

# Weed control considerations in vineyards

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# Integrated Weed Management

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- Using all available strategies to manage weed populations in a manner that is economically and environmentally sound.
  - cultural
  - mechanical
  - chemical



# Goals of IWM

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- ◎ Both short- and long-term goals
  - Prevent or reduce weed spread
  - Delay and/or suppress weed growth
  - Prevent or suppress weed seed production
  - Reduction of weed seed bank in soil



# Developing an IWM

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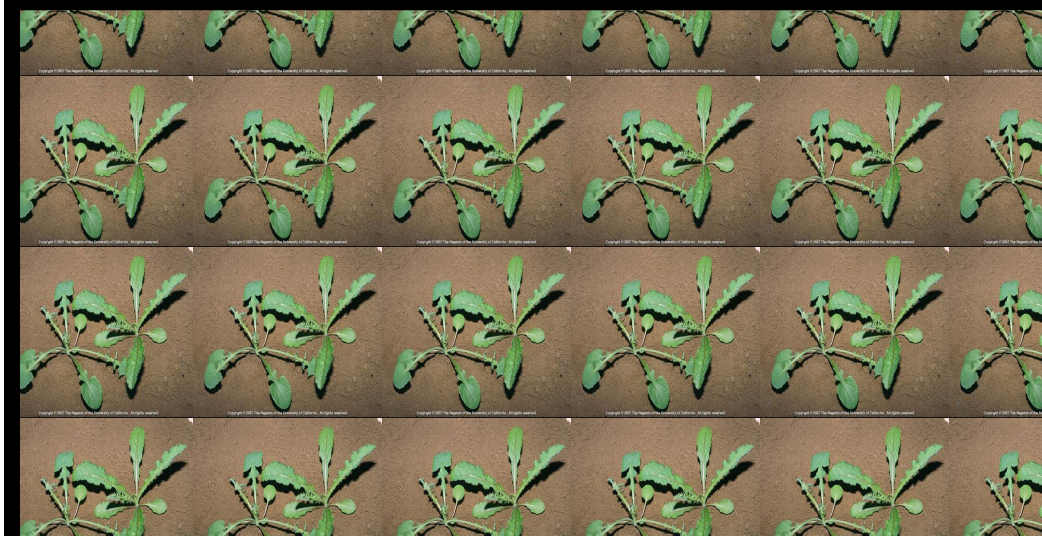
- Understand the problem
  - Identity and biology
- Understand the ecosystem
  - Crop biology
  - Management cost/benefit, tolerance to weeds
- Evaluate management options
  - Cultural
  - Mechanical
  - Chemical
- Refine IWM as needed (keep records)

# Understand the problem

- The first step in understanding any problem is to correctly identify it



Dandelion C065-03



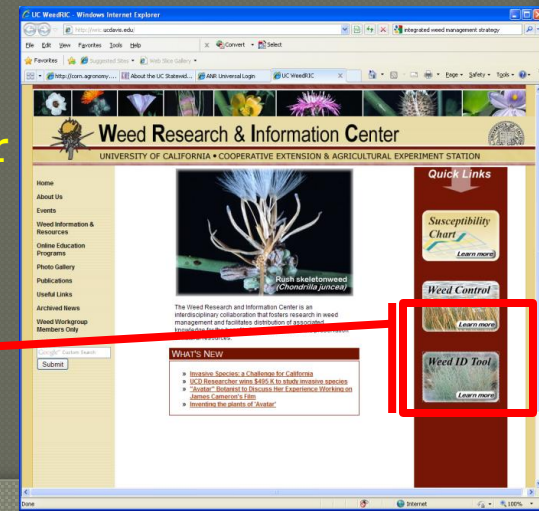
C062-10  
Spiny and annual sowthistle

# Weed identification

- Unknown weeds cannot be properly managed
  - No technique controls all weed species
  - Not all weeds cause equal damage (thresholds)
  - Species respond differently to control strategies
    - Even variants within a species (ie. herbicide resistant biotypes)

Weed Research and Info Center  
<http://wric.ucdavis.edu>

Online weed ID tool



# Complex populations

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- Rarely just one weed species present
  - Annual vs perennial vs biennial
  - Grass vs sedges vs broadleaf
- Time of emergence
  - Fall vs spring emergence vs year-round
- Reproductive strategy
  - Seed vs vegetative



# Weedy characteristics

*after Baker, 1965*

- Plants that are unusually persistent or pernicious often have:
  - Abundant seed production
    - Also produce seed under adverse conditions
  - Rapid growth and population establishment
  - Seed dormancy
    - Long-term survival of buried seeds
  - Self- and cross-pollinated
  - Adaptations for spread
  - Vegetative reproductive structures
  - Capacity to occupy disturbed sites



# Definition of a “difficult” weed

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- “Weeds” are the ones your neighbor has
- “Difficult weeds” are the ones you have!
- In reality, difficult weeds are species that withstand, tolerate, or are resistant to the control measures used in a particular system and have an economic impact
  - Varies according to the crop, crop stage, control options, economic situation, etc
  - Example:
    - In SJV, raisin grapes have more “problem” weeds than wine grapes or almonds. Why? Economics.

# Difficult weeds in vineyards

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- Vineyard managers have a moderate number of choices for weed control chemicals
- A few chemicals are VERY important
  - Driven by economics and “sustainability”
- This has led to the situation where many of the difficult weeds are herbicide-resistant biotypes or populations have shifted to tolerant species

# Resistance definitions

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- **Herbicide tolerance**: the inherent ability of a species to survive and reproduce after herbicide treatment; implies no selection or genetic manipulation to make the plant tolerant
  - “We’ve never gotten dependable control of this weed with this herbicide...”
- **Herbicide resistance**: the inherited ability of a plant to survive and reproduce following exposure to a dose of herbicide normally lethal to the wild type
  - “We used to be able to control this weed with this treatment but it doesn’t work as well anymore...”

