

BANANA BLACK SIGATOKA
To a better understanding
of this disease control.

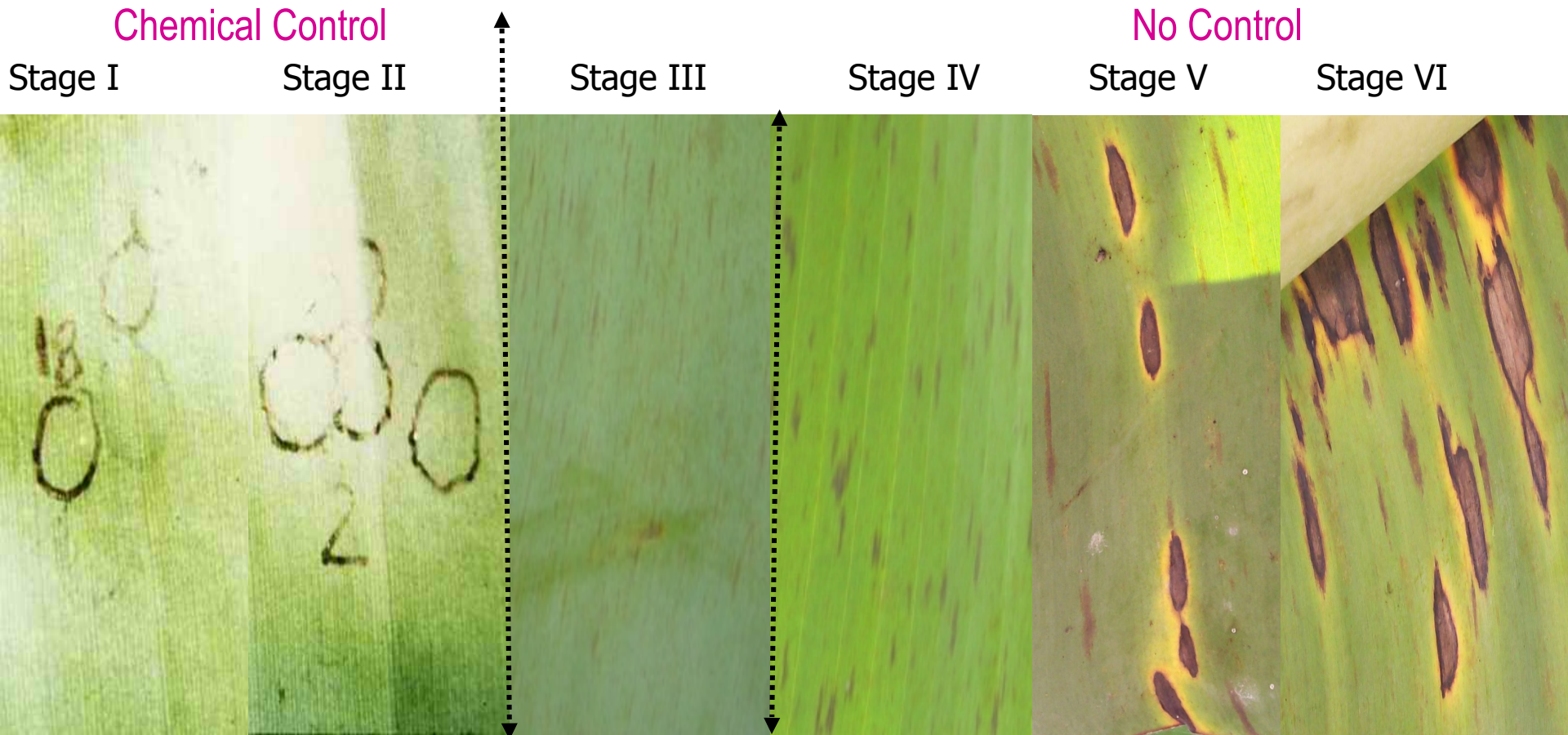
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Black Sigatoka

- This disease is caused by the fungus *Micosphaerella fijiensis* belonging to the ascomicete family.
- This disease can reduce until de 50 % of the banana production in the field.
- The challenge is to protect most of the banana plant leaves form this disease and keep them green.

Black Sigatoka: Stages of development



History

- 1934. Yellow Sigatoka (*Micosphaerella musicola*) arrived in the Caribbean and Central America.
- UFC met the challenge rapidly by application of Bordeaux mixture (25% of Cupper Sulphate + 75% of hydrated cal)
- Control was primarily by reducing conidial production and toxifying conidia by redistribution of copper in dew and rainwater on the leaf surface.
- 1958. Commercial applications of oil spray.
- Came the introduction of the protectant dithiocarbamate fungicide DITHANE M-22 applied in water.

History

- 1962. It was realized that this protectant fungicide applied in an oil-in-water emulsion were much more effective than when applied in water alone.
- Oil is effective whether applied as an oil water emulsion or alone.
- Under heavy rainfall conditions oil alone gives superior disease control.

History

- **Rol of oil in controlling banana leaf spot:**
- It improves the spreading and sticking properties of all fungicides.
- It enhances the penetration of systemic fungicides
- It has profound effects on the patogen inside the leaf.
- Oil is a fungistatic greatly retarding patogen development inside the leaf following invasion

History

- **Oil disadvantage:**
- It causes phytotoxicity symptoms in the leaf such as leaf flecking and photosynthesis reduction.

History

- First systemic fungicide.
- 1972. Benlate (produced by Dupont) was widely applied in oil alone and in oil-in-water emulsions and giving excellent control.
- This systemic fungicide was superior than protectant because they penetrated through the upper surface of the youngest unfurled leaves where the pathogen was still in the early stages of development.
- Therefore, it acts on the pathogen inside the leaf long before it could sporulate

Fungicide uses

Year	Fungicide	a.i.	Chemical Group	Action type
1958	Dithane®	mancozeb	Bisdithiocarbamate	Contact
1972	Benlate ®	benomyl	Benzimidazol	Systemic*
1978	Bravo 720 ®	Chlorothalonil	Fthalonitrilo	Contact
1982	Calixin 860 OE ®	Thridemorph	Amina	Translaminar
1987	Tilt 250 CE ®	Propiconazole	Triazole	Systemic*
1997	Bankit 250 CS ®	Azoxystrobin	Methoxiacrylate	Systemic*
2004	Siganex 500 CE ®	Pyrimethanil	Pyrimidin	Systemic
2006	Impulse 800 CE®	Spyroxamina	Amina	Systemic
2006	SERENADE ®	Bacillus subtilys	BIOLOGIC	Contact
2007	AUSOL 23 CE®	M. alternaria	ORGANIC	Systemic
2009	Cumora ®	Boscalid	Carboximide	Systemic

THE PETROLEUM OIL HAS BEEN USED TO CONTROL ORGANIC AND BS SINCE 1958 TILL NOW.

* Fungus resistances to these compounds.

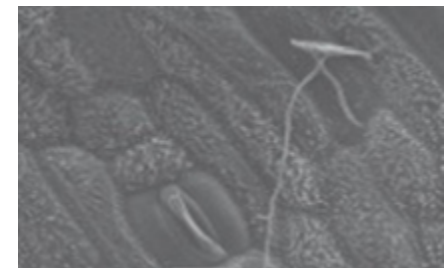
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Ciclo de vida de la Sigatoka Negra

- La Sigatoka Negra tiene un ciclo sexual y asexual.
- En el ciclo sexual se producen **ascosporas** que son **diseminadas sobre distancias largas por el viento** y son consideradas las más importantes en el desarrollo de la enfermedad.
- Durante el **ciclo asexual** se producen los **conidios** que son diseminados sobre **distancias cortas** en la planta **por el agua**.
- Después de la germinación de las ascosporas o de las conidias el hongo puede crecer en la superficie de la hoja por cierto tiempo antes de **penetrar la hoja vía las estomas**.
- Bajo condiciones óptimas la Sigatoka Negra puede avanzar durante un ciclo vital completo en **21 días**.



Ascosporas



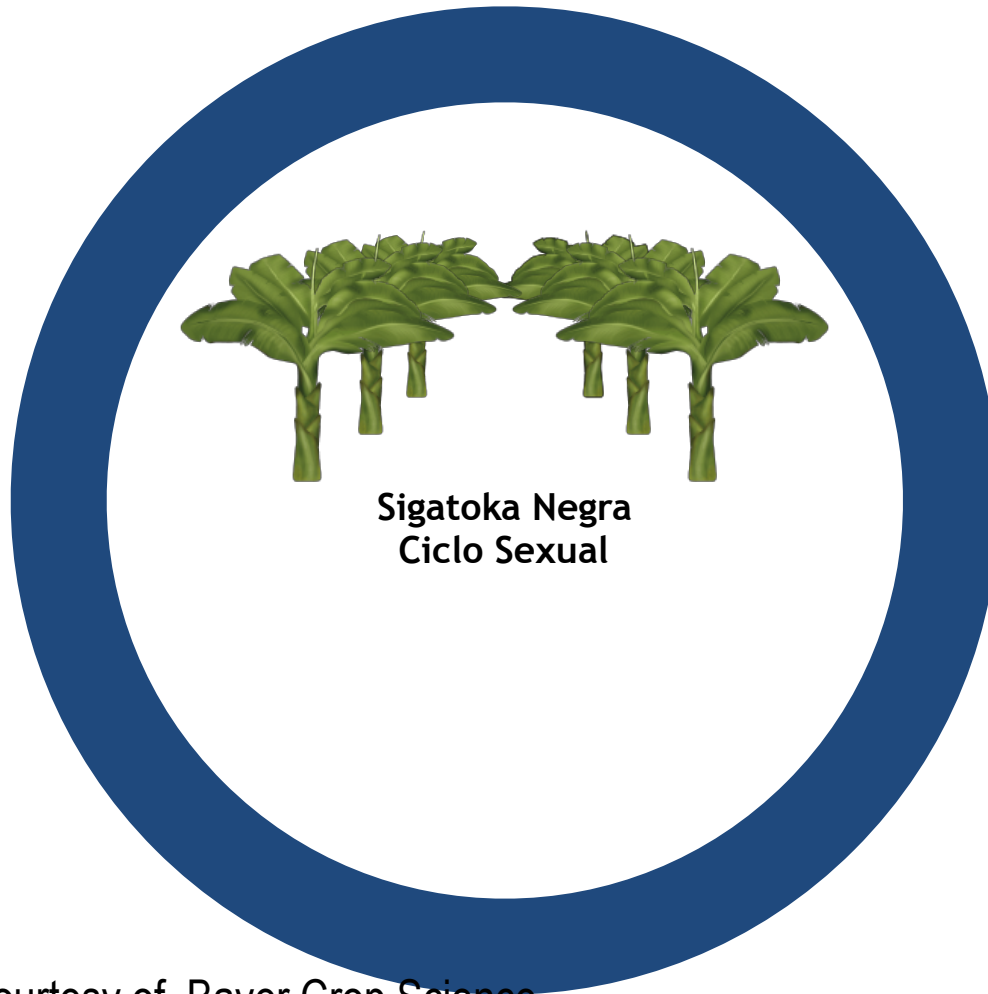
Desarrollo del tubo germinativo

Ciclo de vida de la Sigatoka Negra



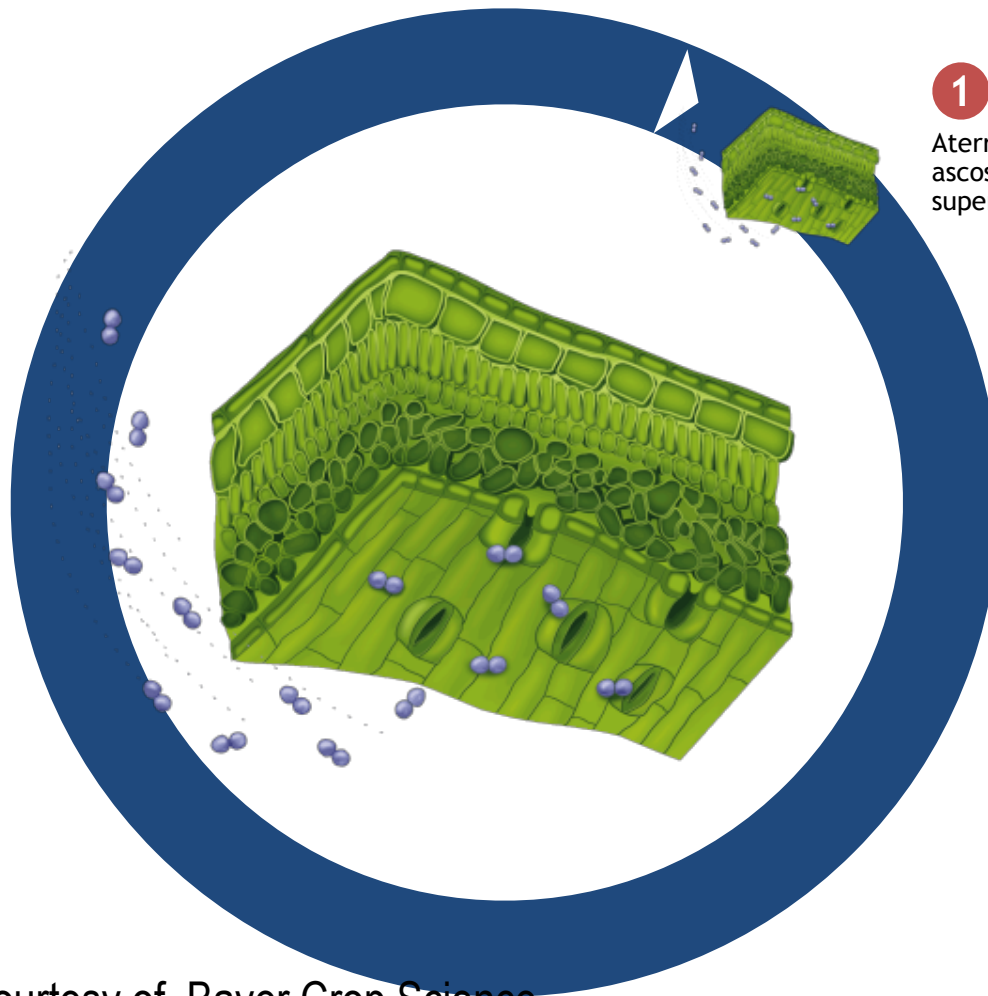
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Ciclo Sexual de la Sigatoka Negra



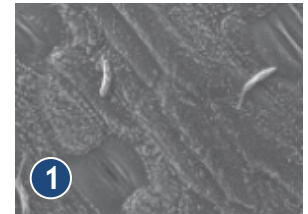
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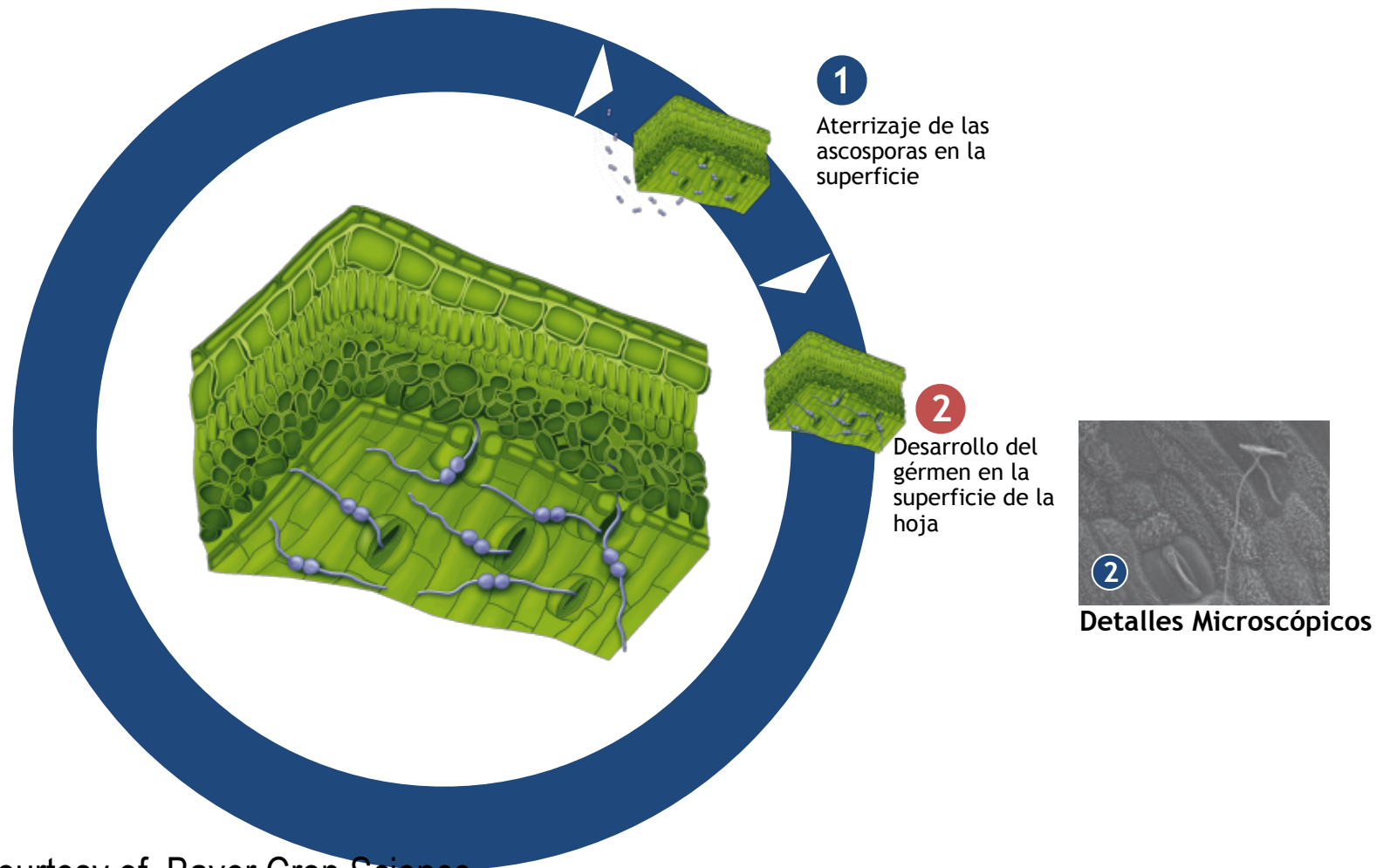
Aterrizaje de las ascosporas en la superficie de la hoja



