



# EVOCA™

## A new biofungicide for fruits and vegetables in Europe

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# EVOCA™'s features and uses

(Label submission in EU)



Crops	Uses	Diseases	Stage of crop	Dose rate submitted for registration (Kg/ha)	Dose rate submitted for registration (A.S. g/ha)
Grape Vines	Field Outdoor	Botrytis <i>Botrytis cinerea</i>	Full flowering till harvest BBCH65 -BBCH89	5*	750
		Powdery mildew <i>Erysiphe necator</i>	BBCH15 -BBCH89	5*	750
Strawberries	Indoor Protected	Botrytis <i>Botrytis cinerea</i>	BBCH60 till harvest	5	750
		Powdery mildew <i>Podosphaera aphanis</i>	BBCH15 till harvest	5	750
Cucurbit	Indoor Protected	Powdery mildew <i>Erysiphe cichoracearum</i> and <i>Sphaerotheca fuliginea</i>	BBCH15 till harvest	5*	750
Tomato Fruiting vegetables of <i>Solanaceae</i>		Powdery mildew <i>Oidium neolycopersici</i> - <i>Erysiphe</i> spp. - <i>Leveillula taurica</i> / <i>Oidiopsis taurica</i> <i>Sphaerotheca</i> spp	BBCH15 till harvest	5*	750

Maximum of applications per crop season : 5  
 Min. interval between applications : 5 to 10 days  
 \*Corresponding with 2,5 kg/ha LWA.



A close-up photograph of a person's hands holding a large bunch of dark purple grapes. The grapes are fresh and glistening with water droplets. The person is wearing a light blue shirt. The background is blurred, showing more of the person's hands and the grapes.

**Efficacy of EVOCA™  
Botrytis and Powdery  
mildew in vine grapes**

# Results trials grapes Botrytis EU 2022

Objective: Efficacy of EVOCA™ at different rates and timings against Botrytis in grapevine using both LWA (leaf wall area) and a horizontal area approach



