



Glyphosate



Natural Vegetation



Annual Ryegrass



Chicory

Figure 1. Mature and vigorous Cabernet franc vineyard under-vine ground was managed as bare soil with Glyphosate (a) and as covered with native vegetation (b), Chicory (c), Tillage Radish (d), Fescue (e) and Alfalfa (f) for year 2014 to 2016.



Tillage Radish



Buckwheat



Fescue



Alfalfa



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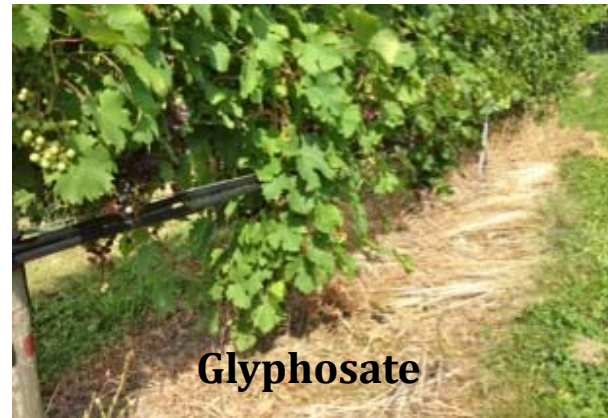
Tillage Radish



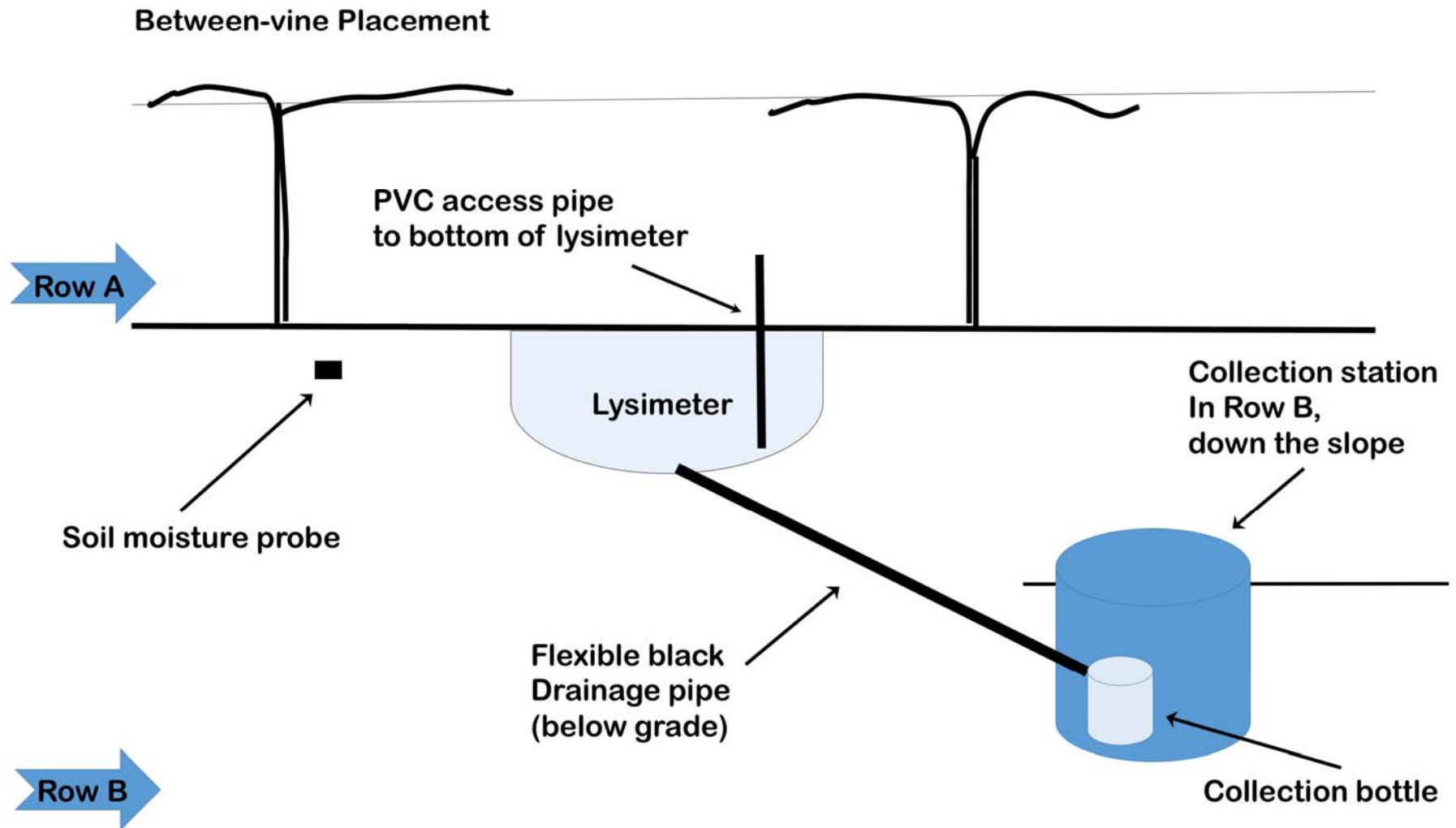
Chicory

Studying under-vine cover crops

- Leachate: analysis of DOC, total N, imidacloprid concentration
- Soil moisture
- Soil nutrient concentrations
- Physical soil properties: bulk density, porosity, penetration resistance
- Water infiltration rate
- Soil microbiome



