

# GRDC Grains Research Update



## **Managing Clethodim Resistant Annual Ryegrass**

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# Resistance of annual ryegrass to clethodim is becoming a major problem in canola



# Using RT canola to control clethodim-resistant annual ryegrass

- Trials in Victoria near Francis with MacKillop Farm Management Group and Lake Bolac with Southern Farming Systems
- RT canola resistant to glyphosate and triazine herbicides
- Offers the opportunity of using both post-emergent and residual herbicides
- Both sites RT canola in 2014, Wheat in 2015.

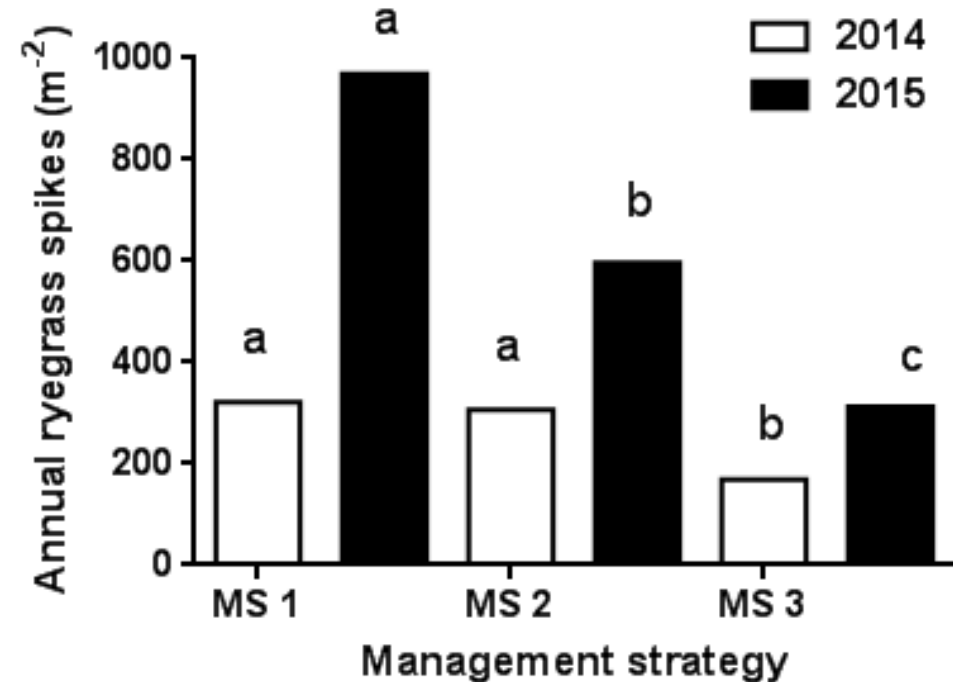
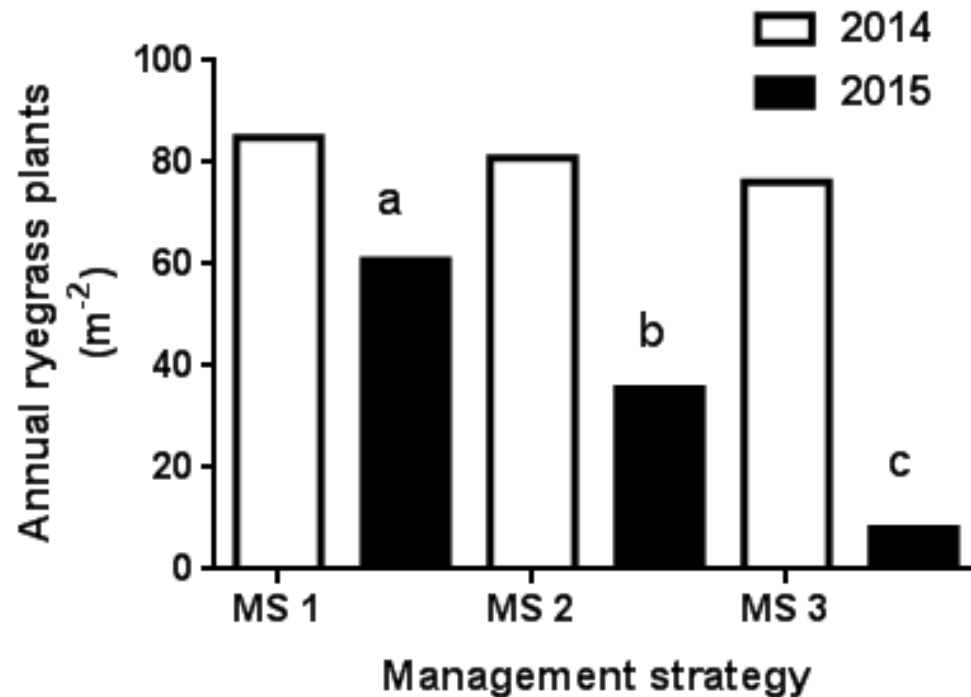