# Current state of HRW

## World wide

- 114 dicots and 80 monocots
- 19 herbicide families

## USA

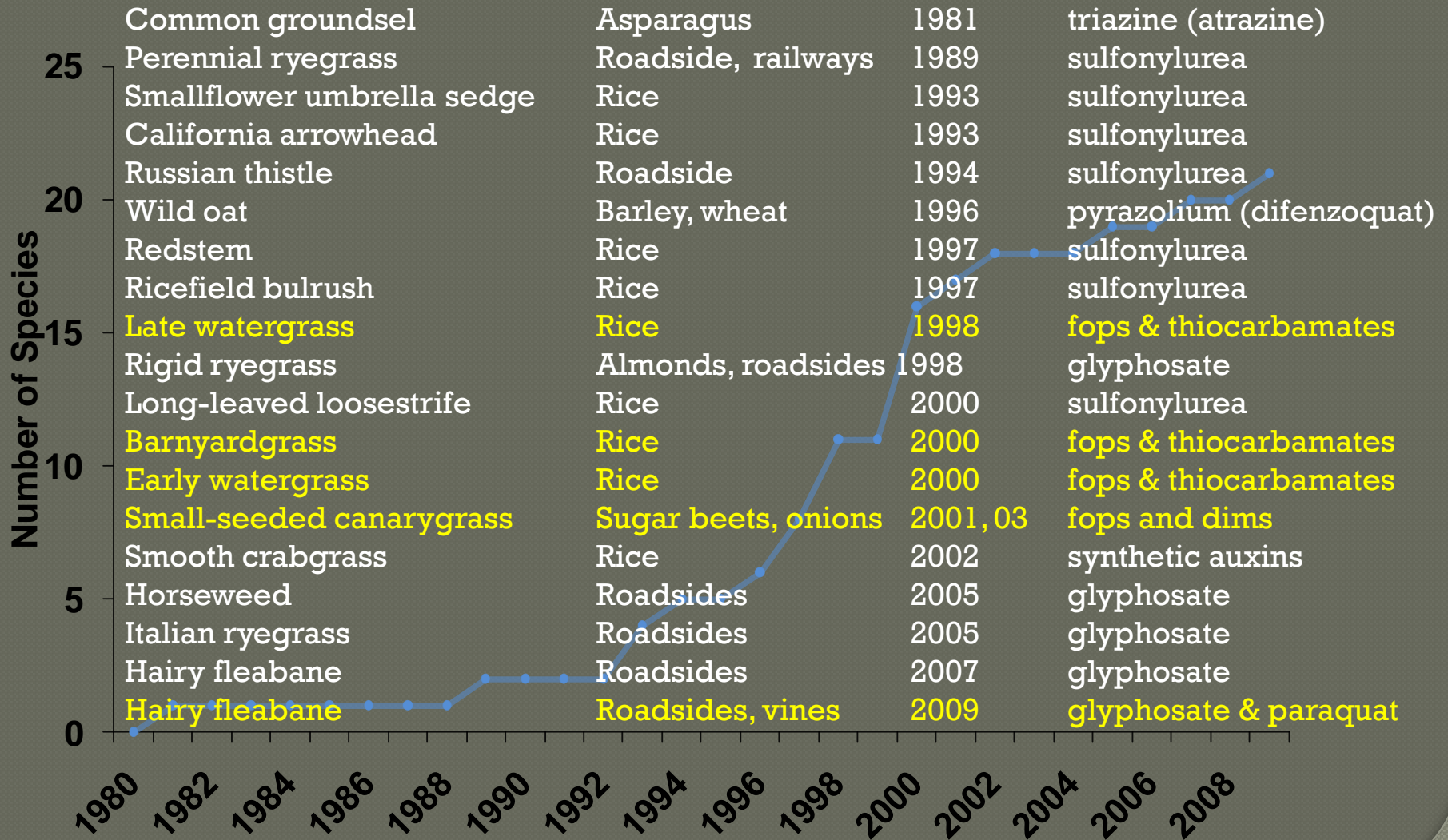
- 76 dicots and 52 monocots
- 15 herbicide families

## California

- 7 dicots and 14 monocots
- 7 herbicide families



# HRW in California



# Factors affecting selection of herbicide-resistant weeds

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- Agronomic production practices
- Weed biology
- Herbicide properties



# Agronomic factors

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- Crop rotation
- Tillage
- Crop competitiveness
- Herbicide rotation (different modes of action)
  - Changes selection pressure

# HRW in field crops

	~# resistant biotypes
○ Cereals	60
○ Corn	52
○ Rice	28
○ Soybean	24
○ Canola	11
○ Cotton	5
○ Sugarbeet	4

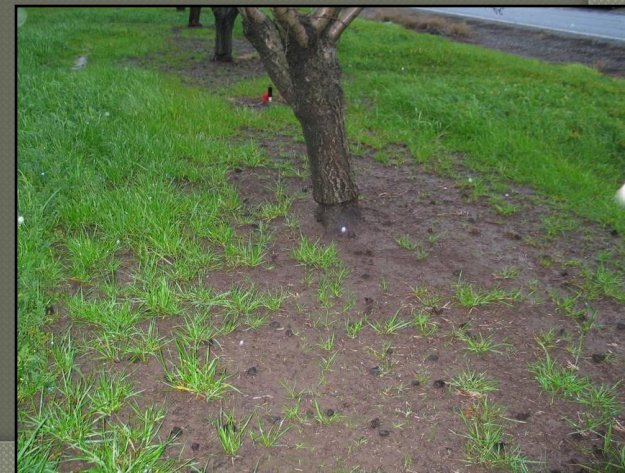


Group 1 resistant wild oat treated with Fusilade



# HRW in Other Crops

	~# resistant biotypes
○	
○ Vegetables	16
○ Orchard	37
○ Pasture	23
○ Forestry	8
○ Other perennial	8
○ Non-crop	35



# Weed characteristics

- Annual growth habit
- High seed production
- Little seed dormancy
- Seed longevity in soil
- Original frequency of R trait in population
- Multiple generations per year
- Gene flow (pollen and seed)
- Fitness of R v. S biotype
- Highly susceptible to the herbicide



# Propensity of a species to develop resistance

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## Some species are more prone to develop herbicide resistance

- 28 spp. with resistance to 2 MOA
- 10 to 3 MOA
- 3 to 4 MOA
- 1 to 5 MOA
- 3 to 6 MOA
- 1 to 8 MOA
  - one rigid ryegrass biotype has resistance to 8 MOA!



# Worst HRW worldwide - based on # infested sites

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- Rigid ryegrass
- Wild oat
- Redroot pigweed
- Common lambsquarters
- Green foxtail
- Barnyardgrass
- Goosegrass
- Kochia
- Horseweed
- Smooth pigweed
- **Think:**
  - Annual growth habit
  - High seed production
  - Little seed dormancy
  - Seed longevity in soil
  - Gene flow
  - Highly susceptible to herbicide

