



# 2024 Broomrape Research Trials

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## Branched Broomrape *Phelipanche ramosa* syn. *Orobanche ramosa*

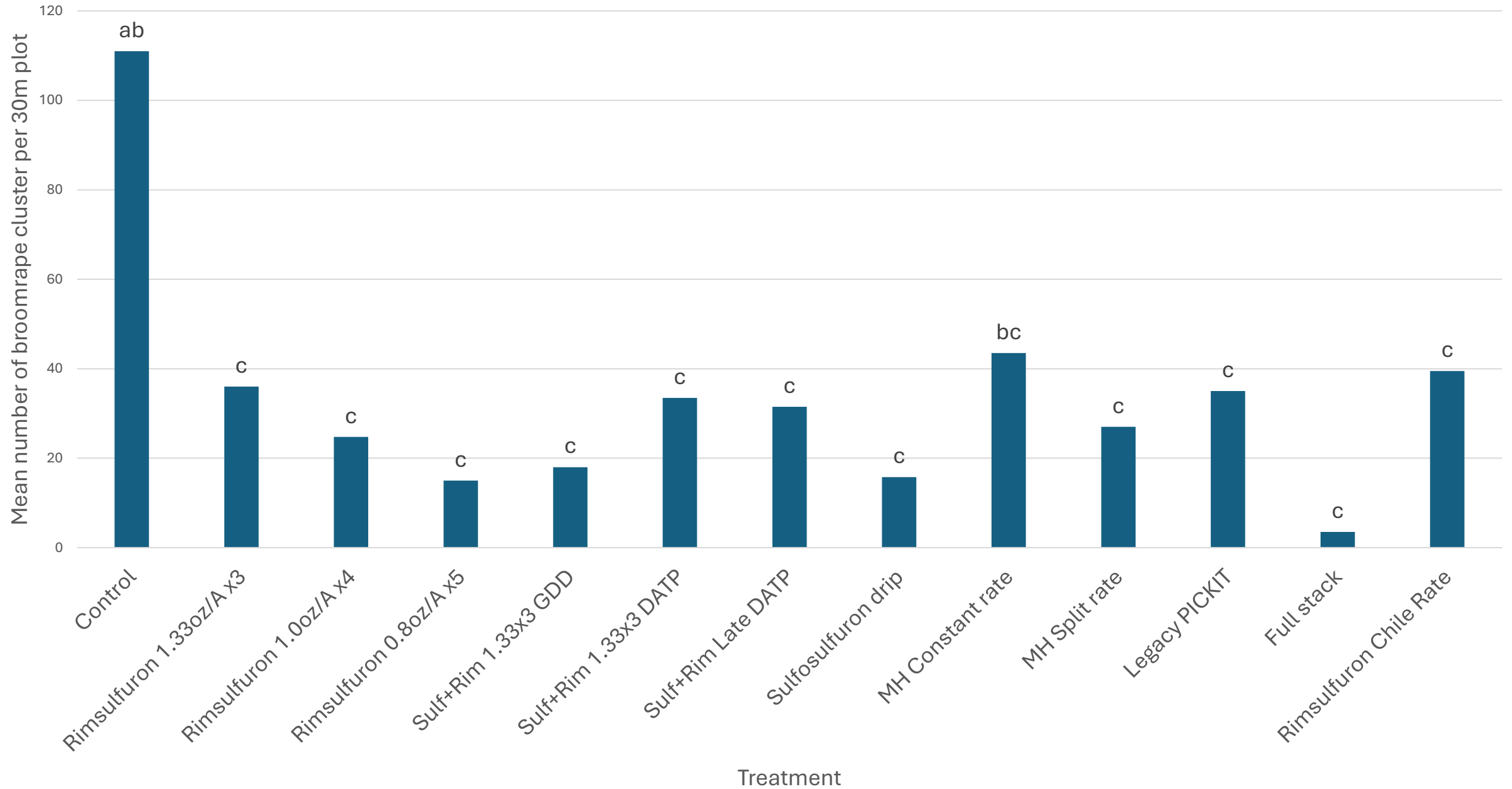
- Native to Eurasia and North Africa- Mediterranean countries
- Obligate root parasite
- Haustorium– modified root that parasitizes host plant
- Wide range of agricultural host species
  - Brassicaceae, Solanaceae, Fabaceae, Cucurbitaceae, Asteraceae
- “A-Listed” noxious weed in California
  - Requires crop destruct and hold order barring host species

