



# Global Herbicide Resistance Action Committee



# Global HRAC Member Companies.



## Our Members:

Arysta LifeScience

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Bayer CropScience

Corteva Agriscience™, Agriculture Division of DowDuPont

FMC

Syngenta Crop Protection

Sumitomo Chemical Company

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*Mark Peterson - Corteva*

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## Working Groups:



Auxin	HPPD	Communications	Issues Engagement	MOA Classification	PPO
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## Key objectives for Working Groups:

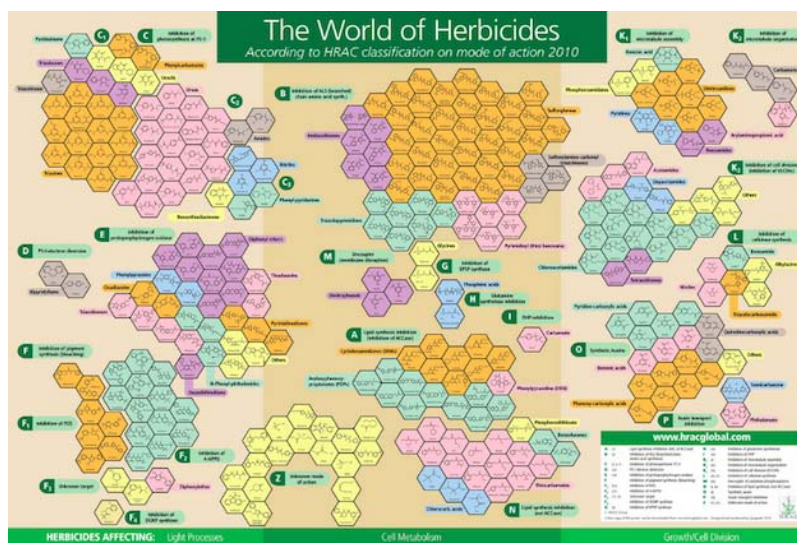
- Consolidate and communicate information for specific MOAs
- Monitor research
- Support intellectual dialogue
- Customize BMPs for a given MOA
- Address specific resistance topics (e.g. Monitoring)

# Global HRAC Initiatives and Activities

- Disseminate information on resistant weeds:
  - The International Survey of Herbicide Resistant Weeds
  - HRAC Website
  - Seminars and Symposia
- Build recommendations:
  - Working groups
  - Testing protocols
- Mode of Action Classification:
  - Poster
  - Online tool
  - Coordination with other entities



[www.weedscience.org](http://www.weedscience.org)



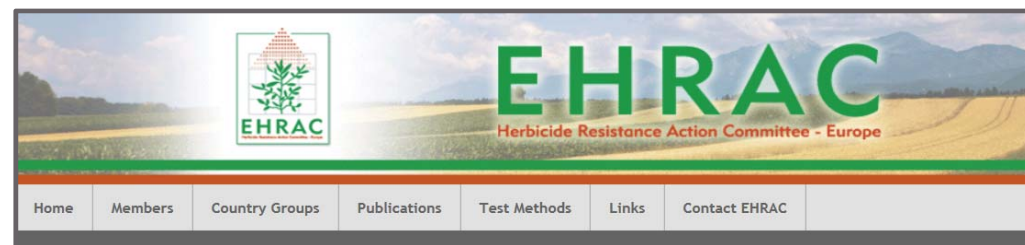
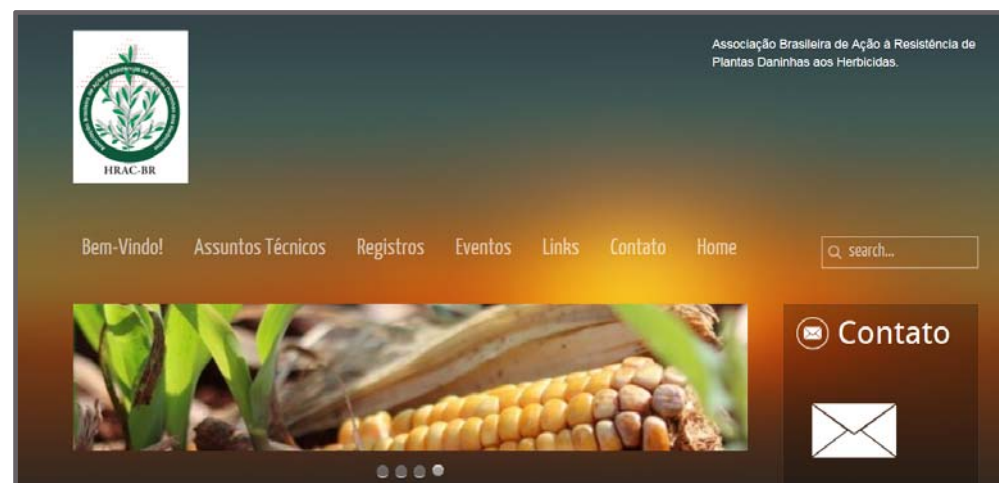
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# Regional/Country HRAC Objectives and Actions