# Herbicide characteristics

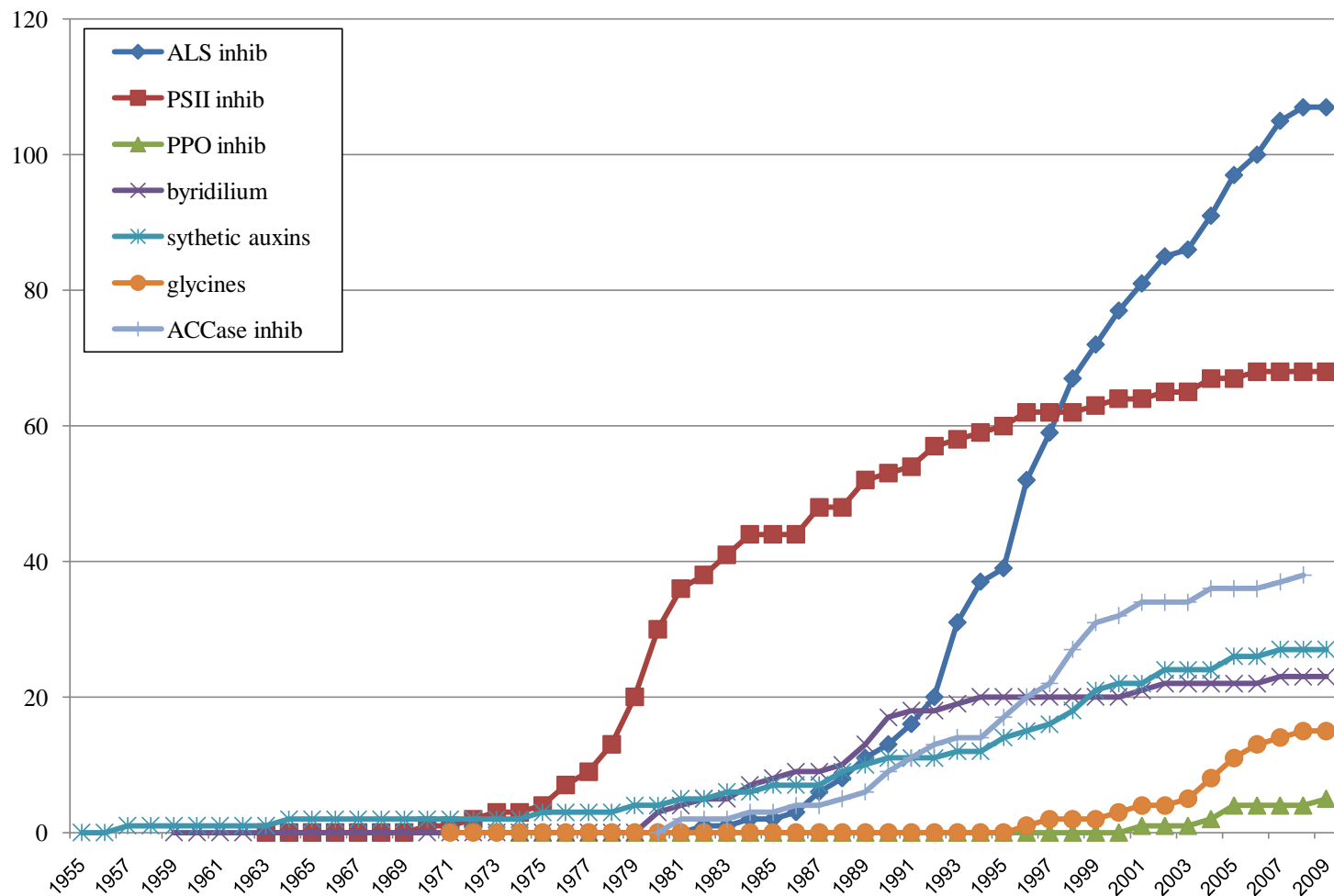
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- ◉ Single site of action
- ◉ High efficacy
  - selection pressure
- ◉ High use rate (relative to amount needed)
- ◉ Long soil residual activity
- ◉ High frequency of use (yearly or multiple applications per year)

## Think:

- Sulfonylurea in wheat/rice
- Triazines in field and hort crops
- ACCase inhibitors in cereals
- Paraquat and glyphosate in orchards

# World-wide resistance by MOA



# What's next?

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- What are we “selecting” with our weed management strategies?
  - Common weeds – prone to resistance
  - Important herbicides use and reliance trends
  - Agronomic actions
    - Perennial crops, specialty crops, reduced tillage

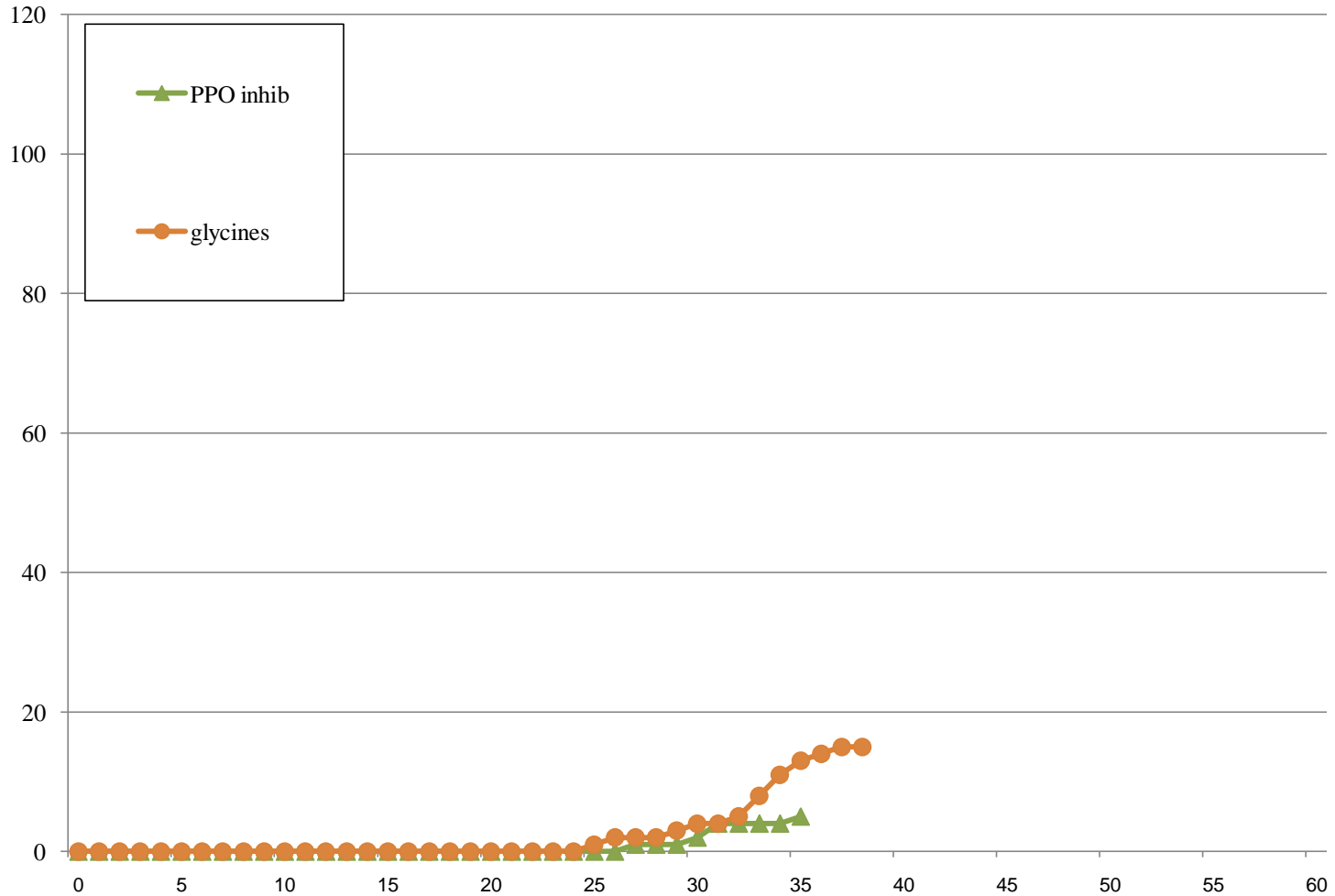
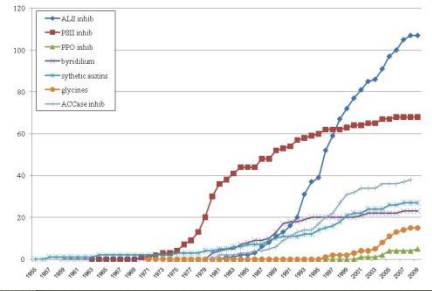