# Lake Bolac trial

<b>Management strategy</b>	<b>Canola phase</b>	<b>Wheat phase</b>
<b>Low intensity</b>	Trifluralin (3 L ha <sup>-1</sup> ) + Atrazine (2.2 kg ha <sup>-1</sup> ) pre Clethodim (500 mL ha <sup>-1</sup> ) post	Trifluralin (3 L ha <sup>-1</sup> ) + Avadex Xtra (2 L ha <sup>-1</sup> ) + Dual Gold (250 mL ha <sup>-1</sup> ) pre
<b>Medium intensity</b>	Trifluralin (3 L ha <sup>-1</sup> ) pre RoundupReady (900 g ha <sup>-1</sup> ) cotyledon RoundupReady (900 g ha <sup>-1</sup> ) + Atrazine (1.1 kg ha <sup>-1</sup> ) 6 leaf	Sakura (118 g ha <sup>-1</sup> ) pre
<b>High intensity</b>	Rustler (1 L ha <sup>-1</sup> ) pre RoundupReady (900 g ha <sup>-1</sup> ) cotyledon RoundupReady (900 g ha <sup>-1</sup> ) + Atrazine (1.1 kg ha <sup>-1</sup> ) 6 leaf Weedmaster DST (2.5 L ha <sup>-1</sup> ) crop top	Sakura (118 g ha <sup>-1</sup> ) + Avadex Xtra (2 L ha <sup>-1</sup> ) pre Boxer Gold (2.5 L ha <sup>-1</sup> ) post

