Experimental premixes applied preemergence in corn. Young, Bryan G. and Julie M. Young. This study was designed to evaluate experimental and commercial premix herbicides for corn response and weed control. The study was conducted on an Ebbert silt loam with 1.4% organic matter and pH 5.7 at the Belleville Research Center. Fertilizer applied was 150, 50 and 150 lb/A N,  $P_2O_5$  and  $K_2O$ , respectively to an area that had been cropped to soybean in 2001. Pioneer brand 'P33P69LL' glufosinate-resistant field corn was planted 1.5 inch deep at 28 000 seed/A into a reduced-till seedbed on May 27. Plots consisted of four rows with 30 inch row spacing, 25 ft long arranged in a randomized complete block design with 3 replications. The herbicides were broadcast applied with a CO<sub>2</sub> pressurized sprayer using 8003 flat fan tips at 40 PSI in 20 GPA water. Application timings were preemergence (PRE), spike to two leaf corn (SPIKE-2L) and 3 to 4 inch weeds (3-4"W). Monthly rainfall in inches was 4.9, 6.6, 1.7, 3.7 and 3.6 in April, May, June, July and August, respectively. Weed population per 0.25 m<sup>2</sup> in the nontreated plots, mid-season, was >50 giant foxtail, 11 yellow nutsedge, 7 common

cocklebur, 1 giant ragweed, 1 ivyleaf morningglory and 2 velvetleaf. Application information is listed below.

Date Treatment Air temperature (F) Relative humidity (%) Soil moisture	May-28-02 PRE 68 98 normal	Jun-3-02 SPIKE-2L 80 76 normal	Jun-14-02 3-4"W 70 50 wet
field corn leaf no. height (inch)		V1 3	V3 6
giant foxtail leaf no. height (inch)			3-4 3-4
yellow nutsedge leaf no. height (inch)		0-4 0-3	3-5 3-5
common cocklebur leaf no. height (inch)		0-2 0-1	3-4 3-4
giant ragweed leaf no. height (inch)		0-2 0-1	4-8 3-4
ivyleaf morningglory leaf no. height (inch)		0-2 0-1	
velvetleaf leaf no. height (inch)		0-2 0-1	3-4 3-4

Little to no corn injury was observed from all herbicide treatments except dimethenamid-P followed by dicamba & atrazine which caused 10% injury at 2 weeks after emergence (WAE). Giant foxtail control 8 WAE was at least 90% from all herbicide treatments applied at spike to 2 leaf, acetochlor & atrazine (Harness Xtra), and acetochlor & atrazine (Keystone LA). Limited rainfall for 13 days following the preemergence herbicide applications most likely reduced giant foxtail control from many herbicide treatments. All herbicide treatments applied at spike to 2 leaf controlled at least 90% of common cocklebur at 8 WAE except s-metolachlor 1.67 lb ai/A & mesotrione 0.167 lb ai/A (Camix) plus nicosulfuron. Dimethenamid-P followed by dicamba & atrazine was the only other herbicide treatment that controlled at least 90% of common cocklebur at 8 WAE. All herbicide treatments except acetochlor & dichlormid (Topnotch) followed by flumetsulam & clopyralid controlled at least 90% of giant ragweed and ivyleaf morningglory at 4 WAE. Due to heavy giant foxtail and common cocklebur infestations these weeds could not be rated at 8 WAE. Velvetleaf control was highly variable with only spike to 2 leaf herbicide treatments, isoxaflutole + atrazine, dimethenamid-P followed by dicamba & atrazine, and flufenacet & metribuzin + atrazine controlling greater than 90% of velvetleaf 8 WAE. Corn yield was greatest in plots treated at the spike to 2 leaf stage. (Dept. of Plant, Soil and General Agriculture, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale)

