

Going, Going, Gone: Impact of the Loss of Temik[®] : Insects

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Early Season Pests of Concern



Cutworms



Slugs



False Chinch Bugs



Thrips



Aphids



Spider Mites



Plant Bugs

Thrips Management

Temik vs Seed Treatments

- Preventative in-furrow insecticides or seed treatments are recommended
 - Temik 15G (3.5 - 5 lb/acre)
 - Gaucho Grande (imidacloprid, 0.375 mg ai/seed)
 - Aeris (0.375 mg imidacloprid + 0.375 mg thiodicarb)
 - Cruiser (thiamethoxam, 0.34 mg ai/seed)
 - Avicta Complete Pack (0.34 mg thiamethoxam + 0.15 mg abamectin)
 - In-furrow Orthene or acephate (0.90-0.97 lb ai/acre)
 - Seed treatment of 8-25 oz/cwt
- Supplemental foliar applications as needed
 - Orthene (0.20-0.25 lb ai/acre), Bidrin 8E (1.6-3.0 oz/acre) and Dimethoate 4E (4-6 oz/acre)

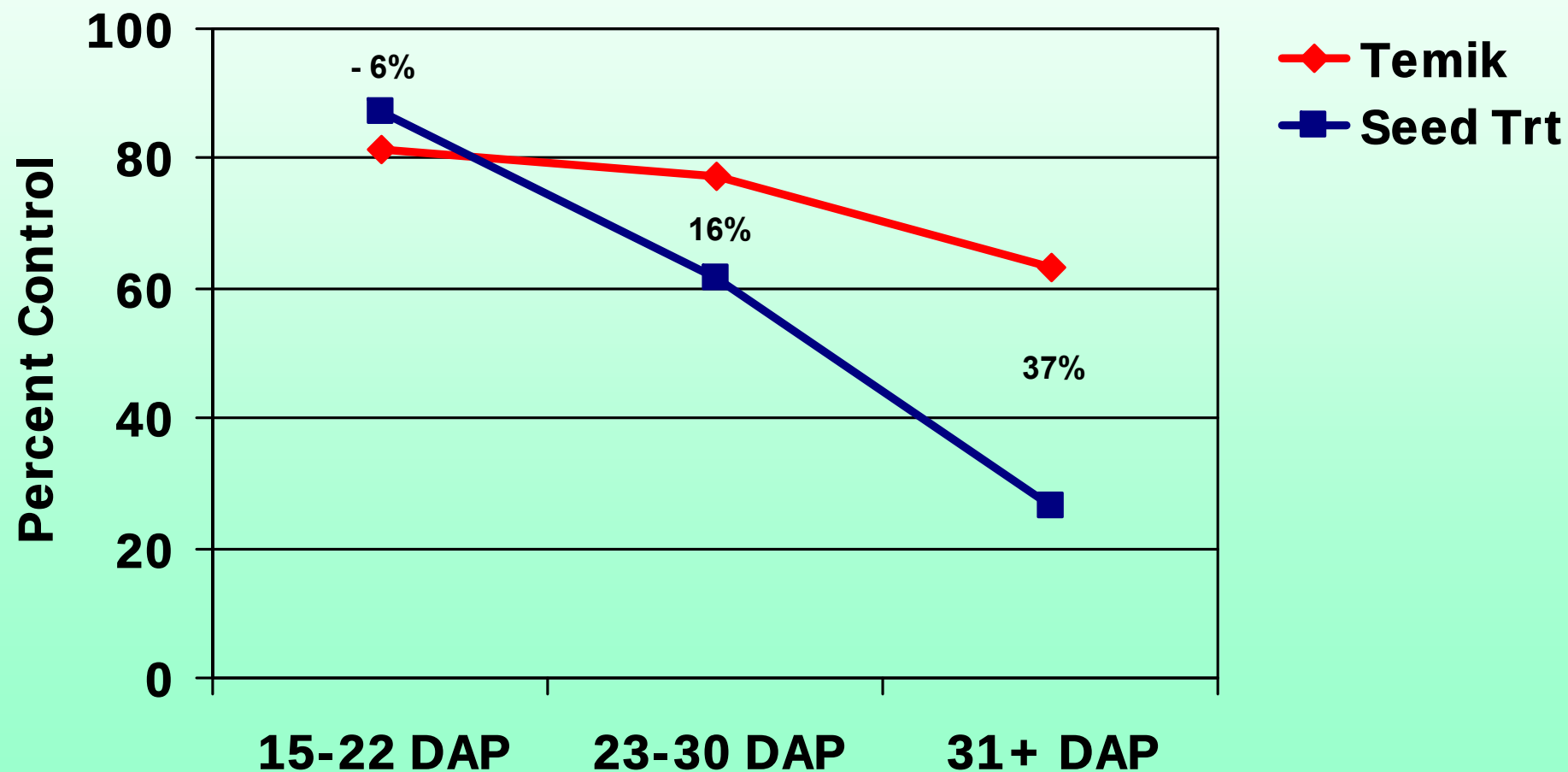
Stewart (UT) & Lorenz (UA)