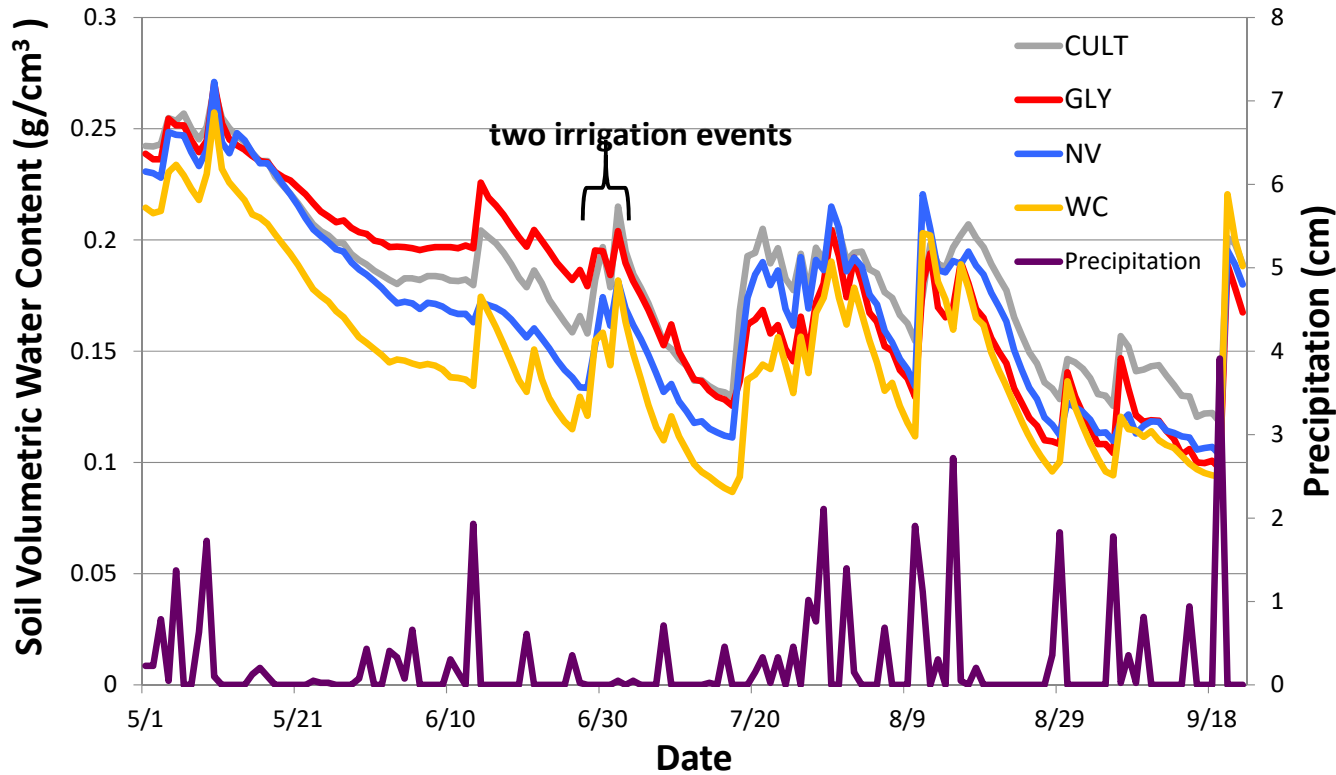
Drainage lysimeters to collect leachate



Lysimeter installation



Mid-Day Soil Moisture

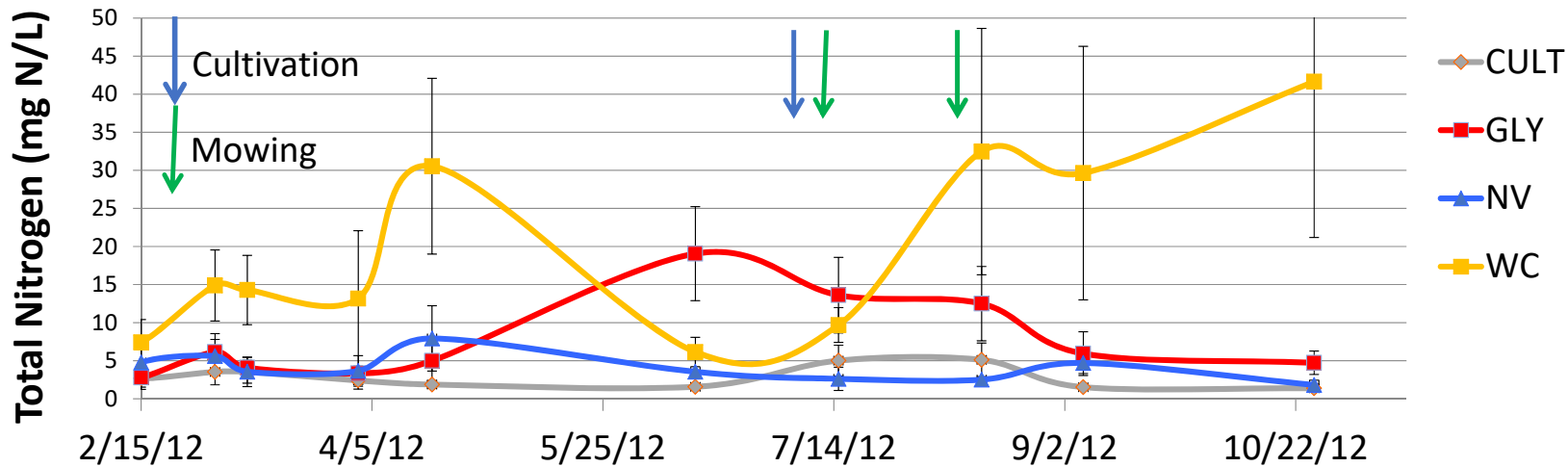


Soil moisture differences greater during cover establishment

Soil water content (g/cm³) under four under-vine treatments.

