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### Introduction to Soybean Aphids

SOYBEAN, *Glycine max* (L.), grown in Iowa and most of the north-central region of the United States has historically used low amounts of insecticide. However, an invasive insect pest has threatened soybean production in Iowa, with the arrival of the soybean aphid (*Aphis glycines* Matsumura). The soybean aphid causes yield losses from direct plant feeding, and has been shown to transmit several plant viruses. In Iowa, soybean aphid colonize soybean fields beginning in June and has produced outbreaks in July and August capable of reducing yields by nearly 25% (Johnson 2006).

Over the last seven years we have added considerably to our knowledge and understanding of this new pest. We know that just the presence of the aphid is not enough to warrant the application of an insecticide; populations below 600 aphids per plant are typically needed before measurable yield loss will occur. Based on several years' worth of replicated field trials, we have developed a recommendation that incorporates an economic threshold of 250 aphids/plant (Ragsdale et al. 2007). We also know that natural enemies, like ladybeetles, can have a significant impact on aphid populations (Schmidt et al. 2007). In 2007, Iowa once again experienced damaging populations of soybean aphids. Yield reductions in excess of ten bushels per acre were experienced in university test plots in Iowa. The 2007 growing season has illustrated the need for continued research on soybean aphid management in Iowa.

### Materials and Methods

*Plots and treatments.* We established experiments at the Iowa State University Northeast research farm in Floyd County, Iowa. In total, we evaluated 32 products alone or in combination in 2007 (Table 1). The experiment included an untreated control and a "zero aphid" treatment in which a tank-mix of two foliar insecticides ( $\lambda$ -cyhalothrin, chlopyrifos) were applied every time aphids were detected. The combination of these two treatments allow for estimation of total yield loss due to soybean aphids. The treatments were arranged in a randomized complete block design with six replications, and soybeans (NK2251 RR) were planted in 30 inch rows using no-till production practices on 15 May.

*Estimation of soybean aphid populations and cumulative aphid days.* Soybean aphids were counted on consecutive plants at randomly selected locations within each plot. The number of plants counted ranged from 20 to 5. The number of plants counted was determined by the percentage of plants infested with aphids. When 0% to 80% of plants were infested with aphids, twenty plants were counted; when 81% to 99% of plants were infested, ten plants were counted; at 100% infestation, five plants were counted. All aphids (adults, nymphs and winged aphids) were counted on each plant. To estimate the total exposure of soybean plants to soybean aphids we calculated 'cumulative aphid days' based on the number of aphids per plant counted on each sampling date. The exposure of soybean plants to aphids between two sampling dates (the 'aphid days') is calculated with the following equation:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} = \left( \frac{x_{i-1} + x_i}{2} \right) \times t \quad \text{equation [1]}$$

where  $x$  is the mean number of aphids on sample day  $i$ ,  $x_{i-1}$  is the mean number of aphids on the previous sample day, and  $t$  is the number of days between samples  $i - 1$  and  $i$ . Summing aphid days accumulated during the growing season or cumulative aphid days provide a measure of the seasonal aphid exposure that a soybean plant experiences.

*Plant stand and herbivore damage.* Plant stands were taken at V2 in the seed treated treatments. The reported stand is the number of plants per 10 ft of row. At the same time plants showing herbivore damage due to chewing insects were counted and are reported as a percentage of plants in the stand count.

*Yield analysis.* Yields were determined by weighing grain with a grain hopper which rested on a digital scale sensor custom designed for each of the three harvesters. Yields were corrected to 13% moisture and reported as bushels per acre.

*Statistical analysis.* One way analysis of variance (ANOVA) was used to determine treatment effects within each experiment. The impact of treatments applied within each experiment on accumulation of aphid days was determined using log-transformed data to meet the assumptions of ANOVA. Means separation for all studies was achieved using a least significant difference test ( $P \leq 0.05$ ). Treatment impacts on yield were determined using untransformed data. All statistical analysis was performed using SAS<sup>®</sup> software (SAS 2001).

## Results

During the 2007 growing season aphid populations peaked on 13 August at 915 aphids per plant at this research farm. Foliar insecticides were applied on 28 July and aphid populations averaged 240 aphids per plant 3 days prior to insecticide application. Table 2 shows mean aphid populations prior, 3, 10, 16, and 20 days after insecticide application. In general, all the insecticides applied reduced the exposure of plants to aphids compared to the untreated control, with the greatest reduction observed when a foliar insecticide was used. Note that the aphid free control did not reduce the exposure anymore than a single foliar application of any of the products tested (Table 3). This lack of a significant difference occurred despite applying insecticides on four different occasions starting a month before the single application at ~250 aphids per plant.

We observed the lowest yields when soybeans were left untreated (Table 4, Fig.1). The foliar applied insecticides we tested provided similar levels of soybean aphid control and yield protection (Fig. 1). Overall a single application of a foliar insecticide provided as much yield protection as four applications applied from 15 June to 13 August. The seed treatments we tested provided a lower level of soybean aphid control and lower yields as compared to all foliar applied insecticides (Fig. 2). Additionally, plant stands and % herbivore damage appeared to be unaffected by the addition of seed treatments, however late-spring storms at the location made it difficult to separate leaf damage and stand loss associated with herbivore damage and storm damage (Table 5).

