



ECOguard



Norwegian trials 2004-2005

Richard Meadow

Norwegian Institute for Agricultural and Environmental Research  
Plant Health and Plant Protection Division



## ECOguard



- A 99.9% food grade garlic concentrate.
- Liquid and granule formulations.
- Registration pending in Norway, registered in Denmark and the UK

# Lab experiments: Repellent effect

- Swede plants in pots sprayed with 4 ml solution 2% ECOguard
- Plants placed in cage with unsprayed plants
- 2 replications, 2 repetitions
  - First experiment: 4 male and 4 female *D. floralis* (turnip root flies) per cage released 30 min. after treatment
  - Second experiment: 8 male and 8 female flies per cage
- Eggs counted after 6 days (Exp. 1) or 3 days (Exp. 2)

## Repellent effect - ECOguard



*Result: No repellent effect*

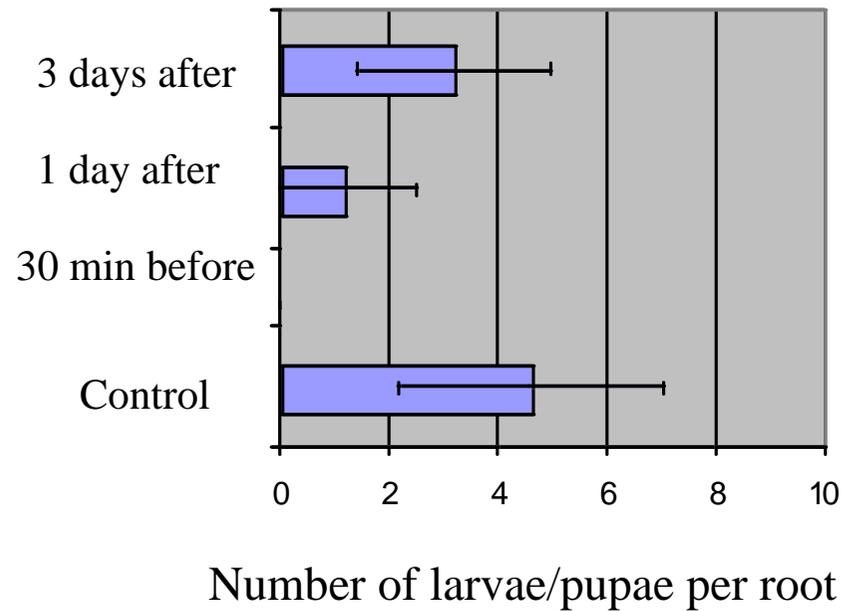
## Lab experiments: toxic effect

- First experiment: - 2% ECOguard pipetted onto base of stem
- Second experiment: - 2% ECOguard sprayed onto plants
- Inoculated with 10 eggs per plant:
  - before treatment
  - 1 day after treatment
  - 3 days after treatment
  - 5 days after treatment (Exp. 2 only)

# Toxic effect: Exp. 1

## Pipetting onto base of stem

Inoculated:



# Toxic effect: Exp. 1

## Pipetting onto base of stem



ECOGuard

Control

# Toxic effect: Exp. 2

## Spraying

Inoculated:

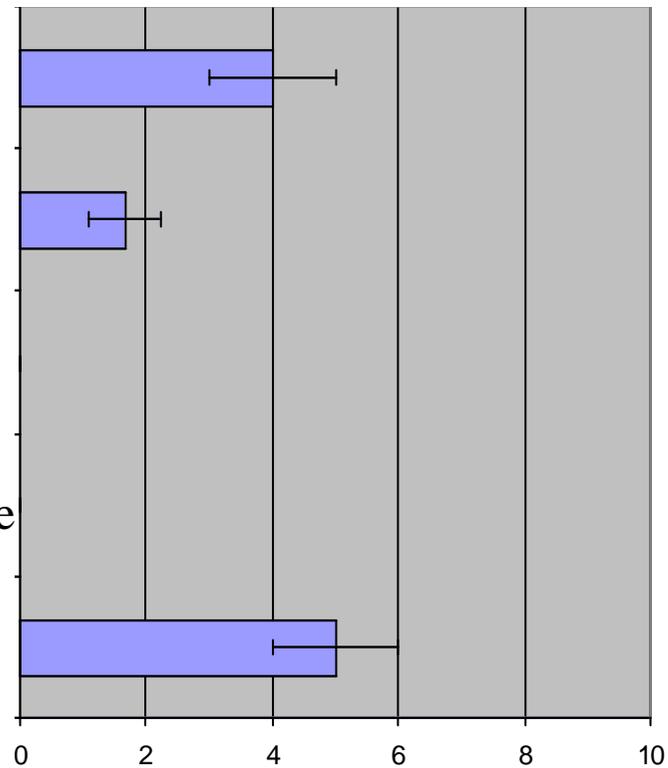
5 days after

3 days after

1 day after

30 min before

Control



Number of larvae/pupae per root

# Toxic effect: Exp. 2 Spraying



Control



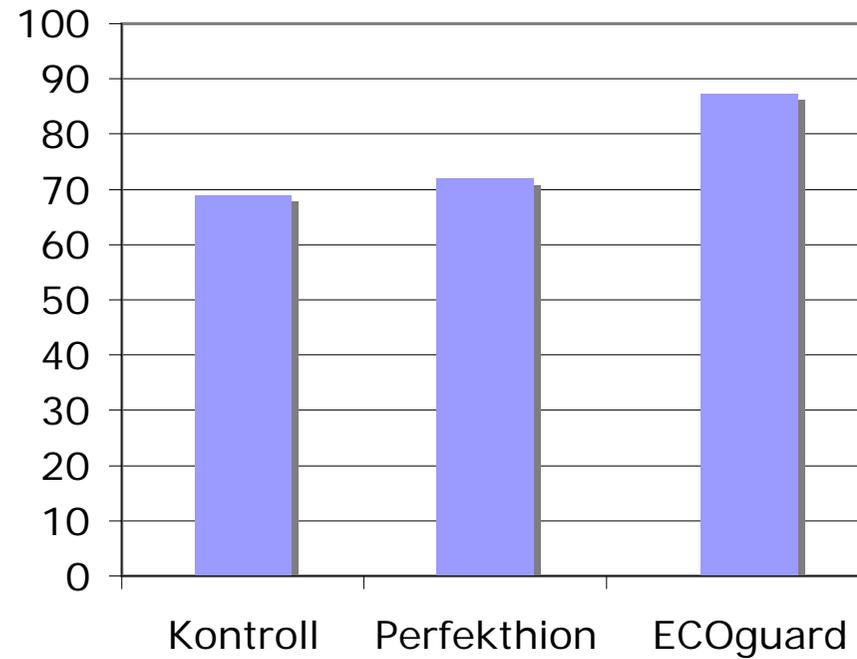
ECOGuard

# Field trials in Chinese cabbage and cauliflower

- Transplants dipped in 4% solution of ECOguard before transplanting
- Sprayed 5x with ECOguard (2% in Chinese cabbage, 0.5% in cauliflower) at 5 day intervals beginning at first registered egg laying

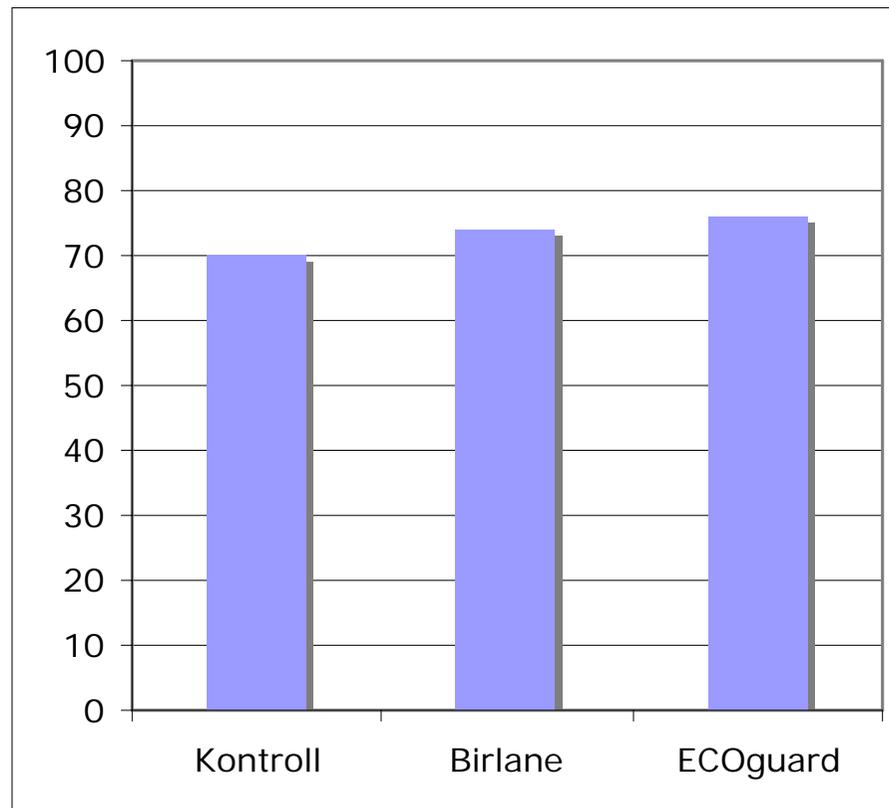
# Lier - Chinese cabbage 2005

% Marketable yield (18% gain)



