

Control of Sclerotinia head rot in sunflower



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SCLEROTINIA WILT

- * *Sclerotinia sclerotiorum*
- * Very destructive
- * Most common.
- * wide host range
- * Sclerotia in soil
- * Mycelia infects roots
- * Root rot
- * Basal-stalk rot.
- * Complete wilt by flowering
- * Sclerotia produced at base

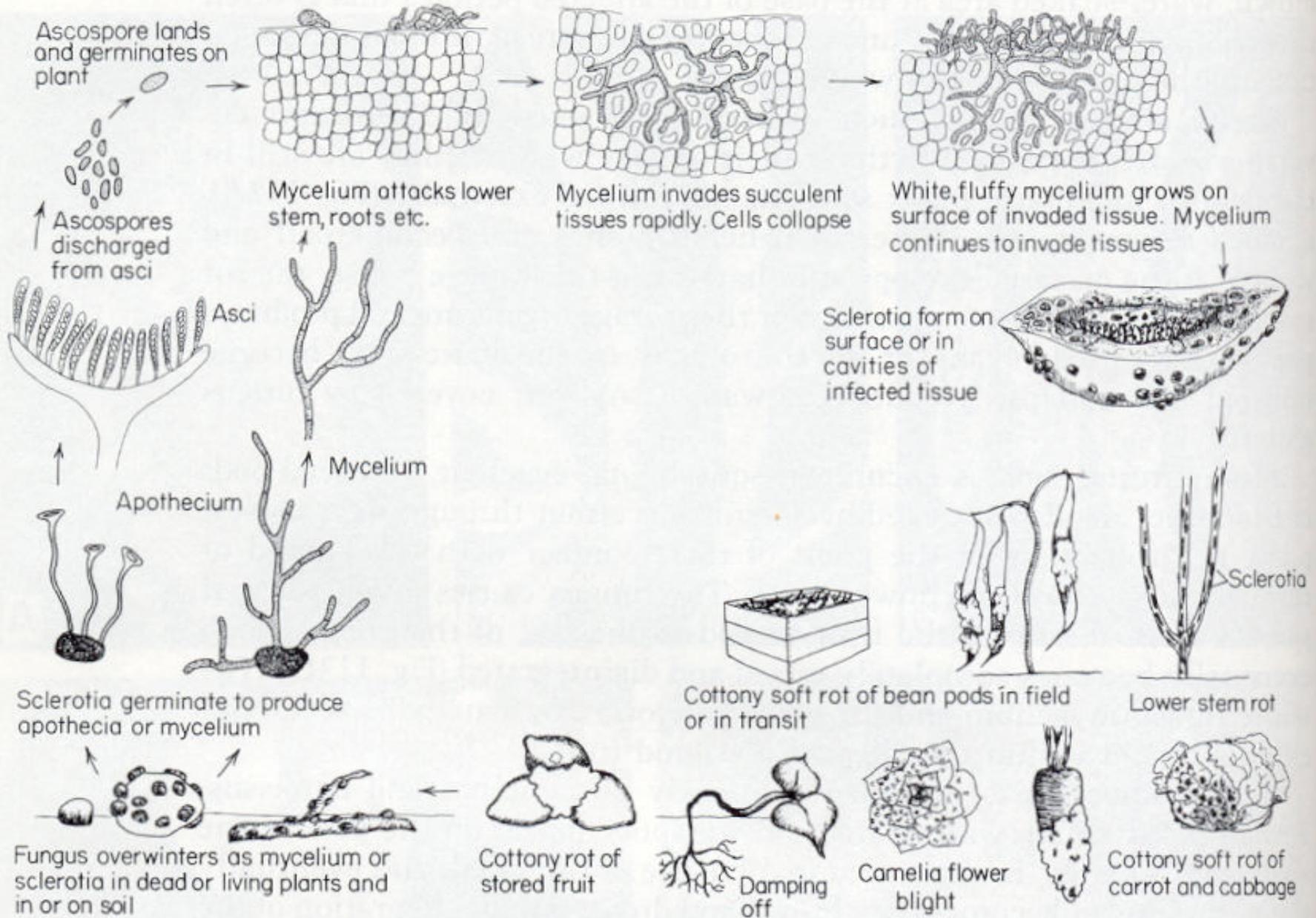




Sclerotinia Head Rot Epidemics 2004

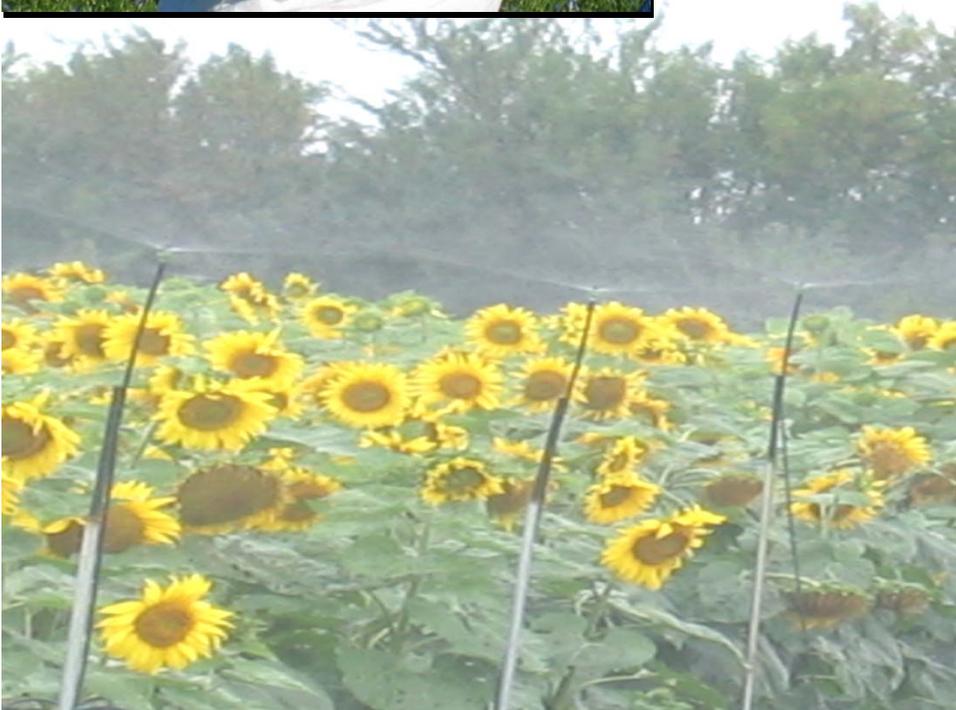


Sclerotinia Life cycle



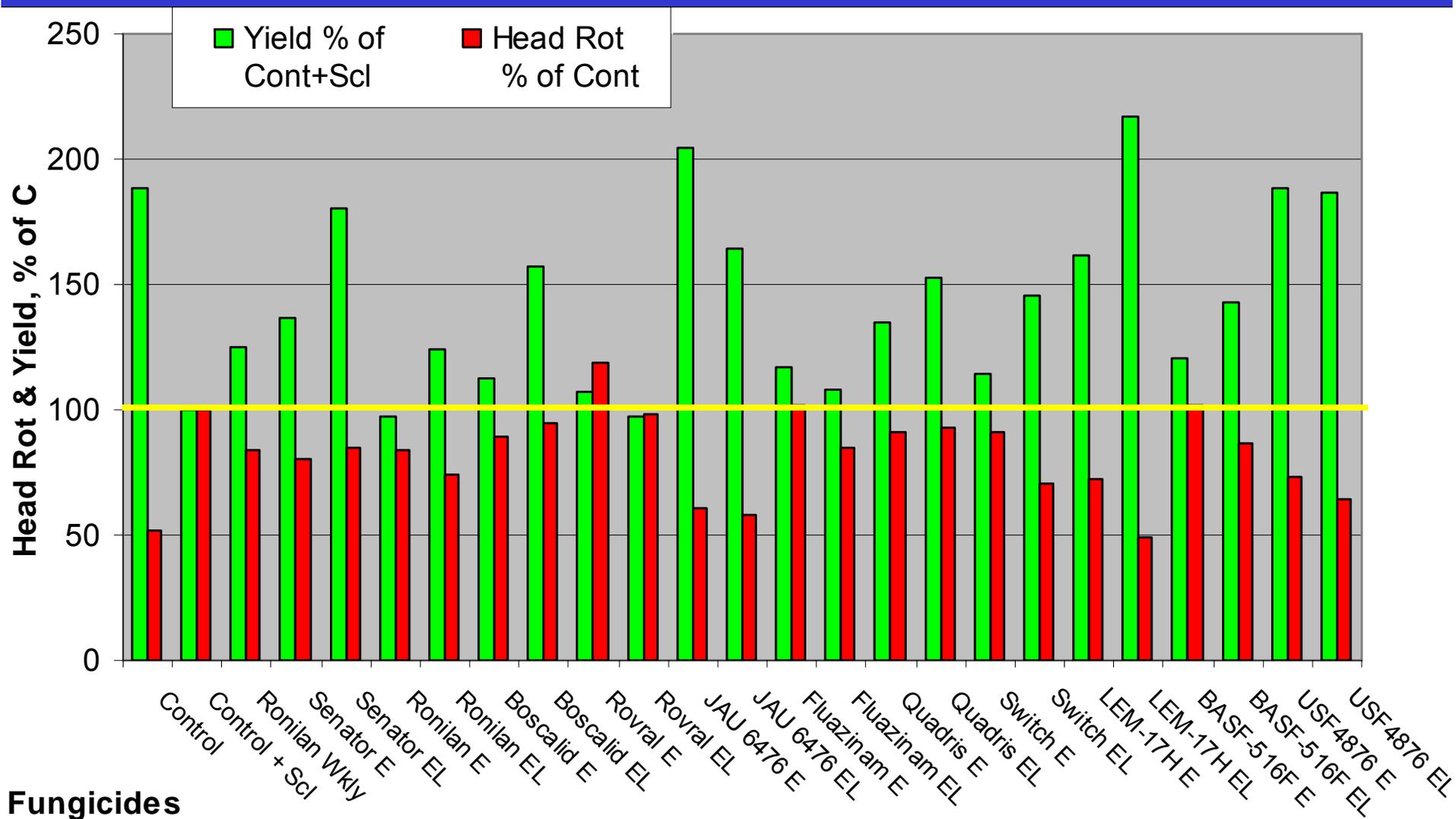
- **Short Term Objective:**

- **Lack of genetic resistance to Sclerotinia headrot**
- **Need to identify foliar fungicide applications to reduce the impact on sunflower yield & quality.**
- **Field trials at AAFC Morden Manitoba**
- **Susceptible oilseed hybrids**
- **Applications at Early and/or Late flowering**
- **Sclerotinia inoculation 24 h after fungicides**
- **Ascospores suspension supplemented with**
- **Ground sclerotinia-infection millet seed**
- **Head rot incidence weekly**
- **Head rot severity at the end of season**