### Discussion

Although 2007 was the highest aphid population that we have experienced since beginning our insecticide evaluation program, the trends observed in this year's data are consistent with our past results. Again we observed little difference in performance amongst most of the foliar insecticides. The efficacy of the organophosphate (Dimethoate, Lorsban, and PennCap-M) and pyrethroid (Baythroid, and Warrior) was indistinguishable from each other. Combining pyrethroid and organophosphate insecticides did not improve aphid control or soybean yield. This was true even for a pre-mixed product like Cobalt. Rather, the most important issue for effective soybean aphid management is the timing of a foliar-applied insecticide (250 aphids per plant) and not the product selected. This is truly remarkable given the comparison to the aphid-free control, which would represent an economic threshold of 10 aphids per plant.

Compared to the foliar insecticides, the seed-applied insecticides did not provide as great a level of protection. Although we did observe some evidence of control between the untreated soybeans and the seed-treated soybeans, the variability among these treatments was great. Soybean aphid control from seed applied insecticides is not sufficient to protect plants from aphid outbreaks that occur in July or August, especially for soybeans planted in May. McCornack and Ragsdale (2006) showed that seed-applied insecticides are effective on soybean aphid, however this efficacy only lasts for the first month after planting.

Our recommendation for soybean aphid management continues to be to scout your fields and to apply foliar insecticides when populations are 250 aphids per plant and increasing (see Ragsdale et al. 2007 for a more detailed description). We are not recommending seed-applied insecticides (seed treatments) for aphid management, and we are not recommending one insecticide over another. Over the four years we have been assessing insecticide efficacy Warrior, Baythroid, and Lorsban have performed equally well and the seed treatments have not prevented the need for a foliar insecticide in high aphid years. Multiple insecticide treatments have not protected yields compared to a single foliar insecticide application at 250 aphids per plant.

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Table 1. Insecticide treatments used and rates at Floyd County, IA.

| Treatment                    | Rate <sup>1</sup> | Active ingredient                    | Target application |
|------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Untreated                    | -----             | -----                                | -----              |
| zero aphid <sup>2</sup>      | 3.2 oz            | $\lambda$ -cyhalothrin               |                    |
|                              | 4 oz              | Chlorpyrifos                         | 0                  |
| Cruiser                      | 100 g             | Thiamethoxam                         | ST                 |
| Cruiser                      | 50 g              | Thiamethoxam                         | ST                 |
| Cruiser + Warrior            | 50 g              | Thiamethoxam                         | ST                 |
|                              | 3.2 oz            | $\lambda$ -cyhalothrin               | 250                |
| Warrior                      | 3.2 oz            | $\lambda$ -cyhalothrin               | 250                |
| Gaucho                       | 62.5 g            | Imidacloprid                         | ST                 |
| Gaucho + Baythroid           | 62.5 g            | Imidacloprid                         | ST                 |
|                              | 2.4 oz            | Cyfluthrin                           | 250                |
| Gaucho + Baythroid           | 62.5 g            | Imidacloprid                         | ST                 |
|                              | 2.4 oz            | Cyfluthrin                           | 250                |
| Baythroid                    | 2.4 oz            | Cyfluthrin                           | 250                |
| Trimax + NIS                 | 1.35 oz           | Imidacloprid                         | 250                |
| Trimax + COC + UAN           | 1.35 oz           | Imidacloprid                         | 250                |
| Trimax + Baythroid + COC     | 1.35 oz           | Imidacloprid                         | 250                |
|                              | 2.4 oz            | Cyfluthrin                           | 250                |
| Spirotetramat + COC          | 4 oz              | Spirotetramat                        | 250                |
| Spirotetramat + COC          | 6 oz              | Spirotetramat                        | 250                |
| Trimax + Spirotetramat + COC | 1.35 oz           | Imidacloprid                         | 250                |
|                              | 4 oz              | Spirotetramat                        | 250                |
| Trimax + Spirotetramat + COC | 1.35 oz           | Imidacloprid                         | 250                |
|                              | 6 oz              | Spirotetramat                        | 250                |
| Spirotetramat + COC          | 4 oz              | Spirotetramat                        | 400                |
| Spirotetramat + COC          | 6 oz              | Spirotetramat                        | 400                |
| Cobalt                       | 13 oz             | $\gamma$ -cyhalothrin + Chlorpyrifos | 250                |
| Lorsban 4E                   | 16 oz             | Chlorpyrifos                         | 250                |
| LAF-1                        | 17 oz             | Chlorpyrifos                         | 250                |
| GF-2020                      | 19 oz             | Chlorpyrifos                         | 250                |
| V10170                       | 100 g             | NA                                   | ST                 |
| LI 6191-12                   | 2.4 oz            | NA                                   | 250                |
| Imidacloprid                 | 62.5 g            | Imidacloprid                         | ST                 |
| Hero                         | 5 oz              | $\zeta$ -Cypermethrin                | 250                |
| potassium silicate           | 0.5% v/v          | K <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>3</sub>      | 250                |
| potassium silicate           | 1% v/v            | K <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>3</sub>      | 250                |
| NuFos                        | 8 oz              | Chlorpyrifos                         | 250                |
| Dimethoate                   | 8 oz              | Dimethoate                           | 250                |
| Penncap-M                    | 2 pt              | Parathion                            | 250                |

<sup>1</sup> Foliar product rates are given a formulated product per acre, seed treatments are given a grams active ingredient per 100 kg seed, and potassium silicate is given as a percent volume. All foliar products were applied using 20 GPA and 1002 twin jet nozzles.