# Worst HRW worldwide (# sites)

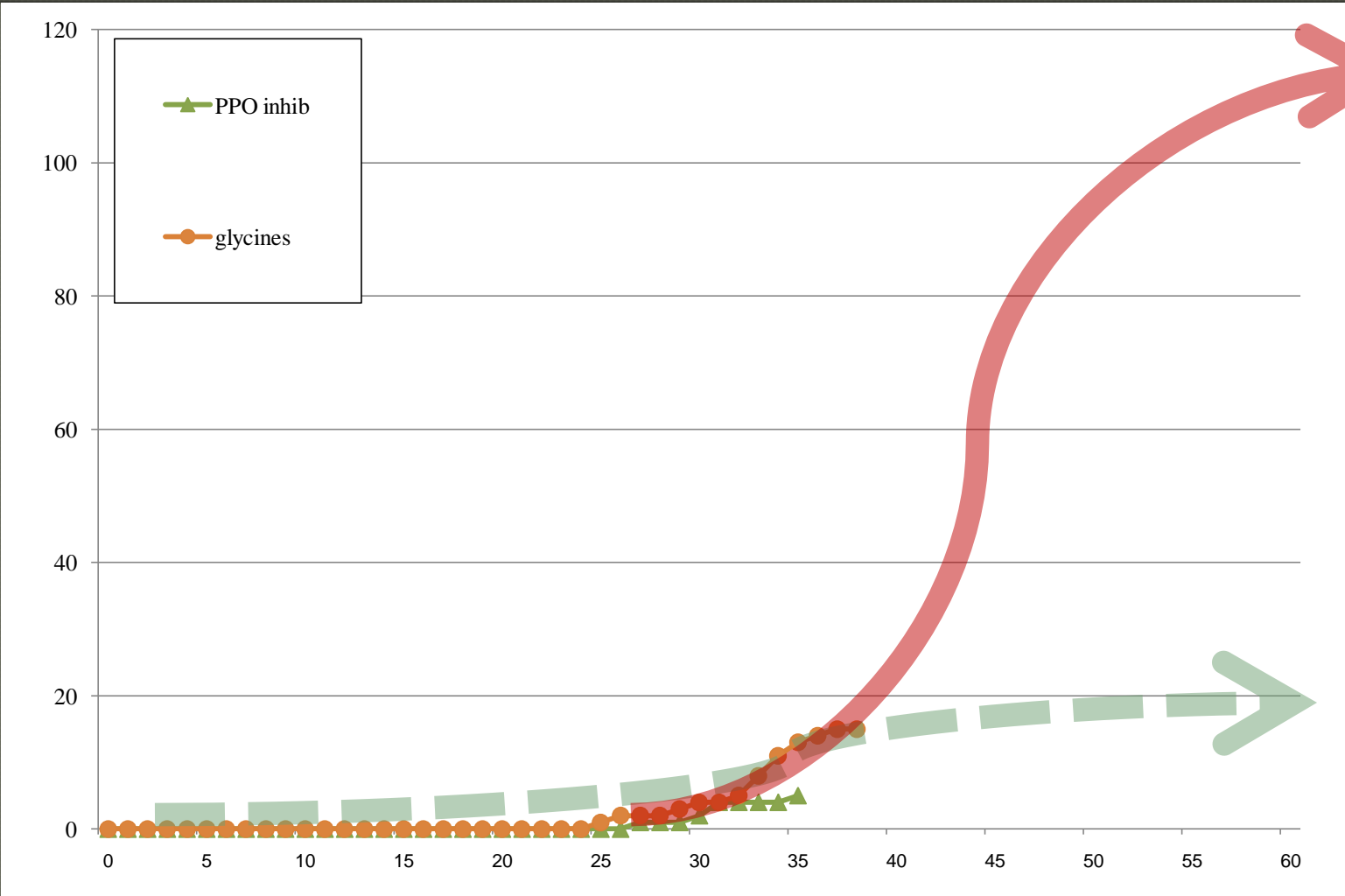
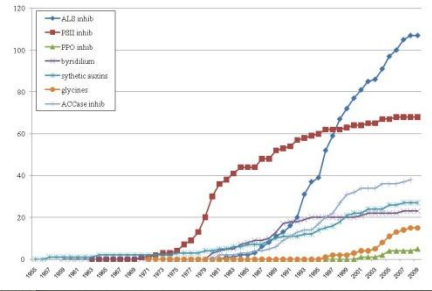
	Present in CA	Resistance outside CA	Resistance reported in CA
Rigid ryegrass	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	8 modes of action	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> glyphosate
Wild oat	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	6 MOA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> difenzoquat
Redroot pigweed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3 MOA	
Common lambsquarters	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4 MOA	
Green foxtail	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4 MOA	
Barnyardgrass	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	7 MOA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCase, thiocarbamates
Goosegrass	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4 MOA	
Kochia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3 MOA	
Horseweed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5 MOA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> glyphosate, paraquat
Smooth pigweed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2 MOA	



# Resistance trends



# The future?



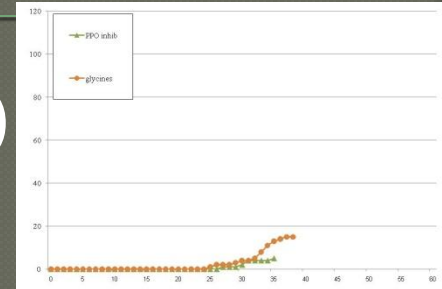
# Reported glyphosate resistance

	Resistance USA	Resistance CA
<i>Amaranthus palmeri</i> , <i>A. rudis</i> )	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<i>Ambrosia artemisifolia</i> , <i>A. trifida</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<i>Conyza bonariensis</i> , <i>C. canadensis</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Digitaria insularis</i>		
<i>Echinochloa colona</i>		
<i>Eleusine indica</i>		
<i>Euphorbia heterophylla</i>		
<i>Lolium multiflorum</i> , <i>L. rigidum</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Parthenium hysterophorus</i>		
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>		
<i>Sorghum halapense</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<i>Urochloa panicoides</i>		

# Changes in glyphosate use

- Adoption of RR crops (early 90's)

- Corn, soybean, cotton, canola, alfalfa
- Sugarbeet, wheat, bentgrass



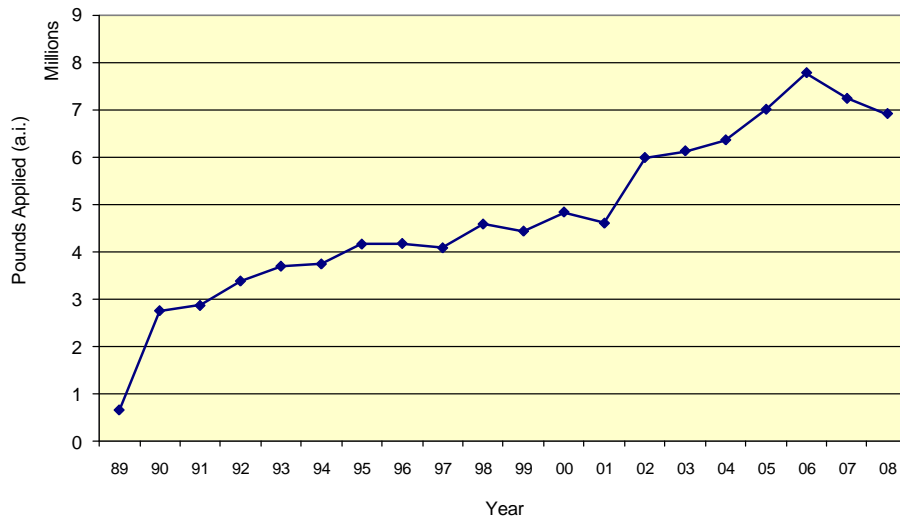
- Increasing dependence on glyphosate in CA

- RoundUp off patent in 2000 – price decrease
- GWPA
- Growers switching to POST weed management
  - 81% stonefruit acres in 2002; 110% in 2007
  - 116% tree nut acres in 2002; 144% in 2007

# Selection for resistance

- Repeated use can select for resistant biotypes
  - Any herbicide or other weed management tool

Glyphosate Use in CA (1989 - 2008)



~41% of all herbicides in CA (lbs ai) are glyphosate!