- Education materials, seminars, symposia
- Research collaborations
- Collection of information on resistant weeds
- Development of Best Management Practices



# New Resistance cases in Europe

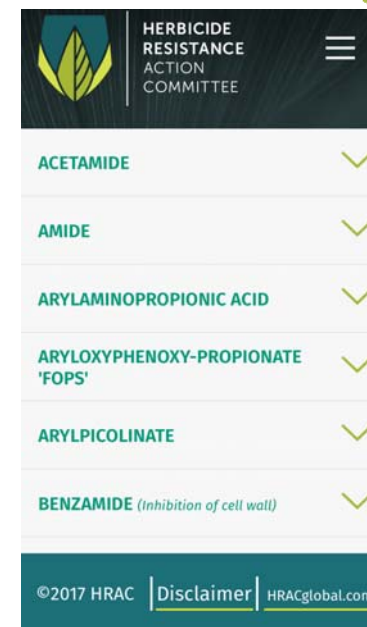
Country	Weed species	First Year	Active ingredient	Site of Action	Crop
Germany	<i>Bromus sterilis</i>	2017	propoxycarbazone	ALS (B/2)	wheat
Greece	<i>Lolium rigidum</i>	2017	glufosinate	Glutamine synthase inhibitor (H/10)	grapes, olives, orchard
Hungary	<i>Sorghum halepense</i>	2017	Foramsulfuron / nicosulfuron	ALS (B/2)	Corn
Serbia	<i>Sorghum halepense</i>	2017	Fenoxaprop, fluazifop, haloxyfop, . . .	ACCCase (A/1)	Soybean
Ukraine	<i>Echinochloa crus-galli</i>	2017	Imazamox, penoxulam	ALS (B/2)	Rice

# 2018 Activities and Accomplishments

- Continued engagement with local/regional HRACs
- MOA Classification Working Group completes updates and revisions
- Herbicide MOA app
- PPO Working Group initiated
- Auxin Working Group sponsored review paper
- Review of resistance testing methods in progress
- Survey of HRAC stakeholders completed