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Nitrogen in leachate

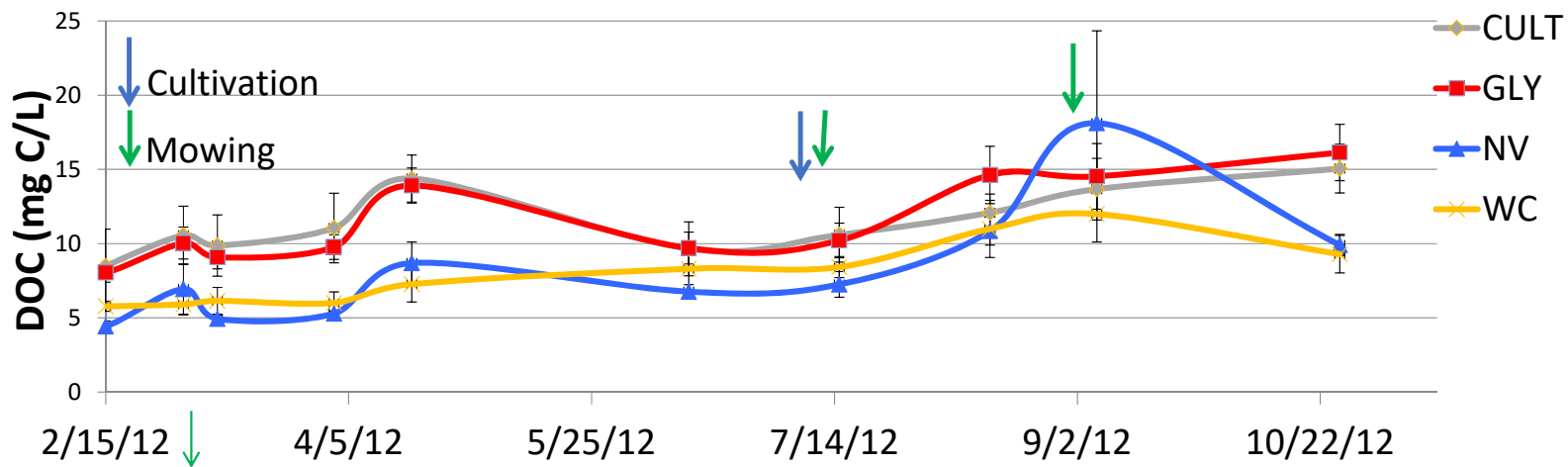


N leaching from White clover and Glyphosate plots

Total Nitrogen concentrations in leachate water

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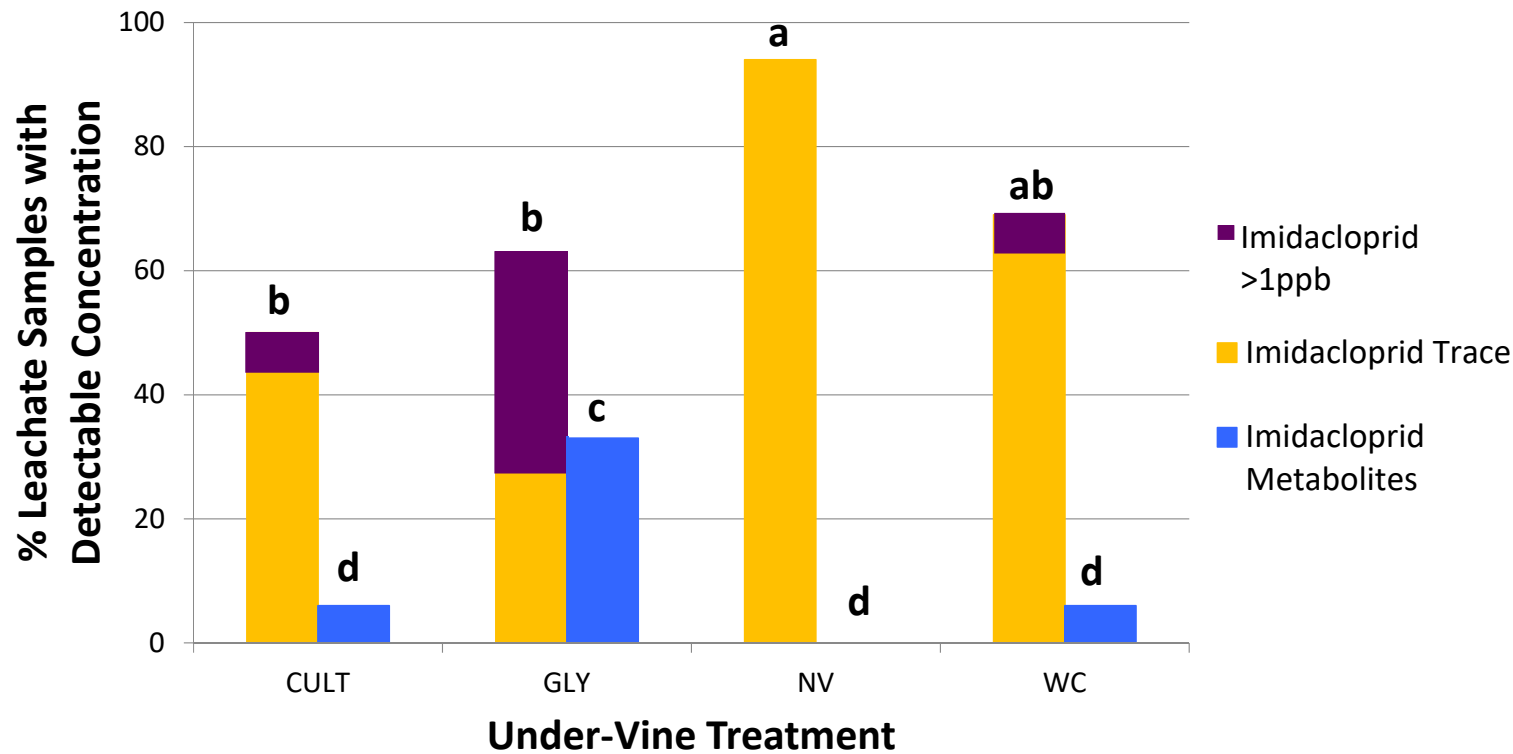
Dissolved organic carbon in leachate



Soil
breakdown
from
Glyphosate
and Cultivation
early in season

Dissolved Organic Carbon (DOC) concentrations in leachate water
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Imidacloprid and its metabolites Occurrence in leachate samples