# Rigid and Italian ryegrass

- Often co-exist (swarm)
- Annual grass
- Obligate outcrossers
- Throughout CA but more common weed in northern Central Valley
- 2 to 15-fold resistance
- Usually target site mutation



# Italian ryegrass

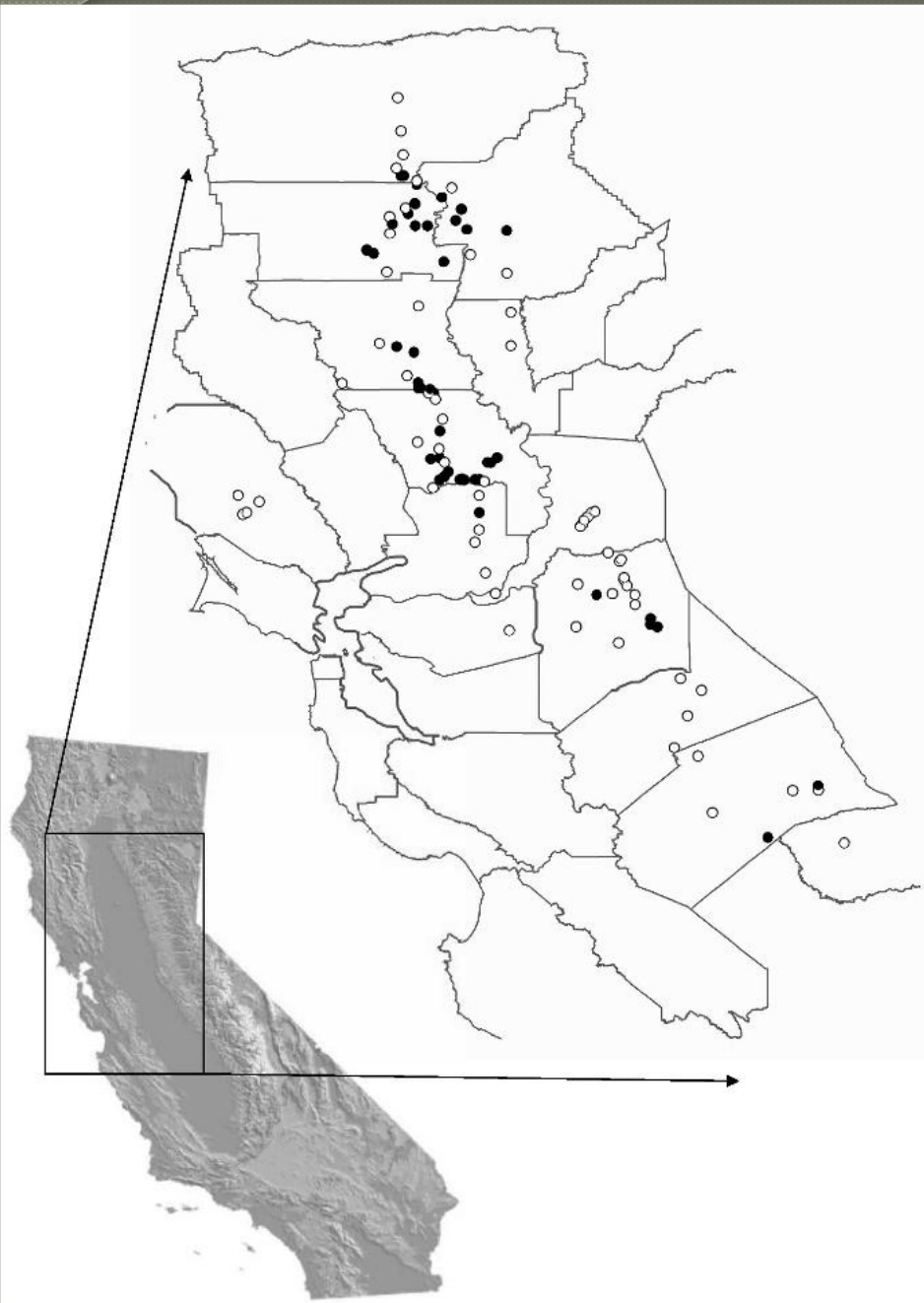


Figure 1. Map of California showing the geographical distribution of Italian ryegrass populations sampled for this study. Closed circles indicate populations with more than 20% seedlings surviving treatment with glyphosate t 866 g ae / ha; open circles indicate populations with 5% (two populations) or no surviving seedlings. Forty seedlings from each population were tested for glyphosate response.