**Flowering**



**Bunch closure**



**Veraison**

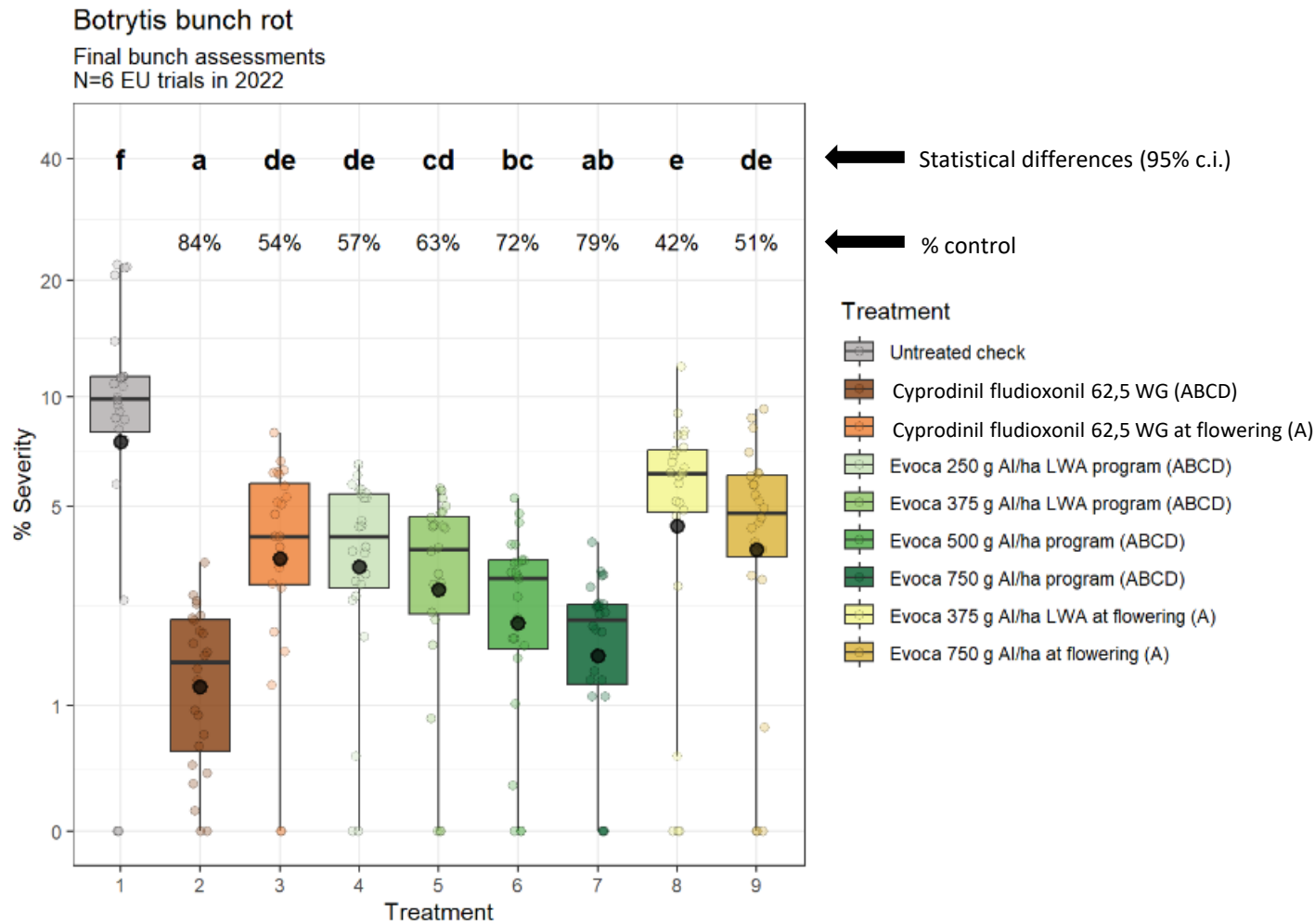


**Pre-harvest**

Program	A	B	C	D
	g ai/ha (spread))	g ai/ha (spread)	g ai/ha (spread)	g ai/ha (spread)
Untreated check	-	-	-	-
Cyprodinil fludioxonil 62,5 WG	500	500	500	500
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EVOCA™ 250 g AI/ha LWA program	152 (117-283)	204 (150-273)	251 (220-280)	259 (220-283)
EVOCA™ 375 g AI/ha LWA program	228 (175-270)	306 (225-410)	377 (330-420)	389 (330-425)
EVOCA™ 500 g AI/ha program	500	500	500	500
EVOCA™ 750 g AI/ha program	750	750	750	750
EVOCA™ 375 g AI/ha LWA at flowering	228 (175-270)			
EVOCA™ 750 g AI/ha at flowering	750			

- Chemical reference is fludioxonil [FRAC G12] + cyprodinil [FRAC G9]
- 2022: 4 trials Italy, 2 trials Serbia
- Assessment of Botrytis bunch rot

# EVOCA™ is a robust biofungicide for the control of Botrytis bunch rot in grapes

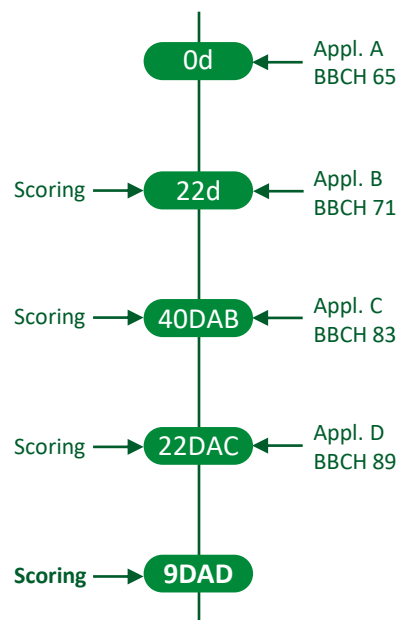


- Applied as a standalone in the GAP (submitted dose rate) EVOCA™ contributes to the control of Botrytis bunch rot, starting from flowering application.
- Adding applications of EVOCA™ at bunch closure, veraison and harvest brings a disease control to 79 %, which is similar to the chemical standalone application of the chemical reference

