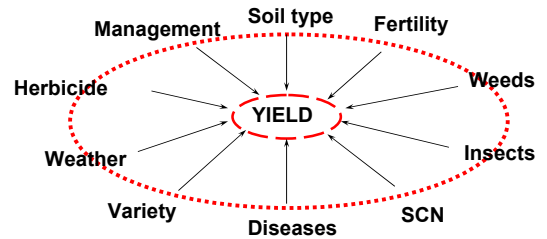




## Soybean Growth and Development

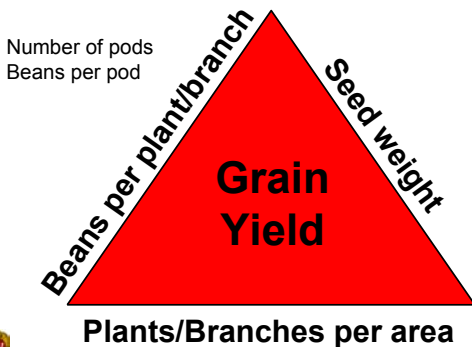
### Soybean yield is a complex series of interactions



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### Yield Components of Soybean



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### Soybean Production in Wisconsin Keys to Success

- Fertilize and lime based on a sound soil testing program
- Do not till or plant when soils are too wet
- Plant on dates recommended for your area
- Select varieties best suited to your area
- Use seed treatments and inoculate as necessary
- Use optimum plant populations for your row spacing
- Don't plant too deep, 1" to 1.5" is optimum
- Monitor and control pest populations as necessary
- Harvest carefully and timely



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### Management Practices by Stage of Growth

Pre-planting

Post planting, early season

Post flowering

Harvest



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### PREPLANTING DECISIONS

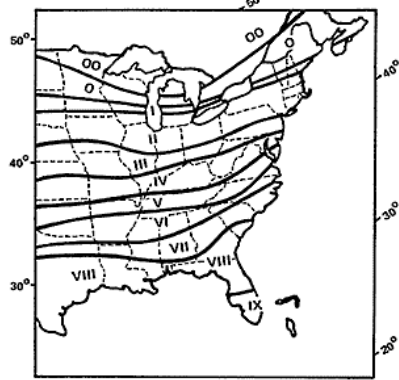
- TILLAGE
- VARIETY SELECTION
- HERBICIDE CHOICES
- FERTILITY PROGRAM



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## Soybean Maturity Zones



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TABLE 3. CENTRAL REGION SOYBEAN TEST ( Page 4 of 4)

2009 Performance of Public and Commercial Entries at Three Central Wisconsin Locations.

FOH = FON DU LAC, GAL = GALESVILLE, HAN = HANCOCK

Originator/Brand Entry	Maturity Name	Group	Toler	2009 3-Year Average		2009 Yields		Disease	1999 3-Year Average		1999 Yields		S-T test
				Yield	Logging Height Maturity	FOH	GAL		HAN	Yield	Logging Height Maturity	FOH	
Rumy R 900 RR	0.9	RR		52	2.7	38	17-Sep	51	57	48	29		
Rumy R 1400 RR	1.9	RR		56	2.3	33	18-Sep	52	62	53	24		
Rumy R 1600 RR	1.6	RR		55	3.3	35	18-Sep	53	60	57	20	84	3.0
Rumy R 1725 CH	1.7	CN		49	2.7	38	21-Sep	54	66	59	18		
Rumy R 1605 CN	1.6	CN		56	3.3	33	17-Sep	54	56	57	11		
Rank RS 1499	1.4	CN		59	2.0	33	18-Sep	57	61	60	5	59	1.7
Rank RS 159 RR	1.6	RR		54	3.7	35	18-Sep	56	61	54	23	56	2.7
Rank RS 1950	1.8	CN		56	2.0	35	18-Sep	53	64	52	24	59	1.7
Rank RS 199 RR	1.8	RR		55	3.0	35	20-Sep	58	64	54	9	57	1.7
Rank RS 204 RR	2.0	RR		42	3.7	36	20-Sep	50	44	32	70		
Rank RS 2098	2.1	CN		62	3.0	36	22-Sep	53	70	65	5		
Sparway 999 RR	0.9	RR		50	1.3	32	11-Sep	43	55	52	10		
Sparway 141	1.4	CN		55	2.3	31	18-Sep	53	61	59	8		
Sparway 162	1.6	STS		51	3.3	34	17-Sep	47	55	51	26		
Sine 1508-4	1.2	RR		47	2.0	34	17-Sep	53	60	58	13		
Sine 1700-6	1.6	CN		62	2.0	33	17-Sep	56	74	56	25		
Sine 1702-4	1.7	RR		58	1.9	32	18-Sep	53	64	56	2		
Sine 2500-7	2.0	CN		63	3.0	36	22-Sep	55	68	60	10	59	1.7
Sine 2016-4	2.1	RR		54	3.0	35	22-Sep	58	58	45	31		
Triley 179	1.7	CN		58	2.0	34	18-Sep	54	64	59	5		
Triley 207	2.0	CN		60	3.0	36	20-Sep	55	60	65	9	61	2.3
US Seeds US E 1501 RR	1.5	RR		57	2.6	34	18-Sep	52	61	59	13		
US Seeds US E 1501 RR	1.6	RR		53	2.3	36	20-Sep	51	59	51	16		
US Seeds US S 189	1.9	CN		63	2.7	36	22-Sep	58	65	65	10	61	1.7
MEAN				54	2.6	35	19-Sep	53	60	55	20	57	2.1
LSOD 10 <sup>10</sup>				2				4	5	5	13	3	

