

# Resistance breaking strains of TSWV and chemical control of insect vectors

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# Tomato spotted wilt virus

- Symptom recognition/ Biology
- Plant resistance-breaking strain
- Management (including chemical control)
- Continuing research



***Tomato spotted wilt virus (TSWV)***  
**Symptom Recognition**



## TSWV symptoms on tomato fruit





# Foliar symptoms of *TSWV*





Stage of crop development at  
the time of infection and stage  
of disease development  
influence symptoms





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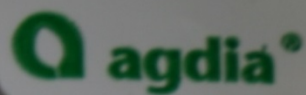
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Contains SEB1. Store at +4° C.

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Contents: 3 ml

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TSWV 0001

SAMPLE

# Thrips vectors TSWV



*Frankliniella occidentalis*  
(Western flower thrips)

Primary vector of TSWV in  
Central California

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TRANSMISSION

ACQUISITION BY  
LARVAE IS  
CRUCIAL

Egg

# TOSPOVIRUS TRANSMISSION CYCLE

1st Instar

2nd Instar

Male  
Adult

Female  
Adult

VIRUS  
PASSAGE  
(Transstadial)

VIRUS  
PASSAGE  
(Transstadial)

Pupal Stages Do Not Feed

A. E. Whitfield, D. E. Ullman, and T. L. German. 2005. **TOSPOVIRUS-THRIPS INTERACTIONS**. Annu. Rev. Phytopathol. 2005. 43:459–89

# Host Range of TSWV

## Crop Hosts

- Radicchio
- Lettuce
- Celery
- Fava bean
- Tomato
- pepper
- Eggplant
- Potato

## Weed Hosts

- Prickly lettuce (*Lactuca serriola*)
- Sowthistle (*Sonchus spp.*)
- Little mallow (*Malva parvaflora*)
- Mustard (*Brassica spp.*)
- London rocket (*Sisymbrium irio*)
- Wild Radish (*Raphanus raphanistrum*)
- Pineappleweed (*Chamomilla suaveolens*)
- Rough-seeded *buttercup* (*Ranunculus muricatus*)
- Nightshade (*Solanum spp.*)
- Jimsonweed (*Datura stramonium*)
- Field bindweed (*Convolvulus arvensis*)

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# Annual Cycle TSWV/Western flower thrips in Central California

- Overwintering: in a small percentage of weeds and crops & TSWV pupating thrips
- Early season: reproduction of thrips and possible virus increase of TSWV on susceptible weeds and crops
- Mid season: movement to tomatoes and rapid increase in TSWV in areas with concentrations of susceptible plants
- Late season: Highest pressure of the year

# TSWV Resistance

- SW5: Single dominant gene
- In widespread use in the Central San Joaquin Valley for ~7 years
- No documentation of resistance-breaking strains in CA prior to 2016
- Expression in SW5 varieties due to Wild type TSWV
  - There may be expression on up to 3% of plants
  - Unusual fruit symptoms in the absence of foliar symptoms may occur





# Detection of Resistance-breaking TSWV strain in Fresno Co. in 2016

- Mid-Apr 2016, severe and typical symptoms of TSWV in Sw-5 fresh market tomatoes in Cantua Creek (Fresno Co.)
- May 2016, severe TSWV in Sw5 fresh market tomatoes in Firebaugh (Fresno Co.)
- July 2016, moderate TSWV in Sw5 processing tomatoes in Huron area



**All samples were Immunostrip positive**

# Virology

(R. Gilbertson, O. Batuman, M. Macedo)

- RT-PCR/sequencing tests revealed only TSWV infection
- Raised the issue of the potential presence of a resistance-breaking (RB) strain
- RB strains have been reported and have been associated with specific amino acid substitutions in the viral movement protein (NSm)

López, C., Aramburu, J., Galipienso, L., Soler, S., Nuez, F. and Rubio L. (2011). Evolutionary analysis of tomato Sw-5 resistance-breaking isolates of *Tomato spotted wilt virus*. *Journal of General Virology* 92: 210-215.



# Identification of TSWV RB strain

Typical tospovirus symptoms



Test for TSWV  
with immunostrips

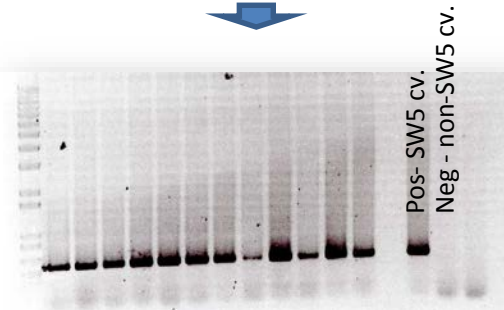


Confirm TSWV by  
RT-PCR



Confirm RB strain by  
RT-PCR of NSm gene

Confirm tomato is a  
resistant variety by PCR  
for SW-5



RB strain

WT strain

aa substitution C to  
Y in 118 position  
(C118Y) or  
T to N in 120  
position (T120N)

no aa substitution in  
118 or 120 position  
(CPT)

Amino acid (aa) sequence

MDTSKGKILLNTEGTSSFGTYESDSITESEG  
YDLSARMIVDTNHHISNWKNDLFVGNGK  
QNANKVIKI **YPT**WDSRKQYMMISRIVIWV  
C

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Modified from Gilbertson UC West Side  
Research Extension Center presentation  
on 14 Dec 2017