Percent Thrips Control

Temik and Seed Treatments, 14 Trials (2003-2007)

(3.5-5 lbs)

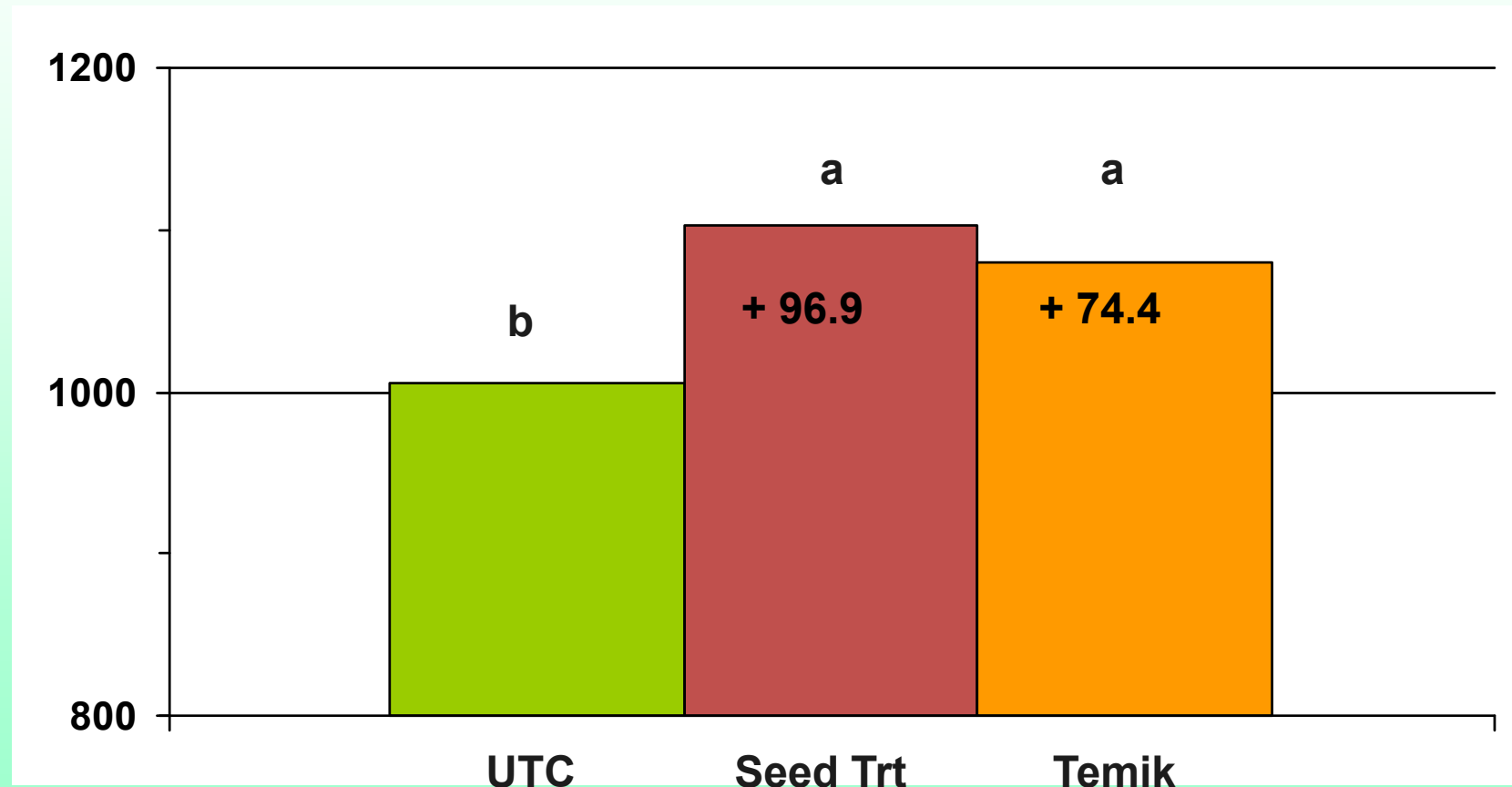
(Gaucho Grande/Aeris/Cruiser/Avicta CP)