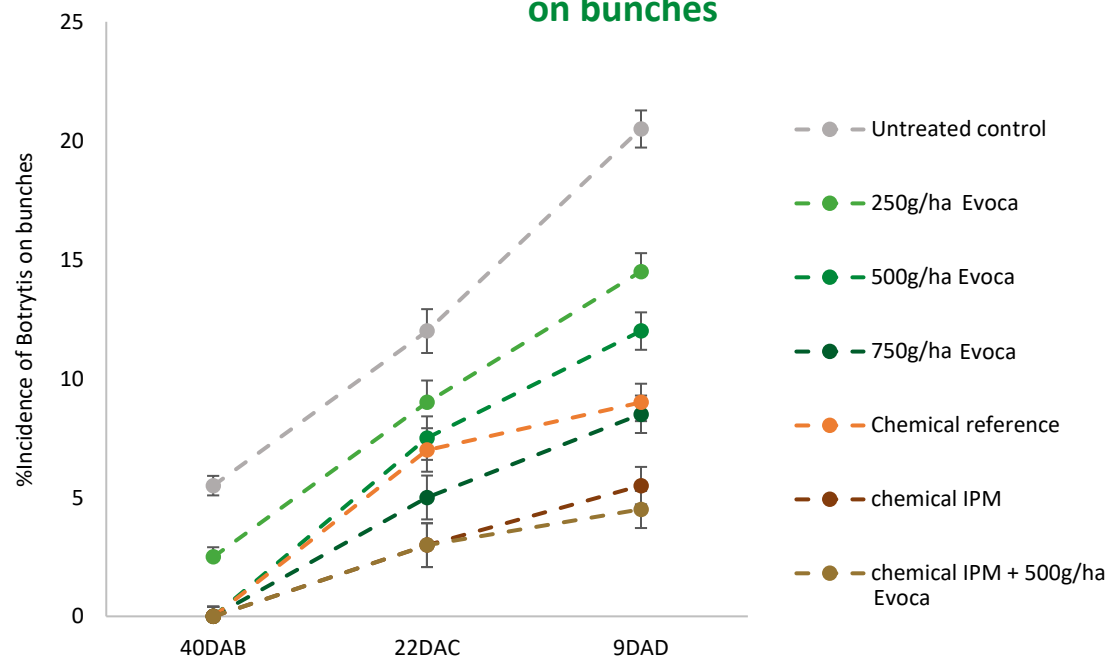


# Effect of EVOCA™ on *Botrytis cinerea* on grape bunches

- 🔑 IPM program with rotation of 500g/ha EVOCA™ provides **on par activity with chemical IPM**
- 🔑 **Clear dose response** of EVOCA™ with significant performance of all rates compared to the Untreated Control



Evolution of percentage incidence of *Botrytis cinerea* on bunches



✂ Untreated



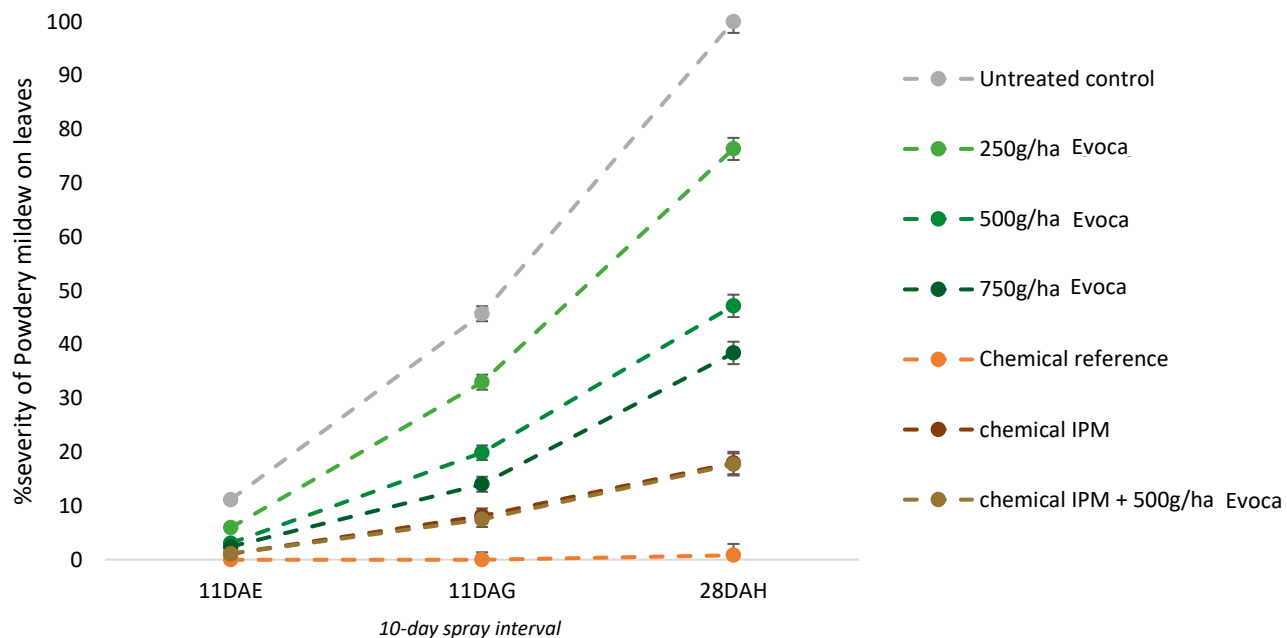
✂ Evoca™



# Effect of EVOCA™ on *Powdery mildew on grape bunches*

- 🔑 **EVOCA™** at 750g a.i /ha provides Powdery mildew control **on par with chemical treatment** under low and moderate disease pressure.
- 🔑 **Clear dose response**, with **all rates** providing **significant control** compared with the untreated check, **even under very important disease pressure**.