# Detection of the RB-TSWV strain from weeds during the winter survey in 2017

WEED SAMPLES						
Scientific name	Common name	Botanic family	Total of samples	TSWV +	CPT	YPT
<i>Amaranthus</i> sp.	Amaranthus	Amaranthaceae	1	0	xxx	xxx
<i>Lactuca sativa</i>	Lettuce	Asteraceae	1	0	xxx	xxx
<i>Lactuca</i> sp.	Prickly lettuce	Asteraceae	2	0	xxx	xxx
<i>Matricaria</i> sp.	Pineapple weed	Asteraceae	5	0	xxx	xxx
<i>Sonchus</i> sp.	Sowthistle	Asteraceae	39	6 (15%)	2 (34%)	4 (66%)
<i>Brassica</i> sp.	Mustard	Brassicaceae	1	0	xxx	xxx
<i>Beta vulgaris</i>	Sugar beet	Chenopodiaceae	5	0	xxx	xxx
<i>Chenopodium</i> sp.	Chenopodium	Chenopodiaceae	3	0	xxx	xxx
<i>Cucumis</i> sp.	Cucumis	Cucurbitaceae	4	0	xxx	xxx
<i>Medicago sativa</i>	Alfafa	Fabaceae	5	0	xxx	xxx
<i>Malva</i> sp.	Malva	Malvaceae	2	0	xxx	xxx
<i>Solanacearum</i> sp.	Solanacearum	Solanaceae	1	0	xxx	xxx
TOTAL			69	6 (15%)	2 (34%)	4 (66%)

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# Resistance Breaking *Tomato spotted wilt virus, 2017*

- Detected in Sowthistle in Jan and Feb 2017 in Huron and Cantua Creek
- Resistance breaking strains associated with weedy areas early 2017 in Fresno Co.

- By Oct., 2017 over larger area in Fresno Co., detected in Merced and Brentwood.
- By the end of 2017, the SW5-resistance breaking TSWV strain was detected in lettuce, celery and peppers.



# Winter weed survey in 5-6 Feb 2018

	Sow thistle	prickly lettuce	malva	black mustard	groundsel	pigweed	mares tail	shepard's purse	black mustard	kochia	lams quarters
Firebaugh NW	5		4		3						
Firebaugh SW	10	3									
Firebaugh SW b	4	1									
Mendota West	5	1									
Cantua Creek	10										
Huron NW	3	3							1		
Huron NW b	1	1	3		2	1	1			1	1
Huron SE	4				2			1			

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All samples were symptomless.

One sow thistle sample at Mendota was positive for wild type TSWV

All other samples were negative for TSWV

# Varietal Evaluation 2017

(Ag Seeds and TS&L)

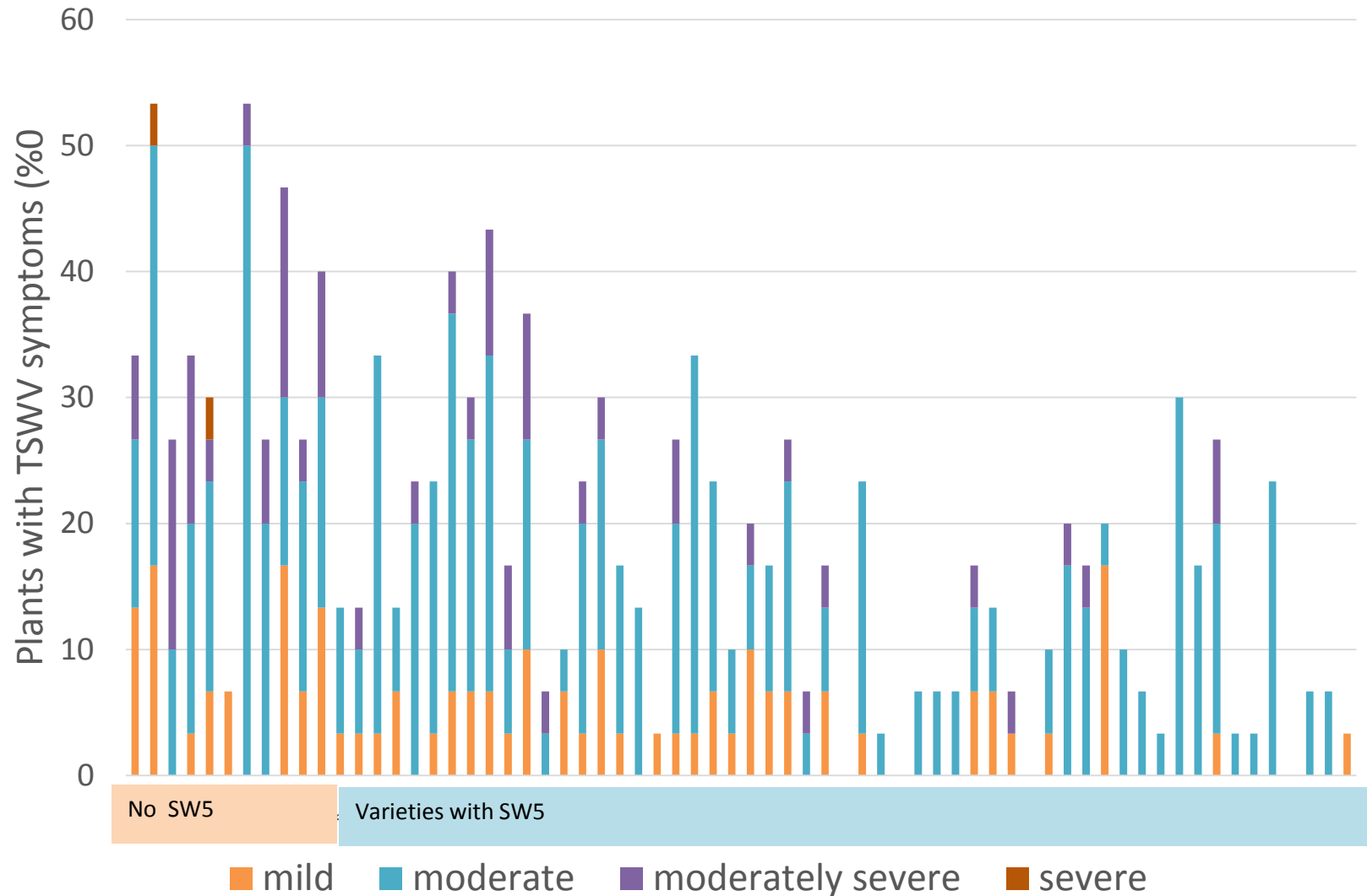
- Evaluation of variety trial in area affected by resistance-breaking TSWV on 17 Jul 2017
- Tomato spotted wilt virus incidence observed among entries at **one site** were from undetectable levels to 52% of plants expressing TSWV