\*\*Means preceded by a \* are not significantly different (P < 0.05) from the Agronomical Control.  
 --- Herb. Toler. = Herbicide Tolerance; RR = Tolerance to Roundup herbicide; STS = Tolerance to Sulfolins herbicide; CN = Conventional herbicide tolerance.  
 \*\*\*Hancock site was affected by Soybean Disease (White Mold) in 2009. The disease severity was % of plants expressing White Mold Disease and helps explain the lower yields for select varieties.  
 Results that are shaded provide the best estimate of relative variety performance.

## Soybean Growth and Development

### Vegetative Stages

- V-Stages
- VE, VC, V1, V2, V3, Vn



### Reproductive Stages

- R-Stages
- R1, R2, R3, ... R8
- Starts at Flowering

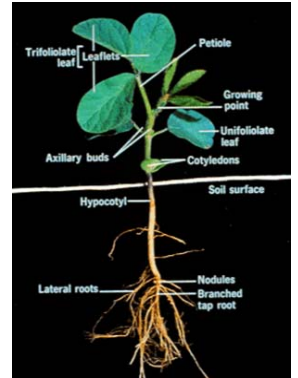


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## Soybean Morphology

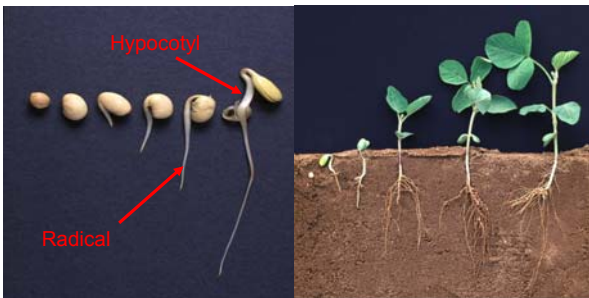
- Note growing points
- Nodes are counted when the leaflet above that node is opened



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## SOYBEAN GERMINATION



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## Germination and Emergence Problems



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## Emergence Stage – VE

- 5 TO 14 DAYS AFTER PLANTING
- CHECK FOR NEED TO ROTARY HOE
- ASSESS HAIL DAMAGE



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## HAIL DAMAGE

- Assess mortality
- Know the growing points
- Determine remaining stand
- Use calendar date and stand to determine replant options



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## Should I replant?



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## Cotyledon stage – VC

- Unifoliate leaves have unrolled
- Leaves are opposite



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## First Trifoliate stage – V1

- One trifoliate
- One node above the unifoliate
- Trifoliolates are produced singularly and alternately



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## Second Trifoliate Stage – V2

- Two trifoliolates
- Nodules have been established
- Check for proper nodulation
- If absent determine cause and prepare to apply N



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## Nitrogen Needs of the Soybean Crop

- Protein production requires nitrogen (N)  
N \* 6.25 = Protein
- A 50 bu/a crop of 38% protein seed requires 180 lbs of N/a for seed protein alone
- About 50% of the N comes from the nodules N fixation
- Soil NO<sub>3</sub> will inhibit N<sub>2</sub> fixation
- A small amount of N may increase yields in certain low N, high yielding environments



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## V3 – Third Node

- 3 nodes above unifoliolate
- Cotyledons gone
- Axillary buds allow plants to recuperate from damage

Axillary buds



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## V6 Stage

- New V stages every 3 days
- 50% leaf loss = 3% yield loss



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## Reproductive Stages and Development

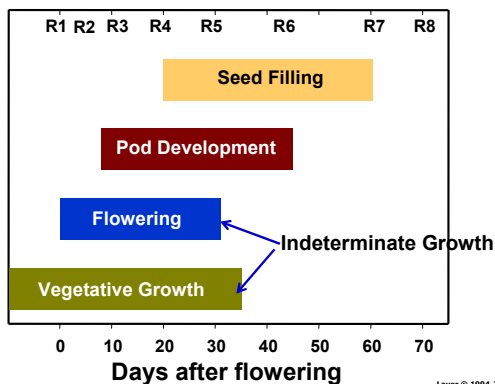
R1	Beginning Bloom (flower)
R2	Full Bloom
R3	Beginning Pod
R4	Full Pod
R5	Beginning Seed
R6	Full Seed
R7	Beginning Maturity
R8	Full Maturity



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## Soybean Reproductive Development



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## Beginning Flowering – R1

- One open flower at any node



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## Midseason Management Considerations