# Annual ryegrass populations in canola and wheat with different management strategies



# Lake Bolac 2015

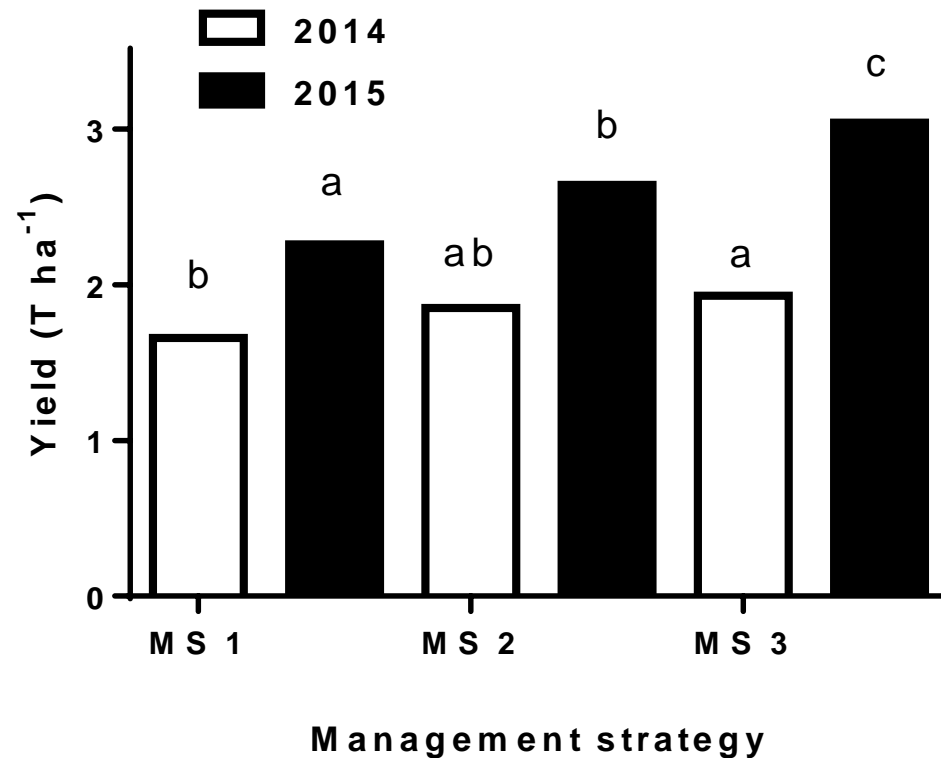