## Percentage Powdery mildew severity on leaves



Source: Biotallys field trial 2019 - EU, IT, Mornico Losana – Casamadama  
2019-EU-IT-GRAPe-11  
Source: Biotallys field trial 2019 - FR, Rhones-Alpes area, Saint-Savin

✂ Untreated



✂ Evoca™





# Efficacy of EVOCA™ Powdery mildew cucumber



# 2022 EU cucumber

## Powdery mildew protocol setup

Program	A= Preventive	B	C	D	E**	F*
	g ai/ha***	g ai/ha***	g ai/ha***	g ai/ha***	g ai/ha***	g ai/ha
Untreated check	-	-	-	-		
Synthetic fungicide rotation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AB sulfur/ C bupirimate/ DE dimethomorph+pyraclostrobin (1/4 trials)</li> <li>• ACE difenoconazole+fluxapyroxad / BD penconazole (1/4 trials)</li> <li>• AC difenoconazole+fluxapyroxad / BD penconazole (1/4 trials)</li> <li>• AD myclobutanil/ BE penconazole / C boscalid+pyraclostrobin (1/4 trials)</li> </ul>					
Synthetic reference	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ABCD(E) difenoconazole+fluxapyroxad (2/4 trials)**</li> <li>• ABCDE metrafenone (1/4 trials)</li> <li>• ABCDE penconazole (1/4 trials)</li> </ul>					penconazole
Biological reference	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ABCD(E) <i>Bacillus pumilus</i> (3/4 trials)**</li> <li>• ABCDE <i>potassium hydrogen carbonate</i> (1/4 trials)</li> </ul>					<i>potassium hydrogen carbonate</i>
EVOCA™ 250 g AI/ha LWA	361	380	405	423	422	266
EVOCA™ 375 g AI/ha LWA	540	568	605	634	632	397

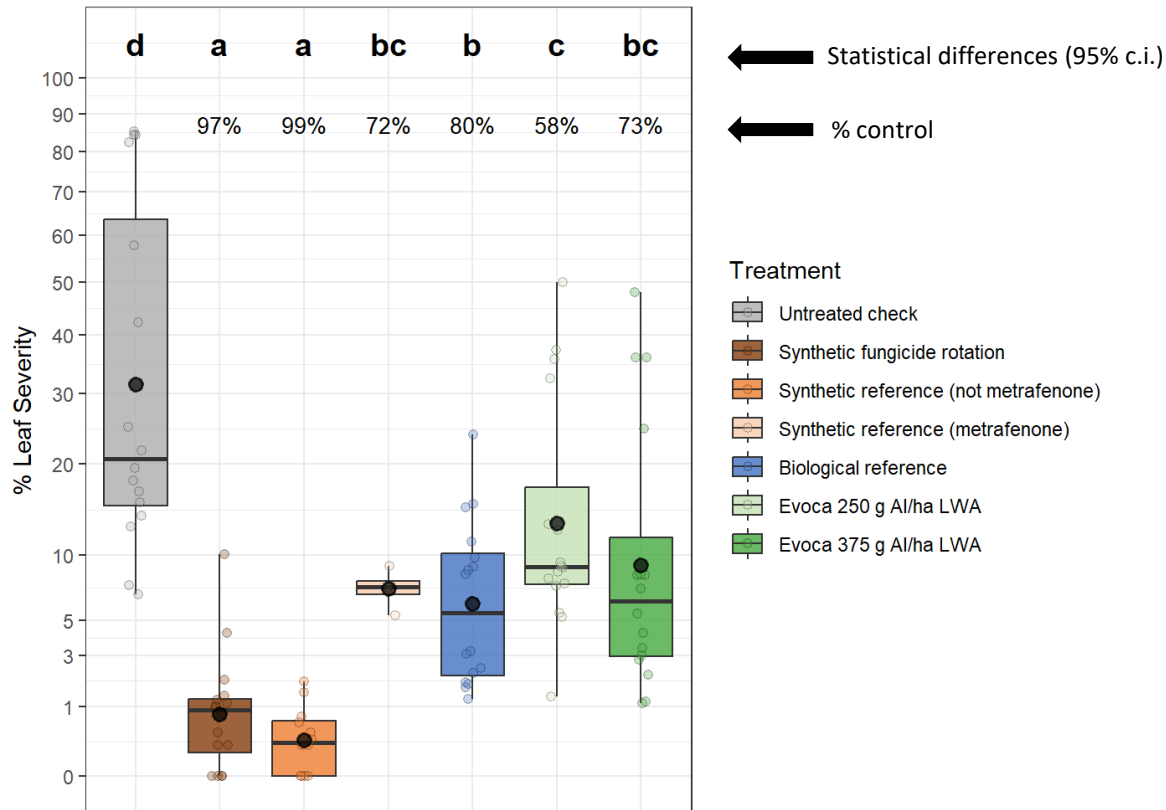
- 📍 Locations: 1 Italy; 2 Spain; 1 Belgium
- 📍 5 (4-6\*) applications based on a weekly interval, starting preventative