- Soybean Diseases
- Weeds and Herbicides
- Midseason N applications



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## Full Flower – R2

- Open flower at one of the two uppermost nodes



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## Beginning Pod – R3

- Pod  $3/16$ " long at one of the four uppermost nodes
- 60-75% of flowers abort and never contribute to yield

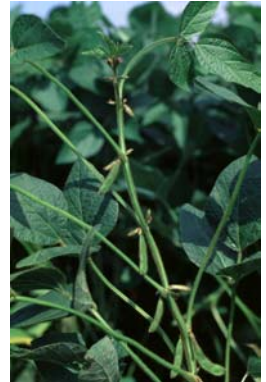


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## Full Pod – R4

- Pod is  $3/4$ " long at one of the four uppermost nodes
- Beginning of critical yield determining period



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## Beginning Seed – R5

- Seed is  $1/8$ " long in pod at one of the four uppermost nodes
- Large demand for water and nutrients
- R5.5 is max node #, height and leaf area



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## Seed and Pod Development Through the R5 Stage



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### Full Seed – R6

- Pod containing a green seed that fills the pod cavity at one of the four uppermost nodes



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### Beginning Maturity – R7

- One pod anywhere with its mature color



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### Full Maturity – R8

- 95% of the pods have reached their mature color
- Harvestable 7-10 days after R8
- Plant populations can be assessed



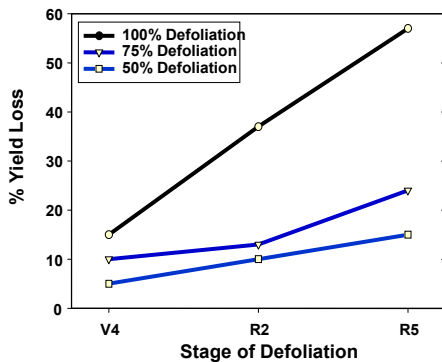
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### Harvesting and Storage

- Manage Moisture
  - ✓ 13% is optimal for storage and sales
- Carefully adjust (and readjust your combine)
  - ✓ Header losses can account for 80% of harvest losses
- Cut low, 3.5" stubble contains 5% of the crop, 6.5" stubble, 12%
- Identity preservation (IP)

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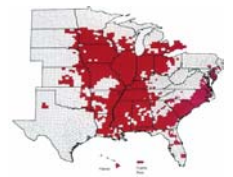
### Yield Loss from Defoliation



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### Soybean Cyst Nematode

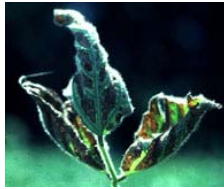
- widespread distribution
- substantial yield loss
- no obvious symptoms
  - ✓ quick reproduction
  - ✓ long-term survival
- look for:
  - ✓ yellow plants
  - ✓ look for stunted plants
  - ✓ look for SCN females on roots
- collect soil samples
  - ✓ if < 500, alternate growing corn and SCN-resistant soybean varieties
  - ✓ if > 500, grow several years of corn until egg counts decrease below 500



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## Brown Stem Rot

- Risk throughout WI
- BSR can negate good management practices
- Soybean is the only host
- Soybean variety selection is key to control
- Crop rotations can minimize infection
- More severe BSR is observed in no-till



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## White Mold

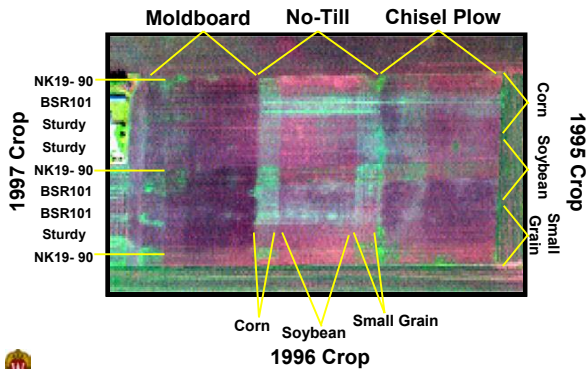
- Wide host range
- Soybean variety selection is key to control
- Crop rotations can minimize infection
- No-till can help by reducing sclerotia numbers
- Canopy management – Row spacing and seeding rate



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## Management effects on disease

Wisconsin rotation/tillage/variety experiment



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## Phytophthora Root Rot

- Many races of PRR exist in WI
- Some varieties have specific race resistant genes
- Improve soil drainage
- Rotate crops
- Avoid soil compaction
- Ridge soil during cultivation to stimulate root growth
- Apron or Ridomil seed treatments are effective



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## Managing Soybean Disease

Pathogen	Management	Yield Loss
BSR	Variety selection, Rotation	32%/10% loss of leaf
White mold	Variety selection, Canopy mgmt.	6% loss/10% incidence
SDS	Variety selection	Variable 0 to 20-50%
Phytophthora root rot	Variety selection Seed treatment	Variable, 0-20%
Virus complex	Seed selection, Variety selection, Insect control	??

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