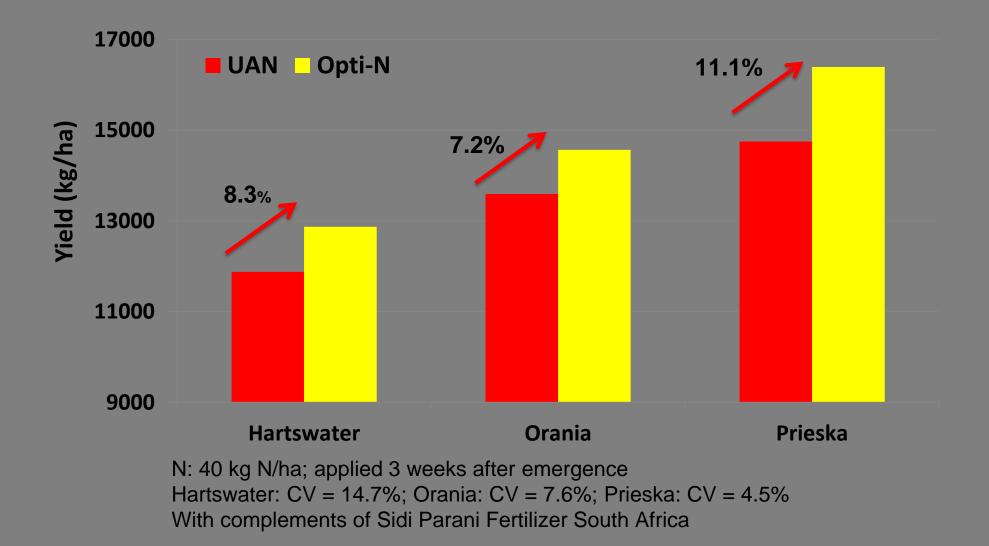
#### Improved uptake!!!



**PILOT TRIAL** 

# **Opti-N (Nitrogen + AnnGro<sup>™</sup>)**

Impact of N-carriers on maize yield under irrigation - 2010



Yield increase realised by the use of OPTI-N in comparison to other N products in different areas applied via irrigation system on maize. Treatments consisted of 45 N applied for each source, 3 weeks after emergence, under standard farming practices. Yellow line = trial average over seasons.

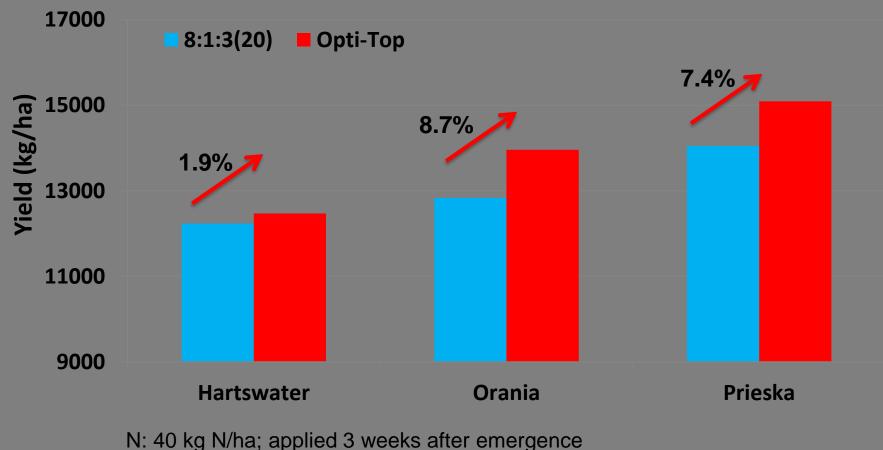
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# Opti – TOP (NPK + AnnGro<sup>®</sup>)

