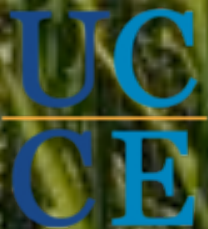


# Weedy Rice Update

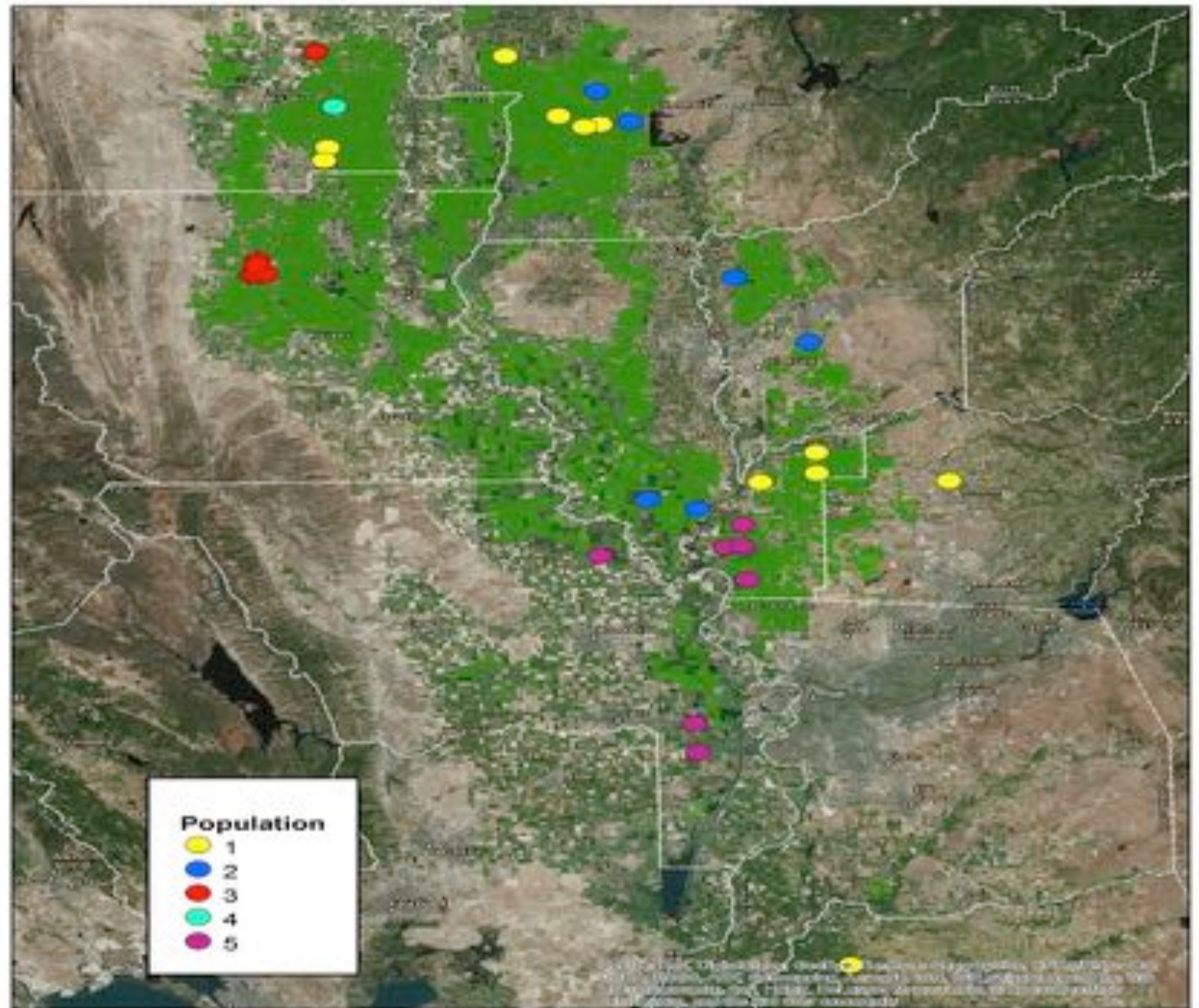
**UCCE Winter Grower Meetings 2018**

**Whitney Brim-DeForest, Rice Advisor**



# Field Survey: 2016

- Over 10,000 acres
- 5 ecotypes
- Every major rice-growing county



# Survey: Winter 2017

- 160 growers and PCA's were surveyed at 5 meetings in 4 counties (Butte, Glenn, Colusa, and Sutter):
  - 40% responded that they **had suspected a field was infested with weedy rice**
  - 49% stated that they had **seen it prior to 2016**
  - 57% **had not** reported the infestation to UCCE
- Approximately 25% of infestations likely not reported

# Field Survey: 2017

**By the end of the season, we had a total of:**

- 53 samples submitted for testing
- Out of the 53, 22 confirmed to be weedy rice
- About 42% of the samples!**

**Eight seed fields were found to be infested with weedy rice and were rejected as seed fields:**

- 3 were new medium grain seed fields
- 1 was an established medium grain seed field
- 4 were specialty variety seed fields

# No new biotypes identified



*Photos: Timothy Blank, CCIA*



## **Sprangletop:**

- Like rice (and weedy rice), it has a ligule, so it can be confusing (esp. before heading)
- Has a white stripe down the middle of the leaf (mid-vein)

## **Elongated Upper Internode (EUI):**

- A genetic abnormality of common medium grain rice varieties
- Causes the part of the stem attached to the rice panicle to elongate
- The plant will look just like the variety planted in the field



# Research Updates



# Soil Seedbank Surveys: Fall 2016

- Sample 10 fields with known infestations
- 34 soil cores taken every 20 feet along transect
- Soil samples were washed in a saline (salt) solution to extract organic matter
- Rice seeds found in each core were subjected to a KOH (potassium hydroxide) test

*Table 1. Weedy rice seed counts from soil samples collected in Fall 2016.*


County	Ecotype	Seeds m <sup>-2</sup>	Samples Present (%)
<b>Butte</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>31.3</b>	<b>41</b>
Sutter	1	2.3	6
<b>San Joaquin</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>23.2</b>	<b>32</b>
Glenn	1	4.6	9
<b>Yuba</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>29.0</b>	<b>21</b>
Sutter	2	4.6	12
Colusa	3	2.3	6
Colusa	3	7.0	18
<b>Sutter</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>39.5</b>	<b>42</b>
Yolo	Control	0.0	0

9500 seeds per acre

165,000 seeds per acre

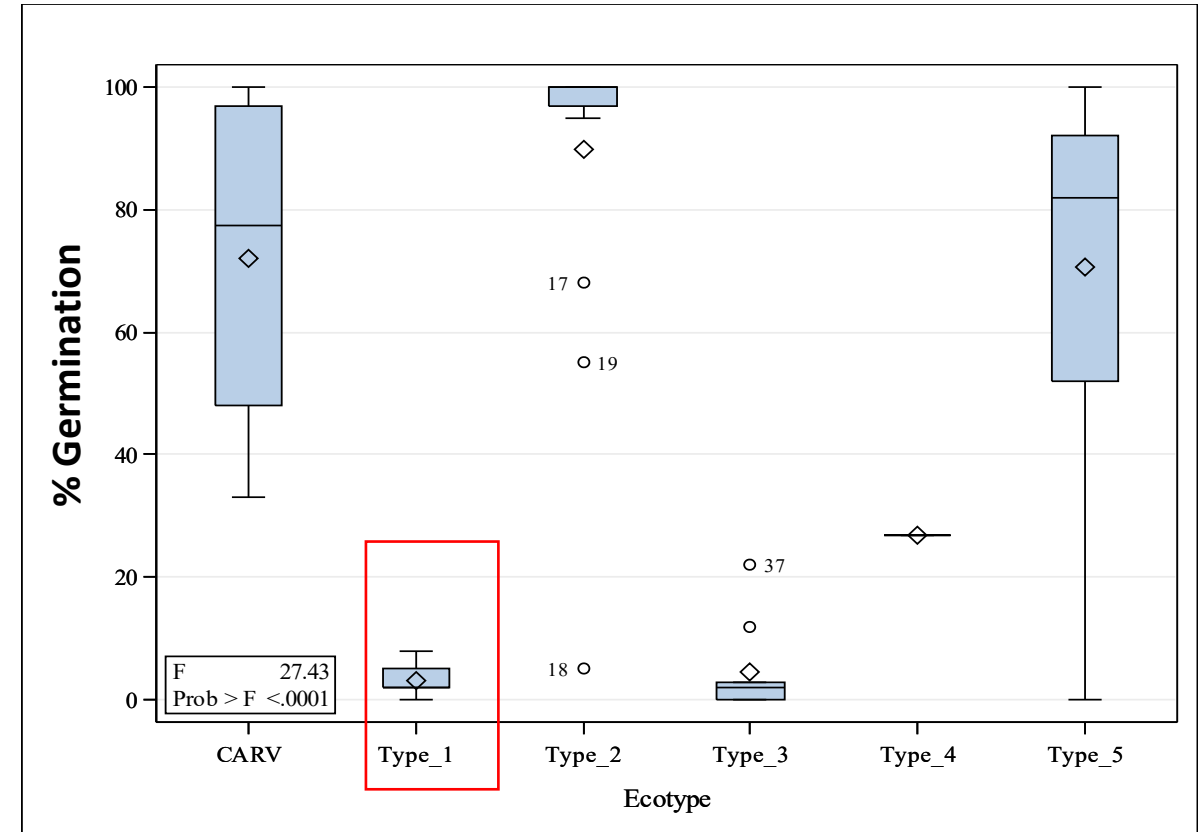
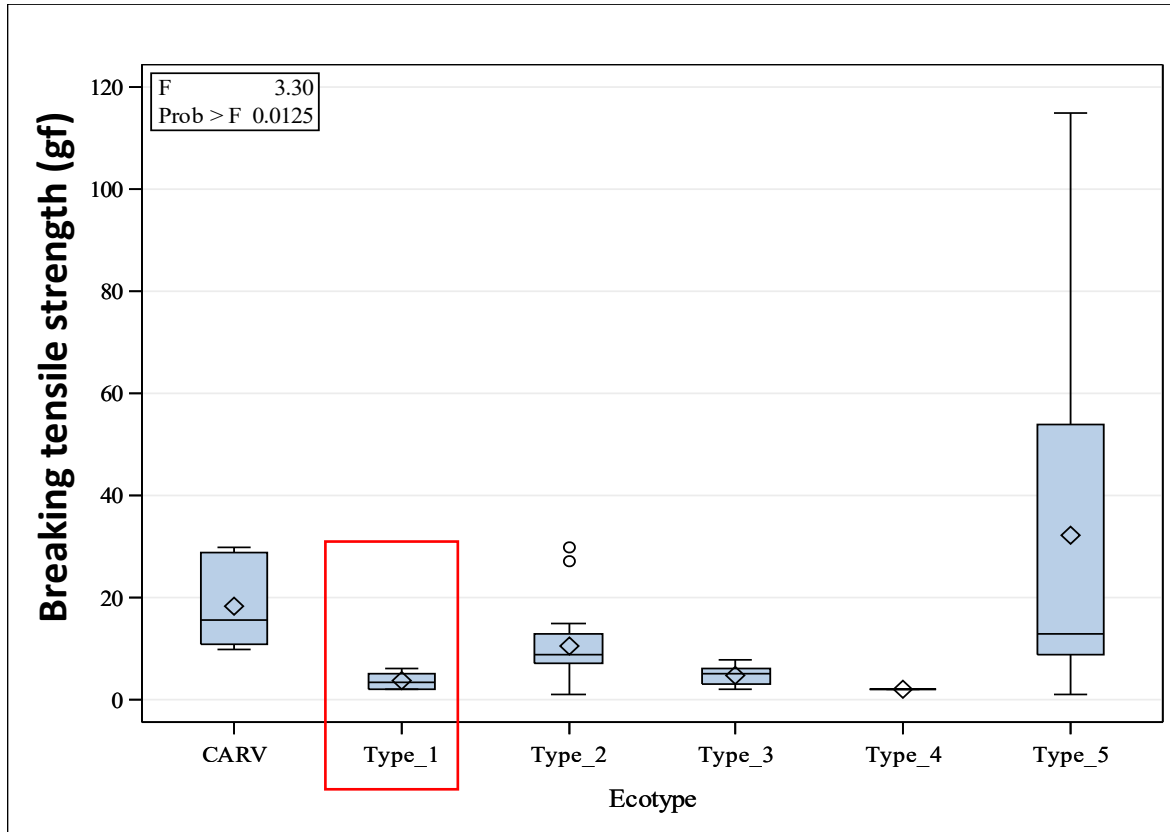
# Research Updates