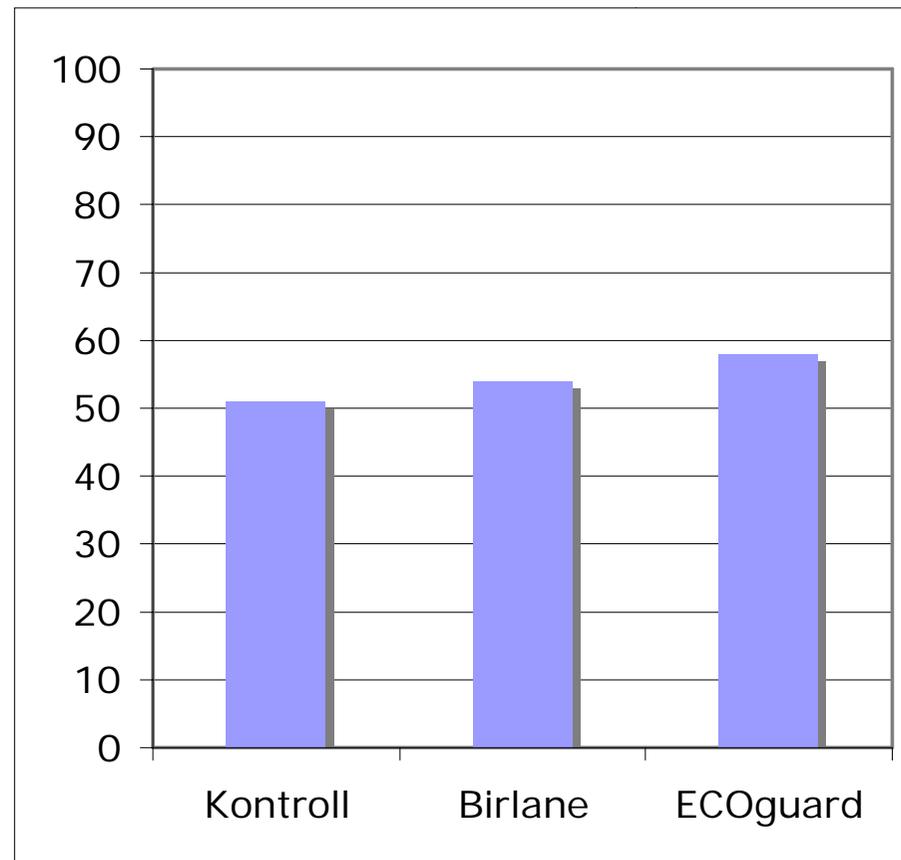
# Stjørdal - cauliflower 2005

% roots with little or no damage  
(6% gain)



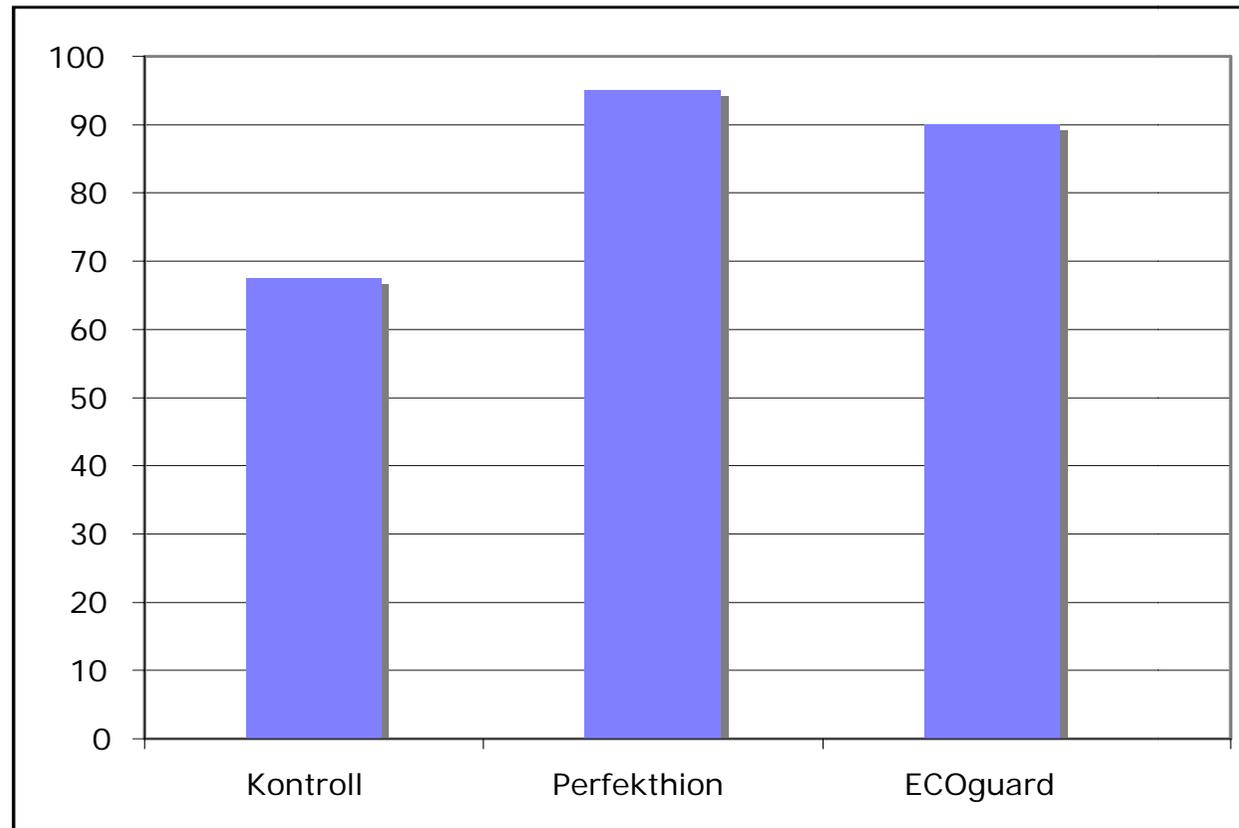
# Lier - cauliflower 2005

% roots with little or no damage  
(7% gain)