Impact of N-carriers on yield of maize under irrigation - 2010



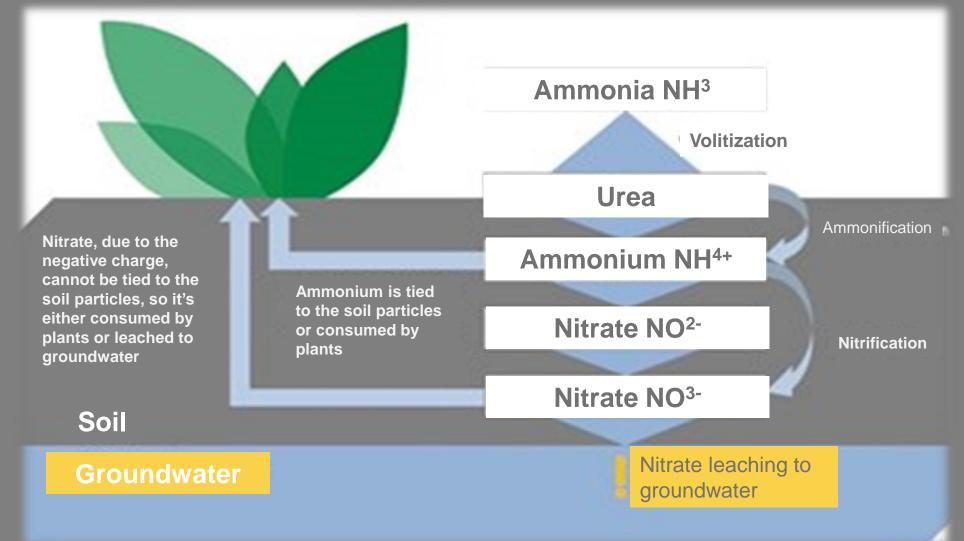
Hartswater: CV = 14.7%; Orania: CV = 7.6%; Prieska: CV = 4.5%

#### Soil applied PGR on maize, University of Nebraska Extension Centre in Concord, NE, USA, 2016

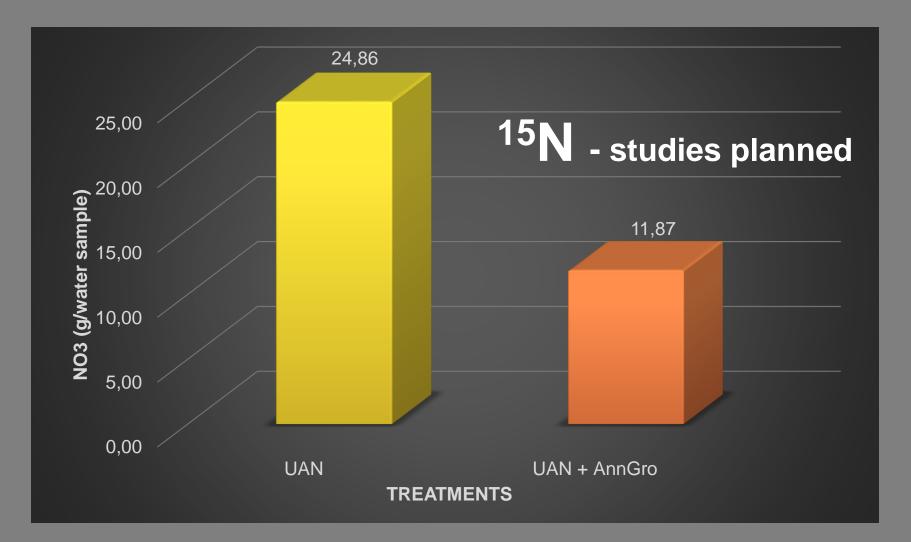
Corn Yield Analysis (bushels)									
Treatment	Yield Average	Difference from check		check	Difference from Ascend	Grouping			
Starter+Zn	227.95				-	Α			
Starter+Zn+Ascend	229.48		1.53		-	Α			
Starter+Zn+Ascend AnnGro	232.30		4.35		2.83	Α			
Least Significant Difference (aipha = 0.05): 6.0947 bu									
Groupings with the same letter do not differ at the 95% confidence level									