**Management strategy 1**

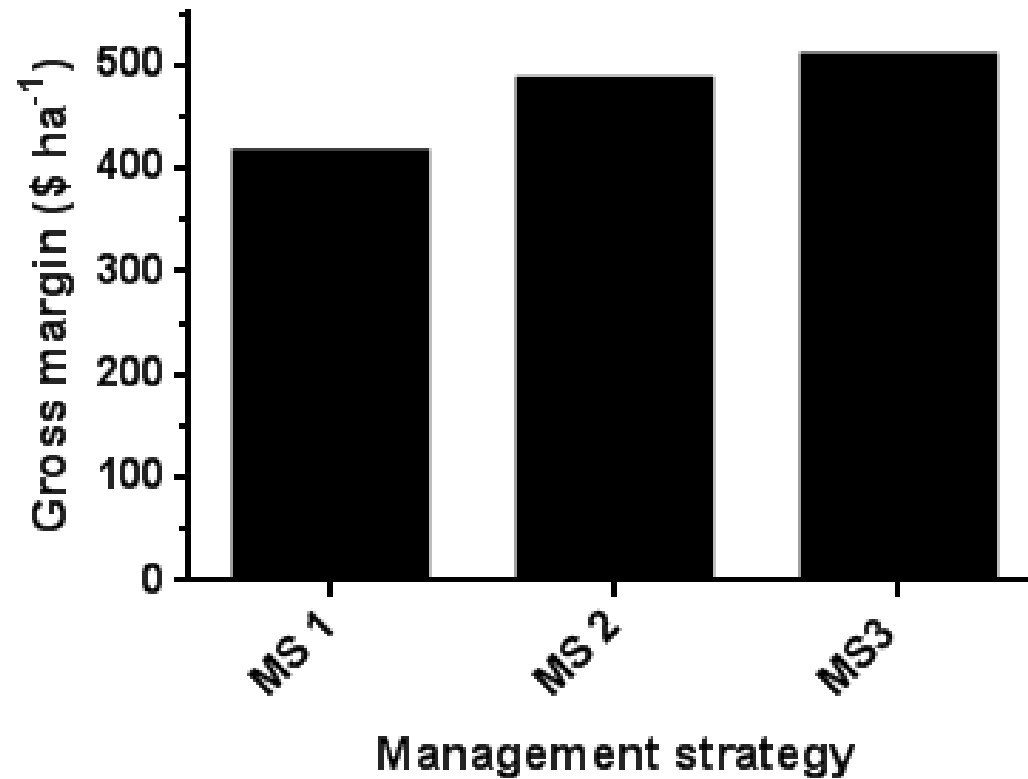


**Management strategy 3**

# Canola and wheat yields with different management strategies



# Can you make it pay?