# Hedmark 2004 - cauliflower

% roots with little or no damage  
(22% gain)



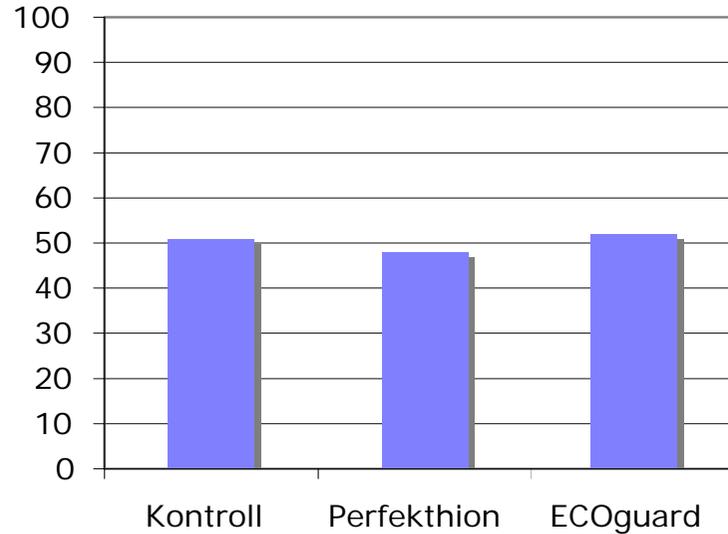
## Field trials in swedes

Beginning at first registered egg laying:

- Treated with ECOguard in granular formulation at 12 kg/ha 3x at weekly intervals

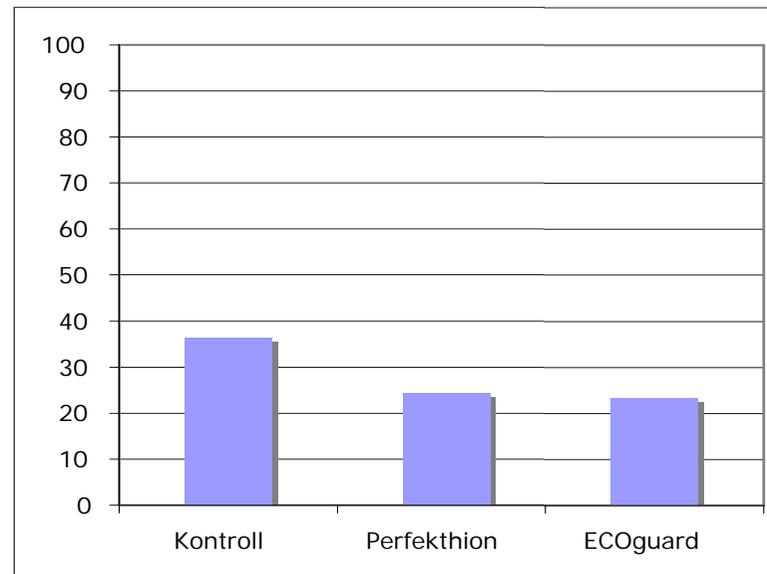
# Midt-Troms - % marketable yield of swedes

2004



(1% gain)

