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CHEMICAL CONTROL OF BROWN PATCH IN COLONIAL BENTGRASS

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Fungicides were evaluated in 2000 for their ability to control brown patch (caused by *Rhizoctonia solani*) at the Rutgers Research Farm in North Brunswick, NJ on a colonial bentgrass (*Agrostis tenuis* 'SR 7100') turf maintained under golf course fairway conditions. Turf was established September 1995 on a Norton loam with a pH of 6.1. The site was mowed at 0.4 inch, three times a week, and clippings were collected. Turf was irrigated to prevent drought stress and localized dry spots were controlled with Primer (4 fl oz/1000 ft²) wetting agent on 2 May and 2 June. The site was aerified on 25 April with 0.5 inch hollow tines on 4.0 inch centers.

Fertilizer was applied as 16-4-8 on 7 April (0.63 lb nitrogen (N)/1000 ft²), 11 May (0.51 lb N/1000 ft²), and on 10 June (0.50 lb N/1000 ft²). Preemergent weed control was provided with an application of Betasan 4E (6.8 fl oz/1000 ft²) on 28 April. To suppress dollar spot prior to the start of the study, turf was treated with Daconil Ultrex 82.5SDG (3.8 oz/1000 ft²) on 17 May. Plots were 3 X 9 ft and were arranged in a randomized complete block with four replications.

Fungicides were applied in 2.0 gal of water per 1000 ft² with CO₂ powered sprayer at 30 psi using TeeJet 8003VS flat fan nozzles. Treatments (trt) were initiated on 9 June and were reapplied as indicated in Table 1. Percent turf area infested with *R. solani* was assessed on 28 June, 12 July, 27 July, 10 August, 17 August,

and 31 August. Turf quality was evaluated on 7 September on a 1 to 9 scale, where 9 = best turf quality. Data were subjected to an analysis of variance by Waller-Duncan *k*-ratio *t*-test (*k* = 100) following arcsine transformation.

Brown patch infection was first observed on 26 June. Disease pressure was greatest from the end of July through the middle of August. On 28 June, excellent brown patch control was obtained with all preventive treatments. Chipco Triton 1.7SC (trt 10), Heritage 50WG (trt 15, 16, and 30), Chipco 26GT 2SC + Chipco Signature 80WG (trt 18), Chipco Signature 80WG + ProStar 70W (trt 20), BAS500 02F 20WG (trt 37, 38), and AMS 21618 55W/250SC (trt 40 to 43) were among the most efficacious products evaluated in the study and provided excellent season-long control of brown patch. Good to excellent residual control (13 to 48 days post-treatment) was also observed on 31 August for turf treated with RU 141522B (trt 1), Compass 50WG (trt 2), RU 141522A (trt 3), Compass 50WG + Banner MAXX 1.3MC (trt 4), Medallion 50WG applied every 7 days (trt 6), Chipco Triton 1.7SC (trt 9, 12), TADS12529 70WG (trt 13, 14), WAC79 + Cleary 3336 4.25F (trt 22 to 24), and BAS 505 03F 50WG (trt 39). All of the RU041523A + Genapol 26-L-50 treatments (trt 25 to 29), which were applied at 35 day intervals, provided significantly less disease control than treatments made at shorter intervals (i.e., 7, 14, 21, and 28 days). The 4.0 oz rate of Heritage 50WG (trt

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30) was the only 35 day treatment to successfully control brown patch throughout the test.

When examining treatments applied on a curative basis, only Heritage 50WG (trt 36) reduced disease to acceptable levels.

Table 1. Impact of chemical products on the incidence of brown patch in colonial bentgrass in North Brunswick, NJ: 2000.