# 2017 Preliminary Observations (NO REPLICATION)

## Percentage TSWV

(No resistance and resistance grouped)



# Variety Trial: Strain Determination

Variety	SW5 in variety	Strain detected
H1015 -no SW5	-	CPT
BQ273 -SW5	+	YPT
N6402 -SW5	+	YPT
HM3887 -SW5	+	YPT
DRI319 -SW5	+	YPT
H1292 -SW5	+	YPT
BP13 -SW5	+	YPT
CPT=wild type strain YPT= resistance-breaking strain		

# Difficulties in Thrips Management

- Tendency to reside in enclosed or protected locations
- Demonstrated capacity to develop resistance to insecticides
- Rapid rates of reproduction
- Percent mortality is low even with the most effective insecticides (*F. occidentalis*)



- Chemical control studies will present information on specific materials
- Not all materials tested may have current registration in tomatoes
- Carefully read all current labels before writing a recommendation

# Insecticides Evaluated in Programs

Group #	Chemical sub-group	Primary target site of action	Trade name	Active ingredient
1A	Carbamate	Acetylcholinesterase inhibitors	Lannate LV	methomyl
1B	Organophosphate	Acetylcholinesterase inhibitors	Dimethoate 4EL	dimethoate
4A	Neonicotinoid	Nicotinic acetylcholine receptor (nAChR) competitive modulators	Admire, Platinum, Venom	Imidacloprid, Thiamethoxam, Dinotefuran
5	Spinosyns	Nicotinic acetylcholine receptor allosteric activators	Radiant Entrust	spinetoram spinosad
28	Diamide	Ryanodine receptor modulators Nerve and muscle action	Cyazypyr, Exeril, Verimark	cyantraniliprole

# Insecticide Program Evaluations

2009 -12

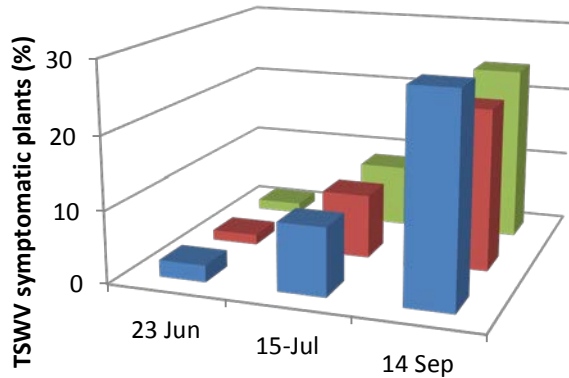
**DRIP INJECTION** (Main Plot Treatments): Platinum and/or Platinum and Venom, and an untreated control.

**FOLIAR APPLICATIONS** (Sub Plot Treatments): Three treatments 2 to 4 applications (cyazypyr transplant drench evaluated from 2010 to 2012) and an untreated control.



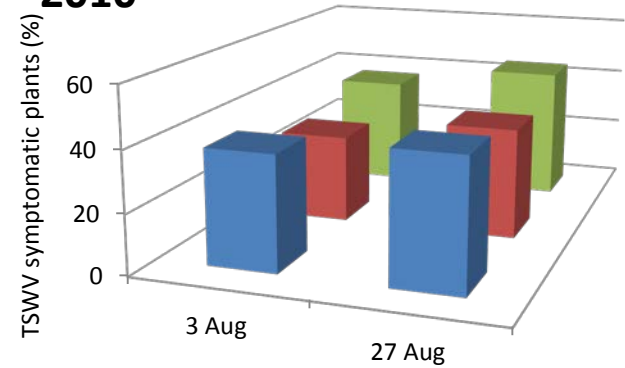
# Influence of Drip-Applied Insecticides

