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SUMMARY

In a series of pot experiments in the glasshouse, five herbicides were examined for pre-emergence selectivity as soil surface sprays on 47 temperate crop and weed species. Wheat, barley and maize were each treated with seed dressings of the safener 1,8 naphthalic anhydride (NA) to investigate possible protection from herbicide injury. The route of entry was examined in a separate test on six selected species. Persistence of the herbicides in the soil was examined over a period of 44 weeks.

Imazaquin controlled a wide range of annual and perennial broad-leaved and grass weeds while dwarf and field beans were tolerant. Herbicidal effects on wheat, barley and maize were reduced by NA at lower doses.

All four cereals were tolerant to isoxaben at doses which controlled many annual broad-leaved weeds, including all composites and crucifers but more interestingly Veronica persica, Viola arvensis and even Galium aparine.

Metsulfuron-methyl was extremely active, controlling mostly broad-leaved weeds while all four cereals were tolerant.

Aclonifen controlled a wide range of annual broad-leaved and grass weeds including Alopecurus myosuroides, Veronica persica and Viola arvensis. Crop tolerance was high and included all four cereals, carrot and many leguminous species.

Orbencarb controlled A. myosuroides, Veronica persica and Galium aparine in an otherwise narrow annual weed spectrum. Tolerance was found in cereals, legume and brassica crops.

Persistence in the soil was short to moderate for metsulfuron-methyl, aclonifen and orbencarb, moderately long for imazaquin and long for isoxaben, relative to the standard cyanazine (short persistence) and simazine (long persistence).

INTRODUCTION

The pre- and post-emergence activities and selectivities of new herbicides are investigated at WRO on a large number of pot-grown crop and weed species and at the same time experience of the type of effects produced by each compound is obtained. Persistence in the soil is also monitored and these data in conjunction with crop susceptibilities, are useful in considering subsequent cropping of treated land. The limitations of these investigations are that only one crop variety or source of weed species is used; they are grown in one particular soil type, at only one depth of sowing and without interspecific competition. Consequently the results should only be used as a guide for further work, as plant responses in pot experiments can be very different from those in the field.

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This report gives pre-emergence selectivity data on five new herbicides. Results of activity experiments are also included for isoxaben and orbencarb to provide information on levels of phytotoxicity, type and route of action. Those for imazaquin, metsulfuron-methyl and acifluorfen were reported previously (Richardson et al., 1984; Richardson & West, 1984).

METHODS AND MATERIALS

Activity experiment (AE) This was carried out in the glasshouse on six selected species as described previously (Richardson and Dean, 1973). Four annual species were raised from seeds and two perennials from rhizome fragments. Herbicides were applied by four different methods.

- i) a post-emergence spray to the foliage only, avoiding contact with the soil,
- ii) post-emergence to the soil only, as a drench avoiding foliar contact,
- iii) pre-emergence to the soil surface,
- iv) pre-emergence with thorough incorporation to 5 cm depth before planting.

Table 1. Plant data for activity experiments

| Species | Cultivar /source | No. per pot at spraying | | Depth of planting (cm) | Stage of growth | | |
|---|----------------------|----------------------------|---------|------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| | | pre- | post | | Spraying | Assessment | |
| | | | | | pre-em | pre-em | post-em |
| Dwarf bean (<i>Phaseolus vulgaris</i>) | Master-piece | 3 to 4 | 2 | 2.0 | 2 uni-foliate leaves | 1.5 to 2.5 tri-foliate leaves | 2 to 3 tri-foliate leaves |
| Kale (<i>Brassica oleracea</i> acephala) | Marrowstem | 10 | 5 | 0.5 | 2 to 2.5 leaves | 4 to 5 leaves | 4 to 5 leaves |
| <i>Polygonum amphibium</i> | WRO Clone 1 | 6 | 4 to 5 | 1.0 | 4.5 to 5.5 | 6 to 8 leaves | 9 to 10 leaves |
| Perennial ryegrass (<i>Lolium perenne</i>) | S23 | 15 | 8 to 10 | 0.5 | 2 to 3 leaves | 4 to 5 leaves, tiller-ing | 2 to 6 tillers |
| <i>Avena fatua</i> | WRO 1978 WRO 1980 | 10 to 12 | 5 | 1.0 | 2.5 to 3 leaves | 3.5 to 4.5 leaves, 0 to 2 tillers | 2 tillers |
| <i>Elymus repens</i> | WRO Clone 1 | 6 | 4 to 5 | 1.0 | 2.5 to 3 leaves | 3.5 to 5 leaves, 0 to 3 tillers | 1 to 2 tillers |

Table 2. Soil and environment conditions

| Experiment type | Activity expt. 1 isoxaben | Activity expt. 2 orbencarb | Pre-emergence selectivity |
|---|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Date of spraying | 13.10.82 | 20.5.83 | 13.12.83 |
| Main assessment completed | 16.11.82 | 21.6.83 | 3.2.84 |
| Organic matter (%) | 2.2 | 2.2 | 2.2 |
| Clay content (%) | 15.0 | 15.0 | 15.0 |
| pH (water; 1:2 soil/water) | 7.5 | 7.5 | 7.5 |
| Ammonium sulphate (g/kg) | - | - | 0.4 |
| Superphosphate (g/kg) | 2.0 | 2.0 | 0.8 |
| Potassium sulphate (g/kg) | - | - | 0.4 |
| Vitax QS fertilizer (g/kg) | 2.5 | 2.5 | - |
| Fritted trace elements (g/kg) | - | - | 0.08 |
| Hydrated Mg ₂ SO ₄ (g/kg) | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.3 |
| Temperature (°C) | | | |
| Mean | 19 | 19 | 15 |
| Maximum | 26 | 33 | 22 |
| Minimum | 12 | 11 | 6 |
| Relative humidity (%) | | | |
| Mean | 60 | 60 | 64 |
| Maximum | 85 | 90 | 88 |
| Minimum | 32 | 20 | 33 |

Pre-emergence selectivity experiment

Techniques for the selectivity experiment were as described by Richardson and Dean (1973), all herbicides being applied as surface pre-emergence treatments. Species were sown as detailed in Appendix 1, each being replicated twice for every treatment.

Radish (*Raphanus raphanistrum*) was included for ease of propagation and may be regarded as a crop or weed. To improve establishment, seeds of *Chenopodium album* were kept in 0.1 M potassium nitrate for 48 hours in the light.

To protect from soil-borne pathogens, all seeds (except wheat, barley, oat, perennial ryegrass, *C. segetum*, *G. aparine*, *Viola arvensis* and most perennials) were pre-treated with one of the following:- thiram, captan, thiram + benlate (for onion only), bromophos + captan + thiabendazole (pea only). *A. fatua* seeds were dressed with 'Harvesan' organo-mercury. Maize seeds were purchased already treated with captan A + teraquinone. The seeds of kale, radish, swede and dwarf bean, were treated with thiram, a 6% gum arabic solution being used prior to dressing, to give better adhesion. In addition, 'Cheshunt Compound' (3 g litre⁻¹) fungicide solutions were applied to certain species as soil drenches or sprays to protect against fungal diseases. Root fragments of *Cirsium arvense* were washed in a 2 ml litre⁻¹ colloidal copper solution.

A series of treatments were included for wheat, barley and maize in which seeds were treated with the safener (1,8-naphthalic anhydride) at 0.5% w/w a.i. of seeds.

Herbicides were applied using a laboratory sprayer embodying an 8002E Spraying Systems Tee Jet operated at a pressure of 207 kPa (30 lb/in²) and moving at 0.54 m/s, 30 cm above the soil. Subsequent watering was from overhead. During the experiment, plants were raised in the glasshouse, normal daylight being supplemented by mercury vapour lighting to provide 14 hour photoperiods.

Assessment and processing of results

Results were processed as described by Richardson and Dean (1973). Survivors were counted and scored for vigour on a 0-7 scale where 0 = dead and 7 = as in untreated control. Certain species showed variable germination and these results were ignored. However, vigour scores were taken for Polygonum lapathifolium and Phalaris paradoxa and these are included in the selectivity tables and referred to in the text where appropriate. Polygonum aviculare, Solanum nigrum and Holcus lanatus failed to germinate.

Pairs of histograms are presented for each treatment, the upper representing plant survival and the lower vigour score, both calculated as percentages of untreated controls. Each 'x' represents a 5% increment in the pre-emergence selectivity experiment but 7% in the activity experiments. A '+' indicates a value in excess of 100%; 'R' indicates a result based on one replicate only and 'M' represents a missing treatment.

A table of observed selectivities, using the criteria specified, is presented for each herbicide, along with comments to highlight salient points.

Several species, notably the perennials, were kept for an extra period to observe later effects or the degree of recovery from injury and these final observations are referred to in the text.