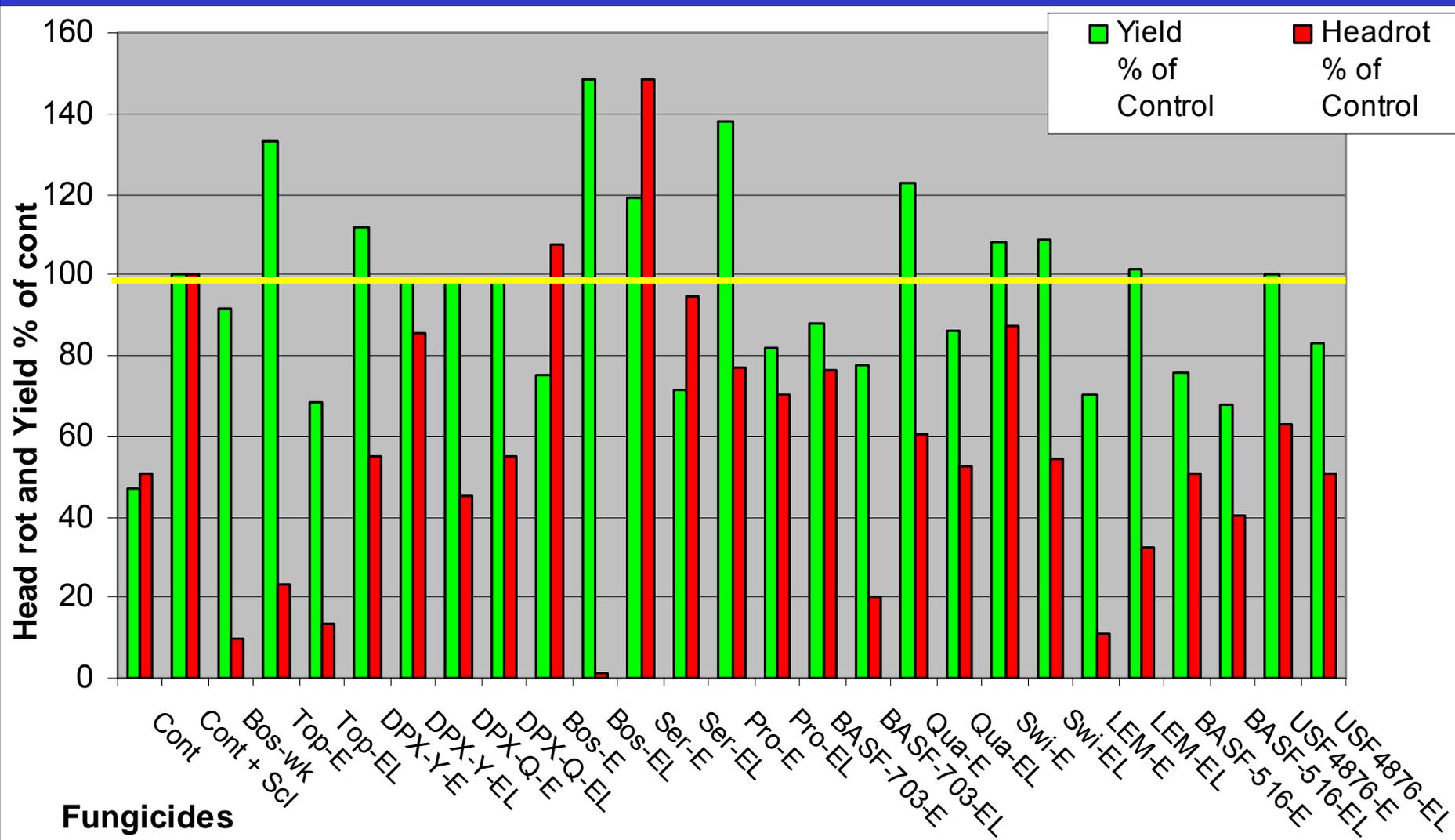
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Topsin(Senator)	Thiophanate-methyle	1.5kg	EngageAgro
Serenade	<i>Bacillus subtilis</i> (Biocontrol)	5 kg	AgraQuest
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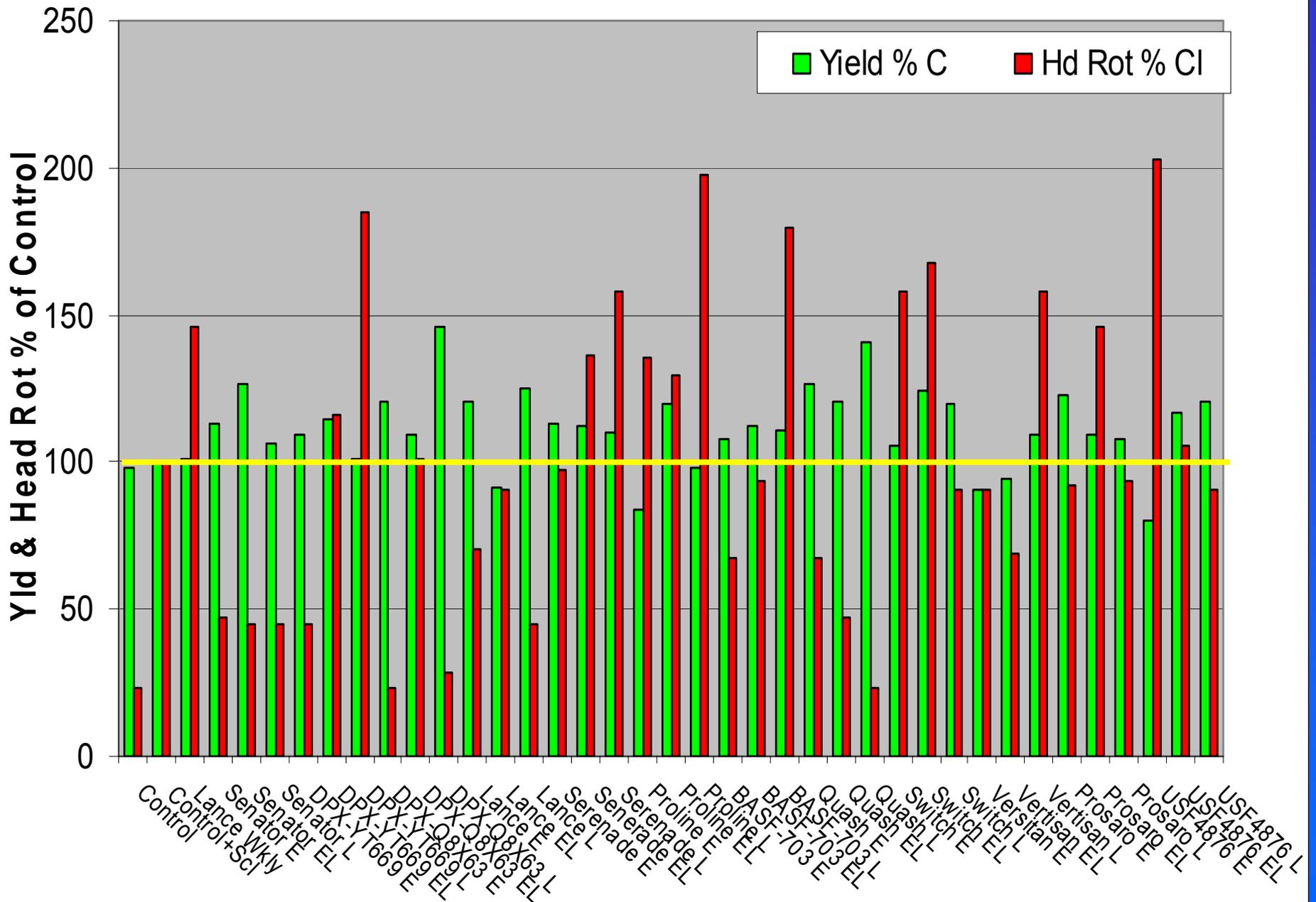