# 2024 small plot trial

- Transplanted on April 9, 2024, with single-line 'HM58841'
- 30m (120') full row plots with 4 replications
- Treatments:
  - Rimsulfuron alone: 1.33oz/Ax3; 1.0oz/Ax4; 0.8oz/Ax5; 0.57oz/Ax3 Chile max
  - Sulfosulfuron alone: chemigated
  - Sulfosulfuron + rimsulfuron: GDD (400, 600, 800) and DATP (30, 50, 70; 20, 30, 40)
  - Maleic hydrazide: foliar split rate and constant rate
  - Legacy PICKIT: PPI sulfosulfuron and chemigated imazapic
  - Full stack: PPI sulfosulfuron, chemigated rimsulfuron, foliar maleic hydrazide



Mean broomrape clusters per plot in a 2024 small plot research trial near Woodland, CA

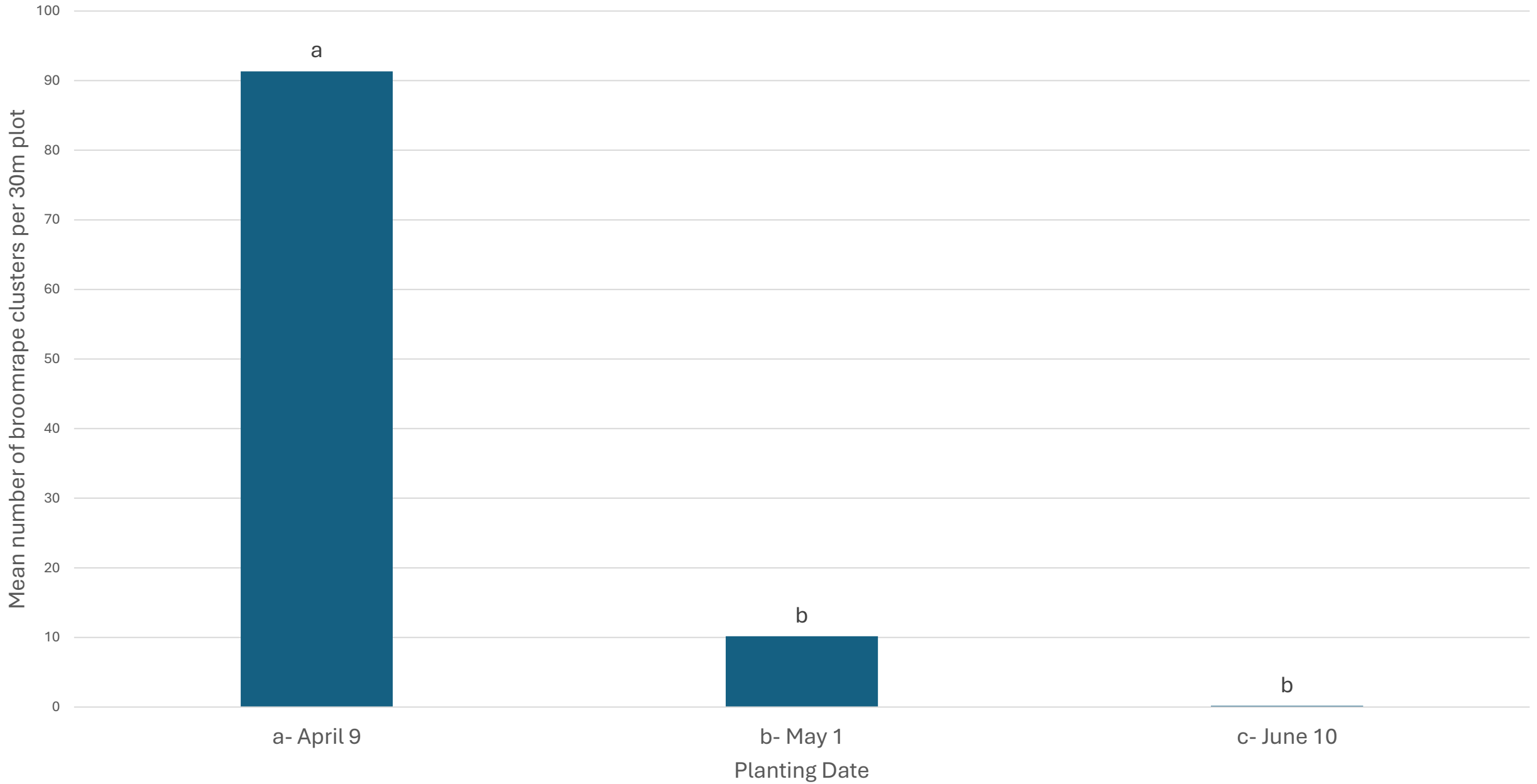


# 2024 planting date trial

- Single-line 'H58841'
- 30m (120') full row plots with 6 replications
- Transplant dates:
  - April 9
  - May 1
  - June 10