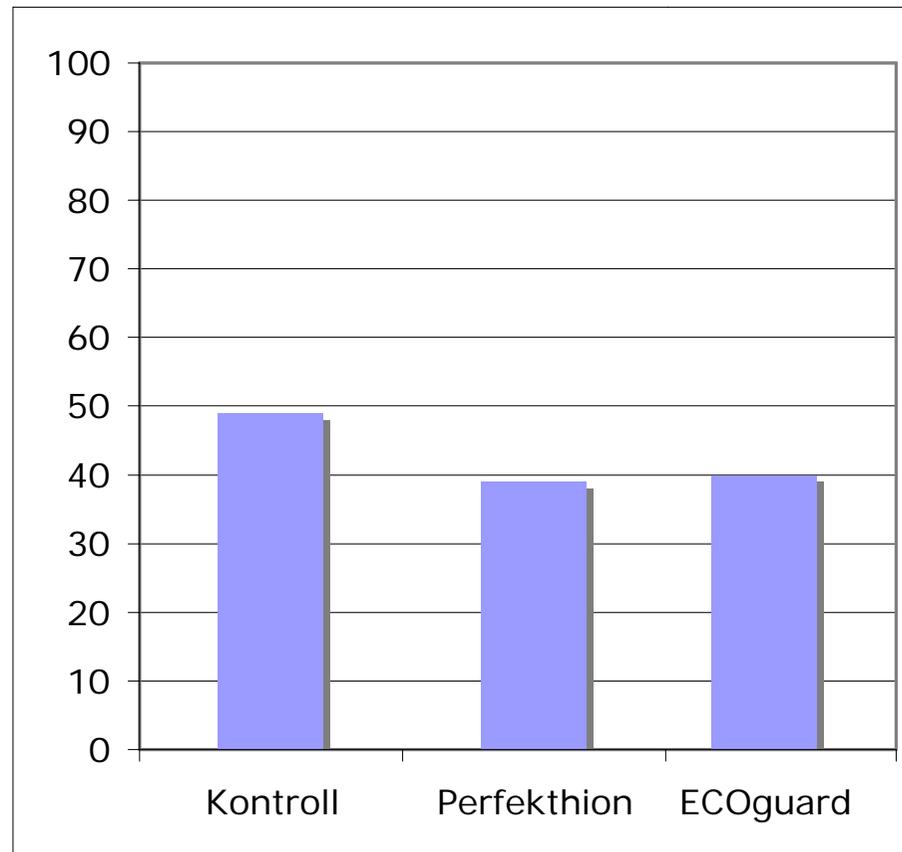
2005



(-13%)

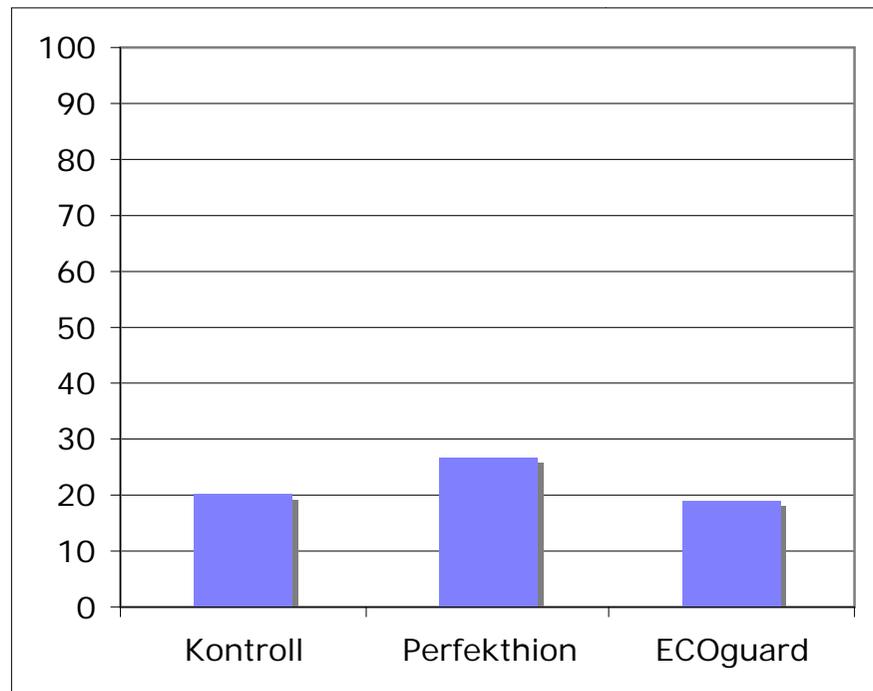
# Namdal - % marketable yield of swedes 2005

(-9%)



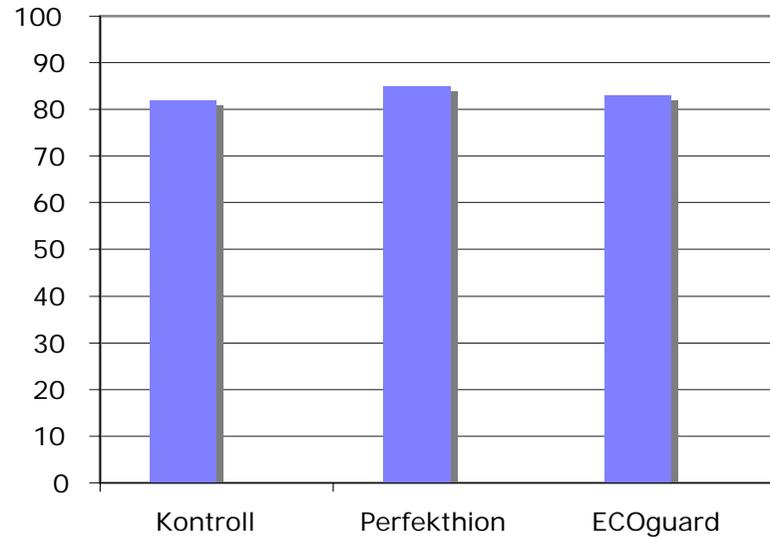
# GA-FA - % marketable yield of swedes 2004

(-1%)



