

WGIN Stakeholder Meeting

The Role of Genetics in Integrated Pest Management

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Review of IPM evidence

Enabling the uptake of integrated pest management (IPM) in UK arable rotations (a review of the evidence)

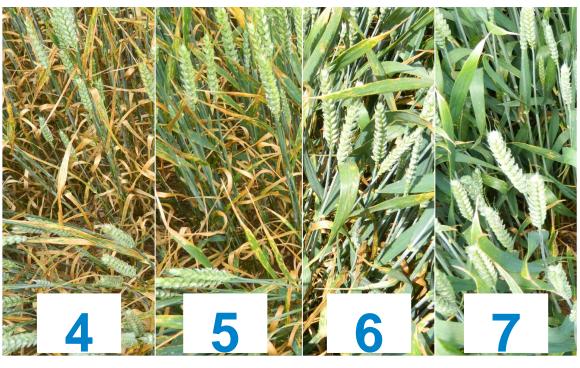
- Project leader: ADAS
- AHDB Research Review 98
- Report available: ahdb.org.uk/enabling-the-uptake-ofintegrated-pest-management-ipm-inuk-arable-rotations-a-review-of-theevidence

- Varietal choice identified as an IPM option for 16 wheat & barley key pests:
 - Resistance
 - Tolerance
 - Competitiveness (suppression, tolerance, allelopathy)
- Variation in strength of evidence

Information available to farmers - AHDB Recommended Lists







RL Septoria tritici disease ratings

Winter wheat 2023/24

Yield, agronomy and disease resistance

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RECOMMENDED

RECOMMENDED	KWS Zyatt	Skyfall	Crusoe	RGT Illustrious	KWS Extase	KWS Ultimatum	KWS Palladium	KWS Siskin	Mayflower	KWS Guium	RGT Wilkinson	LG Prince	KWS Brium	Merit	KWS Firefly	RGT Rashid	LG Illuminate	LG Astronomer	Elicit
End-use group	UKFM Group 1				UKFM Group 2					UKFM Gro									
Scope of recommendation	UK	UK	UK	UK	UK	UK	UK	UK	UK	UK	UK	UK	UK	E	UK	Е	UK	UK	UK
Variety status		С				NEW		*C			NEW				*				*
Fungicide-treated grain yield (% treated control)																			
United Kingdom (10.9 t/ha)	99	97	96	96	102	101	100	99	97	101	101	101	100	100	100	100	100	99	98
East region (10.7 t/ha)	98	97	96	95	102	101	100	99	97	102	102	101	101	101	100	101	100	99	98
West region (11.1 t/ha)	99	97	97	97	102	102	101	99	98	100	101	100	100	98	99	97	100	99	97
North region (11.3 t/ha)	98	96	94	95	100	[103]	99	99	96	101	[100]	98	100	100	99	98	100	97	99
Untreated grain yield (% treated control)																			
United Kingdom (10.9 t/ha)	75	70	76	85	97	93	94	87	93	80	87	85	83	84	80	81	87	88	82
Agronomic features																			
Resistance to lodging without PGR (1-9)	8	8	8	7	7	[7]	7	6	6	7	[8]	7	7	6	8	8	7	7	6
Resistance to lodging with PGR (1-9)	8	7	7	8	8	7	8	6	7	7	8	8	7	6	8	8	7	9	7
Straw length without PGR (cm)	85	85	82	89	91	85	83	84	89	90	83	83	92	88	83	86	83	88	86
Straw length with PGR (cm)	75	77	75	80	85	75	78	74	82	82	77	75	85	81	75	79	76	79	77
Ripening (days +/- Skyfall)	-1	0	+1	+1	-1	+1	-1	0	-1	+3	+2	+2	+2	+1	0	+3	+1	+1	+1
Resistance to sprouting (1–9)	6	6	6	6	6	[7]	[6]	4	[6]	[6]	[5]	[5]	[6]	[6]	5	[6]	[6]	[6]	5
Disease resistance																			
Mildew (1-9)	7	6	7	7	7	7	8	8	7	5	8	4	7	4	5	4	5	4	6
Yellow rust (1–9)	3	3	9	8	8	9	9	9	9	9	7	8	9	8	6	8	7	9	9
Yellow rust (young plant) - see note below	S	S	r	S	r	r	r	r	r	r	S	r	r	r	S	r	r	r	S
Brown rust (1–9)	7	9	3	6	6	6	5	5	6	3	5	7	5	7	5	6	6	8	6
Septoria tritici (1–9) – see note below	6.1	5.4	6.2	5.7	7.8	6.4	7.4	6.8	8.9	5.1	5.5	5.9	5.6	5.4	5.1	6.4	5.8	6.2	5.0
Eyespot (1–9) – see note below	[6]@	[5]@	[5]	[7]@	[4]	[5]	[6]	[4]	[6]@	[5]	[7]@	[4]	[6]	[3]	[4]	[6]	[6]	[5]	[6]
Fusarium ear blight (1–9)	6	7	7	6	6	7	6	6	6	7	6	6	6	6	5	7	6	6	6
Orange wheat blossom midge	-	R	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	R	-	R	-	R	R	R	R	R	R

On the 1-9 scales, high figures indicate that a variety shows the character to a high degree (e.g. high resistance). Comparisons of varieties across regions are not valid.

