

110 g/L Etoxazole

WIN THE FIGHT AGAINST MITES

in cotton, maize* and popcorn*

- Long lasting control
- IPM compatible
- Ideal resistance management partner





Control of two-spotted mite in cotton



Ground spray boom sprayer at 81 L water/ha

Zeal used early prevents population from exploding







How to get the best from Zeal

- **Spray early**: The graphs above illustrate the importance of applying Zeal early to control the populations. Spray a week earlier than you would with knockdown miticides.
- Spray on low thresholds: As for timing, best results are achieved before population numbers build. Refer to recommendations in cotton pest management guide for thresholds. As an IGR Zeal does not control adult mites, they will take 5 - 8 days to die off naturally, but are sterilised by Zeal. Spraying early on lower thresholds will stop the mite life cycle and prevent population numbers exploding.
- **Spray coverage**: Good spray coverage is essential, and a minimum of 30 L/ha of water should be used for aerial applications, although 40 L is preferred. Use 100 L/ha for ground spraying.

Resistance management

Grant Herron's (NSWDPI) report *Resistance testing summary for the 2013-2014 cotton season: cotton aphid Aphis gossypii and two-spotted mite Tetranychus urticae* contained:

- Compared to previous seasons abundance was reversed; TSM was most abundant and cotton aphid almost absent.
- TSM showed discriminating dose survivors against bifenthrin (Talstar[®]), abamectin (Agrimec[®]), propargite (Comite[®]) and diafenthiuron (Pegasus[®] (CGA-140408)).
- More than 50% of TSM strains were bifenthrin (Talstar) resistant with one strain 79% resistant and other 100% resistant and the reason for such an increase is not clear.
- Similarly, abamectin (Agrimec) resistance was detected in six out of the eleven TSM strains tested and worryingly one of those strains comprised 79% resistant TSM. Possibly this relates to abamectin being applied as a prophylactic treatment in combination with mirids sprays.
- Although three TSM strains showed diafenthiuron (Pegasus (CGA-140408)) survivors
 I consider this was caused by vigour tolerance and not resistance so the discrimating
 dose will be increased to avoid false positives.

While no widespread cases of field failures of miticides have been seen, Grant Herron's work indicated the need for resistance management. Zeal is a completely different mode of action and chemical group (Group 10B) which makes it an ideal resistance management partner.



Directions for use

SITUATION	PEST	RATE	CRITICAL COMMENTS				
Cotton – ground and aerial application	Two-spotted mite (<i>Tetranychus urticae</i>) and Bean spider mite (<i>Tetranychus ludeni</i>)	350 mL/ha	Apply when the threshold for your area has been reached. As a guide this is generally when 20-30% of the leaves have mites or when mite numbers are increasing at 1% per day. Best results will be obtained when Zeal is applied to low but increasing populations. Good coverage is essential. For aerial application use a minimum of 30 L spray volume per hectare. Generally Zeal takes about 7 days to reach maximum mite control. If re-treatment is required, use an approved miticide from a different chemical group. Refer to notes on resistance under General Instructions section of the label.				

Aerial application

Mandatory no-spray zones for protection of the aquatic environment

For aerial application (Cotton)									
Wind speed you go at time of application	Downwind mandatory no-spray zone								
wind speed range at time of application	Fixed-wing	Helicopter							
From 3 to 8 kilometres per hour	40 metres	40 metres							
From 8 to 14 kilometres per hour	40 metres	40 metres							
From 3 to 20 kilometres per hour	60 metres	60 metres							
For ground application (boom)									
Wind speed range at time of application – from 3 to	20 kilometres per hour								
CROP	Downwind mandatory no-spray zone								
Capsicum, Ground (non-trellis) tomatoes and Cotton	10 metres								

No-spray zones for protection of international trade

For aerial application (Cotton)									
Wind encody on the station of application	Downwind mandatory no-spray zone								
wind speed range at time of application	Fixed-wing	Helicopter							
From 3 to 20 kilometres per hour	20 metres	20 metres							
For ground application (airblast)									
CROP	Downwind mandatory no-spray zone								
Capsicum, Ground (non-trellis) tomatoes and Cotton	Not required								