**2009**



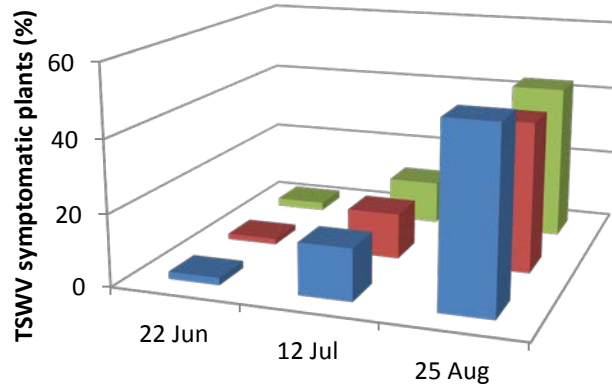
- thiamethoxam 193 g (3 Jun)
- thiamethoxam 193 g (3 Jun), dinotefuron 294 g (7 Jul)
- Untreated

**2010**



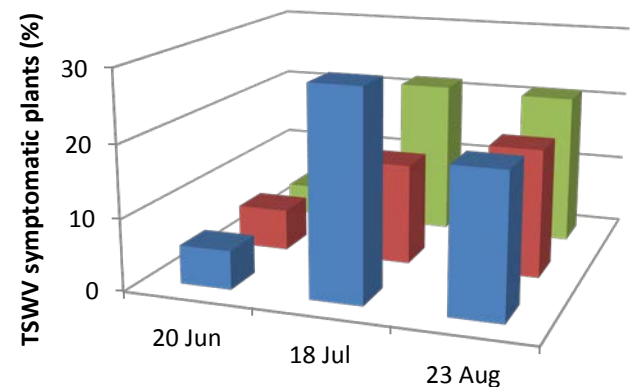
- thiamethoxam 193 g (25 May), dinotefuron 294 g (30 Jun)\*
  - thiamethoxam 193 g (25 May), dinotefuron 294 g (30 Jun)
  - Untreated
- \* Weekly injections of acibenzolar-s-methyl 35g/ha

**2011**



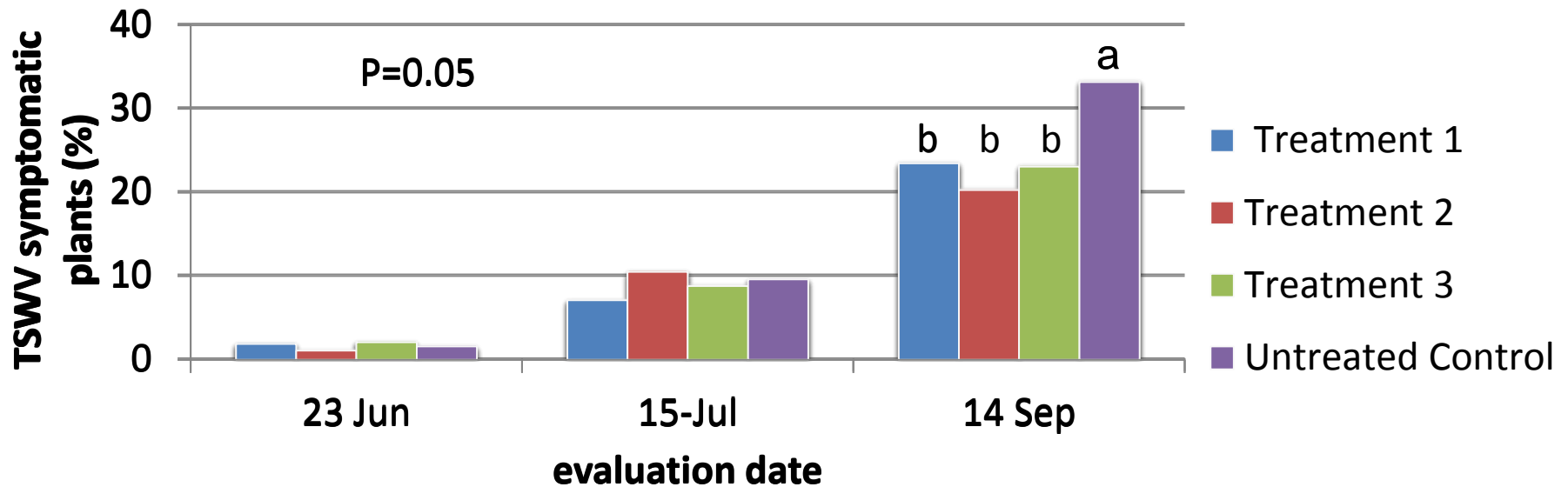
- thiamethoxam 193 g (22 Jun), dinotefuron 294 g (12 Jul)
- thiamethoxam 193 g (22 Jun), dinotefuron 294 g (22 Jul)
- Untreated

