

**USDA-ARS**  
**U.S. Wheat and Barley Scab Initiative**  
**FY18 Performance Report**  
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**USWBSI Individual Project(s)**

<b>USWBSI Research Category*</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>ARS Award Amount</b>
MGMT	Improving IPM for FHB and DON in SRWW in Wisconsin.	\$ 19,785
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\* MGMT – FHB Management  
 FST – Food Safety & Toxicology  
 GDER – Gene Discovery & Engineering Resistance  
 PBG – Pathogen Biology & Genetics  
 EC-HQ – Executive Committee-Headquarters  
 BAR-CP – Barley Coordinated Project  
 DUR-CP – Durum Coordinated Project  
 HWW-CP – Hard Winter Wheat Coordinated Project  
 VDHR – Variety Development & Uniform Nurseries – Sub categories are below:  
 SPR – Spring Wheat Region  
 NWW – Northern Soft Winter Wheat Region  
 SWW – Southern Soft Red Winter Wheat Region

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**Project 1:** *Improving IPM for FHB and DON in SRWW in Wisconsin.*

**1. What are the major goals and objectives of the project?**

**Overall Project Goal:** Develop integrated management strategies for FHB and mycotoxins specific to Wisconsin soft red winter wheat production.

**Objectives:**

- 1) Conduct the standard multi-state MGMT-CP Integrated management protocol involving new chemistries applied to various varieties;
- 2) Conduct a uniform fungicide trial in Wisconsin;
- 3) Validate action thresholds for spraying fungicide based on the FHB Prediction center, for Wisconsin's unique climate.

**2. What was accomplished under these goals? *Address items 1-4) below for each goal or objective.***

1) major activities

The IM-CP standard protocols were followed and implemented in Wisconsin on soft red winter wheat (SRWW). This included conducting the integrated management (IM) protocol, treating resistant and susceptible varieties with various fungicides at different application timings. We also conducted the uniform fungicide trial (UFT) to bolster multi-state recommendations for efficacious fungicides. Finally, we conducted the coordinated scab prediction validation protocol using a susceptible variety in Wisconsin.

2) specific objectives

- 1) Conduct the standard multi-state MGMT-CP Integrated management protocol involving new chemistries applied to various varieties;
- 2) Conduct a uniform fungicide trial in Wisconsin;
- 3) Validate action thresholds for spraying fungicide based on the FHB Prediction center, for Wisconsin's unique climate.

3) significant results

Results from the IM protocol revealed that the most significant reduction in FHB and DON is a result of planting a moderately resistant variety. FHB could further be reduced by using fungicide. However, DON levels were below 1ppm for all treatments where a moderately resistant variety was used. In a susceptible variety, the use of Miravis Ace at full head emergence resulted in levels of DON that were significantly lower than if the same product was applied at half-head emergence. Best reductions in DON were obtained when Miravis Ace was applied 5 days after anthesis. This latter result is consistent with findings using Prosaro or Caramba. Results from the uniform fungicide trials also indicate that application of Miravis Ace at half-head emergence is just too early. Reductions in DON levels were much better when this product was applied at full head emergence, Anthesis, or 5-days after anthesis, with the last application timing giving us the best reductions. Prosaro and Caramba continue to perform well in Wisconsin for reducing FHB and DON, as long as these products are applied at anthesis or 5 days after anthesis.

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The scab prediction tool continues to fall short on accuracy in Wisconsin. We have experienced two years of heavy FHB in winter wheat. In 2018 the model only recommended a moderate risk in susceptible varieties in Wisconsin, with significant damage noted in the validation trials. Fungicide were only applied to Moderate risk plots. In 2019, the model never recommended an application of fungicide, and there is significant FHB present in current field validation trials. More work needs to be done to refine the scab advisor tool for unique environments like Wisconsin.

4) key outcomes or other achievements

Key outcomes of this work have been improved recommendations for FHB management in Wisconsin. Prior to this work, we were recommending that farmers apply just the fungicides Prosaro and Caramba at Anthesis. Now we know that Miravis Ace is a viable option and can be applied at full head emergence or as late as 5 days after the start of anthesis. Combined with moderately resistant varieties, this strategy has proven to be an excellent recommendation for limiting DON accumulation in finished grain harvested in Wisconsin. Prosaro and Carmaba continue to be proven fungicide options and our foray into using these options in two-spray programs has also demonstrated excellent reductions in DON.

**3. What opportunities for training and professional development has the project provided?**

While this project did not directly train a graduate student, several undergraduate students were involved in assisting technicians in implementing the trials. These undergrads obtained experience in experimental design and disease management strategies in wheat.