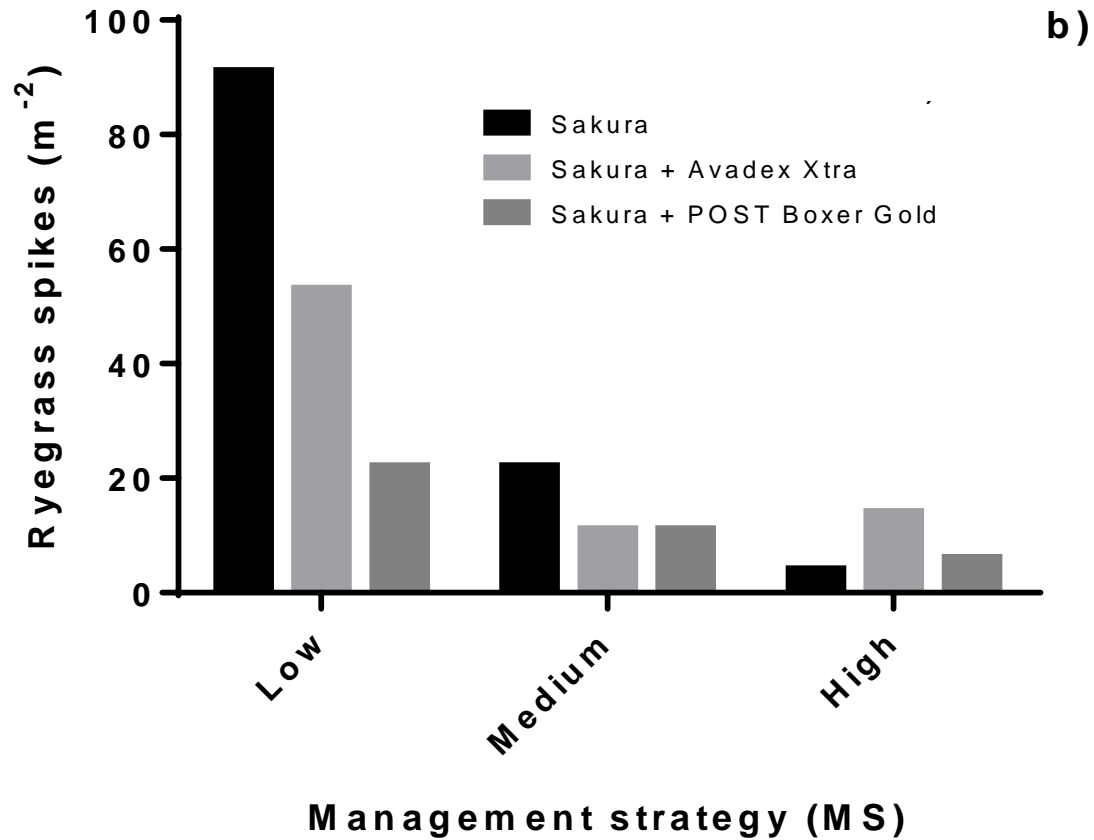




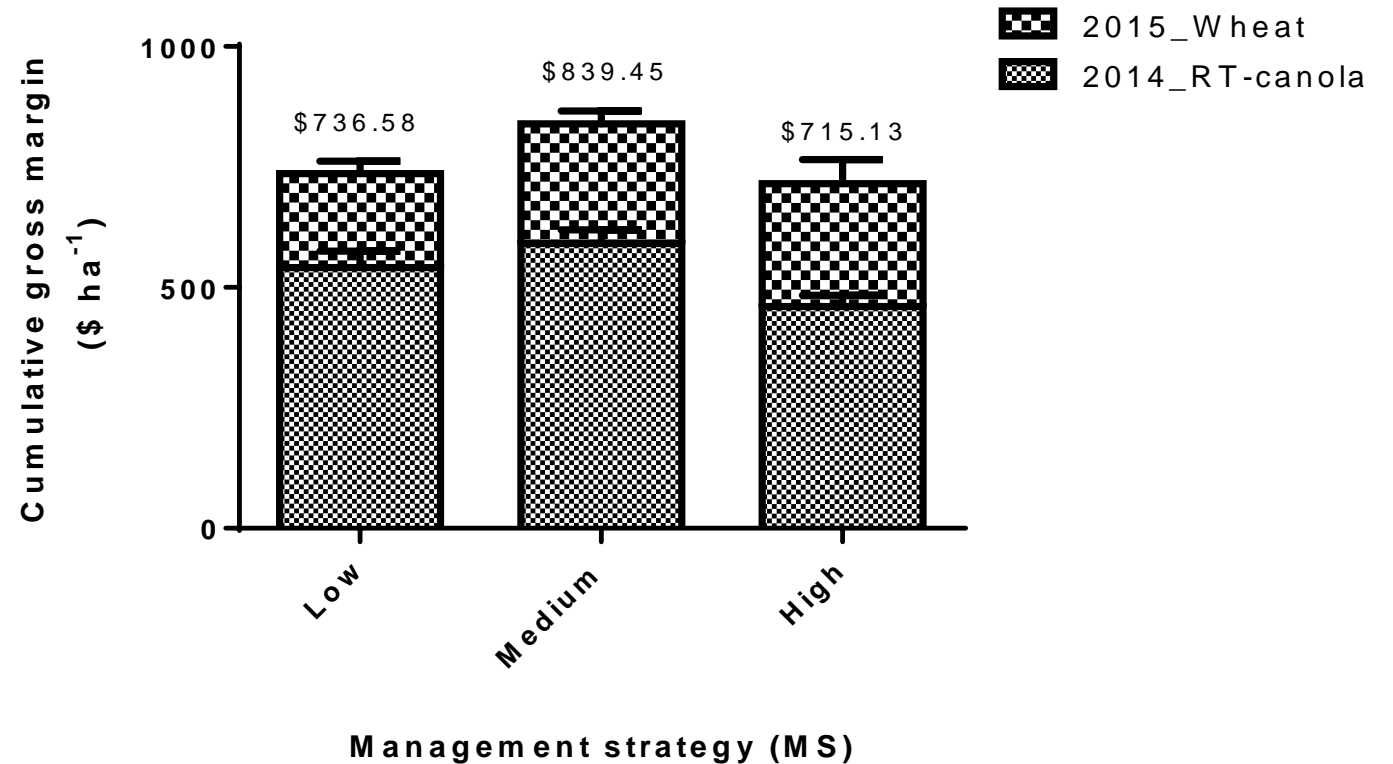
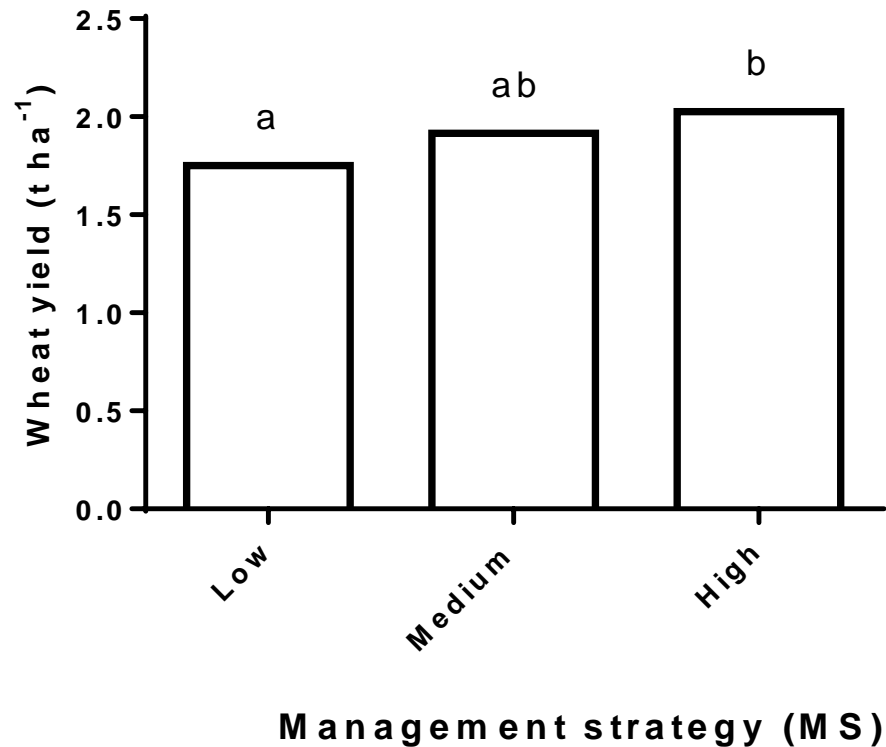
# Frances trial

