

working threshold because the turf will remain green and appear to be healthy, even with 20 grubs per square foot, as long as it is not severely water stressed. More research is necessary to determine thresholds for water stressed turf.

EUROPEAN CHAFER TEST

(Table 1) A grid of 3 ft x 3 ft plots separated by 1 ft wide buffer strips was established at Blythefield Country Club in Belmont, Michigan. The plots were established on irrigated rough with sandy soil. Each insecticide treatment was replicated six times. Granular insecticides were applied with modified "salt" shakers. Insecticides were mixed with 1500 ml of water and applied at a rate of 137 ml/9ft² (175 gal/acre) with single nozzle, hand-held wand CO₂ sprayer from R&D Sprayers. The application was made at 50 psi through an 8003 flat fan nozzle.

Several of the NTN 33893 treatments were applied in June and July prior to egg laying, and the rest of the treatments were applied to second and third instar grubs in August. All treatments were applied between 10:00 AM and 12:30 PM. The entomophagus nematodes from Biosys and the Triumph treatment were applied while the grass was wet with dew, then hand irrigated with ¼" of water applied through a watering can immediately after application. European chafer larvae were counted on September 16 by removing a 14 in x 14 in area from the center of each plot.

All of the insecticide treatments and none of the nematode treatments reduced the number of European chafer larvae compared with the control (Table 1). NTN 33893 applied in June or July as a granular or flowable formulation provided the best control (0.0 to 1.2 grubs per sample). Mocap and Dylox were also very effective (1.0 and 2.2 grubs per sample, respectively) compared with the control treatment (15.8 grubs per sample) but not as effective as when it was applied in June or July. Lescro 19299 and 19312, Sevin 7G, Triumph, and Sevimol also reduced the number of grubs per sample (5.3, 5.5, 7.8, 8.0 and 10.2, respectively) when compared with the control treatment (15.8, Table 1).

ANT TEST

(Table 2) 12 ft x 12 ft plots (144 ft²) separated by 3 ft buffer strips in a fairway infested with ants at the Ionia Golf Club in Ionia, Michigan were used for this test. Treatments were applied July 25. Each treatment was replicated six times. Plots were sprayed with an R&D hand-held boom sprayer with four 8006 nozzles at 50 psi for 24 s (to give 4 gal/1000 ft²). Granular products, which had been pre-weighed, were applied evenly throughout the plots with custom-made hand shakers. The fairway was irrigated 3-5 times per week depending on rainfall. Active ant mounds were counted just prior to insecticide treatment and once per week for 5 weeks afterward. Ant mounds were counted from a standing position.

Before insecticides were applied, all treatments had a similar level of ant activity (56-74 mounds per 144 ft², Table 2). Dursban 1G, Dursban 4E and Pageant ME20 reduced the number of ant mounds by 88-95% at one wk after treatment. After five weeks, the same treatments still provided ant control, but at a lower level (53-65% reduction). Orthene 5G at 3.0 lb AI, Orthene 5G at 1.0 lb AI and Orthene 76.1 S at 1.0 lb AI reduced ant mounding for 3, 2 and 1 weeks, respectively, after treatment. The greatest level of control for any Orthene treatments was a 64% reduction one week after treatment with Orthene 5G at 3.0 lb AI (Table 2).

CHINCH BUG TEST

(Table 3) A grid of 3 ft x 3 ft plots separated by 2 ft wide buffer strips was set-up in a home lawn with an infestation of chinch bugs in Okemos. Chinch bugs were counted in each plot on July 10 before insecticides were applied. Counts were made by observing each plot for a timed one minute period. The treatments were blocked out based on these counts. Afterward, six replications of each treatment was applied on July 10 between 10:00am and 3:30pm. The temperature when treatments were made was 85° - 90°F with a 0-5 mph wind. Granular products were evenly applied over the plot with hand-held shakers. Liquid products were applied with a single nozzle, hand-held CO₂ sprayer

from R&D Sprayers. The application was made at 50 psi through an 8003 flat fan nozzle. Liquid insecticides were mixed with water and applied at a rate of 136.8 ml/9 ft² (4 gal/1000 ft²). Chinch bugs were counted again in all plots on July 17, except for NTN 33893 plots, which were counted on August 2. Each plot was observed for 3 min to determine the number of chinch bugs present. The lawn was mostly Kentucky bluegrass with ½" thatch layer and a sandy loam soil. The area was irrigated every other day before the test, but not irrigation was applied after July 10.

None of the insecticide treated plots had less chinch bugs than the control plots 7 days after application (LSD, P=0.05, Table 3). However, plots treated with M-Pede had more chinch bugs (10.8) than control plots (4.0). The Sevimol, Dursban, Mocap, and Pagaent treatments had less chinch bugs (0.3-0.8) than the M-Pede and Sevin 7G treatments (Table 3).

Table 2. Ant control test at Ionia Golf Club. Insecticides were applied to a heavily infested fairway on July 25, 1991.

Treatment	Rate lb (AI)/acre	Mean number of ant mounds per 144 ft ² plot				
		25 Jul	1 Aug	7 Aug	14 Aug	20 Aug
Dursban 1% G	2.5	67.3 a	6.8 a	10.0 a	7.8 a	14.5 ab
Orthene 5% G	1.0	56.2 a	27.7 bc	34.5 bc	17.1 bcd	25.0 c
Orthene 76.1 S	1.0	67.0 a	34.2 c	44.3 cd	20.3 cd	36.8 d
Dursban 4E	1.0	74.2 a	2.6 a	8.8 a	8.5 a	13.3 a
Pageant ME 20	1.0	64.3 a	4.8 a	11.0 a	10.8 ab	15.2 ab
Orthene 5% G	3.0	66.0 a	19.8 b	26.8 b	14.8 abc	23.7 bc
Control	--	68.0 a	57.8 d	53.5 d	23.3 d	32.7 cd

Treatments followed by the same letter are not significantly different
(P = 0.05, LSD)

Table 3. Control of chinch bugs in a home lawn in Okemos, Michigan. Insecticides were applied on July 10, 1991.

Treatment	Rate	n	Mean number of chinch bugs per plot	
			17 July	2 Aug
Sevimol 4SC	6.0 lb AI/acre	6	0.3 a	
Dursban 50W	1.0 lb AI/acre	6	0.3 a	
Mocap 10G	5.0 lb AI/acre	6	0.5 a	
Pageant ME 20	1.0 lb AI/acre	6	0.5 a	
Dursban 4E	0.5 lb AI/acre	6	0.7 a	
Dursban 4E	1.0 lb AI/acre	6	0.8 a	
Tempo 20WP	0.14 lb AI/acre	6	1.3 ab	
NTN33893 240F	0.5 lb AI/acre	6	1.5 ab	
M-pede	1 %	6	3.3 ab	
Dylox 80	5.4 lb AI/acre	6	3.5 ab	
Control	--	6	4.0 ab	
Tempo 2EC	0.14 lb AI/acre	6	4.3 ab	
Sevin 7G	6.0 lb AI/acre	6	6.0 bc	
M-pede	2 %	6	10.8 c	
NTN33893 240 F	0.5 lb AI/acre	6	10.8 c	5.8 a
Control	--	6		9.3 a

Treatments followed by the same letter are not significantly different
(P = 0.05, LSD)