Mean broomrape clusters per plot in a 2024 planting date trial near Woodland, CA

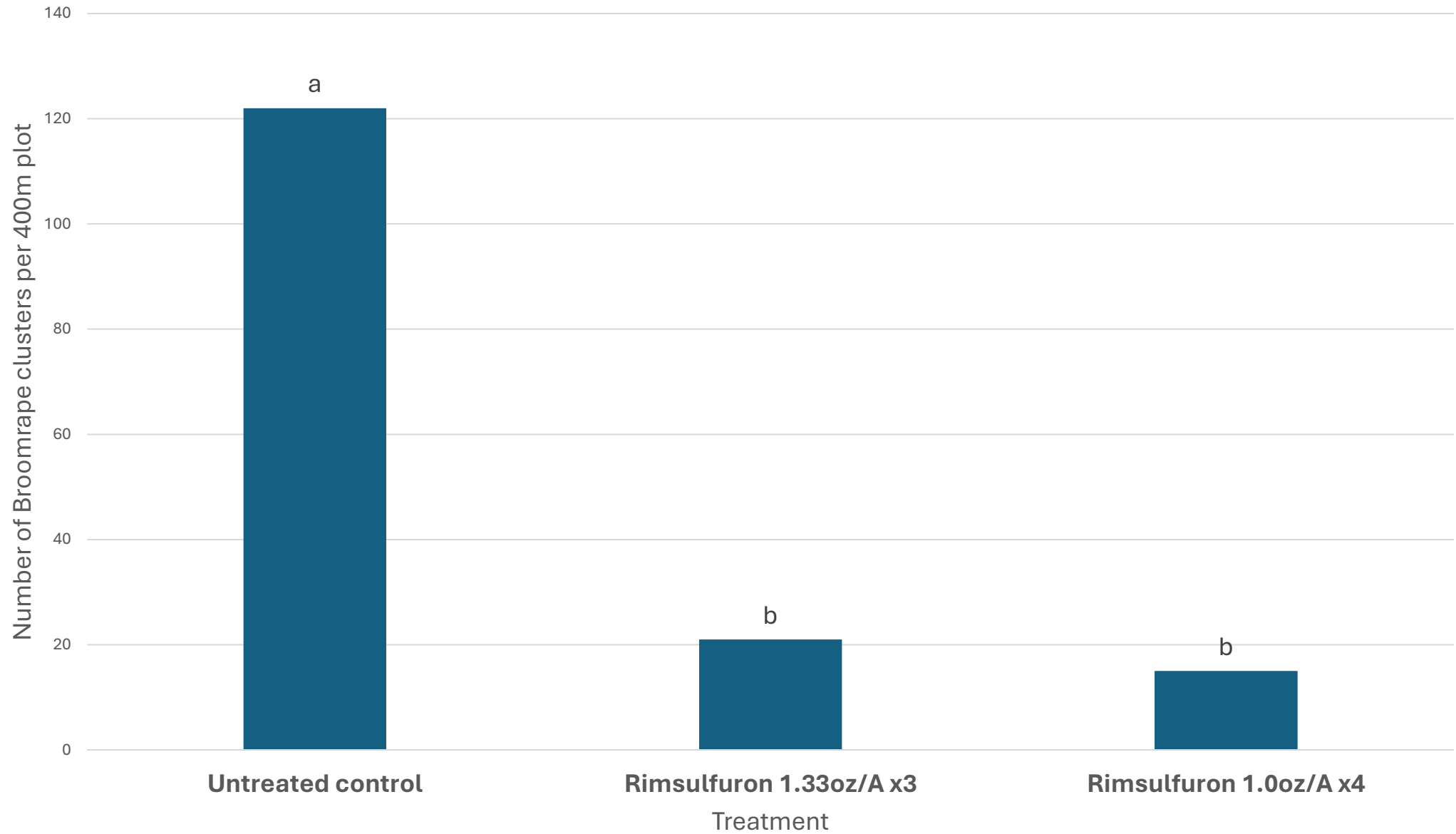


# 2024 Chemigated Matrix demonstration trial

- Transplanted May 24, 2024, with double-line 'H 8237'
- 400m (1275') full-row plots with 3 replications
- Treatments:
  - Control
  - Rimsulfuron 1.33oz/A x3 (20, 30, 40 DATP)
  - Rimsulfuron 1.0oz/A x4 (20, 30, 40 50 DATP)
- Harvested on October 2, 2024 (full plot harvest)



Broomrape clusters per plot from 2024 chemigated Matrix demonstration study in Yolo Co., CA



# Mean yield and number of broomrape clusters per 400m plot

<u>Treatment</u>	<u>Broomrape clusters/plot</u>	<u>Yield (kg)/plot</u>
Untreated control	122 a	9306 a
Rimsulfuron 1.33oz/A x3	21 b	9143 a
Rimsulfuron 1.0oz/A x4	15 b	9158 a

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# Rimsulfuron efficacy at different stages