From Jasieniuk et al. 2008.  
Weed Sci 56:496-502

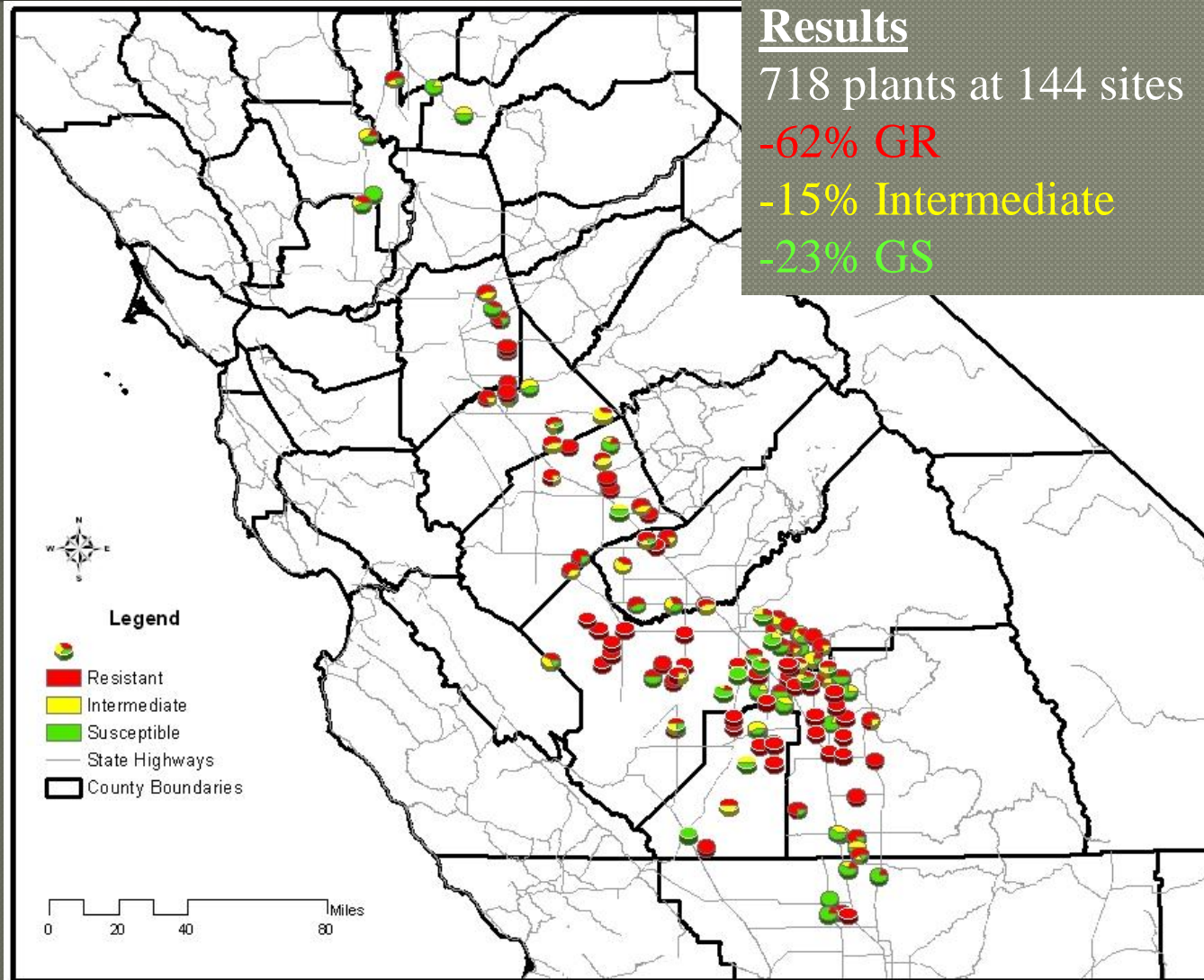
# Horseweed

- AKA mare's tail
- Annual weed
- Prolific seed producer
- Wind-blown seed
- Early colonizer
- Doesn't tolerate disturbance
- 6-fold resistance (whole plant)
- 4-8 fold resistance (in vivo)
- Mechanism not known.  
Suspected translocation  
mutation





# Horseweed survey – 2006-07

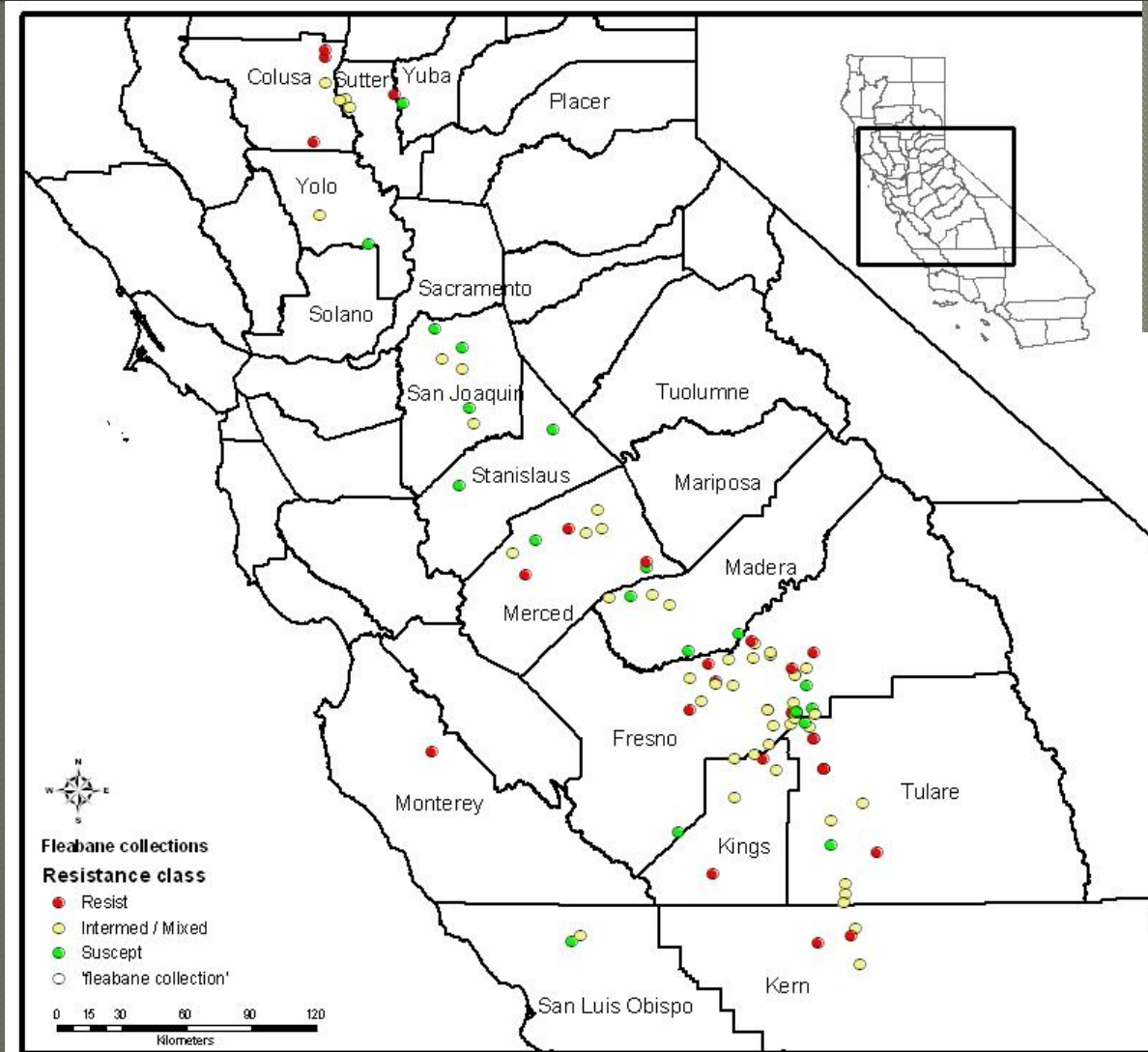


# Hairy fleabane

- AKA flaxleaf fleabane
- Annual weed
- Wind-blown seed
- Early colonizer
- Doesn't tolerate disturbance
- 3 to 10-fold resistance (whole plant screening)
- ~ 4-fold resistance in vivo
- Mechanism not known



# Hairy fleabane survey - 2009



## Prelim Results

75 populations

-27% GR

-52% Mixed

-21% GS

# Weeds of GR concern in CA

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- Cooperative research project recently initiated
  - UCD, UCCE, CSUF
- Focus on screening, quantifying, and mapping, and identifying mechanisms of resistance in:
  - Junglerice (*Echinochloa colona*)
  - Barnyardgrass (*Echinochloa crus-galli*)
  - Common lambquarters (*Chenopodium album*)
  - Johnsongrass (*Sorghum halepense*)
  - Pigweeds (*Amaranthus* spp.)
    - 11 pigweed species with resistance, 7 different MOA

# Factors in herbicide choice

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- Availability and utility
- Toxicity and safety
- Cost