Persistence in the soil

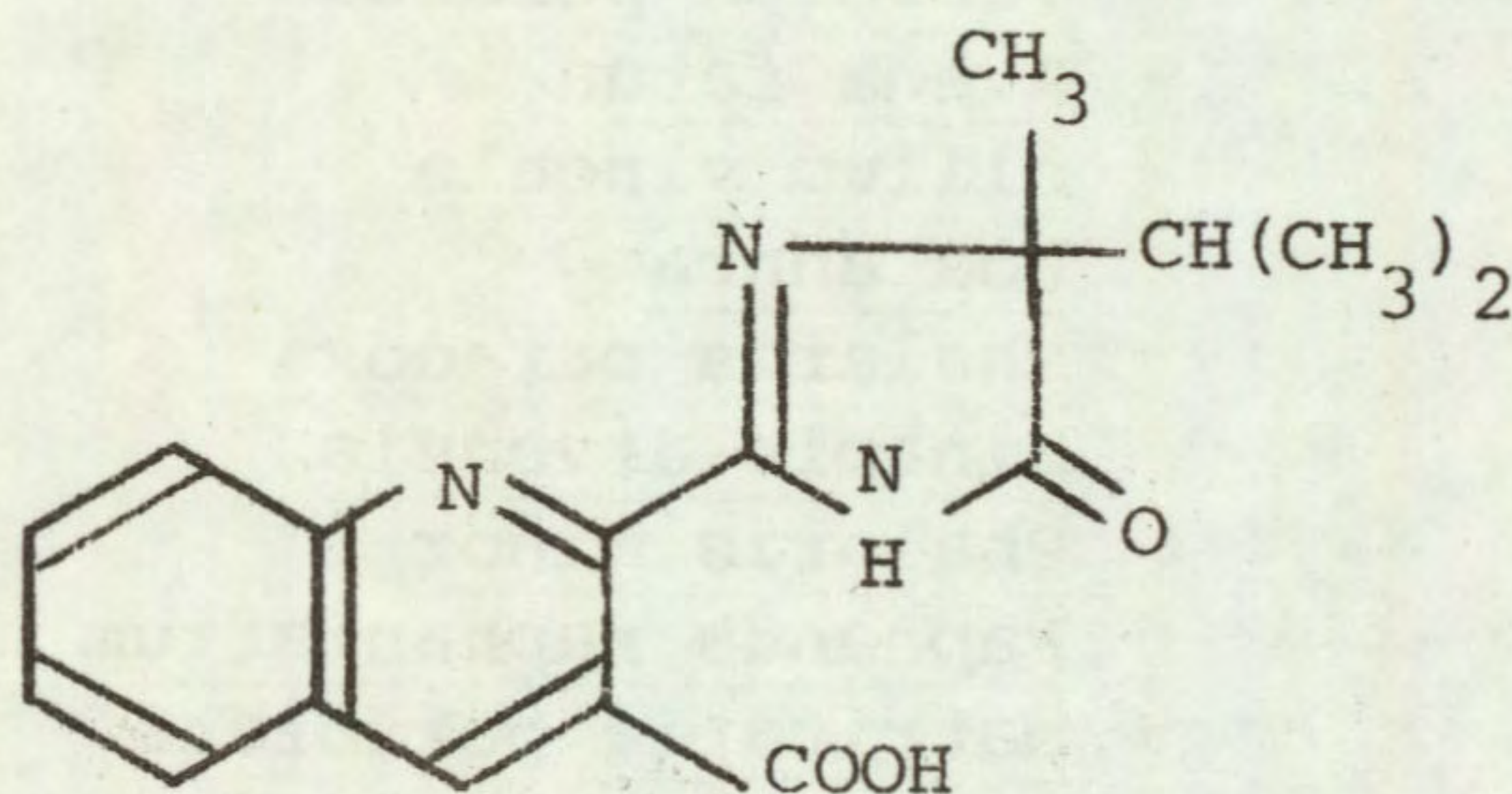
This was monitored, by bioassay, in conjunction with the pre-emergence selectivity experiment. Pots (7.5 cm diameter) containing soil were sprayed directly with the herbicides. All pots were then transferred to the temperate glasshouse together with untreated controls and watered as necessary from overhead.

For each bioassay three replicate pots per treatment were selected and sensitive species (perennial ryegrass and turnip) were sown 0.5 cm deep, disturbing the soil as little as possible. Plants were harvested three or four weeks after sowing at a pre-determined growth stage, the number and fresh weight of shoots being recorded. Bioassays were repeated at six to eight week intervals for 44 weeks, unless the herbicides had disappeared before then. Herbicides are considered to have disappeared when shoot fresh weights of the test plants are 80% or more as compared with the controls. Results are presented graphically for each herbicide and comments are made in the text. Standard treatments of cyanazine (short persistence) and simazine (moderate to long persistence) were included for comparison (see page 52). Average temperature during this period was 15°C (minimum 2°C, maximum 34°C) and relative humidity 60% (minimum 25%, maximum 90%).

Imazaquin

Code number Imazaquin

Chemical name 2-(4-isopropyl-4-methyl-5-oxo-2-imidazolin-2-yl)
quinoline-3-carboxylic acid

Structure

Source Cyanamid International Limited
Fareham Road
Gosport
Hants PO13 0AS
UK

Information available and suggested uses

Broad-spectrum weed control in soyabean pre-plant incorporated, pre- and post-emergence; beans and cowpeas pre-emergence; lucerne, clover, tobacco post-emergence. Addition of a non-ionic surfactant is recommended at 0.1 to 0.5% v/v final concentration for post-emergence applications.

Formulation used Water dispersible granules 70% w/w a.i.

Spray volume 373 l/ha

RESULTS

Full results are given in the histograms on pages 8-13 and potential selectivities are summarised in the following table.

| RATE (kg a.i./ha) | CROPS: vigour reduced by less than 15% | WEEDS: number or vigour reduced by 70% or more |
|----------------------|--|--|
| 0.4 | None | None listed as no crops tolerant |
| 0.1 | dwarf bean field bean | <u>Bromus sterilis</u> <u>Veronica persica</u> <u>Avena fatua</u> <u>Allium vineale</u> <u>Poa annua</u> <u>Phalaris paradoxa</u> + <u>Sinapis arvensis</u> <u>Phalaris minor</u> <u>Raphanus raphanistrum</u> <u>Matricaria perforata</u> <u>Galium aparine</u> + species below |
| 0.025 | as above + barley + safener (NA) pea lucerne fenugreek maize + safener (NA) | <u>Beta vulgaris</u> <u>Festuca rubra</u> <u>Alopecurus myosuroides</u> <u>Poa trivialis</u> <u>Chrysanthemum segetum</u> <u>Senecio vulgaris</u> <u>Chenopodium album</u> <u>Stellaria media</u> <u>Rumex obtusifolius</u> <u>Elymus repens</u> <u>Cirsium arvense</u> <u>Tussilago farfara</u> <u>Convolvulus arvensis</u> |

+ not in histograms

Comments on results

The activity, post-emergence selectivity and symptoms produced on susceptible species were described previously (Richardson, et al. 1984). Activity was greater with soil applications, particularly pre-emergence, but with little difference between surface and incorporated treatments. A pronounced chlorosis and inhibition of growth usually preceded necrosis and death of tissues. At higher doses, plants often failed to emerge from the soil or died back soon after. Cessation of growth after reaching the cotyledon stage was a striking feature with broad-leaved species.

Persistence in the soil

A moderate to long period of persistence in the soil was apparent, using turnip as the test species. Although 0.025 kg/ha was undetected 44 weeks after treatment, 0.1 and 0.4 kg/ha were still reducing shoot fresh weights by 92 and 96% respectively at this same date.

Pre-emergence selectivity

Thirteen weeds were controlled at the lowest dose of 0.025 kg/ha. These included perennial species (Elymus repens, Cirsium arvense, Tussilago farfara) as well as annual broad-leaved and grass species. A further eleven species were controlled at 0.1 kg/ha, notably the annuals, but also Allium vineale.

Dwarf bean and field bean were the two most tolerant crops, withstanding 0.1 kg/ha and being reduced in vigour by only 29 and 36% respectively at 0.4 kg/ha. Three other leguminous species, pea, lucerne and fenugreek, tolerated 0.025 kg/ha. Onion, white clover, brassicas, (rape, kale, swede), carrot, sugar beet and perennial ryegrass were sensitive. The safener, NA improved the tolerance of the three cereals, wheat, barley and maize such that the two latter species were tolerant to 0.025 kg/ha. Even at 0.1 kg/ha, vigour of all three was improved considerably by NA, but no safening resulted at 0.4 kg/ha.

The potential control of such a wide range of weeds, including many of considerable importance in dwarf and field beans is impressive and deserves following up. The weed spectrum appears wider pre-emergence than in the earlier post-emergence trial with these crops (Richardson et al., 1984). However the possibility of spraying over such a long time interval from pre-emergence to post-emergence would be a distinct advantage. Further work with the safener, NA and possibly other safeners, and other crops would seem worthwhile, the results here suggesting the potential control of Alopecurus myosuroides, Avena fatua and Bromus sterilis as well as volunteer cereals and many other important weeds in cereals.