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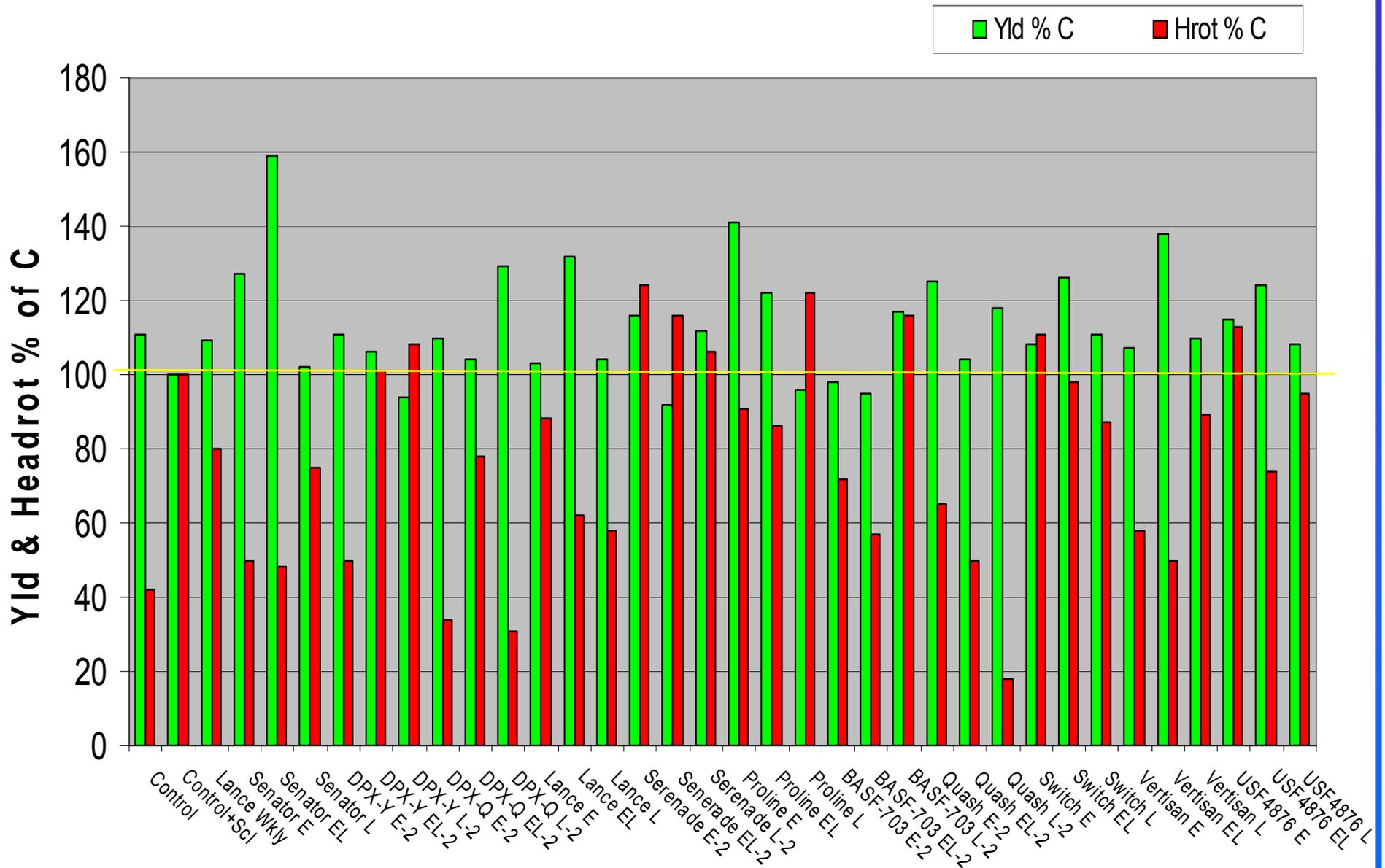
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Control of sclerotinia head rot 2011