Weedy Rice Biotype Updates

- 
- A close-up photograph of rice panicles in a field. The panicles are golden-brown and are attached to green stems. The background is a blurred green field under a clear blue sky.
- **All rice-growing counties (except for Colusa)**

- **Type 1:**

- Awnless
- Straw hull color
- Tall stature
- No color on nodes



## Type 1:

- High shattering
- High dormancy

## Implications for Management:

- High deposition into seedbank
- Length of time in soil: many years

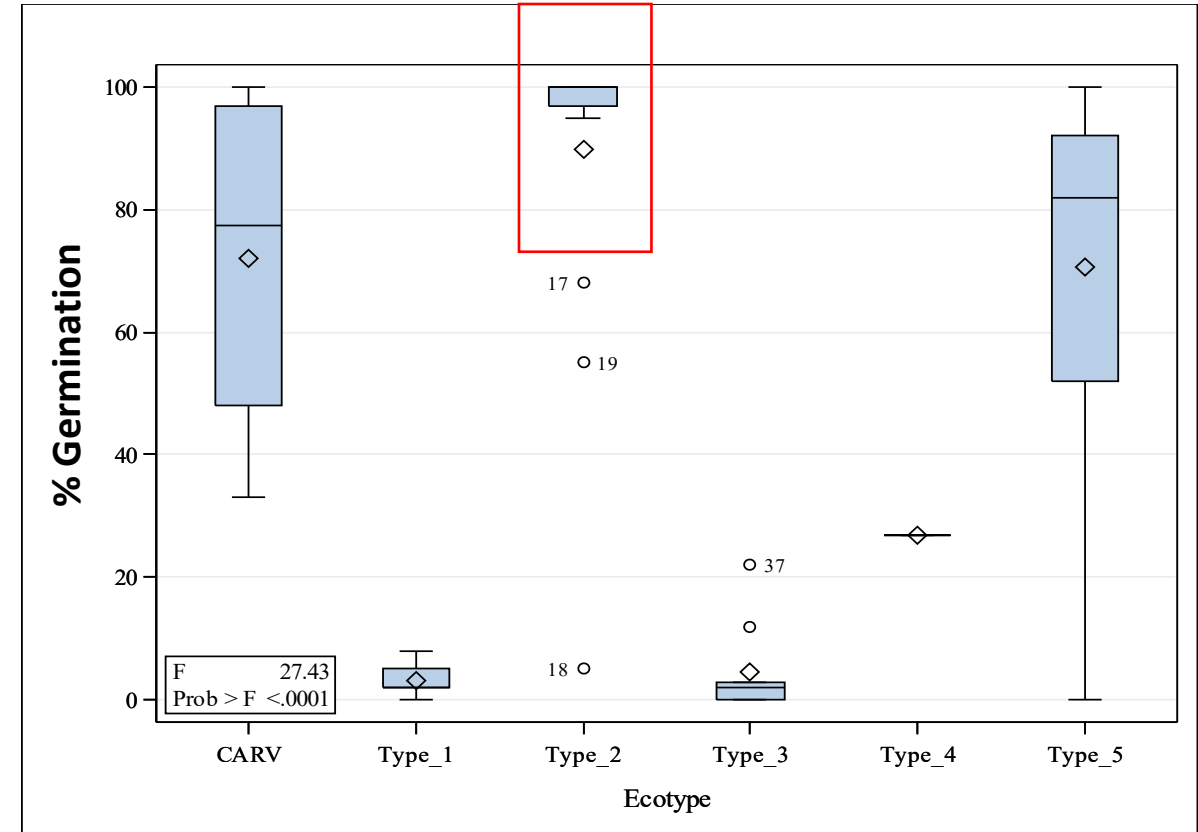
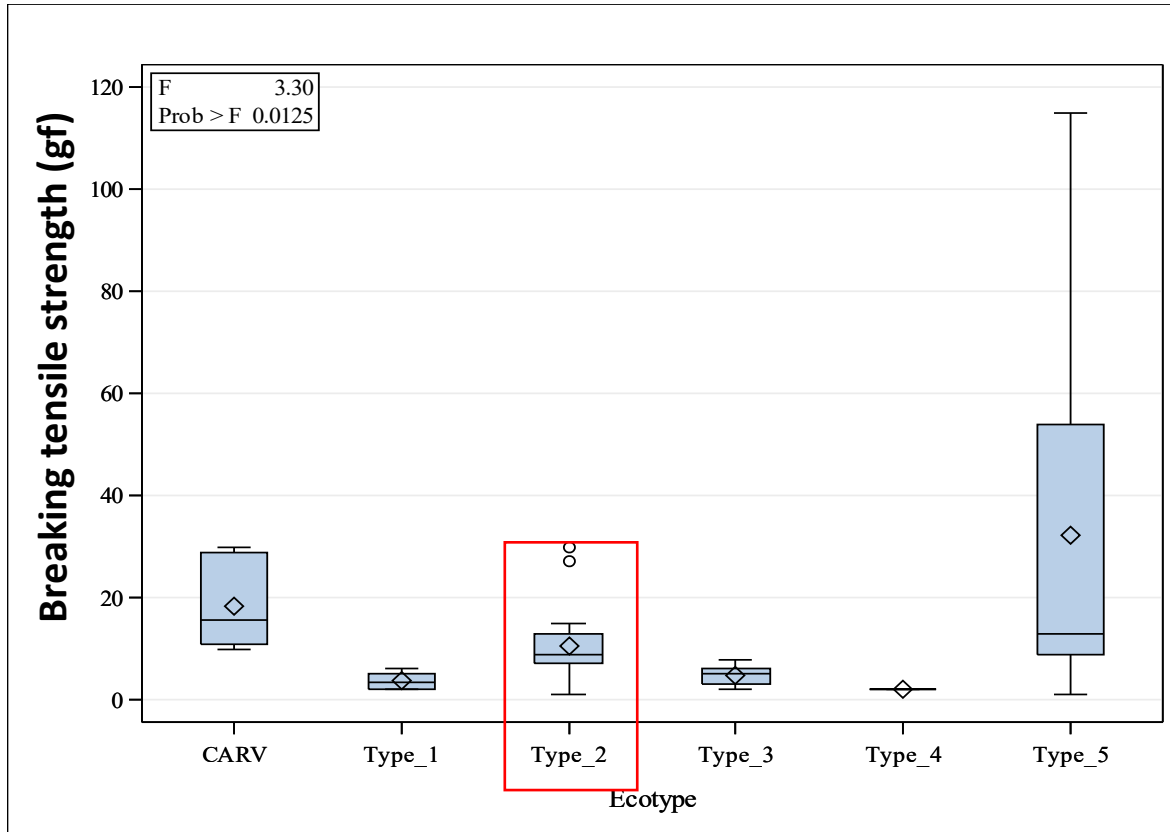


- **Type 2:**

- Awnless
- ***Bronze hull color***
- Tall stature
- No color on nodes

- **Butte, Sutter and Yuba Counties**





## Type 2:

- High shattering
- Low dormancy

## Implications for Management:

- High deposition into seedbank
- Length of time in soil: short!