<sup>2</sup> Treated with insecticides 4 times (15 June, 6, 22 July, and 13 August).

Table 2. Mean aphids per plant  $\pm$  standard error of the mean (SEM) at 3 days prior to application, 10, 16, and 20 days post application.

| Treatment <sup>1</sup> | Rate    | Active ingredient      | Target application | 25-Jul         |     | 30-Jul         |     | 7-Aug          |     | 13-Aug         |     | 17-Aug         |     |
|------------------------|---------|------------------------|--------------------|----------------|-----|----------------|-----|----------------|-----|----------------|-----|----------------|-----|
|                        |         |                        |                    | Aphids / plant | SEM | Aphids / plant | SEM | Aphids / plant | SEM | Aphids / plant | SEM | Aphids / plant | SEM |
| Untreated <sup>2</sup> | -----   | -----                  | -----              | 195            | 83  | 211            | 41  | 384            | 59  | 915            | 267 | 545            | 90  |
| zero aphid             | 3.2 oz  | $\lambda$ -cyhalothrin |                    |                |     |                |     |                |     |                |     |                |     |
|                        | 4 oz    | Chlorpyrifos           | 0                  | 0              | 0   | 8              | 6   | 22             | 8   | 36             | 7   | 1              | 0   |
| Cruiser                | 100 g   | Thiamethoxam           | ST                 | 72             | 27  | 93             | 27  | 73             | 23  | 74             | 27  | 75             | 29  |
| Cruiser                | 50 g    | Thiamethoxam           | ST                 | 397            | 135 | 126            | 50  | 250            | 47  | 379            | 98  | 288            | 92  |
| Cruiser + Warrior      | 50 g    | Thiamethoxam           | ST                 |                |     |                |     |                |     |                |     |                |     |
|                        | 3.2 oz  | $\lambda$ -cyhalothrin | 250                | 572            | 413 | 48             | 17  | 10             | 5   | 12             | 4   | 4              | 1   |
| Warrior                | 3.2 oz  | $\lambda$ -cyhalothrin | 250                | 169            | 66  | 37             | 8   | 3              | 1   | 9              | 4   | 4              | 1   |
| Gaucho                 | 62.5 g  | Imidacloprid           | ST                 | 119            | 34  | 171            | 45  | 273            | 91  | 367            | 139 | 514            | 292 |
| Gaucho + Baythroid     | 62.5 g  | Imidacloprid           | ST                 |                |     |                |     |                |     |                |     |                |     |
|                        | 2.4 oz  | Cyfluthrin             | 250                | 141            | 49  | 72             | 27  | 45             | 25  | 48             | 30  | 35             | 25  |
| Gaucho + Baythroid     | 62.5 g  | Imidacloprid           | ST                 |                |     |                |     |                |     |                |     |                |     |
|                        | 2.4 oz  | Cyfluthrin             | 250                | 177            | 67  | 156            | 80  | 29             | 10  | 24             | 7   | 12             | 3   |
| Baythroid              | 2.4 oz  | Cyfluthrin             | 250                | 474            | 366 | 222            | 70  | 122            | 94  | 43             | 13  | 37             | 24  |
| Trimax                 | 1.35 oz | Imidacloprid           | 250                | 171            | 48  | 64             | 26  | 35             | 9   | 29             | 10  | 58             | 39  |
| Trimax                 | 1.35 oz | Imidacloprid           | 250                | 197            | 42  | 47             | 21  | 79             | 60  | 23             | 4   | 27             | 7   |
| Trimax + Baythroid     | 1.35 oz | Imidacloprid           | 250                |                |     |                |     |                |     |                |     |                |     |
|                        | 2.4 oz  | Cyfluthrin             | 250                | 126            | 46  | 61             | 27  | 25             | 8   | 14             | 3   | 24             | 7   |
| Spirotetramat          | 4 oz    | Spirotetramat          | 250                | 470            | 289 | 81             | 41  | 17             | 8   | 12             | 3   | 7              | 4   |
| Spirotetramat          | 6 oz    | Spirotetramat          | 250                | 258            | 148 | 125            | 44  | 8              | 1   | 9              | 3   | 4              | 1   |
| Trimax + Spirotetramat | 1.35 oz | Imidacloprid           | 250                |                |     |                |     |                |     |                |     |                |     |
|                        | 4 oz    | Spirotetramat          | 250                | 245            | 126 | 75             | 23  | 9              | 1   | 6              | 2   | 3              | 1   |