Trials; 2022F0102PODOXA\_CUMSA-EF1G-AG1EUIT1, -ST2EUES1, ST2EUES2, -SK1EUBE1  
 \* The trial in Belgium received 6 sprays ABCDEF except the fungicide synthetic rotation  
 \*\* One trial in Spain received 4 sprays ABCD  
 \*\*\* Average g ai /ha over all 4 trials

## Powdery mildew stand-alone Evoca™ efficacy

Cucumber leaf powdery mildew severity

Evaluation one week after a program of 4-6 weekly sprays (ABCD(EF))  
N=4 EU trials in 2022



- Valid trials as evidenced by the sufficient infection and performance of the chemical reference in the stand-alone and rotation program.
- EVOCA™ performance for the proposed regulatory rate (375 g ai/ha LWA) reaches 73% disease control, comparable to the level of Powdery mildew control provided by the biological references
- No phytotoxicity



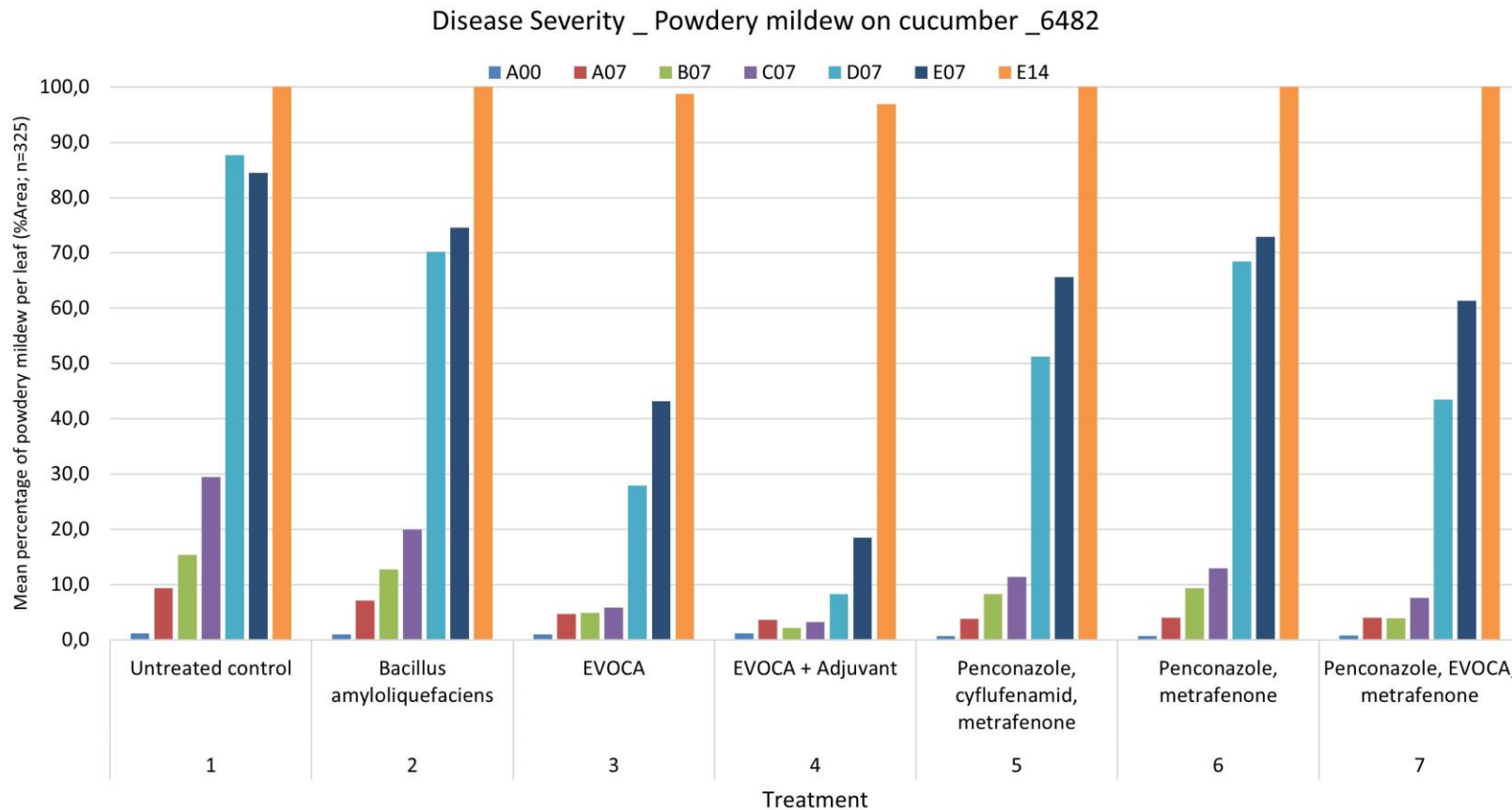
# Efficacy of EVOCA™ on Powdery mildew cucumber protocol setup