**2012**



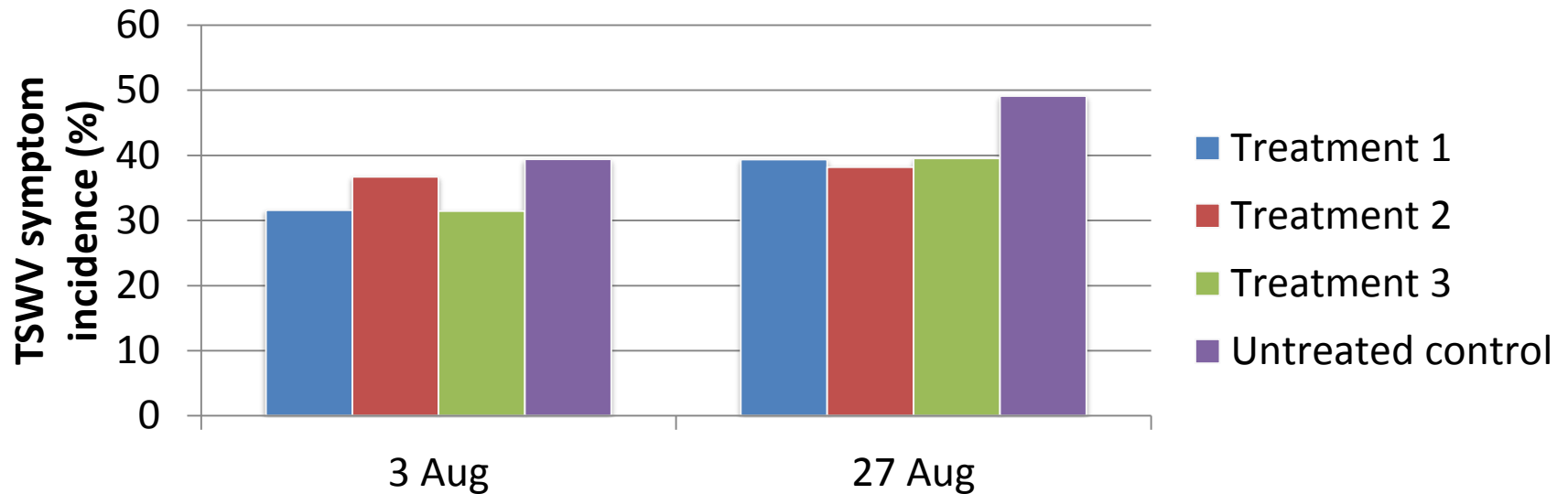
- thiamethoxam 193 g (7 Jun), dinotefuron 294 g (27 Jun)
- thiamethoxam 193 g (7 Jun), cytraniliprole 197 g (27 Jun)
- Untreated

# Foliar Treatment Impact on TSWV Symptomatic Plant Incidence 2009



	date of application, rate		
	17 Jun	1 Jul	15-Jul
● Treatment 1	Radiant 10 fl oz	Dimethoate 4EL 1 pt	Radiant 10 fl oz
● Treatment 2	Radiant 10 fl oz	Dimethoate 4EL 1 pt	
● Treatment 3		Dimethoate 4EL 1 pt	Radiant 10 fl oz
● Untreated control			

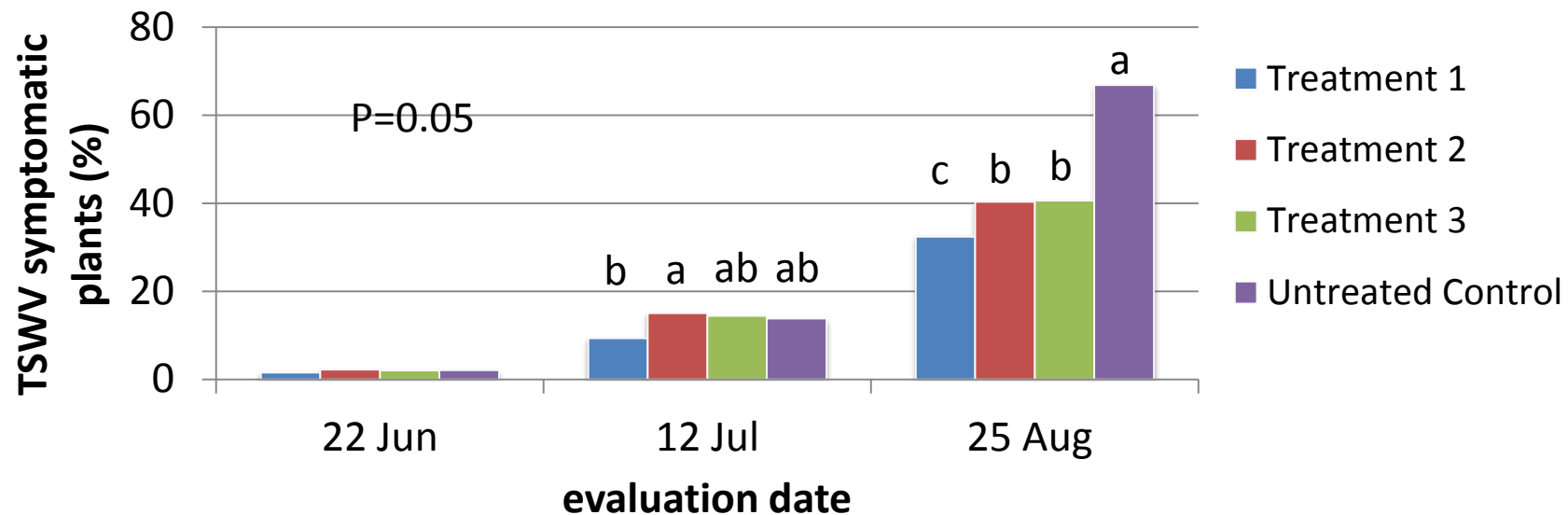
# Foliar Treatment Impact on TSWV Symptomatic Plant Incidence 2010



date of application, quantity ai/ha

	drench	9 Jun	23 Jun	7 Jul	16 Jul
● Treatment 1	Verimark 13.5 fl oz	Radiant 10 fl oz	Dimethoate 4EL 1 pt	Radiant 10 fl oz	Dimethoate 4EL 1 pt
● Treatment 2		Radiant 10 fl oz	Dimethoate 4EL 1 pt	Radiant 10 fl oz	Dimethoate 4EL 1 pt
● Treatment 3		Radiant 10 fl oz	Dimethoate 4EL 1 pt		
● Untreated control					