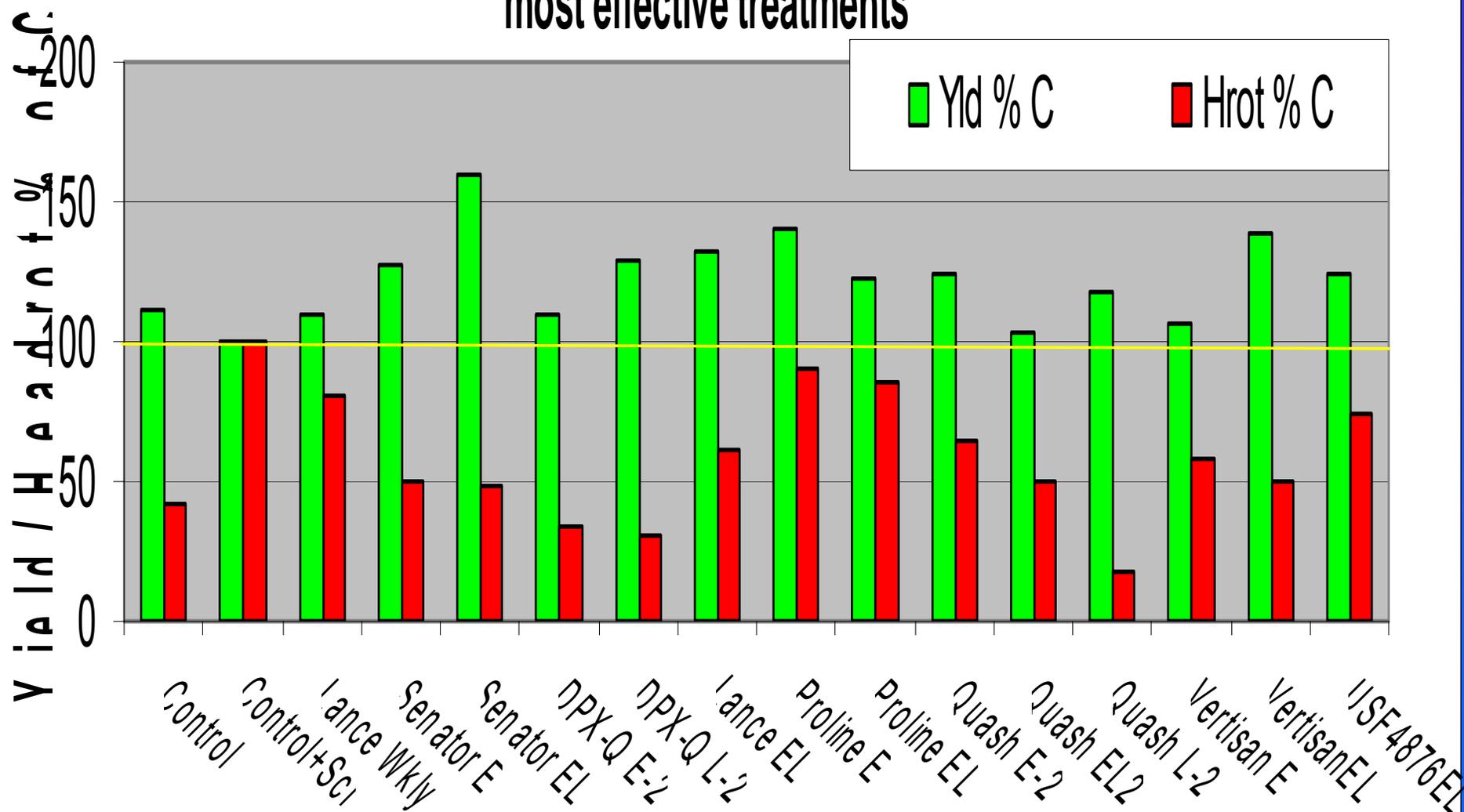


Control of Sclerotinia head rot in 2009-11



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most effective treatments



CONCLUSIONS

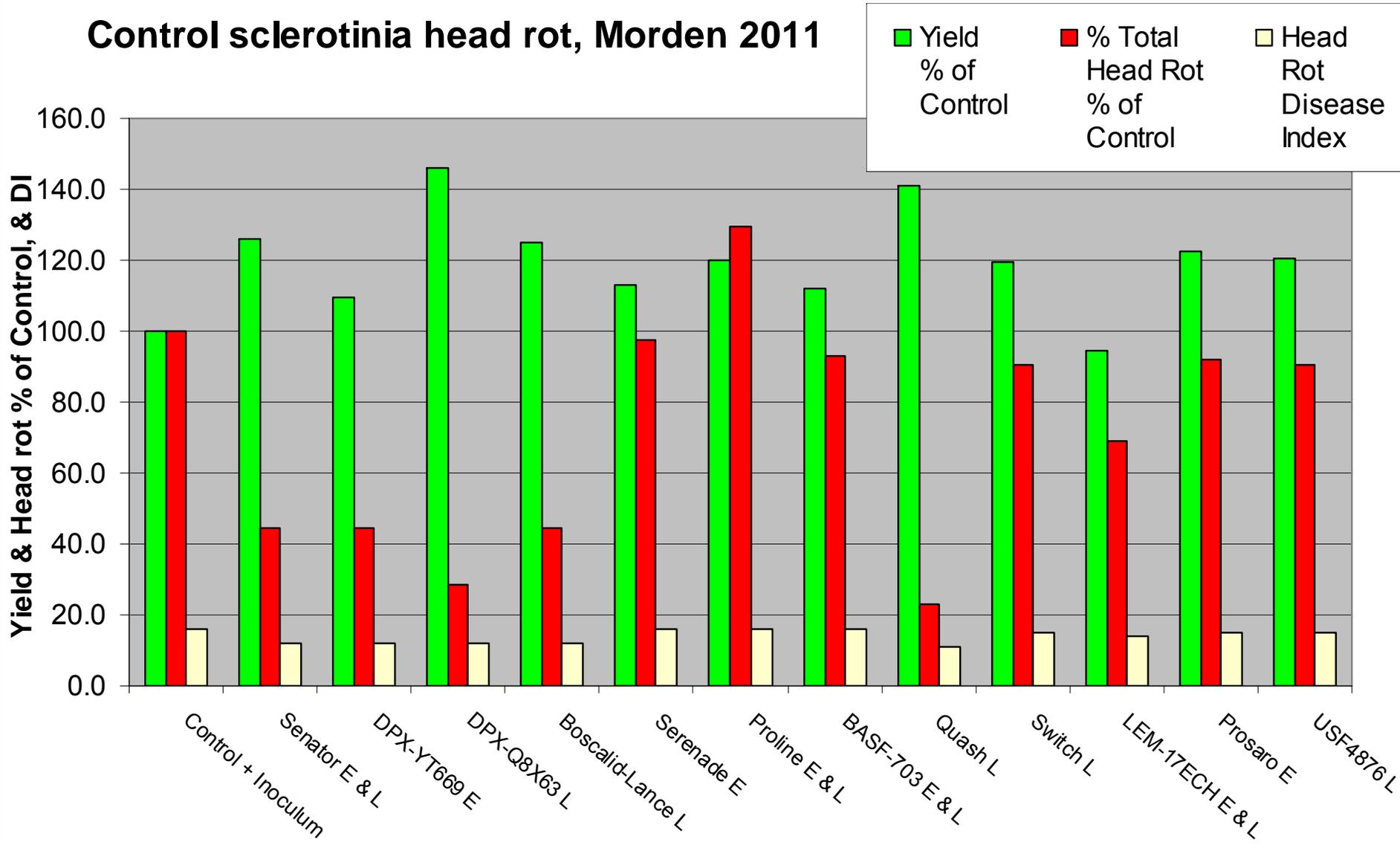
- ▶ Head rot epidemics vary from year to year.
- ▶ Misting system is essential for epidemics.
- ▶ Most fungicides reduced incidence and severity of head rot, and improved yield.
- ▶ 3-yr data showed some fungicides significantly reduced head rot and improved yield.
- ▶ Applications at early flowering were better than at late flowering.
- ▶ Two applications are better than one.
- ▶ Future research on application timing, and provide supportive data for registration of the most effective fungicides.