Host: Tomato

Herbicide: Matrix (Rimsulfuron)

Herbicide rate: 7mg/L; 100 ml/pot

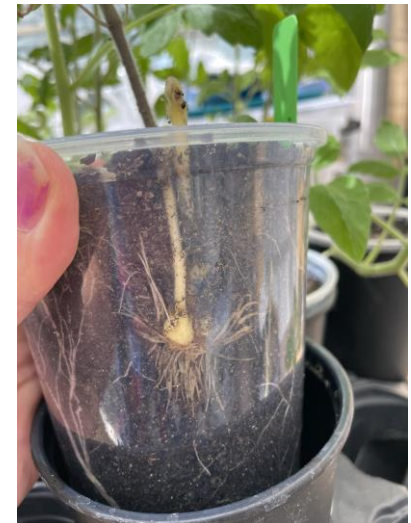
Pot size: 32 oz

Herbicide applications: Started 5 weeks after transplanting  
and applied 3 times

Herbicide application interval: A week

First application: 12/19/2023

End of experiment: 01/17/2023



**Day 1**  
First herbicide application

Matrix drench applied 3x,  
beginning early attachment  
(visible small turbuclle)



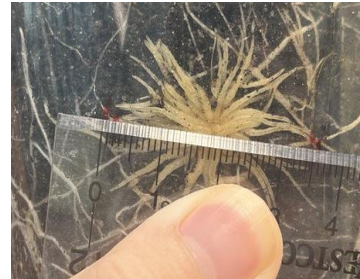
Matrix drench applied 3x,  
beginning later attachment  
(turbuclle dia up to 1 inch but  
but no shoot elongation)



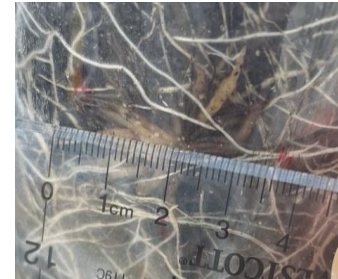
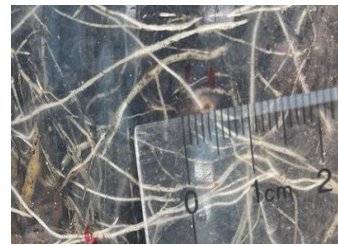
Matrix drench applied 3x,  
beginning at early shoot  
elongation)



**Day 7**  
Second herbicide application

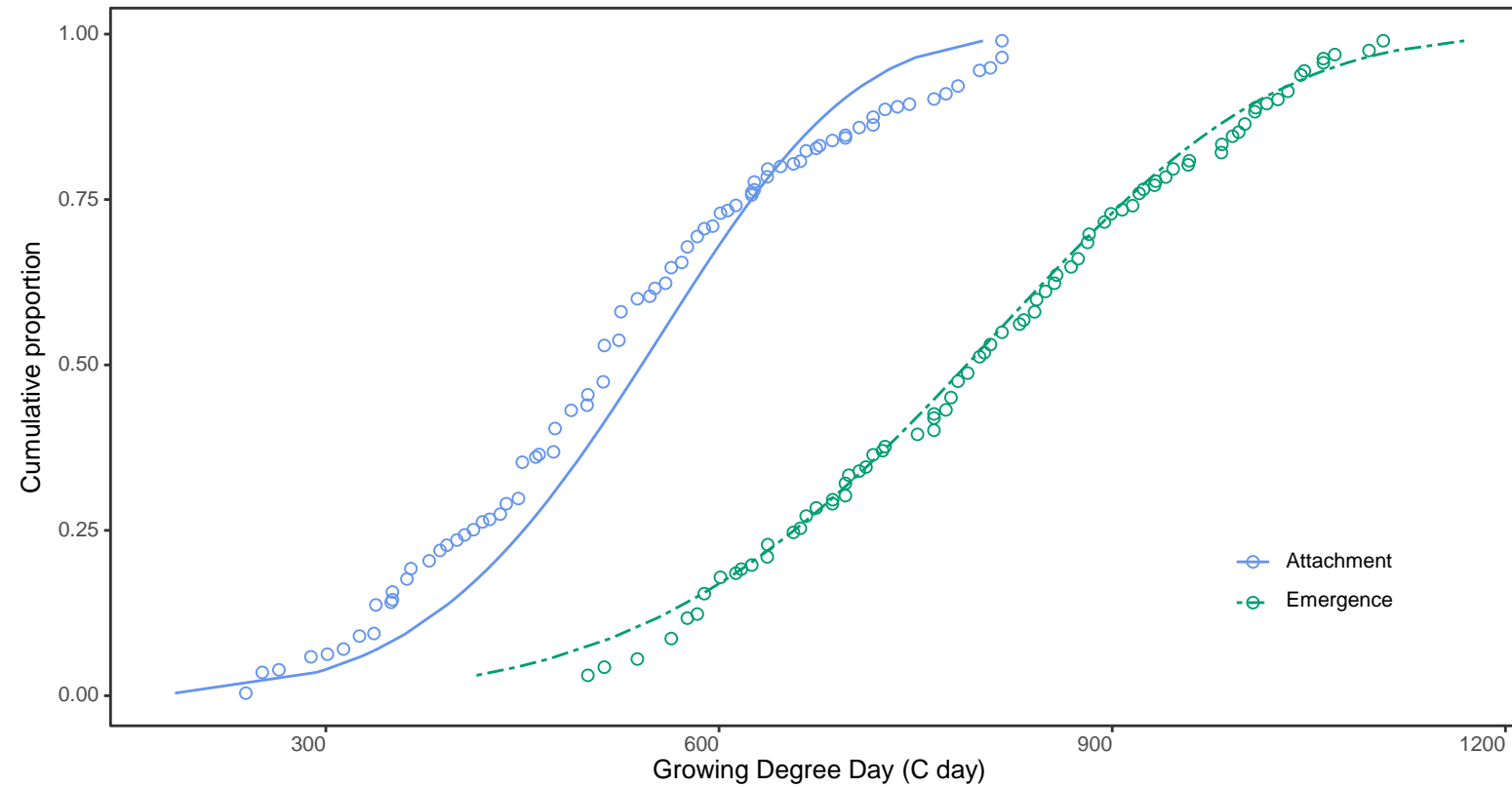
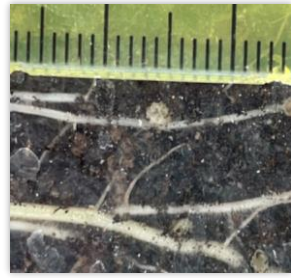