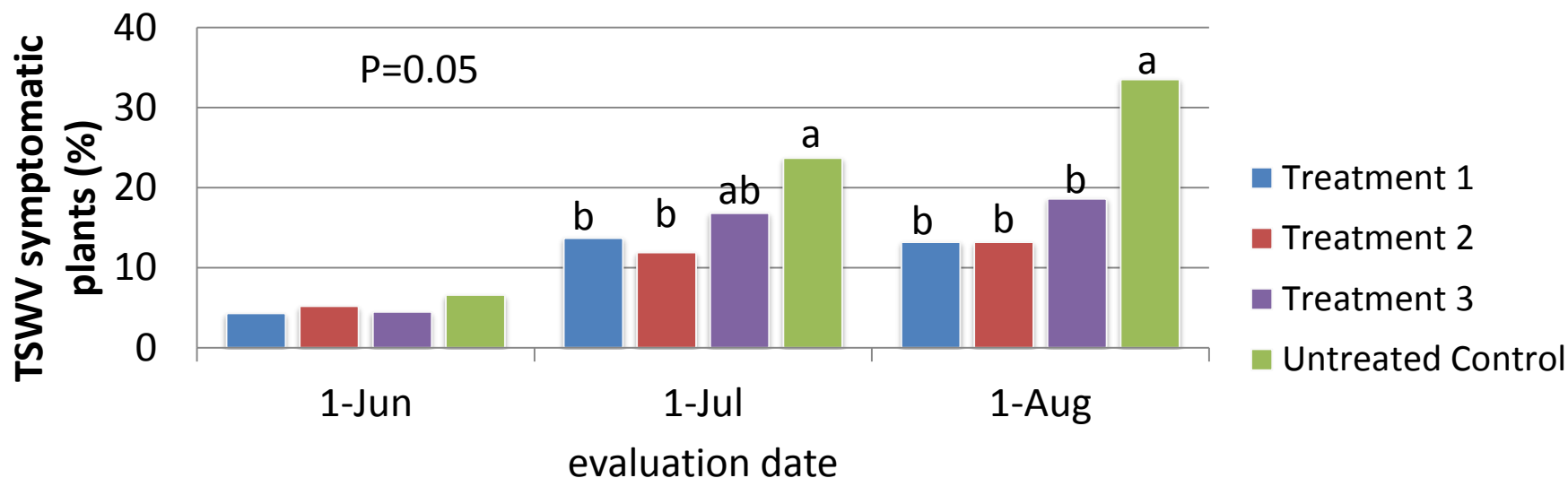
# Foliar Treatment Impact on TSWV Symptomatic Plant Incidence 2011



date of application, quantity ai/ha

	Trans. drench	24-Jun	6-Jul	14-Jul	21-Jul
● Treatment 1	Verimark 13.5 fl oz	Radiant 10 fl oz	Dimethoate 4EL 1 pt	Radiant 10 fl oz	Dimethoate 4EL 1 pt
● Treatment 2		Radiant 10 fl oz	Dimethoate 4EL 1 pt	Radiant 10 fl oz	Dimethoate 4EL 1 pt
● Treatment 3		Radiant 10 fl oz	Dimethoate 4EL 1 pt		
● Untreated Control					

# Foliar Treatment Impact on TSWV Symptomatic Plant Incidence 2012



	date of application, quantity ai/ha					
	drench	12-Jun	22-Jun	29-Jun	9-Jul	18-Jul
● Treatment 1	Verimark 13.5 fl oz	Radiant 10 fl oz	Dimethoate 4EL 1 pt	Radiant 10 fl oz	Dimethoate 4EL 1 pt	Radiant 10 fl oz
● Treatment 2		Radiant 10 fl oz	Dimethoate 4EL 1 pt	Radiant 10 fl oz	Dimethoate 4EL 1 pt	Radiant 10 fl oz
● Treatment 3		Radiant 10 fl oz	Dimethoate 4EL 1 pt			
● Untreated Control						