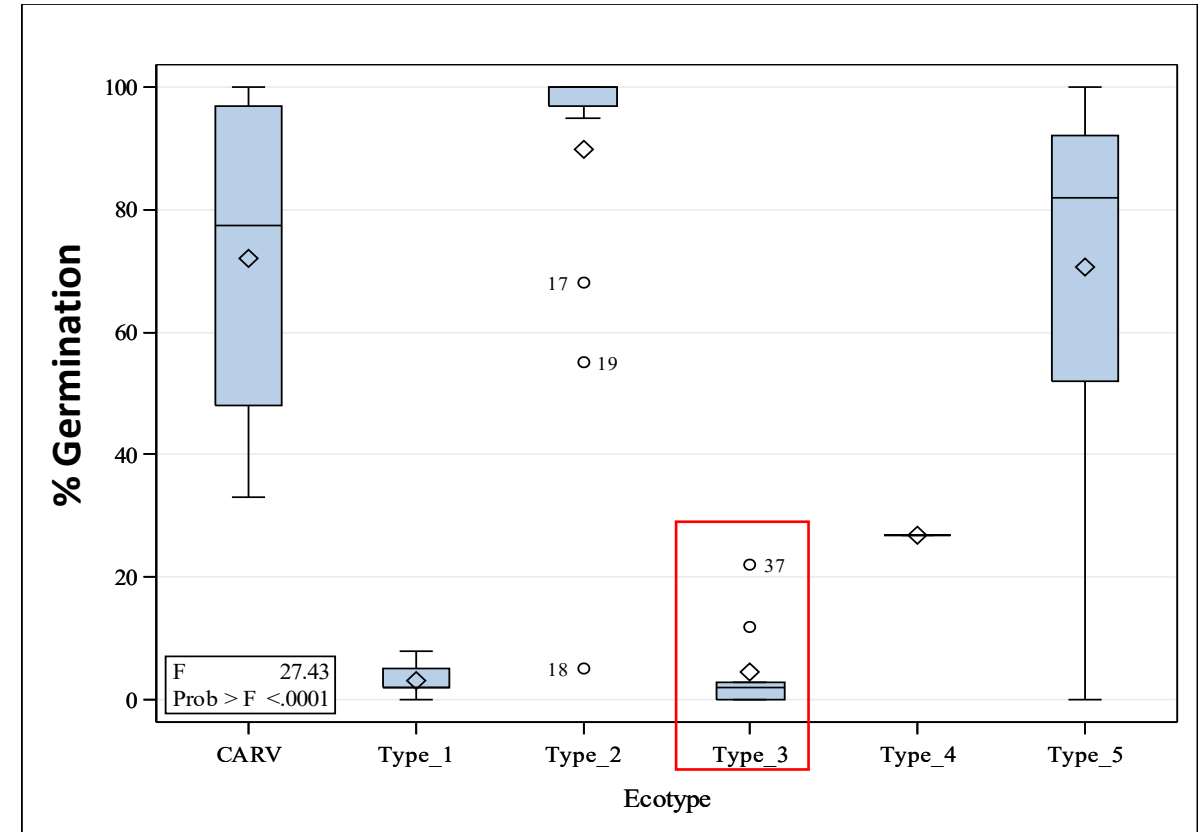
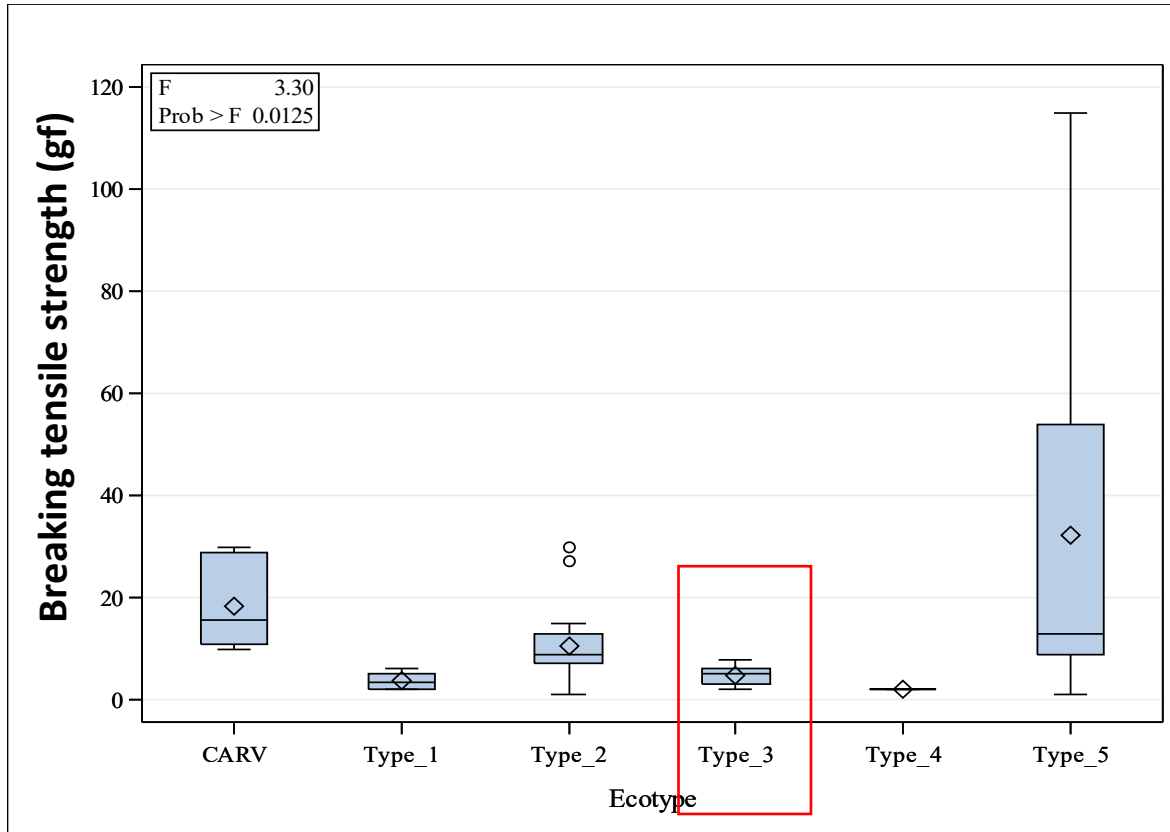
- **Type 3:**

- *Awned*
- Straw hull color
- Tall stature
- No color on nodes

- **Glenn and Colusa Counties**







### Type 3:

- High shattering
- High dormancy

### Implications for Management:

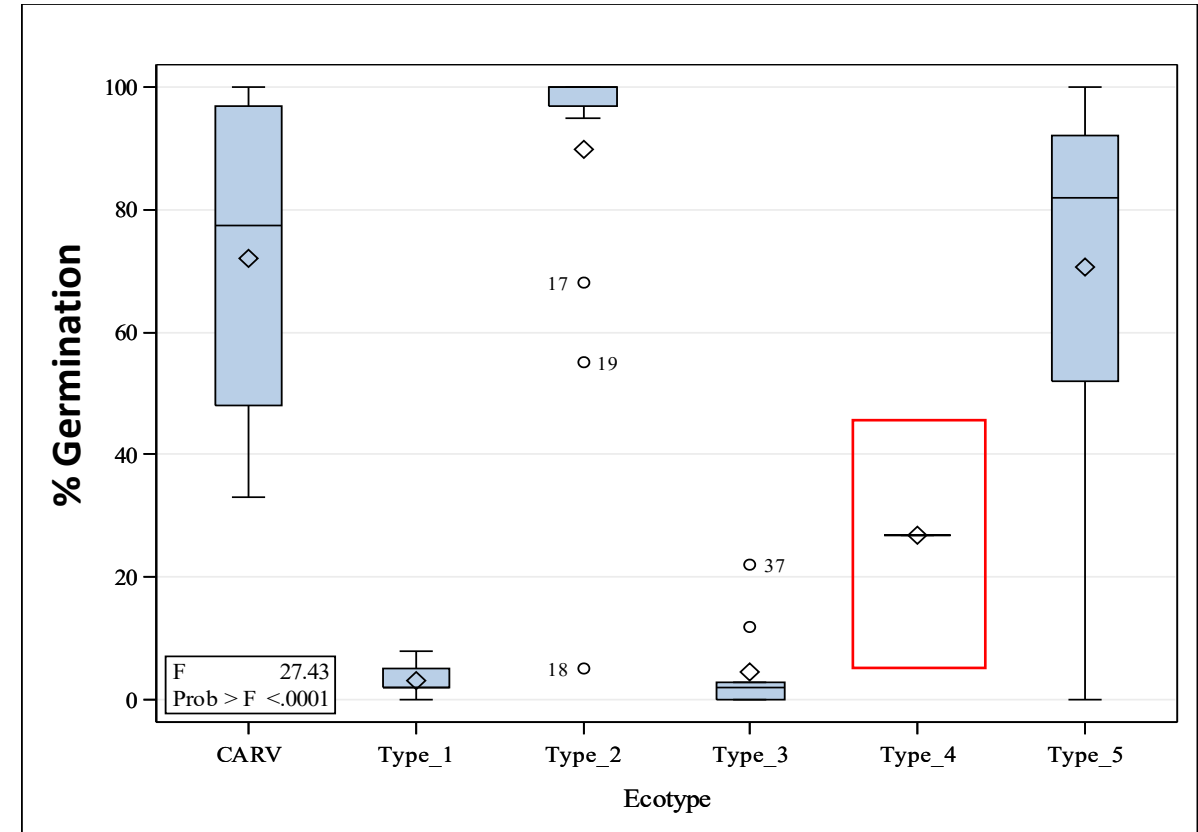
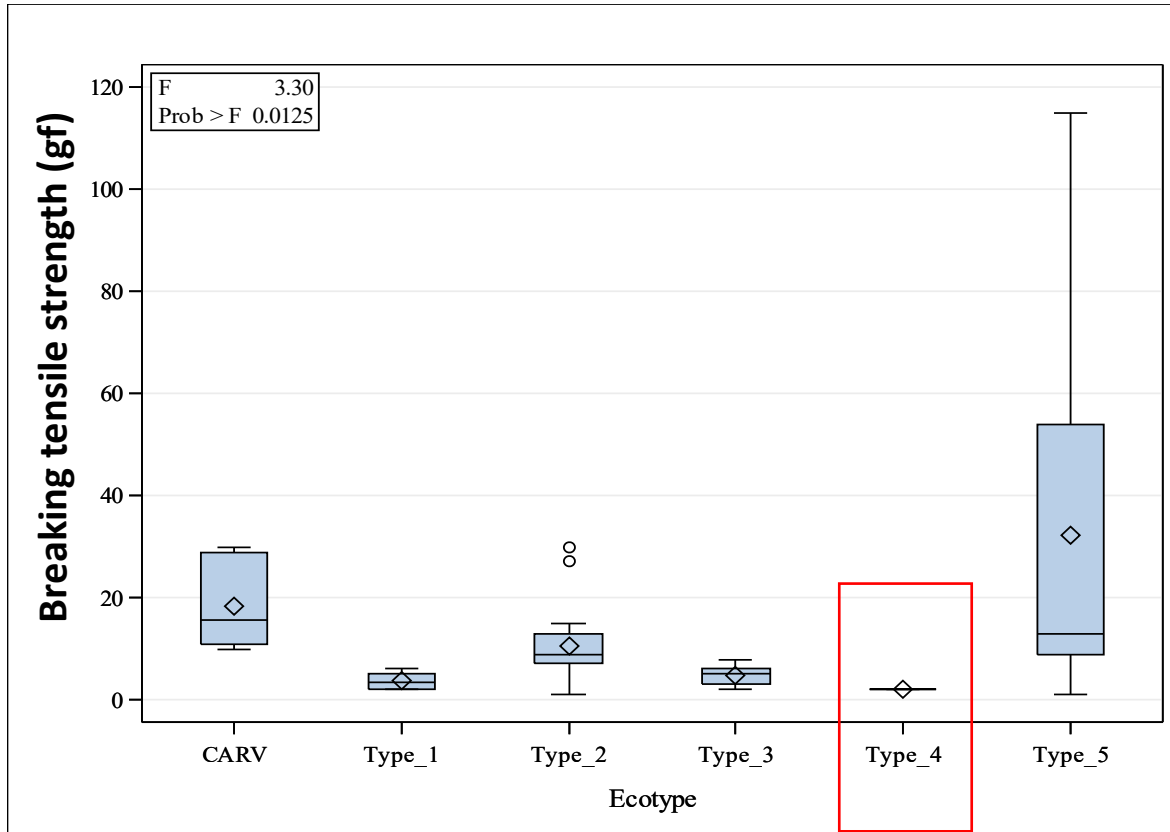
- High deposition into seedbank
- Length of time in soil: many years