|                            |         |                                 |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |
|----------------------------|---------|---------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|
| Trimax + Spirotetramat     | 1.35 oz | Imidacloprid                    | 250 |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |
|                            | 6 oz    | Spirotetramat                   | 250 | 155 | 63  | 129 | 66  | 5   | 1   | 4    | 1   | 3   | 2   |
| Spirotetramat <sup>3</sup> | 4 oz    | Spirotetramat                   | 400 | 121 | 41  | 226 | 64  | 400 | 152 | 85   | 35  | 38  | 9   |
| Spirotetramat <sup>3</sup> | 6 oz    | Spirotetramat                   | 400 | 203 | 96  | 196 | 44  | 450 | 134 | 70   | 26  | 42  | 18  |
|                            |         | $\gamma$ -cyhalothrin           |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |
| Cobalt                     | 13 oz   | + Chlorpyrifos                  | 250 | 194 | 80  | 9   | 3   | 14  | 4   | 21   | 4   | 14  | 7   |
| Lorsban 4E                 | 16 oz   | Chlorpyrifos                    | 250 | 156 | 77  | 3   | 1   | 14  | 6   | 16   | 3   | 10  | 2   |
| LAF-1                      | 17 oz   | Chlorpyrifos                    | 250 | 441 | 324 | 8   | 4   | 28  | 6   | 40   | 9   | 17  | 4   |
| GF-2020                    | 19 oz   | Chlorpyrifos                    | 250 | 191 | 53  | 7   | 2   | 36  | 5   | 32   | 4   | 31  | 13  |
| V10170                     | 100 g   | NA                              | ST  | 153 | 59  | 193 | 31  | 335 | 80  | 1312 | 424 | 757 | 261 |
| LI 6191-12                 | 2.4 oz  | NA                              | 250 | 126 | 25  | 70  | 24  | 33  | 7   | 8    | 3   | 8   | 2   |
| Imidacloprid               | 62.5 g  | Imidacloprid                    | ST  | 94  | 21  | 148 | 33  | 549 | 147 | 938  | 273 | 326 | 56  |
| Hero                       | 5 oz    | $\zeta$ -cypermethrin           | 250 | 118 | 41  | 22  | 11  | 4   | 2   | 7    | 2   | 12  | 4   |
|                            | 0.5%    |                                 |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |     |     |     |
| potassium silicate         | v/v     | K <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>3</sub> | 250 | 482 | 343 | 364 | 170 | 492 | 178 | 775  | 288 | 351 | 68  |
| potassium silicate         | 1% v/v  | K <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>3</sub> | 250 | 223 | 112 | 195 | 40  | 532 | 99  | 652  | 304 | 449 | 108 |
| NuFos                      | 8 oz    | Chlorpyrifos                    | 250 | 219 | 46  | 9   | 3   | 28  | 4   | 25   | 4   | 40  | 14  |
| Dimethoate                 | 8 oz    | Dimethoate                      | 250 | 307 | 162 | 46  | 20  | 62  | 16  | 46   | 9   | 85  | 38  |
| PennCap-M                  | 2 pt    | Parathion                       | 250 | 228 | 75  | 94  | 40  | 6   | 1   | 13   | 4   | 14  | 2   |

<sup>1</sup>Foliar treatments were applied 28 July 2007 mean aphid populations were 240 aphids per plant 3 days prior to insecticide application..

<sup>2</sup>Treated with insecticides 4 times (15 June, 6, 22 July, and 13 August).

<sup>3</sup>These treatments of Spirotetramat at 4 and 6 oz were applied 6 Aug when mean aphid populations were 425 aphids per plant.



|                            |        |                                 |       |      |     |      |      |       |        |       |    |   |
|----------------------------|--------|---------------------------------|-------|------|-----|------|------|-------|--------|-------|----|---|
|                            | 6 oz   | Spirotetramat                   | 2175  | 774  | BCD | BC   | 574  | 261   | BCDEFG | ABCDE |    |   |
| Spirotetramat <sup>3</sup> | 4 oz   | Spirotetramat                   | 5852  | 1644 |     | GHI  | DEF  | GH    | 4204   | 1323  | K  | F |
| Spirotetramat <sup>3</sup> | 6 oz   | Spirotetramat                   | 6384  | 1778 |     | HI   | EFGH |       | 4372   | 1160  | KL | F |
|                            |        | $\gamma$ -cyhalothrin           |       |      |     |      |      |       |        |       |    |   |
| Cobalt                     | 13 oz  | Chlorpyrifos                    | 1994  | 711  | CDE | BC   | 263  | 30    | ABCD   | ABC   |    |   |
| Lorsban 4E                 | 16 oz  | Chlorpyrifos                    | 1493  | 610  | CDE | B    | 211  | 53    | ABC    | AB    |    |   |
| LAF-1                      | 17 oz  | Chlorpyrifos                    | 3701  | 2295 | CDE | BCD  | 462  | 65    | DEFGH  | ABCDE |    |   |
| GF-2020                    | 19 oz  | Chlorpyrifos                    | 1974  | 325  | CDE | BCDE | 501  | 54    | EFGH   | ABCDE |    |   |
| V10170                     | 100 g  | NA                              | 12946 | 2705 |     | K    | H    | 11191 | 2468   | N     | F  |   |
| LI 6191-12                 | 2.4 oz | NA                              | 1809  | 272  | CDE | BCD  | 562  | 130   | DEFGH  | ABCDE |    |   |
| Imidacloprid               | 62.5 g | Imidacloprid                    | 10937 | 1856 |     | JK   | H    | 9779  | 2001   | MN    | F  |   |
| Hero                       | 5 oz   | $\zeta$ -cypermethrin           | 1310  | 319  | BC  | B    | 180  | 64    | A      | A     |    |   |
|                            | 0.5%   |                                 |       |      |     |      |      |       |        |       |    |   |
| potassium silicate         | v/v    | K <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>3</sub> | 13929 | 4538 |     | JK   | H    | 9478  | 2299   | LMN   | F  |   |
| potassium silicate         | 1% v/v | K <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>3</sub> | 10823 | 2003 |     | JK   | H    | 8661  | 1765   | LMN   | F  |   |
| NuFos                      | 8 oz   | Chlorpyrifos                    | 2121  | 272  | DEF | BCDE | 437  | 60    | DEFG   | ABCDE |    |   |
| Dimethoate                 | 8 oz   | Dimethoate                      | 3477  | 1132 | EFG | CDEF | 1021 | 208   | HIJ    | CDE   |    |   |
| PennCap-M                  | 2 pt   | Parathion                       | 2530  | 758  | DEF | BCDE | 514  | 151   | DEFGH  | ABCDE |    |   |

<sup>1</sup>Foliar treatments were applied 28 July 2007 mean aphid populations were 240 aphids per plant 3 days prior to insecticide application..

