

Evaluation of variety tolerance and chemical control of Fusarium vine decline

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Fusarium wilt



Fusarium falciforme vine decline



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Fusarium crown and root rot



Fusarium falciforme stem rot and vine decline







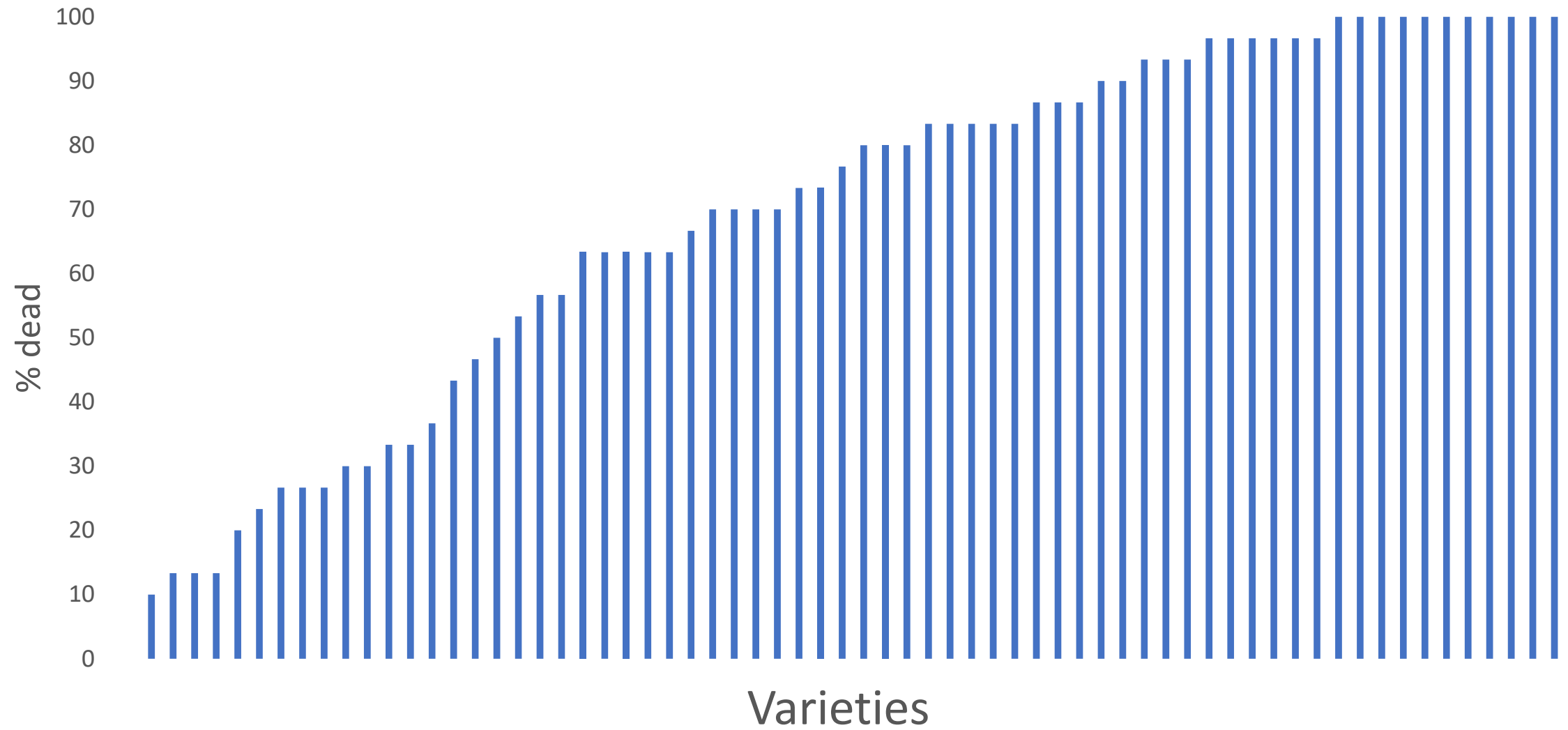
N 6428

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HM 4909

HM 58841



TS&L variety trial in a commercial field, Yolo County 2022

Cultivar	# of field trials	Normalized yield ^x	Normalized fruit damage levels ^y	Fruit damage average to very low	Normalized vine decline at harvest ^z	Tendency towards vine decline
HIGH PERFORMING						
H1776	3	1.26	0.54	very low fruit damage	0.96	average tendency towards vine decline
SVTM9016	3	1.16	0.52	very low fruit damage	0.82	more data needed
SVTM9019	2	1.15	0.61	very low fruit damage	0.54	more data needed
N6428	7	1.13	0.65	low fruit damage	0.87	less likely to decline prematurely
SVTM9025	3	1.13	0.39	very low fruit damage	0.95	more data needed
H5608	4	1.10	0.77	low fruit damage	0.44	more data needed
N6434	3	1.05	0.73	low fruit damage	0.38	more data needed
HM58841	5	1.05	0.86	low fruit damage	1.04	average tendency towards vine decline
MEDIUM PERFORMING						
BQ273	2	1.04	1.65		0.24	more data needed
H1428	3	1.00	0.81	low fruit damage	0.89	more data needed
HM5235	4	1.00	1.39		0.90	less likely to decline prematurely
H1996	2	0.96	0.57	very low fruit damage	1.50	more data needed
BQ403	2	0.95	1.30		1.06	more data needed
H4707	2	0.90	0.56	very low fruit damage	0.95	more data needed
H1662	2	0.88	0.43	very low fruit damage	0.98	more data needed
LOW PERFORMING						
HM5522	2	1.04	1.63		1.23	more data needed
HM3887	7	0.88	1.35		1.33	more likely to decline prematurely
N6416	2	0.77	1.30		1.30	more likely to decline prematurely

Top performers under *F. falciforme* pressure

- N 6428
- H 5608, H 1776
- SVTM 9016, SVTM 9019, SVTM 9025
- HM 58841, HM5235
- Trials on-going



A photograph of a tomato field showing signs of disease. The plants are green but have many yellow and red fruits, some of which are wilted or rotting. The ground is covered with fallen leaves and fruit. A semi-transparent text box is overlaid on the center of the image.