<b>Management strategy (MS)</b>	<b>RT-canola phase</b>	<b>Wheat phase</b>
<b>Low intensity (MS1)</b>	<b>Simazine (1.1 kg/ha) pre Atrazine (1.1 kg/ha) + Select (500 mL/ha) post</b>	<b>Sakura (0.118 kg/ha) pre</b>
<b>Medium intensity (MS2)</b>	<b>Simazine (1.1 kg/ha) pre RoundupReady (0.9 kg/ha) cotyledon RoundupReady (0.9 kg/ha) + Atrazine (1.1 kg/ha) 6-leaf</b>	<b>Sakura (0.118 kg/ha) + Avadex Xtra (2 L/ha) pre</b>
<b>High intensity (MS3)</b>	<b>Rustler (1 kg/ha) + Avadex Xtra (2 L/ha) pre RoundupReady (0.9 kg/ha) cotyledon RoundupReady (0.9 kg/ha) + Atrazine (1.1 kg/ha) 6-leaf Weedmaster DST (2.4 L/ha) crop-top</b>	<b>Sakura (0.118 kg/ha) pre Boxer Gold (2.5 L/ha) post</b>

# Annual ryegrass seed heads



# Wheat yield at Frances in 2015 and gross margins 2014-2015

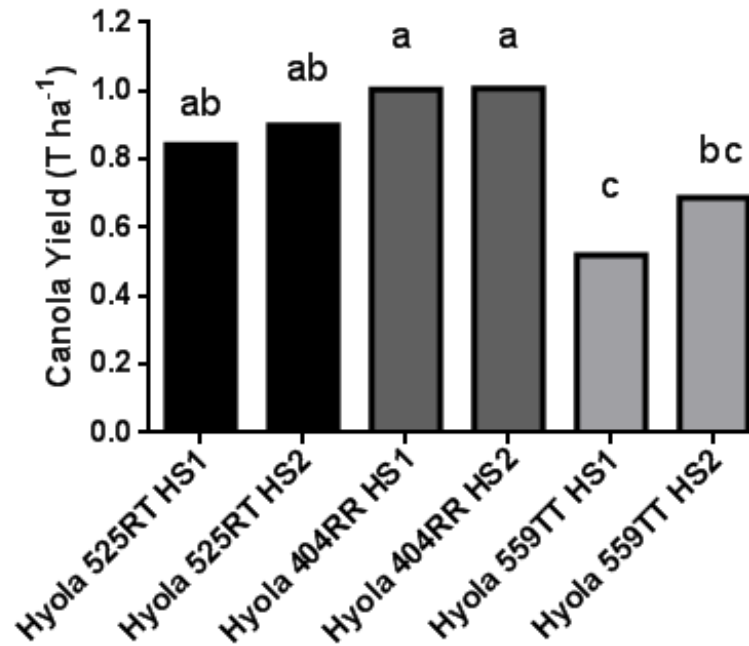
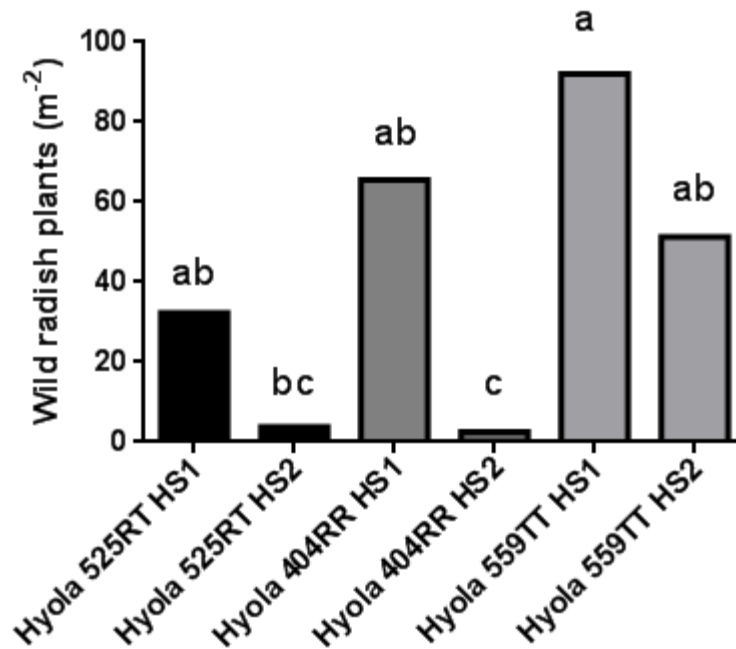


# Young IWM trial

Cultivar	Herbicide treatment	
	Low cost	High cost
Hyola 525RT	Trifluralin 2.5 L ha <sup>-1</sup> + 1.1 kg/ha Sinochem Atrazine pre fb RRH 900 g ha <sup>-1</sup> @ 2-4lf	Rustler® (propyzamide) 1 L ha <sup>-1</sup> + Avadex Xtra 2 L ha <sup>-1</sup> pre fb RRH 900 g ha <sup>-1</sup> + Sinochem Atrazine 1.1 kg ha <sup>-1</sup> @ 2-4lf fb RRH 900 g ha <sup>-1</sup> + Sinochem Atrazine 1.1 kg ha <sup>-1</sup> @ 6-8lf fb Weedmaster DST 2.5 L ha <sup>-1</sup> croptop
Hyola 404RR	Trifluralin 2.5 L ha <sup>-1</sup> pre fb Roundup Ready Herbicide 900 g ha <sup>-1</sup> @ 2-4lf	Rustler® (propyzamide) 1 L ha <sup>-1</sup> pre fb Roundup Ready Herbicide 900 g ha <sup>-1</sup> @ 2-4lf fb Roundup Ready Herbicide 900 g ha <sup>-1</sup> @ 6-8lf fb Weedmaster DST 2.5 L ha <sup>-1</sup> croptop
Hyola 559TT	1.1 kg ha <sup>-1</sup> Sinochem Atrazine pre fb Clethodim 500 mL ha <sup>-1</sup> @ 4lf	Trifluralin 2.5 L ha <sup>-1</sup> + 1.1 kg ha <sup>-1</sup> Sinochem Atrazine pre fb Sinochem Atrazine 1.1 kg ha <sup>-1</sup> + Clethodim 500 mL ha <sup>-1</sup> @ 4lf



# Wild radish plants in canola and canola yield at Young



# Conclusions

- RT canola can be used to drive down annual ryegrass seed banks
- This leads to lower ryegrass numbers in the following wheat crop
- Considerable cost to controlling ryegrass effectively in canola (~\$100 ha<sup>-1</sup>) so there is a need to match the strategy to the expected wheat yield