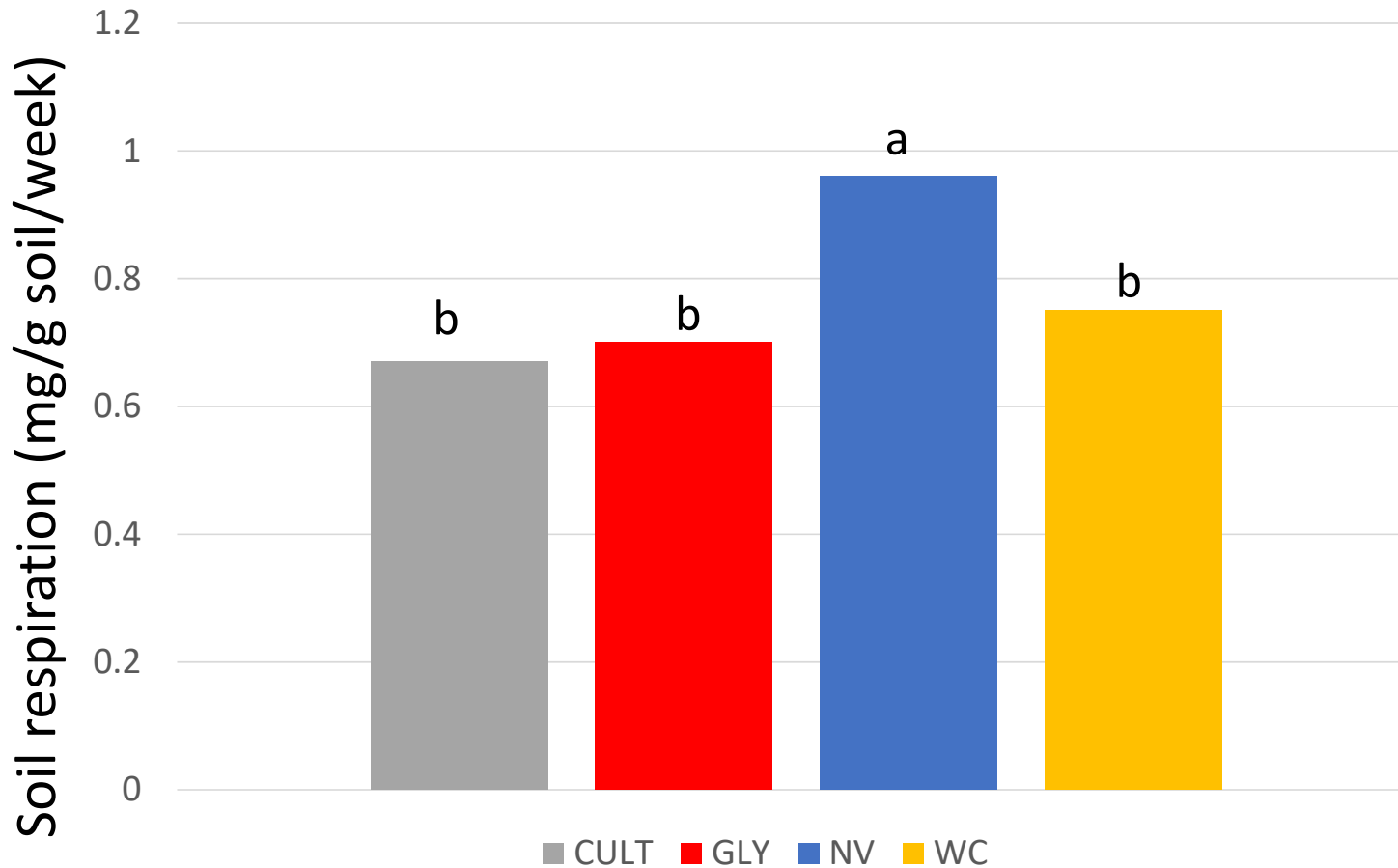


Most leaching (>1ppb) from Glyphosate

But did Natural Vegetation act as a trap for imidacloprid?

% Leachate Samples with Detectable Concentrations (>1ppb) of Imidacloprid and its metabolites.
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Soil respiration (4 years)