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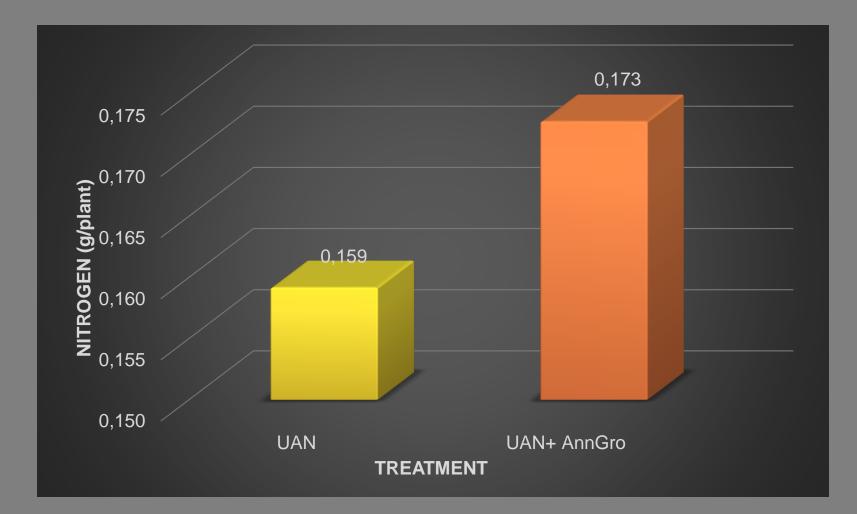
## PILOT STUDY/NEW CONCEPT NITROGEN LEACHING IN SOIL



# NITROGEN CONTENT IN LEACHED WATER



# NITROGEN CONTENT IN AREAL PART OF PLANTS 1 Week after application

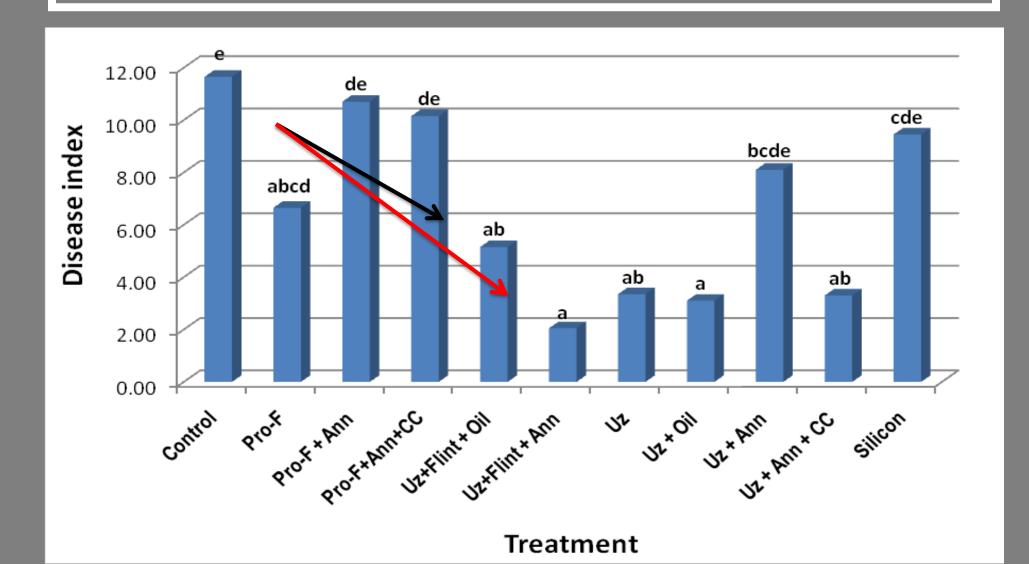


## AnnGro<sup>™</sup> used with selected pesticides in tank mixes





AnnGro<sup>™</sup> used with FUNGICIDES (mancozeb + trifloxystrobin) to control citrus black spot Effect of treatments on disease incidence expressed as a disease index on citrus black spot caused by *Guignardia citricarpa* – QMS – 2009 – South Africa





## AnnGro<sup>™</sup> used with Insecticides Tank mix applications

FASTAC SC = a stable suspension of active ingredient(s) with water as the fluid, intended for dilution with water before use.