**Day 14**  
Third herbicide application

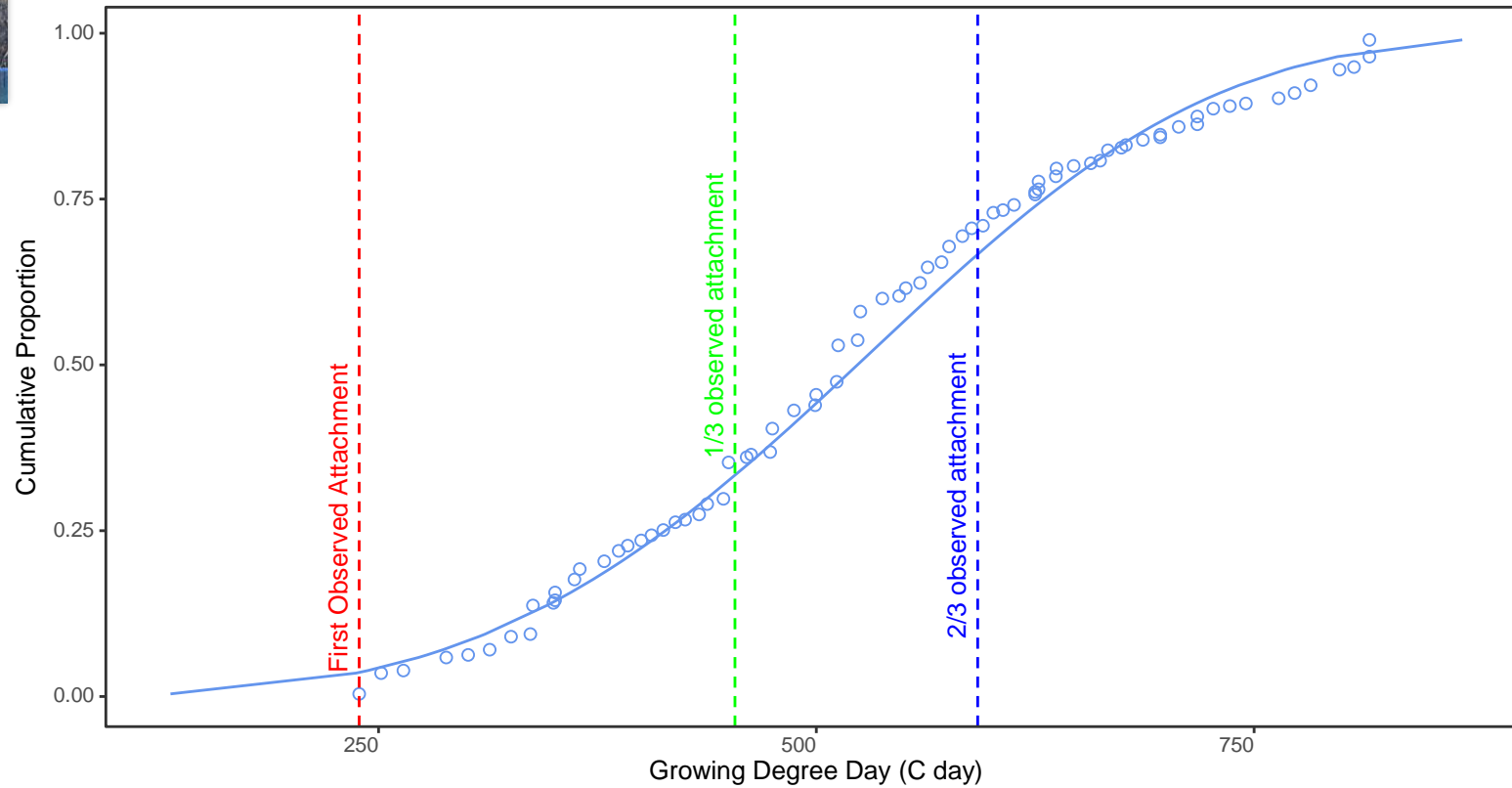
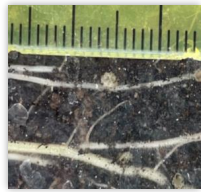