<sup>2</sup>Treated with insecticides 4 times (15 June, 6, 22 July, and 13 August).

<sup>3</sup>These treatments of Spirotetramat at 4 and 6 oz were applied 6 Aug when mean aphid populations were 425 aphids per plant.

<sup>4</sup>Two means separation test are shown least significant difference (LSD), and a more conservative Student-Newman-Keuls (SNK) test. Means labeled with a unique letter were significantly different (P = 0.05).

Table 4. Mean bushels per acre  $\pm$  standard error of the mean (SEM).

| Treatment <sup>1</sup>     | Rate    | Active ingredient               | Yield | SEM | LSD <sup>4</sup> | SNK <sup>4</sup> |
|----------------------------|---------|---------------------------------|-------|-----|------------------|------------------|
| Untreated <sup>2</sup>     | -----   | -----                           | 55.0  | 1.1 |                  | JK E             |
| zero aphid                 | 3.2 oz  | $\lambda$ -cyhalothrin          |       |     |                  |                  |
|                            | 4 oz    | Chlorpyrifos                    | 64.6  | 1.5 | A                | A                |
| Cruiser                    | 100 g   | Thiamethoxam                    | 59.3  | 1.5 |                  | GHI BCD          |
| Cruiser                    | 50 g    | Thiamethoxam                    | 59.0  | 1.3 |                  | I D              |
| Cruiser + Warrior          | 50 g    | Thiamethoxam                    |       |     |                  |                  |
|                            | 3.2 oz  | $\lambda$ -cyhalothrin          | 63.6  | 0.7 | ABC              | AB               |
| Warrior                    | 3.2 oz  | $\lambda$ -cyhalothrin          | 63.0  | 0.9 | ABCDE            | ABC              |
| Gaucho                     | 62.5 g  | Imidacloprid                    | 54.3  | 1.6 |                  | JKL E            |
| Gaucho + Baythroid         | 62.5 g  | Imidacloprid                    |       |     |                  |                  |
|                            | 2.4 oz  | Cyfluthrin                      | 63.1  | 1.0 | ABCDE            | ABC              |
| Gaucho + Baythroid         | 62.5 g  | Imidacloprid                    |       |     |                  |                  |
|                            | 2.4 oz  | Cyfluthrin                      | 63.1  | 1.5 | ABCDE            | ABC              |
| Baythroid                  | 2.4 oz  | Cyfluthrin                      | 63.0  | 0.9 | ABCDE            | ABC              |
| Trimax                     | 1.35 oz | Imidacloprid                    | 60.4  | 0.3 |                  | FGHI ABCD        |
| Trimax                     | 1.35 oz | Imidacloprid                    | 62.0  | 1.5 | BCDEF            | ABCD             |
| Trimax + Baythroid         | 1.35 oz | Imidacloprid                    | 63.9  | 1.3 |                  |                  |
|                            | 2.4 oz  | Cyfluthrin                      | 63.9  | 1.3 | AB               | A                |
| Spirotetramat              | 4 oz    | Spirotetramat                   | 63.1  | 1.2 | ABCDE            | ABC              |
| Spirotetramat              | 6 oz    | Spirotetramat                   | 62.5  | 0.7 | ABCDEF           | ABC              |
| Trimax + Spirotetramat     | 1.35 oz | Imidacloprid                    |       |     |                  |                  |
|                            | 4 oz    | Spirotetramat                   | 62.7  | 1.5 | ABCDE            | ABC              |
| Trimax + Spirotetramat     | 1.35 oz | Imidacloprid                    |       |     |                  |                  |
|                            | 6 oz    | Spirotetramat                   | 61.4  | 1.5 | CDEFG            | ABCD             |
| Spirotetramat <sup>3</sup> | 4 oz    | Spirotetramat                   | 59.2  | 0.4 |                  | GHI BCD          |
| Spirotetramat <sup>3</sup> | 6 oz    | Spirotetramat                   | 59.1  | 0.5 |                  | HI CD            |
|                            |         | $\gamma$ -cyhalothrin           |       |     |                  |                  |
| Cobalt                     | 13 oz   | Chlorpyrifos                    | 62.2  | 1.2 | ABCDEF           | ABC              |
| Lorsban 4E                 | 16 oz   | Chlorpyrifos                    | 61.5  | 0.9 | CDEFGH           | ABCD             |
| LAF-1                      | 17 oz   | Chlorpyrifos                    | 60.3  | 0.8 |                  | FGHI ABCD        |
| GF-2020                    | 19 oz   | Chlorpyrifos                    | 61.3  | 0.4 | DEFGH            | ABCD             |
| V10170                     | 100 g   | NA                              | 52.0  | 1.4 |                  | L E              |
| LI 6191-12                 | 2.4 oz  | NA                              | 62.8  | 1.3 | ABCDE            | ABC              |
| Imidacloprid               | 62.5 g  | Imidacloprid                    | 55.3  | 1.2 |                  | J E              |
| Hero                       | 5 oz    | $\zeta$ -Cypermethrin           | 63.6  | 0.6 | ABCD             | ABC              |
|                            | .5%     |                                 |       |     |                  |                  |
| potassium silicate         | v/v     | K <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>3</sub> | 52.2  | 1.5 |                  | L E              |
| potassium silicate         | 1% v/v  | K <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>3</sub> | 53.0  | 1.2 |                  | KL E             |
| NuFos                      | 8 oz    | Chlorpyrifos                    | 59.1  | 1.6 |                  | GHI BCD          |
| Dimethoate                 | 8 oz    | Dimethoate                      | 60.4  | 1.2 |                  | FGHI ABCD        |
| Penncap-M                  | 2 pt    | Parathion                       | 60.9  | 0.9 | EFGH             | ABCD             |