Table 2.1: Treatment list; products, rates and application timings

Treatment	Product	Dose	Unit	Dose	other rate Unit	Appl. Code
1	Untreated control					
2	<i>Bacillus amyloliquefaciens</i>	8,00	l/ha			ABCDE
3	EVOCA	2,47	kg/ha lwa		375 g ai / ha lwa	ABCDE
4	EVOCA	2,47	kg/ha lwa		375 g ai / ha lwa	ABCDE
4	ELASTO G5 (Adjuvant)	250,00	ml/100L			ABCDE
5	Penconazole	50,00	ml/100L			A
5	Cyflufenamid	0,15	l/ha			BD
5	Metrafenone	10,00	ml/100L			CE
6	Penconazole	50,00	ml/100L			A
6	Metrafenone	10,00	ml/100L			CE
7	Penconazole	50,00	ml/100L			A
7	EVOCA	2,47	kg/ha lwa		375 g ai / ha lwa	BD
7	Metrafenone	10,00	ml/100L			CE



# Efficacy of EVOCA™ on Powdery mildew cucumber



- High disease pressure at the end of the trial
- Evoca (stand alone + adjuvant) showed the best efficacy.
- Evoca stand alone better than biological reference and chemical program
- Added value of Evoca in IPM compared to *gap* program
- No phytotoxicity

Botany reported some increased level of resistance built up against metrafenone as frequently used as reference chemical.



# Efficacy of EVOCA™ on Powdery mildew cucumber



EVOCA™ at 2,5 kg/ha LWA



A close-up photograph of a person's hands holding a rustic wooden bowl filled with cherry tomatoes. The tomatoes are mostly bright red, but one on the left is still green. The person is wearing a light-colored, textured gardening glove with blue polka dots on the back. The background is a soft-focus green field.