Control of two-spotted mite in cotton by air

Sprayed 22 Jan 2011, Narrabri NSW

Aerial spray at 30 L/ha

Zeal used early prevents population from exploding

Zeal 350 mL/ha







Impact of insecticides and miticides on predators, parasitoids and bees in cotton

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Insecticides (in increasing rank order of im beneficials)	Rate (g ai/ha)	Mites	Persistence	Overall ranking	Total	Red and blue beetle	Minute 2-spotted lady beetle	Other lady beetles	Total	Damsel bugs	Big-eyed bugs	Other predatory bugs	Apple dimpling	Lacewing adults	Spiders	Total (wasps)	Eretmocerus	Trichogramma	Ants	Thrips	Mite	Aphid	Helicoverpa	Toxicity to bees
Etoxazole	38.5	\checkmark	short	low	VL	VL	—	L	VL	VL	VL	VL	VL	VL	М	L	—	VL	VL	L	—	—	—	VL
Dicofol	960	\checkmark	long	low	L	—	—	—	L	—	—	—	L	—	L	—	М	—	—	VL	—	—	—	VL
Diafenthiuron	350	\checkmark	medium	low	М	Н	VL	М	L	М	VL	L	Н	VL	L	L	Н	VL	Н	L	—	—	+ve	М
Abamectin	5.4	\checkmark	medium	moderate	L	М	Н	VL	М	L	М	М	Н	VL	М	М	Н	М	Н	М	—	—	—	Н
Dimethoate (low)	80	\checkmark	short	moderate	М	L	Н	Н	М	L	—	Н	М	М	L	М	—	М	Н	М	+ve	+ve	+ve	Н
Dimethoate (low + salt)	80	\checkmark	short	moderate	М	L	Н	Н	М	L	—	Н	М	М	L	М	—	М	Н	М	+ve	+ve	+ve	Н
Propargite	1500	\checkmark	medium	moderate	М	Н	Н	М	М	Н	VL	VL	L	VL	М	М	L	Н	Н	М	—	+ve	+ve	L
Clothianidin (low)	25		medium	moderate	М	VL	—	Н	L	М	VL	VL	Н	Н	М	М	Н	М	VH	VL	—	—	+ve	—
Amitraz	400	\checkmark	medium	moderate	Н	М	VH		L	—	—	—	Н	VL	М	М	Н	L		М	—	—	—	L
Chlorfenapyr (low)	200	\checkmark	medium	moderate	М	L	VH	VL	М	VL	Н	Н	VH	L	L	М	—	VH	Н	М	—	—	—	Н
Dimethoate (high)	200	\checkmark	short	high	М	М	Н	Н	М	Н	—	Н	Н	VH	М	Н	Н	Н	VH	М	+ve	—	+ve	Н
Chlorfenapyr (high)	400	\checkmark	medium	high	Н	М	VH	L	Н	Н	Н	Н	VH	L	М	М	—	VH	VH	М	—	+ve	—	Н
OP's		\checkmark	short- medium	high	Н	М	Н	Н	Н	М	Н	Н	VH	L	М	Н	VH	Н	VH	Н	+ve	—	—	Н
Pyrethroids		$\sqrt{7}$	long	very high	VH	—	_	_	VH	—	_	—	VH	VH	VH	VH	VH	VH	VH	VH	+ve	+ve	+ve	Н

VI Very low 📘 Low M Moderate 用 High VH Very high

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Safety to beneficials

Pest attacked by beneficial insect	Beneficial insect	Effect of Zeal on beneficial insect					
Aphids, mealybug and TSM	Beetles (stethorus and ladybirds)	None to low toxicity					
TSM	Predatory mites	Moderate toxicity (not to adults)					
Aphids, scales and mealybug	Lacewings	None to low toxicity					
Caterpillars and thrips	Bugs (pirate bugs)	Low toxicity					
Pollination	Honey bee	None					

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