Detalles Microscópicos

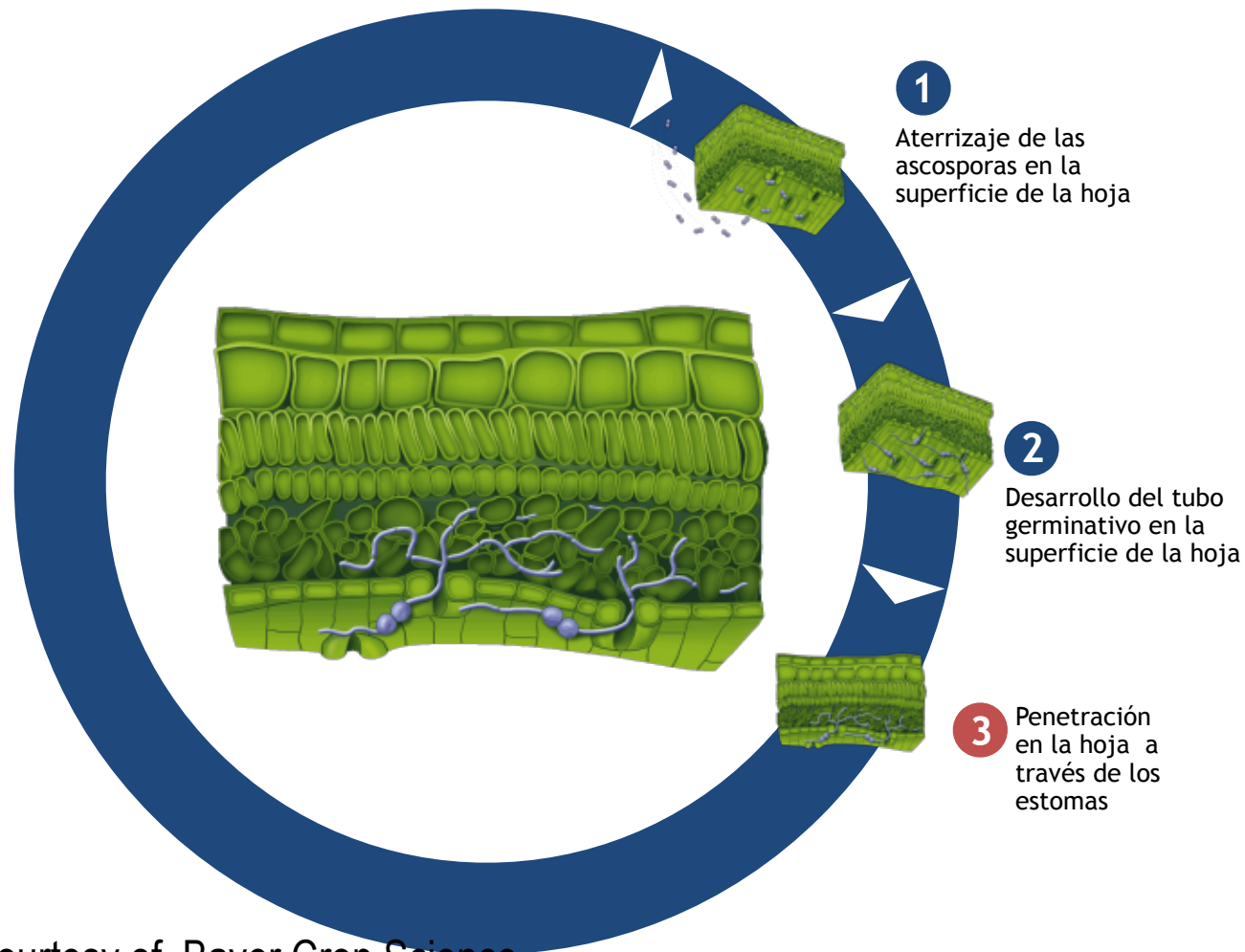
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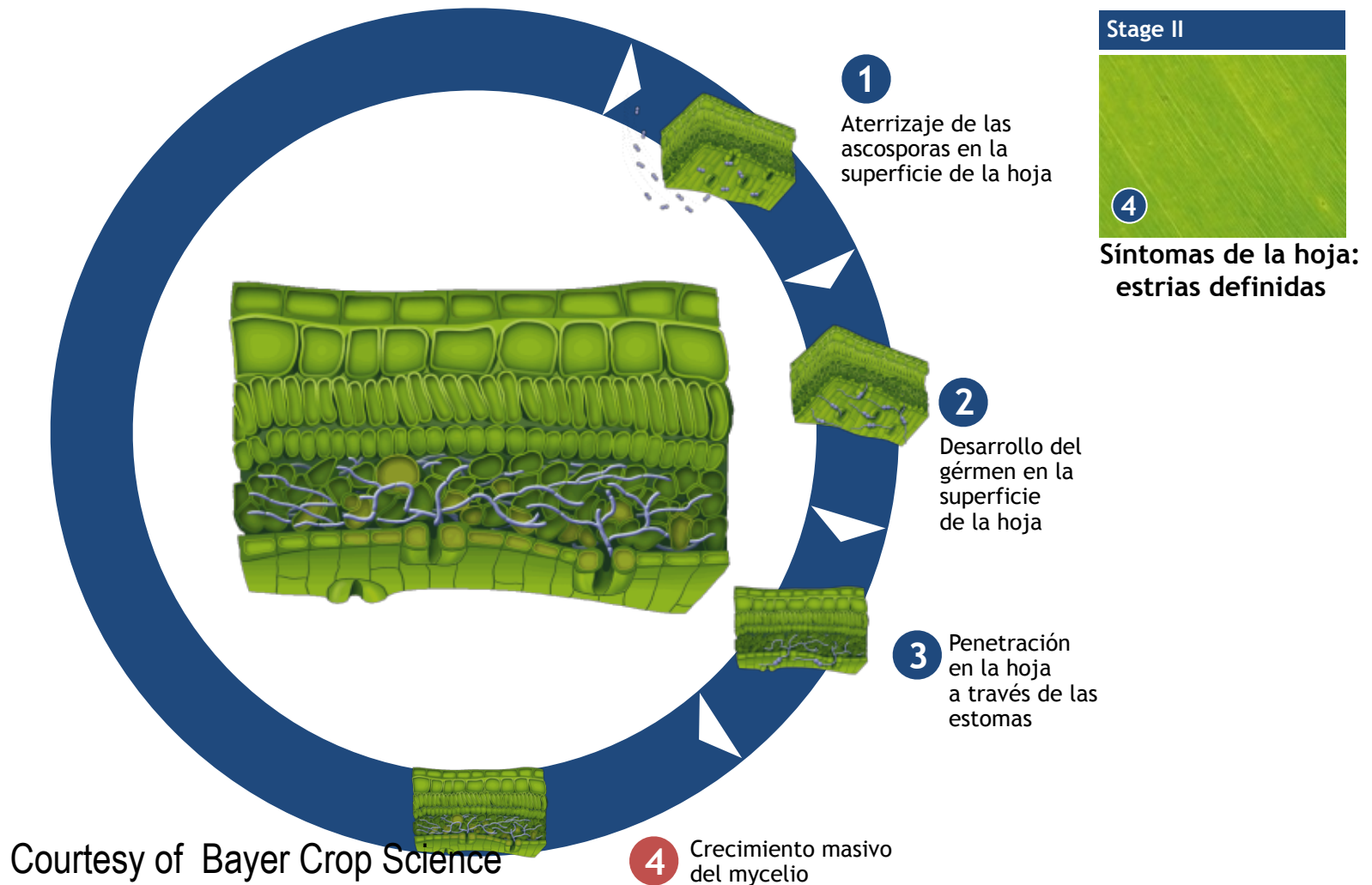
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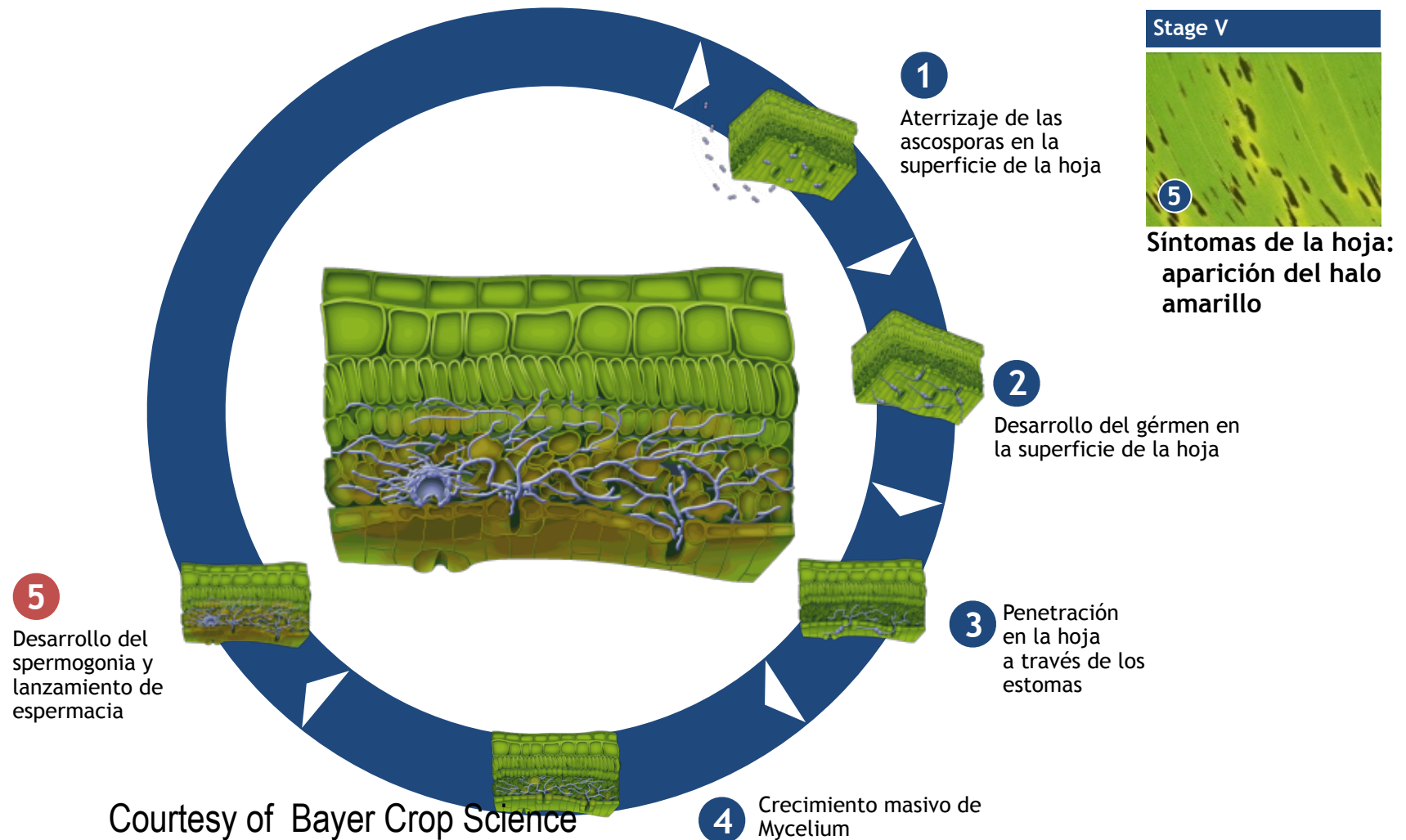


