

Sweet corn Agrichemical Regulatory Risk Assessment

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Regulatory pressures on agrichemicals are increasing globally, with many being either restricted or withdrawn from use. For older agrichemicals these pressures are often the result of reconsiderations involving new or refined risk assessment methodologies that requiring the generation of new data. A consequence of which can be that many of these agrichemicals are not meeting contemporary risk assessment standards as the necessary data is unavailable, or where data is available, the risk posed is considered unacceptable.

The use of agrichemicals can also be impacted through differences in standards between trading partners. The lack of an appropriate pesticide maximum residue limit (MRL) in an importing country can, for practical purposes, effectively prohibit use in the exporting country so as to ensure compliance, as a MRL breach would adversely affect market access.

The effects of the above are greater regulatory pressure placed on the use of individual agrichemicals or chemical groups. As a consequence it is possible that the number of approved agrichemical options could be adversely impacted.

To assist strategic planning, with respect to future pest management options, the following tables have been developed to highlight the regulatory threats to agrichemicals currently approved for the management of the pests and diseases in sweet corn.

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R1	Short-term: Critical concern over retaining access	
R2	Medium-term: Maintaining access of significant concern	
R3	Long-term: Potential issues associated with use - Monitoring required	

Active Constituents	Chemical Group	Problem	Comments		
	INSECT AND OTHER PESTS				
Abamectin	6	Two-spotted (Red spider) mite	APVMA: Nominated for spray drift label review Canada: Some uses amended, others cancelled EU: Use restricted to permanent greenhouses		
Afidopyropen	9D	Corn aphid Cotton aphid	EU: No authorisations		
Alpha-cypermethrin	3A	Green peach aphid Helicoverpa species Looper caterpillars Fall armyworm(PER85447)	EU: No authorisations UK: No authorisation		
Amorphous silica	UN	Cotton aphid Fall armyworm(PER90841)			
B. thuringiensis	11A	ArmywormsCabbage white butterflyCaterpillarsDiamondback (Cabbage) mothHelicoverpa speciesLightbrown apple mothLooper caterpillarsPainted vine mothPotato moth (Leafminer)Soybean & Tobacco looper	EU: Under review for renewal		
Chlorantraniliprole	28	Helicoverpa species Fall armyworm(PER89259)			

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Chlorpyrifos	18	African black beetle (PER88018)	APVMA: Under review. Codex: All Codex MRLs revoked Canada: Cancellation of all uses. EU: No authorisation in place USA: EPA decision to cancel use on food crops
Clothianidin	4A	Wireworm Aphids (ST) Cutworms (ST)	APVMA: Under review Canada: Field uses cancelled or amended EU: Not authorised USA: Re-registration with new risk mitigation measures
Cypermethrin	3A	Australian plague locust Common armyworm Helicoverpa species Spur-throated locust	EU: Candidate for substitution
Deltamethrin	3A	Helicoverpa species	
Diazinon	18	Caterpillars Cutworms	APVMA: Under review EU: No authorisation in place Codex: Withdrawal of Codex MRLs recommended
Dimethoate	18	AphidsBugsGreen vegetable bugJassidsPlague thripsSpur-throated locustWingless grasshopper	Codex: No MRL EU: Not authorised
Emamectin benzoate	6	Helicoverpa species Fall armyworm	EU: Candidate for substitution
Esfenvalerate	3A	Helicoverpa species	EU: Candidate for substitution
Ethyl formate	8A	Corn aphid(Po) Green peach aphid(Po) Thrips(Po) Two-spotted (Red spider) mite(Po)	EU: No authorisation in place

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	Group		
Etoxazole	10B	Two-spotted (Red spider) mite(PER88170)	EU: Only uses on greenhouse ornamentals approved & Candidate for substitution
Helicoverpa NPV	31	Helicoverpa species	
Imidacloprid (ST)	4A	Aphids	APVMA: Under review
		Black field crickets	Canada: Field uses cancelled or amended
		Black field earwig	EU: No authorisation
		Cutworms	USA: Re-registration with new risk mitigation measures
		Eastern false wireworm	
		Southern false wireworm, Sugarcane false	
		wireworm, Striate false wireworm	
		Wingless cockroaches	
		Wireworm	
Indoxacarb	22A	Fall armyworm(PER90374)	Canada: No authorisations
			EU: No authorisations
			UK: Proposed non-renewal
Methomyl	1A	Armyworms	APVMA: nominated for review
		Helicoverpa species	Canada: Re-evaluation completed. Majority of uses removed EU: No authorisations in place
			USA: Under review
Methoxyfenozide	18	Caterpillars (PER84531)	EU: Proposed restricted authorisation & Candidate for substitution
		Helicoverpa species (PER84531)	
Paraffinic oil/Petroleum oil	UNM	Aphids	
		Bugs	
		Leafhoppers	
		Mites	
		Thrips	
		Whiteflies	
Permethrin	3A	Helicoverpa species	Codex: Re-evaluation scheduled. Support uncertain
			EU: No authorisation

