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### CANOLA

# MicroEssentials<sup>®</sup> S15<sup>™</sup> Seed Safety Canola

# Objectives

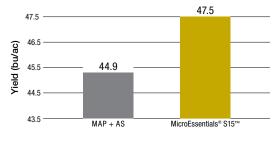
- Evaluate the seed safety of MicroEssentials<sup>®</sup> S15<sup>™</sup> (13-33-0-15S) compared to MAP (11-52-0) + ammonium sulfate (AS, 21-0-0-24S) at different phosphorus (P) rates when applied with the seed.
- Evaluate the yield response of MicroEssentials S15 compared to MAP + AS at different P rates.

### Overview

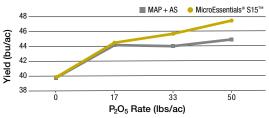
- MAP + AS is a common P and S fertilizer blend used in canola-growing regions of North America.
- Canola is very sensitive to seed placed in close proximity to P and S fertilizers. Conventional P and S fertilizers increase seed damage due to ammonium nitrogen and especially due to the high salt index of AS.
- MicroEssentials S15 contains N, P and S fused into one nutritionally balanced granule, and the estimated salt index is lower (21.1) compared to AS (68.3).

# Yield

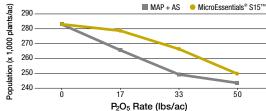
### Canola Yield at 50 lbs $P_2O_5/ac$



### **Canola Yield Across Different Sources and Rates**







# **Trial Details**

CROP: Canola (*Brassica rapa* cv. 'canola') YEARS: 2011–2013

LOCATIONS: 17 locations across the U.S. and Canada United States – ND Canada – AB, MB, SK

**DATA SOURCE:** Field studies conducted by third-party, independent researchers.

**EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN:** Small-plot RCBD with 4 replications.

### **CROPPING CONDITIONS:**

- N Rate: As recommended and balanced across all treatments.
- P Rate: 0, 17, 33 and 50 lbs P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>/ac
- K Rate: Applied to entire trial area based on soil test.
- **S Rate:** Balanced at each P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> rate 0, 7.7, 15 and 22.7 lbs S/ac.
- Application Timing and Method: Fertilizer was applied with the seed at planting.

### Summary

- MicroEssentials S15 outyielded MAP + AS by 1.7 bu/ac at 33 lbs and by 2.6 bu/ac at a 50-lb  $P_2O_5$  rate across all locations.
- MAP + AS had statistically significant lower plant populations than MicroEssentials S15 at 17- and 33-lb P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> rates and numerically lower at the 50-lb P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> rate.
- MicroEssentials S15 can successfully increase canola yields over MAP + AS when applied at the same  $P_2O_5$  rate.
- These results demonstrated the additional seed safety that can be achieved with MicroEssentials S15.

# Micro**Essentials**

# **2.6** bu/ac

Increase with MicroEssentials S15 over MAP + AS at 50 lbs  $P_2O_5/ac$ 

## Higher stand counts and increased yields with MicroEssentials S15 over MAP + AS



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