## **Project G:**



## Manitoba Crop Alliance FLAX FUNGICIDE TREATMENT Replicated Strip Trial Protocol



Rep 1

Rep 2

Rep 3

Rep 4

Fungicide #1

Fungicide #2

Untreated

Fungicide #1

Untreated

Fungicide #2

Untreated

Fungicide #1

Fungicide #2

Fungicide #2

Fungicide #1

Untreated

### **OBJECTIVE:**

The purpose of this project is to quantify the impact of a fungicide treatment on Flax – 4 sites.

#### **BRIEF SUMMARY:**

- The grower will plant a Flax variety.
- The grower will manage their crop as per their normal best management practices.
- The grower will apply 1-2 fungicides for pasmo to 4 strips, alternating the strips.
   Untreated strips will also be included. An example is shown on the right.
- Strips should be full length of the field (minimum 1000 ft.) and width to allow for a full "pure" pass with combine header.

#### **GROWER REQUIREMENTS:**

- Accurately record soil test results, variety, seeding date and rate, previous cropping history (rotation, fertilizer rates), tillage practices, fertilizer rates and application timing.
- Accurately record where all treatments are within the field.
- Note any significant weather events throughout the growing season, such as high winds, hail, or extreme precipitation events.
- Areas containing waterways and headlands should be avoided. All other factors in the trial area must be treated the same.
- Alert trial coordinator of expected harvest date and ensure all treatments are harvested the same day into a
  weigh wagon/calibrated grain cart, and that grain samples can be secured for seed moisture and seed
  quality analysis.
- Allow MCA to use data for research, educational and information purposes.
- Must be a member in good standing with MCA.

## MCA AND PARTNERS AGREE TO:

- Be available during seeding and harvesting.
- Take various measurements, including stand establishment, height, lodging and crop maturity.
- Provide a report analyzing the statistical and economical treatment differences.
- Keep data in a confidential manner that cannot be linked back to the individual grower by other parties.

## **RESEARCH ON THE FARM COACHES:**

- Project coordinator will work with local Research on the Farm coaches to collect field observations and harvest.
- Research on the Farm coaches may be local Manitoba Agriculture staff, retail or independent agronomists.

#### **BENEFITS TO GROWERS:**

- Access to the latest research that can be applied to their farm.
- Determine profitability of the practices.
- Learn accepted on-farm testing procedures.

### If you are interested in participating in a trial or have questions, please contact:

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## Data to be Collected by Contractor or MCA (2024 Trials):

- ✓ Plant Stand plants/ft² after emergence but prior to harvesting
- ✓ Lodging 1=no lodging; 5=flat just prior to harvest or before swathing
- ✓ General health of the plant 1=no disease; 5=diseased plants (rated before maturity)
- √ Yield bushels/acre
- √ Harvest Sample 1 composite sample/seed treatment for quality analysis
- ✓ General Observations e.g., General weed control; early season plant vigor