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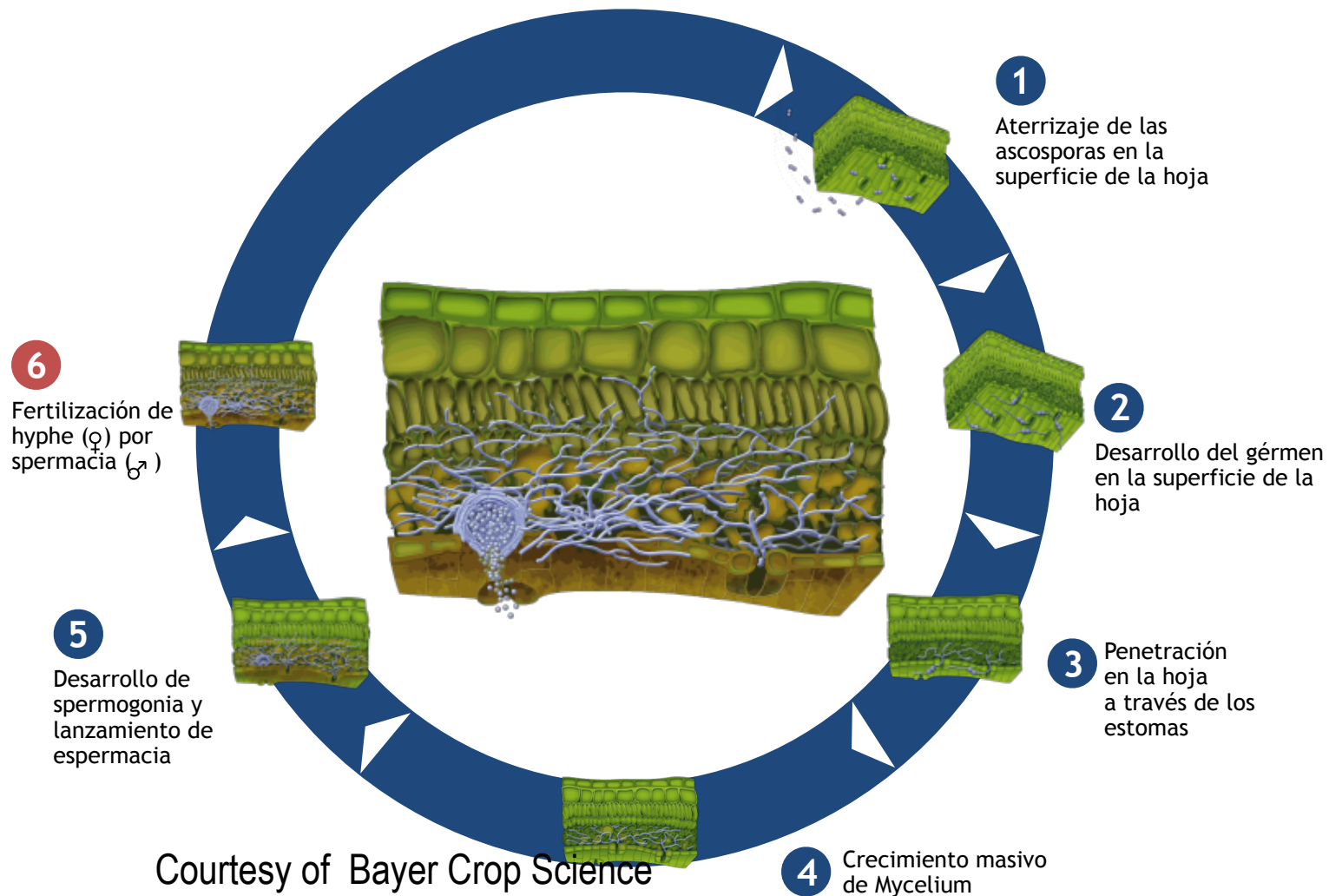
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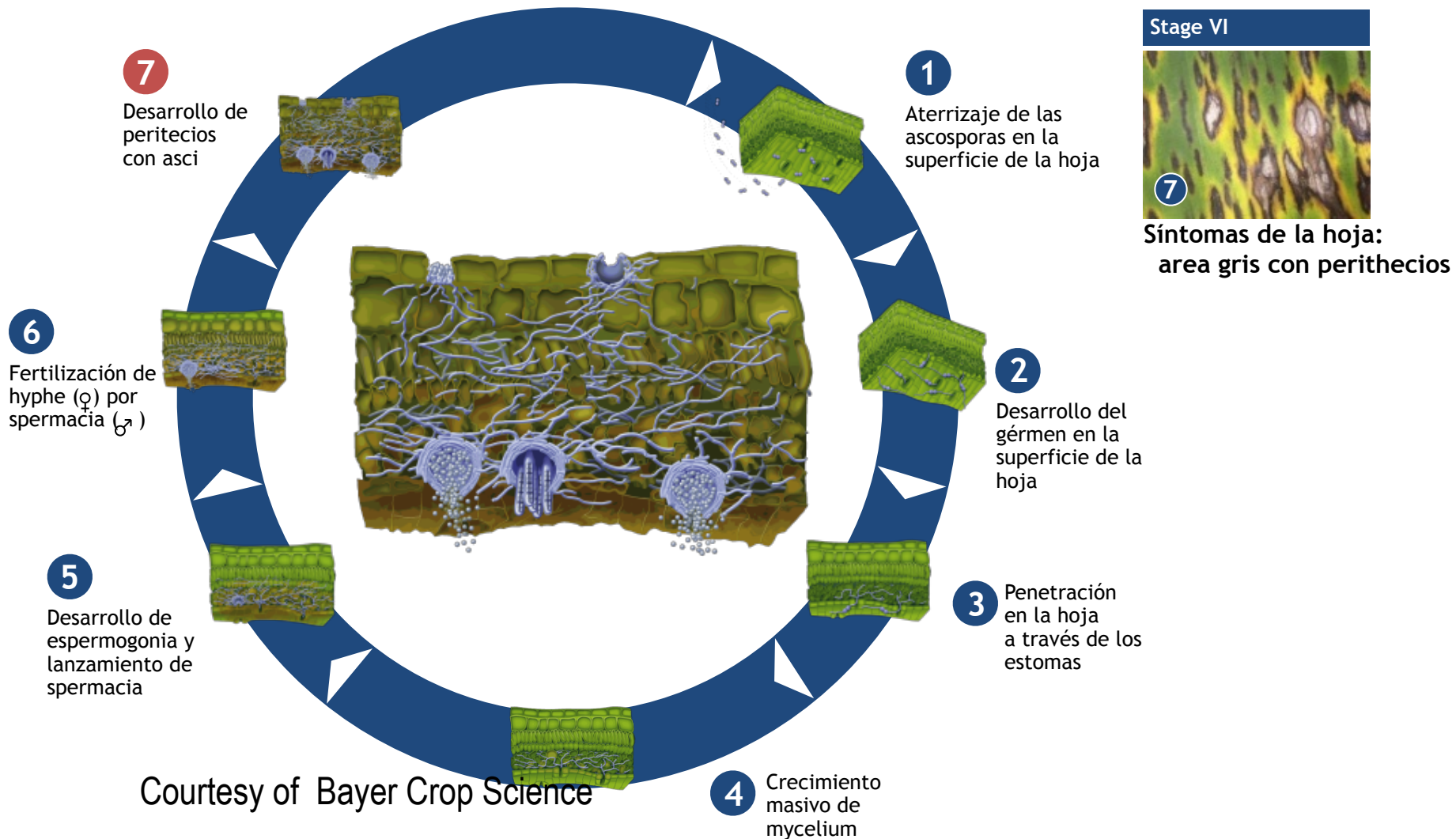
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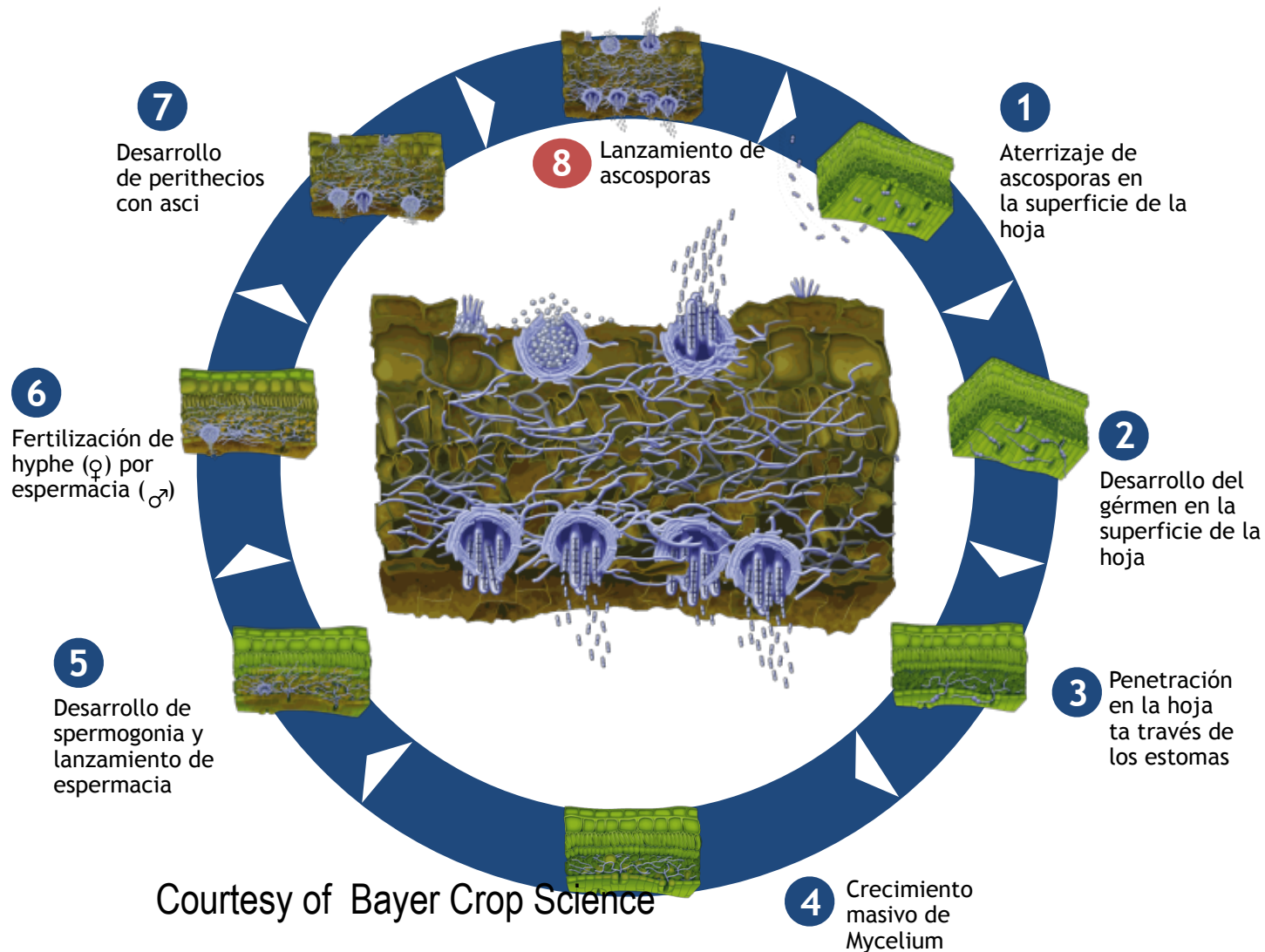
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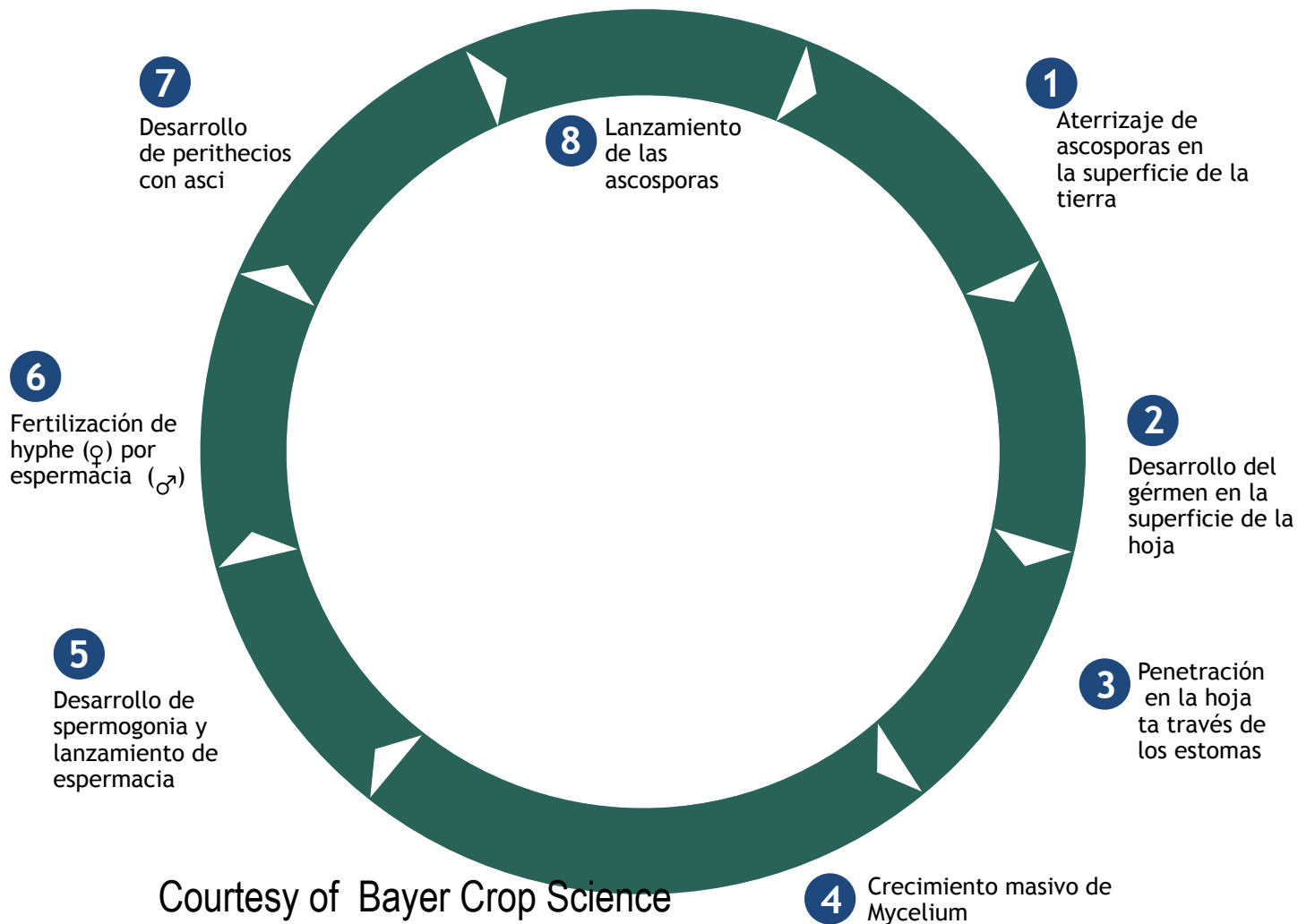
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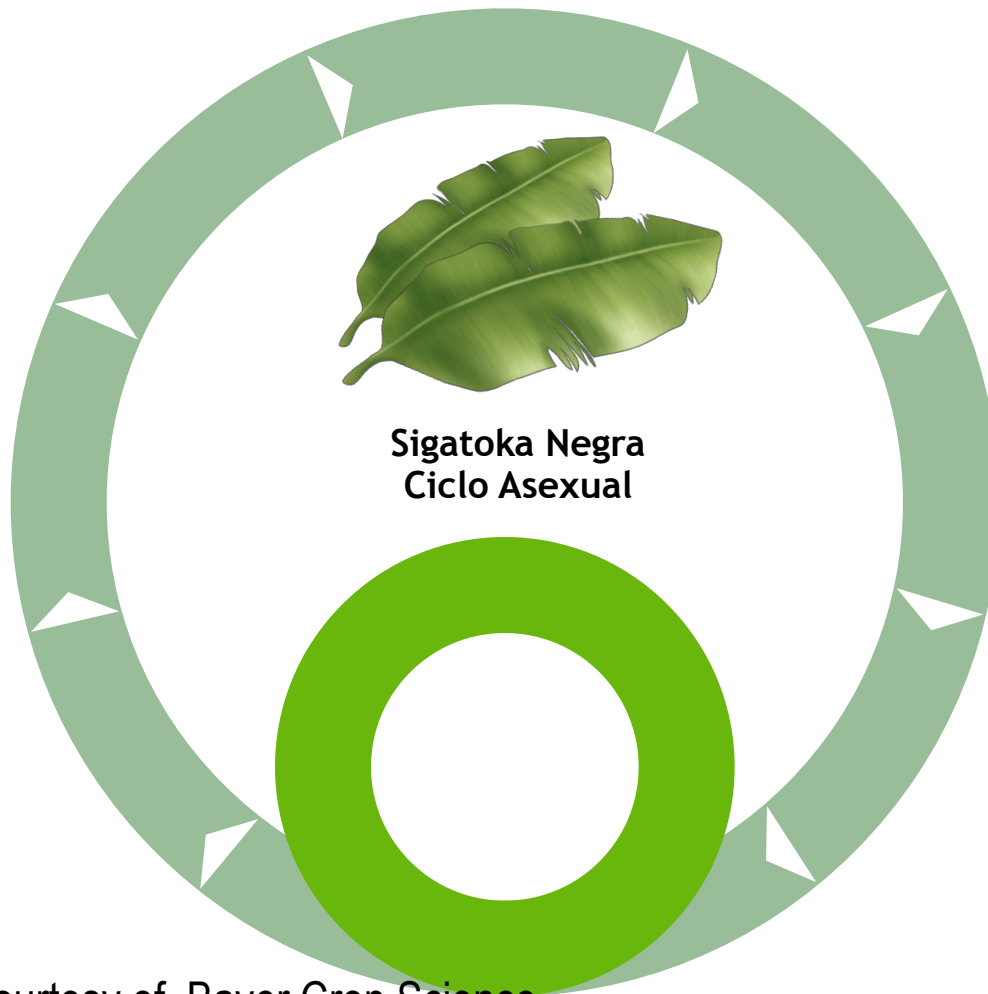
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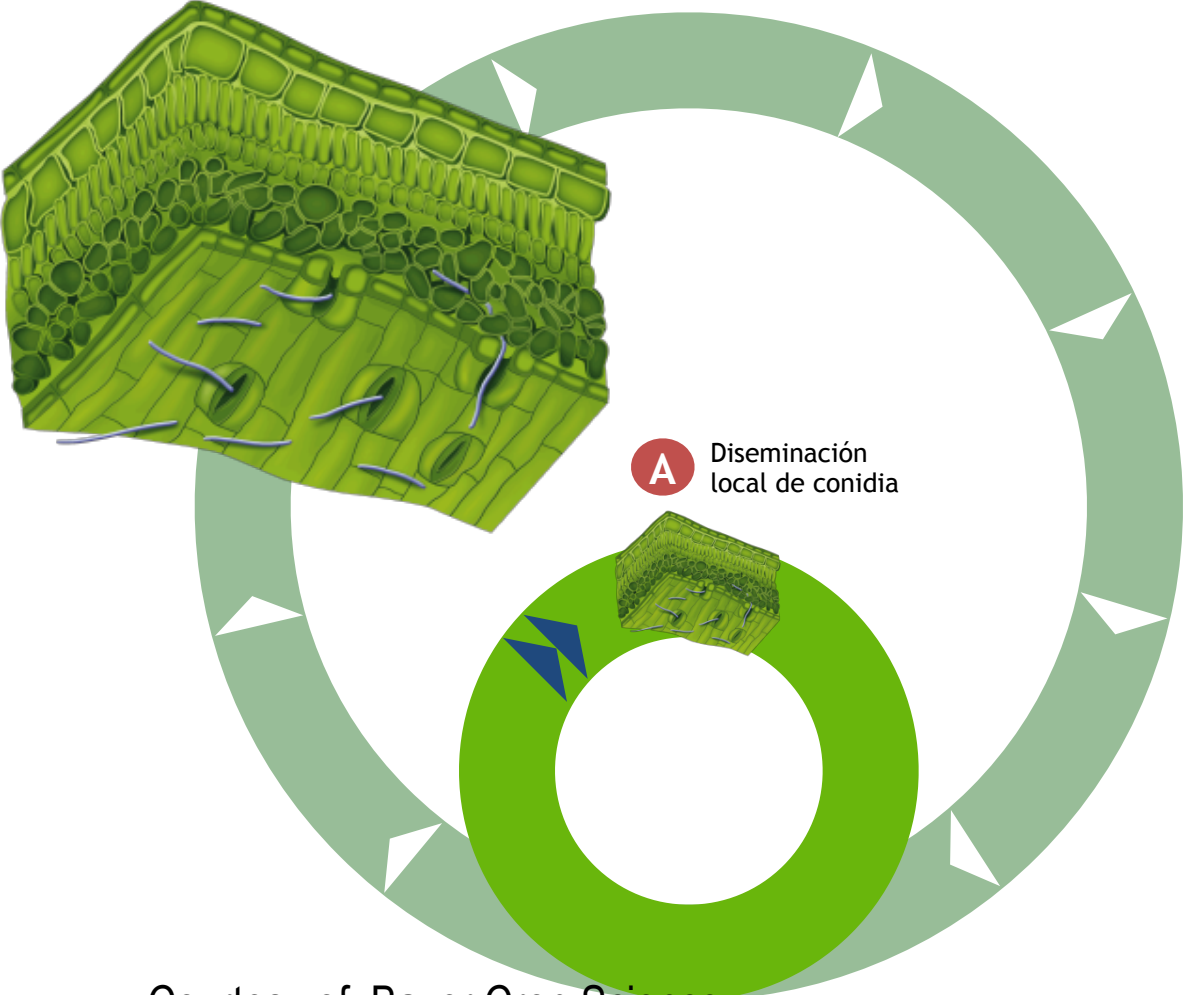


Ciclo Asexual de la Sigatoka Negra



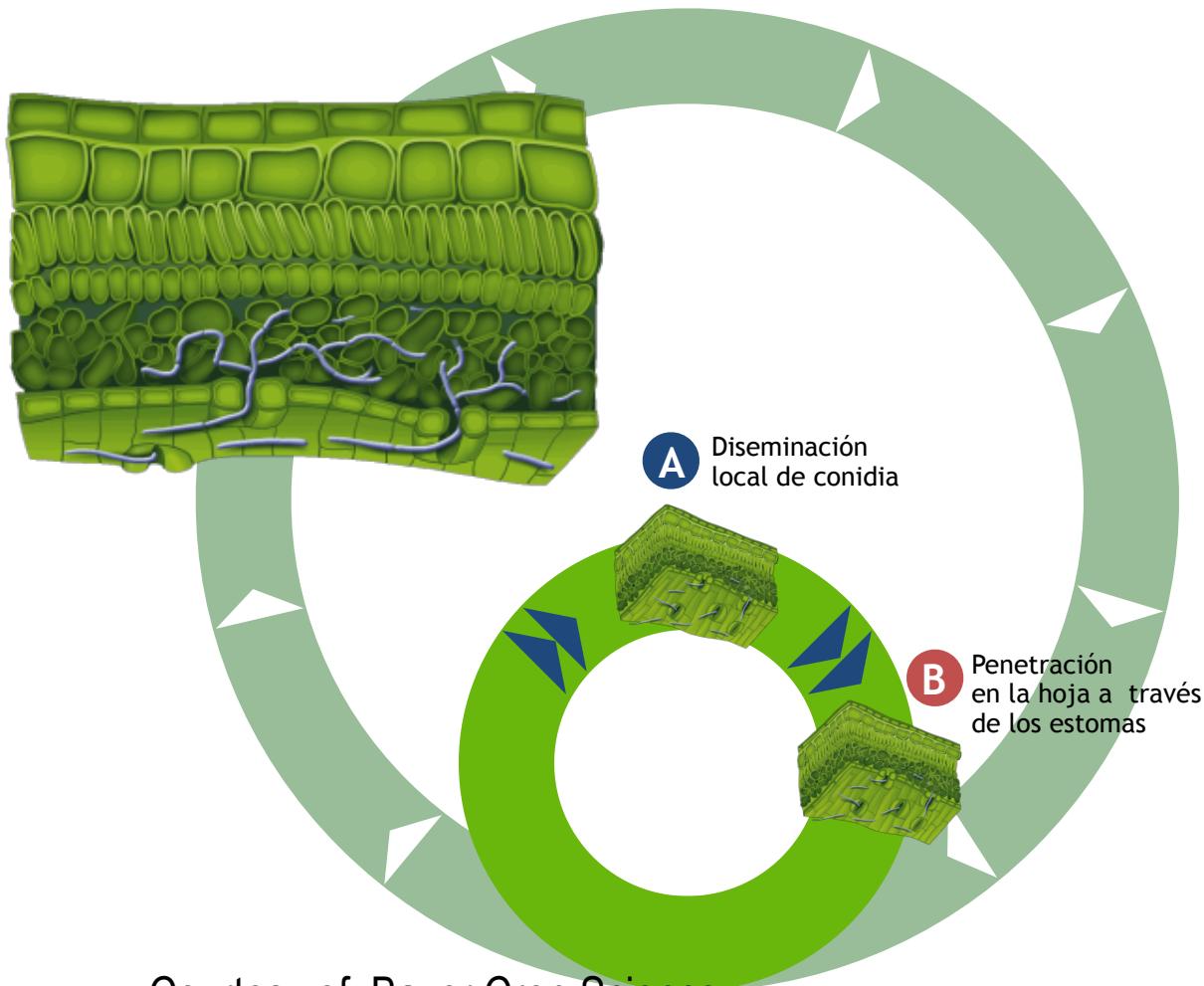
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Black Sigatoka Asexual Cycle



