



Is a PGR really justified this spring?

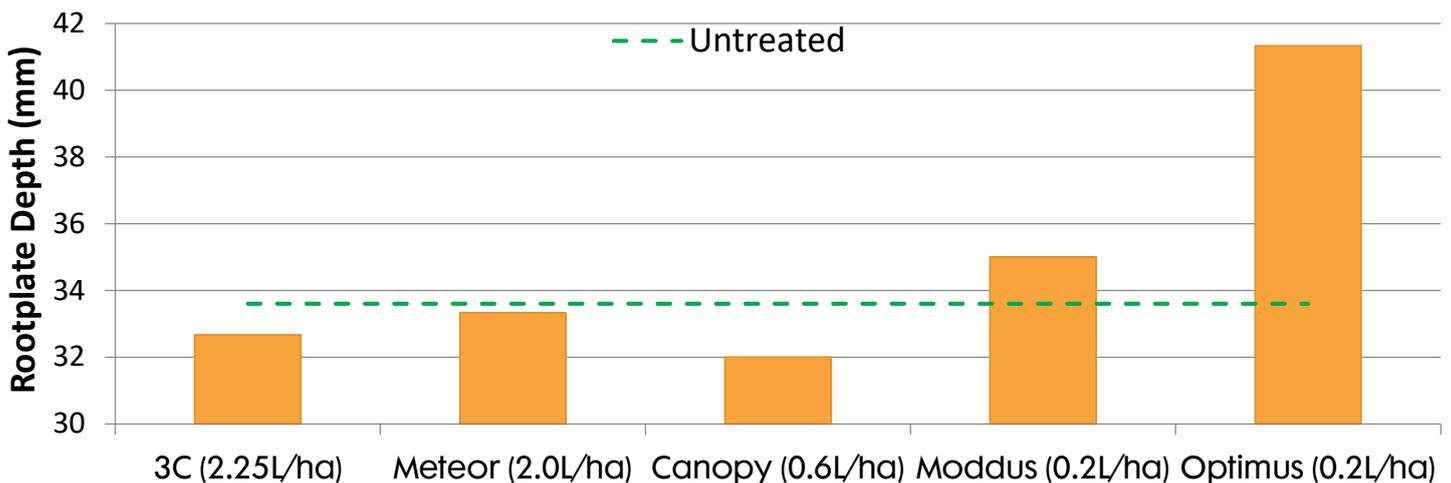
Winter cereal crops fall into one of two groups this spring: Early drilled, forward and lush; and late drilled, thin and shallow rooted due to the almost continuous rain fall

Early drilled crops are clearly at risk of lodging and will need careful management of fertiliser as well as a well executed programme of growth regulation

Late drilled crops with shallow inadequate root systems are at extreme risk of root lodging exacerbated by the wet soil

Both types of crop are likely to have inadequate root systems restricting nutrient and water uptake if a wet winter is followed by a dry spring

Optimus stimulates improved root growth

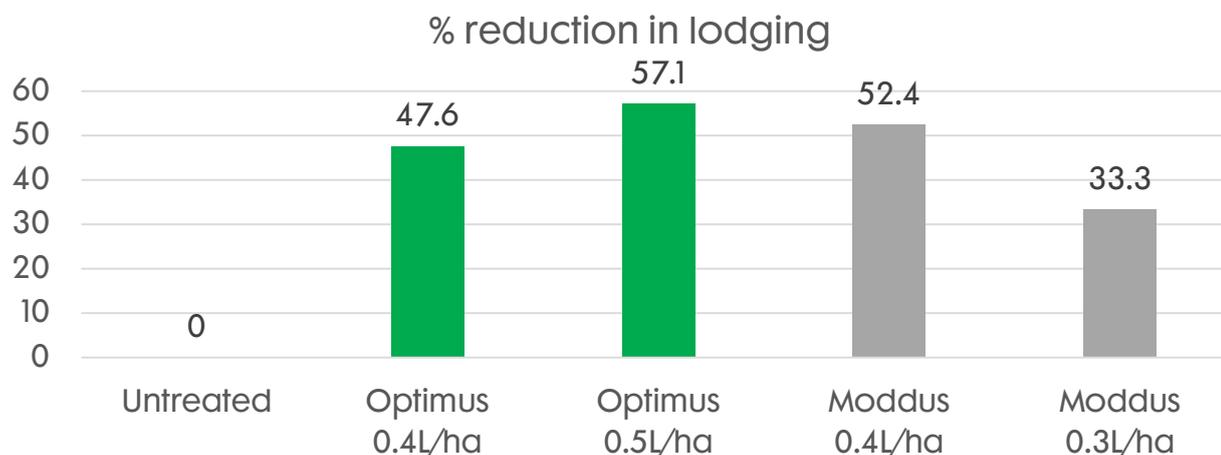


Increased root growth provides a more secure anchorage and supports improved uptake of nutrients and water

The superior formulation of Optimus offers:

- Superior root growth to reduce root lodging & improve nutrient uptake
- More rapid uptake and rainfastness than standard products
- Increased stem strength and height reduction than standard products
- Greater reduction in lodging

Optimus offers superior lodging reduction



Source: MAI 2014

Optimus recommendations

CROP	GS	RECOMMENDATION	REASON
Winter Wheat	T0 GS30-31	Optimus 0.3 l/ha	Stimulate roots, improve anchorage, nutrient uptake and enhance tillering
	T1 GS31-32	Optimus 0.15–0.3 l/ha + 1.25 l/ha Stabilan 750	Shorten internodes, increase stem strength and thickness to reduce lodging and improve resistance to Eyespot and Sharp eyespot
	T2 GS37	Cerone 0.5 l/ha	Shorten higher internodes in high risk lodging situations
Winter Barley	T0 GS30	Optimus 0.15–0.3 l/ha + 1.25 l/ha Stabilan 750	Split dose application best for rooting, stem strength and lodging risk
	T1 GS31-32	Optimus 0.15–0.3 l/ha + 1.25 Stabilan 750	Key timing for increased lower stem strength
	T2 GS37	Cerone 0.5 l/ha	
Spring Barley	T1 GS30-32	Optimus 0.3 l/ha	Shorten internodes, increase stem strength and thickness to reduce lodging
	T2 GS37	Cerone 0.25 l/ha	Shorten higher internodes in high risk lodging situations

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