IMAZAQUIN

| SPECIES | | 0.025 KG/HA | | 0.1 KG/HA | | 0.4 KG/HA | |
|----------|-----|------------------------|-----|------------------------|-----|------------------------|--|
| WHEAT | 102 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 102 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 83 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (1) | 64 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX | 21 | XXXX | |
| WHEAT+S | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 94 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 81 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (2) | 79 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 21 | XXXX | |
| BARLEY | 102 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 102 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 102 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (3) | 79 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 36 | XXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX | |
| BARLEY+S | 94 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (4) | 86 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX | |
| OAT | 104 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 104 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 98 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (5) | 64 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 43 | XXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX | |
| PER RYGR | 69 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 81 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 36 | XXXXXX | |
| (6) | 36 | XXXXXX | 21 | XXXX | 14 | XXX | |
| ONION | 62 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 66 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 18 | XXXX | |
| (8) | 36 | XXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX | 21 | XXXX | |
| DWF BEAN | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (9) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| FLD BEAN | 63 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 111 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 111 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | |
| (10) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 64 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| PEA | 88 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (11) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 79 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 43 | XXXXXX | |

PRE-EMERGENCE SELECTIVITY TEST

| SPECIES | | IMAZAQUIN | | | | | |
|----------|-----|------------------------|-----|------------------------|-----|------------------------|--|
| | | 0.025' KG/HA | | 0.1 KG/HA | | 0.4 KG/HA | |
| W CLOVER | 123 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 123 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 68 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (12) | 43 | XXXXXXXXXX | 14 | XXX | 14 | XXX | |
| LUCERNE | 121 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 116 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 74 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (13) | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 57 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX | |
| RAPE | 97 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 78 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 86 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (14) | 43 | XXXXXXXXXX | 21 | XXXX | 14 | XXX | |
| KALE | 92 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 92 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 99 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (15) | 36 | XXXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX | |
| SWEDE | 86 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 90 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 64 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (17) | 43 | XXXXXXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX | 14 | XXX | |
| CARROT | 92 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 83 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 58 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (18) | 36 | XXXXXXX | 21 | XXXX | 14 | XXX | |
| LETTUCE | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 101 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 34 | XXXXXXX | |
| (20) | 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 50 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 21 | XXXX | |
| FENUGREK | 115 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 104 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 104 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | |
| (21) | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 64 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX | |
| SUG BEET | 60 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 60 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 86 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (22) | 29 | XXXXXX | 14 | XXX | 14 | XXX | |
| BETA VUL | 56 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 32 | XXXXXX | 40 | XXXXXXX | |
| (23) | 29 | XXXXXX | 21 | XXXX | 14 | XXX | |

PRE-EMERGENCE SELECTIVITY TEST

IMAZAQUIN

| SPECIES | | 0.025 KG/HA | 0.1 KG/HA | 0.4 KG/HA |
|----------|-----|------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| BROM STE | 82 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 55 XXXXXXXXXXXX | 5 X |
| (24) | 36 | XXXXXXX | 14 XXX | 7 X |
| FEST RUB | 57 | XXXXXXXXXXXX | 16 XXX | 49 XXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (25) | 21 | XXXX | 14 XXX | 14 XXX |
| AVE FATU | 121 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 93 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 107 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ |
| (26) | 50 | XXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 XXXXX | 21 XXXX |
| ALO MYOS | 52 | XXXXXXXXXXXX | 46 XXXXXXXXX | 17 XXX |
| (27) | 21 | XXXX | 14 XXX | 14 XXX |
| POA ANN | 78 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 62 XXXXXXXXXXXX | 59 XXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (28) | 36 | XXXXXXX | 29 XXXXX | 14 XXX |
| POA TRIV | 73 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 49 XXXXXXXXX | 16 XXX |
| (29) | 14 | XXX | 14 XXX | 14 XXX |
| SIN ARV | 80 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 83 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 17 XXX |
| (30) | 36 | XXXXXXX | 14 XXX | 14 XXX |
| RAPH RAP | 92 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 66 XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 56 XXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (31) | 36 | XXXXXXX | 29 XXXXX | 21 XXXX |
| CHRY SEG | 97 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 106 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 72 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (32) | 29 | XXXXXX | 29 XXXXX | 14 XXX |
| MAT PERF | 83 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 91 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 XXXXX |
| (33) | 36 | XXXXXXX | 14 XXX | 14 XXX |

PRE-EMERGENCE SELECTIVITY TEST

| SPECIES | | IMAZAQUIN | | | | | |
|----------|-----|------------------------|---|-----------|------------------------|-----------|------------------------|
| | | 0.025 KG/HA | | 0.1 KG/HA | | 0.4 KG/HA | |
| SEN VULG | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | |
| (34) | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | |
| GAL APAR | 98 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | | 81 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 63 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (38) | 50 | XXXXXXXXXXXX | | 29 | XXXXXX | 21 | XXXX |
| CHEN ALB | 99 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | | 84 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 92 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (39) | 29 | XXXXXX | | 29 | XXXXXX | 14 | XXX |
| STEL MED | 118 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | | 127 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 109 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ |
| (40) | 21 | XXXX | | 14 | XXX | 14 | XXX |
| VER PERS | 87 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | | 62 | XXXXXXXXXXXX | 50 | XXXXXXXXXX |
| (42) | 43 | XXXXXXXXXX | | 21 | XXXX | 14 | XXX |
| VI ARVE | 63 | XXXXXXXXXXXX | | 95 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 39 | XXXXXXX |
| (43) | 50 | XXXXXXXXXX | | 36 | XXXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX |
| RUM OBTU | 67 | XXXXXXXXXXXX | | 78 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 122 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ |
| (44) | 29 | XXXXXX | | 21 | XXXX | 14 | XXX |
| EL REPEN | 37 | XXXXXXX | | 0 | | 0 | |
| (47) | 29 | XXXXXX | | 0 | | 0 | |
| ALL VIN | 96 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | | 38 | XXXXXXX | 6 | X |
| (49) | 36 | XXXXXXX | | 29 | XXXXXX | 7 | X |
| CIRS ARV | 50 | XXXXXXXXXXXX | | 0 | | 0 | |
| (50) | 21 | XXXX | | 0 | | 0 | |