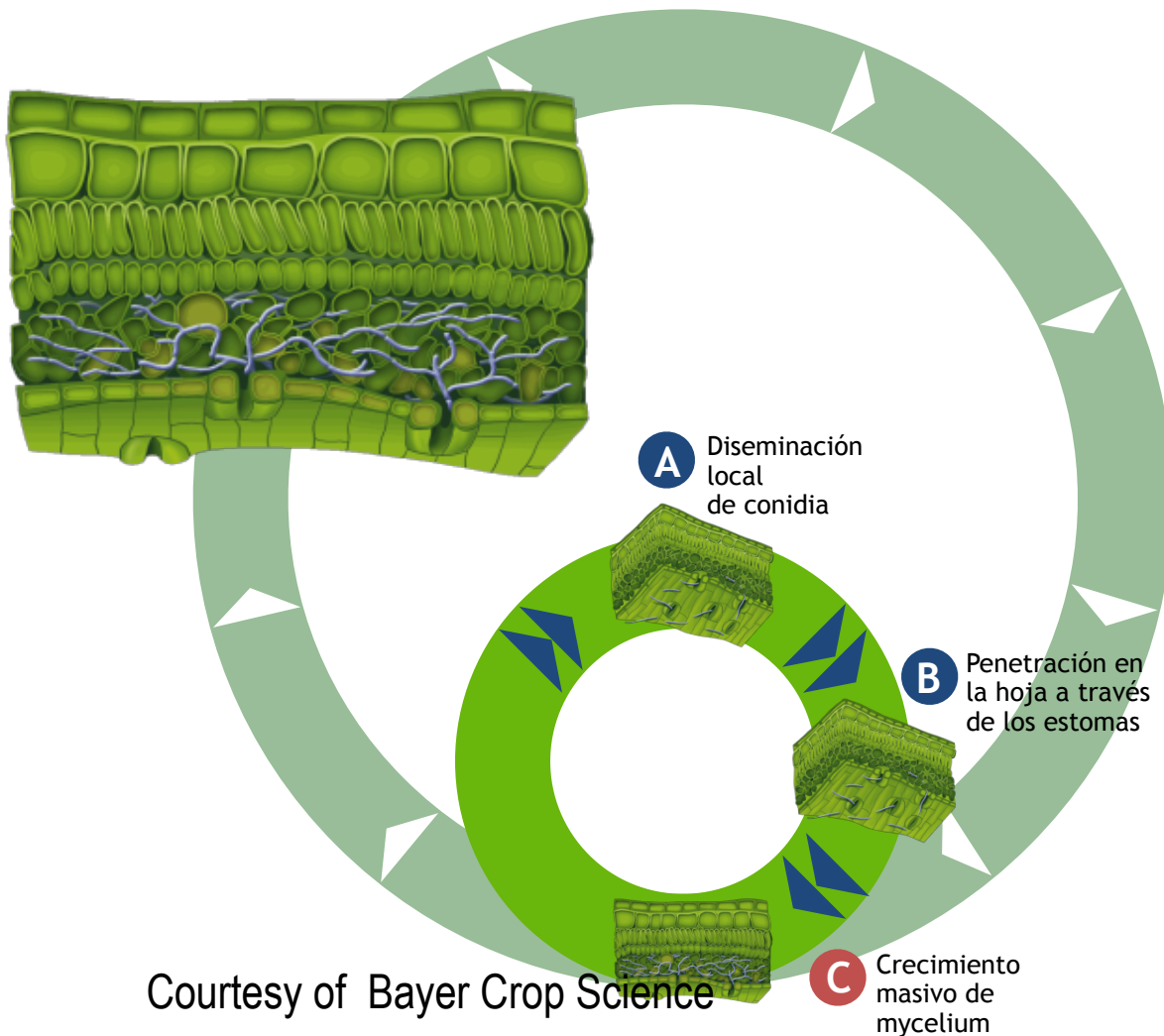
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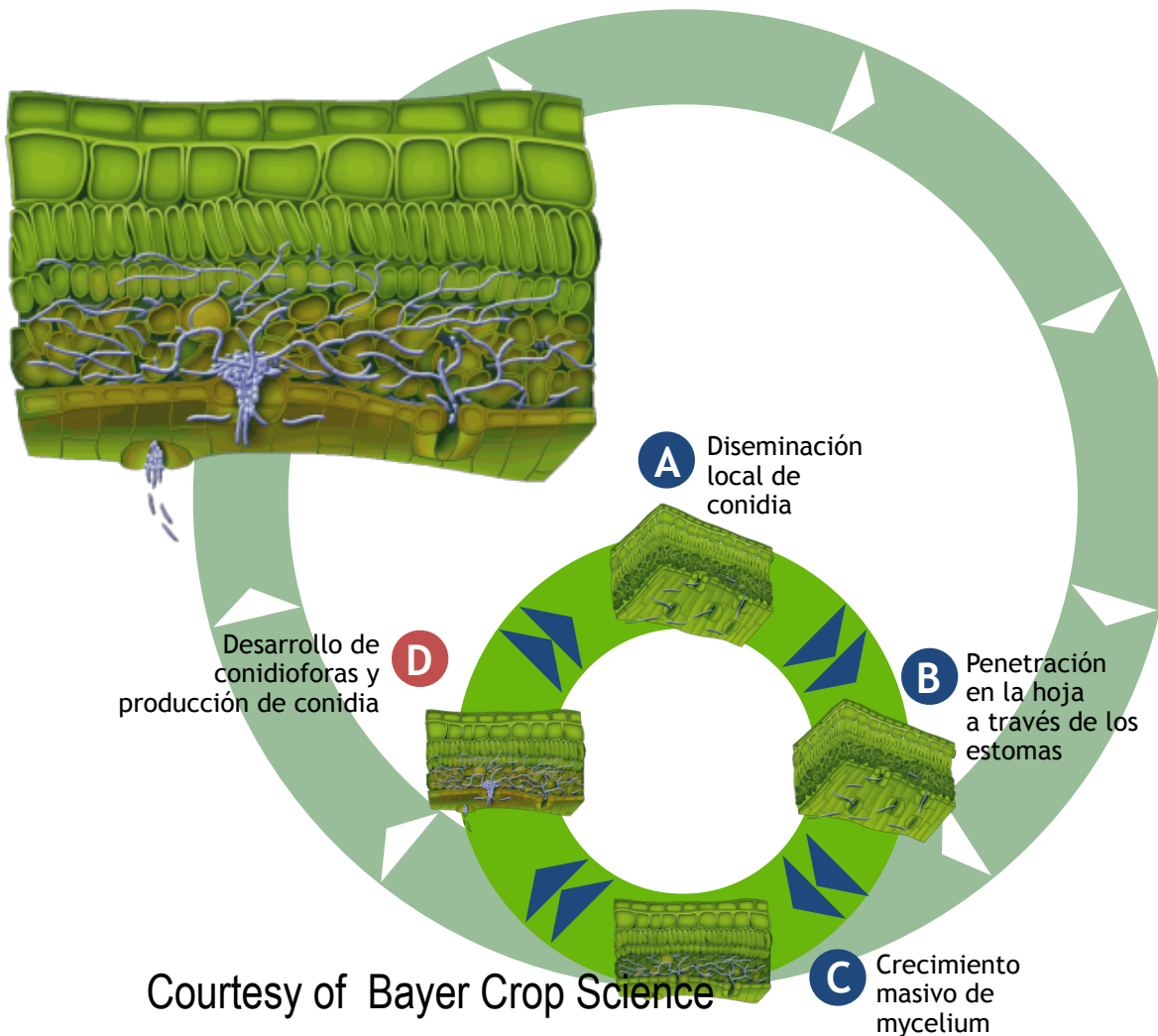
Stage II



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Síntomas de la hoja:
estrias definidas

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Ciclo Asexual de la Sigatoka Negra



Commercial applications in Ecuador

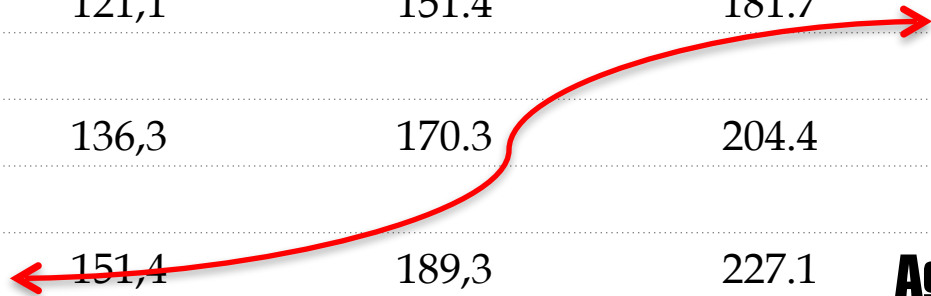


Liters of oil /ha/year

Ciclos/año	gal/ha/ciclo		
	2,0	2,5	3,0
16	121,1	151,4	181,7
20	151,4	189,3	227,1
24	181,7	227,1	272,5
28	212,0	265,0	317,9
32	242,2	302,8	363,4
36	272,5	340,7	408,8
40	302,8	378,5	454,2

Reduction of 50% oil/ha/year

Ciclos/año	gal/ha/ciclo		
	2,0	2,5	3,0
16	60,6	75,5	90.8
20	75,5	94,6	113.6
24	90,8	113.6	136.3
28	106,0	132.5	159.0
32	121,1	151.4	181.7
36	136,3	170.3	204.4
40	151,4	189,3	227.1



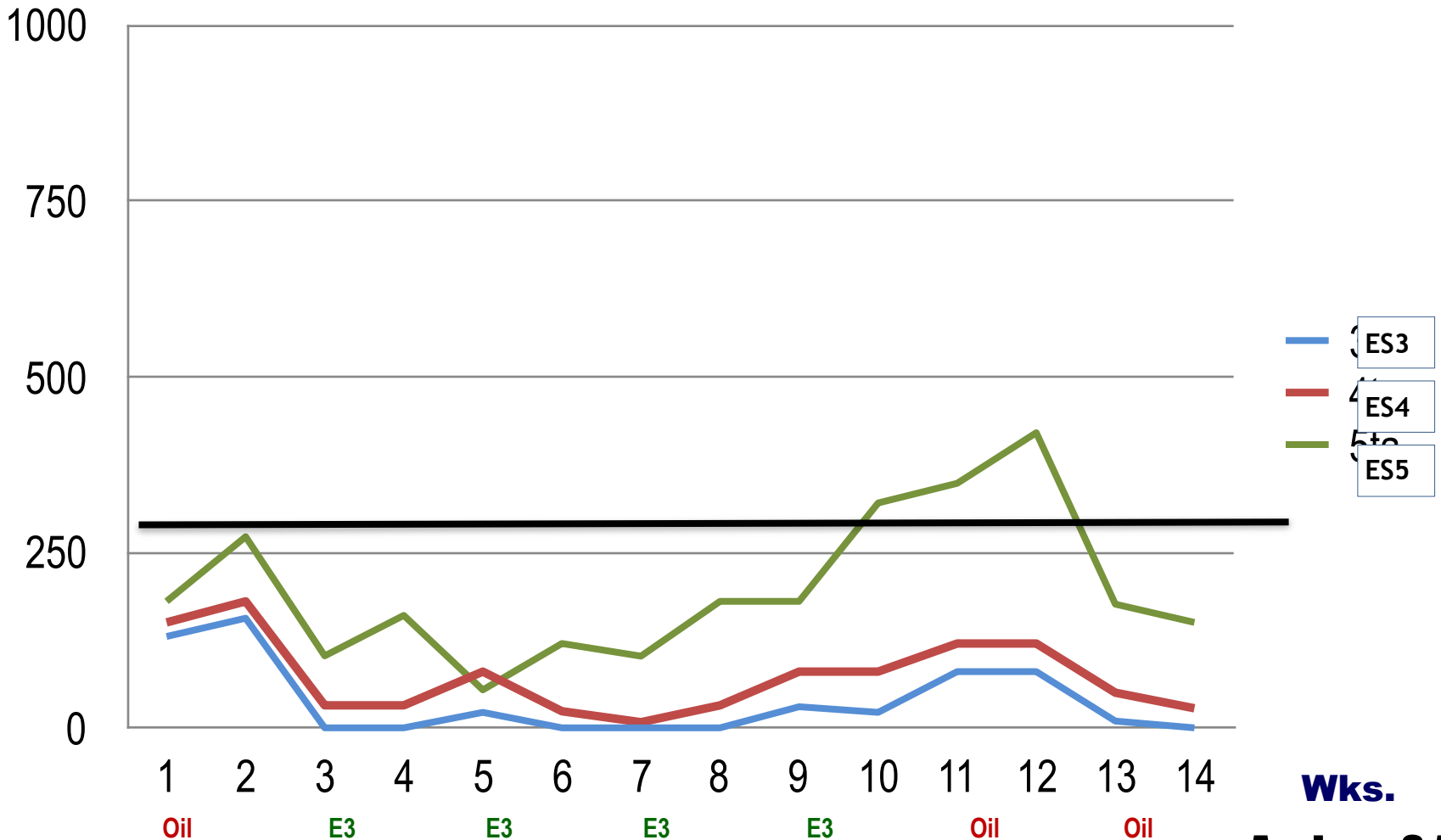
Mix Order per hectare

- 50 % of the total volume of water to be used (18,9 or 22,7 liters).
- 0,4 liters of E3
- Fungide 1 (Systemic)
- Fungicide 2 (Systemic o Protectan)
- 50 % of water
- TOTAL AGITATION TIME: 10 -12 MINUTES