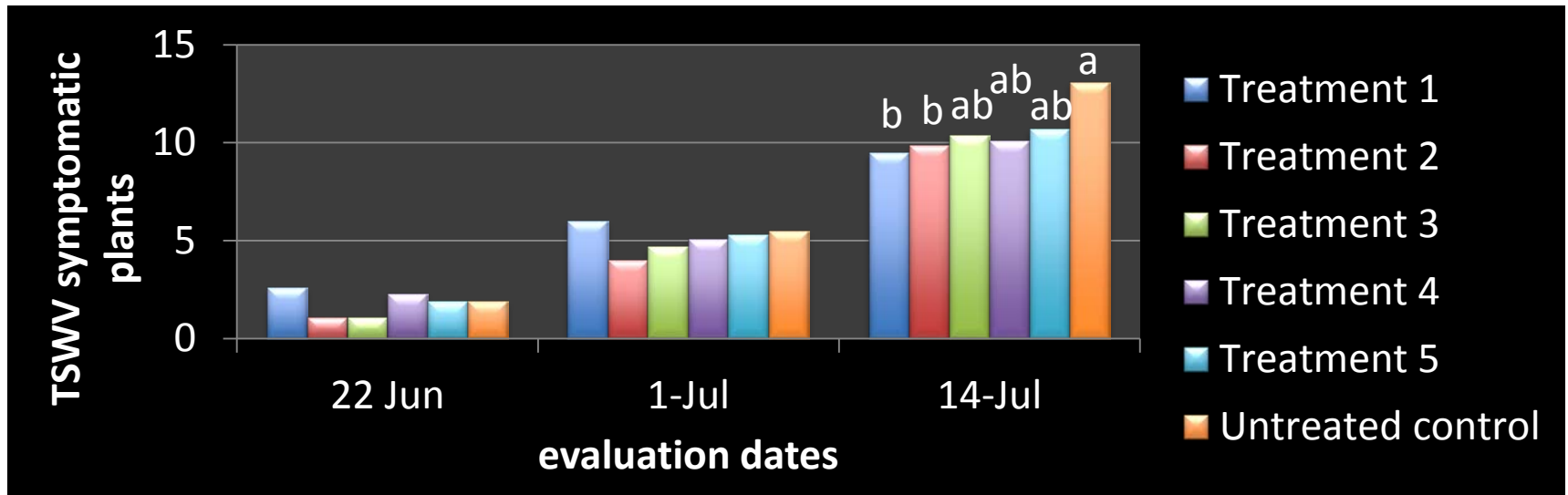


# Insecticide Program Evaluations

2015 -17

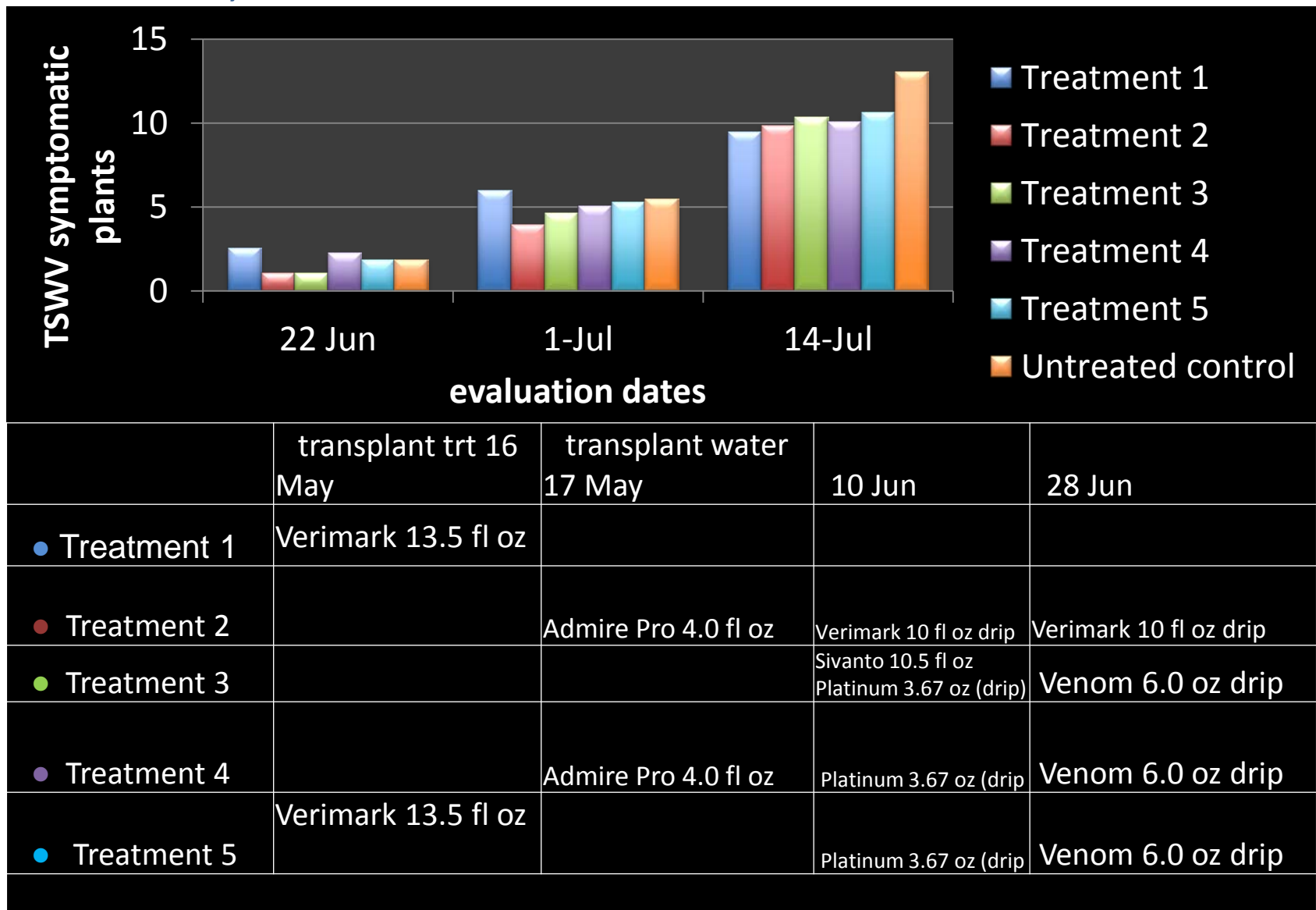
- Transplant treatments with Verimark
- Transplant water with Admire Pro
- Drip applications with Admire Pro, Venom, Platinum