Treatment and rate/1000 sq ft	Spray interval (days) ³	Turf area infected (%) per plot ¹							Turf Quality ²
		28 June	12 July	27 July	10 Aug.	17 Aug.	31 Aug.	7 Sept.	
1. RU141522B 1.5 fl oz	14	0.0 a	8.5 e-n	7.0 g-n	3.0 f-k	5.2 gh	4.0 c-h	6.0 g-k	
2. Compass 50WG 0.15 oz	14	1.5 ab	5.8 b-k	6.5 g-n	2.8 e-j	5.8 gh	4.2 c-i	6.5 h-l	
3. RU141522A 2 fl oz	21	0.0 a	7.5 c-l	3.3 a-f	1.0 b-e	1.0 a-c	3.8 c-g	8.0 m-p	
4. Compass 50WG 0.15 oz + Banner MAXX 1.3MC 1 fl oz	21	0.3 a	11.8 h-p	8.5 h-o	1.0 b-e	2.5 c-f	4.2 c-i	8.0 m-p	
5. Medallion-Gowan 50WG 0.25 oz	7	3.0 b-d	9.0 f-n	11.8 k-p	5.5 j-n	12.0 j-l	14.2 m-o	5.5 e-i	
6. Medallion 50WG 0.25 oz	7	2.8 a-c	6.8 b-j	2.8 a-d	2.8 e-j	6.8 g-i	7.0 f-k	7.2 k-n	
7. Medallion-Gowan 50WG 0.5 oz	14	0.8 ab	9.3 f-n	4.3 b-h	7.5 l-p	13.8 k-m	15.0 m-p	6.0 g-k	
8. Medallion 50WG 0.5 oz	14	0.0 a	7.3 c-l	6.3 f-n	5.5 j-n	11.0 i-l	11.0 j-n	5.2 d-h	
9. Chipco Triton 1.7SC 0.5 fl oz	14	0.0 a	12.3 j-p	8.5 h-o	1.0 b-e	1.8 b-d	6.0 f-k	7.5 l-o	
10. Chipco Triton 1.7SC 1.0 fl oz	14	0.0 a	7.8 c-m	5.8 c-j	0.8 a-d	0.5 ab	0.5 ab	8.2 n-p	
11. Chipco Triton 1.7SC 0.5 fl oz	21	0.5 a	12.3 j-p	10.3 j-p	6.0 j-o	12.2 k-m	12.5 k-n	5.8 f-j	
12. Chipco Triton 1.7SC 1.0 fl oz	21	0.3 a	3.5 ab	5.5 b-j	0.8 a-d	4.5 e-g	4.2 c-i	7.5 l-o	
13. TADS12529 70WG 0.15 oz	14	3.0 b-d	13.5 k-q	8.8 i-o	1.2 b-f	2.0 b-e	5.0 d-i	7.5 l-o	
14. TADS12529 70WG 0.30 oz	14	6.0 d-g	8.2 c-m	9.2 i-o	1.2 b-f	1.8 b-d	3.2 c-g	7.5 l-o	
15. Heritage 50WG 0.2 oz	14	0.0 a	8.8 f-n	5.8 c-j	0.2 ab	0.0 a	0.0 a	7.5 l-o	
16. Heritage 50WG 0.3 oz	21	0.0 a	7.3 c-l	2.8 a-d	0.0 a	0.0 a	0.0 a	7.8 l-p	
17. Chipco 26GT 2SC 4.0 fl oz	14	0.5 a	7.8 c-m	14.3 m-p	10.2 pq	16.2 l-n	13.5 l-o	5.8 f-j	
18. Chipco 26GT 2SC 4.0 fl oz + Chipco Signature 80WG 4 oz	14	0.0 a	0.0 a	1.5 a-c	1.5 c-g	0.8 a-c	2.8 b-e	7.0 j-n	
19. ProStar 70WG 2.2 oz	14	0.0 a	16.0 m-s	13.5 l-p	2.0 d-i	3.2 d-g	6.5 f-k	7.5 l-o	
20. Chipco Signature 80WG 4.0 oz + ProStar 70W 2.2 oz	14	5.3 c-f	0.0 a	0.0 a	0.0 a	0.0 a	0.0 a	8.2 n-p	
21. ProStar 70W 1.5 oz + Chipco 26GT 2SC 4.0 fl oz	14	0.8 ab	12.0 i-p	12.5 k-p	1.8 c-h	2.0 b-e	4.2 c-i	6.8 i-m	
22. WAC79 2.0 fl oz + Cleary 3336 4.25F 4.0 fl oz	14	0.0 a	6.3 b-i	5.0 b-h	9.2 o-q	9.5 h-k	7.2 g-l	4.8 b-g	

Table 1 (continued).