Farm A: Evolutive Stage of the Disease

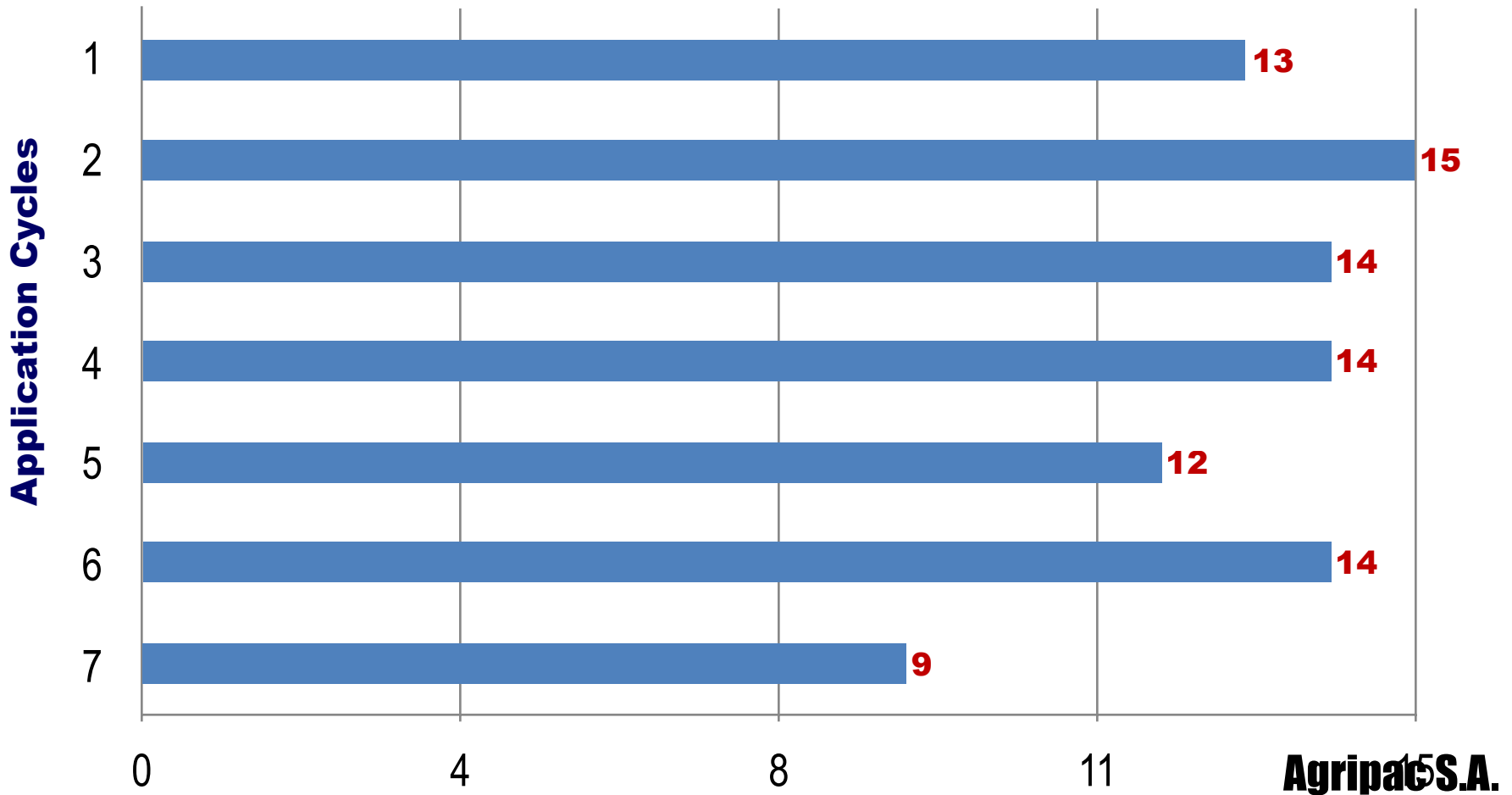
Oil Reduction
- 57 %

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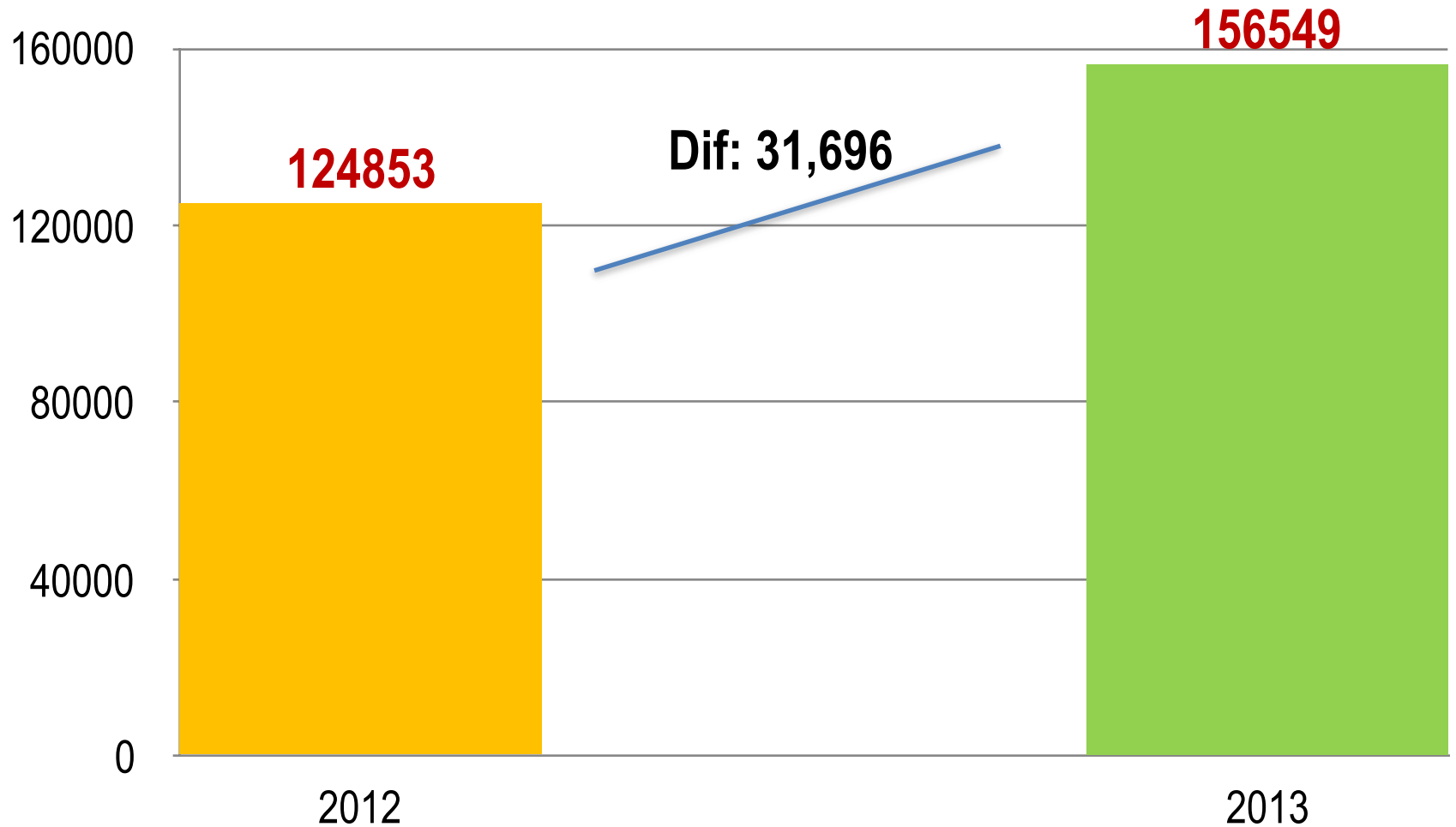


Farm A: Application Frequency

Days

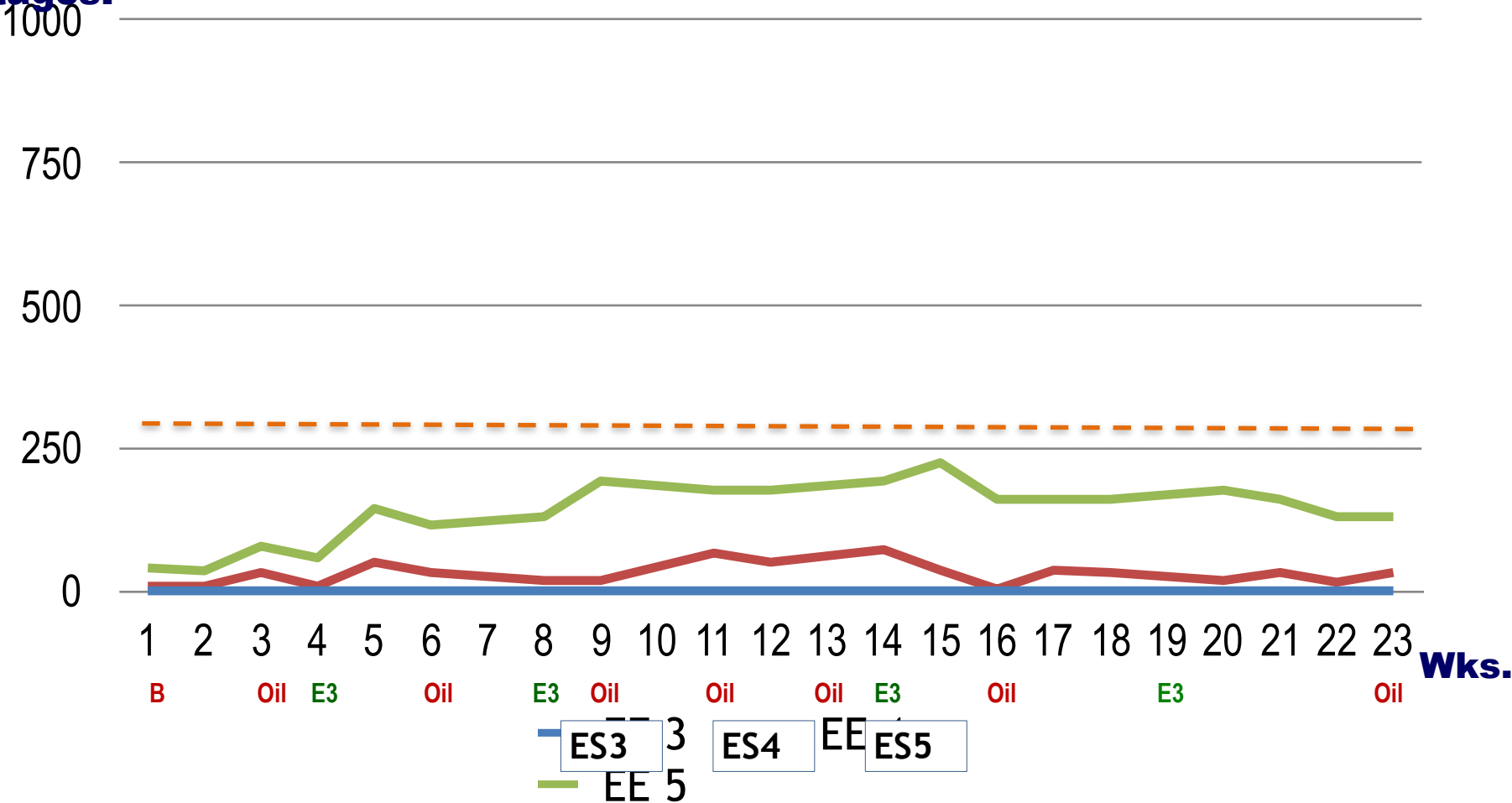


Farm A: Boxes/week production to week 10

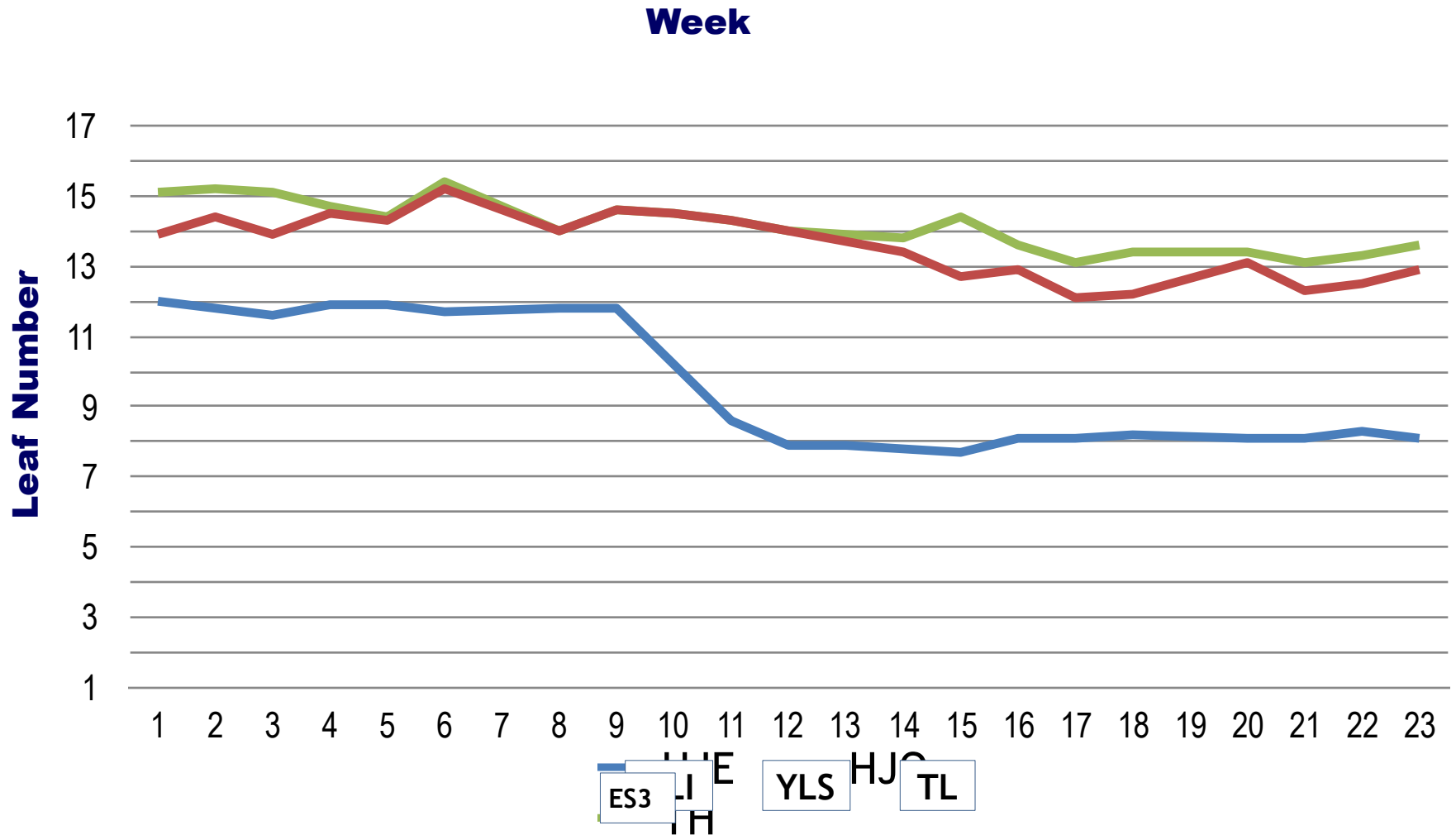


Valdivia Farm – Evolutive Stages

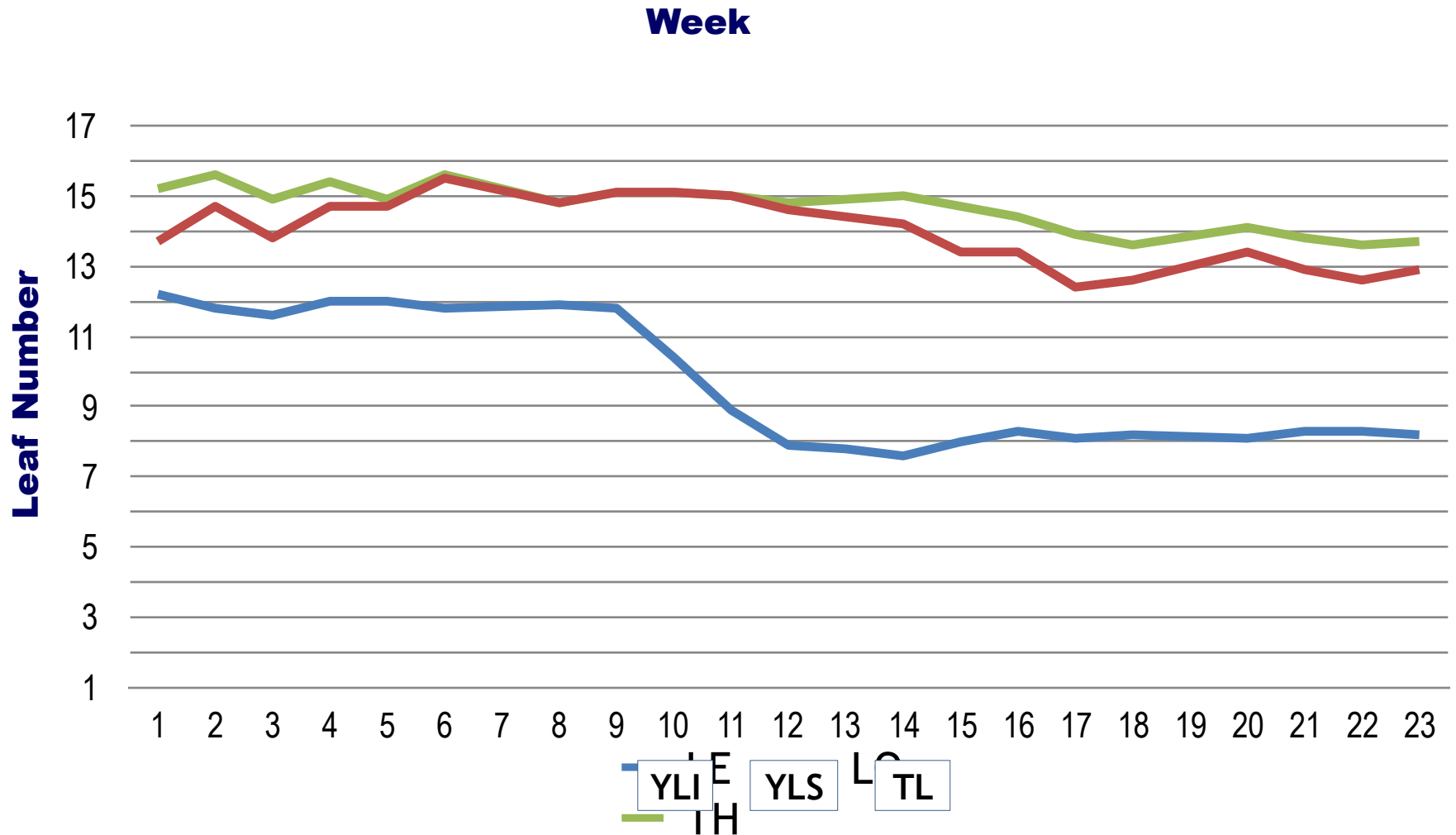
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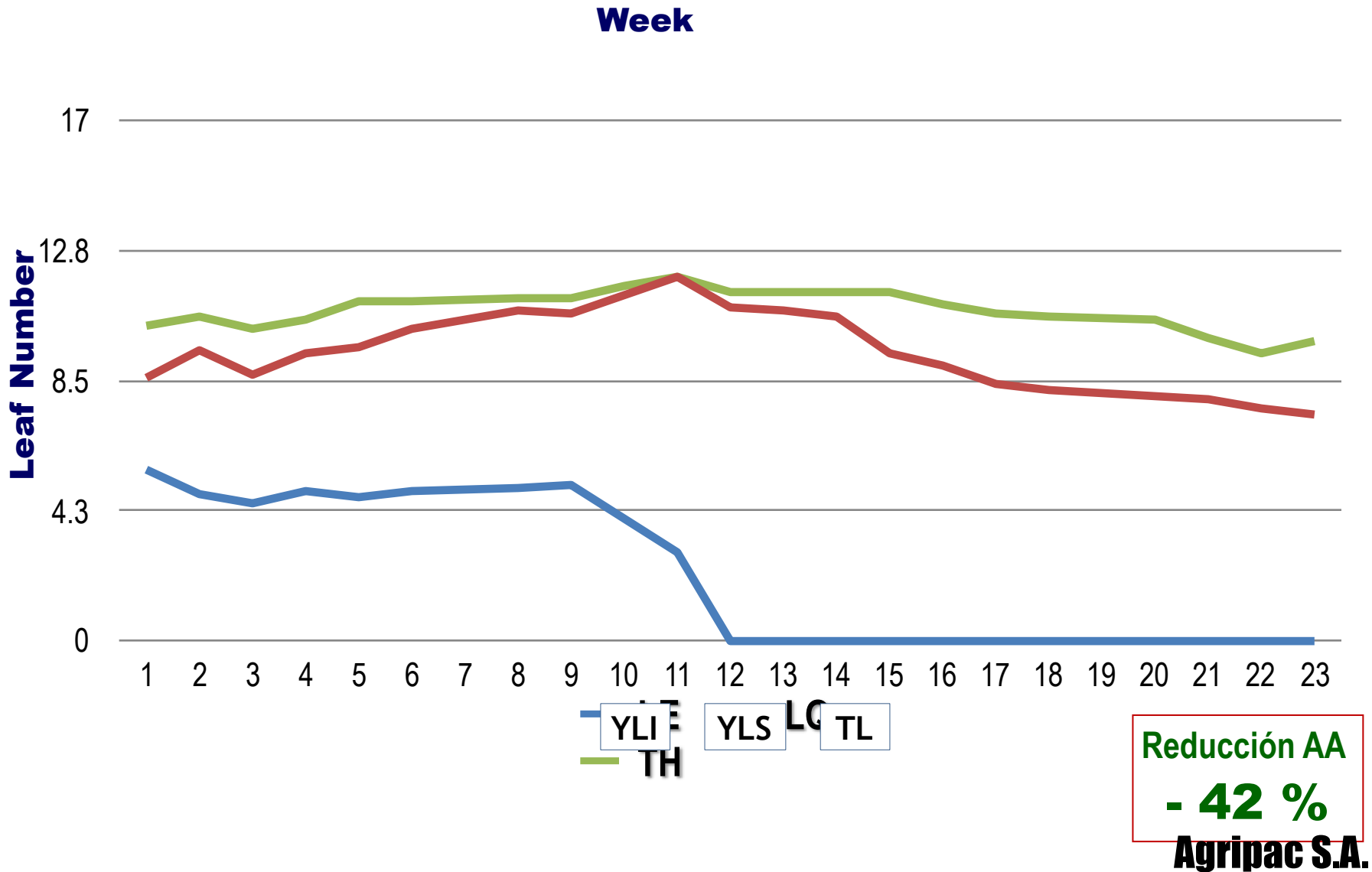
Valdivia Farm - "Close to flowering"