- **Type 4:**

- *Awned*
- *Black hull color*
- *Short stature*
- No color on nodes



- **Currently in one location, Glenn County**



## Type 4:

- High shattering
- High dormancy

## Implications for Management:

- High deposition into seedbank
- Length of time in soil: many years

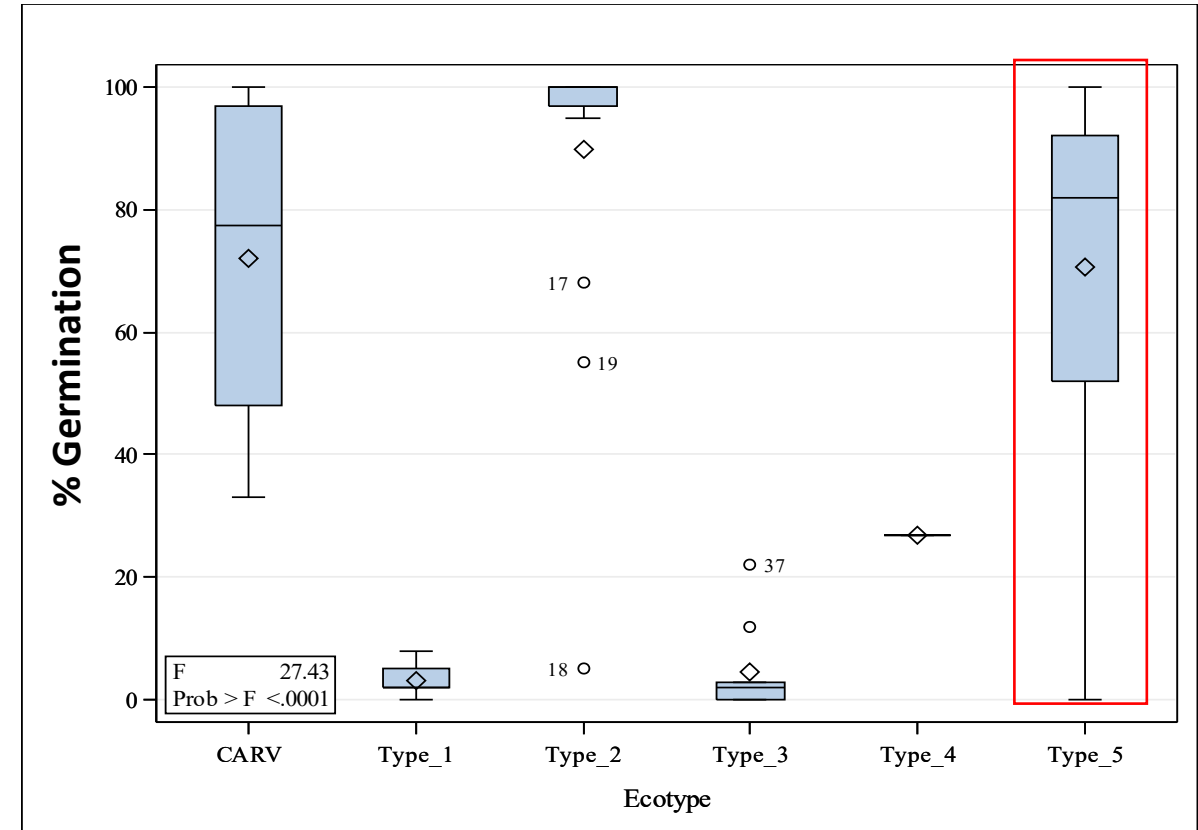
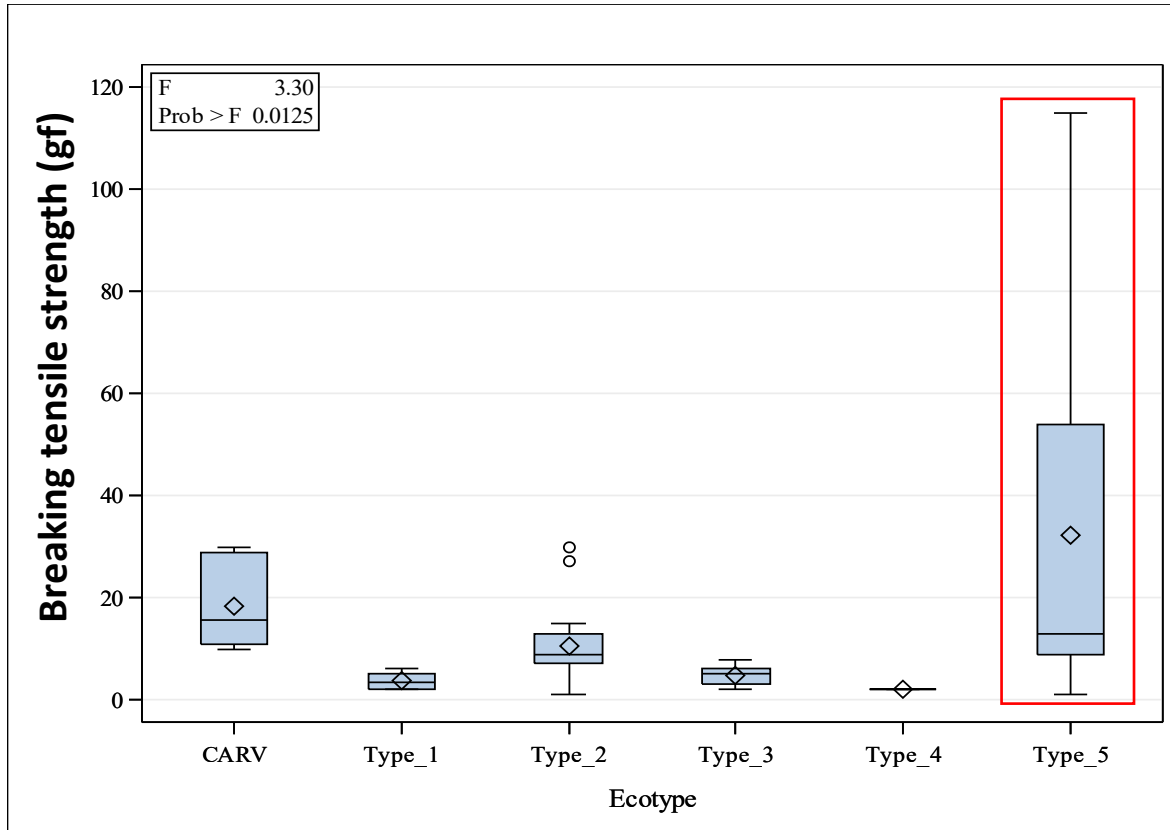
- **Type 5:**

- Awnless
- Straw hull color
- Tall stature
- *Purple-colored nodes*



- **Sutter, Yuba, and Yolo Counties**





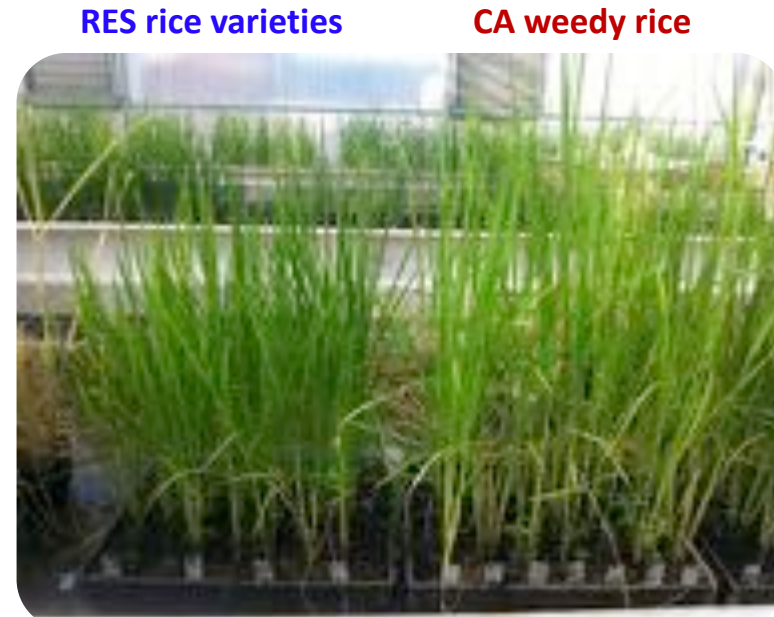
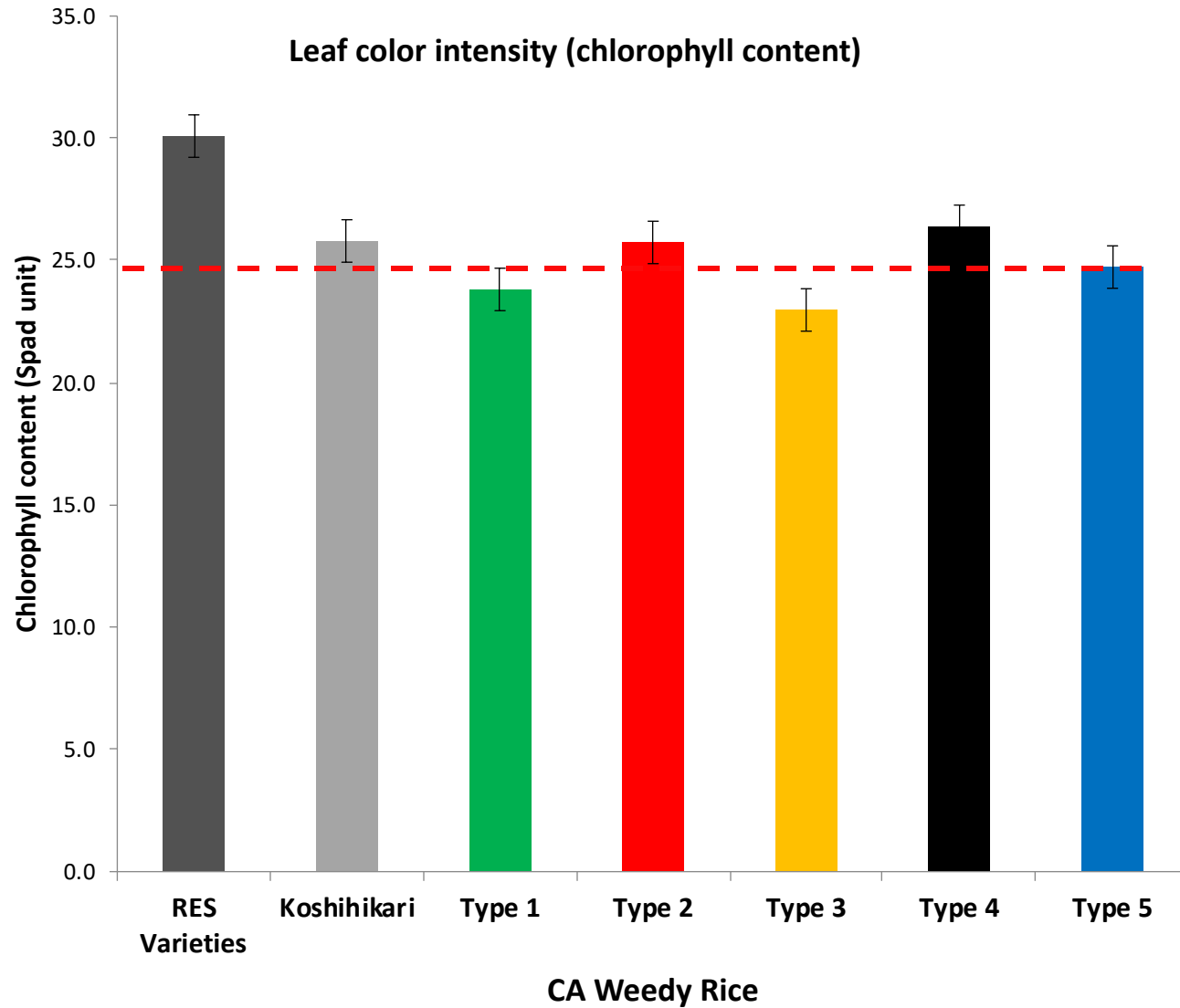
## Type 5 (two groups):

