



Update to Herbicide Resistant Chickweed in CA Forages

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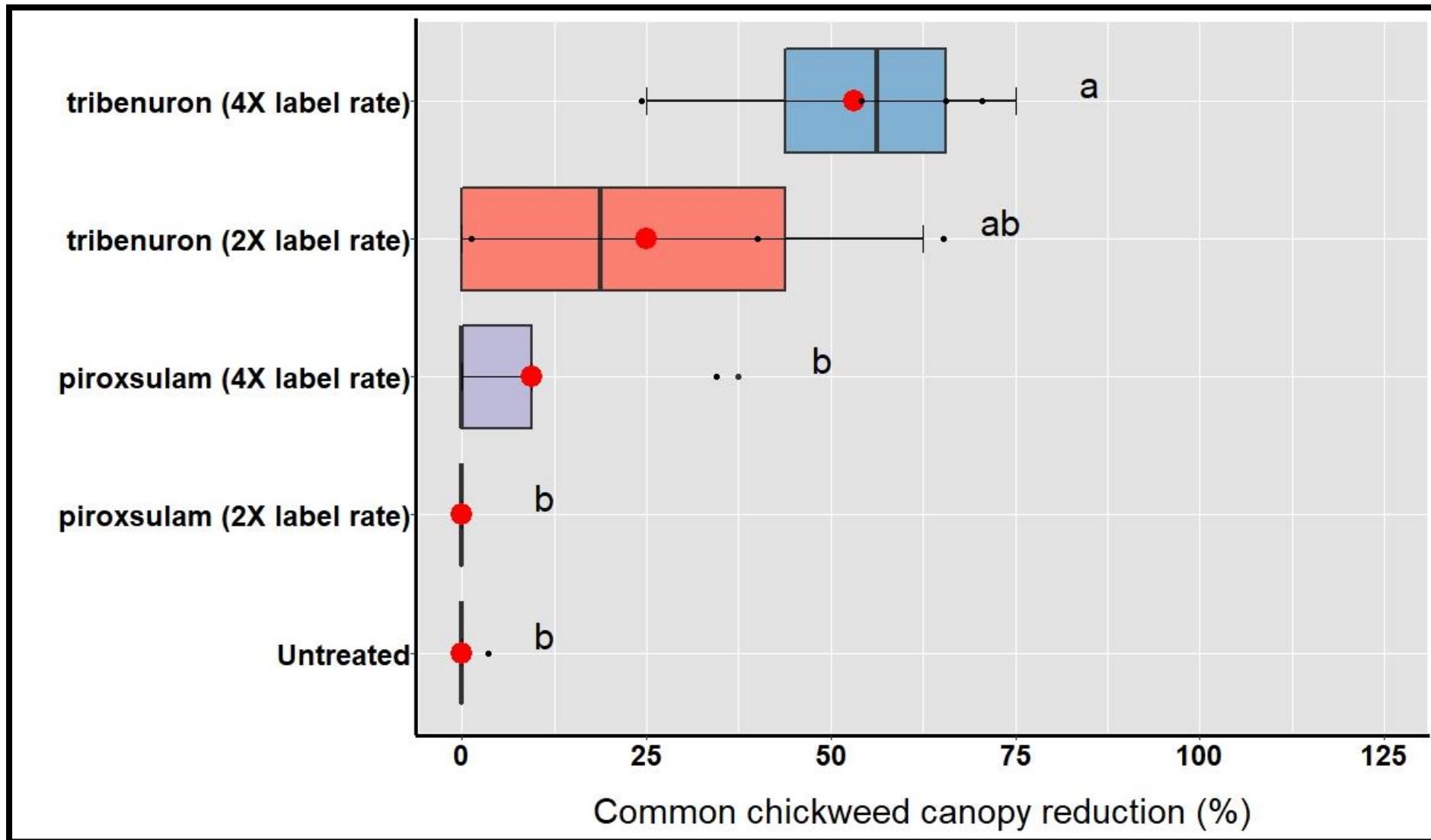
Early work to rule out herbicide resistance



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Effect of herbicides on chickweed in wheat









Chickweed herbicide resistance reports in N. America

Country Province/State	Year	Crops	Active Ingredients	Sites of Action	Authors
US-California	2022	Wheat, triticale	Mesofulfuron-methyl, pyroxsulam, tribenuron-methyl	ALS inhibitors	Clark & Shrestha
US-Kentucky	2013	Wheat	chlorsulfuron, flucarbazone, thifensulfuron, tribenuron	ALS inhibitors	James Martin
US-Delaware	2012	Wheat	thifensulfuron, tribenuron	ALS inhibitors	Mark Vangessel
US-Pennsylvania	2010	Alfalfa, Spring Barley, and Wheat	pyroxsulam, thifensulfuron, tribenuron	ALS inhibitors	William Curran
US-Maryland	2009	Wheat	chlorsulfuron, mesosulfuron, thifensulfuron, tribenuron	ALS inhibitors	Ronald Ritter & M. Vangessel
Canada-Manitoba	2008	Peas	thifensulfuron, tribenuron	ALS inhibitors	Hugh Beckie
US-Virginia	2008	Wheat	thifensulfuron	ALS inhibitors	Scott Hagood
Canada-Saskatchewan	2005	Spring Barley, and Wheat	thifensulfuron, tribenuron	ALS inhibitors	Hugh Beckie
Canada-Alberta	1988	Cereals and Wheat	chlorsulfuron, ethametsulfuron, imazamethabenz, metsulfuron, sulfometuron, thifensulfuron	ALS inhibitors	Malcom Devine & Linda Hall