Efficacy of drip-applied fungicides and metam-potassium fumigant against:

- Fusarium wilt caused by *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *lycopersici* race 3
- Fusarium crown and stem rot and vine decline caused by *Fusarium falciforme*

A photograph of a tomato field with many ripe red tomatoes on the vines. A semi-transparent white box is overlaid on the center of the image, containing text.

Study sites

2019

- UC Davis field infested with Fusarium wilt
- UC Davis field infested with Fusarium falciforme
- Yolo Co. commercial field with Fusarium falciforme
- San Joaquin Co. commercial field with both diseases

2020 & 2021

- San Joaquin Co. commercial field with both diseases

Materials evaluated:

Fungicides (applied at planting and early season):

- **Miravis** (Syngenta) – pydiflumetofen (FRAC group 7)
- **Velum** (Bayer) – fluopyram (7)
- **Rhyme** (FMC) – flutriafol (3)

Fumigant (applied at least two weeks prior to planting):

- **K-Pam (AMVAC)** – metam potassium

Application timings

application timing(s) relative to transplant date	>2 weeks pre-plant	At transplanting	2 to 4 wk	4 to 6 wk
Product (active ingredient)				
Velum One (fluopyram)		drench	drip	drip
Rhyme (flutriafol)		drench	drip	drip
Miravis (pydiflumetofen)		drench	drip	drip
K-Pam (metam potassium)	drip			

Treatment	Fusarium incidence (%)			Marketable yield		Fruit biomass	
	6-Jul	13-Aug		(tons/acre)		(tons/acre)	
K-Pam 31 gal	1.8	15.8	e	53.5	a	58.7	a
K-Pam 31 gal + AMV6125 at planting	3.0	18.8	de	48.6	ab	56.8	a
K-Pam 15.5 gal	3.0	23.0	cd	41.2	abc	49.9	ab
Rhyme 7 oz at 0, 4 & 6 wks	6.0	23.8	bcd	41.1	abc	47.8	ab
K-Pam 15.5 gal + AMV6125 at planting	3.3	21.5	cde	40.5	bc	48.2	ab
AMV6125 at planting	5.8	34.0	a	36.8	bcd	43.2	bc
Miravis 13.7 oz at 0, 2 & 4 weeks	3.5	27.5	abc	36.8	bcd	44.6	bc
Rhyme 7 oz at 0, 2 & 4 weeks	6.5	28.5	abc	34.0	cd	40.0	bc
Non-treated control	4.3	30.3	ab	27.6	d	34.1	c
Mean	4.1	24.8		40.0		47.0	
LSD	NS	7.03		12.69		12.09	
P-value	NS	0.0004		0.015		0.008	
CV %	54.9	19.4		21.7		17.6	

Means in the same column with the same letter are not significantly different.