- High shattering
- Low dormancy

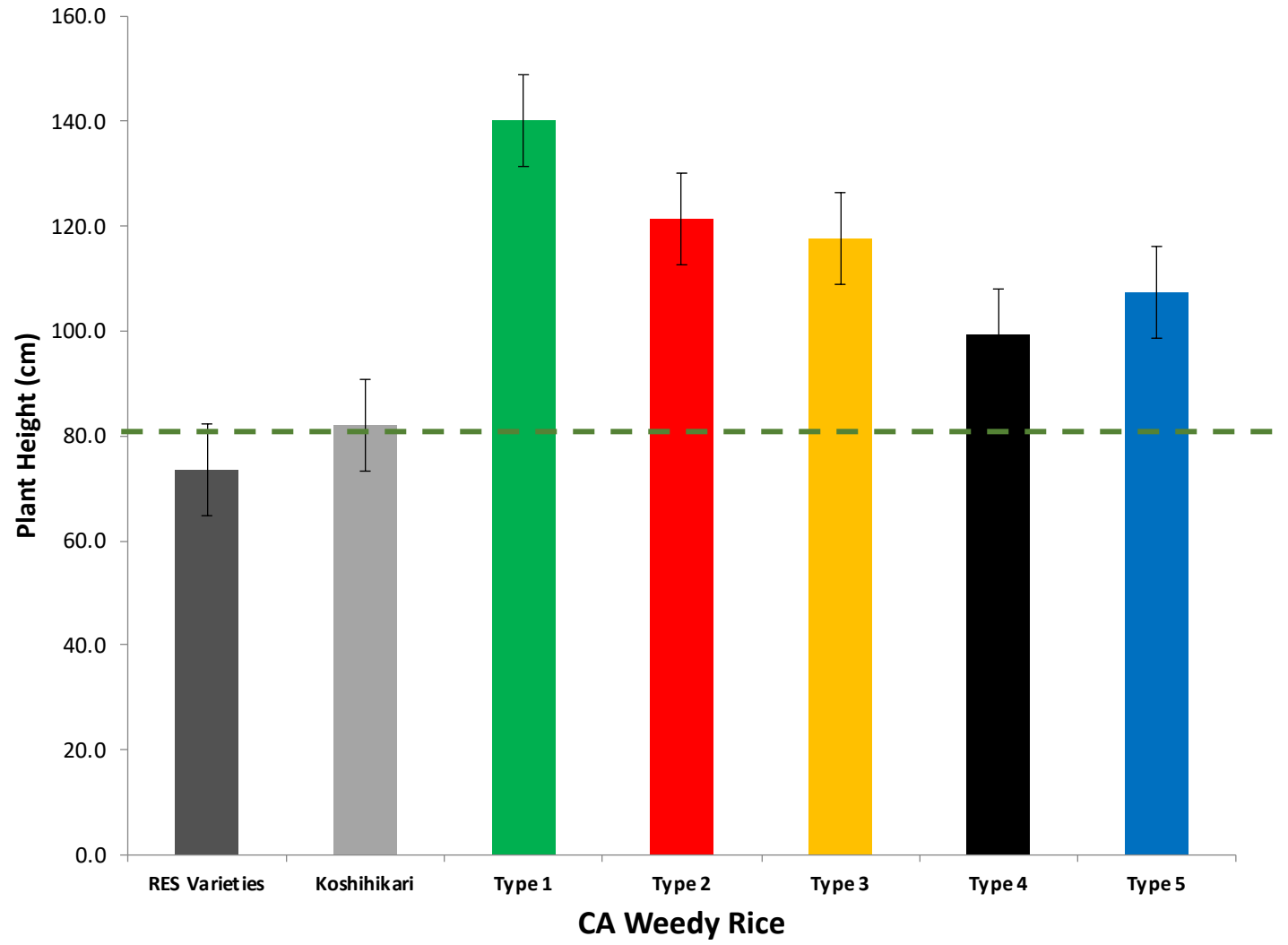
## Implications for Management:

- High deposition into seedbank
- Length of time in soil: short!