Table, Experimenta	l premixes applied	preemergence in corn.	(Young and Young)
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			Corn injury				Control, weeks after emergence																	
	Appli	cation	Corn weeks after emergence			SETFA (						XAN	IST		AMBTR IP			IPOHE		ABUTH				
Treatment	Rate	Time	yield	1	2	4	6	2	4	6	8	2	4	2	4	6	8	2	4	2	4	4	6	8
	(lb/A)		bu/A	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Nontreated S-metolachlor&atra&meso	1.67&0.624	PRE	36 127	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0	0 68	0 47	0 50	0	0 81	0	0 72	0 40	0 50	0	0 95	0	0 95	0 93	0 94	0 75
S-metolachlor&atra&meso &CGA-154281	2.0&0.75 &0.2	PRE	166	0	0	0	0		80	53	63		97		78	53	53		98		95	98	99	81
S-metolachlor&meso &CGA-154281	1.67&0.167	PRE	131	1	0	0	0		60	30	48		95		57	23	30		96		90	86	53	40
S-metolachlor&meso &CGA-154281	2.0&0.2	PRE	161	0	0	0	0		72	47	53		95		65	33	47		98		96	93	94	45
S-metolachlor&atrazine &CGA-154281(Bicep)	1.26&1.63	PRE	141	0	0	0	0		83	73	75		91		60	33	42		98		96	79	75	53
Isoxaflutole+atrazine Acetochlor&atrazine &MON 4660(HarnX)	0.094+1.0 2.15&0.85	PRE PRE	162 160	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0		77 95	50 90	58 94		87 97		72 80	70 63	65 67		96 97		95 96	98 75	99 61	99 63
Acetochlor&dcmp(Topnt) +flumetsulam&clopyralid	2.0 +0.035&0.093	PRE	143	0	0	0	0		82	65	68		95		83	92	88		80		90	50	0	7
Dimethenamid-P/dicamba &atrazine+COC	0.85/0.413 &0.79+1.0%	PRE/3-4"W	166	0	10	0	0		87	68	67		96		98	99	99		99		99	96	93	96
S-metolachlor&atra&meso &CGA-154281 +nicosulfuron	1.67&0.624 &0.167 +0.0154	SPIKE-2L	171		0	0	0	97	97	93	91	95	99	96	95	92	90	99	99	94	99	99	99	99
S-metolachlor&atra&meso &CGA-154281 +nicosulfuron	2.0&0.75 &0.2 +0.0154	SPIKE-2L	184		0	0	0	99	98	97	95	96	97	98	97	96	99	99	98	97	97	99	99	99
S-metolachlor&meso &CGA-154281	1.67&0.167	SPIKE-2L	173		0	0	0	99	96	93	93	95	96	95	90	83	63	99	98	96	96	99	99	99
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S-metolachior&meso &CGA-154281	+0.0154	SPIKE-2L	187		0	0	0	98	95	94	92	98	96	95	95	96	92	98	98	97	96	99	99	99
S-metolachlor&atra&meso &CGA-154281 +AE F130360 01	2.0&0.75 &0.2 +0.0164	SPIKE-2L	176		2	0	0	99	98	98	98	99	99	96	97	96	97	99	99	96	97	99	99	99
S-metolachlor&meso &CGA-154281 +AE F130360 01	2.0&0.2 +0.0164	SPIKE-2L	186		0	0	0	98	96	94	93	98	99	97	95	93	92	99	99	97	98	99	99	99
Acetochlor&atrazine(KeyLA) Acetochlor&atrazine(Keyst) Acetochlor&atrazine(Fultm) Flufenacet&metribuzin +atrazine	2.0&0.75 2.0&1.5 2.0&1.33 0.58&0.145 +2.0	PRE PRE PRE PRE	134 172 157 170	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0		90 87 85 85	77 77 77 70	90 75 77 73		99 98 96 85		80 77 68 84	67 57 50 70	77 48 50 70		96 99 99 99		98 98 96 99	37 82 73 99	13 20 33 86	20 47 0 96
USA-1999+atrazine Flufenacet&metribuzin +USA-1999+atrazine	0.435+1.25 0.306&0.0766 +0.254+1.5	PRE PRE	170 174	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0		78 83	60 67	67 68		96 88		88 82	76 76	73 79		96 96		95 97	88 98	70 96	82 95
LSD P			45 0.01	0.7 0.5	1 0.01	0 1.0	0 1.0	2 0.01	11 0.01	15 0.01	18 0.01	4 0.01	14 0.01	3 0.01	20 0.01	29 0.01	28 0.01	2 0.01	10 0.01	3 0.01	4 0.01	28 0.01	34 0.01	30 0.01

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<sup>a</sup>meso = mesotrione. Bicep II Magnum from Syngenta. Harness Xtra from Monsanto. Topnotch, Keystone LA, Keystone and Fultime from Dow. <sup>b</sup>Ratings at 2, 4, 6 and 8 weeks after emergence was also 2, 4, 6 and 8 weeks after SPIKE-2L application.