Natural
Vegetation
improved soil
respiration

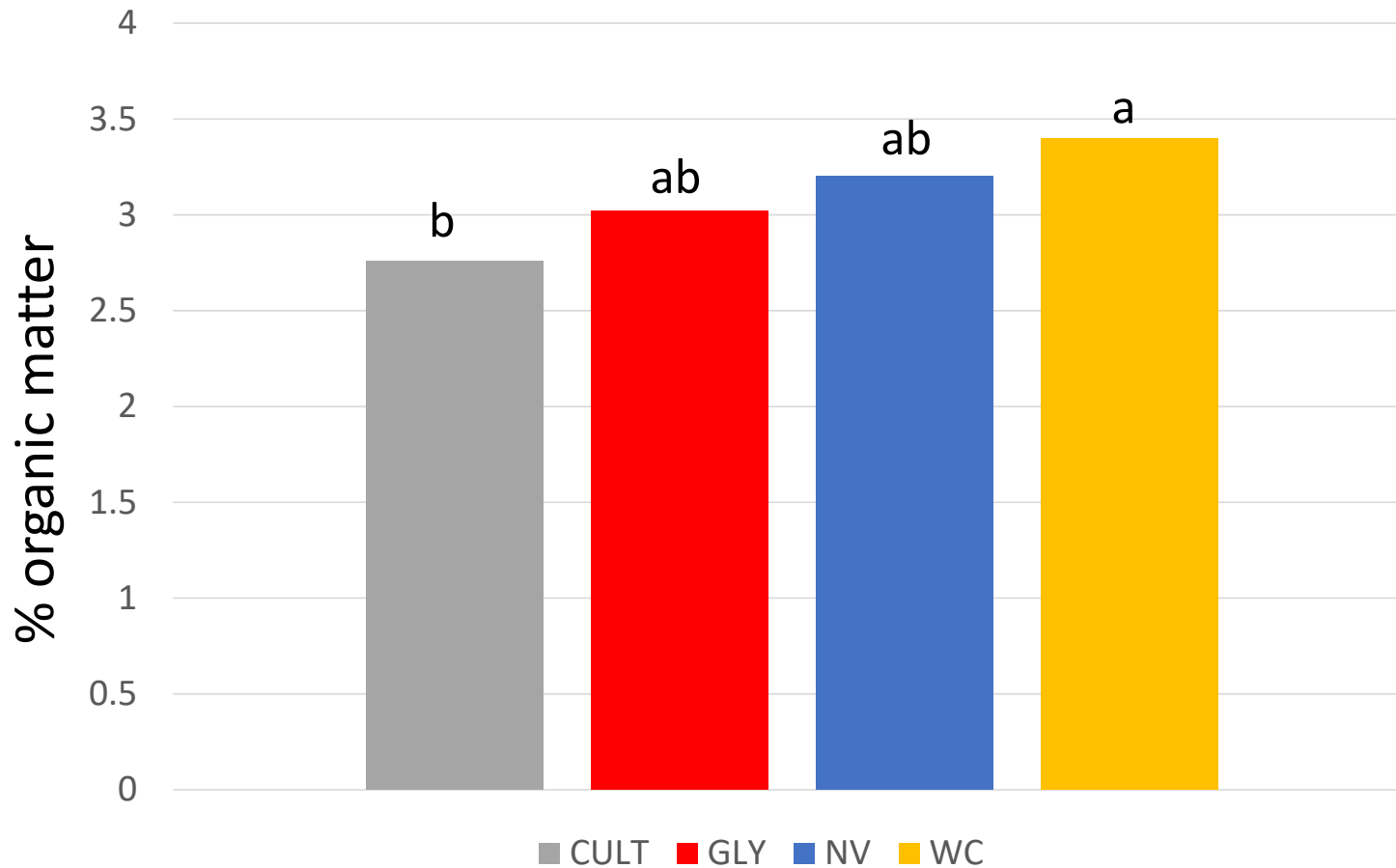
CO₂ (mg/g soil/week) produced over six weeks of incubation. CULT=Cultivation, GLY=Glyphosate, NV= Native Vegetation, WC=White Clover.

Treatments	Aggregate stability (%)		Organic matter (%)		Microbial respiration (mg CO ₂ g/14days)		Mineralizability (mg CO ₂ /g organic C)	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
GLY	11.05	17.05	2.97	3.02	1.17	0.89	39.5	29.3
NV	20.32*	21.47	3.13	3.33*	1.92*	1.33	60.8*	39.8*
TR	12.05	17.47	3.19	3.28*	1.55	1.16	48.2	35.5
CHI	15.53	22.54	3.36*	3.24*	1.58	1.09	46.6	33.8
FES	12.09	20.28	3.21	3.36*	1.33	1.56*	41.4	46.2*
ALF	20.50*	23.56*	3.27*	3.15	1.56	1.29*	47.8	41.4*

GLY=Glyphosate, NV= Natural Vegetation, TR = Tillage Radish, CHI = Chicory, FES = Fescue, ALF = alfalfa
 * Indicates significantly different from GLY

Glyphosate had lowest aggregate stability, OM, microbial respiration, mineralizability

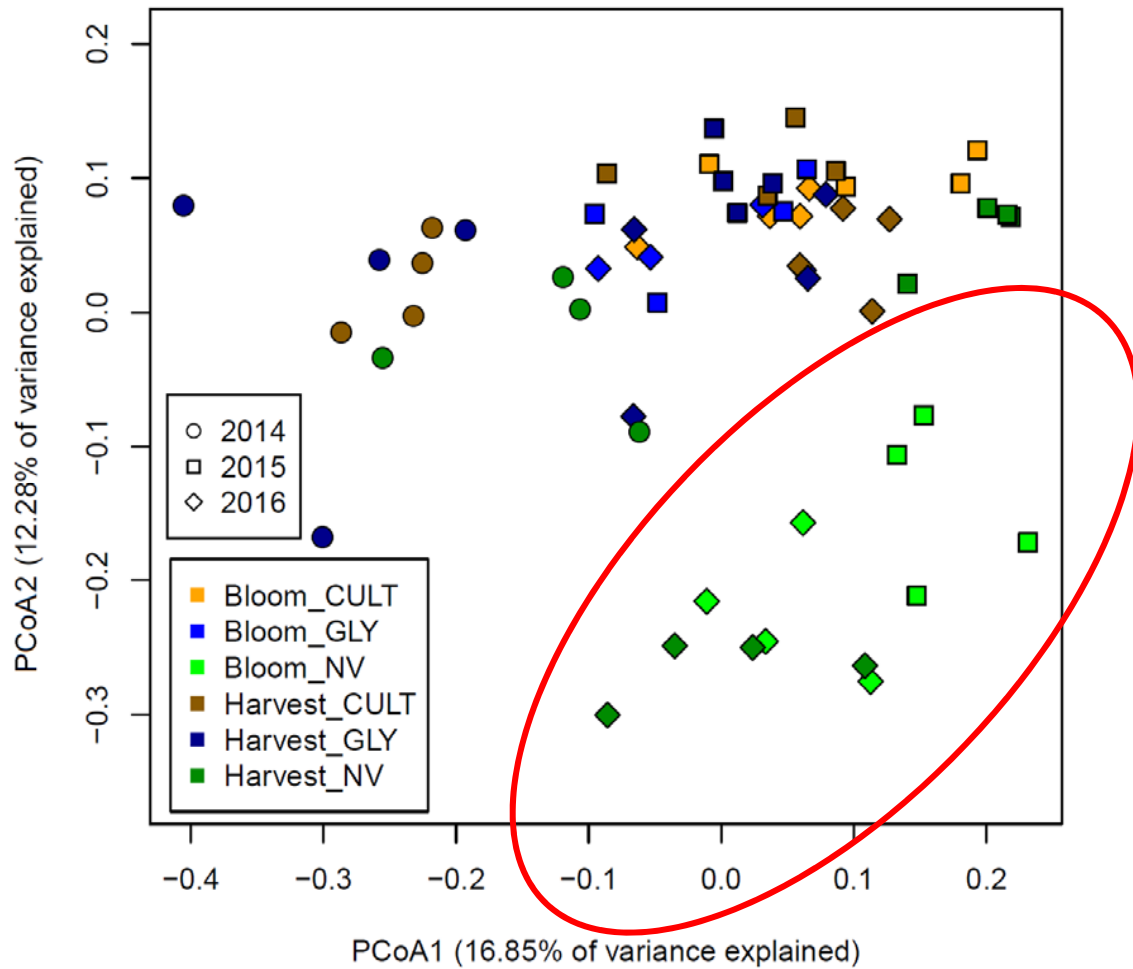
Soil organic matter (4 years)