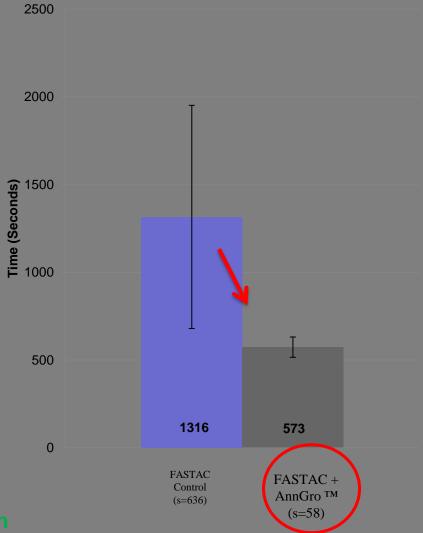
### Lucillia cuprina

- Concentrations of 200 ml/100 l pesticide for the control and 200 ml/100 l pesticide + 200 ml/100 l AnnGro™. In addition a double dose pesticide was also applied.
- Application with vaporized solution into sealed container.
- Provides correlation that addition of AnnGro<sup>™</sup> is related to the decreased time required for the onset of death in *L. cuprina*.
- Only FASTAC<sup>®</sup> SC provided statistically significant results. (α=0.1)

#### **FASTAC SC =** contact fungicide, alpha-cypermethrin



#### **Comparison of Death**



## The efficacy of Biomectin<sup>®</sup> 18 EC + AnnGro<sup>®</sup> 25 EW against the American leaf miner in potatoes 2020

		American leaf minor control (%) in potatoes			
Treatments	Conc (ml/ha)	7DA-A	7DA-B	7DA-C	14 DA-C
Biomectin 18+Mineral oil (0,75x)	375+375	50	72	93	84
Biomectin 18+Mineral oil+AnnGro (0,75x)	375+375+90	96	100	100	100
Biomectin 18+Mineral oil (1x)	500+500	75	67	88	100
Biomectin 18+Mineral oil+AnnGro (1x)	500+500+120	100	100	100	100

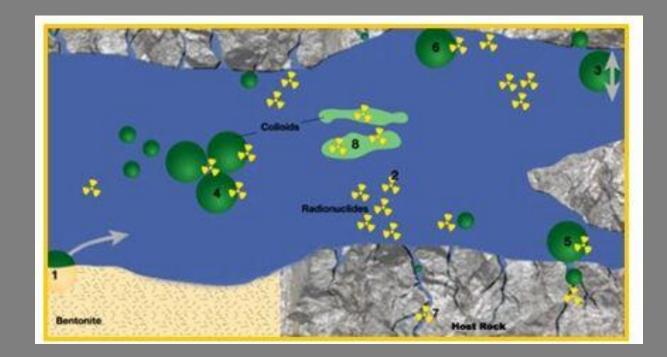
## The efficacy of Spirotetramat (Tivoli<sup>®</sup> 240 SC) + AnnGro<sup>®</sup> 25 EW against various aphid species in potatoes 2020

		Aphids control (%) in potatoes		
Treatments	Conc (ml/ha)	14DA-A	14DA-B	14DA-C
Tivoli+Charge (0.75x)	22,5+15	56	30	90
Tivoli+Charge+AnnGro (0.75x)	22,5+20+90	74	. 83	100
Tivoli+Charge (1x)	30+20	63	100	100
Tivoli+Charge+AnnGro (1x)	30+20+120	100	100	100



### AnnGro™ used with Herbicides

### <sup>14C</sup>Glyphosate Isotopic Tracer study with AnnGro



# Slides were taken 4 days after treatment application of the areal plant parts



<sup>14C</sup>Glyphosate+AnnGro



<sup>14C</sup>Glyphosate-AnnGro

Observation: The addition of AnnGro to radio-active glyphosate showed a faster translocation downwards in the plant versus the control treatment.