# Impact of Insecticides on TSWV Symptomatic Plant Incidence, 2015

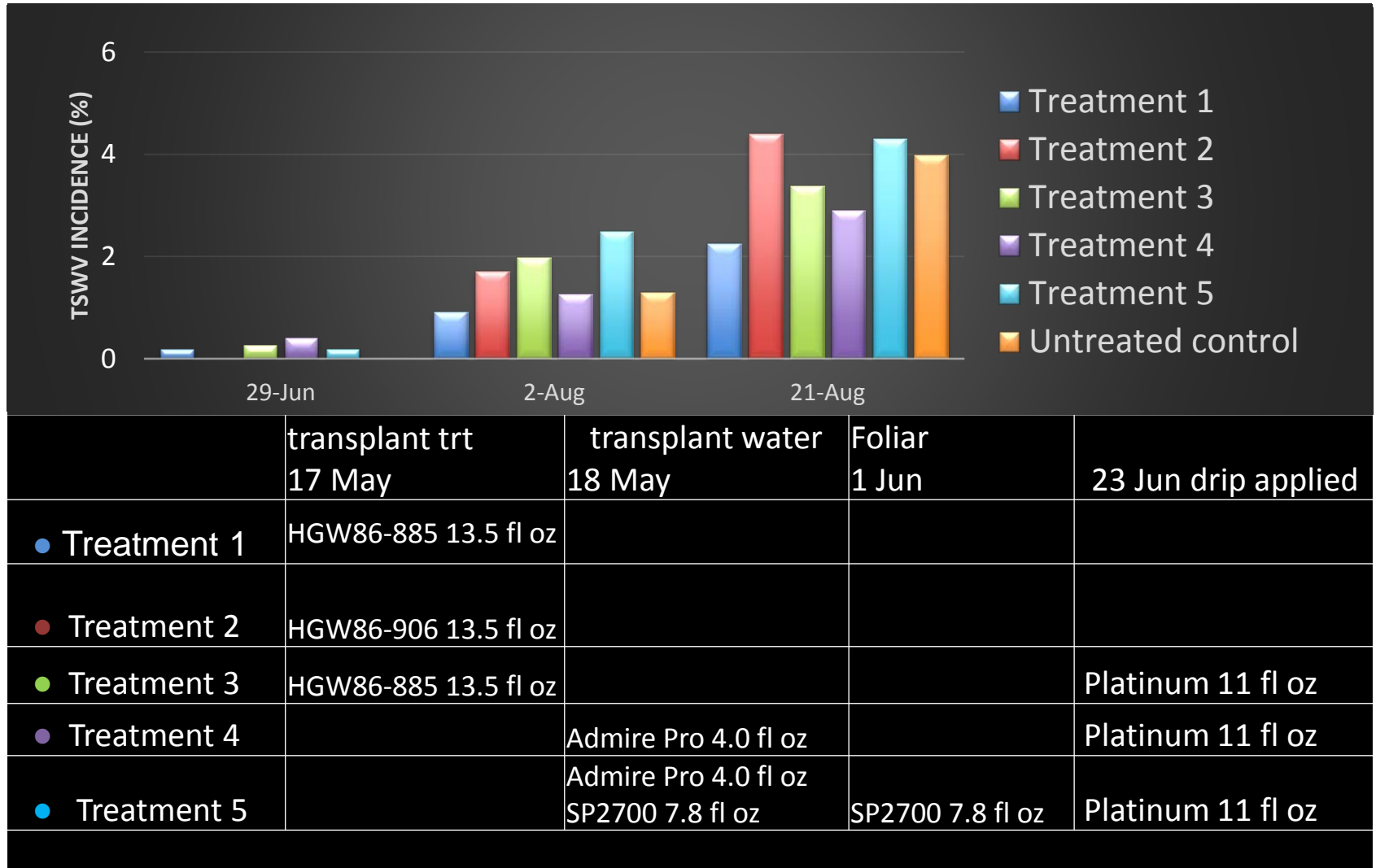


	Transplants 21 May	22 May transplant water	22 May foliar	22 June drip
● Treatment 1	Verimark 13.5 fl oz			
● Treatment 2		Admire 4.0 fl oz	Sivanto 2.0 fl oz	Admire 6.5 fl oz
● Treatment 3		Admire 10.0 fl oz		
● Treatment 4			Sivanto 2.0 fl oz	Admire 6.5 fl oz
● Treatment 5				Admire 6.5 fl oz

# Impact of Insecticides on TSWV Symptomatic Plant Incidence, 2016



# Impact of Insecticides on TSWV Symptomatic Plant Incidence, 2017



# Management of Thrips

- Radiant, Lanate and dimethoate deliver relatively consistent control
- Drip or transplant water-applied neonicotinoids have not reduced TSWV incidence in most trials
- Verimark transplant treatment reduced TSWV incidence 3/6 trials



# TSWV Management

- Plant-resistance breaking TSWV is present in the Central San Joaquin Valley production area.
- Any TSWV foliar symptoms present in more than 3% of the plants should be checked for the resistance breaking strain
- Current management depends upon IPM, heavily reliant upon sanitation, plant date and site selection to minimize risk.
- Insecticides may reduce incidence but should not be relied upon without other management approaches.

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