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Pirimicarb	1A	Aphids	Codex: JMPR re-evaluation scheduled
		Corn aphid	EU: Candidate for substitution
Propargite	12C	Two-spotted (Red spider) mite(PER88179)	APVMA: nominated for review
			EU: No authorisations
Pymetrozine	9B	Corn aphid	Canada: Restricted use to glasshouses only
			Codex: No registrant support
			EU: Not authorised
Spinetoram	5	Helicoverpa species	
		Painted vine moth	
		Western flower thrips	
		Fall armyworm (PER89241)	
		Leafminers (PER91155)	
Spinosad	5	Fall armyworm(PER89870)	
Spirotetramat	23	Corn aphid	
Spodoptera frugiperda NPV	31	Fall armyworm(PER90820)	
Spodoptera frugiperda MNPV	31	Fall armyworm(PER91477)	
Sulfoxaflor	4C	Green peach aphid	USA: Pollinator concerns
			EU: Restricted to permanent glasshouses only
Terbufos	1B	Wireworm	Codex: Unsupported, possible deletion
			EU: No authorisation in place
Thiamethoxam (ST)	4A	Eastern false wireworm	APVMA: Under review
		Southern false wireworm, Sugarcane false	Canada: Some field uses cancelled or amended
		wireworm, Striate false wireworm	EU: Not authorised
			USA: Re-registration with new risk mitigation measure
Thiodicarb	1A	Helicoverpa species	EU: No authorisations
Zeta-cypermethrin	3A	Common armyworm	EU: No authorisations
		Helicoverpa species	

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	DISEASES			
Azoxystrobin + cyproconazole Azoxystrobin + tebuconazole	11 + 3	Rust (Common & Polysora) Turcicum leaf blight /Northern corn leaf blight Maize Rust(86245)	Azoxystrobin Canada: Review proposed Cyproconazole APVMA: nominated for review EU: No authorisation in place Azoxystrobin Canada: Review proposed (2023) Tebuconazole APVMA: nominated for review Canada: Under review EU: Candidate for substitution USA: Under review	
Carboxin (ST)	7	Boil smut & Head smut Seed decay & Seedling blight/rot	EU: No authorisation in place	
Chlorothalonil	M5	Turcicum leaf blight /Northern corn leaf blight	APVMA: nominated for review Canada: Cancellation of uses proposed EU: No authorisation in place ⁱ USA: Under review	
Fludioxonil + Metalaxyl-M	12 + 4	Fusarium Root rot Pythium root rot (Damping-off)	Fludioxonil EU: Under review, & candidate for substitution	
Metalaxyl/Metalaxyl-M (ST)	4	Downy mildew	Metalaxyl EU: Candidate for substitution Metalaxyl-M EU: Restricted use approval	
Propiconazole	3	Turcicum leaf blight /Northern corn leaf blight(PER13116)	APVMA: nominated for review EU: No authorisation in place USA: Under review	
Thiram (ST)	М3	Boil smut & Head smut	APVMA: nominated for review Canada: Cancelled all foliar uses Codex: To be reviewed EU: No authorisation in place	

Active Constituents	Chemical Group	Comments			
	WEEDS				
2,4-D	4				
Atrazine	5	Canada: Review proposed EU: No authorisations in place USA: Under review			
Carfentrazone-ethyl	14				
Cyanazine	5	APVMA: nominated for review EU: No authorisation in place			
Dimethenamid-P	15				
EPTC	15	EU: No authorisations in place			
Fluroxypyr	4				
Glufosinate	10	APVMA: Nominated for spray drift label review Canada: Review proposed EU: No authorisation in place			
Glyphosate	9	APVMA: Nominated for spray drift label review Ongoing issues internationally EU: Under review			
Linuron	5	Canada: Cancellation of many uses EU: No authorisations			
МСРА	4				
Metolachlor/S-metolachlor	15	Metolachlor: EU: No authorisation <u>S-metolachlor:</u> EU: Proposed non-renewal			
Propachlor	15	EU: No authorisations in place			
Terbuthylazine	5				

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