Summary of seven field trials including fungicides and/or fumigants

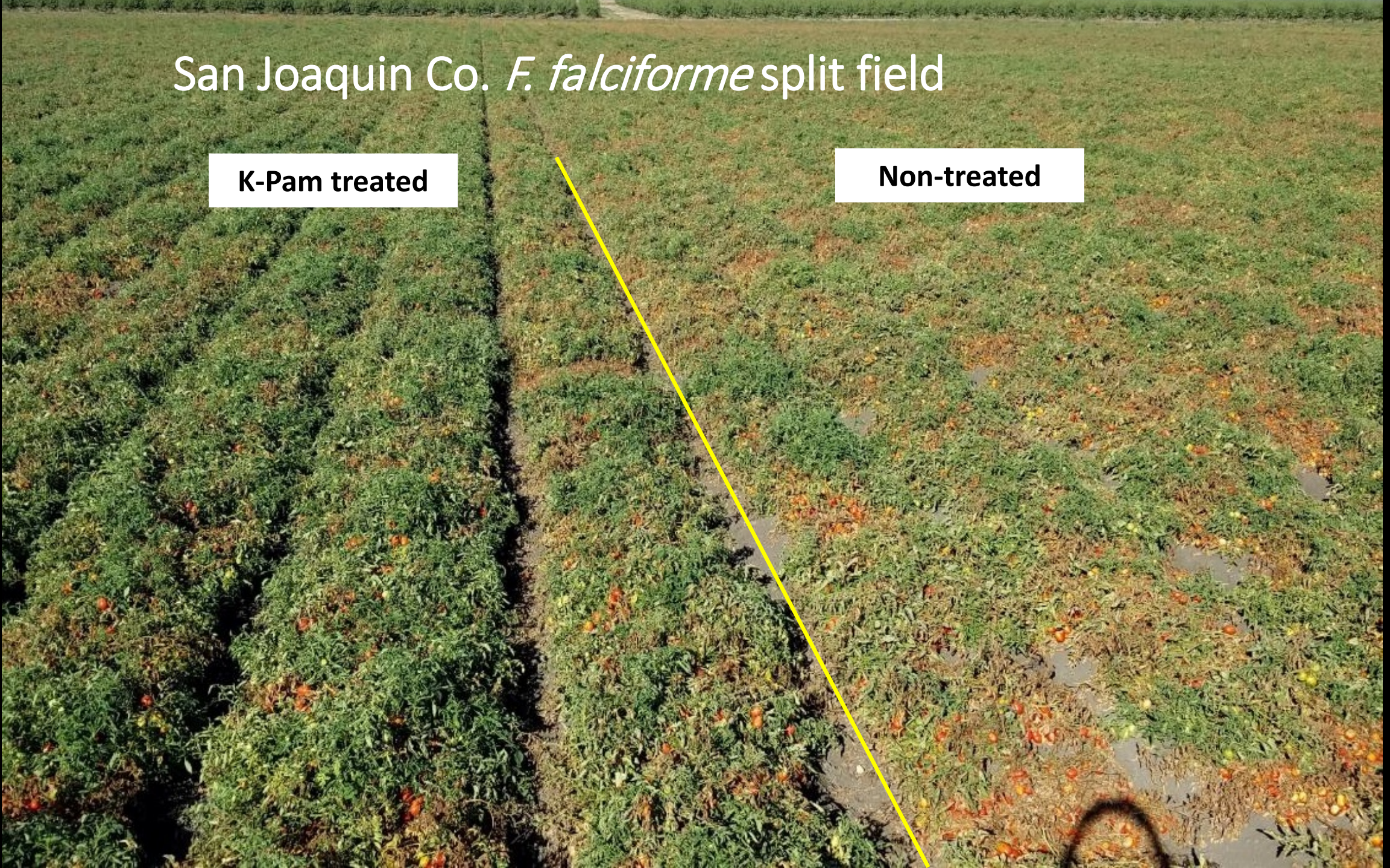
year	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2020	2021
location	UC Davis	UC Davis	Yolo Co	San Joaquin	San Joaquin	San Joaquin	San Joaquin
disease(s)	Fol	Ff	Ff	Fol	Ff	Fol & Ff	Fol & Ff
Product							
K-Pam ~30 gal	++	NT	NT	++	+ 7.2 t/a	+	+ 26 t/a
K-Pam ~15 gal	-	NT	+ 11.9 t/a	NT	NT	+	+ 13.6 t/a
Miravis	++	+	NT	++	NT	+	+ 9.2 t/a
Rhyme	-	NT	NT	-	NT	+	+ 10 t/a
Velum	-	+	NT	-	NT	-	NT
Disease level in non-treated control	68% vine decline	47% rot	73% rot	37% vine decline	20% vine decline	31% vine decline	30% vine decline
Disease <i>P value</i>	$P < 0.05$	NS	NS	0.01	not tested	0.06	0.0004
Yield <i>P value</i>	NS	NS	0.01	NS	0.016	NS	0.015