<sup>1</sup>Foliar treatments were applied 28 July 2007 mean aphid populations were 240 aphids per plant 3 days prior to insecticide application..

<sup>2</sup>Treated with insecticides 4 times (15 June, 6, 22 July, and 13 August).

<sup>3</sup>These treatments of Spirotetramat at 4 and 6 oz were applied 6 Aug when mean aphid populations were 425 aphids per plant.

<sup>4</sup>Two means separation test are shown least significant difference (LSD), and a more conservative Student-Newman-Keuls (SNK) test. Means labeled with a unique letter were significantly different (P = 0.05).

Table 5. Mean plant stand in 10 ft of row and percent of plants showing herbivore damage in the same 10 ft of row.

| Treatment           | Rate   | Active ingredient | Stand | SNK <sup>2</sup> | % damaged | SNK <sup>2</sup> |
|---------------------|--------|-------------------|-------|------------------|-----------|------------------|
| Untreated           | -----  | -----             | 102   | A                | 6 %       | A                |
| Cruiser             | 100 g  | Thiamethoxam      | 103   | A                | 4 %       | A                |
| Cruiser             | 50 g   | Thiamethoxam      | 98    | A                | 3 %       | A                |
| Gaucho              | 62.5 g | Imidacloprid      | 100   | A                | 5 %       | A                |
| Gaucho <sup>1</sup> | 62.5 g | Imidacloprid      | 104   | A                | 3 %       | A                |
| V10170              | 100 g  | NA                | 100   | A                | 4 %       | A                |
| Imidacloprid        | 62.5 g | Imidacloprid      | 96    | A                | 3 %       | A                |

<sup>1</sup>All treatments received an equivalent fungicide seed treatment (Apron Maxx) with one exception (Allegiance).

<sup>2</sup>The Student-Newman-Keuls (SNK) means separation test indicates no significant differences.