PRE-EMERGENCE SELECTIVITY TEST

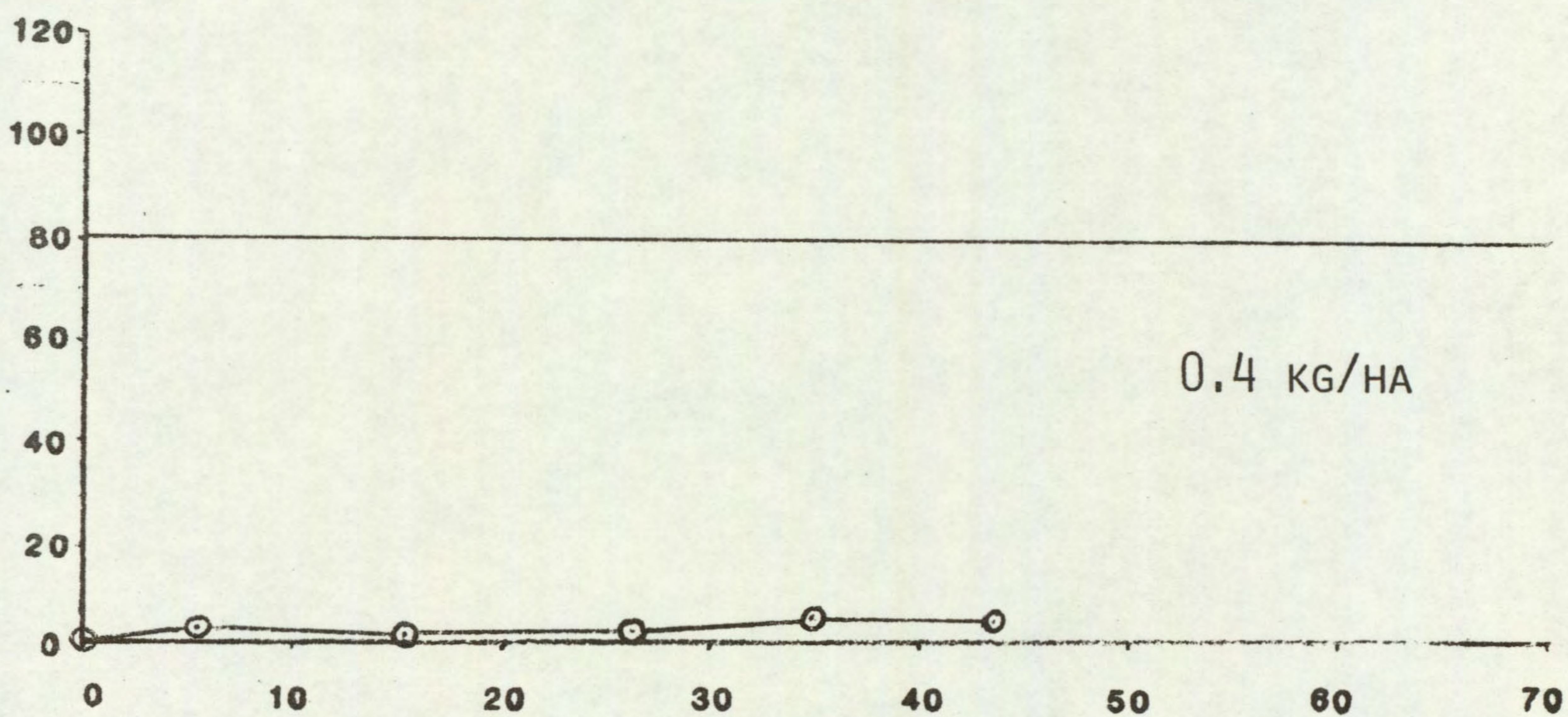
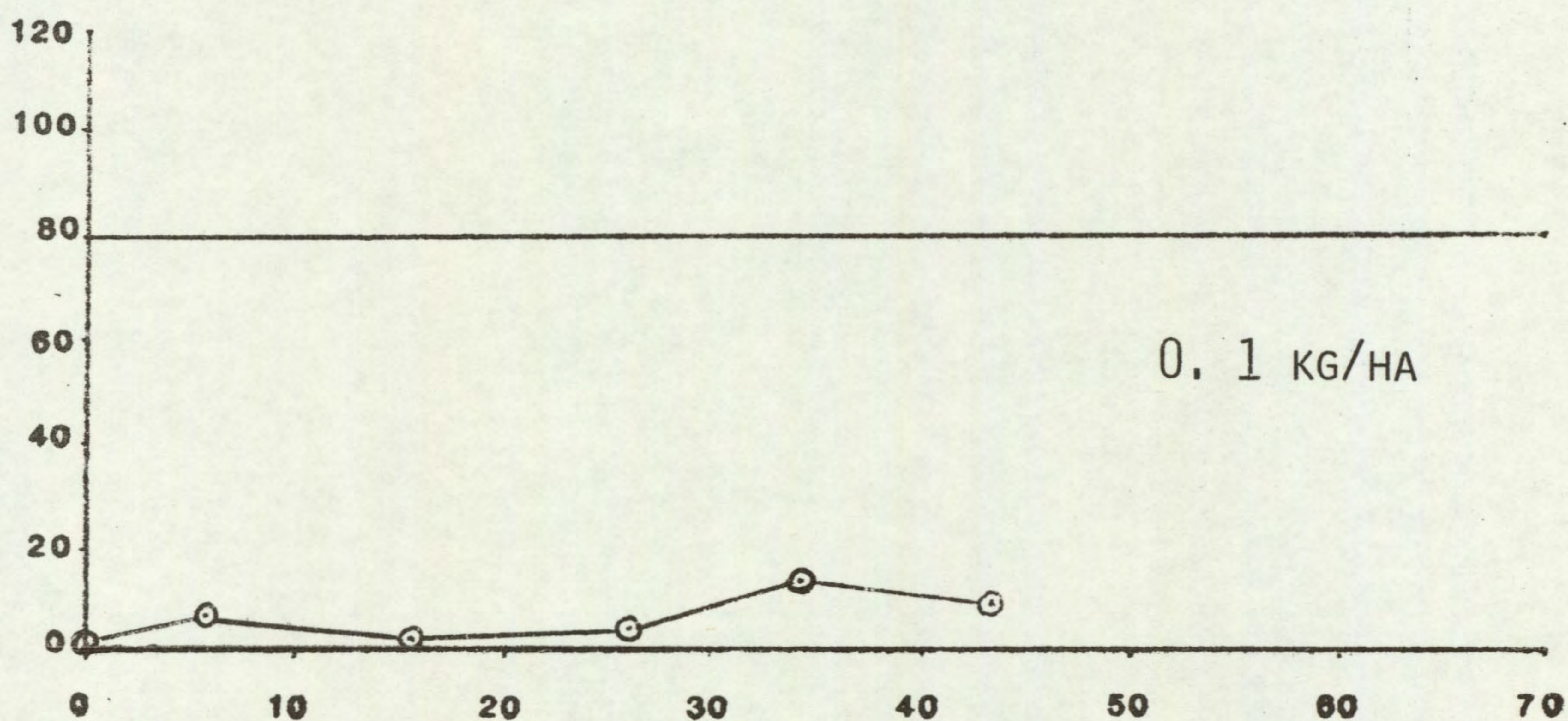
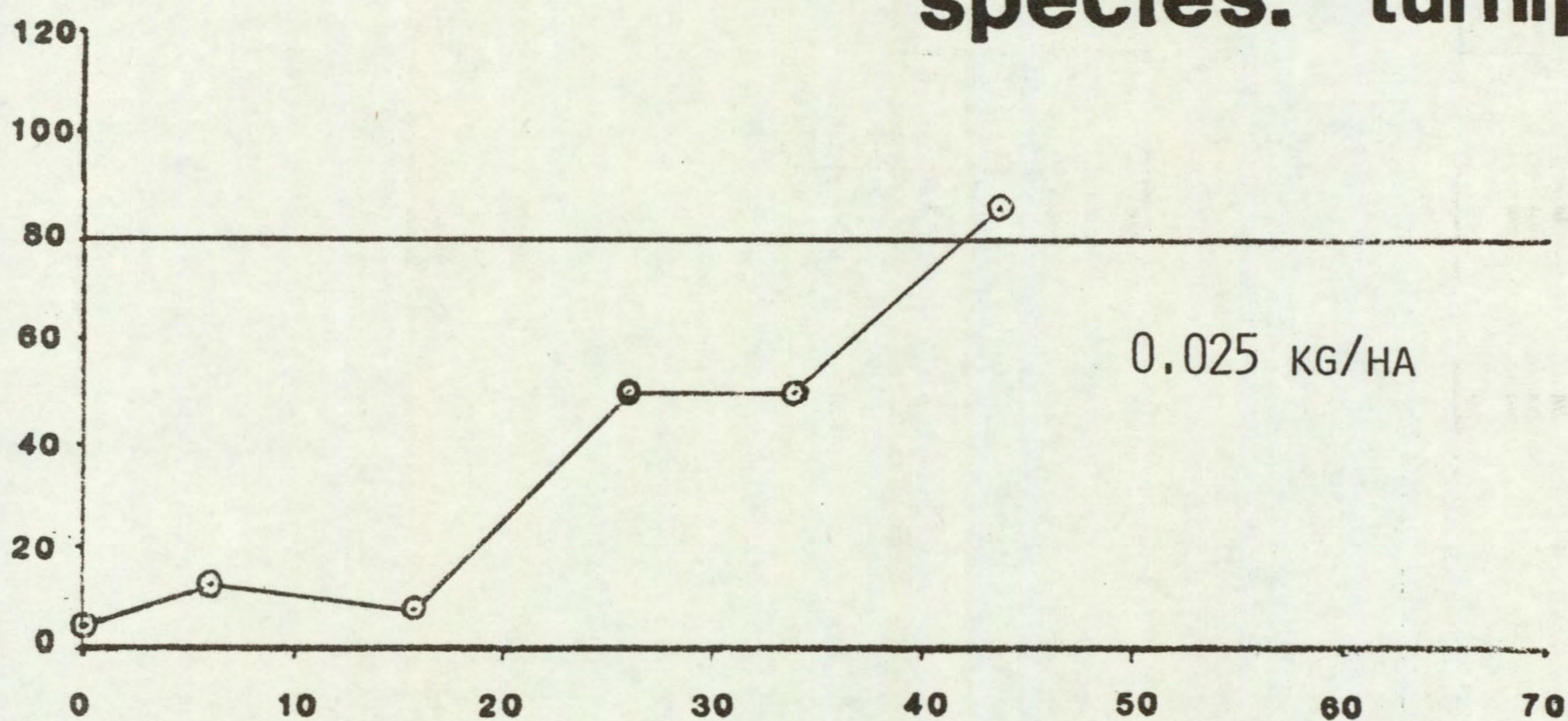
| SPECIES | | IMAZAQUIN | | | | | |
|----------|-----|----------------------|--|-----------|----------------------|-----------|----------------------|
| | | 0.025 KG/HA | | 0.1 KG/HA | | 0.4 KG/HA | |
| TUS FARF | 25 | XXXXX | | 12 | XX | 0 | |
| (51) | 14 | XXX | | 7 | X | 0 | |
| CONV ARV | 18 | XXXX | | 53 | XXXXXXXXXXXX | 88 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (52) | 14 | XXX | | 29 | XXXXXX | 21 | XXXX |
| MAIZE+S | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 80 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (56) | 86 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | | 79 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 21 | XXXX |
| MAIZE | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 70 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (57) | 64 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | | 50 | XXXXXXXXXX | 21 | XXXX |
| PHAL MIN | 98 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | | 29 | XXXXXX | 4 | X |
| (84) | 79 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | | 43 | XXXXXXXXXX | 14 | XXX |