NT = not tested “+” = weak (statistically speaking) positive effect “++” and green shading = statistically significant positive effect, NS = not significant

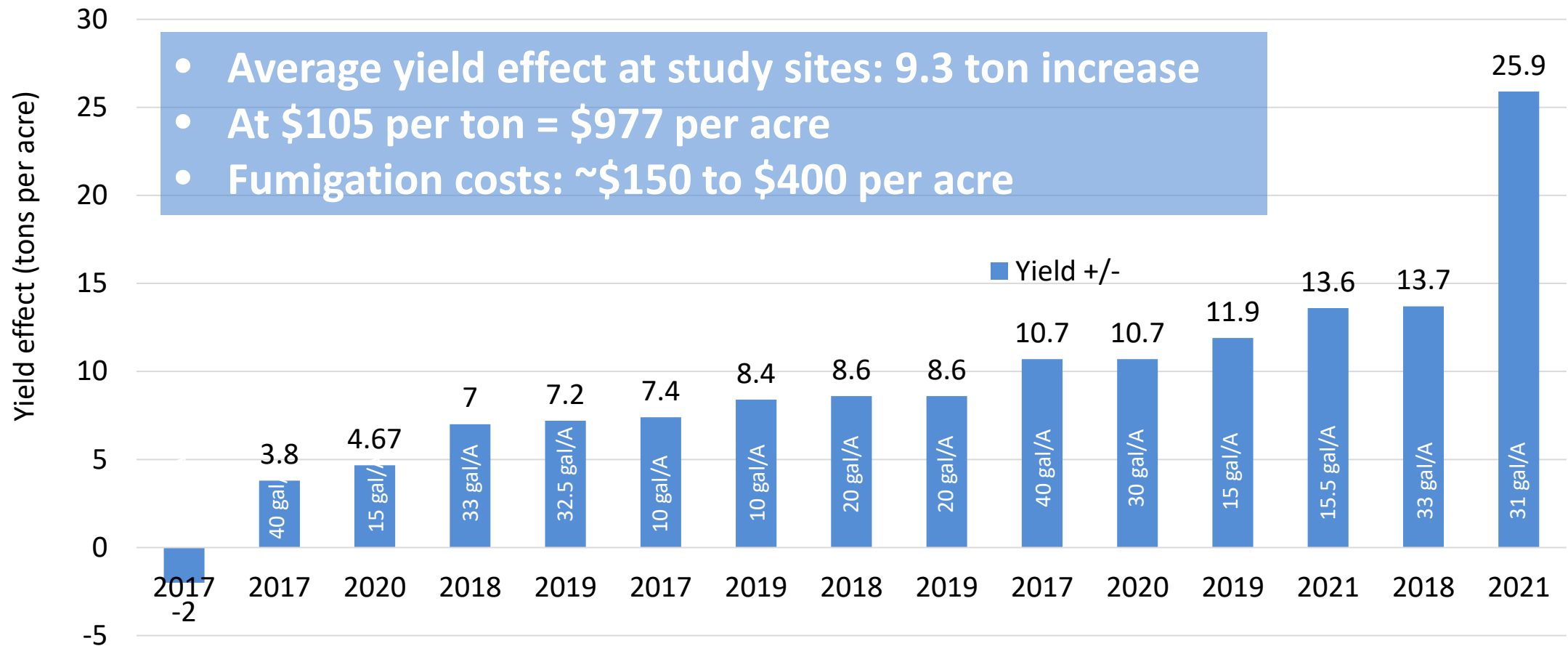
San Joaquin Co. *F. falciforme* split field

K-Pam treated

Non-treated



Effect of metam drip fumigation on processing tomato yield in trials 2017 to 2021



2017 -2018 data from
Marja Koivunen, AMVAC

Rates are expressed as broadcast equivalents,
Yield difference is expressed in comparison to non-treated control in Tons/A

Variety selection and chemical control

We don't have resistance to the new Fusarium vine decline, but there are varieties that are more tolerant

Chemical control is not highly effective, but combined with other measures it can often be useful



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