Thrips Trials - Yield (Lb Lint/Acre)

Stewart (UT) and Lorenz (UA)

14 Trials from 2003-2007, WTES and Arkansas



N = 8 in TN, 6 in AR

P < 0.05

Spider Mites

Early-Season Damage



Spider Mite Risk Factors

(Particularly Early Season)

- Geography
- Shift from Temik to Seed Treatments
- In-field vegetation present at emergence
- Flaring with insecticides
- Weather (hot and dry) ???



None of these factors is totally predictive of spider mite infestations



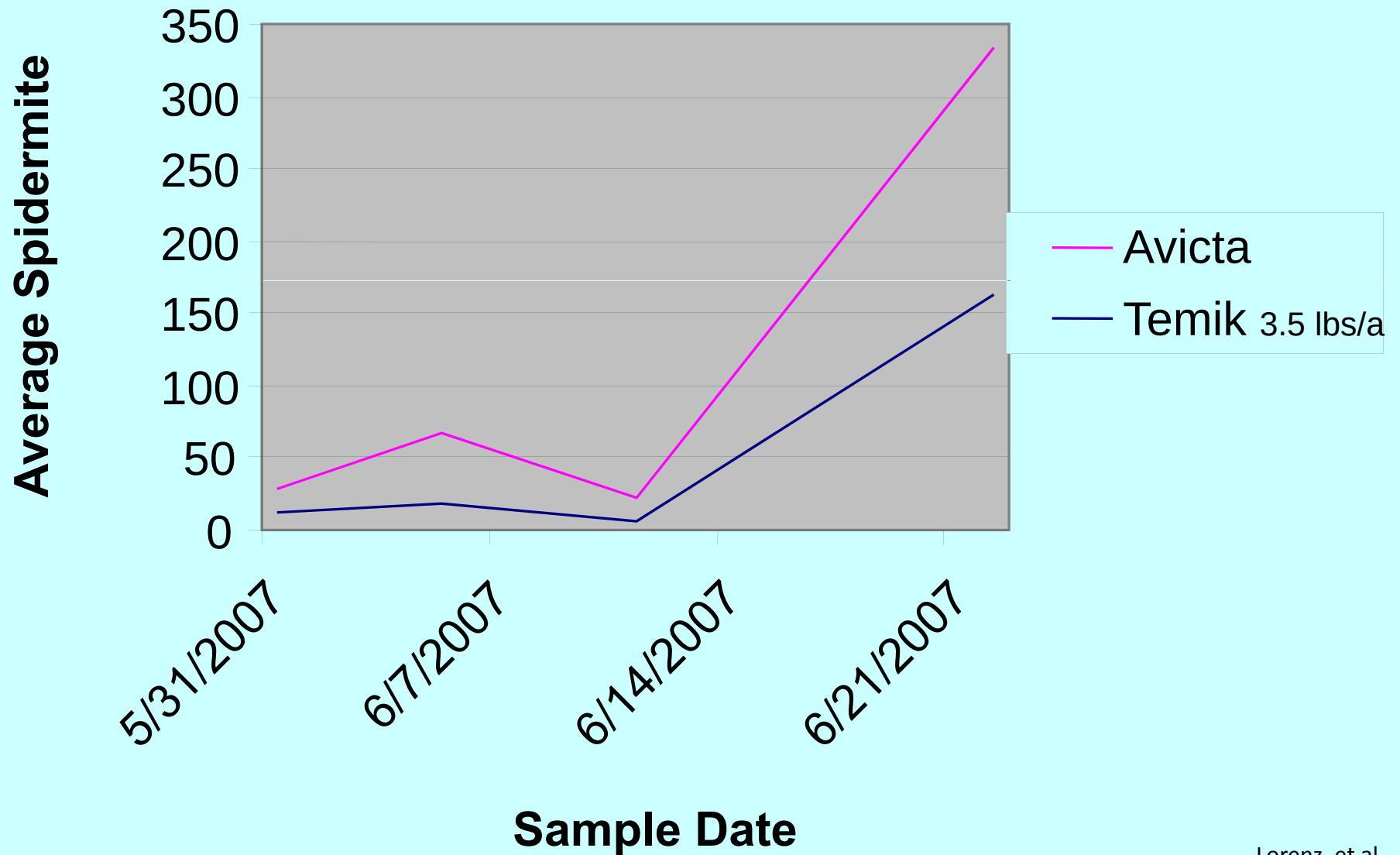
NC - Acres Treated for Spider Mites

(2004-2005 Consultants' Survey, $\approx$ 150 Producers)

Usage Pattern	% Acres Treated	Odds of Treatment
Mostly Used Temik (25%)	0.58	1/170
Mostly Used Seed Trt. (75%)	5.3	1/19