**Day 29**

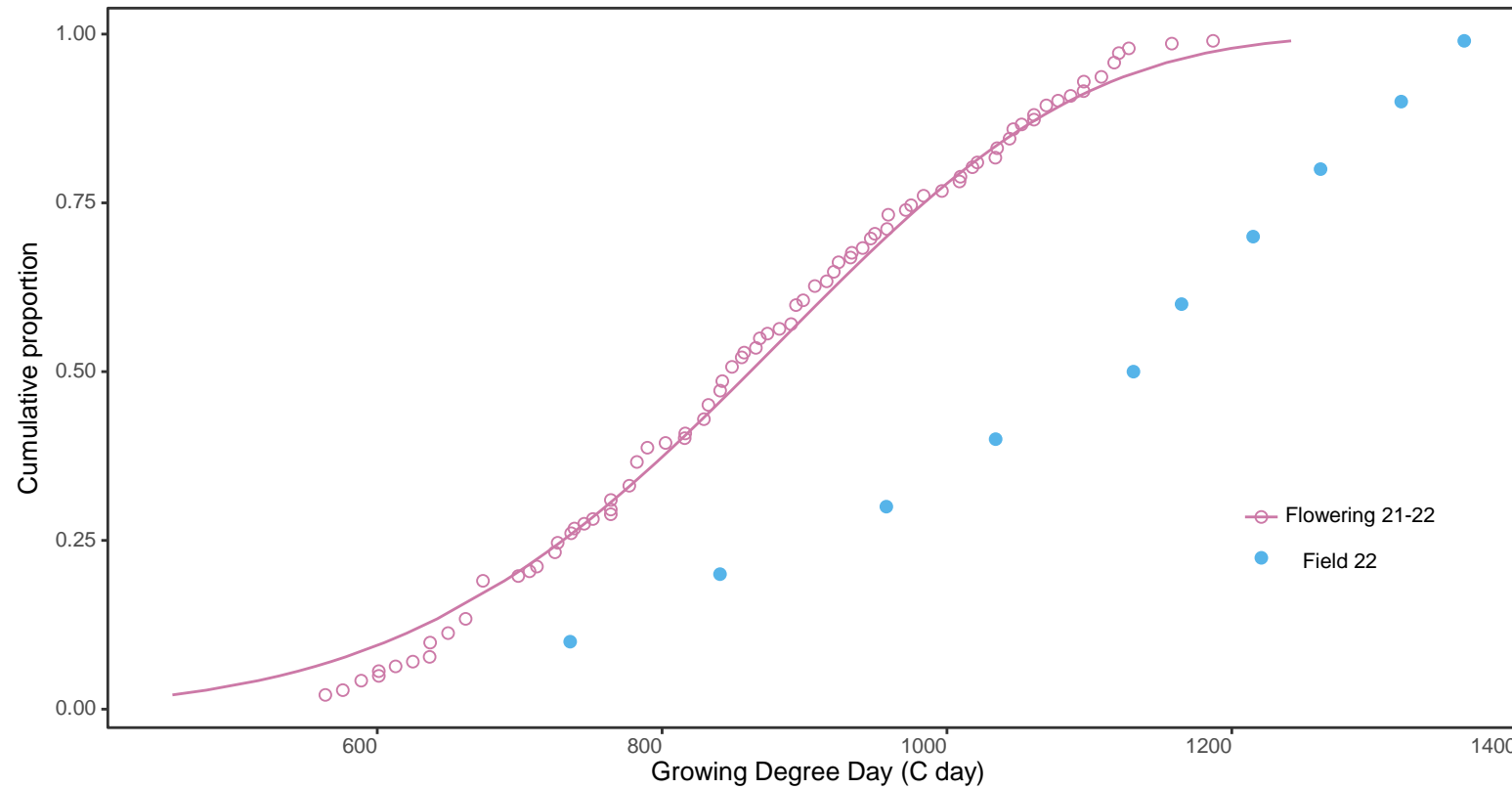




Branched broomrape attachment and emergence stages in a greenhouse experiment (data from 2021-22).