Greenhouse evaluations, 3rd run

- Same seeds as first run
- Planted late February, '23
- Sprayed on 3/24/23 (2 true leaves, < 3" tall)
- Evaluated weekly until 4/21/23
- 5 reps



What's new?

- 2nd run of Osprey
- 1st run of ALS herbicides registered for CA alfalfa
 - Pursuit (Imazethapyr)
 - 1X rate = 3 fl oz/acre
 - Beyond Xtra (Imazamox)
 - Previously called “Raptor”
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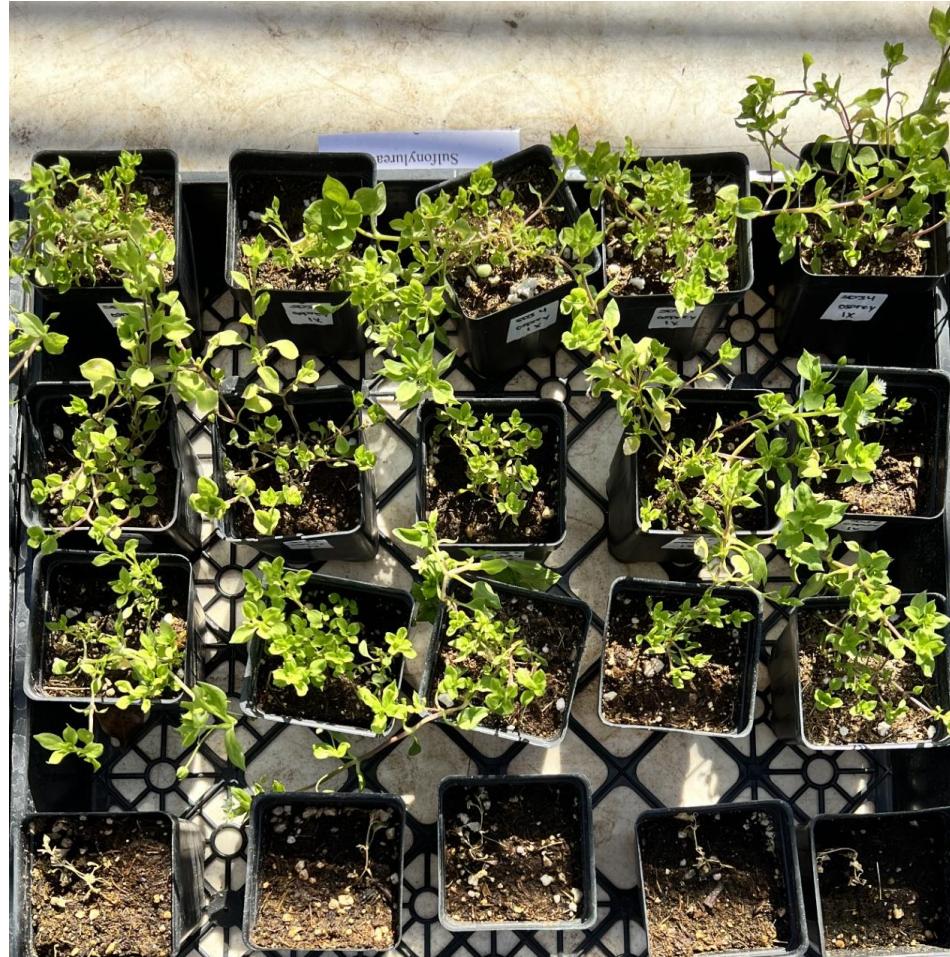
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AI's (WSSA/HRAC code) registered in CA for alfalfa with noted activity on chickweed – **Check the label**

Active Ingredients ordered by WSSA/HRAC code. Ten unique modes of action registered in alfalfa.

Halosulfuron (2)	Diuron (7)
Imazamox (2)	EPTC (8)
Imazethapyr (2)	K N-methyldithiocarbamate (8)
Benfluralin (3)	Glyphosate (9)
Pronamide (3)	Norflurazon (12)
Trifluralin (3)	Flumioxazin (14)
Pendimethalin (3)	Carfentrazone (14)
MCPA (4)	Saflufenacil (14)
Hexazinone (5)	Paraquat (22)
Metribuzin (5)	

Ongoing Work – Jennifer Valdez

- Small grain and alfalfa yield and forage quality w/poorly controlled chickweed
- Genetic basis of ALS resistance in chickweed populations
- Repetition of alfalfa ALS herbicide bioassays with chickweed
- Biological studies of chickweed
 - Shade tolerance
 - Salinity tolerance at germination



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