Difference = 9 fold

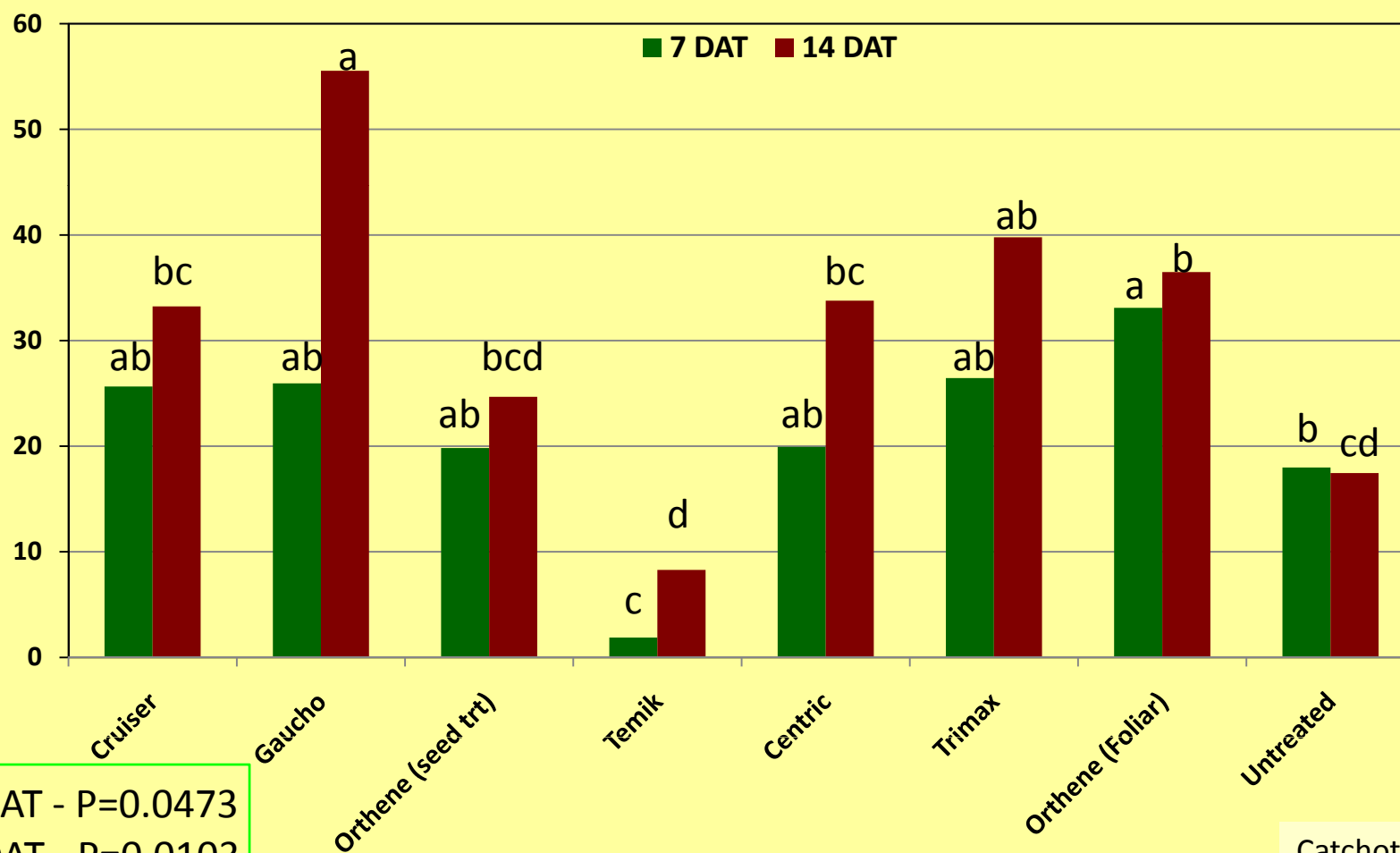
Average Spider Mites by Sample Date



Effect of Seed Treatments, Temik and Foliar Insecticides on Mites

Starkville, MS - June 2008.

Number of Immature Mites/Leaf.