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Fungicide trials to reduce the impact of *Sclerotinia* head rot in sunflower



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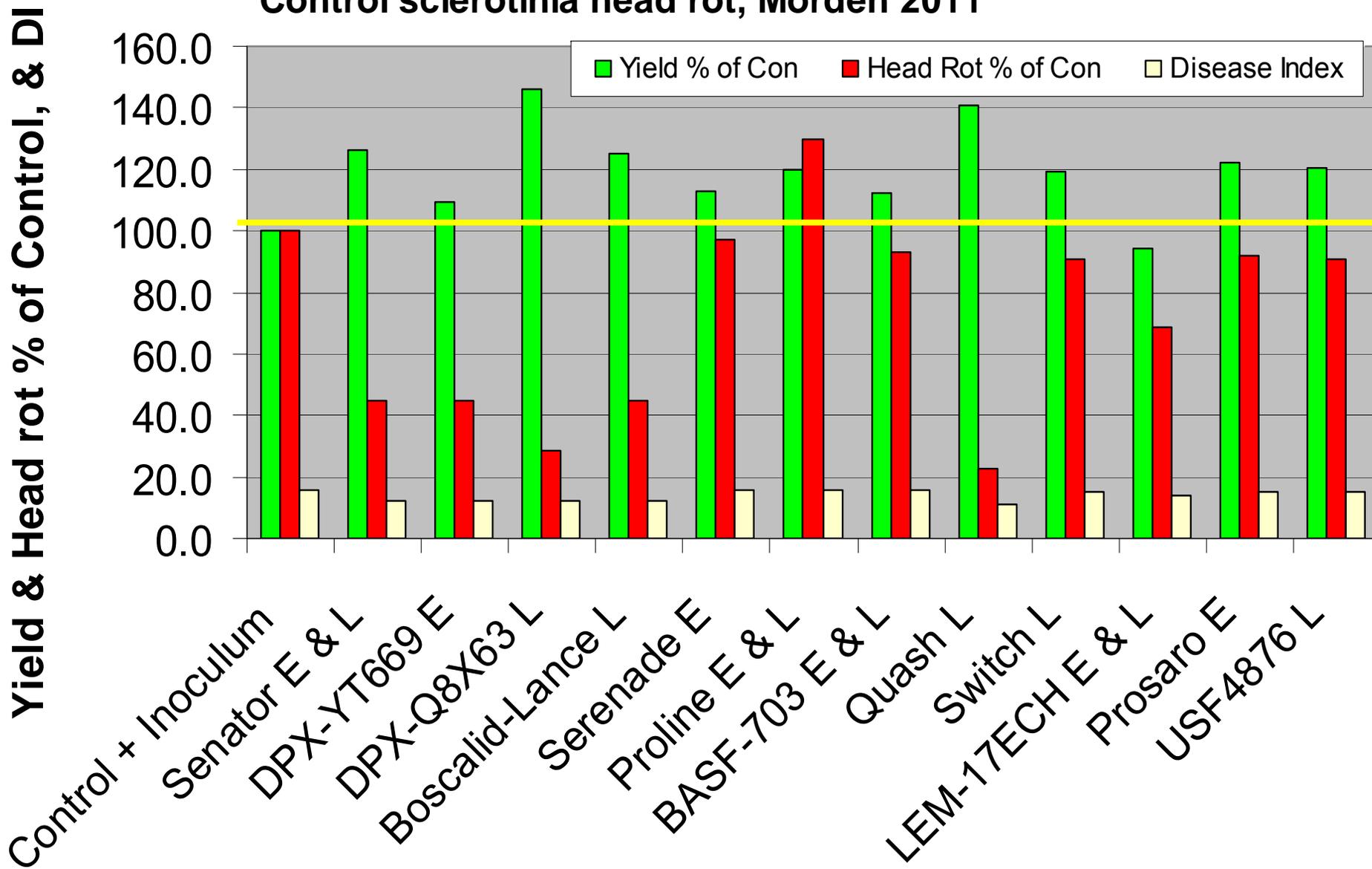