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*MOA mobile app*



*Auxin Resistance Review*



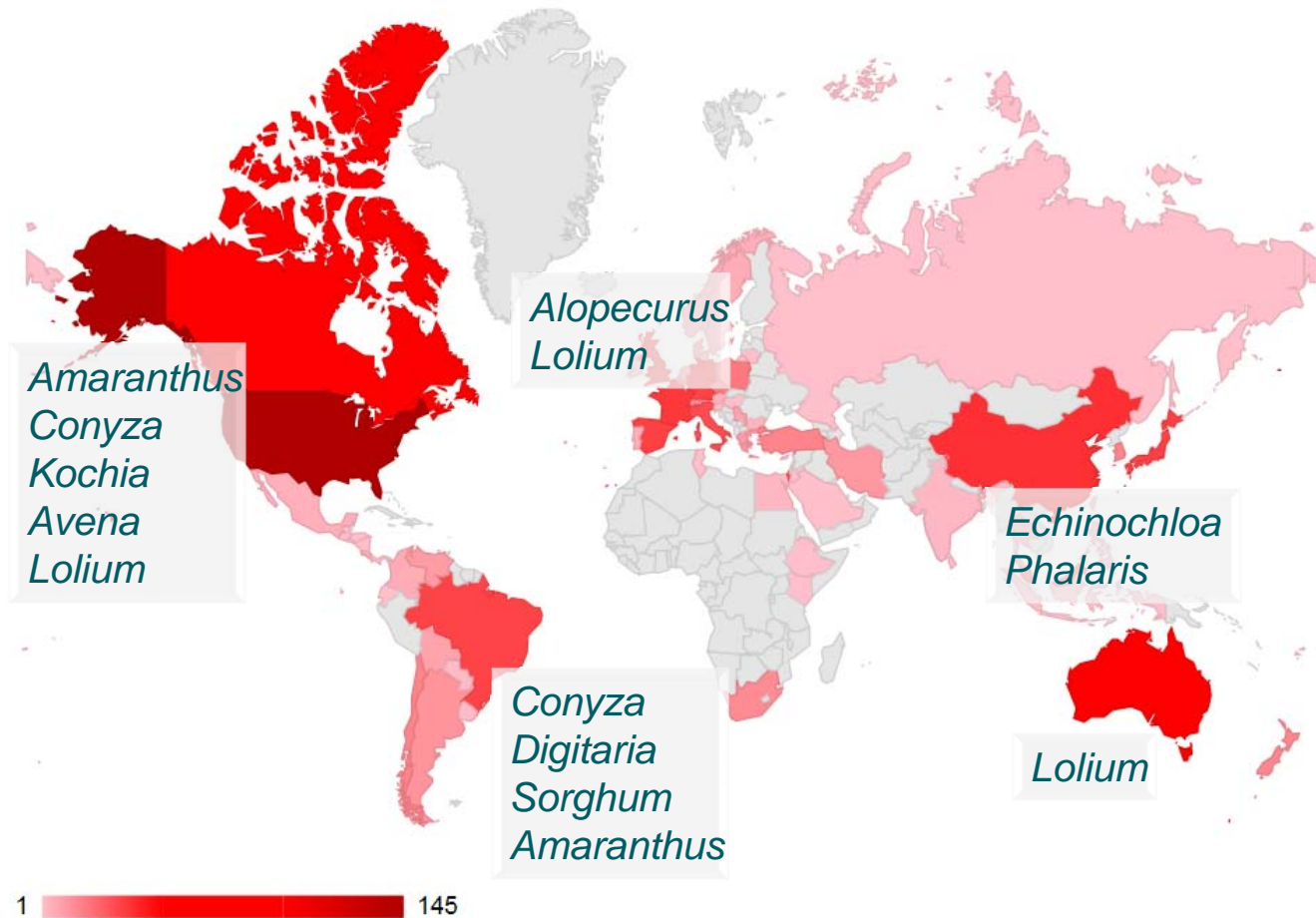
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# **Industry Perspective of How to Meet the Herbicide Resistance Challenge**

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# Herbicide Resistant Weeds Globally



Number of herbicide-resistant species by country



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## Challenges of Herbicide Resistance

Undermines sustainability  
Hurts our customers  
Limits return on investment

## Challenges to Resistance Management

Technical  
Economic  
Societal





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# How Does Industry Meet These Challenges?

## Technical

- Develop new technologies (small and large companies)
- Evaluate integrated programs
- Study resistant weeds to understand mechanisms