Treatment and rate/1000 sq ft	Spray interval (days) ³	Turf area infected (%) per plot ¹							Turf Quality ² 7 Sept.
		28 June	12 July	27 July	10 Aug.	17 Aug.	31 Aug.	7 Sept.	
23. WAC79 3.0 fl oz + Cleary 3336 4.25F 4.0 fl oz	14	0.0 a	5.0 b-f	3.8 b-g	4.0 h-l	5.8 gh	3.0 c-f	5.0 c-g	
24. WAC79 4.0 fl oz + Cleary 3336 4.25F 4.0 fl oz	14	0.0 a	5.3 b-g	2.5 a-d	4.8 i-m	6.5 gh	5.8 e-i	5.8 f-j	
25. RU041523A 0.24 fl oz + Genapol 26-L-50 0.1% v/v	35	2.5 a-d	16.5 n-s	19.3 p-r	17.8 rs	32.8 p-r	29.8 q	3.5 ab	
26. RU041523A 0.47 fl oz + Genapol 26-L-50 0.1% v/v	35	0.0 a	19.3 o-s	16.8 o-q	22.8 st	35.0 qr	26.5 q	3.8 a-c	
27. RU041523A 0.94 fl oz + Genapol 26-L-50 0.1% v/v	35	2.5 a-d	13.8 l-r	18.8 pq	13.5 qr	27.0 o-q	28.5 q	4.0 a-d	
28. RU041523A 1.9 fl oz + Genapol 26-L-50 0.1% v/v	35	0.0 a	10.3 g-o	6.0 c-j	8.5 m-p	18.0 mn	26.5 q	3.5 ab	
29. RU041523A 2.8 fl oz + Genapol 26-L-50 0.1% v/v	35	0.5 a	4.3 bc	3.3 a-f	6.2 k-p	16.2 l-n	22.8 pq	3.8 a-c	
30. Heritage 50WG 0.4 oz 31. RU041523A 0.24 fl oz	35	2.0 ab	3.3 ab	3.3 a-f	0.5 a-c	1.8 b-d	5.0 d-i	4.5 a-f	
+ Genapol 26-L-50 0.1% v/v	35 ⁴	10.0 hi	24.0 s	30.5 r	20.2 st	38.5 r	13.2 l-o	4.2 a-e	
32. RU041523A 0.47 fl oz + Genapol 26-L-50 0.1% v/v	35 ⁴	8.5 f-i	23.5 rs	26.5 qr	25.2 t	52.5 s	21.0 o-q	3.8 a-c	
33. RU041523A 0.94 fl oz + Genapol 26-L-50 0.1% v/v	35 ⁴	6.8 e-h	18.8 o-s	19.3 p-r	18.2 rs	38.2 r	16.2 n-p	5.5 e-i	
34. RU041523A 1.9 fl oz + Genapol 26-L-50 0.1% v/v	35 ⁴	8.2 f-i	20.3 p-s	14.5 n-p	9.0 n-q	20.8 no	11.0 j-n	5.8 f-j	
35. RU041523A 2.8 fl oz + Genapol 26-L-50 0.1% v/v	35 ⁴	8.2 f-i	24.2 s	9.5 i-o	8.2 m-p	25.8 op	8.5 h-m	5.8 f-j	
36. Heritage 50WG 0.4 oz	35 ⁴	9.8 g-i	22.3 q-s	12.5 k-p	1.2 b-f	5.0 fg	1.8 a-d	7.5 l-o	
37. BAS 500 02F 20WG 0.5 oz	14	4.3 b-e	3.3 ab	0.8 ab	0.0 a	0.0 a	0.5 ab	9.0 p	

Table 1 (continued).

Treatment and rate/1000 sq ft	Spray interval (days) ³	Turf area infected (%) per plot ¹							Turf Quality ² 7 Sept.
		28 June	12 July	27 July	10 Aug.	17 Aug.	31 Aug.	7 Sept.	
38. BAS 500 02F 20WG 0.9 oz	28	0.0 a	7.3 c-l	1.0 ab	0.0 a	0.0 a	1.8 a-c	8.2 n-p	
39. BAS 505 03F 50WG 0.2 oz	14	0.0 a	8.0 d-n	18.8 pq	3.5 g-k	6.8 g-j	9.2 i-n	7.0 j-n	
40. AMS 21618 55W 0.14 oz	14	0.0 a	7.3 c-l	2.3 a-d	0.0 a	0.0 a	0.0 a	8.2 n-p	
41. AMS 21618 55W 0.18 oz	14	0.5 a	4.8 b-d	0.8 ab	0.0 a	0.0 a	0.0 a	8.8 op	
42. AMS 21618 250SC 0.29 fl oz	14	1.0 ab	6.0 b-h	3.0 a-e	0.0 a	0.0 a	0.0 a	8.8 op	
43. AMS 21618 250SC 0.38 fl oz	14	0.0 a	6.3 b-i	2.5 a-d	0.0 a	0.0 a	2.5 a-d	8.0 m-p	
44. Untreated Check	—	14.3 i	24.5 s	55.3 s	34.0 u	41.0 r	23.0 pq	3.2 a	

INT ⁵	DAT ⁶	DAT	DAT	DAT	DAT	DAT	DAT
7	5	5	6	6	6	6	20
14	5	5	6	6	13	13	20
21	19	12	6	6	6	20	27
28	19	5	20	20	13	27	34
35	19	33	13	13	34	48	55
35 ⁴	NA	5	20	20	6	20	27

¹Values are means of four replicates. Means followed by the same letter are not significantly different according to Waller-Duncan *k*-ratio *t*-test (*k* = 100).

²Turf quality on a scale of 1 to 9, where 9 = best turf quality. Values above 6.0 represent acceptable turf quality.

³Fungicides were applied on 9 June (all treatments), 16 June (7 day treatment), 23 June (7 and 14 day treatments), 30 June (7 and 21 day treatments), 7 July (7, 14, 28 treatments), 14 July (7 and 35 preventive day treatments), 21 July (7, 14, and 21 day treatments), 28 July (7 day treatment), 4 August (7, 14, and 28 day treatments), 11 August (7 and 21 day treatments), and 18 August (7 and 14 day treatments).

⁴Treatments 31 to 36 were applied on a curative basis (when the percent turf area infected with brown patch exceeded a threshold of 10%) on 7 July and 11 August.

⁵Spray interval in days.

⁶Days after treatment (DAT) for each spray interval.