# Phenotypic characterizations of weedy rice



# Plant height measurement

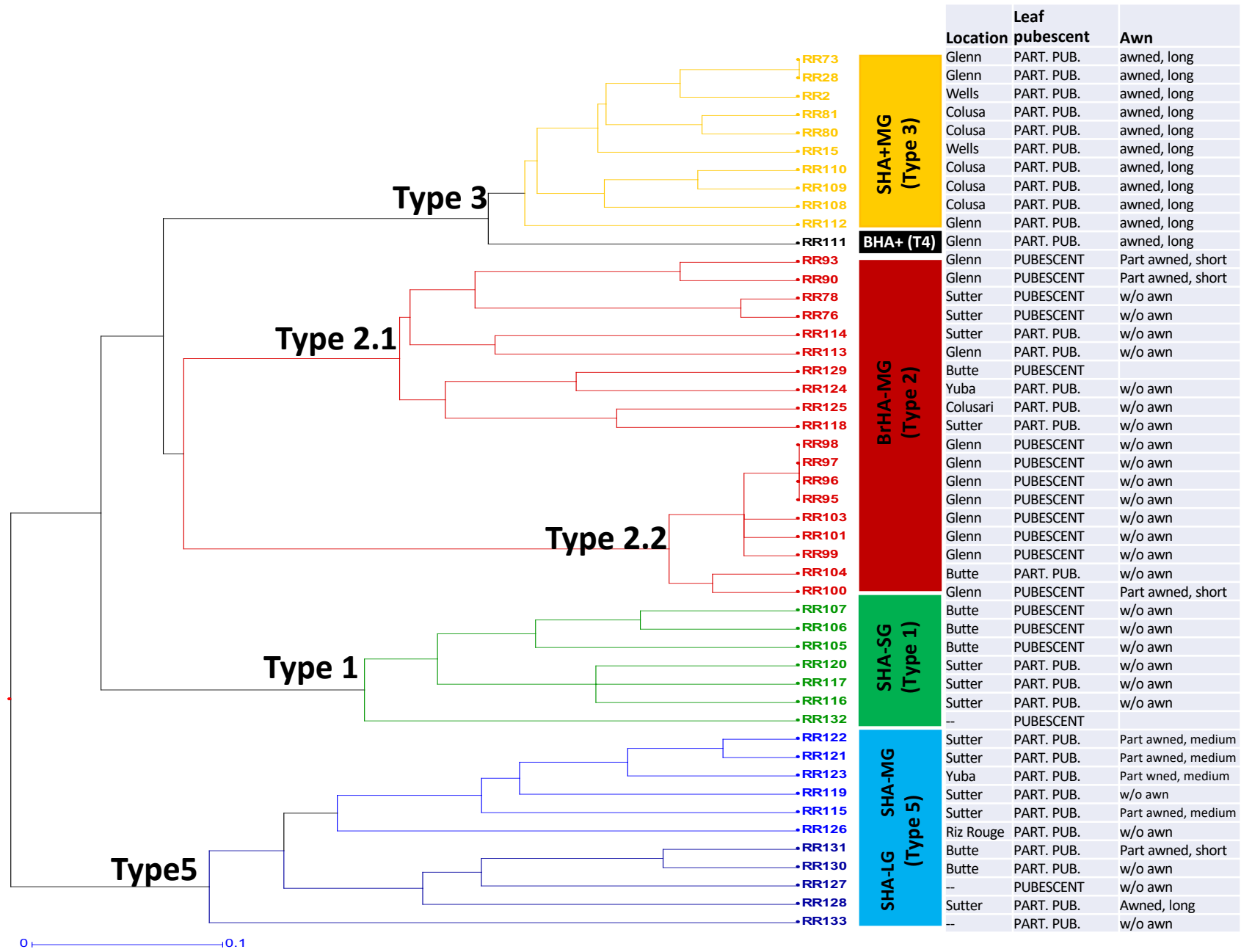




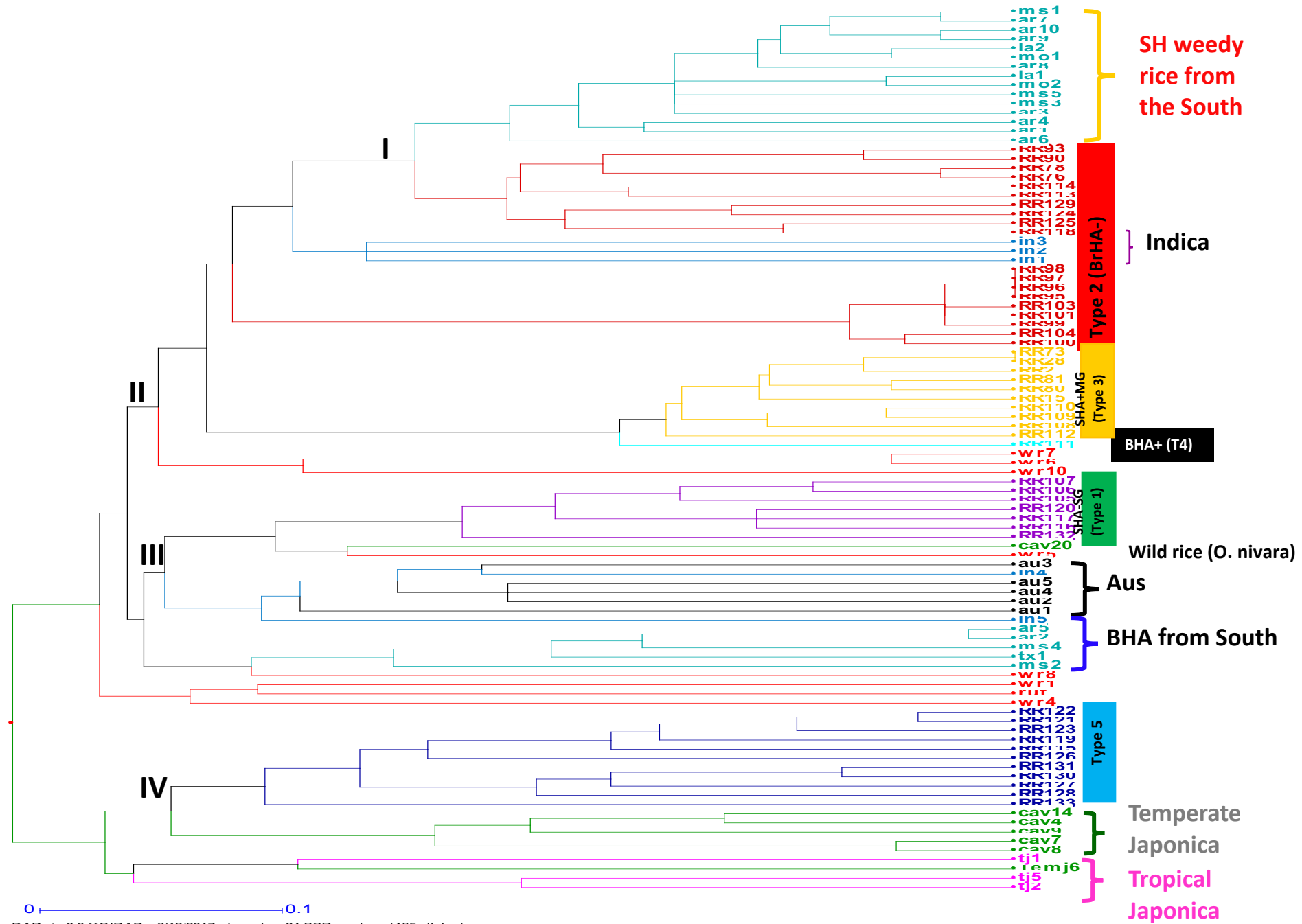
<b>Characteristics</b>	<b>Populations</b>	<b>Duration of time in soil</b>
High dormancy, high shattering	Type 1, Type 3, Type 4	Long-term (may be 10 or more years)
Low dormancy, high shattering	Type 2, Type 5	Shorter (likely to be a few years, but only if more seed is not being put into the soil seedbank)

- **All populations are:** red-branned (red pericarp)
- **All populations are:** lighter green than Japonica varieties
- **All populations are:** taller than Calrose varieties

# Genetic clustering of CA weedy rice ecotypes



# Phylogenetic relationships of CA weedy rice with other rice groups



# Summary of Preliminary Genetics

- Five genetic groups, which align well with outward characteristics (phenotypes)
- **Type 1:** Most closely related to black-hulled weedy rice from the southern US and Aus varieties
- **Type 2:** Most closely related to straw-hulled weedy rice from the southern US and Indica varieties
- **Type 3:** Most closely related to straw-hulled weedy rice from the southern US and Indica varieties
- **Type 4:** Most closely related to straw-hulled weedy rice from the southern US and Indica varieties
- **Type 5:** Most closely related to Japonica (both temperate and tropical varieties)

Types 2, 3 and 4 closely related to each other!

Types 3 and 4 are most closely related to each other!

Diverse California weedy red rice  
ecotypes → multiple possible origins!!!



Type 1



Type 2



Type 3



Type 4



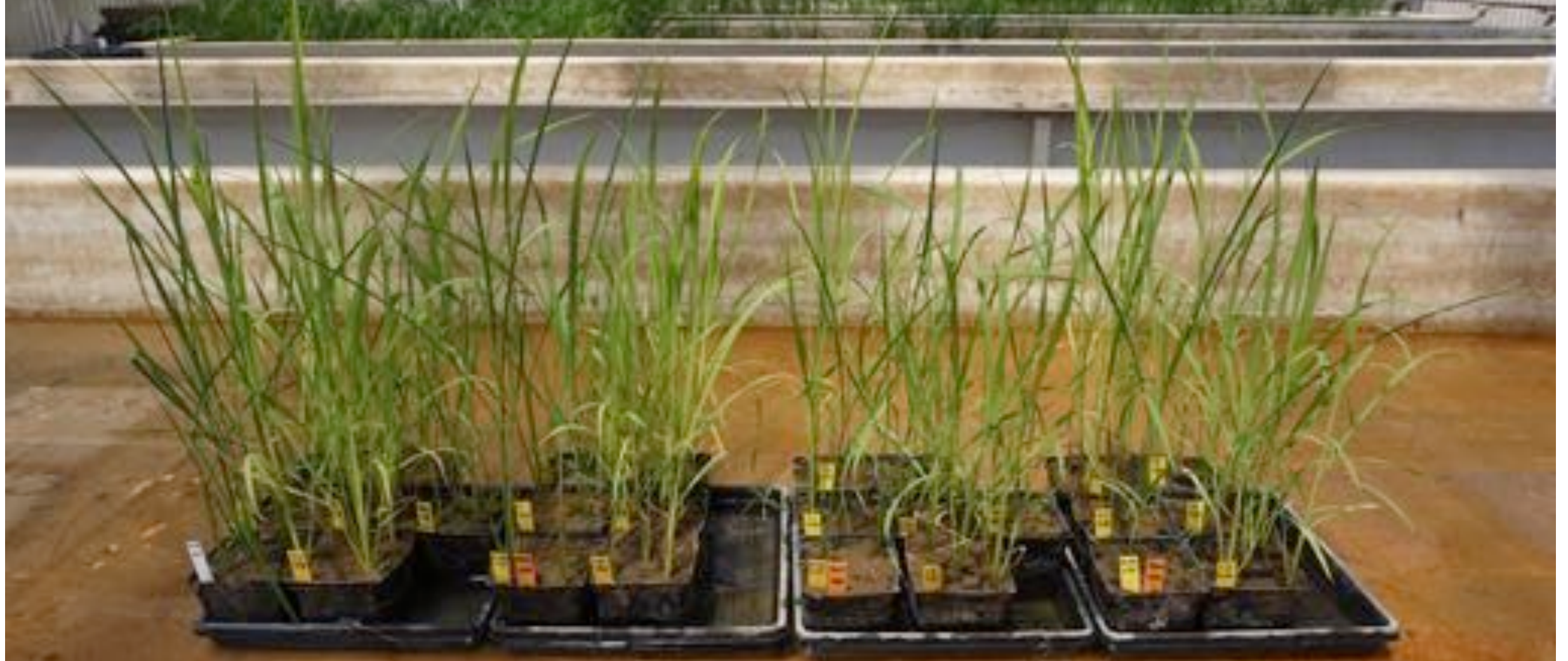
Type 5



M-205

# Herbicide Screening

# Pre-emergent Herbicide Testing



**Control**

**Abolish**

**Goal**

**Prowl**

# Treatments and Rates

- Herbicides were applied 1 day after planting the seeds to about 1 cm depth (simulate drill-seeded system)
- Pictures were taken 23 days after spraying
- Herbicides:
  - Prowl- 2 pts/A
  - Abolish- 2 qts/A
  - Goal 2X- 2 pts/A