Value of varietal resistance & minimum standards - Yellow rust development

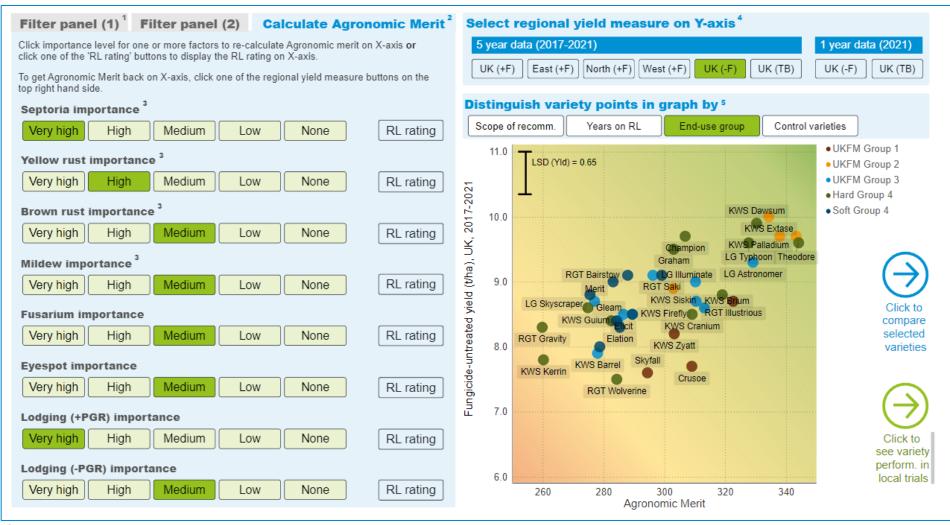




Value of disease resistance

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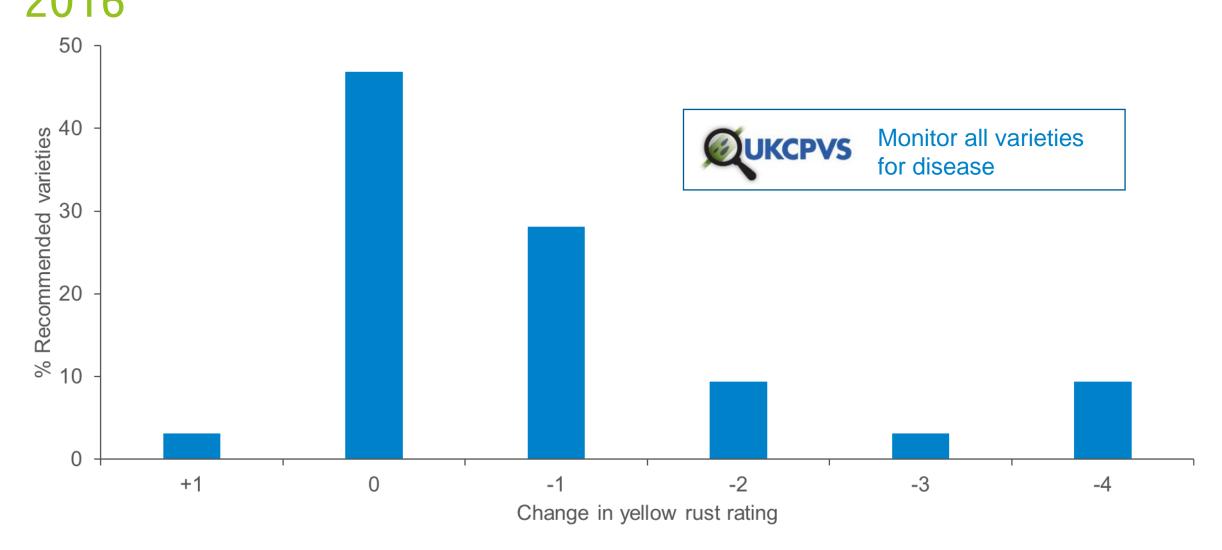
- Agronomic merit