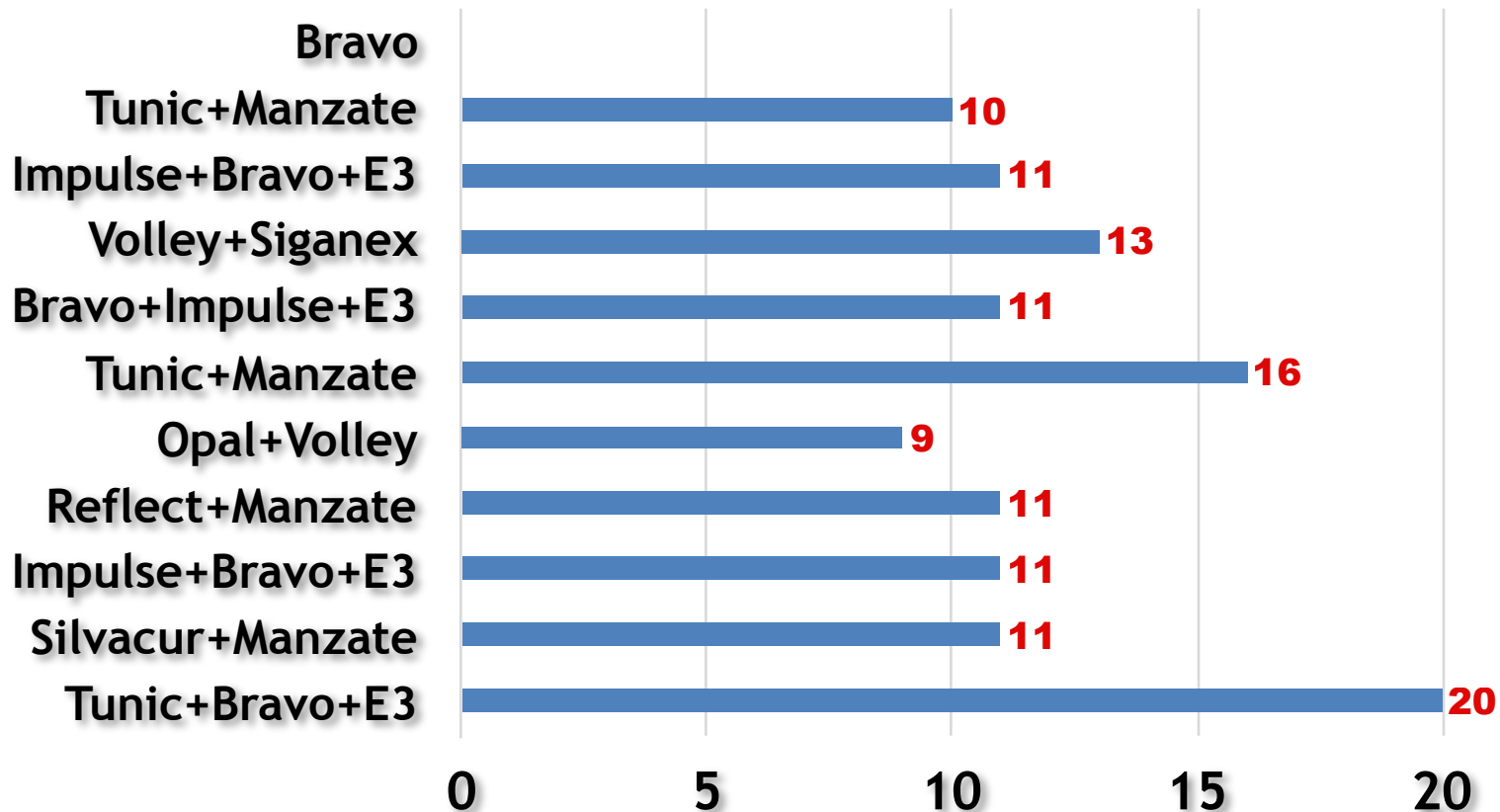
Valdivia Farm – “At flowering” Plants



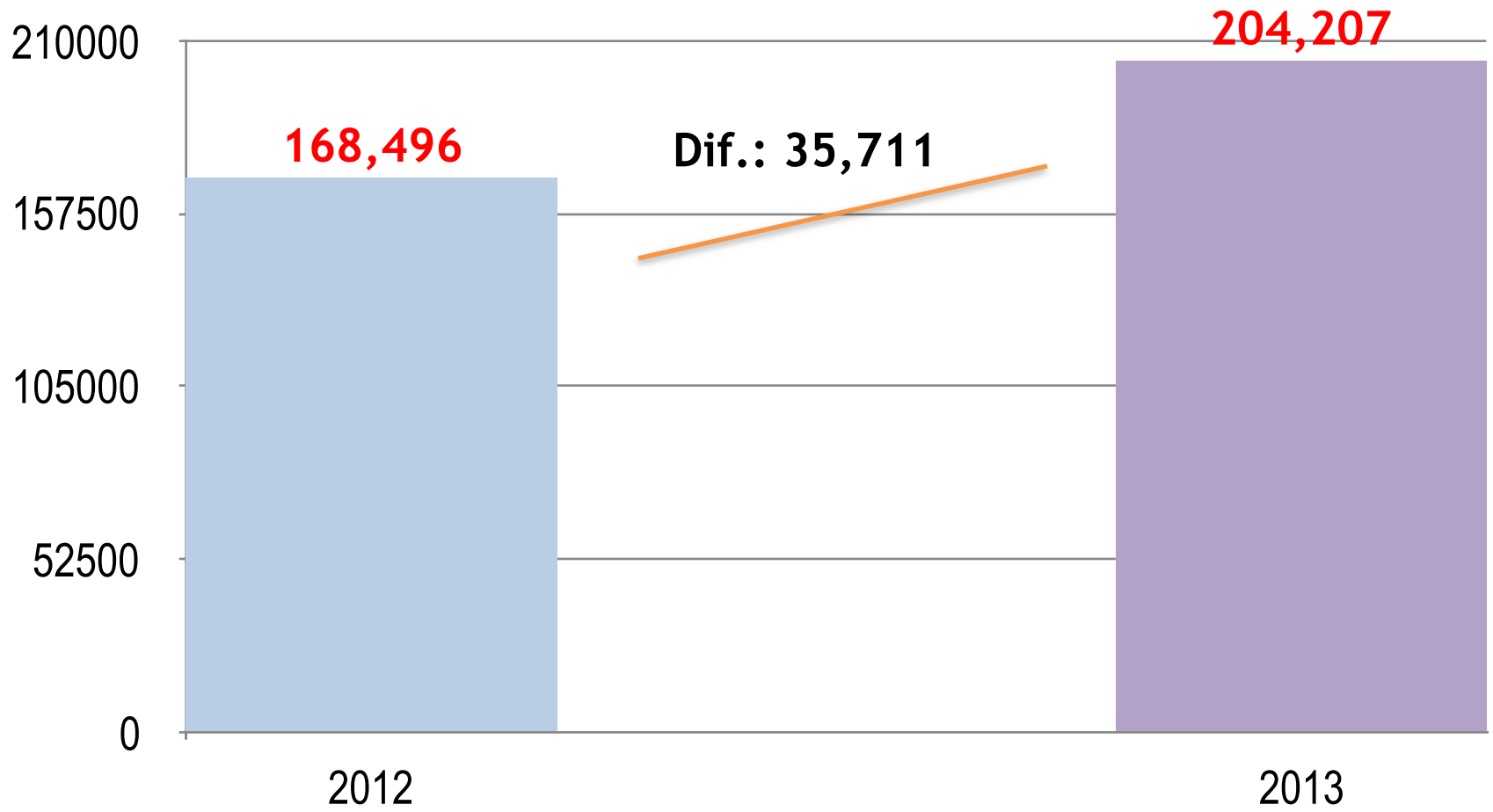
Valdivia – “Close to harvest” Plants



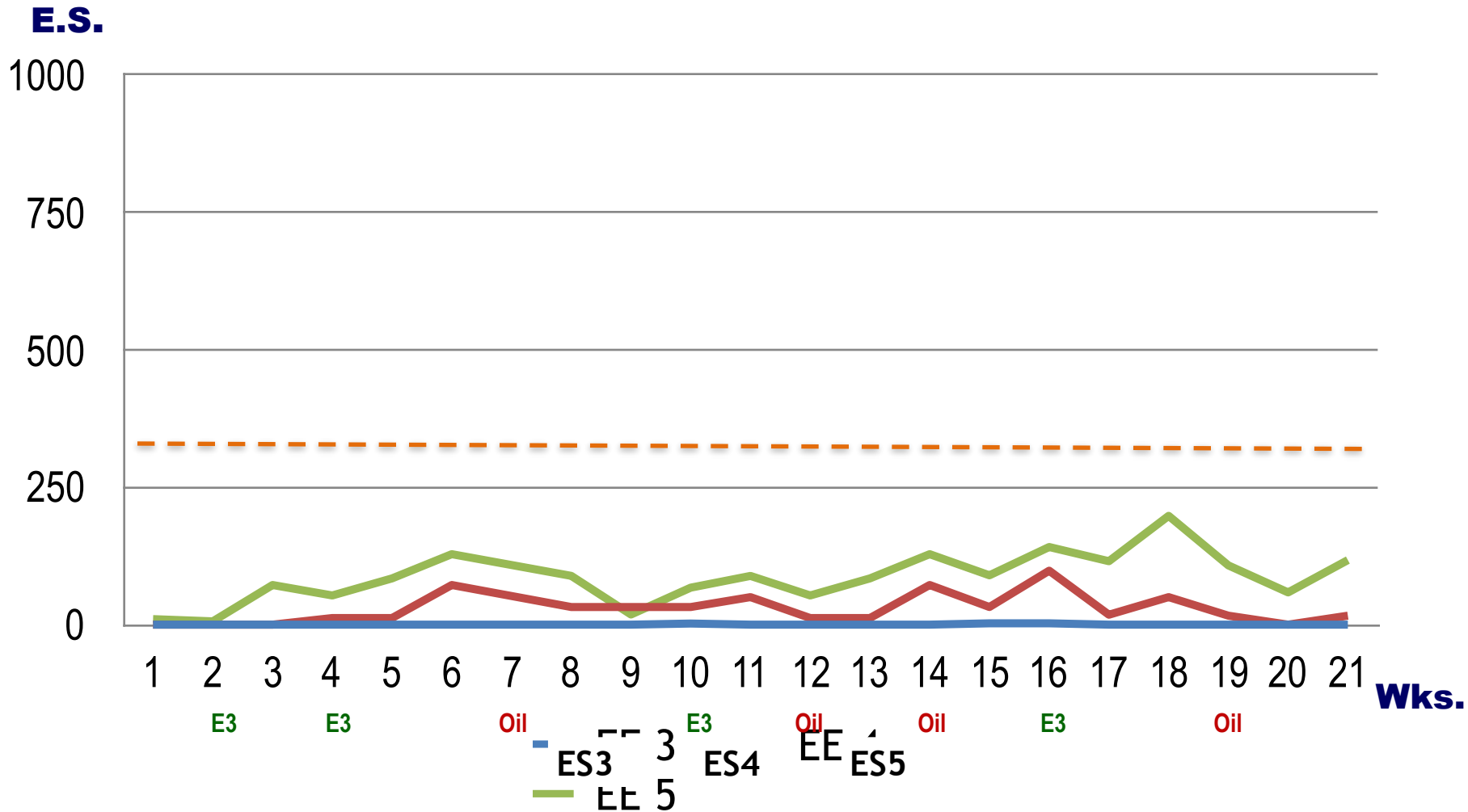
Valdivia – Application frequency



Valdivia: Boxes produced till to week 22

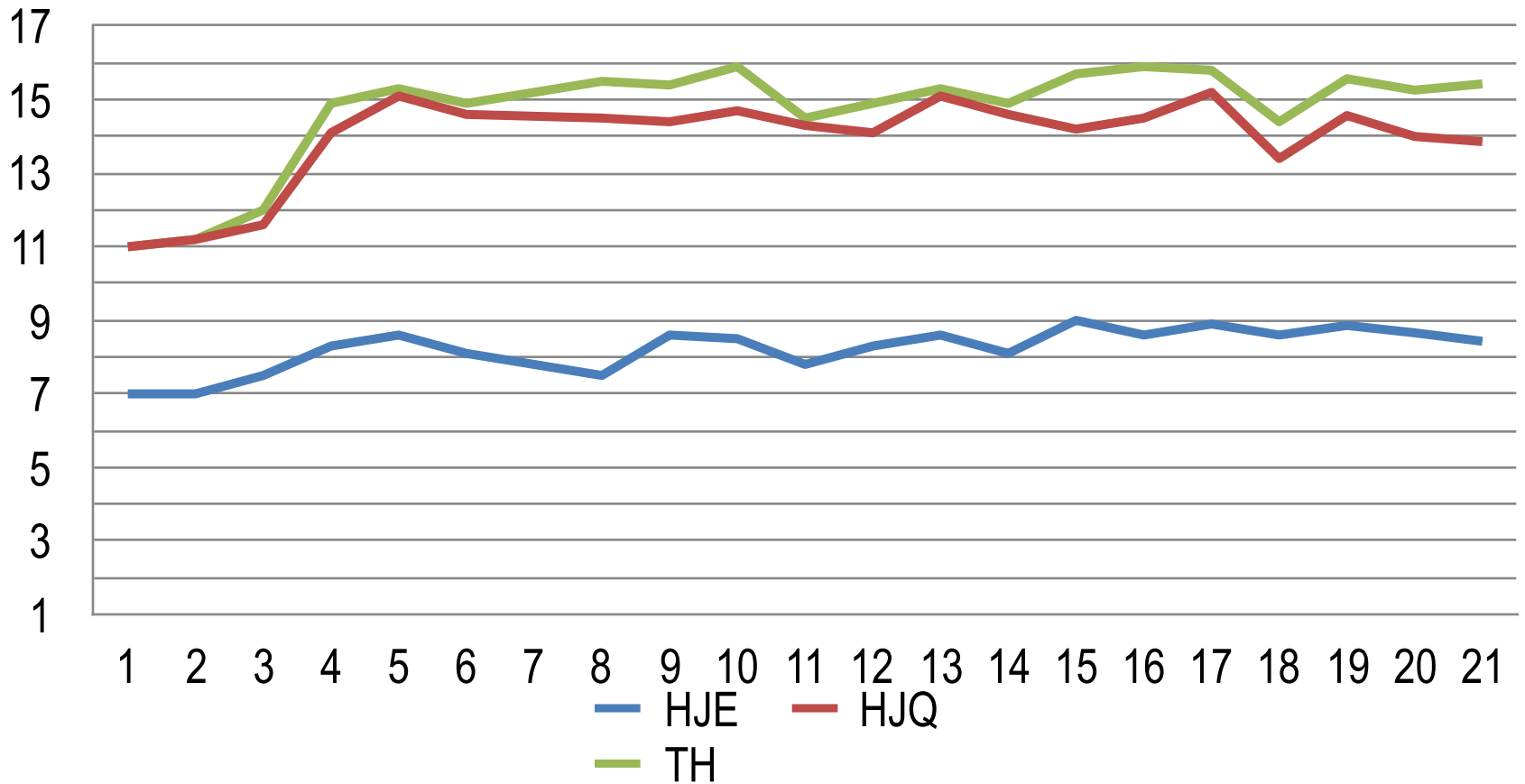


Kimberly – Evolutivo Stages



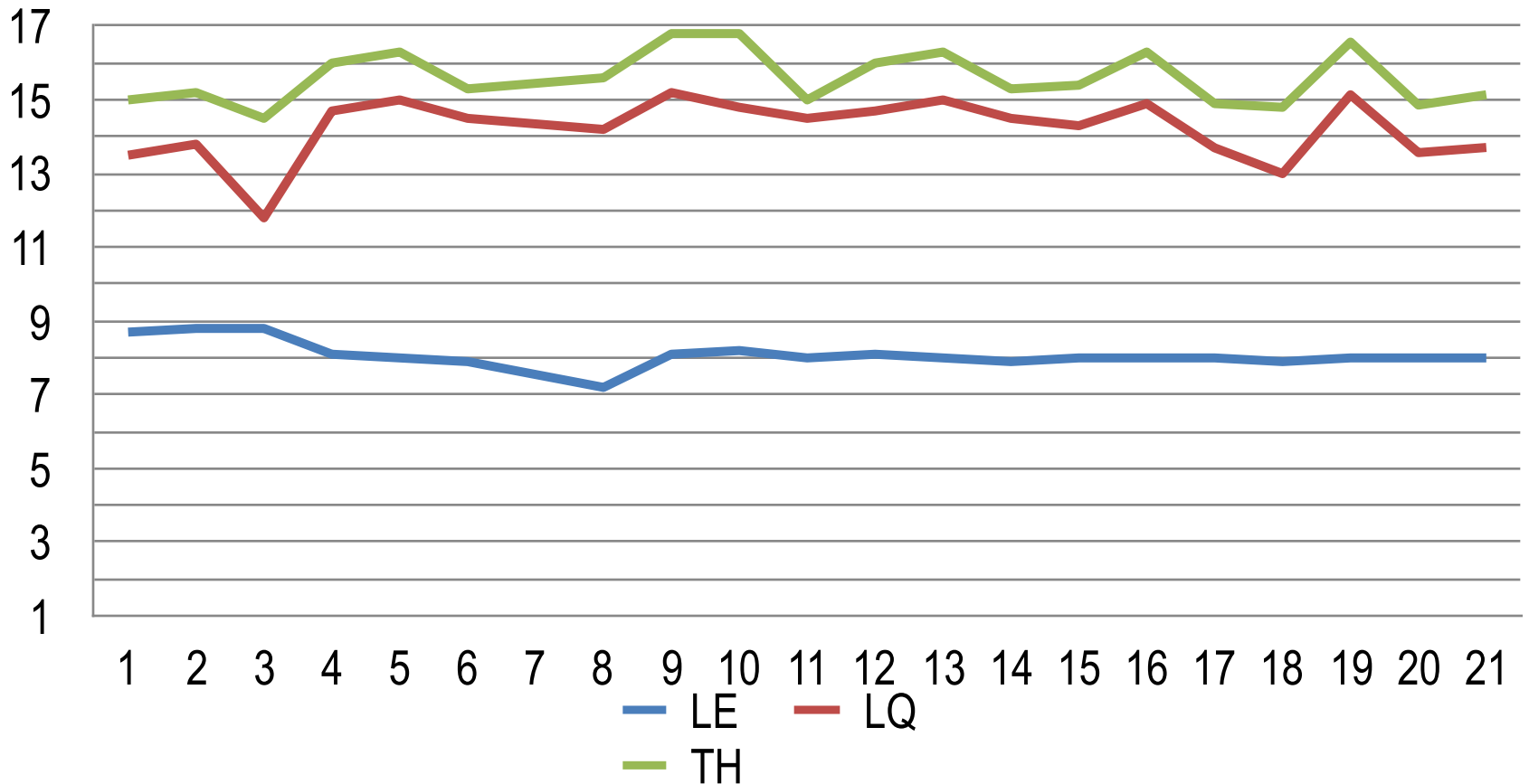