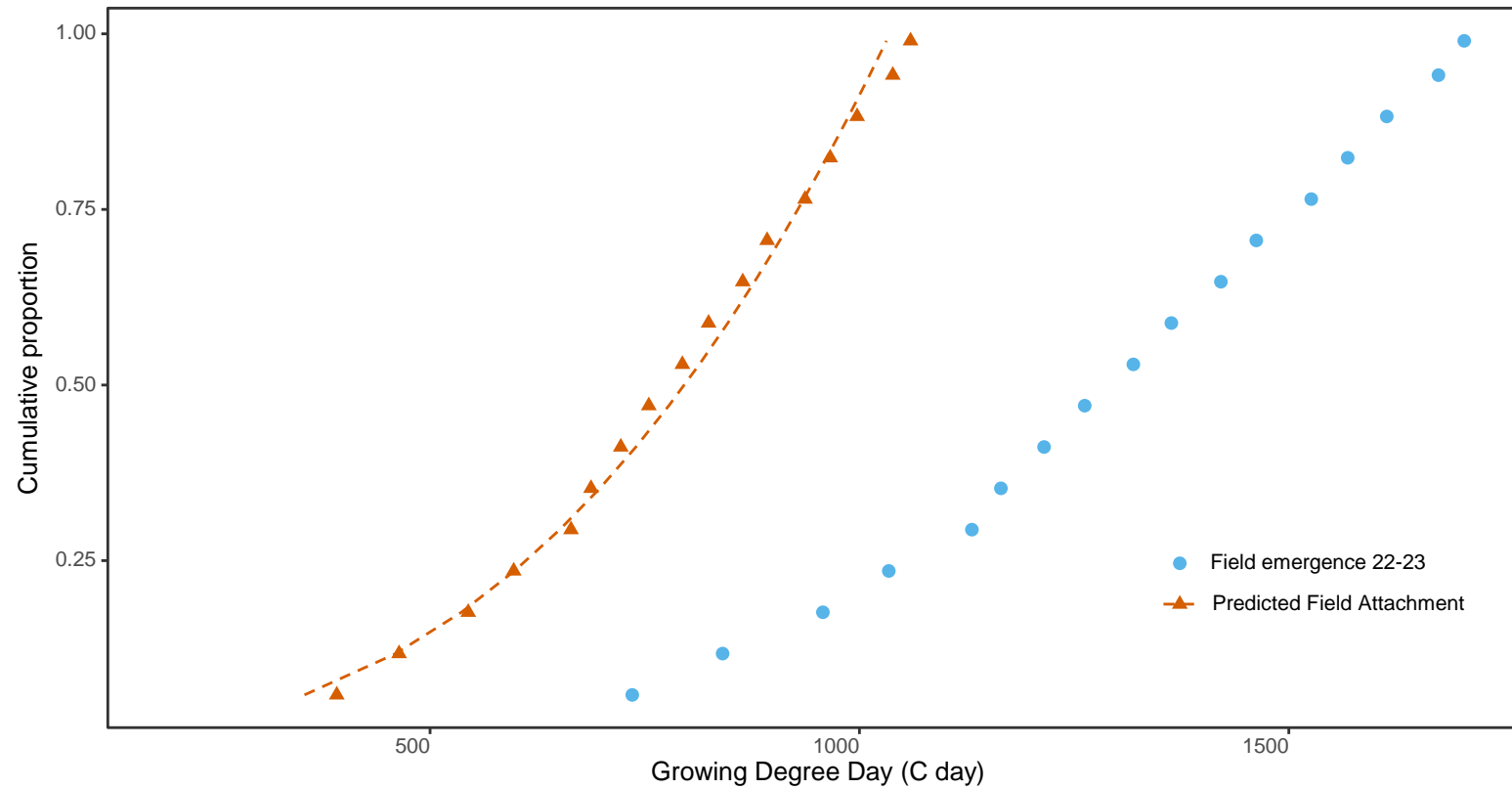
Branched broomrape attachment (>2mm) stage at greenhouse experiment



Branched broomrape early flowering stage in the greenhouse and observation in a field trial (data from 22).

