



# In With the New

**New products and expanded labels are in the offing for the 2011 season**

By Heather Hudson

**T**echnically it's still 2010, but the minds of many retailers and growers are already well into the 2011 growing season. As a pre-holiday gift to those who think ahead, we asked the major players in the crop protection business to fill us in on a few of their best performers and what we can expect from them in the coming months.

## **Syngenta**

In early 2011, Syngenta is expanding their tried and true products while branching out with a few new innovations.

### ***Herbicides***

Axial, a grass weed herbicide for wheat and barley will be newly available across the prairies, including the brown soil zone for the first time early next year. "We've had a vast improvement in our global supply situation so we can expand," explains Rob Milliken, marketing communication manager for Syngenta Crop Protection. By tank mixing it with a Pulsar, for control of broad leaf weeds, he says you can expect to control all types of kochia as well as many other important broadleaf weeds.

Sierra didn't get registration until late in the season, but Milliken says this Group 2 grass herbicide offers growers with confirmed Group 1 resistant grass weeds a solution. "It provides excellent control of wild oats and green foxtail."

### ***Fungicides***

Quilt has been available for cereals for years, but was just registered in 2010 for pulse crops. It offers control of all major diseases in lentils, chickpeas and field peas. "The label continues to expand for new diseases," says Milliken. "Those are all pending but will be registered in time for the season."

Allegro was registered late last year for control of sclerotinia in edible bean crops. For the same disease in canola, growers can look to Astound, which works from the "inside out and outside in," according to Milliken. "There are two active ingredients; one gets inside the plant and works its way up to new growth. The outside in is a different type of fungicide that controls when spores land on the plant. It acts like prophylactic coverage as well as good resistance management practice."

## **DuPont Crop Protection**

Look for new innovations mixed in with broadly used products from DuPont this year.

### ***Herbicides***

New Barricade®, registered for use in spring wheat, durum wheat and barley, controls a range of broadleaf weeds, including both cleavers and kochia. "It has a wide window of application, is very crop-safe and leaves growers with complete re-cropping

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flexibility the following year," says Andrew Stone, specialty herbicides product manager for DuPont Canada.

Assure® II has received registration for the suppression of foxtail barley and is widely used in a variety of crops such as lentils, chickpeas, dry beans, peas, soybeans and canola. "Growers do not have a lot of options for dealing with foxtail barley, so this is an important addition to the Assure® II label," says Stone.

### *Insecticides*

Coragen® is now approved for the control of corn earworm and European corn borer in sweet corn, field corn, seed corn and popcorn. "This is part of an extensive label expansion for control of various Lepidoptera species and leafminers in seven new crop groups, including corn, cucurbit vegetables, grass forage and non-grass animal feeds group," says Stone. Coragen® is also now approved for the control of various Lepidoptera species and leafminers in fruiting, brassica and leafy vegetables.

Assail® has received registration to add control of aphids, blueberry maggot, blueberry flea beetle, blueberry spanworm, blueberry thrips, cherry fruitworm and more. It is also approved for the control of grape berry moth, Japanese beetle and grape phylloxera on grapes.



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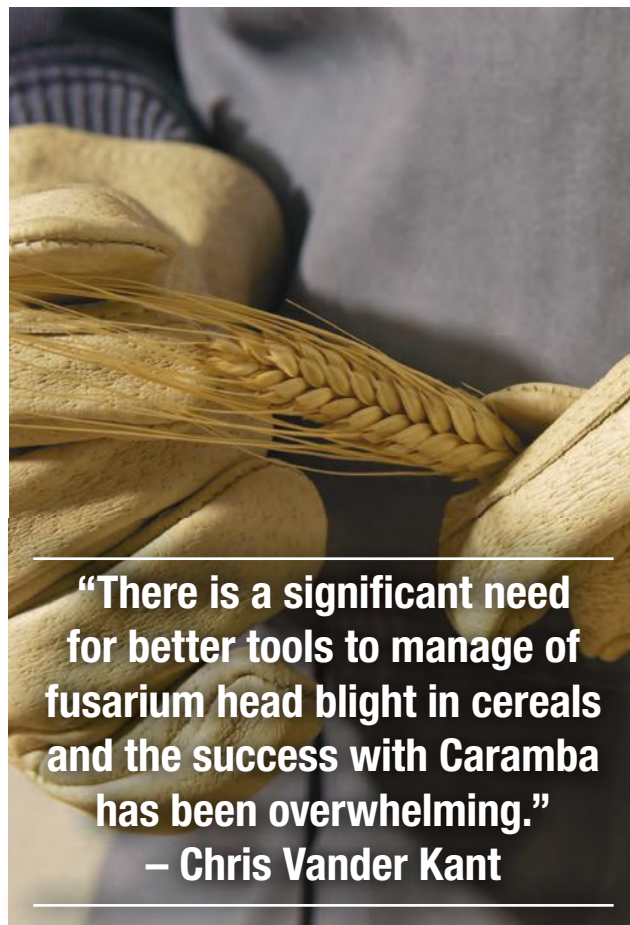
Chris Vander Kant, marketing manager, western herbicides, for BASF tells us growers can expect expanded labels to popular products in 2011.

Look for Heat herbicide in the pre-seed burndown market this year. "When glyphosate is tank mixed with Heat, growers can expect fast complete control in four to seven days," says Vander Kant. Key weeds include dandelions, kochia and cleavers.

An old favourite, the Viper herbicide label has added control of vol. CL lentils and suppression of Group 2 resistant cleavers for use in field peas. "This one is a multiple mode of action product that provides broad spectrum control and strong activity on tough resistant weeds," says Vander Kant.

Growers seeking fusarium control in cereals should consider for Caramba fungicide in 2011, says Vander Kant. "There is a significant need for better tools to manage of fusarium head blight in cereals and the success with Caramba has been overwhelming. The opportunity to improve grade, yield and quality of western Canadian cereal crop with new technology is the driver for this excitement."

The expansion of Headline fungicide to canola is an opportunity for growers to push their yield potential, says Vander Kant. "We expect the yield response in canola to be significant. Headline's superior disease control, including blackleg and alternaria, and overall improved stress tolerance are key features." ♦



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