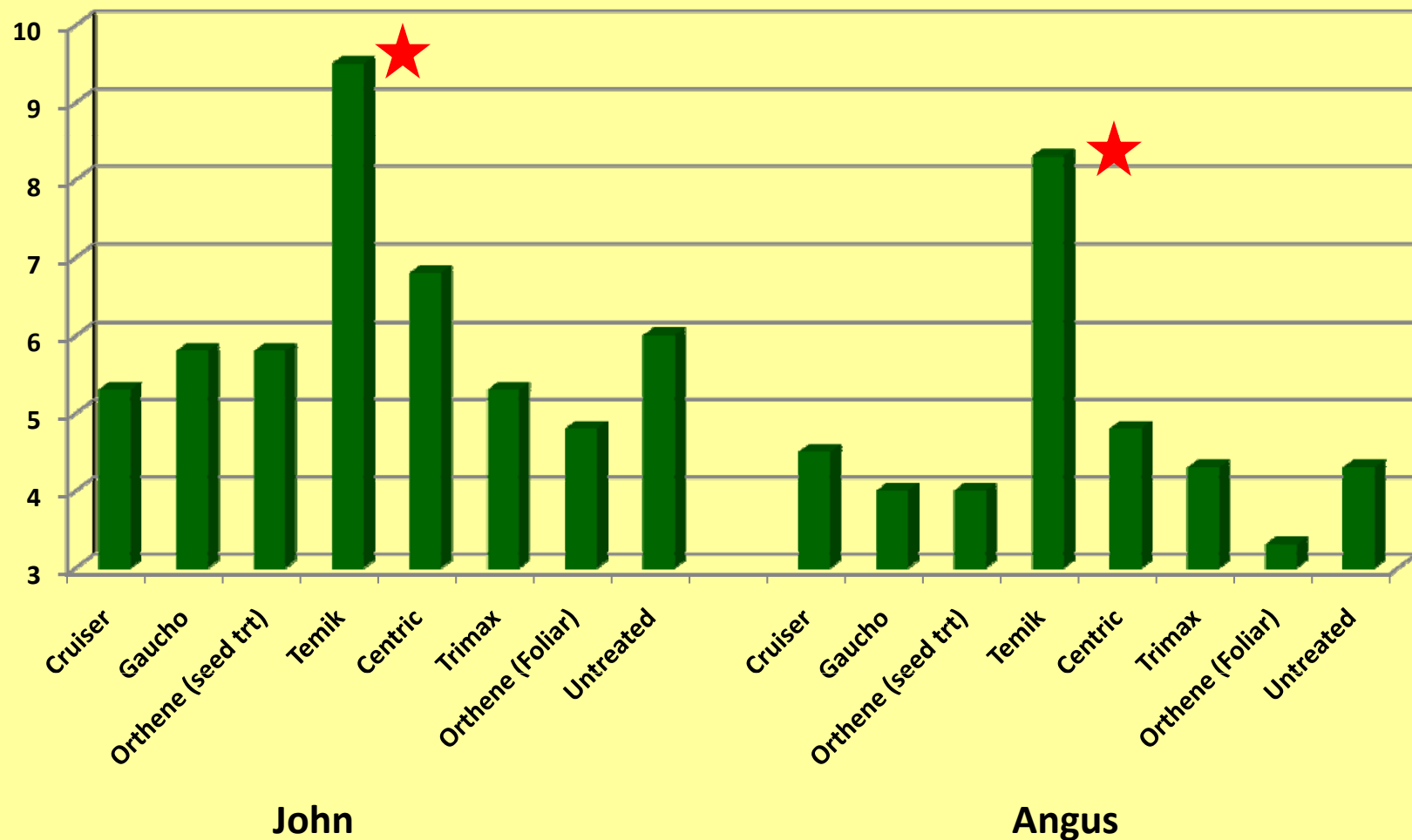
7 DAT - $P=0.0473$
14 DAT - $P=0.0103$

Catchot and Smitty

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