Echinochloa crus-galli

E. oryzoides

Weed Competition, Control, Timing and Herbicides

E. phyllopogon

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The Outcome of Weed Competition

a. Time of emergenceb. Duration



Days after seeding rice



















Not good, but happens fairly often 🙂

Emergence of Late Watergrass from rice fields



- Growing Degree Days (°C.day):
- a. Calculate the average temperature of each day (°C)
- b. Subtract the **base temperature (~ 9.03°C)**
- c. Add the results together to get accumulated Degree Days over time

Emergence of Smallflower Umbrellasedge from rice fields



- Growing Degree Days (°C.day):
- a. Calculate the average temperature of each day (°C)
- b. Subtract the base temperature (~ 18.4°C)
- c. Add the results together to get accumulated Degree Days over time



It is pretty hard to get efficacy spraying on a calendar basis























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What happens if we drop the water ?









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- If weeds are still present late in the season, they need to be eliminated to prevent seed shattering

Competitive outcome is strongly determined by:

The Timing & Duration of Competition Level of infestation

Weed competition in pin-point flooded rice

weed infestation by 40 days after seeding rice







	Yield (% of Untreated)								
	2008		2009)	2010				
Calmochi	168	С	102	А	109 B				
L206	169	С	92	AB	224 A				
M202	128	D	82	В	107 B				
M205	231	Α	101	А	120 B				
M206	202	В	96	AB	124 B				
S102	137	D	97	А	122 B				

2008 Flood Herbicide Dry Biomass



2009 Flood Herbicide Fresh Biomass



2010 Flood Herbicide Fresh Biomass



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Flooded Rice

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	2008		2009		2010						
Calmochi	89	А	91	А	94	А					
L-206	100	А	95	А	96	А					
M-202	89	А	98	А	101	А					
M-205	96	А	98	А	113	А					
M-206	90	А	99	А	98	А					
S-102	90	А	85	А	94	Α					