PRE-EMERGENCE SELECTIVITY TEST

PERSISTENCE OF IMAZAQUIN

species: turnip

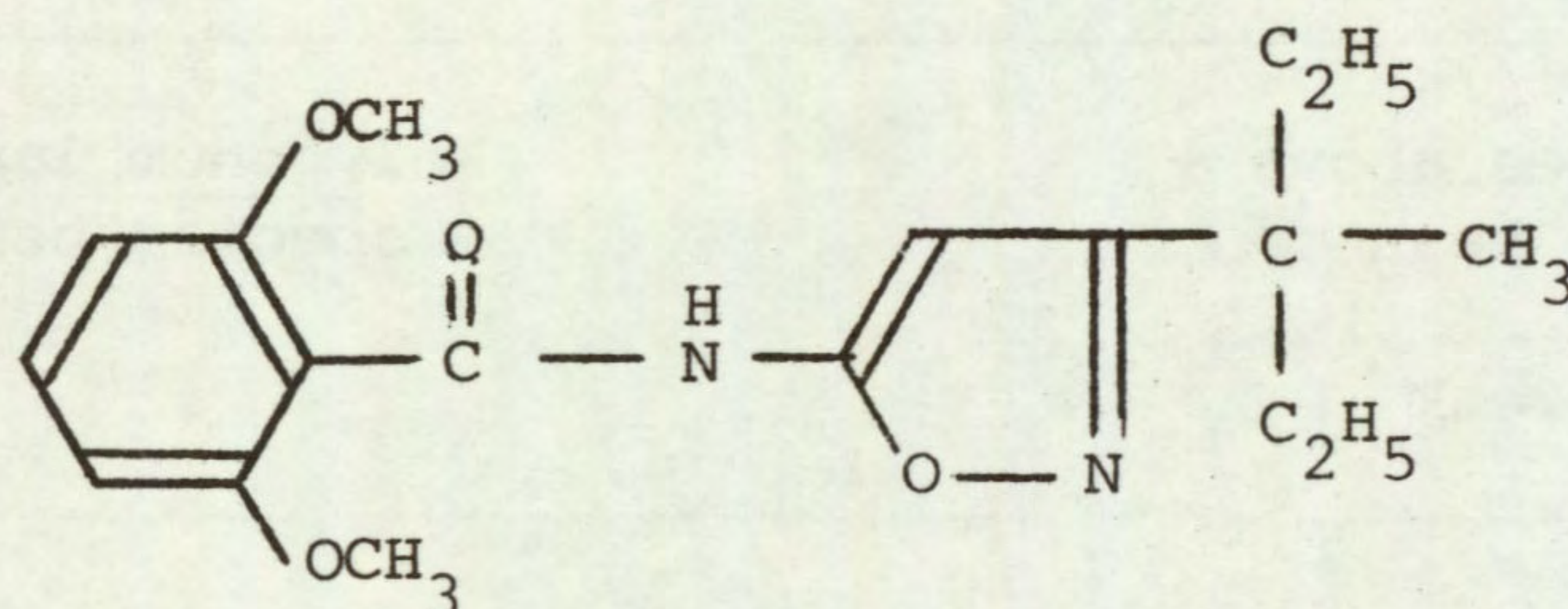
FRESH WEIGHT AS % OF CONTROL



TIME OF SOWING
weeks after treatment

Isoxaben

| | | | |
|---------------------------|--|-------------------|----------|
| <u>Code number</u> | EL 107 | <u>Trade name</u> | Flexidor |
| <u>Former common name</u> | Benzamizole | | |
| <u>Chemical name</u> | N-[3-(1-ethyl-1-methylpropyl)-5-isoxazolyl]-2,6-dimethoxybenzamide | | |

Structure

| | |
|---------------|---|
| <u>Source</u> | Elanco Products Limited Kingsclere Road Basingstoke Hants RG21 2XA |
|---------------|---|

Information available and suggested uses

Pre-emergence control of broad-leaved weeds in cereals

| | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <u>Formulation used</u> | Suspension concentrate 50% w/w a.i. |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|

| | |
|---------------------|-----------|
| <u>Spray volume</u> | 373 l/ha. |
|---------------------|-----------|

RESULTS

Full results are given in the histograms on pages 18-24 and potential selectivities are summarised in the following table.

| RATE (kg/a.i/ha) | CROPS: vigour reduced by less than 15% | WEEDS: number or vigour reduced by 70% or more |
|---------------------|--|--|
| 0.64 | wheat+safener (NA) barley+safener (NA) oat maize+safener (NA) | <u>Festuca rubra</u> <u>Poa trivialis</u> <u>Raphanus raphanistrum</u> <u>Galium aparine</u> <u>Phalaris paradoxa</u> + + species below |
| 0.16 | species above + field bean pea fenugreek | <u>Polygonum lapathifolium</u> + + species below |
| 0.04 | species above + perennial ryegrass dwarf bean lucerne | <u>Beta vulgaris</u> <u>Sinapis arvensis</u> <u>Chrysanthemum segetum</u> <u>Matricaria perforata</u> <u>Senecio vulgaris</u> <u>Chenopodium album</u> <u>Stellaria media</u> <u>Veronica persica</u> <u>Viola arvensis</u> <u>Rumex obtusifolius</u> |

+ not in histograms

Comments on results

Activity experiment

The foliar spray caused only minor effects on the four annual species. The soil drench was more active but there were no lethal effects on any of the species. Greatest activity was found pre-emergence, especially on the smaller-seed, kale and ryegrass, both of which were much more sensitive to the surface, rather than the incorporated pre-emergence treatments. The reverse trend was found on the two perennial species, the incorporation being the more active form of treatment, but phytotoxicity was generally much less. The larger-seeded annuals (dwarf bean and Avena fatua) showed considerable tolerance.

Symptoms on susceptible species

Symptoms on sprayed foliage were usually minor and transient, new leaves developing after spraying being healthy. The soil drench severely inhibited growth in the kale and ryegrass, new leaves appearing miniaturised in the former species while there was leaf trapping in the latter. Some chlorosis of leaves was seen in kale and Polygonum amphibium. Necrosis developed later in the latter species and ryegrass. At higher doses pre-emergence, plants often failed to emerge from the soil or died back soon after. At lower doses, some species appeared in miniaturised form, but did not survive. Several species ceased growth at the cotyledon leaf stage, these often being chlorotic before necrosis developed. Stem bases below cotyledons of brassicas were abnormally swollen. Some grasses tended to a prostrate habit and exhibited shortened, thickened

secondary roots. Poa annua leaves appeared dart-like and were darker green in colour. With Elymus repens, onion leafing was apparent.

Persistence in the soil

A long period of persistence in the soil exists with izoxaben. Using turnip as the test species, doses of 0.04, 0.16 and 0.64 kg/ha were reducing shoot fresh weight by 92, 99 and 100% respectively, 44 weeks after treatment.

Pre-emergence selectivity

Ten annual broad-leaved weeds were controlled at the lowest dose of 0.04 kg/ha. These included all three composites (Chrysanthemum segetum, Matricaria perforata, Senecio vulgaris) but more importantly, Viola arvensis and Veronica persica. At 0.16 kg/ha, Polygonum lapathifolium was controlled and a further five annual species at the highest dose of 0.64 kg/ha, including Galium aparine and three grasses (Poa trivialis, Phalaris paradoxa, Festuca rubra). Most other grasses, (Avena fatua, Alopecurus myosuroides, Bromus sterilis) and all perennials were resistant.

All four cereals (wheat, barley, oat, maize) tolerated the highest dose of 0.64 kg/ha. At 0.16 kg/ha three leguminous crops (field bean, pea, fenugreek) were tolerant. Two other legumes, dwarf bean and lucerne withstood 0.04 kg/ha as did perennial ryegrass.

The control of a wide spectrum of broad-leaved weeds is possible in cereals, most interestingly Veronica persica and Viola arvensis, two problem weeds of recent years. Also, the potential control of Galium aparine in cereals deserves further investigation. The tolerance of several legumes and perennial ryegrass may also be worth additional study. In all of these crops, the lack of grass weed control would be a disadvantage, such that mixture studies will be needed.

ACTIVITY EXPERIMENT

ISOXABEN

| | | 0.025 kg/ha | 0.125 kg/ha | 0.625 kg/ha |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|---|
| DWARF BEAN | F | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| | S | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| | P | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| | I | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| KALE | F | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| | S | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXX |
| | P | XXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX | O O | O O |
| | I | XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXX XXXXXX | X X |
| <u>POLYGONUM</u> <u>AMPHIBIUM</u> | F | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| | S | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX |
| | P | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| | I | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXX |
| PERENNIAL RYEGRASS | F | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| | S | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX |
| | P | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ XXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX | O O |
| | I | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ XXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ XXXXXXXXXXXX |
| <u>AVENA</u> <u>FATUA</u> | F | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| | S | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| | P | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ XXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ XXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| | I | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| <u>ELYMUS</u> <u>REPENS</u> | F | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| | S | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX |
| | P | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ XXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ XXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ XXXXXXXXXXXX |
| | I | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |

KEY: F = post-emergence, foliar application
 S = post-emergence, soil drench
 P = pre-emergence, surface film
 I = pre-planting, incorporated

ISOXABEN

| SPECIES | | 0.04 KG/HA | | 0.16 KG/HA | | 0.64 KG/HA |
|----------|-----|------------------------|-----|------------------------|-----|-----------------------|
| WHEAT | 96 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 96 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 102 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (1) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| WHEAT+S | 94 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (2) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| BARLEY | 102 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 96 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 102 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (3) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 86 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| BARLEY+S | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (4) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| OAT | 104 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 104 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 98 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (5) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| PER RYGR | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 73 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 4 | X |
| (6) | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 21 | XXXX |
| ONION | 66 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 40 | XXXXXXXXXX | 0 | |
| (8) | 79 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 50 | XXXXXXXXXXXX | 0 | |
| DWF BEAN | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (9) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 50 | XXXXXXXXXXXX |
| FLD BEAN | 79 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 95 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 79 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (10) | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 86 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 43 | XXXXXXXXXXXX |
| PEA | 141 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 106 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 53 | XXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (11) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 14 | XXX |