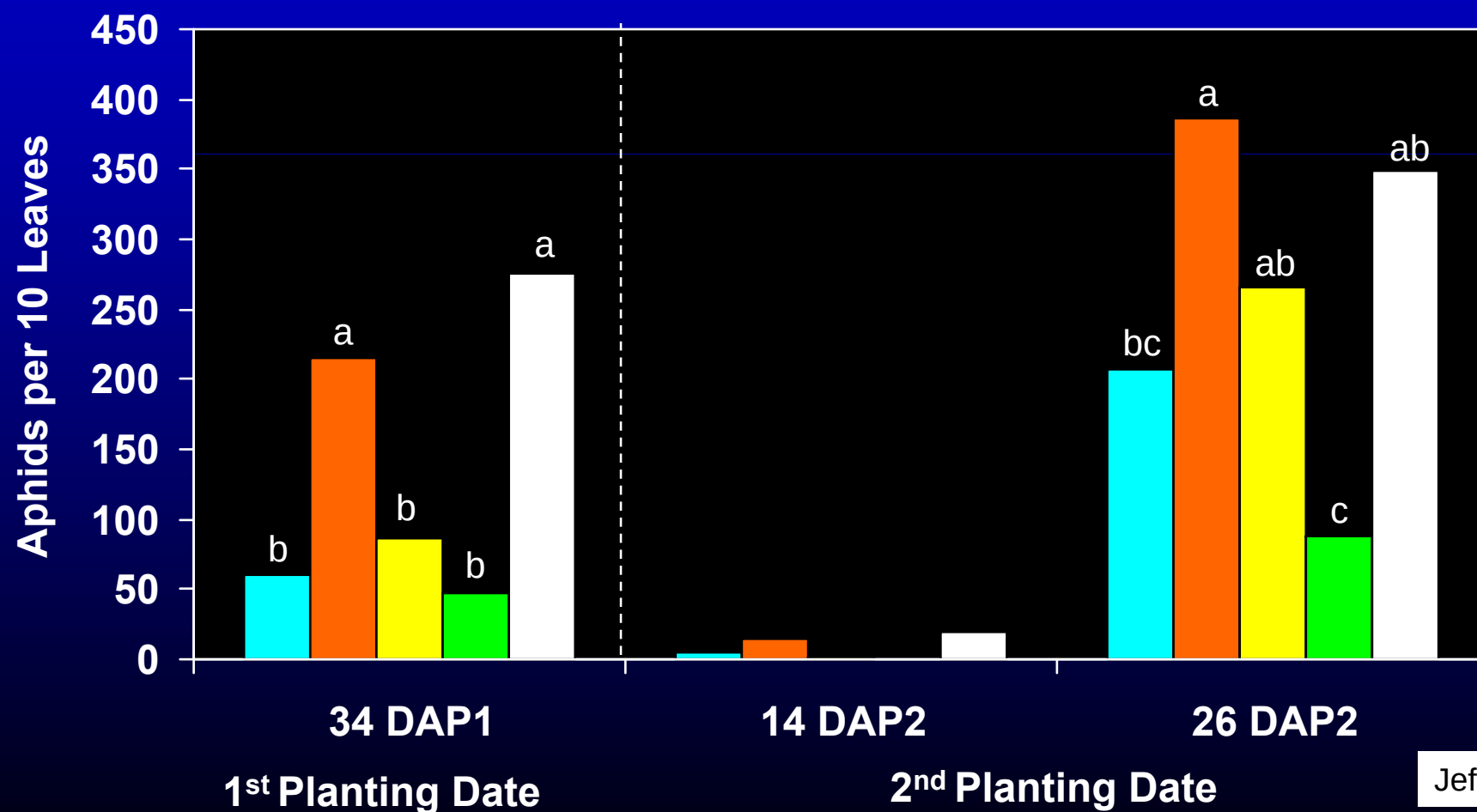
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Visual Rating of Mite Injury (1-10, 10=best)