# Herbicides registered in grapes

Surflan	Casoron	Glyphosate	2,4-D
Chateau	Karmex	Gramoxone	Poast
Princep	Devrinol	Rely	Venue
Goal	<i>Gallery*</i>	Goal	<i>Prism*</i>
Solicam	Prowl	Shark	<i>Fusilade*</i>
Kerb	Matrix		

*\* Registered for non-bearing grapes only*

# 2010 tree and vine crops herbicide registration chart

Herbicide Registration on Horticultural Tree and Vine Crops—Oct. 2010

Herbicide-Common Name (example trade name)	Almond	Pecan	Pistachio	Walnut	Apple	Pear	Apricot	Cherry	nectarine	Peach	Plum / Prune	Avocado	Citrus	Date	Fig	Grape	Kiwi	Olive	Pomegranate	
	tree nut				- pome -			stonefruit												
<b>Preemergence*</b>																				
bromacil (Hyvar)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
dichlobenil (Casoron)	N	N	N	N	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
diuron (Karmex, Diuron)	N	R	N	R	R	R	N	N	N	R	N	N	R	N	N	R	N	R	N	N
EPIC (Eptam)	R	N	N	R	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	R	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
fluroxypyr (Chateau)	R	NB	R	NB	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	NB	NB	N	NB	R	N	NB	NB	NB
hoexaben (Gallery)	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	N	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB
napropamide (Devrinol)	R	R	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	R	R	R	N	N
norflurazon (Solicam)	R	R	N	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	N	N	R	N	N	N	N
oryzalin (Surflan, Farm Saver)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	N	R	R	R	R	R	R
oxyfluorfen (Goal, GoalTender)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	NB	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
pendimethalin (Prowl H2O)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	N	R	N	N	R	N	R	R	R
penoxetolol (Pinder GT)	R	R	R	R	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
pronamide (Kerb)	N	N	N	N	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	N	N	N	N	R	N	N	N	N
rimulfuron (Matrix, Matrix)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	N	R	N	N	R	N	N	N	N
simazine (Princep, Caliber 90)	R	R	N	R	R	R	R**	R	R	R	N	R	R	N	N	R	N	R	N	N
thiazopyr (Vibro)	NB	N	NB	NB	N	N	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	N	R**	N	N	NB	N	N	N	N
trifluralin (Treflan)	R	R	N	R	N	N	R	N	R	R	R	N	R	N	N	R	N	N	N	N
<b>Postemergence</b>																				
carfentrazone (Shark, Rage)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
diethiodin (Pharm)	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	N	R	N	N	NB	N	NB	N	N
clove oil (Mekadec)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
2,4-D (Clean-crop, Orchard Master)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	N	N	N	N	R	N	N	N	N
diquat (Diquat)	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB
flinnorene (GreenMatch)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	N	R	N	R	R	R	R	N	N
fluroxypyr-p-butyl (Furolole)	NB	R	NB	NB	NB	NB	R	R	R	R	R	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	N	NB	NB	NB
glyphosate (Roundup, Touchdown)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
glufosinate (Rely 280)	R	R	N	R	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	R	N	N	N	N
halosulfuron (Zandax)	N	R	R	R	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
paraquat (Gramoxone Inteon)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	N	R	R	R	R	R	N
pelargonic acid (Soythe)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	N
pyraflufen (Venus)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	N	N	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
sulfentrazone (Tresik, Kiwi)	R	N	R	R	R	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	R	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
sethoxydim (Poast)	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	NB	NB	R	NB	NB	R	N	NB	NB	NB

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Note: This is a general guide to perennial crop herbicide registrations in California. Labels change frequently and often contain special restrictions; therefore you should always consult a current label before applying any herbicide.

N = Not registered, NB = nonbearing, R = Registered

\* Several herbicides listed under preemergence also have some postemergence activity.

\*\* Simazine is registered on only sour cherry in CA. Thiazopyr is registered on orange and grapefruit only.

Weed susceptibility information can be found at the Weed Research and Information Center (<http://wric.ucdavis.edu/>)

# CA grape herbicide use

	<b>Top 10 active ingredients</b>	<b>2009 treated acreage</b>
1	glyphosate	203,808
2	glufosinate (Rely)	147,387
3	oxyfluorfen (Goal, Goaltender)	59,289
4	paraquat (Gramoxone Inteon)	49,012
5	pendimethalin (Prowl)	48,286
6	flumioxazin (Chateau)	44,232
7	2,4-D	24,736
8	oryzalin (Surflan, etc)	22,766
9	rimsulfuron (Matrix, Mana, etc)	21,267
10	trifluralin (Treflan, etc)	10,763

482,000 A wine grapes  
83,000 A table grapes  
221,000 A raisin grapes



# “Glyphosate only”

Applied twice per year

\$29 total/acre/pass	+ \$29	Total
		\$59

\$25 labor/acre/pass

\$2 fuel and lube/acre/pass

\$3 material cost/acre/pass

# “Contact only”

Rely Sprayed twice a year

		Total
\$38 total/acre/pass	+ \$38	\$76

\$25 labor/acre/pass

\$2 fuel and lube/acre/pass

\$11 material cost/acre/pass

# Glyphosate + Pre-emergent

+ Chateau (10oz) in winter, followed by  
glyphosate only late spring

\$45 total/acre/pass + \$29 = Total \$74

\$25 labor/acre/pass

\$2 fuel and lube/acre/pass

\$19 material cost/acre/pass

(\$3 glyphosate;\$16 Chateau, est.)

Glufosinate + Pre-emergent  
+ Chateau (10oz) in winter, followed by  
glufosinate (Rely) only late spring

\$54 total/acre/pass + \$38 = Total  
\$92

\$25 labor/acre/pass

\$2 fuel and lube/acre/pass

\$27 material cost/acre/pass

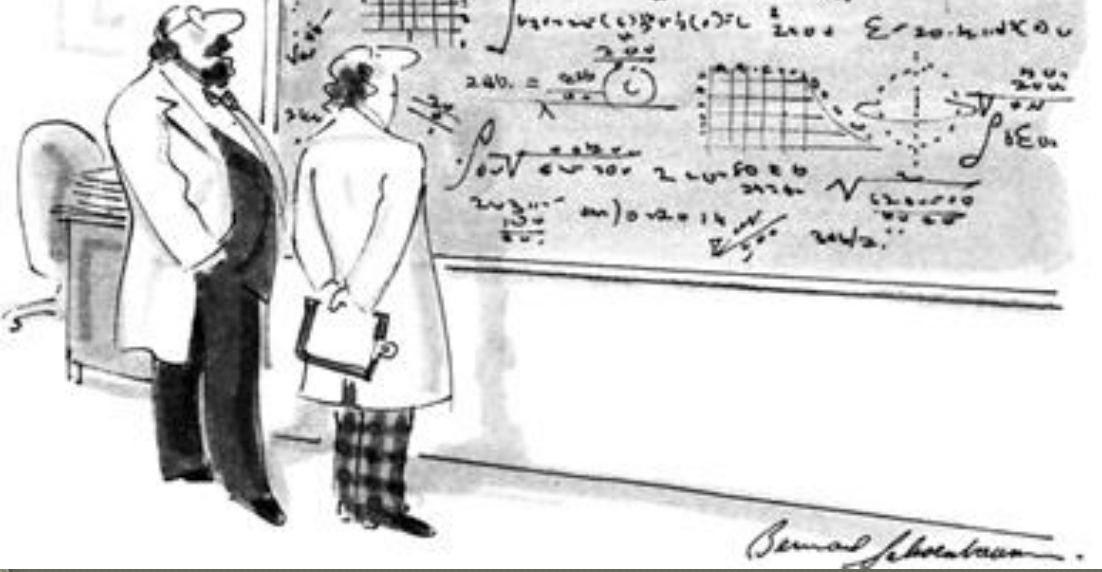
(\$11 glufosinate; \$16 Chateau, est.)