**4. How have the results been disseminated to communities of interest?**

Results obtained were disseminated to stakeholders using cooperative extension outlets. The University of Wisconsin Field Crops Pathology program maintains a website(s) (<https://badgercropdoc.com>) for data distribution. All pertinent results from these trials were posted in online portals. In addition, data were delivered to growers via annual cooperative extension Pest Management Update Meetings and Winter Agronomy meetings. All data were also supplied to the IM-CP manager to be included in the multi-state analysis.

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## **Training of Next Generation Scientists**

**Instructions:** Please answer the following questions as it pertains to the FY18 award period. The term “support” below includes any level of benefit to the student, ranging from full stipend plus tuition to the situation where the student’s stipend was paid from other funds, but who learned how to rate scab in a misted nursery paid for by the USWBSI, and anything in between.

1. **Did any graduate students in your research program supported by funding from your USWBSI grant earn their MS degree during the FY18 award period?** No

**If yes, how many?** N/A

2. **Did any graduate students in your research program supported by funding from your USWBSI grant earn their Ph.D. degree during the FY18 award period?** No

**If yes, how many?**

3. **Have any post docs who worked for you during the FY18 award period and were supported by funding from your USWBSI grant taken faculty positions with universities?** No

**If yes, how many?**

4. **Have any post docs who worked for you during the FY18 award period and were supported by funding from your USWBSI grant gone on to take positions with private ag-related companies or federal agencies?** No

**If yes, how many?**

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### Release of Germplasm/Cultivars

**Instructions:** In the table below, list all germplasm and/or cultivars released with full or partial support through the USWBSI during the FY18 award period. All columns must be completed for each listed germplasm/cultivar. Use the key below the table for Grain Class abbreviations.

*NOTE: Leave blank if you have nothing to report or if your grant did NOT include any VDHR-related projects.*

Name of Germplasm/Cultivar	Grain Class	FHB Resistance (S, MS, MR, R, where R represents your most resistant check)	FHB Rating (0-9)	Year Released

Add rows if needed.

**NOTE:** List the associated release notice or publication under the appropriate sub-section in the ‘Publications’ section of the FPR.

**Abbreviations for Grain Classes**

- Barley - BAR
- Durum - DUR
- Hard Red Winter - HRW
- Hard White Winter - HWW
- Hard Red Spring - HRS
- Soft Red Winter - SRW
- Soft White Winter - SWW

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## **Publications, Conference Papers, and Presentations**

**Instructions:** Refer to the FY18-FPR\_Instructions for detailed instructions for listing publications/presentations about your work that resulted from all of the projects included in the FY18 grant. Only include citations for publications submitted or presentations given during your award period (6/6/18 - 6/5/19). If you did not have any publications or presentations, state 'Nothing to Report' directly above the Journal publications section.

**NOTE:** Directly below each reference/citation, you must indicate the Status (i.e. published, submitted, etc.) and whether acknowledgement of Federal support was indicated in publication/presentation. See example below for a poster presentation with an abstract:

Conley, E.J., and J.A. Anderson. 2018. Accuracy of Genome-Wide Prediction for Fusarium Head Blight Associated Traits in a Spring Wheat Breeding Program. In: Proceedings of the XXIV International Plant & Animal Genome Conference, San Diego, CA.  
Status: Abstract Published and Poster Presented  
Acknowledgement of Federal Support: YES (poster), NO (abstract)

### **Journal publications.**

N/A

### **Books or other non-periodical, one-time publications.**

N/A

### **Other publications, conference papers and presentations.**

Jensen, B., Liesch, P.J., Nice, G., Renz, M., **Smith, D.** 2018. *Pest Management in Wisconsin Field Crops*, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Cooperative Extension (A3646).  
Status: Extension fact sheet  
Acknowledgement of Federal Support: Not applicable

Conley, S., Roth, A, Gaska, J., Mueller, B., **Smith, D.** 2018. *Wisconsin Winter Wheat Performance Tests*, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Cooperative Extension (A3868).  
Status: Extension fact sheet  
Acknowledgement of Federal Support: Not Applicable

### **Extension Presentations**

Disease Management and diagnostic training. 2018 Wisconsin Pest Management Update Meetings. November 12-16, 2018. Marshfield, Chippewa Falls, Platteville, Fond du Lac, Kimberly, La Crosse, and Janesville, WI. (*Total of 7 presentations and 390 contacts*)  
Status: Extension Presentation Given  
Acknowledgement of Federal Support: Yes