

Criteria for Confirmation of Herbicide-Resistant Weeds

Resistance Validation Criteria

Criteria related to product label compliance

Product label compliance criteria require correct weed species identification, application at labelled rate and recommendations, elimination of non-resistance factors, and confirmation of reduced efficacy under field conditions.

Criteria related to WSSA & ISHRW standard definitions of resistance

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Criteria related to Test Procedure

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Resistance Testing Workflow

Locate sampling sites

- Failure / complaint
- Resistance survey

Seed collection

- Plants / patches
- Whole field

Sample processing

- Dry and clean
- Break dormancy

Spray plants (or soil)

- Spray seedlings at standard size

Establish test assay

- Germinate, transplant, sow?
- Glasshouse / outside?

Design test protocol

- Single or few doses
- Full dose response

Assess plants

- Injury, mortality, biomass?

Analyse results

- Resistance frequency
- Dose response analysis

Possible Further tests

- Seed production (inheritance)
- Molecular assays

Dose-Response Analyses

Use 2 to 3 sensitive populations from a close location of the resistant populations to be analyzed. Use at least 8 herbicide rates included an untreated control (UT).

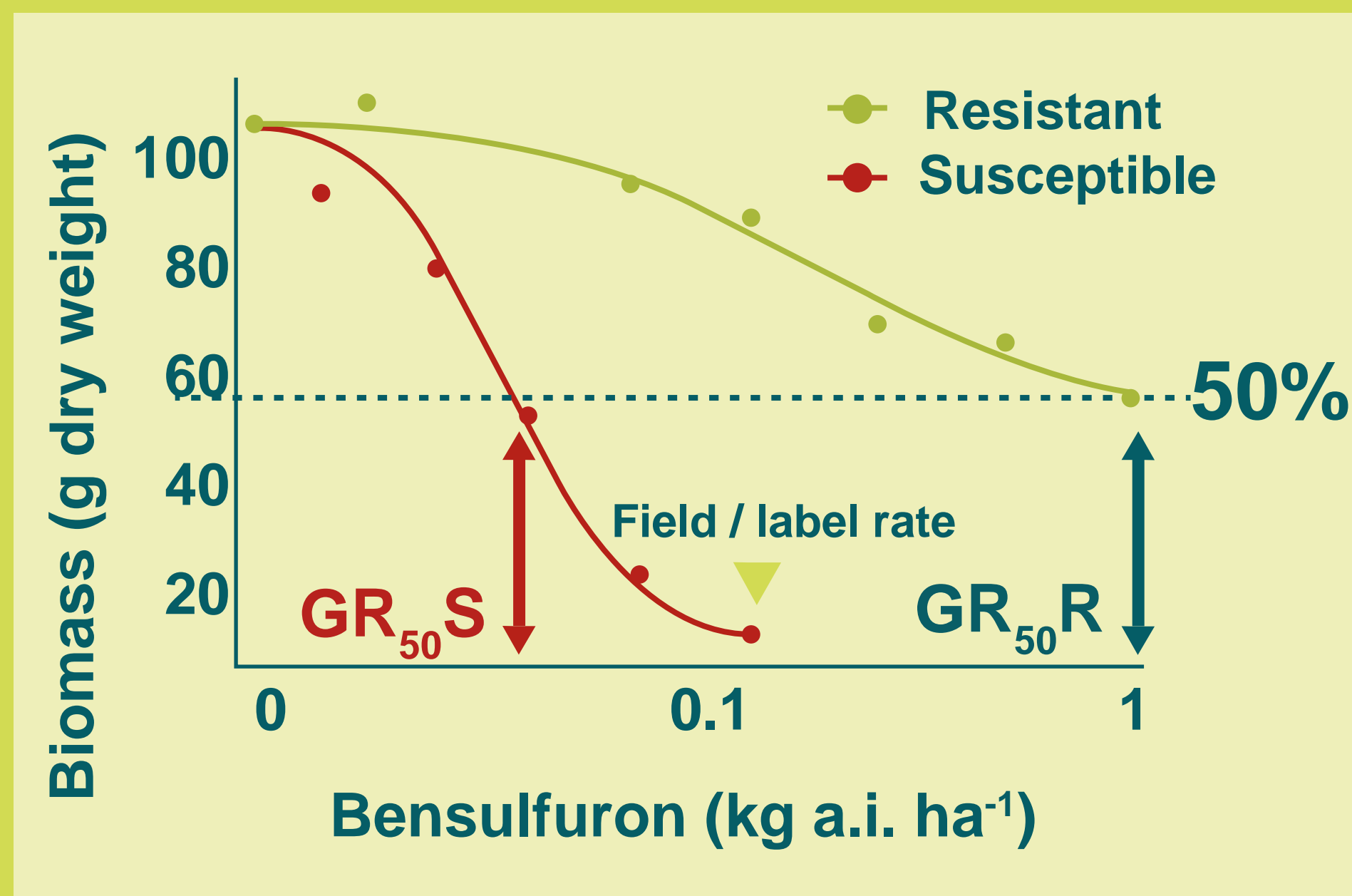
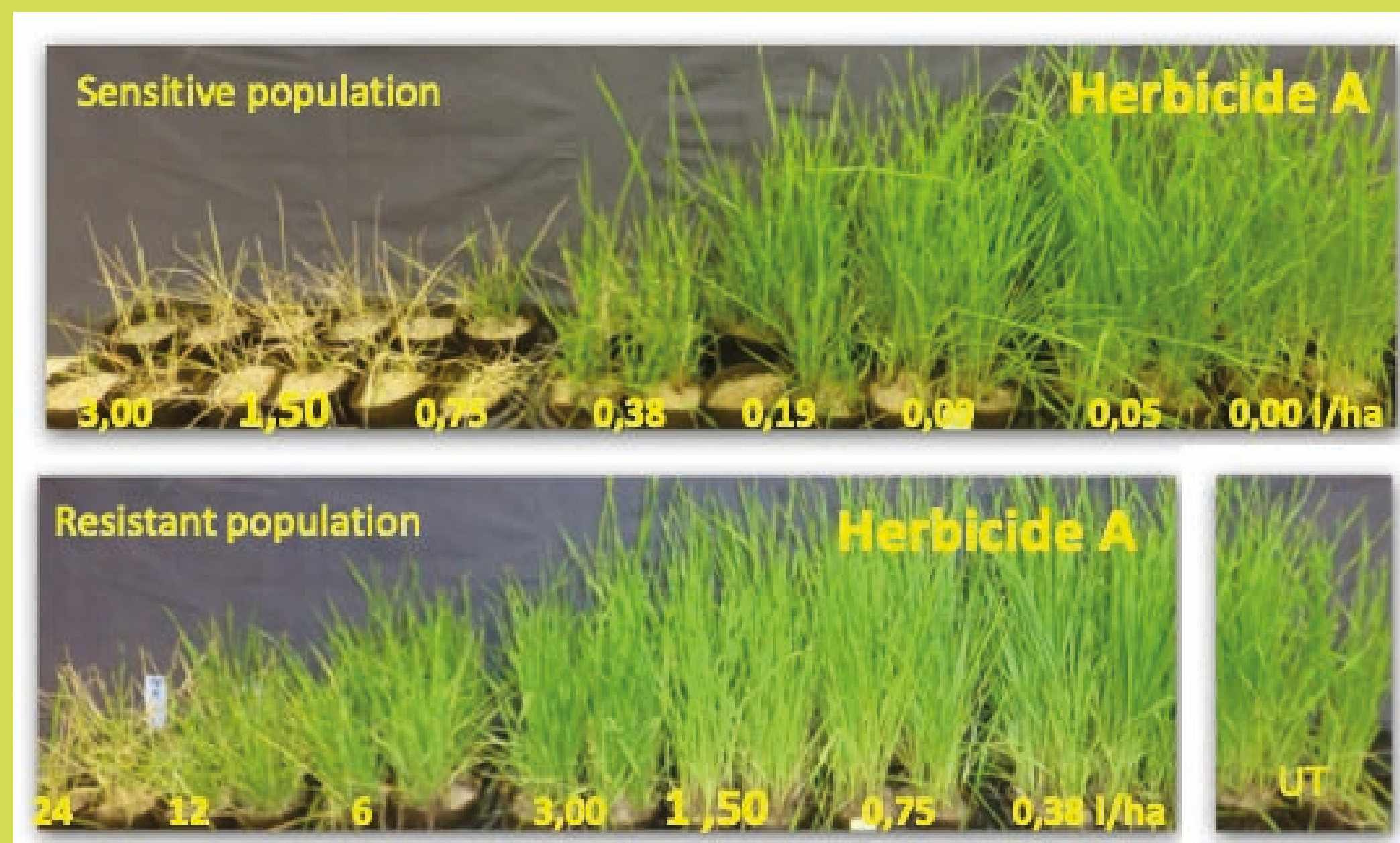
$$GR_{50R} = 1.05 \text{ Kg ha}^{-1}$$

$$GR_{50S} = 0.03 \text{ Kg ha}^{-1}$$

Resistance index:

$$GR_{50R} / GR_{50S} = 1.05 / 0.03$$

$$RI = 35$$



Additional Criteria

With the progress of analytics, molecular biology and genomics it is possible today to analyze Target Site Resistance using e.g. PCR and metabolic resistance using e.g. HPLC MS/MS. These new criteria are under evaluation.



PCR machine



HPLC MS/MS