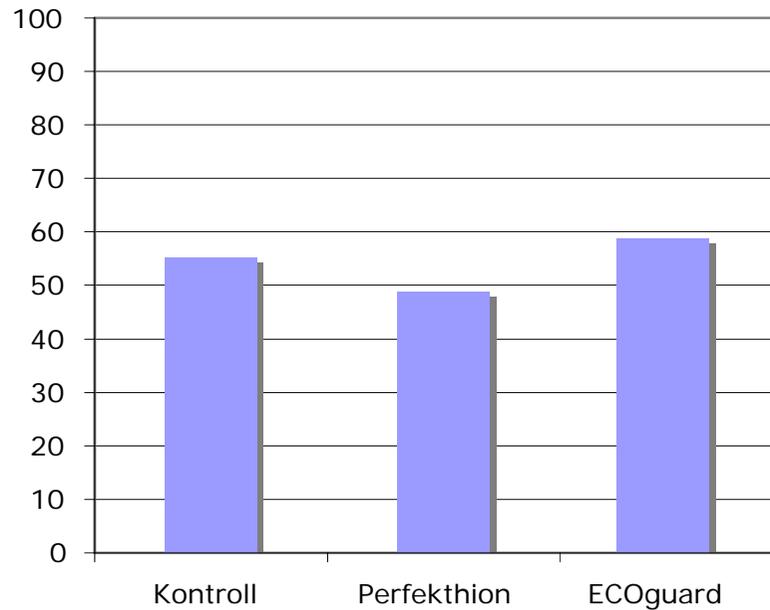
# SørØst - % marketable yield of swedes

2004



(1% gain)

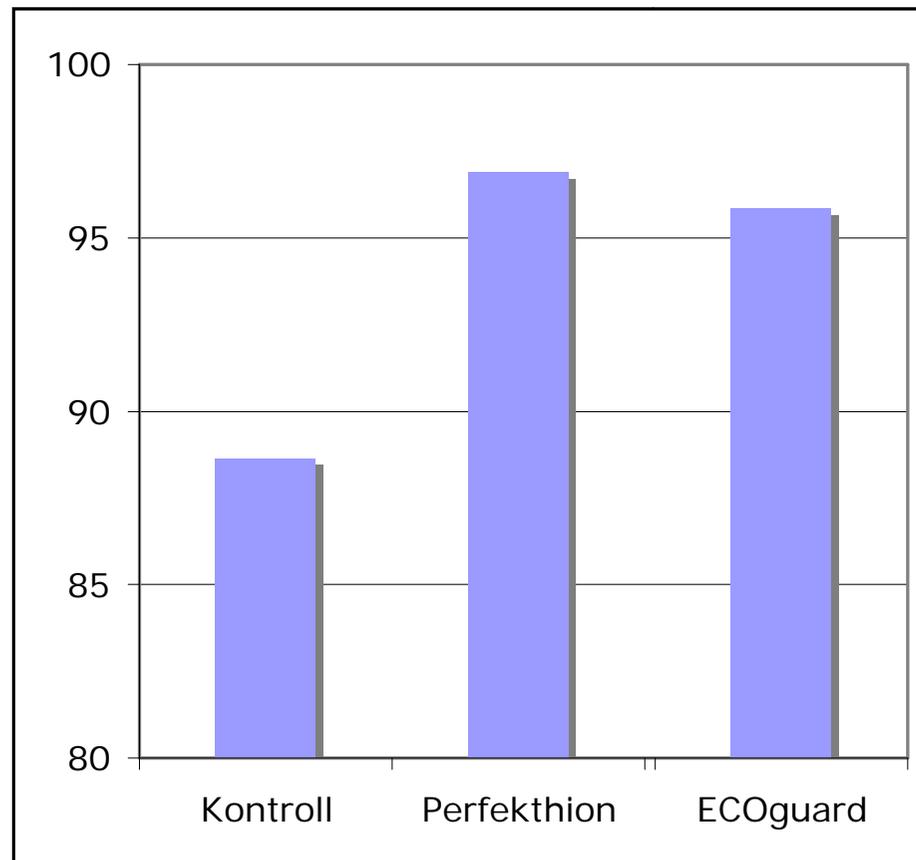
2005



(4% gain)