PRE-EMERGENCE SELECTIVITY TEST

| SPECIES | | ISOXABEN | | | |
|----------|-----|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|--|
| | | 0.04 KG/HA | 0.16 KG/HA | 0.64 KG/HA | |
| W CLOVER | 27 | XXXXXX | 0 | 0 | |
| (12) | 21 | XXXX | 0 | 0 | |
| LUCERNE | 95 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 11 XX | 5 X | |
| (13) | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 XXXXXX | 21 XXXX | |
| RAPE | 59 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 16 XXX | 5 X | |
| (14) | 50 | XXXXXXXXXXXX | 43 XXXXXXXXX | 7 X | |
| KALE | 60 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 42 XXXXXXXX | 14 XXX | |
| (15) | 79 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 36 XXXXXXXX | 29 XXXXXX | |
| SWEDE | 34 | XXXXXXX | 4 X | 0 | |
| (17) | 29 | XXXXXXX | 7 X | 0 | |
| CARROT | 50 | XXXXXXXXXXXX | 0 | 0 | |
| (18) | 64 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 0 | 0 | |
| LETTUCE | 17 | XXX | 34 XXXXXXXX | 17 XXX | |
| (20) | 64 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 57 XXXXXXXXXXXX | 21 XXXX | |
| FENUGREK | 76 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 98 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 65 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (21) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 64 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| SUG BEET | 39 | XXXXXXX | 9 XX | 4 X | |
| (22) | 43 | XXXXXXX | 14 XXX | 7 X | |
| BETA VUL | 27 | XXXXXX | 8 XX | 8 XX | |
| (23) | 64 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 XXXXXXXX | 21 XXXX | |

PRE-EMERGENCE SELECTIVITY TEST

| SPECIES | ISOXABEN | | | |
|--------------|------------------------|-----|------------------------|-----|
| | 0.04 KG/HA | | 0.16 KG/HA | |
| BROM STE 109 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 105 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 105 |
| (24) 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 |
| FEST RUB 49 | XXXXXXXXXX | 81 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 0 |
| (25) 86 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 86 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 0 |
| AVE FATU 107 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 114 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 114 |
| (26) 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 |
| ALO MYOS 115 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 92 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 98 |
| (27) 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 79 |
| POA ANN 117 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 91 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 36 |
| (28) 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 43 |
| POA TRIV 89 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 57 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 0 |
| (29) 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 50 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 0 |
| SIN ARV 27 | XXXXXX | 0 | | 0 |
| (30) 57 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 0 | | 0 |
| RAPI RAP 61 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 36 | XXXXXXX | 0 |
| (31) 57 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 36 | XXXXXXX | 0 |
| CHRY SEG 63 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 34 | XXXXXXX | 0 |
| (32) 29 | XXXXXX | 14 | XXX | 0 |
| MAT PERF 29 | XXXXXX | 0 | | 0 |
| (33) 29 | XXXXXX | 0 | | 0 |

PRE-EMERGENCE SELECTIVITY TEST

ISOXABEN

| SPECIES | | 0.04 KG/HA | | 0.16 KG/HA | | 0.64 KG/HA | |
|----------|-----|------------------------|-----|------------------------|-----|------------------------|--|
| SEN VULG | 18 | XXXX | 0 | | 0 | | |
| (34) | 21 | XXXX | 0 | | 0 | | |
| GAL AFAR | 69 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 35 | XXXXXXX | 17 | XXX | |
| (38) | 86 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 43 | XXXXXXXXXX | 14 | XXX | |
| CHEN ALB | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | |
| (39) | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | |
| STEL MED | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | |
| (40) | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | |
| VER PERS | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | |
| (42) | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | |
| VI ARVE | 8 | XX | 0 | | 0 | | |
| (43) | 21 | XXXX | 0 | | 0 | | |
| RUM DBTU | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | |
| (44) | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | |
| EL REPE | 84 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 84 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 103 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | |
| (47) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| ALL VIN | 153 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 77 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 77 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (49) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 86 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 64 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| CIRS ARV | 117 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 117 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 67 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (50) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 64 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 50 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | |

PRE-EMERGENCE SELECTIVITY TEST

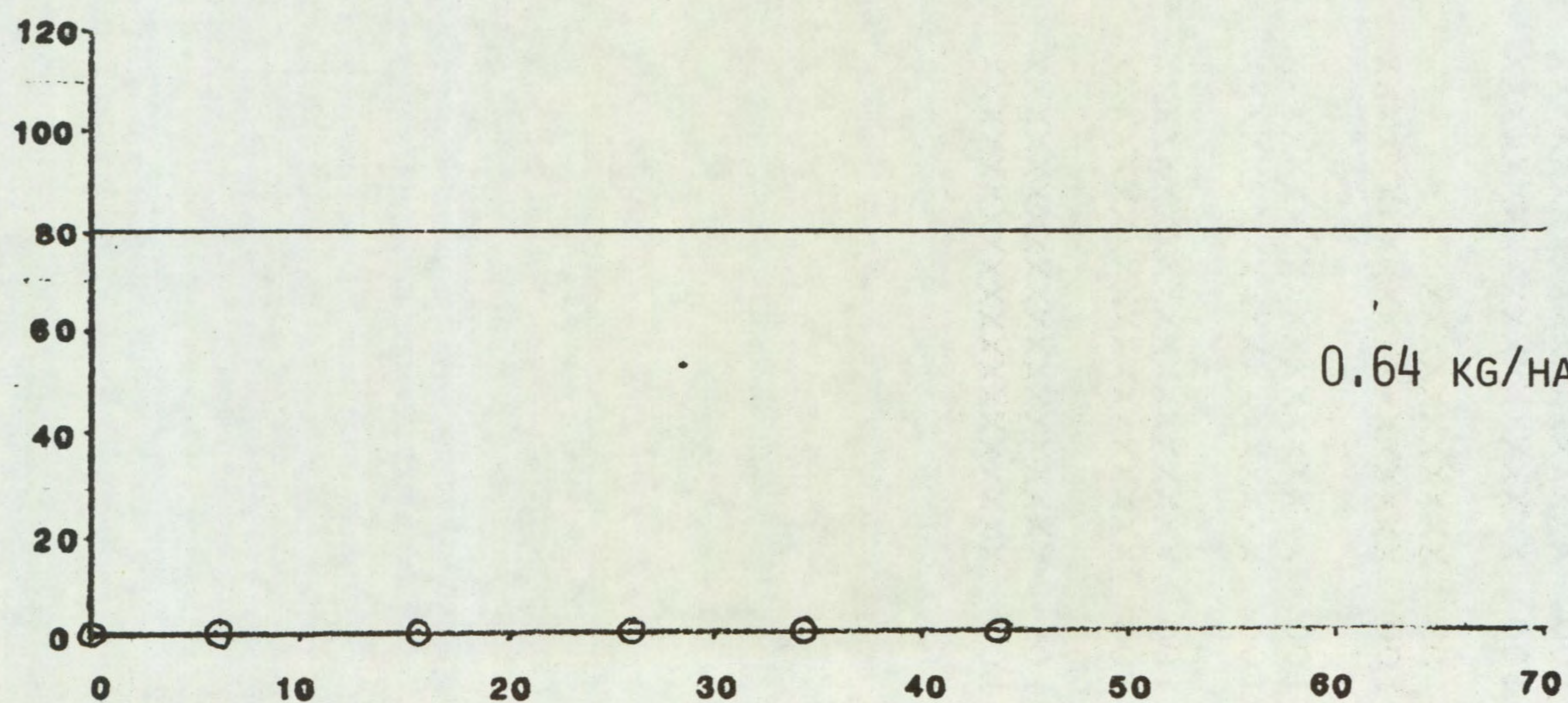
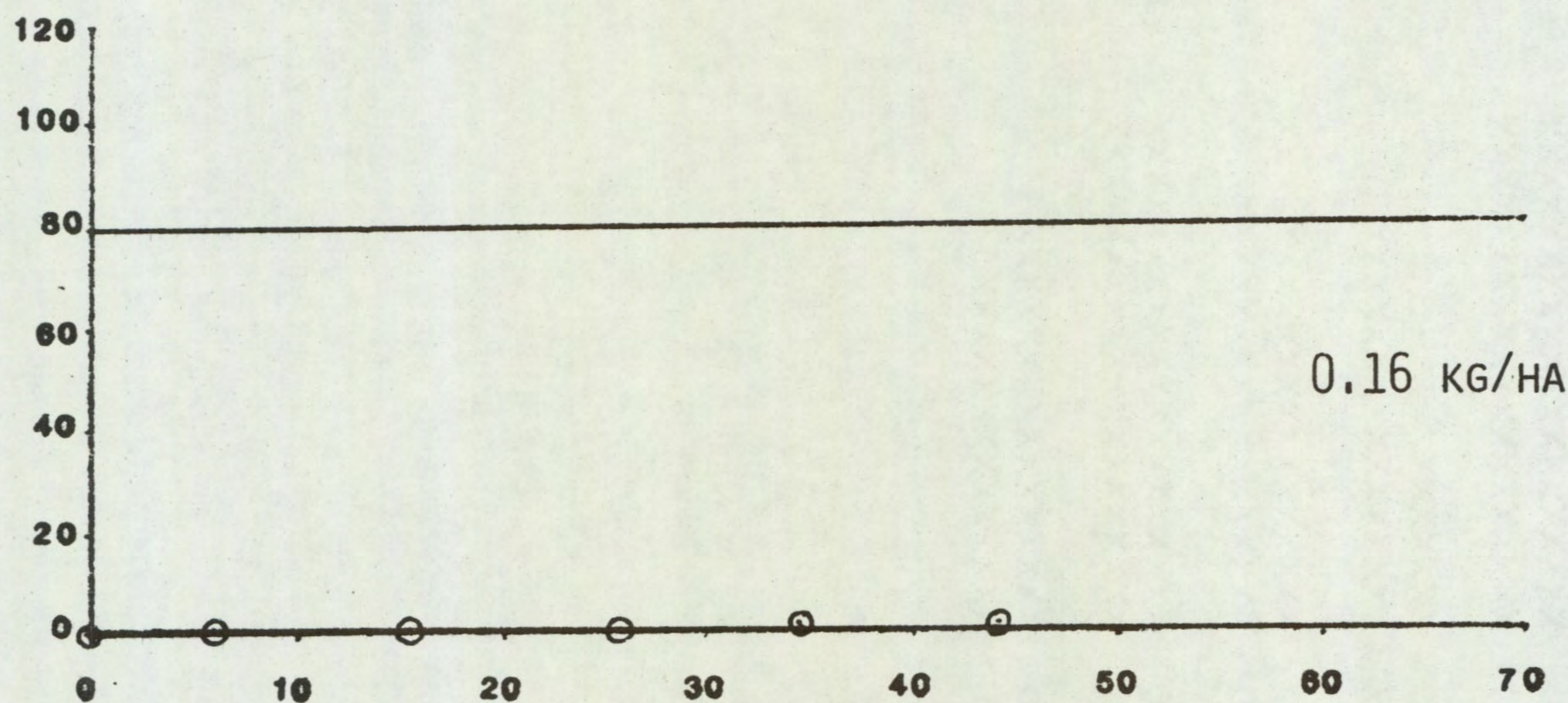
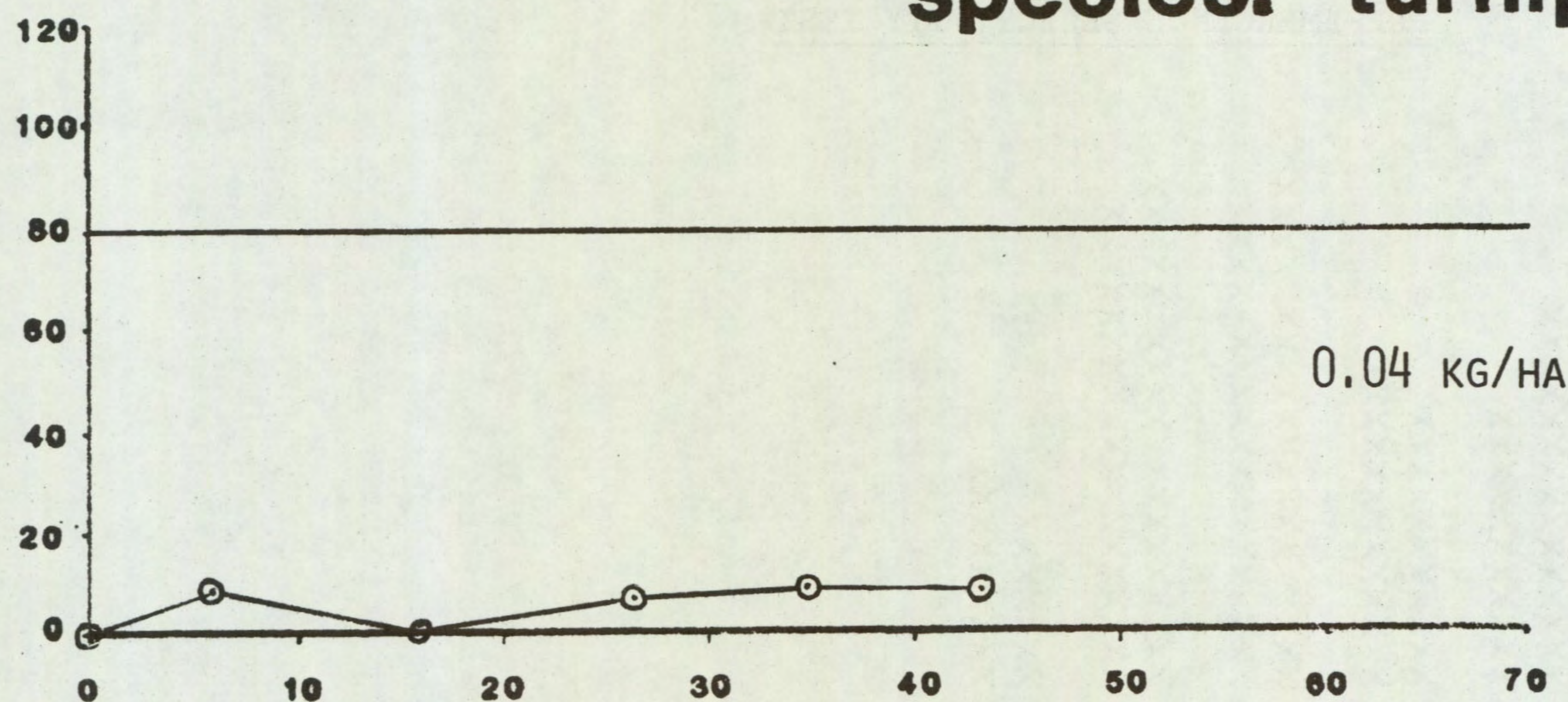
ISOXABEN