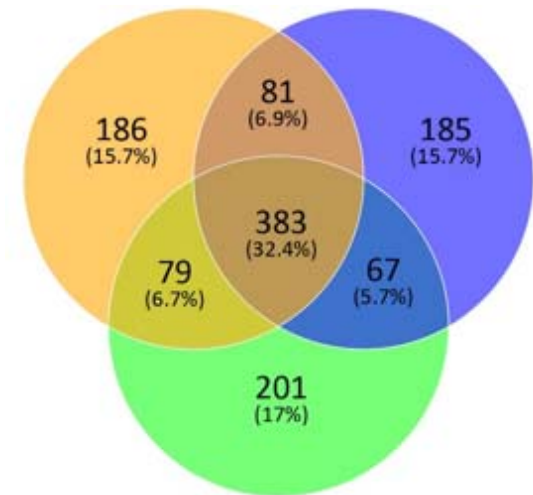
Soil organic matter was lowest in Cultivation, highest in White Clover

% soil organic matter after four years.

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Soil microbiome differed in NV compared to GLY and CULT



Venn diagram of the total number of fungal OTUs detected in the soil

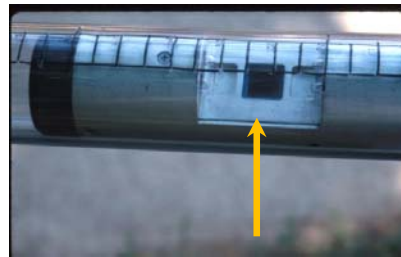
Principal coordinates analysis (PCoA) ordinations of soil fungal microbiota Cultivation (CULT), Glyphosate (GLY) and Natural vegetation (NV) field treatments