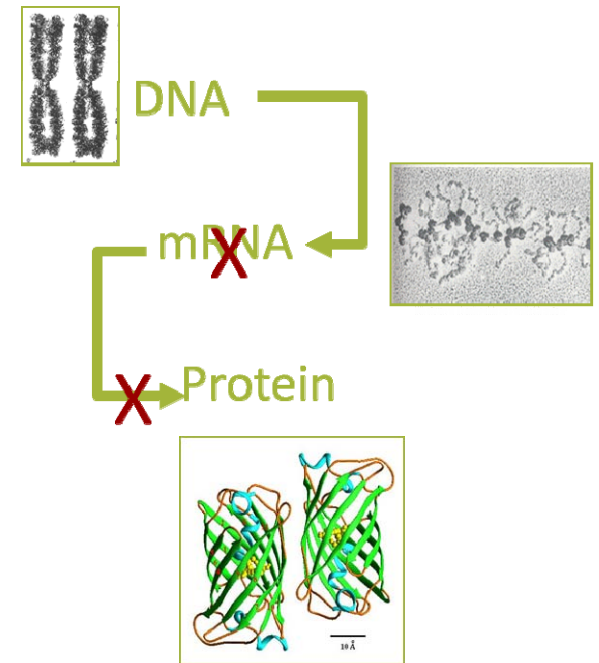
## Economic and Societal

- Education
- Stewardship programs
- Incentives

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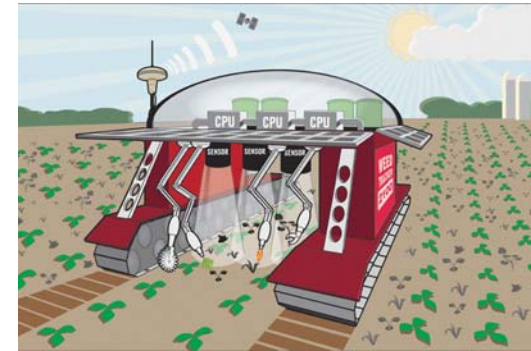
## Biotechnology

- Gene insertion (adding new DNA)
  - Gene editing (manipulating existing DNA)
  - Manipulation of transcription (e.g. RNAi)
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- **These technologies offer significant promise**
  - **Societal and political acceptance issues are limiting the potential**
  - **Uncertainty of market access can cause companies to reconsider investments**



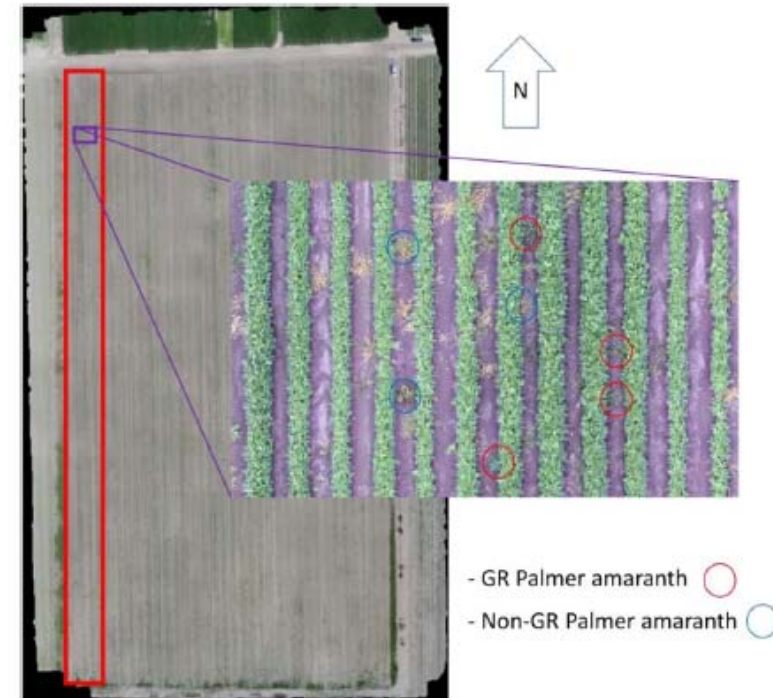
# Robotic weeding



- Possibly starting to come of age
- John Deere recently acquired Blue River Technology
- Most devices are currently focused on plant-selective spraying ([www.seeandspray.com](http://www.seeandspray.com))
- Could non-chemical means be incorporated in the future?



# Precision Weed Management

- UAV-mounted sensor technology
- Faster detection of resistant weeds
- Potential to incorporate spot-control devices



- GR Palmer amaranth 
- Non-GR Palmer amaranth 

Huang, et al. Weed Tech. 2017

## Other Alternative Management Tools

- How can technology change crop competitiveness?
- Which companies can bring these technologies forward?



### Selective fertilization with phosphite allows unhindered growth of cotton plants expressing the *ptxD* gene while suppressing weeds

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# Summary

- Weeds are evolving
- Our thinking must evolve as well
- The Industry needs to work cooperatively and inclusively in some areas
- Public and Private weed scientists as well as farmers need to be open to new ideas and new methods of weed control



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