| SPECIES | 0.04 KG/HA | 0.16 KG/HA | 0.64 KG/HA |
|--------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| TUS FARF 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 75 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (51) 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 57 XXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| CONV ARV 53 | XXXXXXXXXXXX | 35 XXXXXXX | 53 XXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (52) 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 79 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 64 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| MAIZE+S 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (56) 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 93 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| MAIZE 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (57) 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 93 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| PHAL MIN 101 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 80 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 33 XXXXXXX |
| (84) 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 71 XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 43 XXXXXXX |

PRE-EMERGENCE SELECTIVITY TEST

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PERSISTENCE OF ISOXABEN
species: turnip

FRESH WEIGHT AS % OF CONTROL



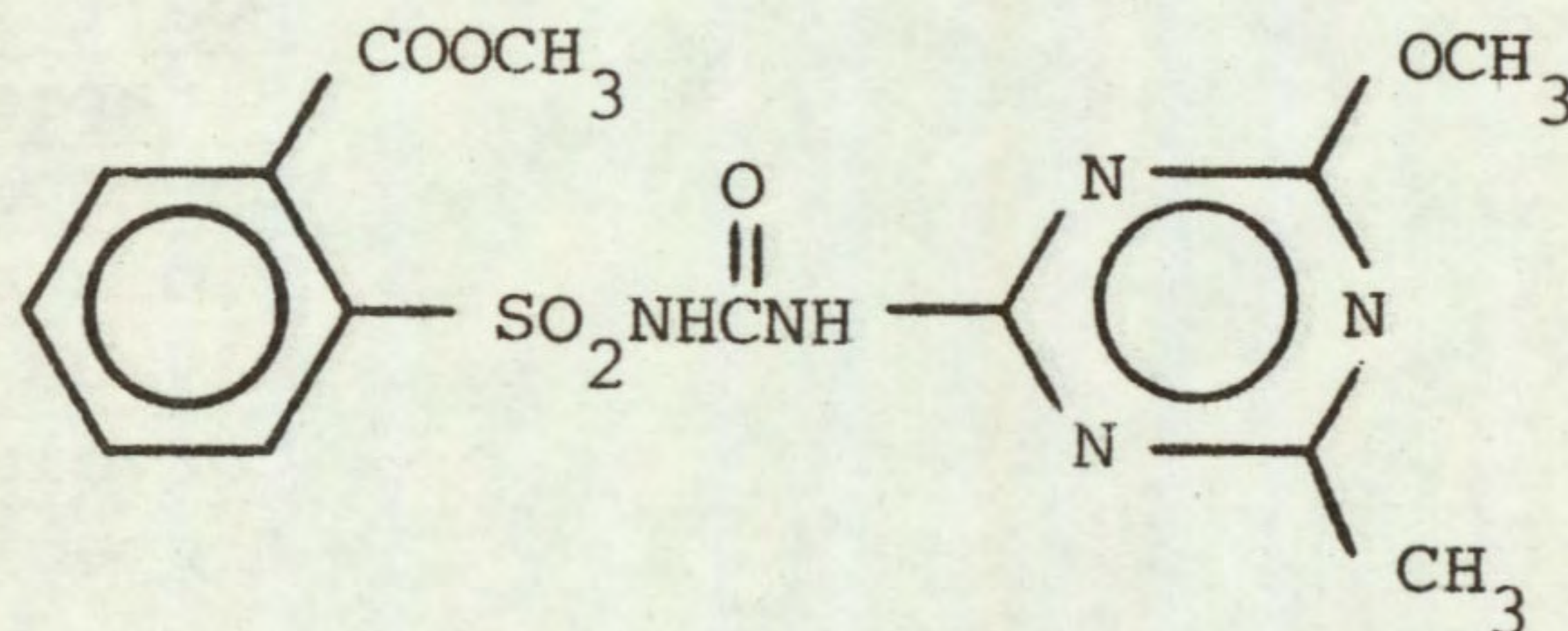
TIME OF SOWING
weeks after treatment

METSULFURON-METHYL

Code number DPX-T 6376

Chemical name Methyl 2-[3-(4-methoxy-6-methyl-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl)ureidosulphonyl]benzoate

Structure



Source Du Pont (UK) Ltd
Wedgwood Way
Stevenage SG1 4QN
Herts.
U.K.