Analyzing root growth

Minirhizotron system



Clear observation tube

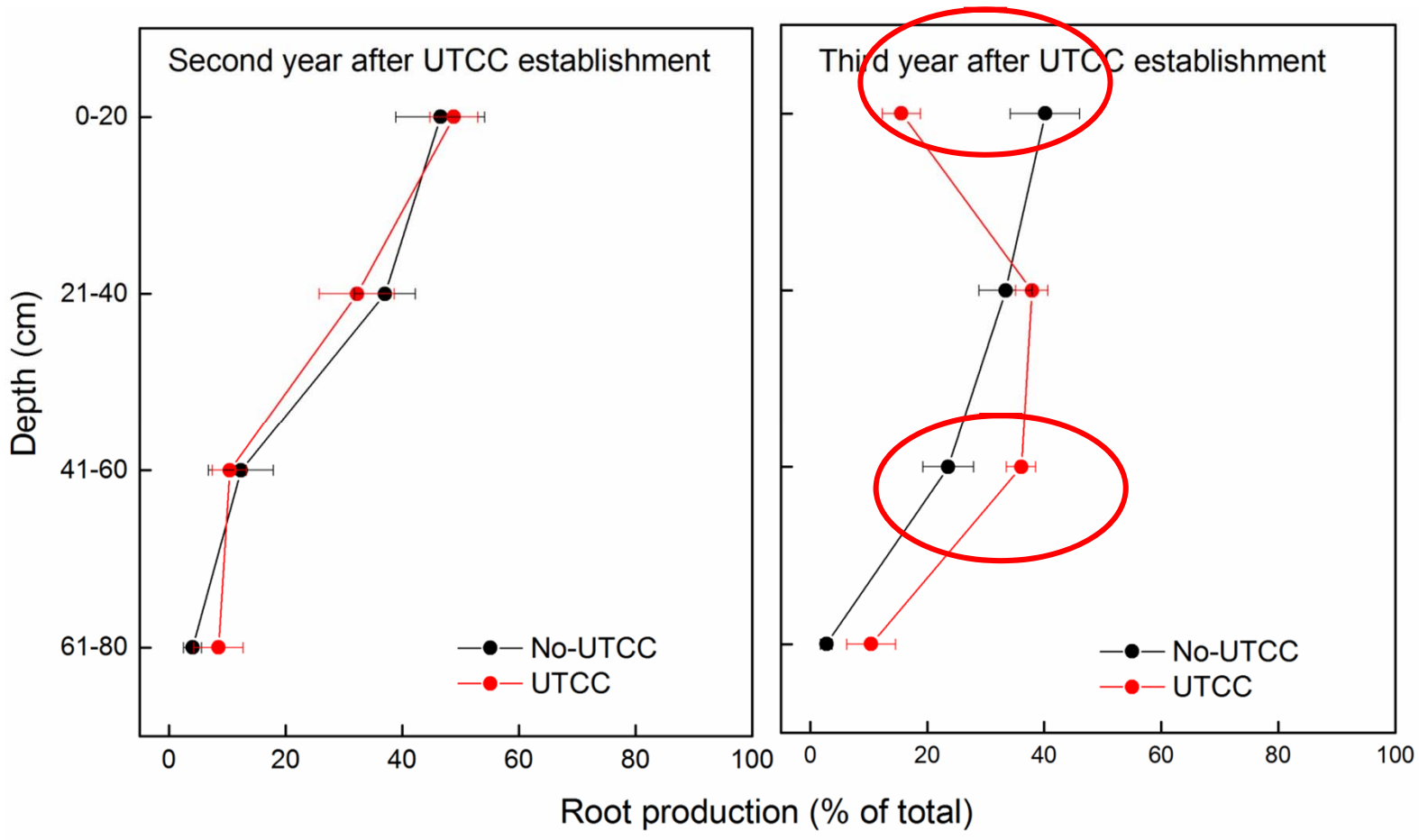


Video camera in tube

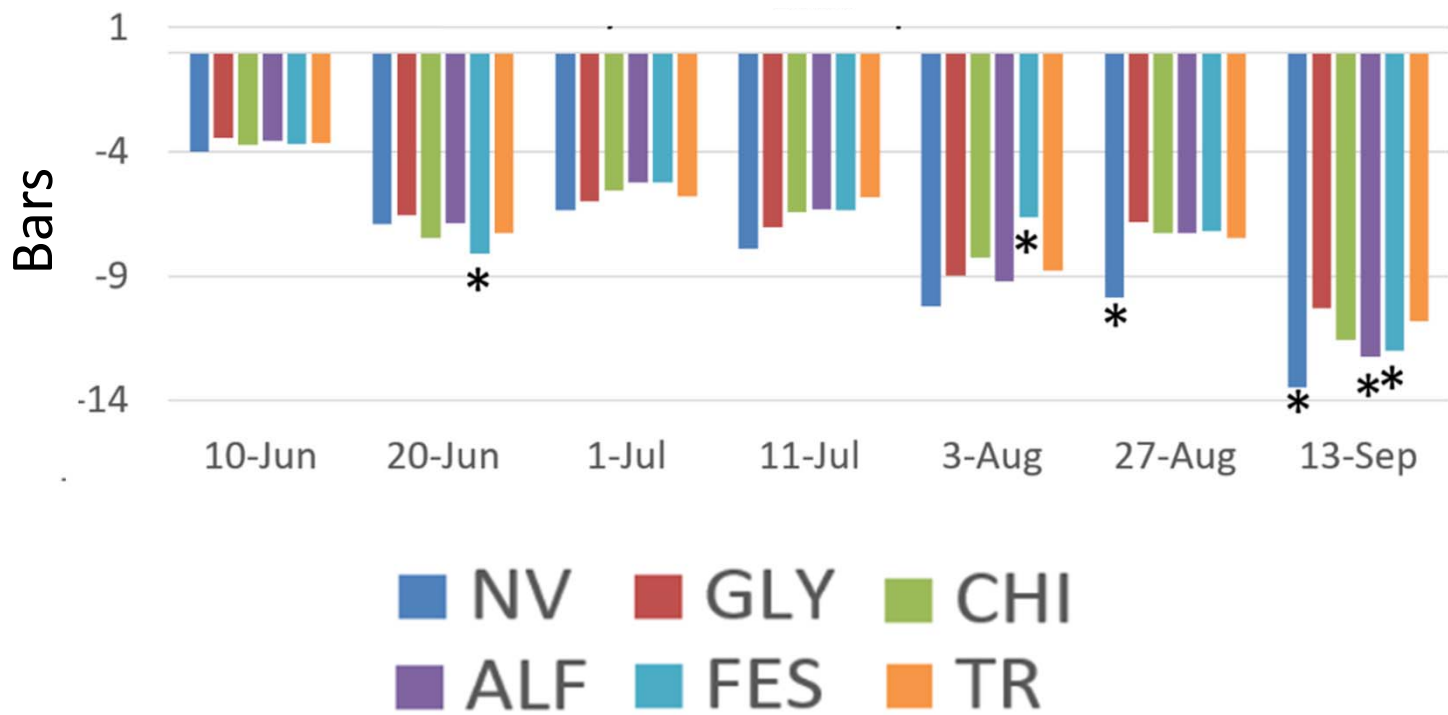


Data collection



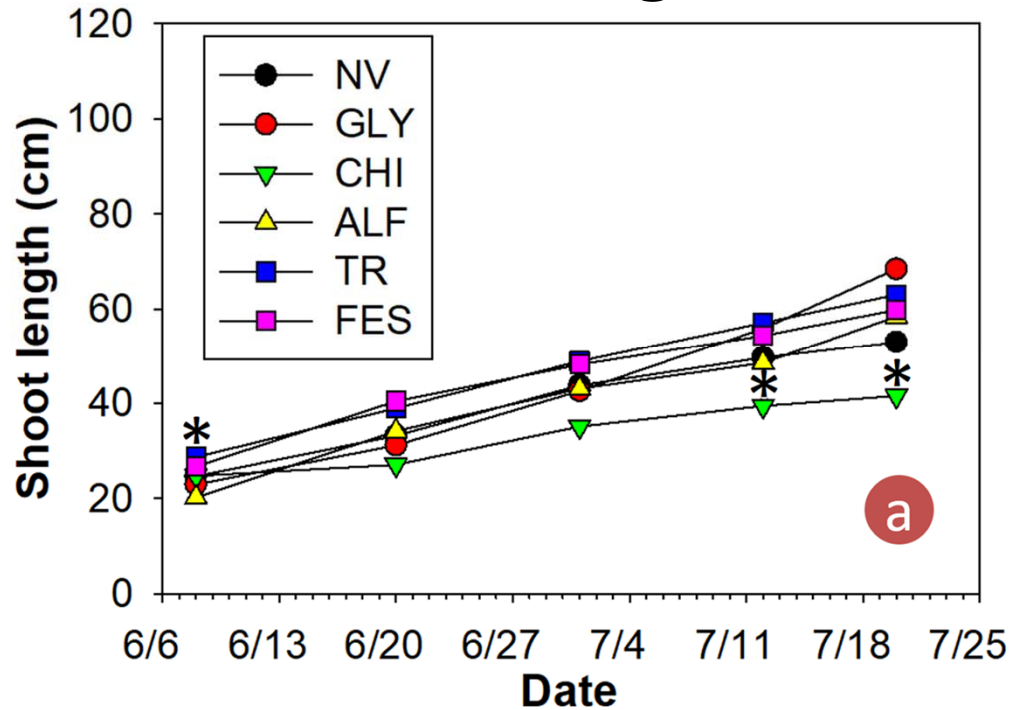


Competition resulted in fewer roots in shallow soil layers, more roots at deeper layers