# Preserving glyphosate

- ◉ Need to diversify weed management to preserve glyphosate as a tool
  - Genetics? Probably not soon in tree/vine crops
  - New herbicides? A few new products coming in tree/vine markets
  - Use PRE products in addition to POST
  - Alternate or combine POST materials
  - Use full rates
  - Mechanical (tillage, mowing, mulches?)



## Weed Control in Vineyards



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“Wow – that IS pretty simple!”

UC Davis Statewide Integrated  
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<http://www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/>

UC Davis Weed Research  
and Information Center

<http://wric.ucdavis.edu/>

<http://ucanr.org/blogs/UCDWeedScience/>



Thanks

# Weed shifts

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- Glyphosate is BROAD spectrum but not COMPLETE spectrum
  - Some species not well controlled
    - Pigweeds, lambsquarters, morningglory, etc
- Dependence on glyphosate has resulted in many crops changing to a POST only program
  - Especially in RoundUp Ready crops
  - Also in tree and vine crops

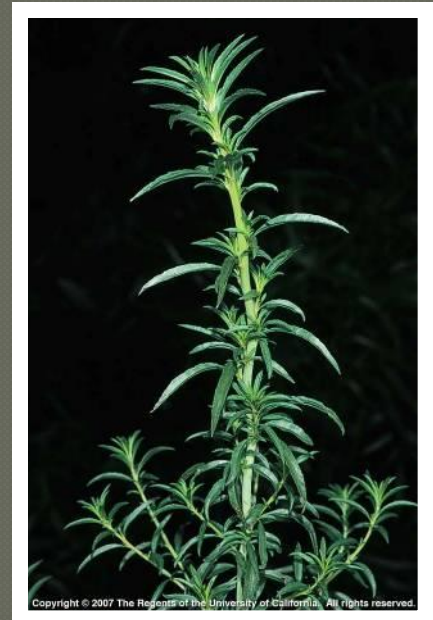


# Other “local” problem weeds

- Johnsongrass
- Bristly mallow
- Cutleaf evening primrose
- Witchgrass
- Sharp-point fluevellin
- Tall willowherb
- Others?

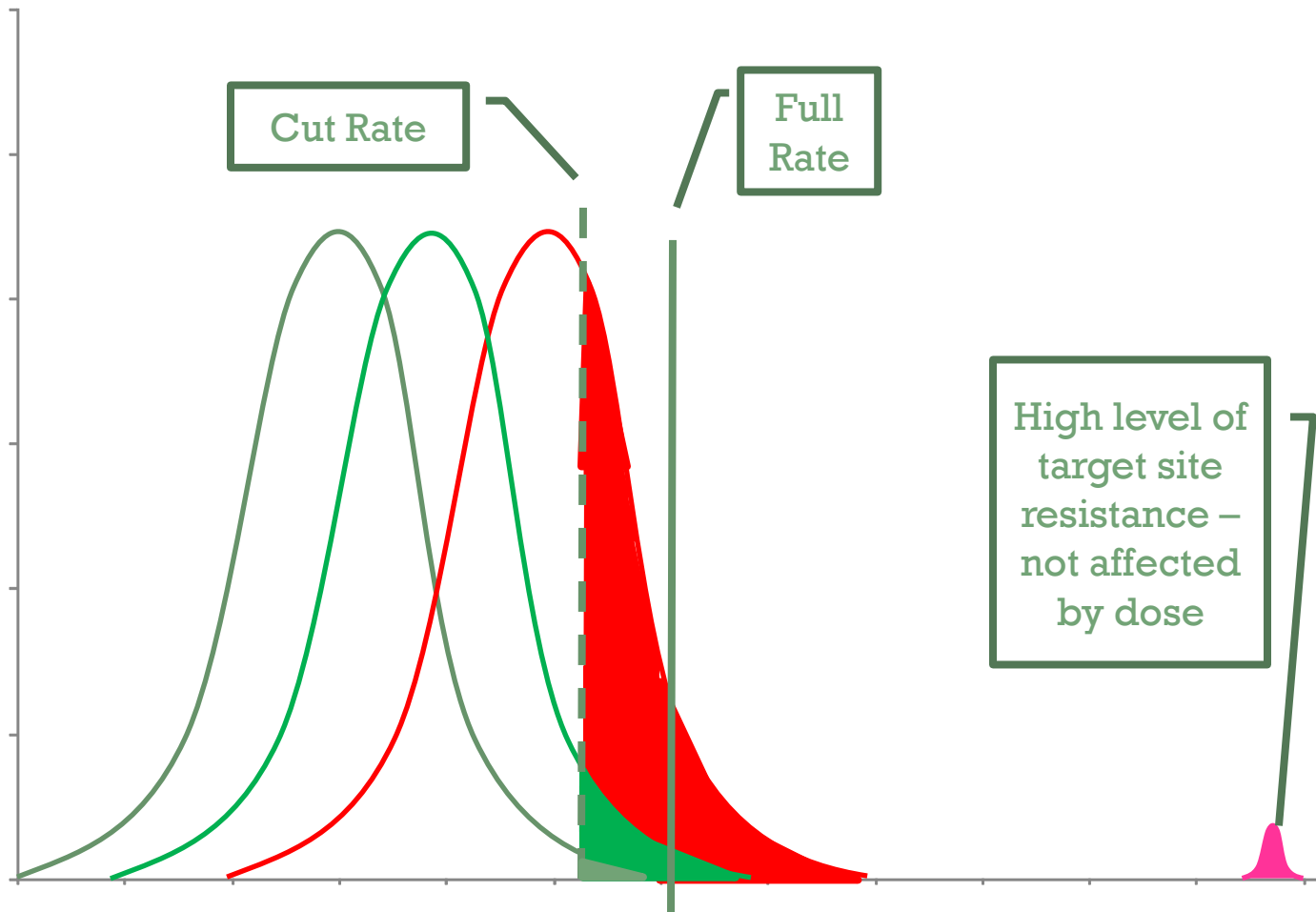


Bristly mallow



willowherb

# Creeping resistance



Lethal herbicide dose

# CA walnut herbicide use

	<b>Top 10 active ingredients</b>	<b>2009 treated acreage</b>
1	glyphosate	212,270
2	oxyfluorfen (Goal, Goaltender)	113,113
3	glufosinate (Rely)	46,773
4	paraquat (Gramoxone Inteon)	30,495
5	pendimethalin (Prowl)	24,329
6	2,4-D	23,351
7	simazine (Princep, etc)	23,243
8	carfentrazone (Shark)	17,708
9	diuron (Karmex, etc)	16,887
10	oryzalin (Surflan, etc)	16,862

223,000 A bearing walnut