No effect on any of the weedy rice biotypes

**Control**

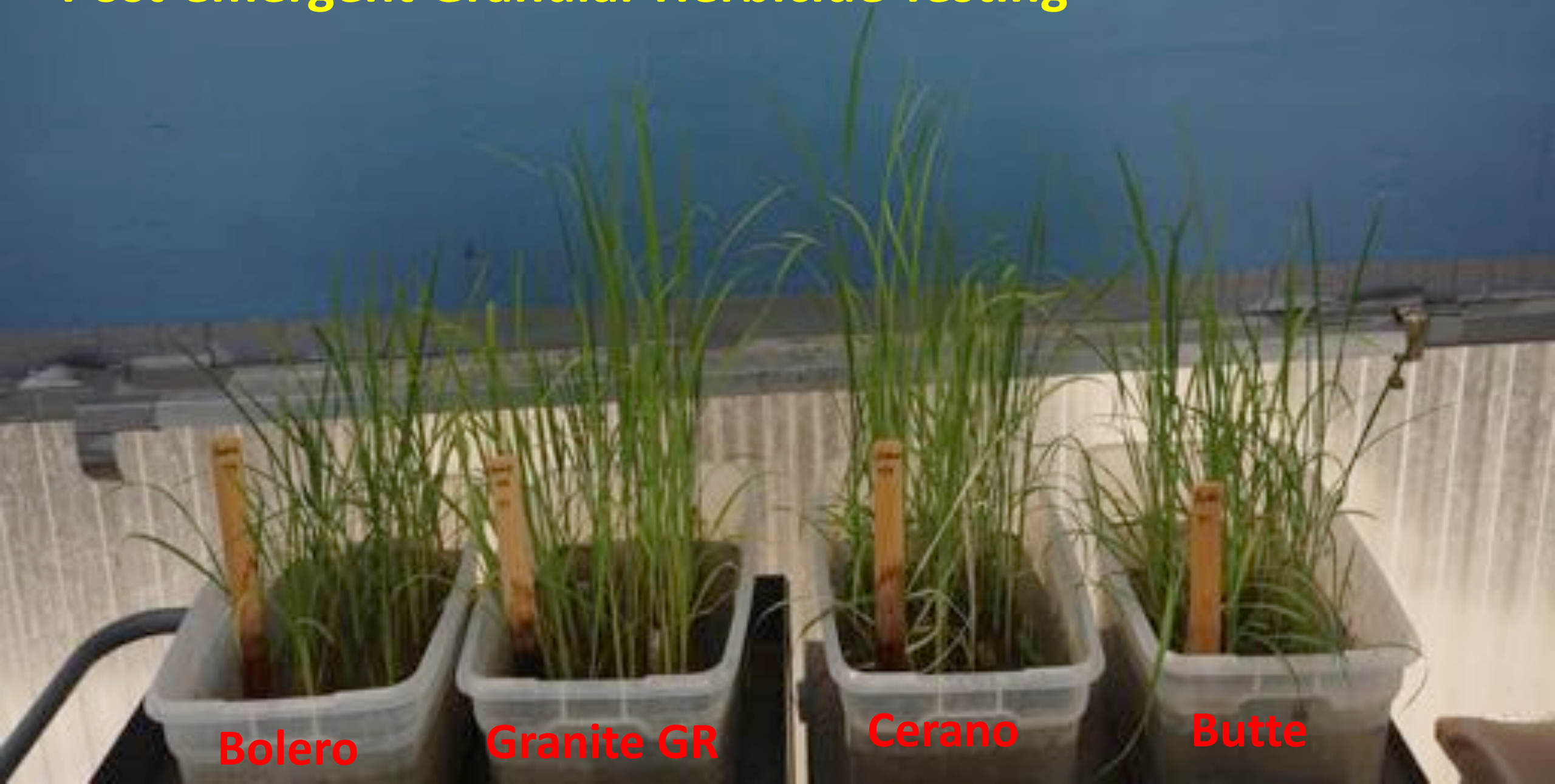
**Abolish**

**Goal**

**Prowl**



# Post-emergent Granular Herbicide Testing



**Bolero**

**Granite GR**

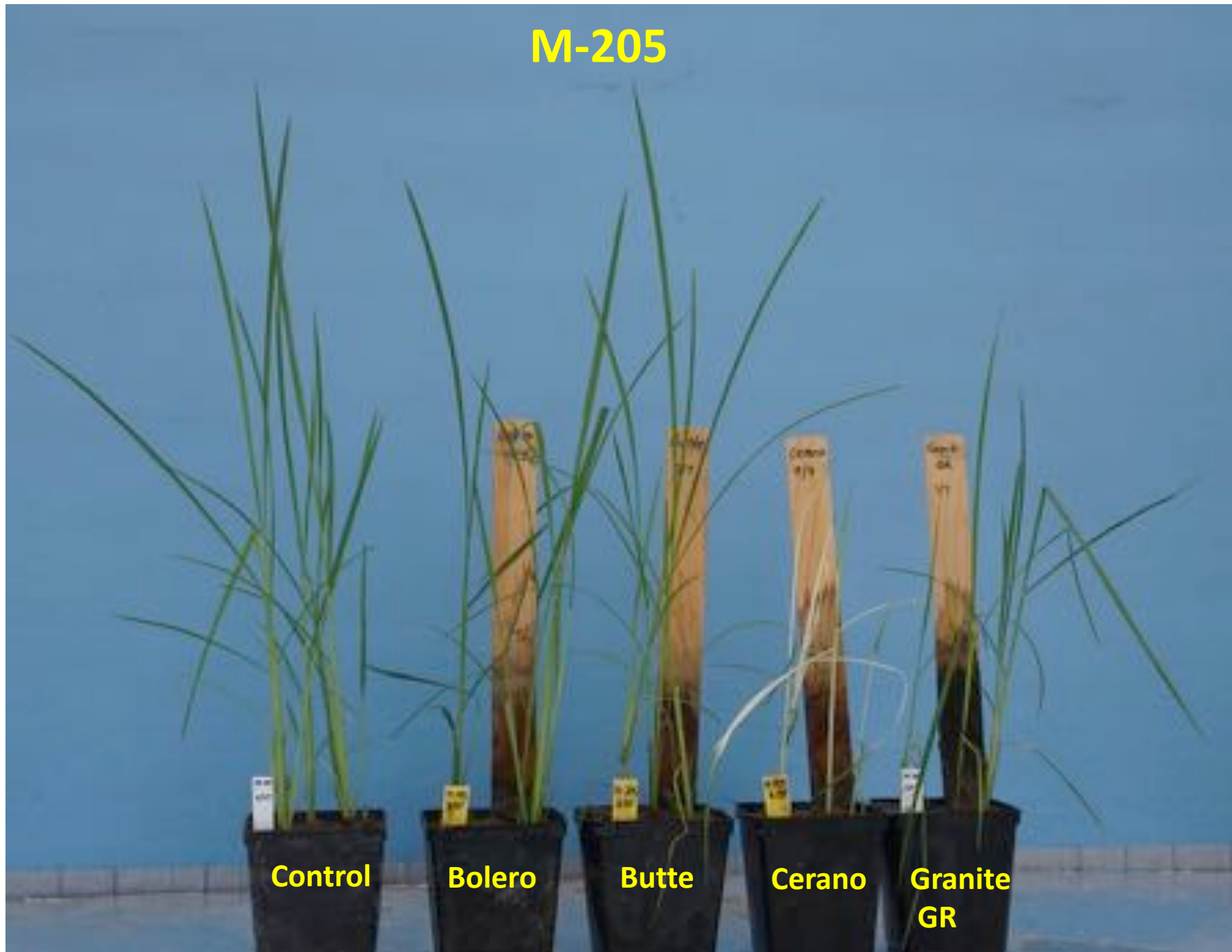
**Cerano**

**Butte**

# Treatments and Rates

- Herbicides were applied 10 days after planting (1-2 leaf stage of rice)
- Two days after (48 hrs) plants were placed at 4-inch water depth
- Pictures were taken two weeks after herbicide application
  
- Herbicides:
  - Bolero- 23.3 lbs/A
  - Cerano- 12 lbs/A
  - Butte - 7.5 lbs/A
  - Granite GR – 15 lbs/A

**M-205**



**Control**

**Bolero**

**Butte**

**Cerano**

**Granite  
GR**

Leaf bleaching  
of M-205 by  
Cerano.

# Weedy rice type 1



Stunting of WR type 1  
by about 50% by  
Bolero.

**M-205**

**WR-T1**

**WR-T1**

**WR-T1**

**WR-T1**

**WR-T4**

**Controls**

**Bolero**

**Butte**

**Cerano**

**Granite  
GR**

## Weedy rice type 2



**M-205**  
**Controls**

**WR-T2**

**WR-T2**

**WR-T2**

**WR-T2**

**WR-T2**

**Bolero**

**Butte**

**Cerano**

**Granite**  
**GR**

Stunting of WR type 2  
by about 50% by  
Bolero.

## Weedy rice type 3



Bolero makes WR type 3 stunted by about 35%.  
Leaf bleaching by Cerano.

**M-205**  
**Controls**

**WR-T3**

**WR-T3**

**Bolero**

**WR-T3**

**Butte**

**WR-T3**

**Cerano**

**WR-T3**

**Granite**  
**GR**

# Weedy rice type 4



WR type 4 leaves are bleaching by Cerano.

**M-205**

**Controls**

**WR-T4**

**WR-T4**

**Bolero**

**WR-T4**

**Butte**

**WR-T4**

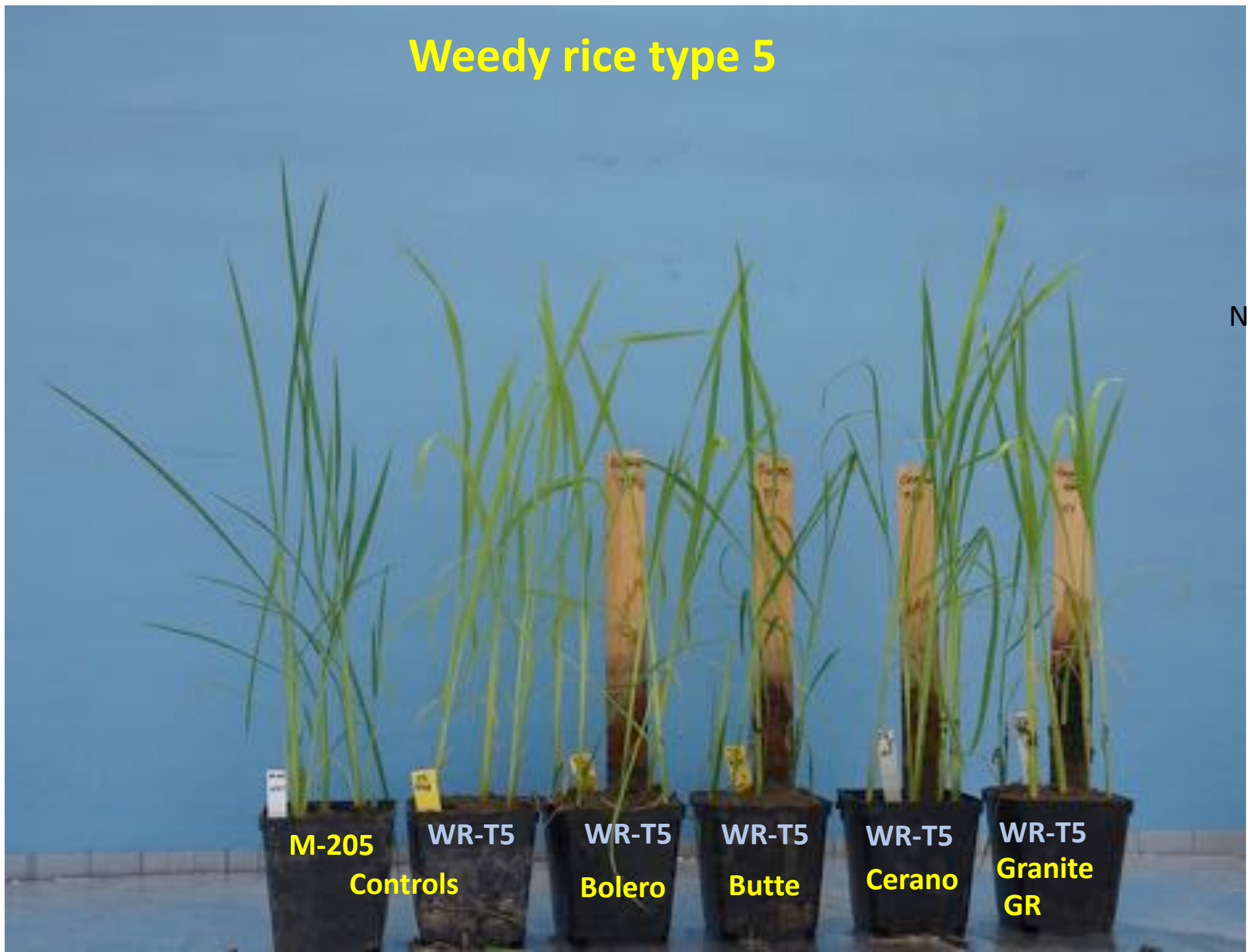
**Cerano**

**WR-T4**

**Granite  
GR**



# Weedy rice type 5



No effect on T5.