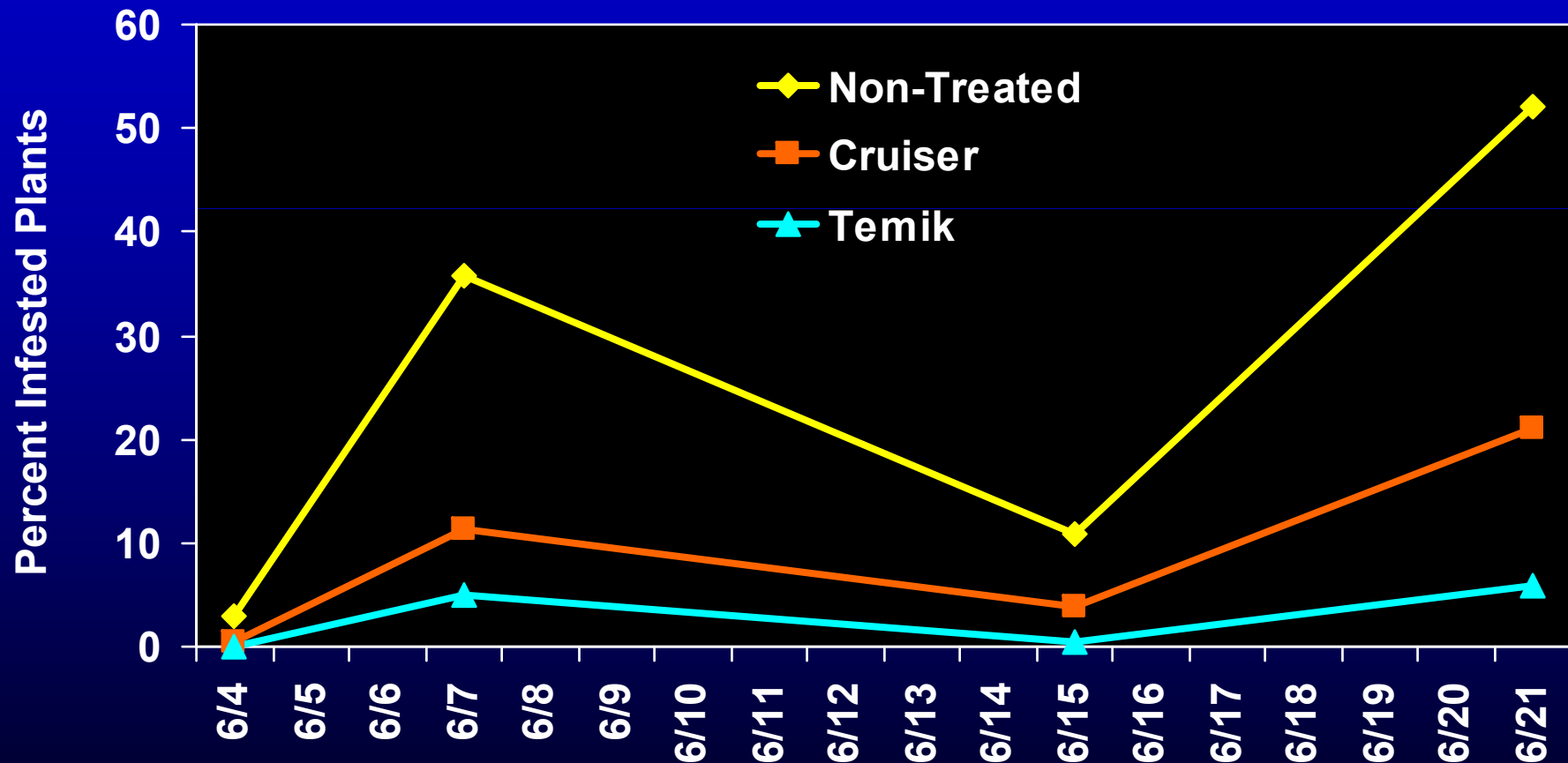
Aeris Seed Treatment – Aphids

Gaucha Grande Thiodicarb Aeris
Temik (5 lbs) UTC



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Impact of At-Planting Insecticides on Aphid Populations