Kimberly – “Close to flowering” Plants

Week



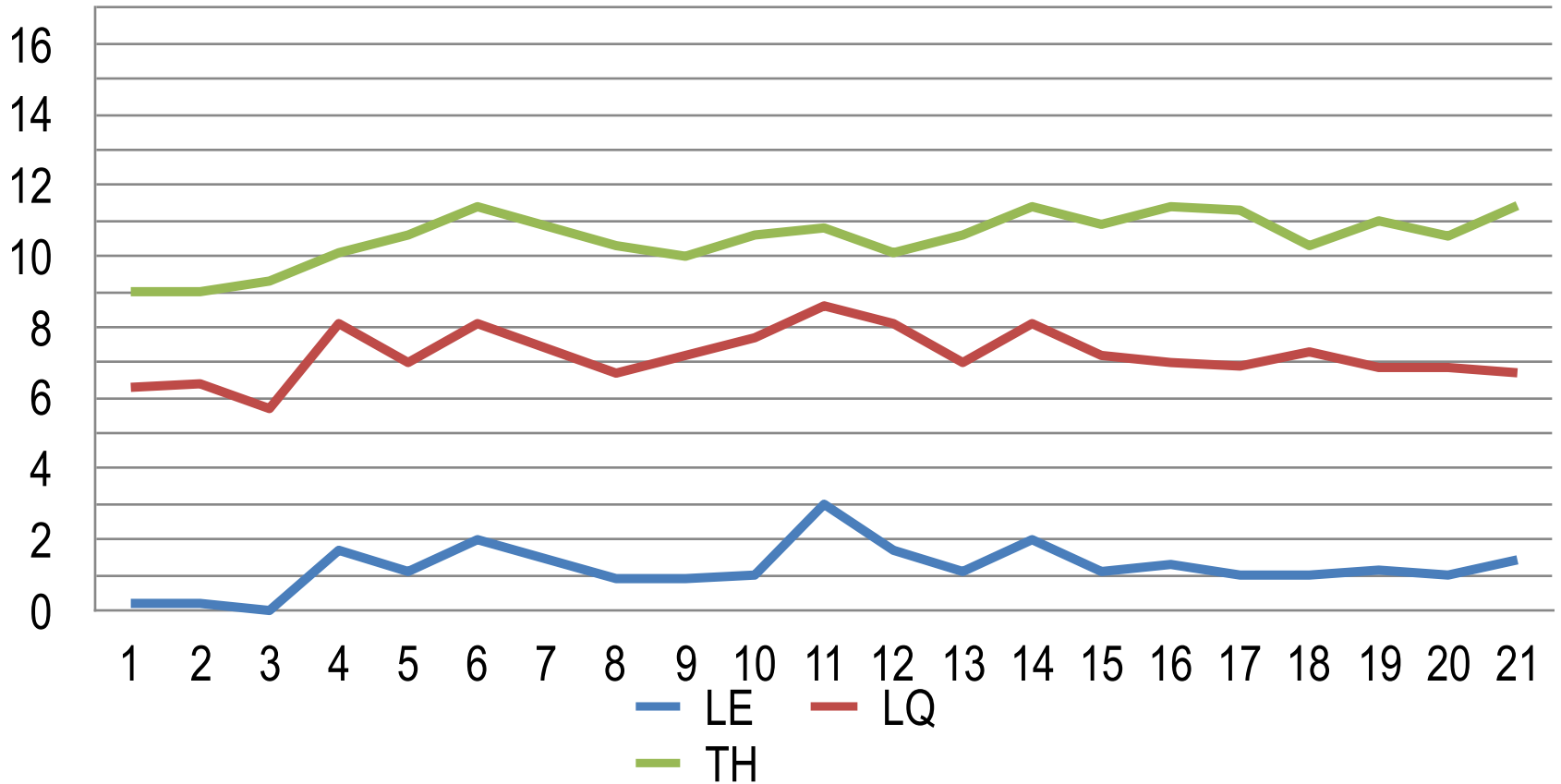
Kimberley – “At flowering” Plants

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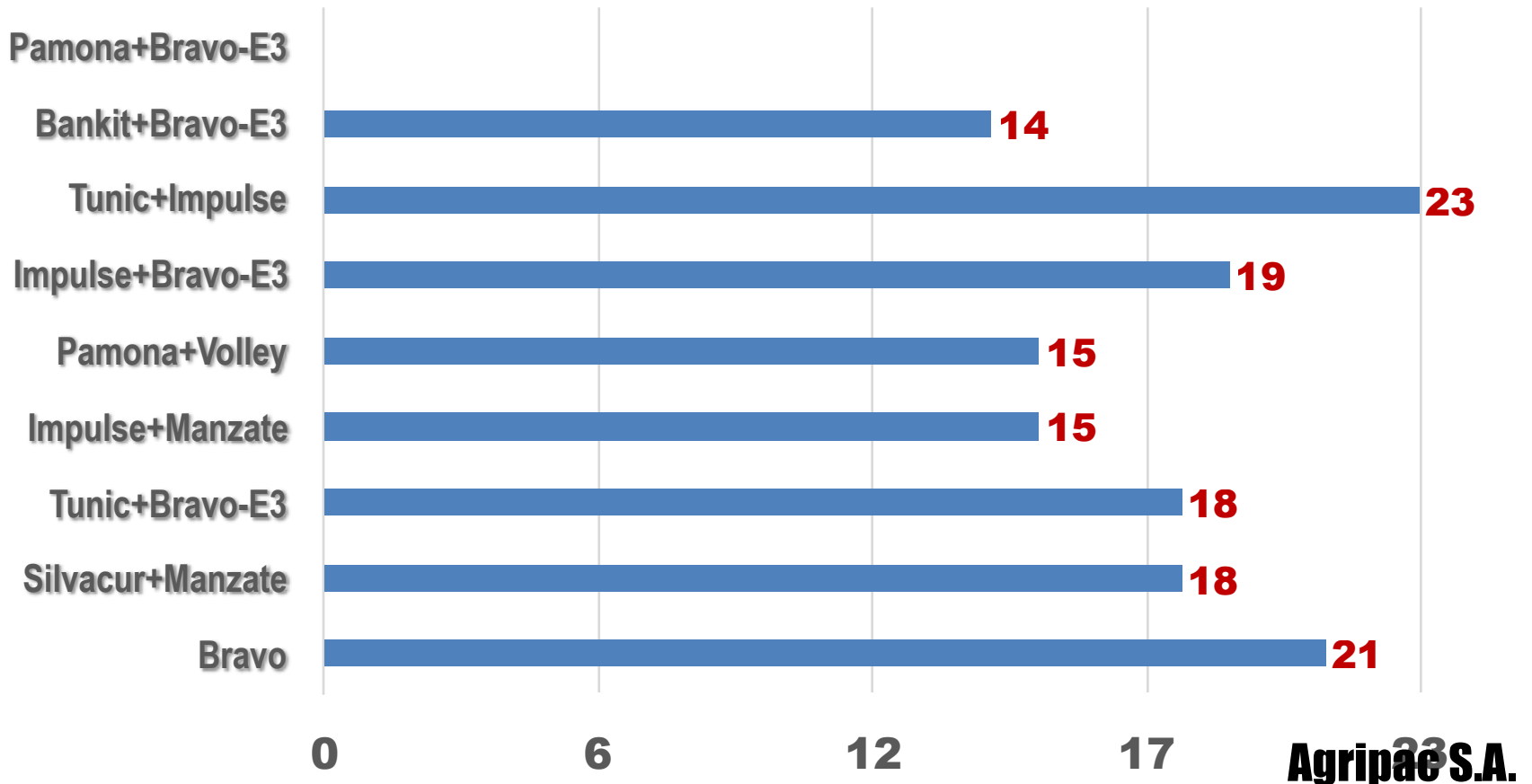


Kimberley – “Close to harvest” Plants

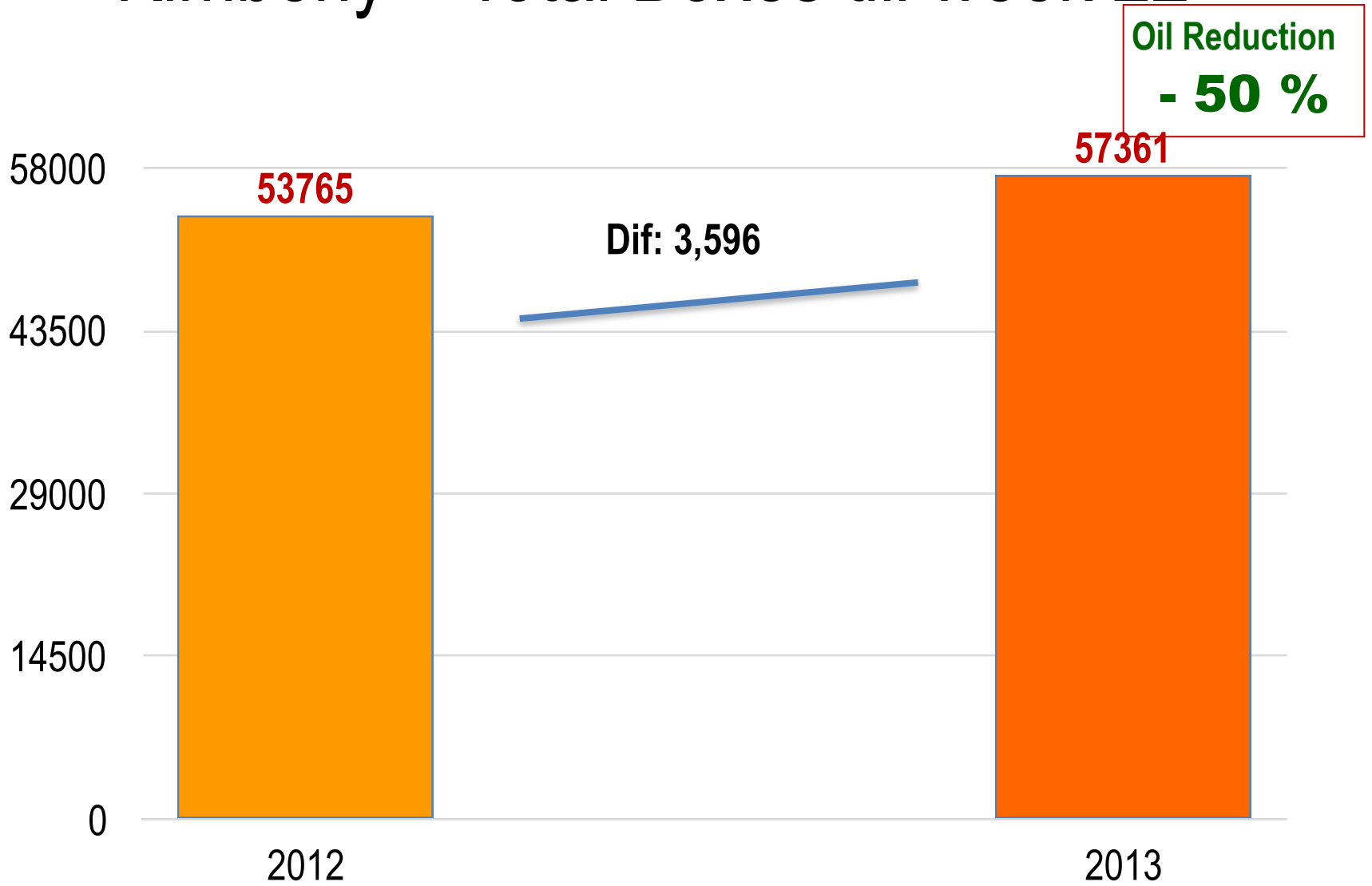
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Kimberley - Frecuencias