# Granular Herbicide Screening Summary

- Some injury noted on **Types 1-4** from Bolero, but plants recovered
- **Type 5:** no injury from any herbicides

# Post-Emergent Foliar Herbicide Testing

# Treatments and Rates

- Herbicides were applied 14 days after planting (2 leaf stage of rice)
- Two days after (48 hrs) plants were placed at 4-inch water depth
- Pictures were taken four weeks after herbicide application
  
- Herbicides:
  - Goal 2X – 2 pints/A
  - Propanil- 8 lbs a.i. /A
  - Regiment- 0.8 oz/A

# Control Plants



M206

Roxy

T1

T2

T3

T4

T5

# Goal 2XL



M206

Roxy

T1

T2

T3

T4

T5

# Propanil



M206

Roxy

T1

T2

T3

T4

T5

# Regiment



M206

Roxy

T1

T2

T3

T4

T5



# Post-emergent Foliar Herbicide Screening Summary

- Propanil and Regiment: no effects
- Oxyfluorfen: controls Types 1-4, no effect on Type 5

# Spot-Spraying Foliar Herbicide Testing

# Treatments and Rates

- Herbicides were applied 1 month after planting (tillering stage of rice)
- Two days after (48 hrs) plants were placed at 4-inch water depth
- Pictures were taken two weeks after herbicide application
- Herbicides:
  - Clethodim – 32 fl oz/A
  - Paraquat- 4 pts/A
  - Imazethapyr – 6 fl oz/A
  - Glufosinate – 82 fl oz/A
  - Glyphosate – 32 fl oz/A (Roundup PowerMax) = 525 g a.e. /A

# Control Plants



M206

Roxy

T1

T2

T3

T4

T5

# Clethodim



M206

Roxy

T1

T2

T3

T4

T5

# Paraquat



M206

Roxy

T1

T2

T3

T4

T5

# Imazethapyr (Pursuit)



M206

Roxy

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T2

T3

T4

T5

# Glufosinate



M206

Roxy

T1

T2

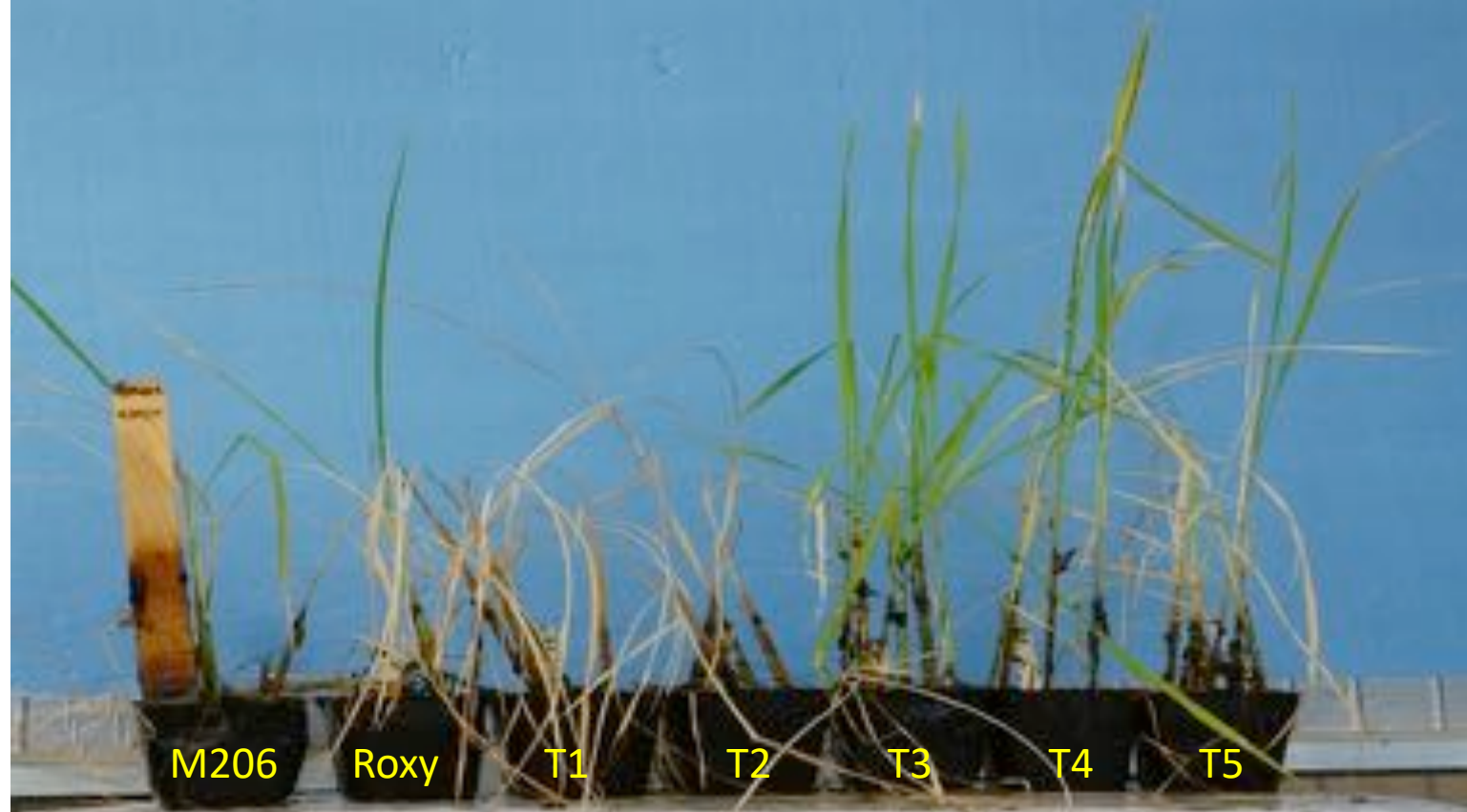
T3

T4

T5



# Glyphosate



M206

Roxy

T1

T2

T3

T4

T5

# Spot-spray Herbicide Screening Summary

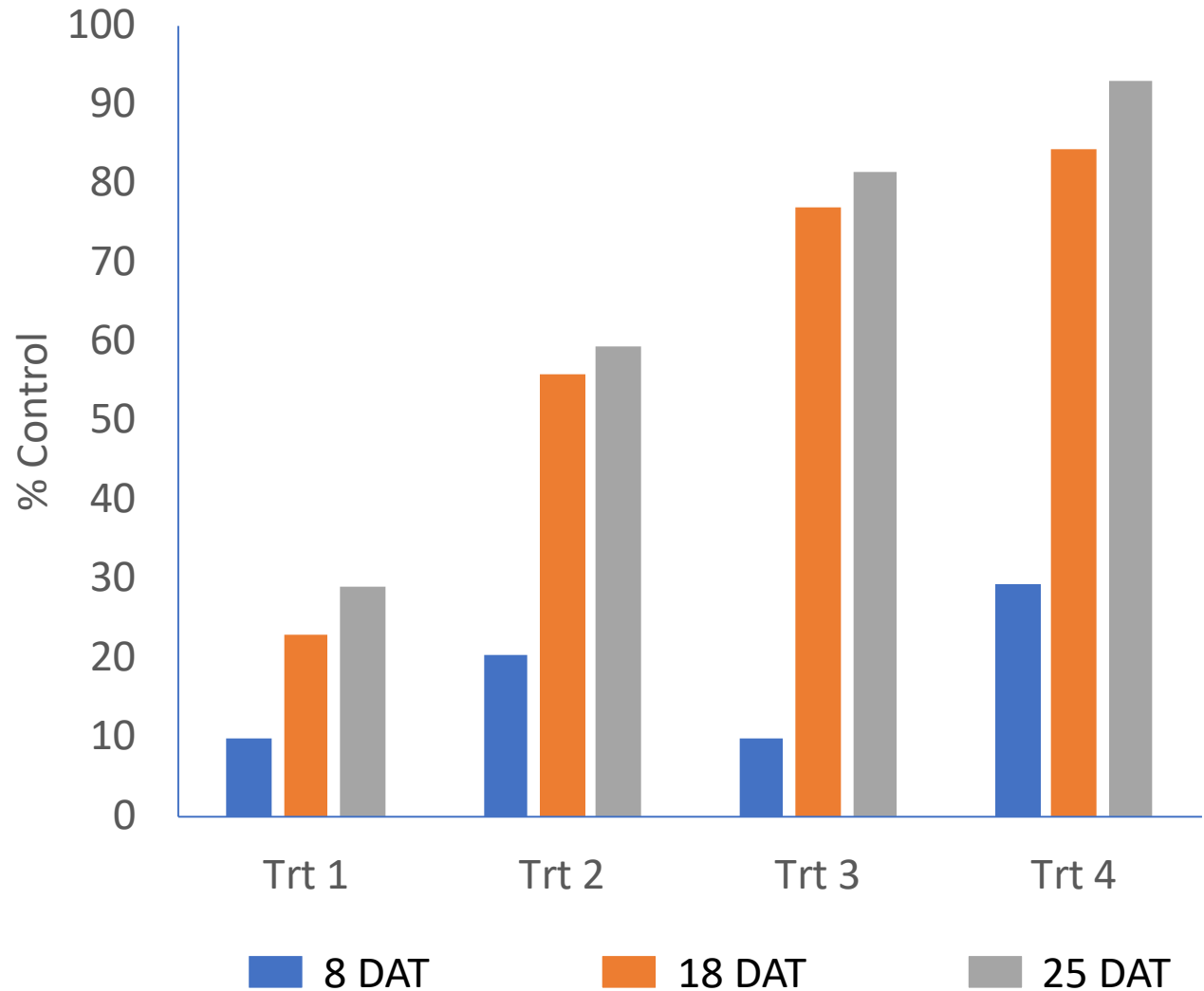
- Clethodim, Paraquat and Glufosinate show good control of all weedy rice types
- Glyphosate shows variable control (further investigation is necessary)
- Imazethapyr shows no weedy rice control when applied at rice tillering

# Clethodim Spot-Spraying in the Field

## Collaborator: Jim Cook

- Spot-sprayed tillering Type 3 weedy rice
- **Treatment 1:** 3 second duration spray of 2/3% V/V SelectMax + 0.25% V/V NIS
- **Treatment 2:** 5 second duration spray of 2/3% V/V SelectMax + 0.25% V/V NIS
- **Treatment 3:** 3 second duration spray of 2/3% V/V SelectMax + 1% V/V COC
- **Treatment 4:** 5 second duration spray of 2/3% V/V SelectMax + 1% V/V COC

- Damage to surrounding rice extended no more than 9.6 inches (for all treatments)
- Longer duration provided better control when using NIS (5 seconds)
- Treatments with COC as surfactant provided better control, regardless of duration (82% and 93%)



# Herbicide Screening Summary

- Currently no registered rice herbicides that control or significantly injure weedy rice
- Several potential herbicides are available for spot treatment:
  - Clethodim
  - Paraquat
  - Glufosinate
- Oxyfluorfen may work on Types 1-4 as a post-emergent treatment, when used with the Roxy Rice variety