



GRAPES



PRB9™ Application Rate and Timing in Table Grapes

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OBJECTIVE

Evaluate the effects of the timing and rate of PRB9™ applications on the yield and quality of Table Grapes.

OVERVIEW

- Plants in the field can be exposed to many kinds of abiotic stress such as heat, drought and salinity. These stresses can inhibit the normal growth and activity of a plant leading to decreases in yield and quality of a crop.
- Osmoregulants are substances produced by plants that assist plants in tolerating environmental stresses by stabilizing proteins and enzymes and ensuring proper water flow into the plant cells during stress events.
- PRB9 contains an osmolyte compound which increases resistance to abiotic stress and optimizes conditions for improved crop yield and plant performance.

TRIAL DETAILS

Crop: Table Grapes

Year: 2023

Location: Central California

Data Source: Field study was conducted by third-party, independent researcher

Treatments:

- Grower Standard
- PRB9 applied at 32 oz/ac either three times or four times during the growing season
- PRB9 applied either four 21 oz/ac applications or two 42 oz/ac applications

Cultivar: Krissy

Cropping Conditions: Trial conformed to local cropping practices. Established vines with conventional tillage

Application Rate: 21, 32 and 42 fl oz/A

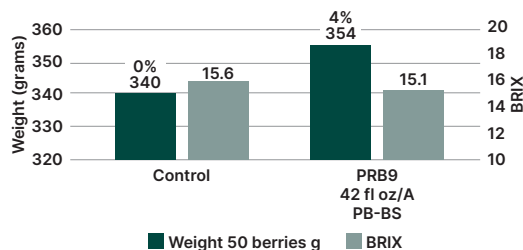
Application Method: Foliar applications made with a Stihl mist blower applied at 100 gal/A

Application Timing: Applications at pre-bloom, petal fall, berry sizing and veraison

RESULTS

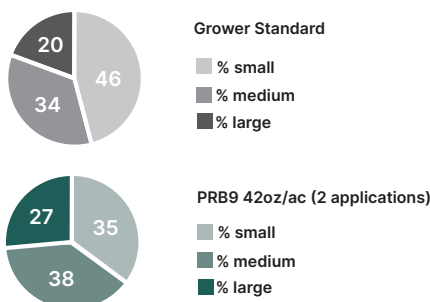
Performance in Table Grapes

Berry Weight and BRIX



% value is % increase in yield compared to untreated control PB-BS: 2 applications at pre-bloom and berry sizing

Berry Size



SUMMARY

- PRB9 increased yield, berry weight and reduced the percentage of small berries under all rates and application combinations.
- PRB9 applied twice, at pre-bloom and berry sizing, was the most effective treatment with the highest yields and the biggest shift in berry size from small to large size berries.
- Applications of PRB9 did appear to delay fruit development with a higher percentage of green fruit and lower Brix levels. However a slight delay in harvest time should alleviate those issues.
- The trial experienced heavy rain in August due to a rare hurricane event. The rain caused swelling in cracking in the developing fruit which led to a lot of rot and lower yields than is typical for the region.

4%

INCREASE IN WEIGHT OF 50 BERRIES

11%

DECREASE IN SMALL BERRIES

7%

INCREASE IN LARGE BERRIES

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