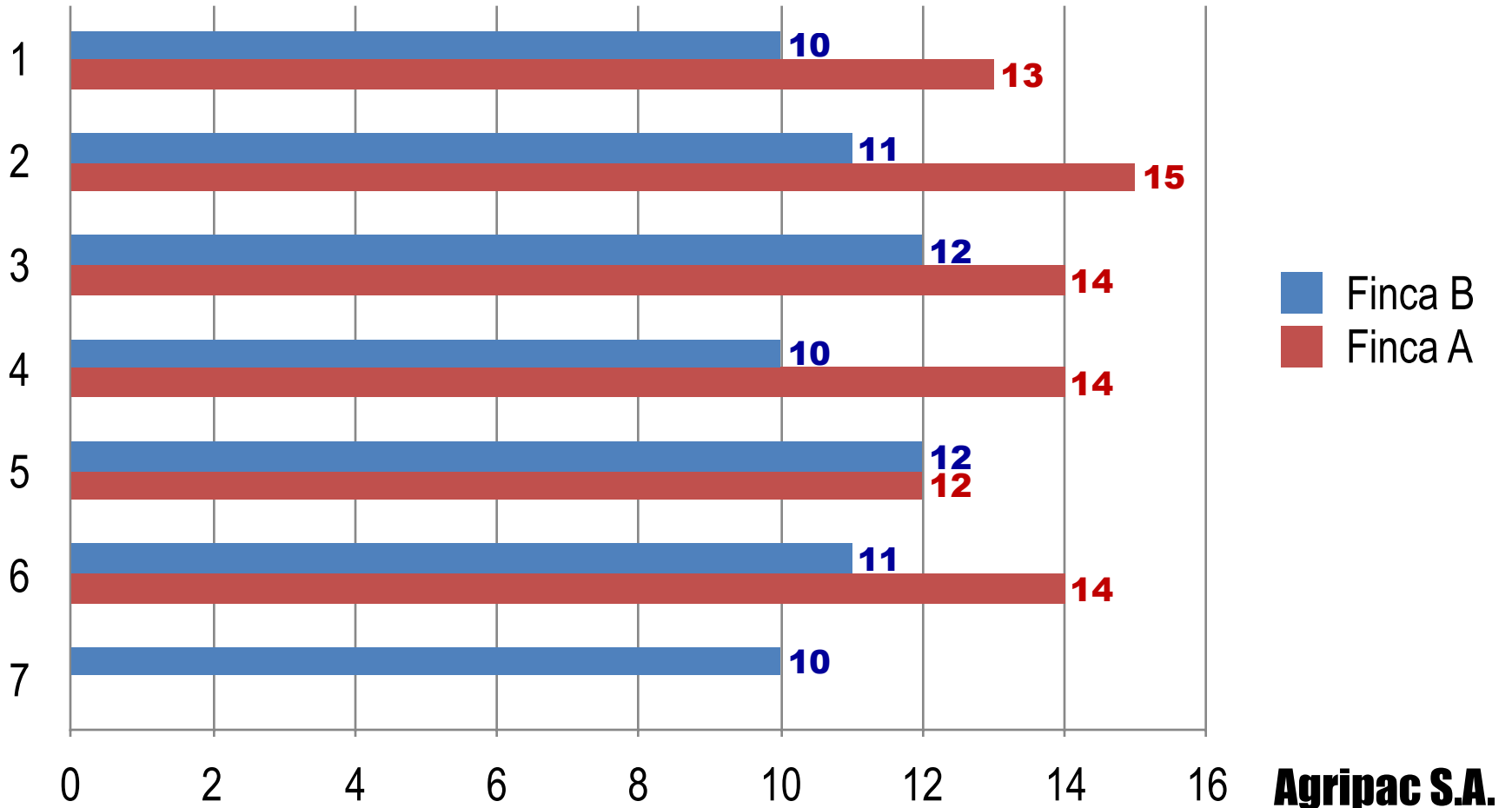


Kimberly – Total Boxes till week 22

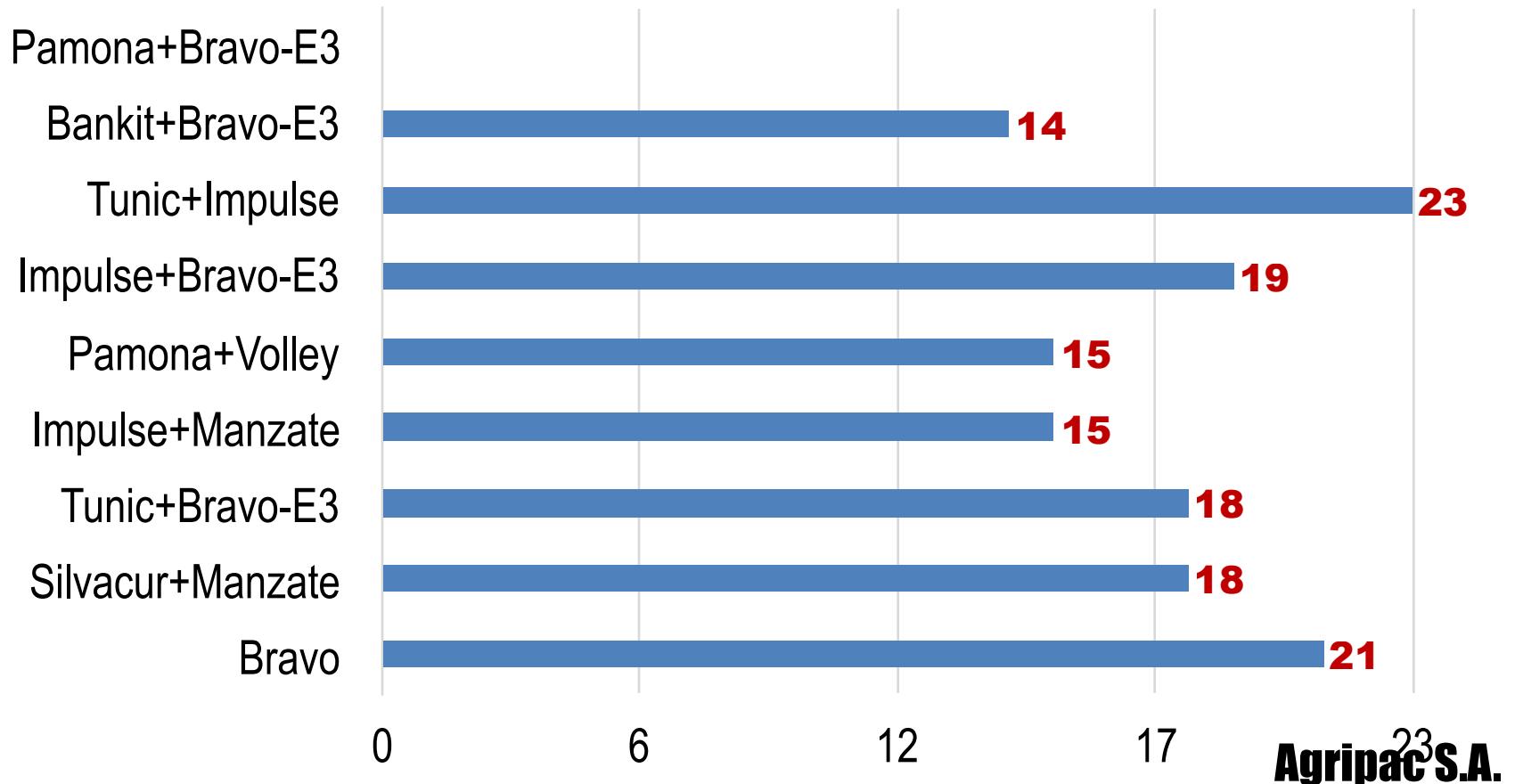


FRECUENCIAS COMPARISSON

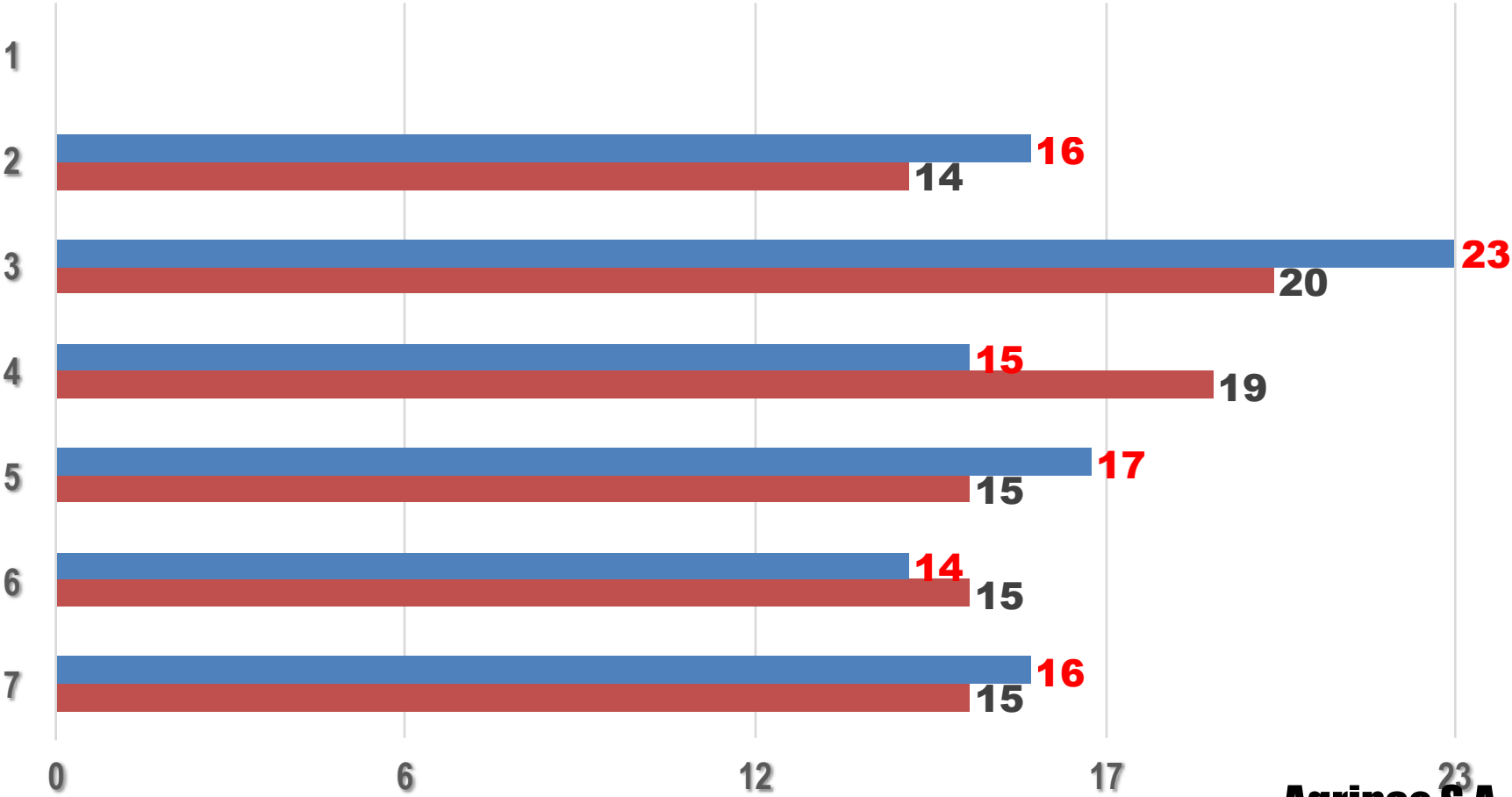
Farm A (Guayas) and Valdivia (B-Los Rios)



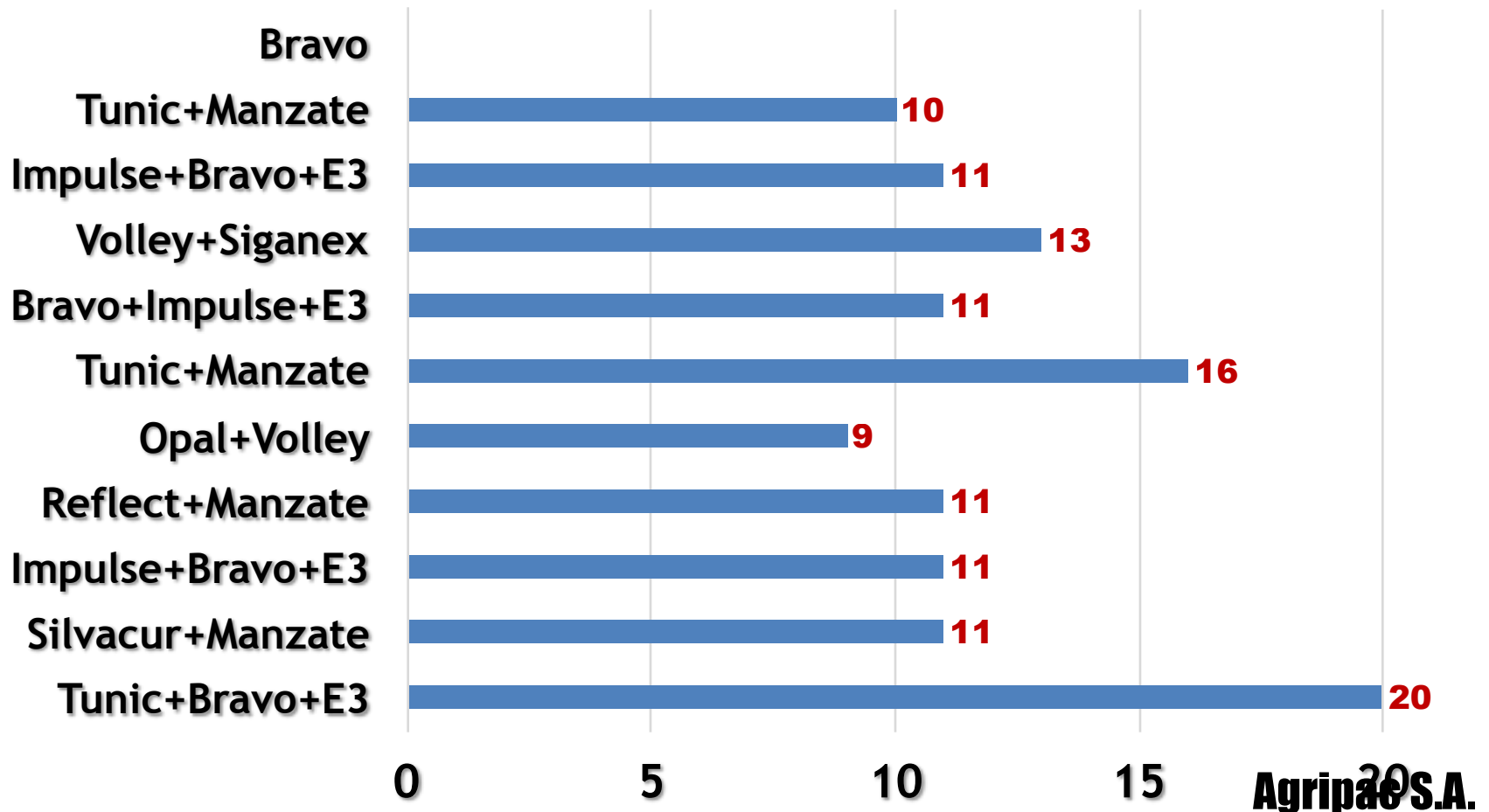
Kimberly – El Oro



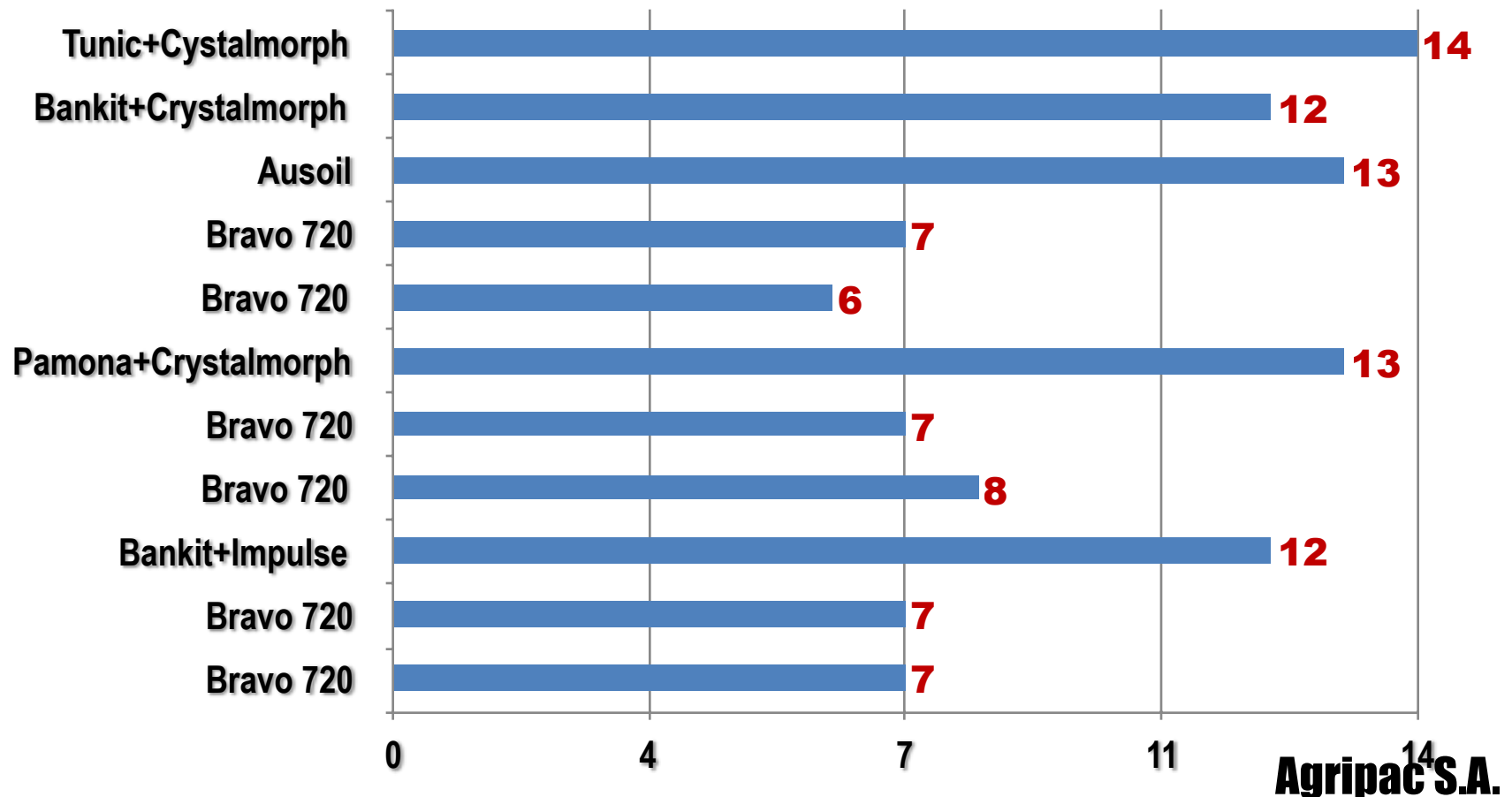
Kimberly Farm and D Farm – El Oro



Valdivia: Los Ríos



Bravo alone – Los Ríos



Adjuvant Capabilities Comparison

ADJUVANTS	STICKER	SPREADER	RAIN FAST	MOISTURE INTELEGENCE *	DRIFT RETARDANT	WETTING	CHEMICAL COMPATIBILITY	PENETRANT
Silwet HS 312		✓						
Silwet HS 429								✓
6001 High Impact						✓		✓
Activator		✓						
Activator PH						✓	✓	
PDS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Airtight					✓			
Blendex VHC							✓	
Induce PH		✓				✓		
Cohere	✓	✓						
SurFix	✓	✓				✓	✓	
Cell-u-Wet	✓	✓						

Moisture Intelligence

The ability to protect and hold the added chemicals on the target surfaces in the face of hard rain, and the ability to help redistribute added chemicals over the target surface with ambient moisture (dew).

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Drop Analysis – Cessnas Airplanes

Treatment	Drop size(μ)	Drop/cm ²	Recuperation (%)	CV (%)	Swath (m)
1 CFX	225	64	46	52	22
2 CKA	223	54	45	43	20
3 CKA E3	264	99	108	30	22

*Howard Terry, Informe Calibración de aviones, inspección de pistas y operaciones.
28 de Octubre - 6 Noviembre 2013

Drop Analysis – Turbos Airplanes

Treatmint	Dop size (μ)	Drop/cm2	Recuperation (%)	CV (%)	Swath (m)
4 CLS	236	54	52	31	24
5 CNO	204	84	51	45	22
6 CNO E3	244	126	111	26	24

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Conclusions

- E3 is recommended to be used for Black Sigatoka control, to reduce plant stress and to improve yield.
- It is better to alternate with water-in-oil emulsions aerial sprays to obtain a good disease control.
- The frequency of application is key to controlling the disease, depending on the area of the country.
- Keeping a good plant health on the rainy season is a key to good control of the disease annually.
- E3 is an adjuvant that can reduce up to 50% of all oil annually used for all its exhibited properties.

What do we need for a near future?

- Studies to know how much fungicide get into the leaf compared with oil in water emulsions and water alone.
- It is possible to get a product like E3 to control the disease by itself without any chemical?