**Efficacy of EVOCA™ on  
Powdery mildew in tomato**



# Powdery mildew protocol setup

Program	A= Preventive	B	C	D	E
	g ai/ha (spread)	g ai/ha (spread)	g ai/ha (spread)	g ai/ha (spread)	g ai/ha (spread)
Untreated check	-	-	-	-	
Synthetic fungicide rotation	2xsulfur/ bupirimate/ 2xdifenoconazole+fluxapyroxad (1/3trials) 2xmetrafenone/ azoxystrobin/ penconazole/ boscalid+pyraclostrobin (1/trials) 2xdifenoconazole+fluxapyroxad/ 2xpenconazole (1/3 trials)				
Synthetic reference	5x difenoconazole+fluxapyroxad (1/3 trials) 5x metrafenone (2/3 trials)				
Biological reference	<i>Bacillus pumilus</i> *	<i>Bacillus pumilus</i> *	<i>Bacillus pumilus</i> *	<i>Bacillus pumilus</i> *	<i>Bacillus pumilus</i> *
EVOCA™ 250 g AI/ha LWA	375 (250-500)	392 (300-500)	414 (374-500)	442 (375-500)	458 (375-500)
EVOCA™ 375 g AI/ha LWA	542 (375-750)	567 (450-750)	604 (500-750)	642(500-750)	667(500-750)
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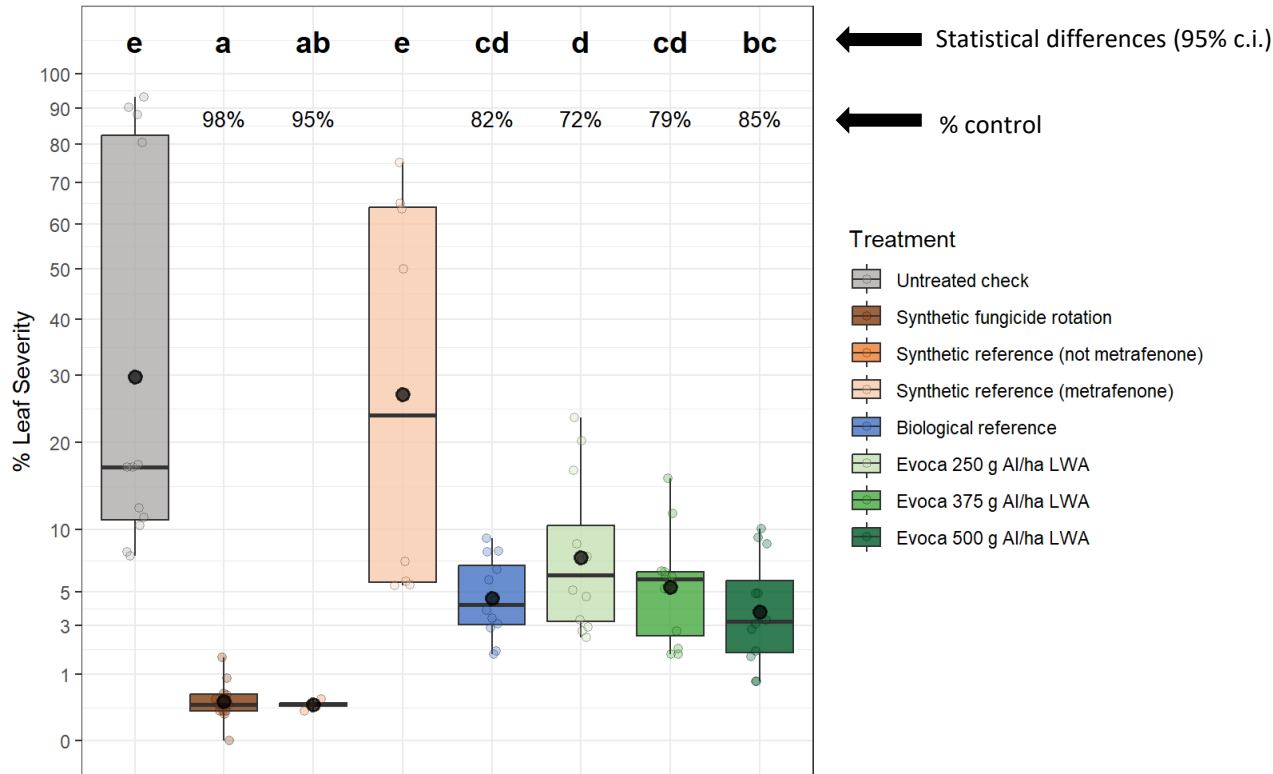
Objective: Efficacy of EVOCA™ at different rates against Powdery mildew in tomato against a full synthetic rotation, a stand alone synthetic reference and a biological reference

2022: trials in Italy, Spain and Netherlands

# Powdery mildew stand-alone Evoca™ efficacy

## Leaf powdery mildew severity

Evaluation one week after a program of 5 weekly sprays (ABCDE)  
N=3 EU trials in 2022



- Valid trials thanks to sufficient infection and performance of chemical reference stand alone program. Slight dose rate effect.
- EVOCA™ performance for the proposed regulatory rate (375 g ai/ha LWA) reaches 79% disease control, which is on par with the level of Powdery mildew control provided by the biological reference *Bacillus pumilus*
- In comparison against the synthetic reference as a stand alone, EVOCA™ outperforms metrafenone, but can not meet the combo of difenoconazole + fluxapyroxad
- No phytotoxicity