Durability of resistance



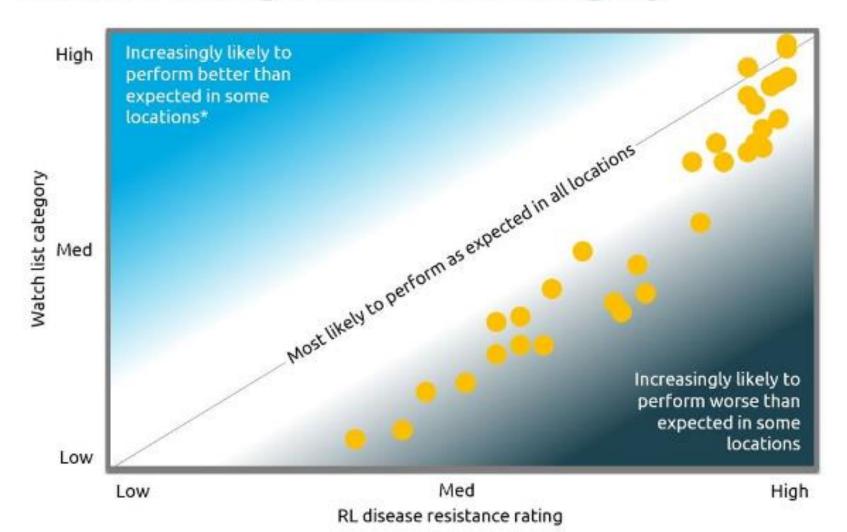
- Yellow rust changes in RL ratings between 2015 and 2016





Yellow rust watch list

Disease rating v watch list category



Yellow rust watch list - Has it worked?

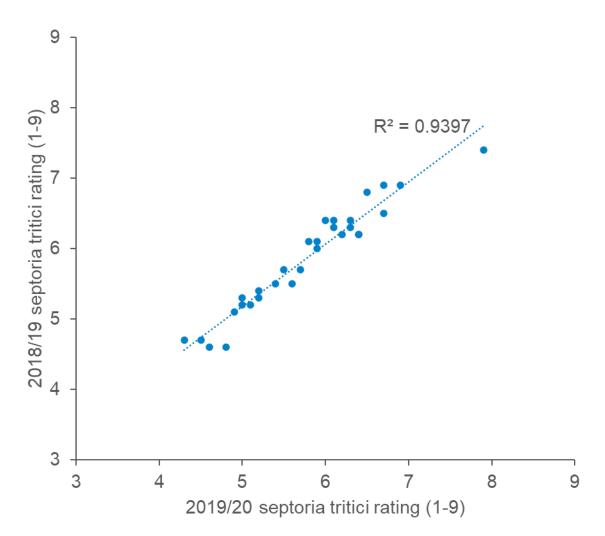




- Most varieties classified as most resistant had stable ratings or small falls
- The largest falls in ratings were seen in those classified as least resistant
- Not all of those classified as least resistant saw falls
- Only one years data, but promising results
- New yellow rust variety watch list will be published in January





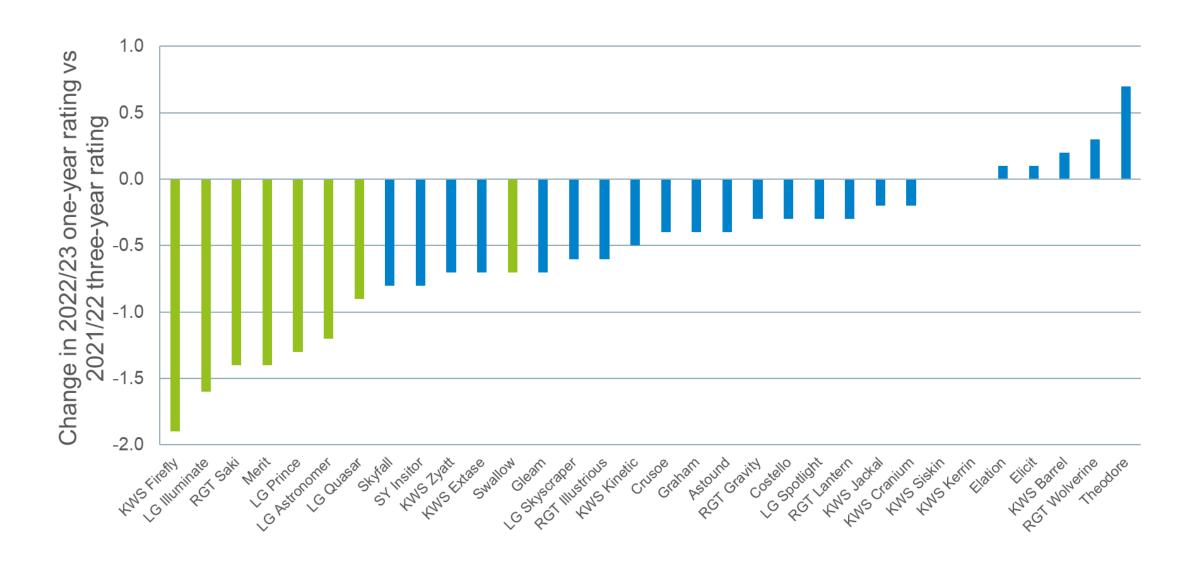


- RL disease ratings were historically 'stable'
- Average change between 2018/19 and 2019/20 RL was -0.01 rating

However ...