Data generated from large blocks of cotton >5 acres

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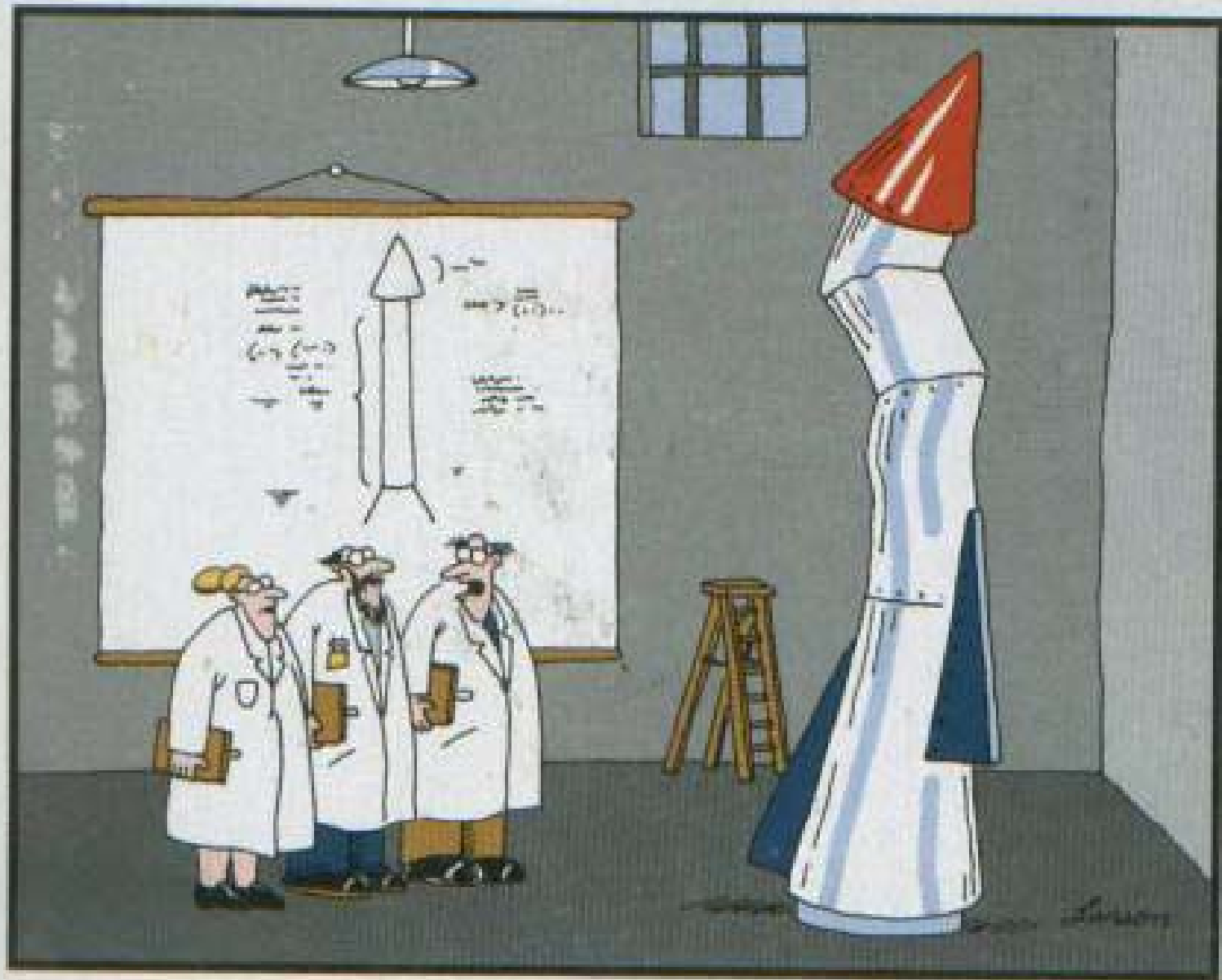
Summary

- Seed treatments do not have residual of Temik for thrips control
- However, adequate protection in most cases
- Seed treatments have obvious advantages over IF: ease, better tox, no app. issues
- Concern is over: 1) impact to occasional and 2° pests: spider mites, aphids, and 2) overuse of neonicotinoids/ Rs issues



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**"It's time we face reality, my friends. ...
We're not exactly rocket scientists."**

The Good Old Days Are Over