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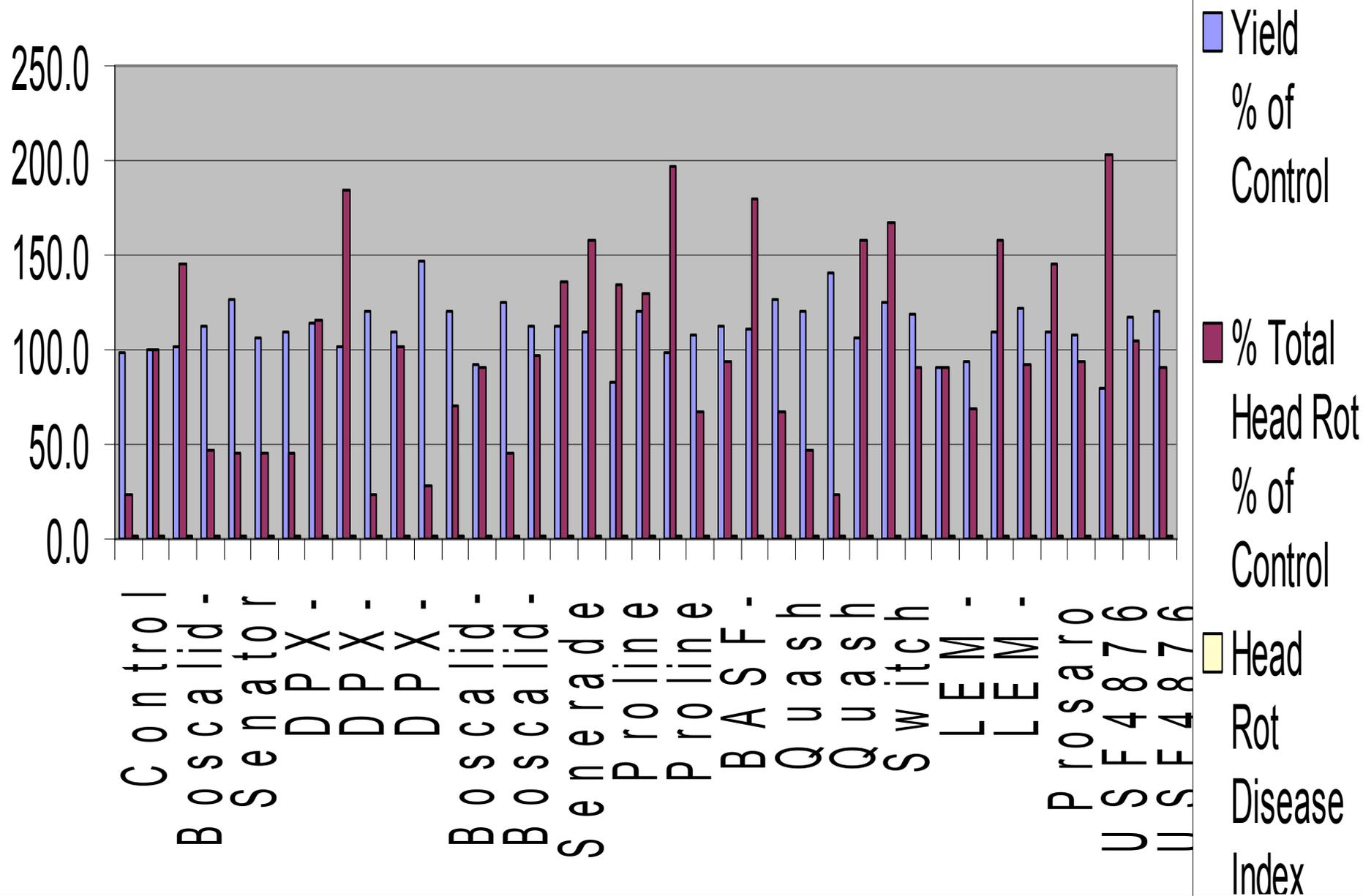
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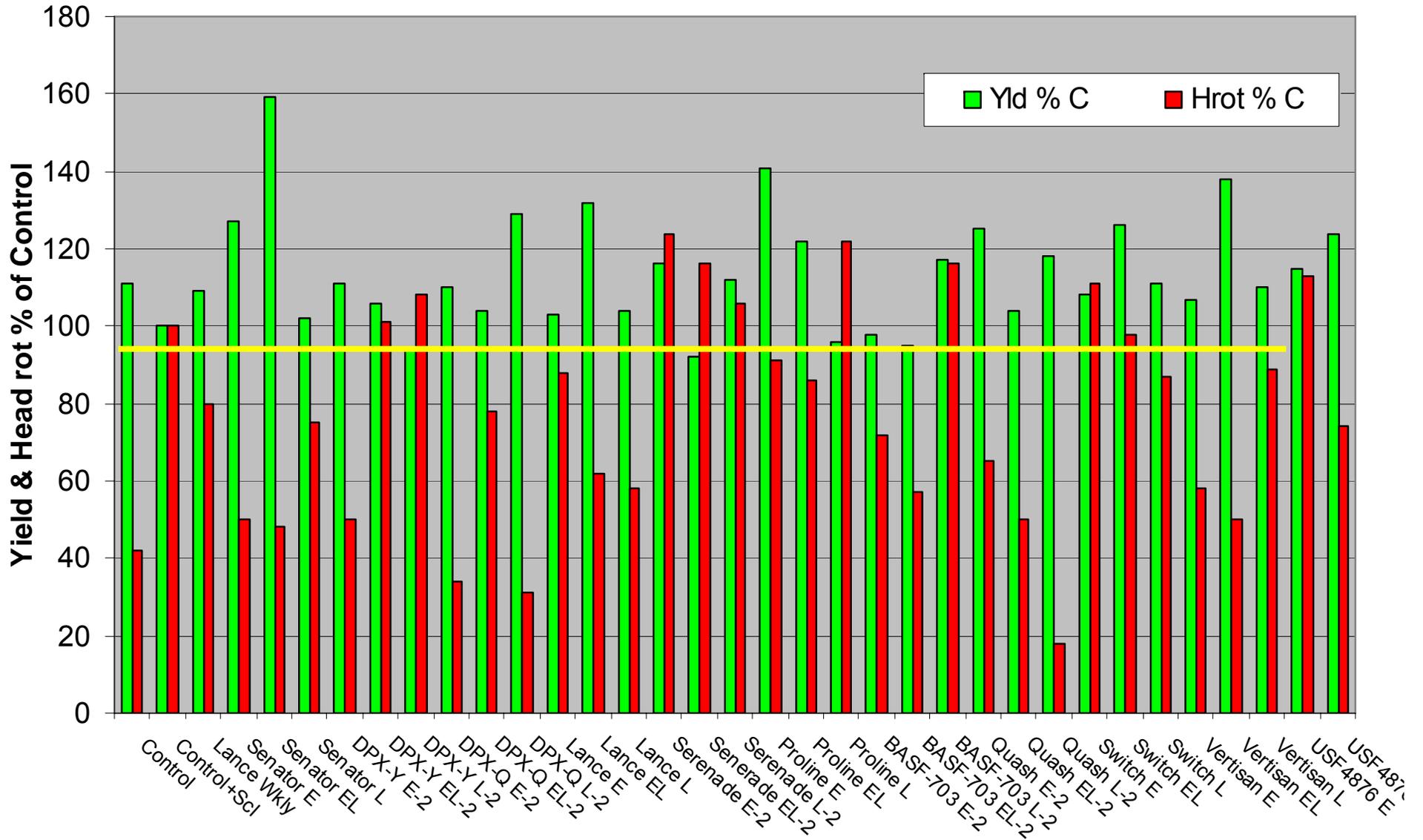