Change in septoria disease ratings 2022/23 versus 2021/22





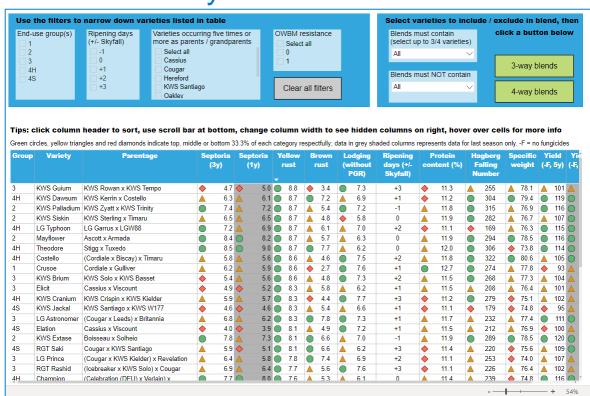


Variety blends

- Increase genetic diversity within a field
- Slow/reduce the spread of some diseases
- Reduce risk of varietal resistance breakdown

Need to know requirements of end market

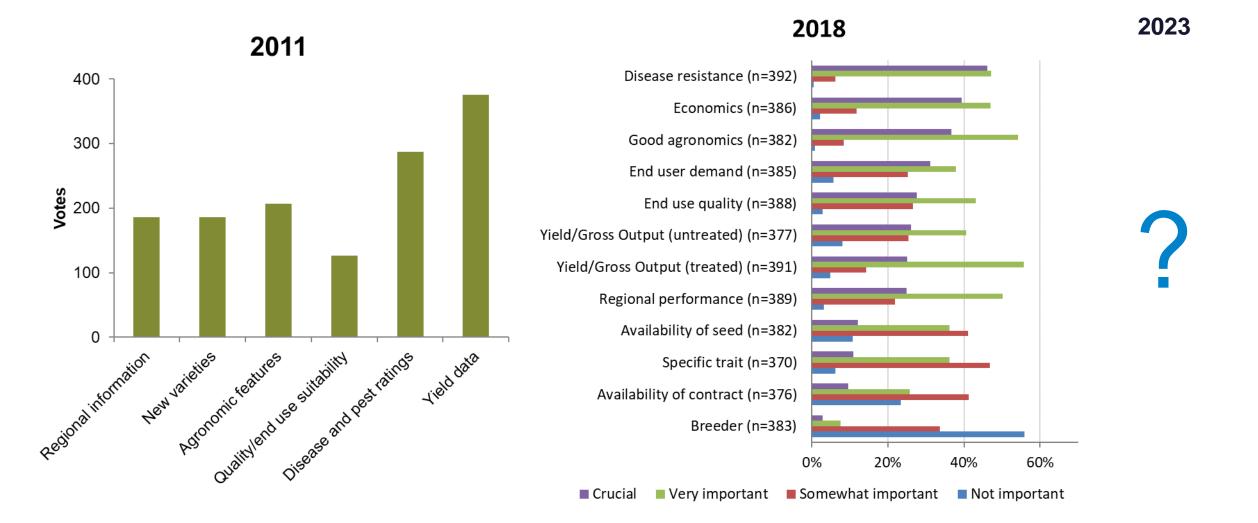
AHDB variety blends tool



- RL data
- Parental diversity information

ahdb.org.uk/variety-blend-tool-for-winter-wheat

How important is pest resistance/tolerance when selecting a variety?



RECOMMENDEDLISTS



Complete the questionnaire**
to direct the future of the RL

For further information, visit:

ahdb.org.uk/rl-review

*Based on levy payer Shape the future ratings (2022)

> **Questionnaire open until 17 February 2023



Summary

- Genetics are a valuable tool in an IPM strategy, however in most cases it is not appropriate to consider a specific resistance in isolation
- There are trade-offs between pest resistance and other characteristics, such as yield and quality, when making variety selections
- Regular monitoring of varieties is essential
- There has been an increase in the importance of pest resistance, relative to treated yield, in RL surveys since 2011. New questionnaire to survey 2023 opinions
- There is potential for genetics to play a role in IPM strategies towards a broader range of pests in the future





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