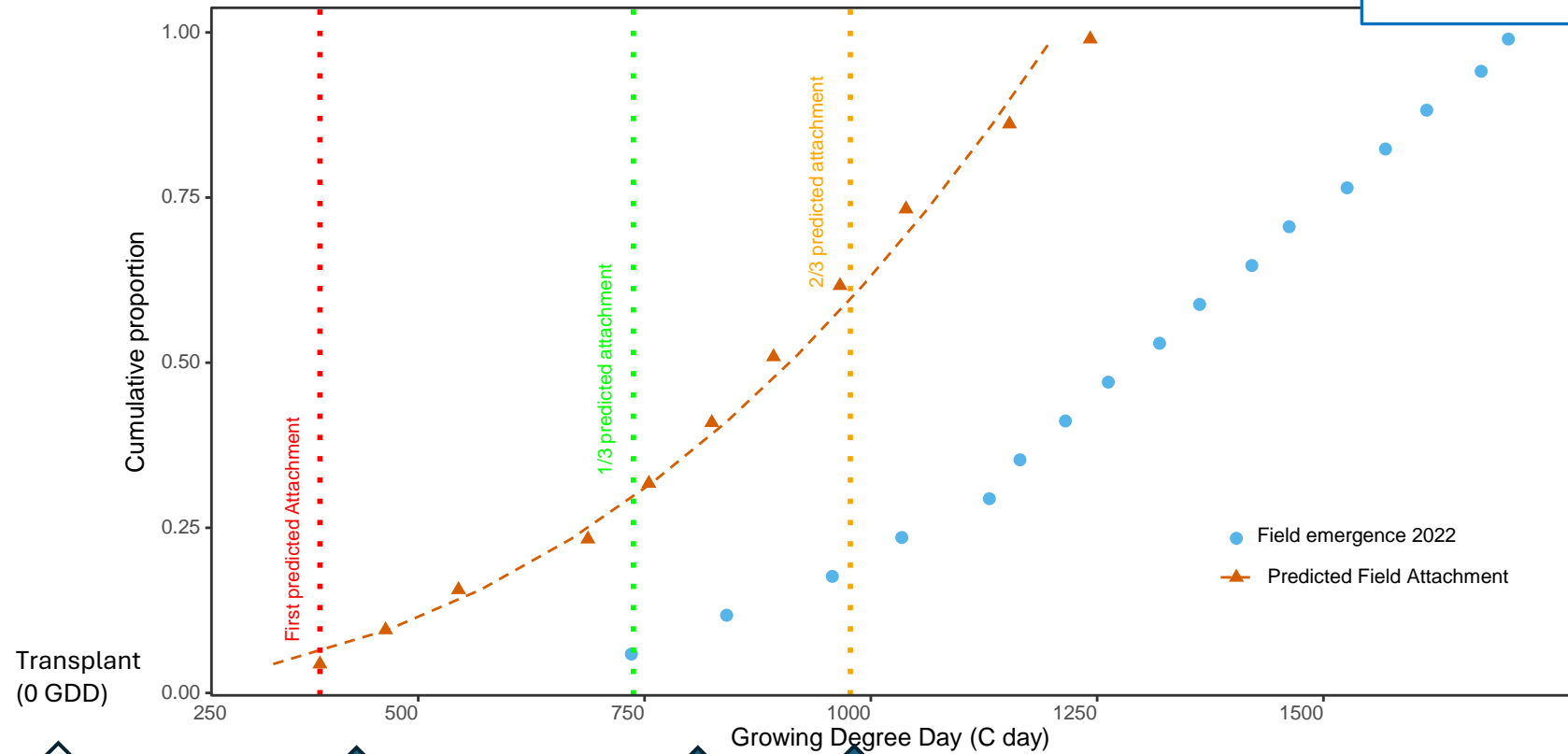
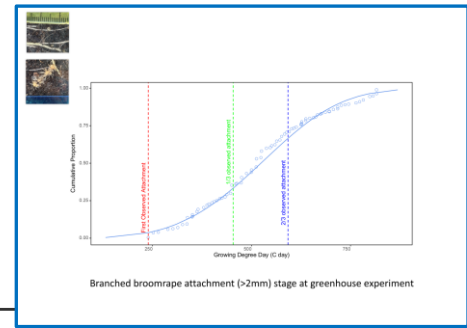
**Notes:**

- detection-related lag in field vs GH
- GH plugs inoculated w/ seed
- field includes ALL treatments



Branched broomrape emergence at field (data from 22-23) and predicted attachments (calculated based on GH relationship).

Branched broomrape emergence in field (data from 2022)  
and predicted attachments (calculated based on GH relationship).



Blue = Apr 1, 2024 transplant  
30/50/70 DATP chem

Red = May 1, 2024 transplant  
30/50/70 DATP chem

Purple = start treatments earlier and  
adjust interval based on GDD

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