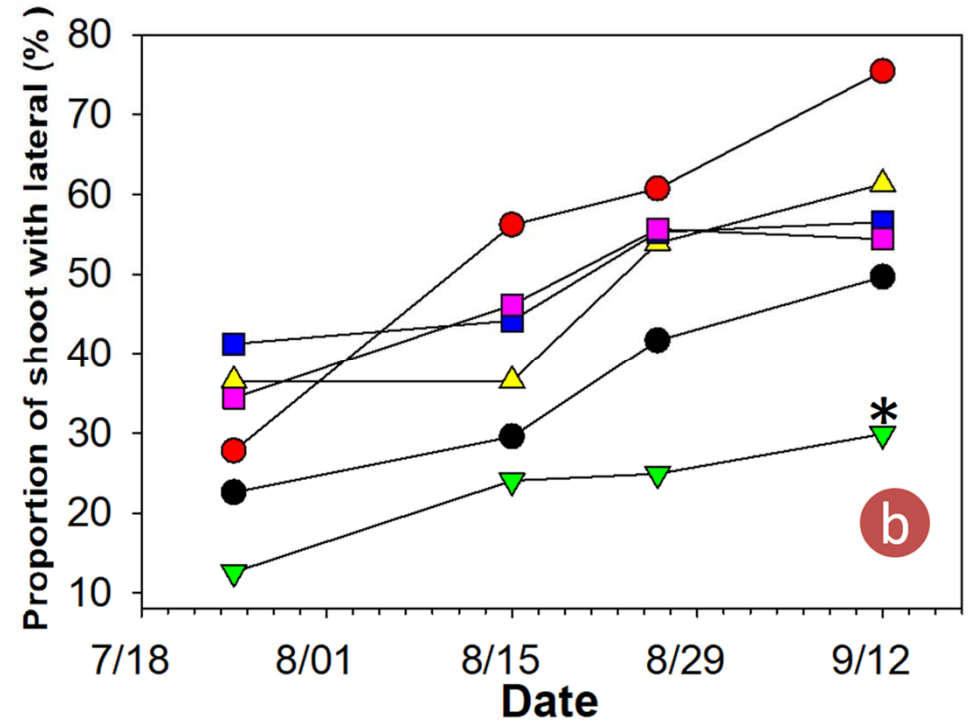


Stem water potential – Minor differences due to cover crops except during drought

Shoot length



Proportion of shoots with laterals



Chicory reduced average shoot length and the proportion of shoots with laterals compared to glyphosate

Treatments	Yield kg/vine		Pruning weight kg/vine		Ravaz Index	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
GLY	3.90	2.89	1.15	0.44	7.54	10.83
NV	4.11	5.80*	0.81	0.36	6.06	20.68
TR	4.74	5.12*	0.53*	0.34	10.51	18
CHI	5.22	3.03	0.40*	0.18*	17.34	18.21
FES	4.28	4.18	0.58*	0.36	8.20	13.15
ALF	4.61	2.88	0.86	0.35	13.55	14.06

* Indicates significantly different from GLY

Treatments decreased pruning weight without decreasing yield



Summary of impact of under-vine cover crops on yield and pruning weight

Little to no impact	Moderate impact	Significant impact
Buckwheat	Tillage Radish	Chicory
Rosette-forming turnip	Alfalfa	Annual Ryegrass
	Fescue	
	Natural vegetation	

Recommendation: If using an under-vine cover crop, track yield and pruning weight on sentinel vines



CALIBRATION SETTINGS	0.1	0.2	0.4	1	2	3	4.5	6	8	10	11	13	15	17			
FLOW CONTROL SETTING	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17

OPERATION INSTRUCTIONS

- USE APPLICATION INFORMATION ON BAG, FIND CALIBRATION SETTING (ABOVE) AND SET GATE STOP TO CORRECT FLOW SETTING
- IF SPREAD PATTERN IS OFF CENTER ADJUST PATTERN RING POSITION, SEE CHARTER MANUAL
- NOTE: ADJUST CALIBRATION SETTINGS WHEN BEING DETERMINED FROM GRAIN OR 20 FOOT WIDTH AND 3 MPH (TRAVEL LEFT IN 30 SECONDS)
- NOTE: CALIBRATION GAUGE SETTINGS IS TO BE USED AS A GENERAL GUIDE, FOR SPECIFIC PRODUCTS, SEE YOUR OWNER'S MANUAL.

INSTRUCCIONES DE OPERACION

- USE LA INFORMACION SOBRE APLICACION EN LA BOLSA, BUSQUE LA POSICION DE CALIBRACION (ARriba) PARA LA TASA DE LA SIEMBRA PARA CORREGIR LA CALIBRACION DE LA CORRIENTE.
- SI EL PATRON DE SIEMBRA NO ES EL CENTRO ADJUSTE POSICION EN ANILLO EN PATRON, VE MANUAL.
- NOTA: ENCHUSA DE CALIBRACION AJUSTES EN 30 SEGUNDOS UTILIZANDO UN CARRIL DE 20 PIES DE ANCHURA Y 3 MPH (TRAVEL A LA IZQUIERDA EN 30 SEGUNDOS)
- NOTA: AJUSTES EN CARRIL DE CALIBRACION SON UNOS AJUSTES GENERALES PARA PRODUCTOS ESPECIFICOS, VEA SU MANUAL.

SPINNING BLADES HAZARD

WARNING

TO PREVENT SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH

- Stop, Rest, Fuel & Clothing Away From Spinning Blades
- Stay Clear Of All Moving Parts
- Keep Others Away
- Stop The Machine, Shut Off Engine & Chocking Of All Power Before Adjusting Or Servicing



Potential challenges in vinifera:

Trunk renewal

Moving for spraying

Copper toxicity



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