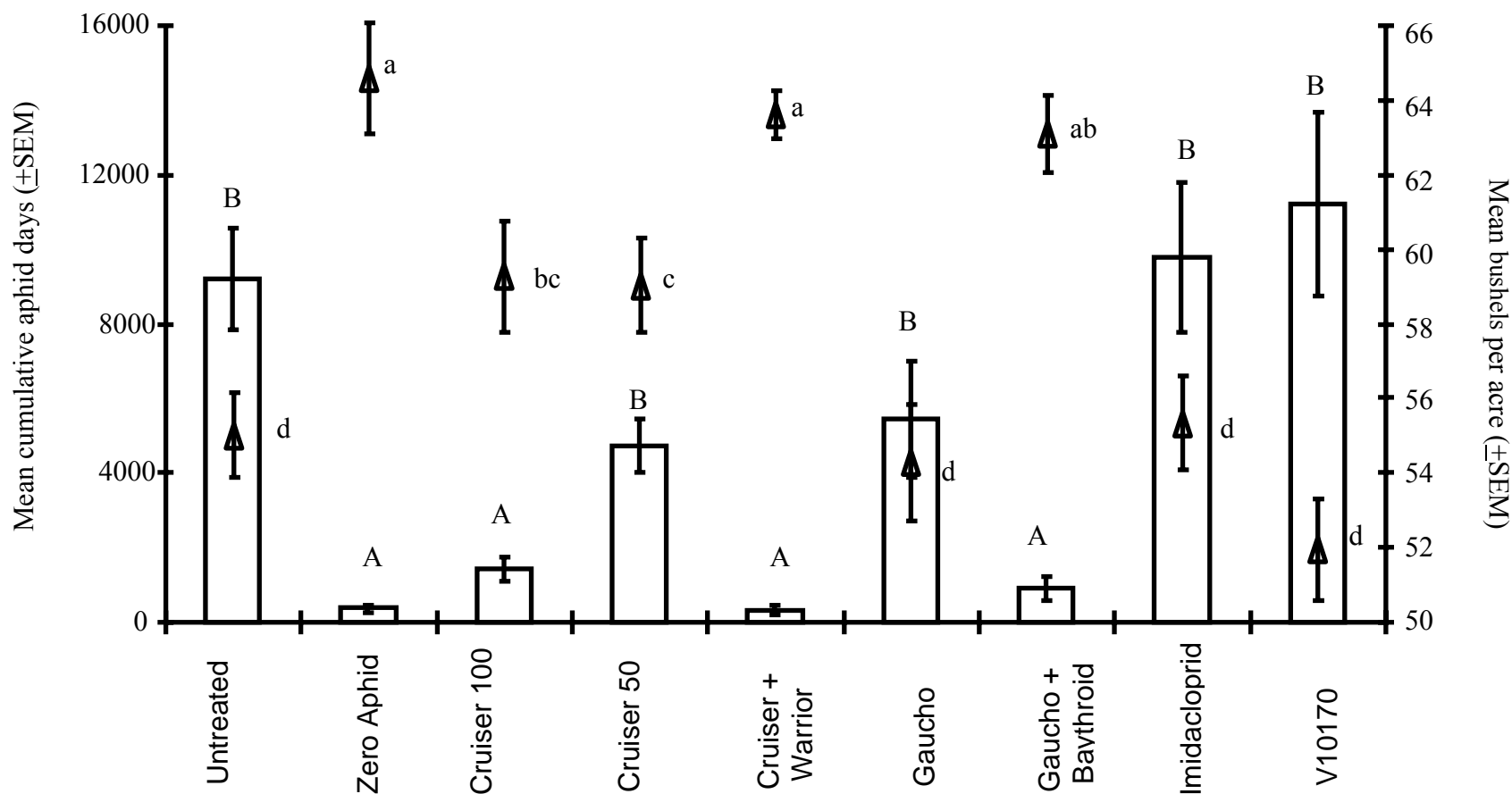


Figure 1. Impact of seed-applied insecticides on soybean exposure to aphids and yield. The aphid free control was treated with insecticides 4 times (15 June, 6, 22 July, and 13 August) all other foliar treatments were applied 28 July. Cumulative aphid days are represented by bars and capital letters (right axis). Yields are represented by triangles and lowercase letters (left axis). Means with a unique letter are significantly different ( $P \leq 0.05$ ) using Student-Newman-Keuls (SNK) means separation test.