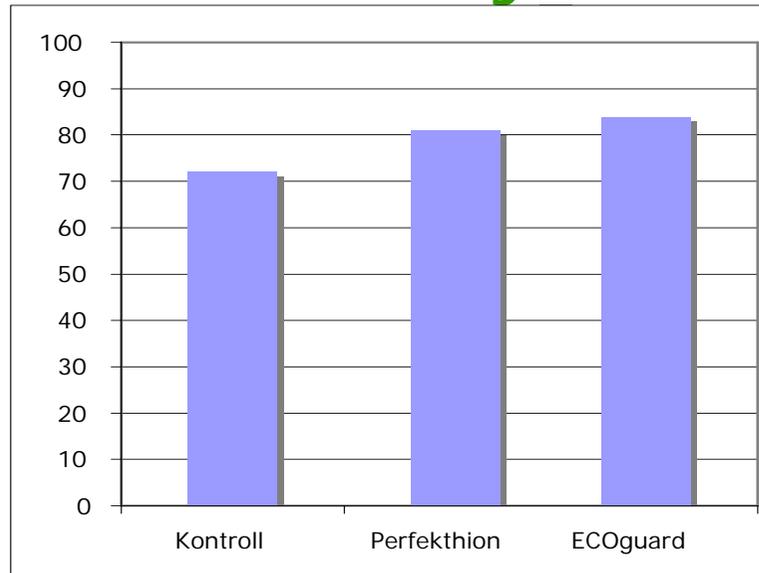
# Hedmark - % marketable yield of swedes 2005

(8% gain)



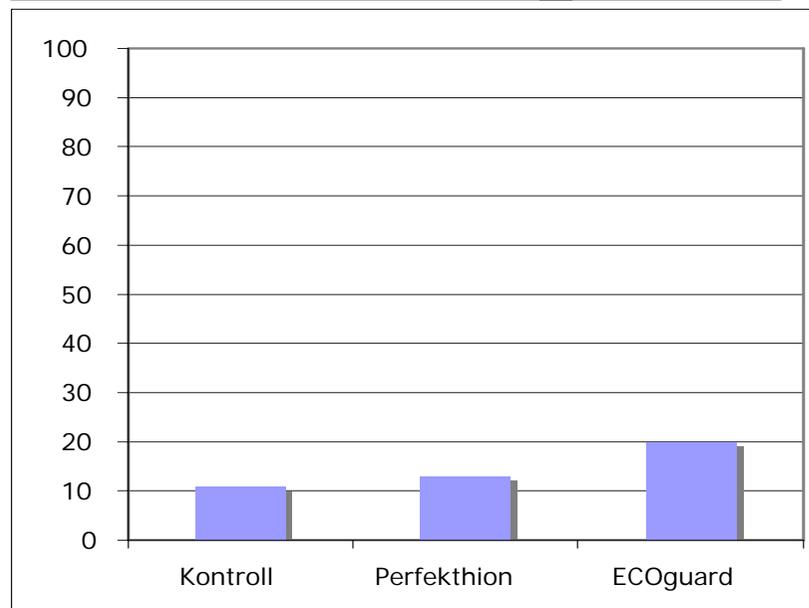
# GA-FA - % marketable yield of swedes

Øyen  
2005



(11% gain)

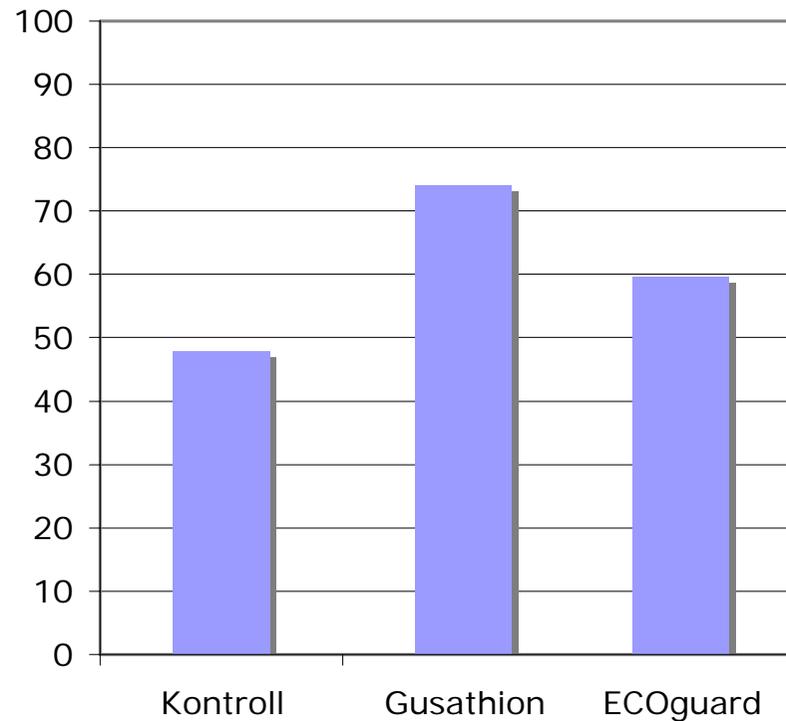
Haugestad  
2005



(10% gain)

