



Corn after Corn Show Plot – 2008

Planted: April 29, 2008
Harvested: September 25, 2008
Rows: Six 30" rows
Soil Type: Silt Loam
Population: 34,000 seeds/A.

Previous Crop: Corn
Tillage: Disk / Chisel / Field Cultivator
Herbicide: 3 qts. Degree Xtra
 1 qt. Atrazine / 0.75 oz. Impact
Insecticide: 6 oz. Artic

RAINFALL	
April	4.64 in.
May	6.36 in.
June	3.12 in.
July	8.90 in.
August	0.80 in.
Total	23.82 in.

Yield Rank	Brand	Harvested Population	Test* Weight	Percent Broken Stalks	Percent Moisture	Bushels* Per Acre
1	BECK 6733HXR™**	33,500	58.5	7.0	20.9	229.0
2	BECK 6722VT3	32,750	56.2	40.0	22.0	227.5
3	BECK 5716A3	30,750	54.1	7.0	21.5	217.7
4	BECK 5722HXR	32,250	56.9	10.0	20.0	216.9
5	BECK 6197VT	32,250	57.9	15.0	21.0	216.9
6	BECK EX 9864 (5779VT3 Genetics)	32,750	54.6	17.5	19.5	213.9
7	BECK 5555VT3	32,250	56.7	10.0	19.6	213.6
8	BECK 7916VT3	33,000	56.3	60.0	22.7	211.2
9	BECK EX 9850	33,250	54.2	27.5	20.5	207.4
10	BECK 5608VT3	33,250	56.3	2.5	18.3	202.5
11	BECK 5684VT3	32,750	55.0	16.5	18.4	201.7
12	BECK 5616VT3	31,500	57.4	2.5	19.2	201.4
13	BECK 5684CL	32,500	54.0	30.0	17.6	200.9
14	BECK 5616CL	33,500	55.7	40.0	18.9	199.4
15	BECK EX 8719 (5784RR Genetics)	33,250	53.5	5.0	19.1	198.9
16	BECK 5444VT3	31,500	57.3	0.0	18.1	195.8
17	BECK 5816CBRR	29,250	56.7	5.0	20.1	192.6
18	BECK 5335HXR™**	30,250	59.3	0.0	17.9	191.2
19	BECK 5676™**	28,750	57.7	1.5	20.6	180.6
AVERAGE		32,066	56.2	15.6	19.8	206.3

*Bushels per acre corrected to 15% moisture. **XL Brand distributed by Beck's Superior Hybrids, Inc.



Corn Rootworm Control Study – 2008

Planted: April 30, 2008
Harvested: September 27, 2008
Soil Type: Ragsdale Silt Loam
Population: 34,000 seeds/A.

Previous Crop: Corn
Tillage: Fall Disc & Chisel / Field Cultivator
Herbicide: 3 qts. Degree Xtra
 1 qt. Atrazine / 24 oz. Durango
Insecticide: 6 oz. Artic

RAINFALL	
April	4.64 in.
May	6.36 in.
June	3.12 in.
July	8.90 in.
August	0.80 in.
Total	23.82 in.

Purpose: This study was established to compare the different insect control options available to producers. These controls include traited technologies such as VT3 for corn rootworm and corn borer control along with liquid insecticide applied directly to the seed with starter fertilizer. This study was also established to help monitor the movement of Western Corn Rootworm into Beck's southern marketing area.

Yield Rank	Brand	Insecticide Treatment	Percent Moisture	Bushels* Per Acre
1	BECK 5555VT3	FaStart (Poncho 250)	19.4	240.5
2	BECK 5555VT3	Poncho 1250	20.0	236.0
3	BECK 5555RR	Force 3G	19.1	232.8
4	BECK 5555VT3	Force 3G	19.5	231.6
5	BECK 5555RR	Poncho 1250	18.8	228.3
6	BECK 5555RR	Maxim XL + Regent	18.9	223.4
7	BECK 5555RR	Maxim XL	18.6	216.4
8	BECK 5555RR	Maxim XL + Force 3G	19.2	215.0
9	BECK 5555RR	FaStart (Poncho 250)	19.1	214.7
AVERAGE			19.2	226.5

Summary: Just as in 2007, this year's study showed a significant advantage in using traited technology for controlling rootworms. Although midseason root digs showed no documented feeding, Western Corn Rootworm beetle populations were very high just after pollination. Although silk clipping was heavy, this study had completed pollination several days prior to beetle emergence. Minimal third generation corn borer feeding could be found within the plot, so corn borer pressure was not significant. BECK 5555VT3 with FaStart out yielded its RR counterpart with FaStart by 25.3 Bu./A.! The two year average favors VT3 over the RR version by 22.4 Bu./A. Adding Force 3G did narrow the gap between the RR and VT3 versions to 7.7 Bu./A. while the RR version with Poncho 1250 was still 12.2 Bu./A. lower than the VT3 version. There was no yield advantage to using combinations of Poncho 1250 or Force 3G with the VT3 trait to provide multiple modes of action. There was no noticeable goose-necking in any of the RR entries that would suggest that any larvae feeding took place.