# Efficacy of EVOCA™ on Powdery mildew tomato protocol setup

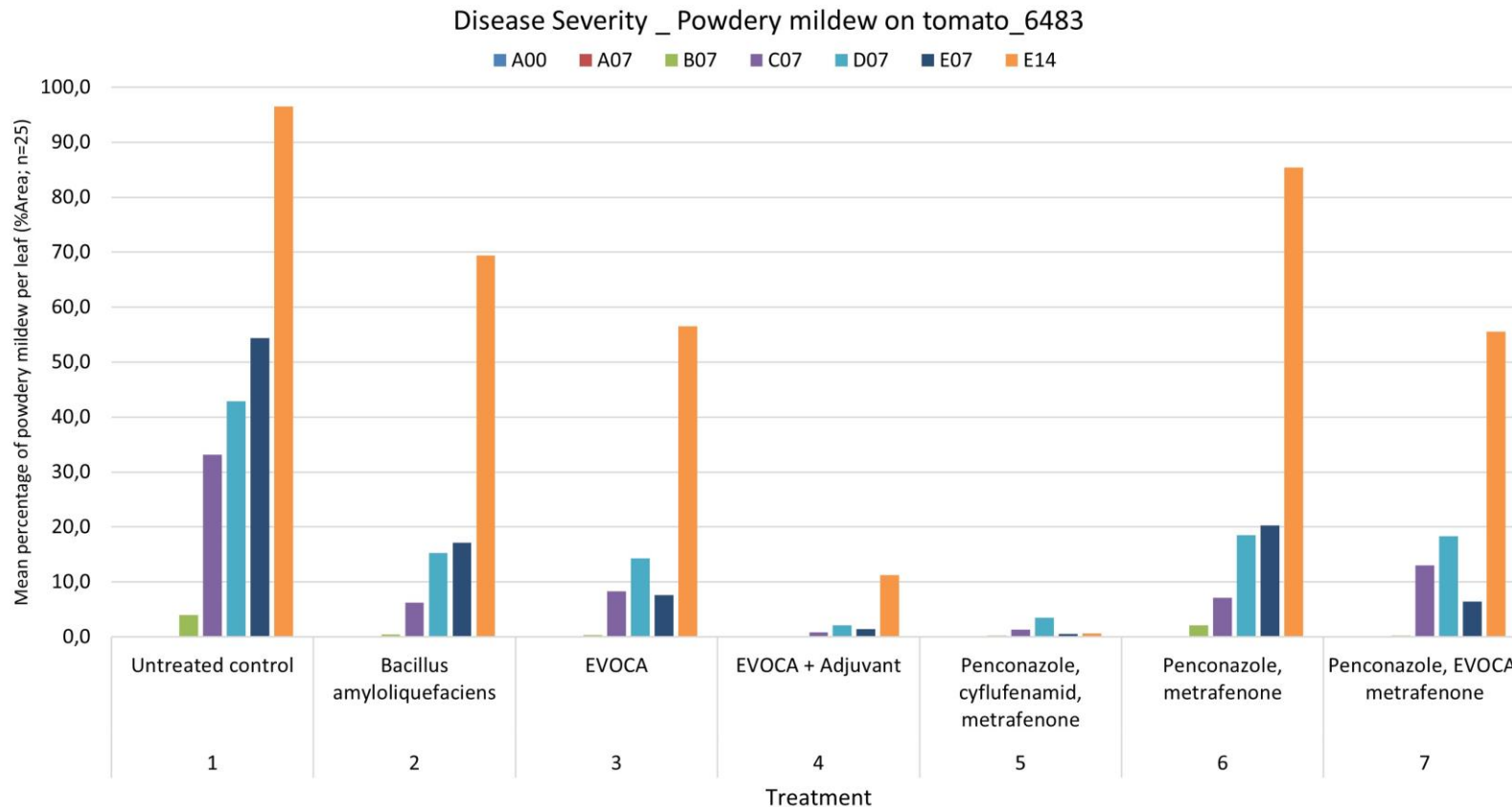
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- Evoca (stand alone + adjuvant) and full chemical program showed the best efficacy
- Evoca solo comparable with biological reference
- Added value of Evoca in IPM compared to *gap* program
- No phytotoxicity

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# Efficacy of EVOCA™ on Powdery mildew tomato



**EVOCA™ at 2,5 kg/ha LWA**





# Evoca™: a novel tool for biocontrol





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