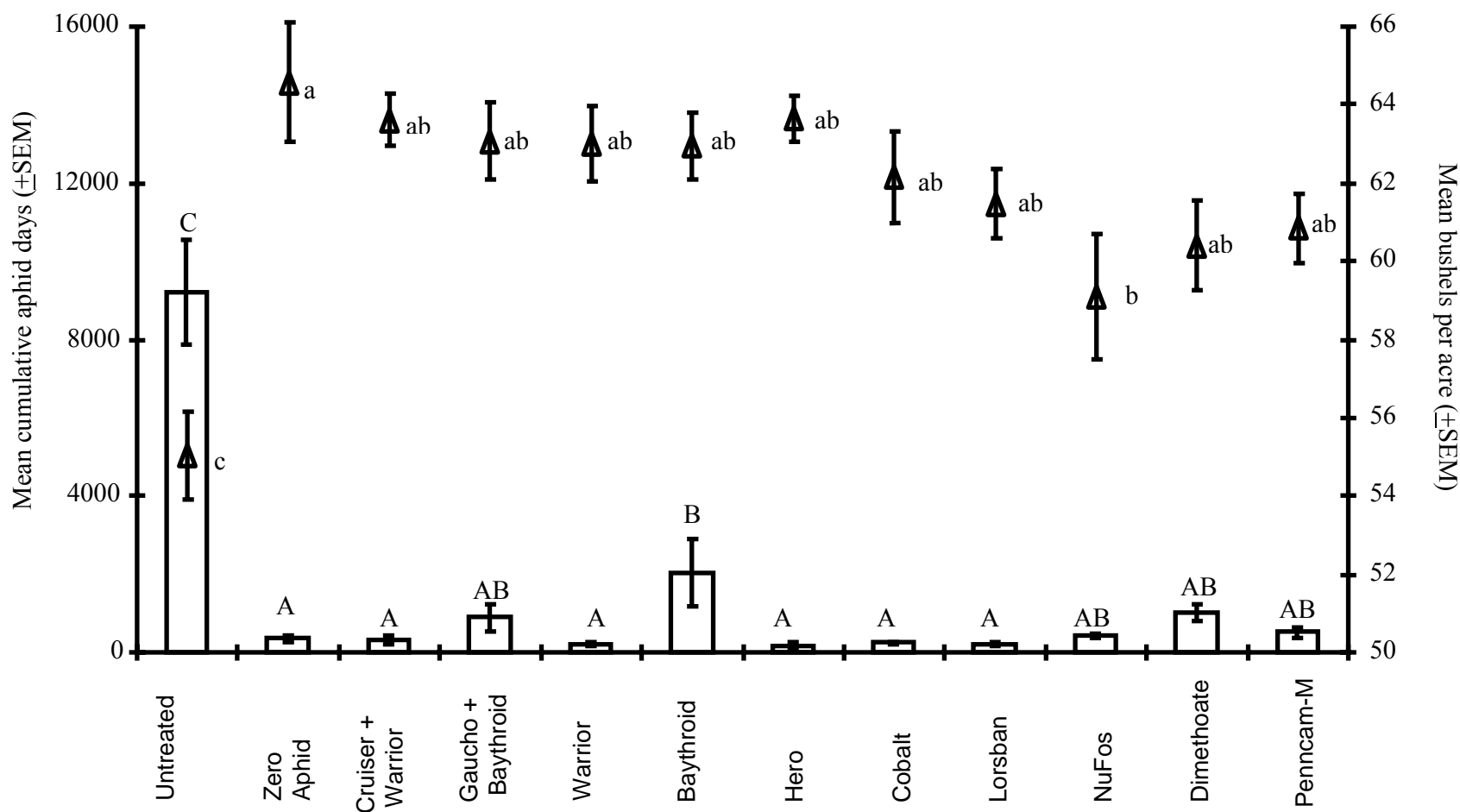


Figure 2. Impact of available foliar-applied insecticides on soybean exposure to aphids and yield. The aphid free control was treated with insecticides 4 times (15 June, 6, 22 July, and 13 August) all other foliar treatments were applied 28 July. Cumulative aphid days are represented by bars and capital letters (right axis). Yields are represented by triangles and lowercase letters (left axis). Means with a unique letter are significantly different ( $P \leq 0.05$ ) using Student-Newman-Keuls (SNK) means separation test.

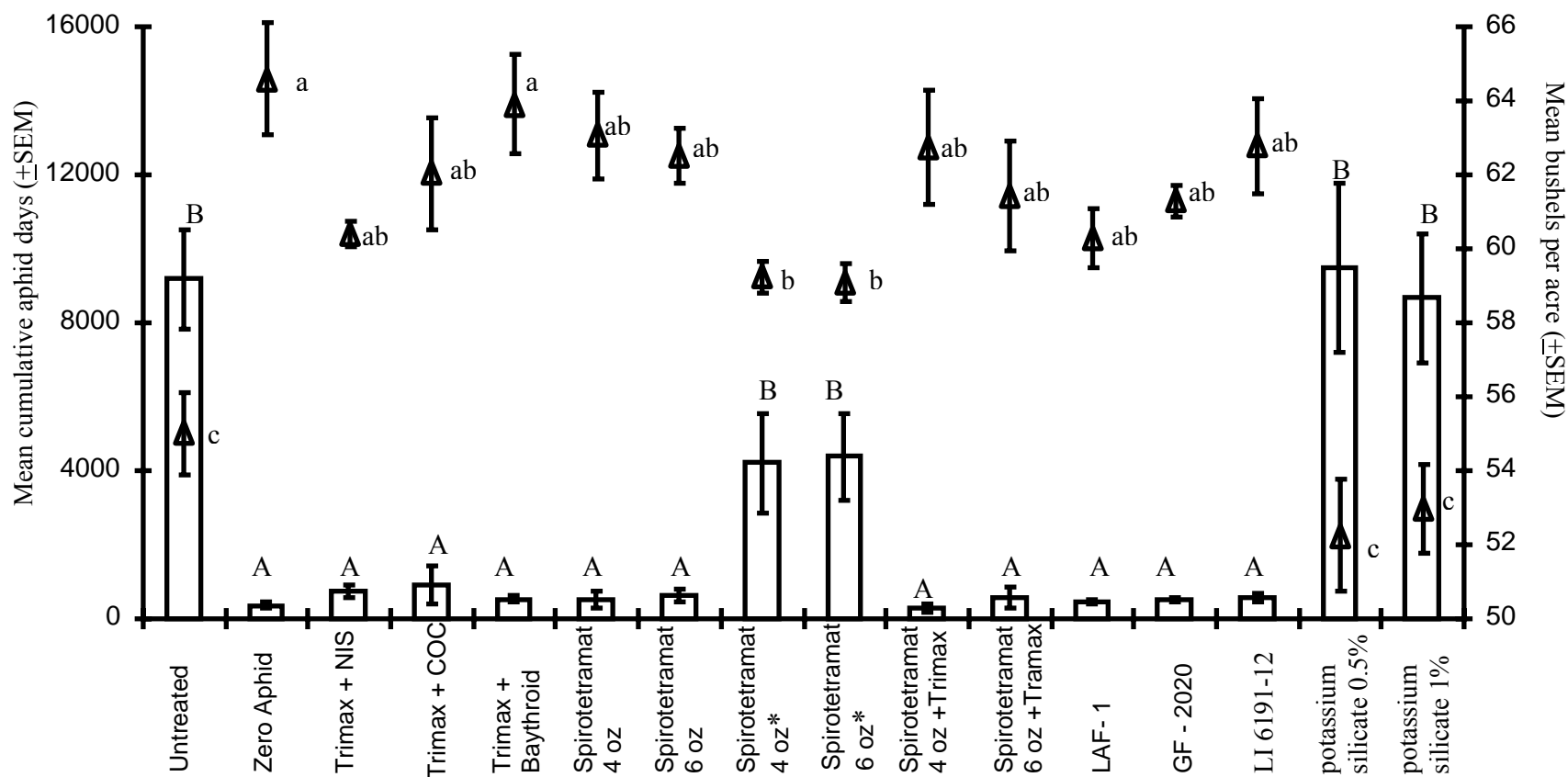


Figure 3. Impact of experimental foliar-applied insecticides on soybean exposure to aphids and yield. The aphid free control was treated with insecticides 4 times (15 June, 6, 22 July, and 13 August) all other foliar treatments were applied 28 July. Cumulative aphid days are represented by bars and capital letters (right axis). Yields are represented by triangles and lowercase letters (left axis). Means with a unique letter are significantly different ( $P \leq 0.05$ ) using Student-Newman-Keuls (SNK) means separation test.