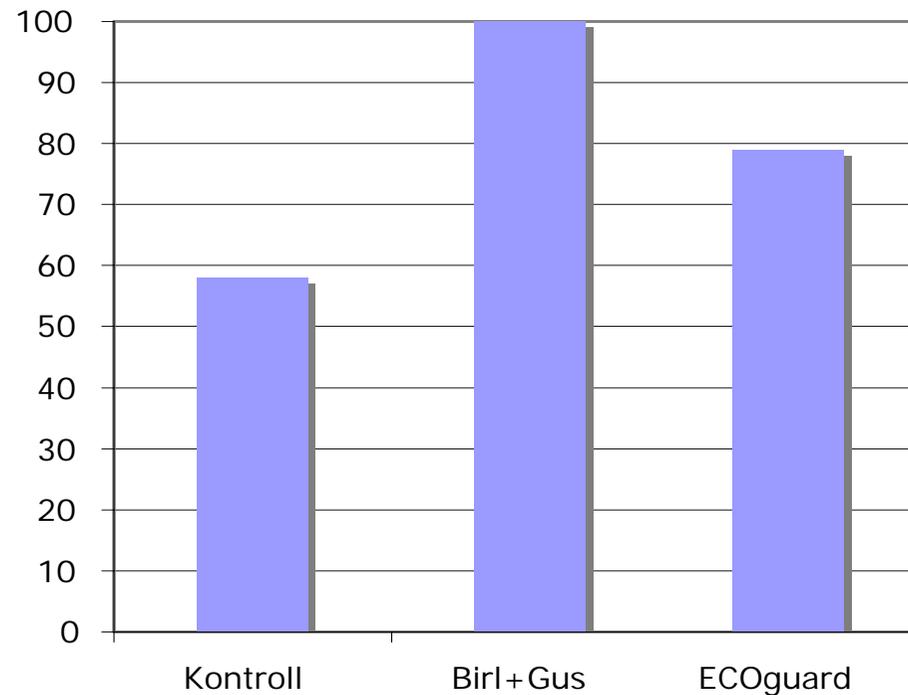
# SørØst - % marketable yield of (transplanted) swedes 2005

(11% gain)



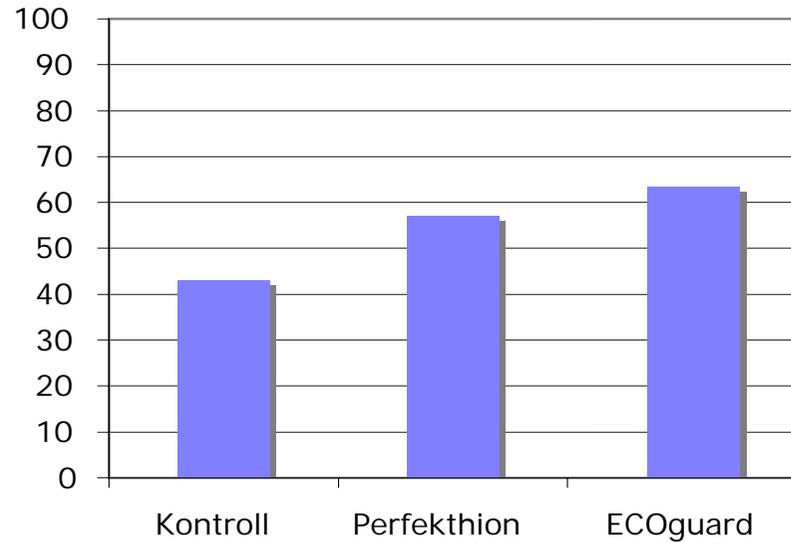
# Stjørdal - % marketable yield of swedes 2005

(21% gain)



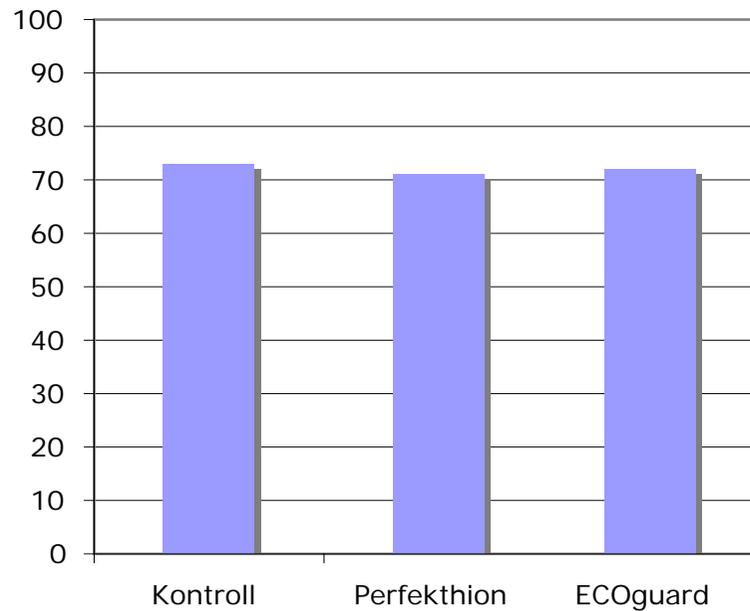
# Toten - % marketable yield of swedes

2004



(20% gain)

2005



(0%)

# Conclusion

- ECOguard gave increased marketable yield in many cases, often as good as OP-insecticides, in some cases better.
- More studies are being conducted to relate efficacy to:
  - timing of treatment in relation to oviposition
  - precipitation/irrigation and treatment
  - frequency of treatment
  - dose