Information available and suggested uses

Control of broad-leaved weeds in cereals.

Formulation used Water dispersible granules 70% w/w a.i.

Spray volume 373 l/ha.

RESULTS

Full results are given in the histograms on pages 28-33 and potential selectivities are summarised in the following table.

| RATE (kg a.i./ha) | Crops: vigour reduced by 15% or less | WEEDS: number of vigour reduced by 70% or more |
|----------------------|--|--|
| 0.008 | wheat+safener (NA) barley+safener (NA) maize+safener (NA) oat | <u>Beta vulgaris</u> <u>Festuca rubra</u> <u>Poa annua</u> <u>Poa trivialis</u> <u>Sinapis arvensis</u> <u>Chenopodium album</u> <u>Viola arvensis</u> <u>Elymus repens</u> <u>Convolvulus arvensis</u> + species below |
| 0.002 | as above + dwarf bean field bean* pea rape radish | <u>Chrysanthemum segetum</u> <u>Matricaria perforata</u> <u>Senecio vulgaris</u> <u>Veronica persica</u> <u>Allium vineale</u> <u>Cirsium arvense</u> <u>Tussilago farfara</u> + species below |
| 0.0005 | as above + lucerne swede carrot sugar beet | <u>Stellaria media</u> <u>Rumex obtusifolius</u> |

* but note some stand reduction

Comments on results

The activity, post-emergence selectivity and symptoms produced on susceptible species were described in a previous report (Richardson et al., 1984). Symptoms were similar to those caused by chlorsulfuron, its chemical analogue, also described previously (Richardson et al. 1980). Metsulfuron-methyl was found to be one of the most active herbicides yet tested. It possesses considerable soil activity, particularly pre-emergence, with surface treatments being generally more active than when incorporated into the soil. A pronounced yellowing accompanied severe inhibition of growth prior to necrosis and die-back. However, in some species, notably Polygonaceae other colour effects such as an enhanced red pigmentation were often seen. A powerful inhibition of root systems is common, grass shoots consequently assuming a dart-like appearance, with needle-shaped leaves, reminiscent of symptoms caused by other root-inhibiting herbicides. At higher doses plants often failed to emerge from the soil or died back soon after.

Persistence in the soil

Metsulfuron-methyl persistence in the soil appears to be much less than for the related chlorsulfuron (Richardson et al. 1981). Using turnip as test species, the dose of 0.002 kg/ha could not be detected 7 weeks after treatment. The high dose of 0.008 kg/ha could not be detected 44 weeks after treatment.

Pre-emergence selectivity

Annual broad-leaved weeds were particularly susceptible. Stellaria media and Rumex obtusifolius were controlled even at the lowest dose of 0.0005 kg/ha (0.5 g/ha). At 0.002 kg/ha all five of the composite species were controlled including the perennials, Cirsium arvense and Tussilago farfara. Veronica persica and Allium vineale were controlled at this dose. A further nine weeds were susceptible to the highest dose of 0.008 kg/ha, including four of the grasses (Poa annua, Poa trivialis, Festuca rubra, and E. repens). More importantly, Viola arvensis was controlled at this dose. Galium aparine was outstandingly resistant, while Raphanus raphanistrum and all other grasses (Bromus sterilis, Avena fatua, Phalaris spp.) were not controlled.

All four cereals, wheat, barley, oat and maize tolerated the highest dose of 0.008 kg/ha such that it was not possible to determine safening with NA. Surprisingly, large-seeded legumes (peas and beans) tolerated 0.002 kg/ha as did radish. Onion and white clover were sensitive.

The wide-spectrum of control of annual broad-leaved weeds in wheat, barley and oat, corresponds to that found in the earlier post-emergence trial (Richardson et al., 1984a). Control of Viola arvensis and Veronica persica in wheat and barley is an important advantage over urea herbicides, for example, but the resistance of Galium aparine is a disadvantage, common to all of these herbicides. Some further examination of potential use in other crops e.g. maize and legumes is required, however, as such tolerance was not experienced in earlier work (Richardson et al., 1984).

| SPECIES | | METSULFURON-METHYL | | | | | |
|----------|-----|------------------------|-----|------------------------|-----|------------------------|--|
| | | 0.0005 KG/HA | | 0.002 KG/HA | | 0.008 KG/HA | |
| WHEAT | 96 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 102 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 96 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (1) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| WHEAT+S | 94 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 87 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 87 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (2) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| BARLEY | 89 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 102 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 102 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (3) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| BARLEY+S | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 94 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (4) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| OAT | 104 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 104 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 104 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | |
| (5) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 86 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| PER RYGR | 85 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 65 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 41 | XXXXXXXXXX | |
| (6) | 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 57 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX | |
| ONION | 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 40 | XXXXXXXXXX | 31 | XXXXXX | |
| (8) | 57 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 50 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 21 | XXXX | |
| DWF BEAN | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (9) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 79 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| FLD BEAN | 79 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 63 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 95 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (10) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 86 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 57 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| PEA | 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 106 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 106 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | |
| (11) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 50 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | |

PRE-EMERGENCE SELECTIVITY TEST

METSULFURON-METHYL

| SPECIES | | 0.0005 KG/HA | | 0.002 KG/HA | | 0.008 KG/HA |
|----------|-----|------------------------|-----|------------------------|----|-----------------------|
| W CLOVER | 123 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 136 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 95 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (12) | 36 | XXXXXXX | 21 | XXXX | 14 | XXX |
| LUCERNE | 95 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 89 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (13) | 86 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX |
| RAPE | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 95 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (14) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 86 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 43 | XXXXXXXXXX |
| KALE | 81 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 78 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 85 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (15) | 79 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 64 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX |
| SWEDE | 94 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 86 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 51 | XXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (17) | 86 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 64 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX |
| CARROT | 92 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 83 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 50 | XXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (18) | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 64 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 43 | XXXXXXXXXXXX |
| LETTUCE | 106 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 85 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 85 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (20) | 79 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 36 | XXXXXXX | 14 | XXX |
| FENUGREK | 104 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 98 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (21) | 79 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 43 | XXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX |
| SUG BEET | 94 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 64 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 39 | XXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (22) | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 64 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 21 | XXXX |
| BETA VUL | 84 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 45 | XXXXXXXXXXXX | 60 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX |
| (23) | 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 36 | XXXXXXX | 14 | XXX |

PRE-EMERGENCE SELECTIVITY TEST

METSULFURON-METHYL

| SPECIES | 0.0005 KG/HA | | 0.002 KG/HA | | 0.008 KG/HA | |
|----------------------------|------------------------|-----|------------------------|-----|------------------------|----|
| BROM STE 109 (24) 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 109 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 109 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 93 |
| | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| FEST RUB 105 (25) 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 89 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 57 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 50 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXXX | |
| AVE FATU 129 (26) 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 107 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 79 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| ALO MYOS 75 (27) 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 92 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 75 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 57 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 36 | XXXXXXX | |
| POA ANN 85 (28) 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 88 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 55 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 43 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXXX | |
| POA TRIV 73 (29) 43 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 32 | XXXXXXX | 8 | XX | |
| | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 43 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 7 | X | |
| SIN ARV 110 (30) 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 90 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 77 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXXX | |
| RAPH RAP 97 (31) 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 107 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 97 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 43 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| CHRY SEG 76 (32) 43 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 63 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 68 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 21 | XXXXX | 14 | XXX | |
| MAT PERF 68 (33) 43 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 55 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXXX | |
| | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 14 | XXX | 14 | XXX | |

PRE-EMERGENCE SELECTIVITY TEST

METSULFURON-METHYL

| SPECIES | | 0.0005 KG/HA | | 0.002 KG/HA | | 0.008 KG/HA | |
|----------|-----|------------------------|-----|------------------------|-----|------------------------|--|
| SEN VULG | 85 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 0 | | 0 | | |
| (34) | 36 | XXXXXXX | 0 | | 0 | | |
| GAL AFAR | 115 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 92 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 110 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | |
| (38) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| CHEN ALB | 107 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 107 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 89 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (39) | 93 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 64 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX | |
| STEL MED | 173 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 136 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 118 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | |
| (40) | 29 | XXXXXX | 14 | XXX | 14 | XXX | |
| VER PERS | 50 | XXXXXXXXXX | 0 | | 0 | | |
| (42) | 36 | XXXXXXX | 0 | | 0 | | |
| VI ARVE | 95 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 55 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 32 | XXXXXX | |
| (43) | 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 43 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 21 | XXXX | |
| RUM OBTU | 44 | XXXXXXXXXX | 133 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 78 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (44) | 29 | XXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX | 14 | XXX | |
| EL REPEN | 103 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 75 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 56 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | |
| (47) | 100 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX | |
| ALL VIN | 83 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 57 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 19 | XXXX | |
| (49) | 57 | XXXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX | 14 | XXX | |
| CIRS ARV | 117 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX+ | 83 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 0 | | |
| (50) | 71 | XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX | 29 | XXXXXX | 0 | | |

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