# Slides were taken 4 days after treatment application of the root plant parts



<sup>14C</sup>Glyphosate+AnnGro

<sup>14C</sup>Glyphosate-AnnGro

Observation: The use of AnnGro increased the accumulation of glyphosate in the roots and stems of Alternanthera philoxeroides versus the control

### AnnGro & Glyphosate Jan 2020, Nelspruit, Independent trial

#	TREATMENT	Application rate	% Weed Control 10 Days After Application			
		Formulated product kg/ ha	Eleusine	Bidens spp	Convolvulus spp	Richardia spp
1	Glyphosate 540 SL Ammonium sulphate	1.3 L / ha 2%	15%	10%	10%	10%
2	Glyphosate 540 SL Ammonium sulphate	1.7 L / ha 2%	50%	45%	25%	25%
3	Glyphosate 540 SL Ammonium sulphate AnnGro 1 X	1.3 L / ha 2% 70 m€ (0.1ml/gae)	40%	55%	33%	33%
4	Glyphosate 540 SL Ammonium sulphate AnnGro 1X	1.7 L / ha 2% 92 m€ (0.1ml/gae)	85%	85%	45%	50%
5	Glyphosate 540 SL Ammonium sulphate AnnGro 2X	1.3 L / ha 2% 140 m& (0.2ml/gae)	75%	75%	40%	40%

### AnnGro™ & Cyhalofop-butyl, China 2017

The effect of Anngro® as adjuvant of cyhalofop-butyl on weed control and rice

safety

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Abstract: Anngro® is natural adjuvant investigated by Plum Agrochemical Consulting & Service Co., Ltd.. In order to understand the synergistic effect of Anngro® as adjuvant of 10% cyhalofop-butyl EC on barnyardgrass(*Echinochloa* spp. ) and Asian sprangletop (*Leptochloa chinensis* (L.) Nees), as well as safety of rice, four treatments were conducted in greenhouse as following (1) domestic product: 10%

cyhalofop-butyl EC produced by Jiangsu kuaida Agrochemical Co. Ltd., (2) domestic product + Anngro® 5000 times dilution, (3) imported product: 10% cyhalofop-butyl EC produced by Dow AgroSciences, (4) imported product + Anngro® 5000 times dilution. The treatments were applied at 2-3 leaf stage of the weeds. After the application, the symptoms of the two weeds and rice were observed. Visible injury estimation of plant damage was conducted at 5 d after the application using a scale of 0 (no control) to 5. The dosage dependence response curve of each treatment was constructed with Log-logistic dose response regression equations. The ED50 and ED90 value of each treatment was calculated. The results demonstrated that reaction speed to the two weeds was (4) > (2) > (3) > (1). Whatever domestic or imported product, the application with Anngro® 5000 times dilution achieved the similar control effect to the two weeds earlier 1-2 days than that the application single 10% cyhalofop-butyl EC. For barnyard grass, ED50 of treatment (1) to (4) was 95.2, 70, 77.9, 62.5 ml/ha, respectively. For Asian sprangletop, ED50 of treatment (1) to (4) was 105.4, 75.4, 84.3, 67.6 ml/ha, respectively. Thus, the ED50 of the domestic and imported product reduced 375, 450ml/ha and 231, 250ml/ha by Anngro® 5000 times dilution respectively. For barnyard grass, ED90 of treatment (1) to (4) was 181.8, 155.6, 165.2, 137.8 ml/ha, respectively. For Asian sprangletop, ED90 of treatment (1) to (4) was 206.5, 181, 191, 131.5 ml/ha, respectively. Thus, the dosage of the domestic and imported product reduced 383 393ml/ha and 411 1043 ml/ha by Anngro® 5000 times dilution respectively. Finally, the control efficacy was increased 10% and 32% by Anngro® 5000 times dilution for domestic and imported product, respectively. The rice grew very well after applied by Anngro® 5000 times dilution. In conclusion, as an adjuvant of cyhalofop-butyl, Anngro® increased control effect,

and was safe to rice

Keywords: Anngro®, 10% cyhalofop-butyl EC, barnyardgrass (*Echinochloa* spp.), Asian sprangletop (*Leptochloa chinensis* (L.) Nees), synergistic effect, safety

### **AnnGro & Marketing Activities**



### **AnnGro & Marketing in China**





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