New Races of Sunflower Downy Mildew

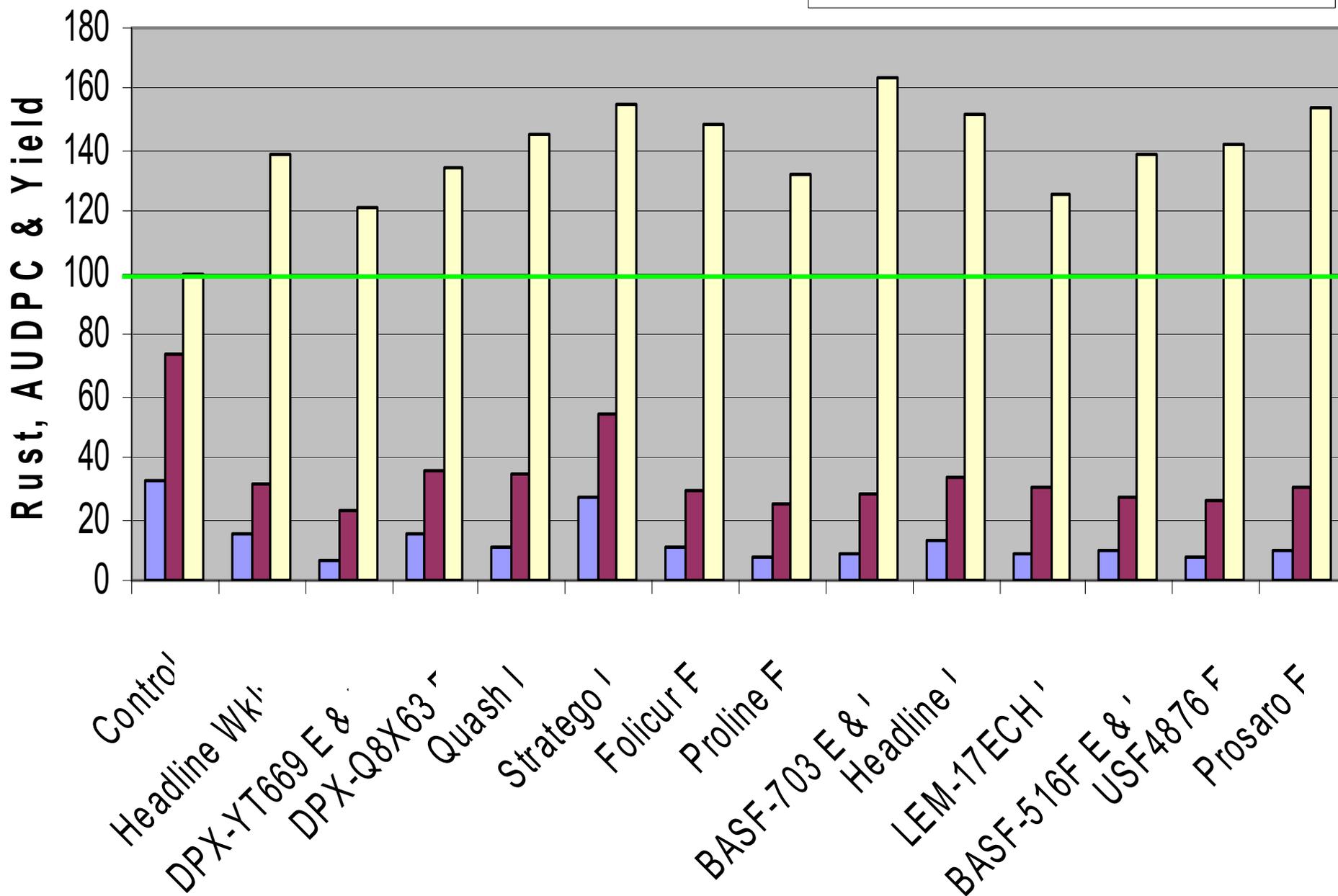
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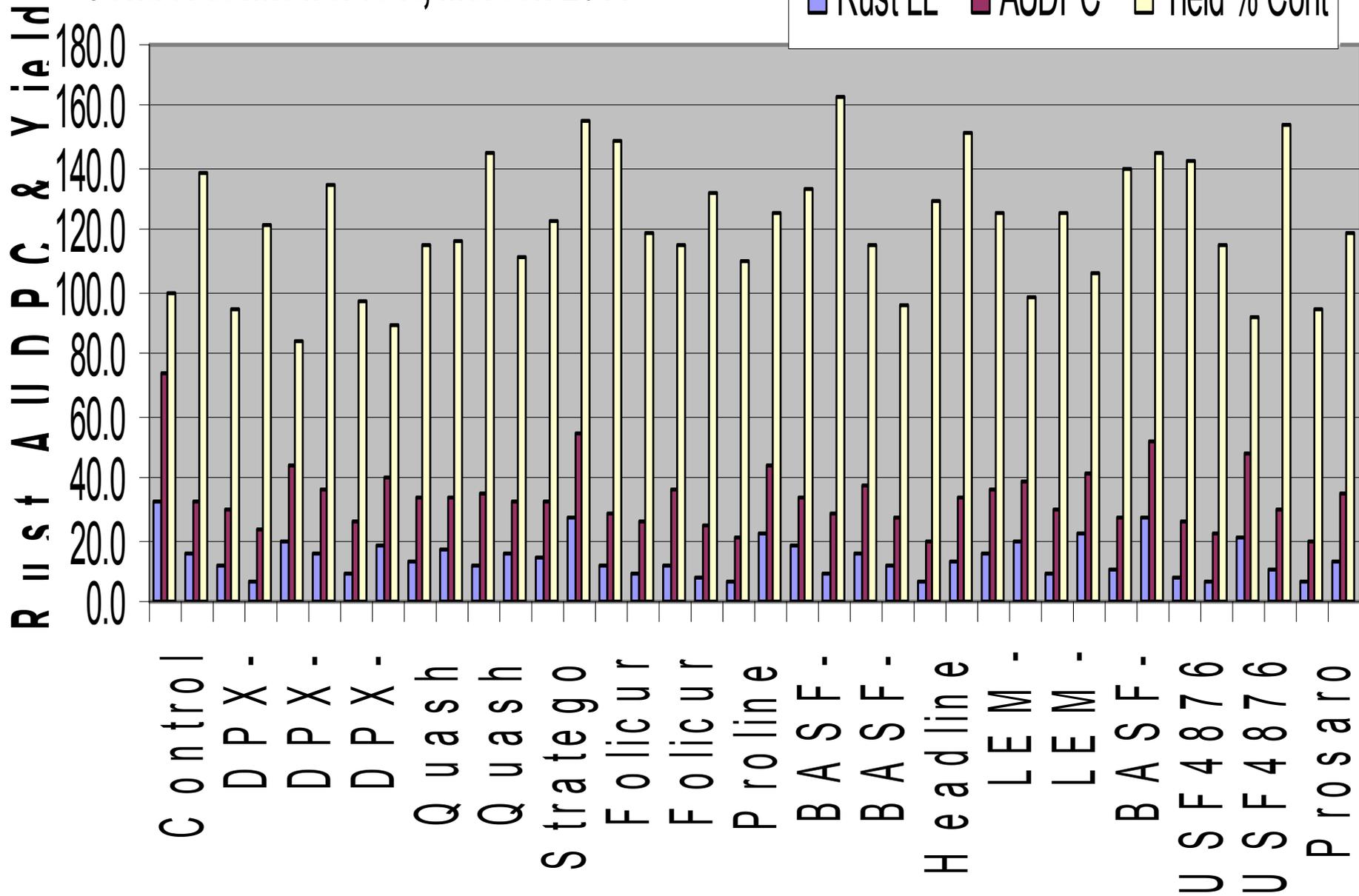
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Early fungicide application at full flowering



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Bravo	Chlorothalonil 50	1 kg	Syngenta
Dithane	Mancozeb 80 Ethyl carbamate	2.25 kg	Dow Agro
Folicur	Tebuconazole 39	0.125 kg	BAYER
Headline	Pyraclostrobin 25	0.15 kg	BASF
Lance	Boscalid 25	0.25 kg	BASF
LEM Exp.	DPX-LEM17	0.35 kg	DuPont
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