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Planning for the best – tailor your oilseed rape strategy

As combines roll in some parts of the UK and Ireland, oilseed rape growers are planning how to get the best possible crop establishment this autumn.

Every farm will have its own strategy but the goal for all will be to go into the winter with strong, resilient crops by mitigating the threat posed by pests and disease.

In recent years the fundamentals of good establishment have revolved around a number of factors; choosing a sowing date that optimises seedbed quality and moisture availability, choosing the right variety and managing risk.

Corteva Agriscience has a whole package of tools available to farmers this autumn which gives every oilseed rape grower options, whatever their strategy may be.

They include a range of seed options from Pioneer plus robust chemistry in the form of a post-emergence herbicide and seed-applied technologies.

Get your copy of the **NEW Pioneer Oilseed Rape Hybrids 2020 Guide.**



Download it here

It all starts with seed choice.

Every oilseed rape grower will have a preference when it comes to variety choice, and choosing the right seed for each farm – sometimes down to field level – has become an increasingly important decision taken during the summer.

Pioneer has a full range of winter oilseed rape hybrids for 2020. It includes PT279CL, the first Clearfield® hybrid to make the AHDB Recommended List and the only one recommended for the UK region. The attributes of a new oilseed rape variety could make it the perfect fit for farmers who plan to switch to early drilling to improve autumn establishment.

PX131 is the first semi-dwarf hybrid to be added to the AHDB Descriptive List. Its low-spreading growth habit in the autumn, winter hardiness and high oil content will appeal to farmers who are bringing forward sowing dates as they seek optimal establishment.

Read a blog about early drilling from Corteva's Seeds and Inoculants Manager Andy Stainthorpe [here](#).

Meanwhile, PT275 is recommended again for the East/West Region and is now demonstrating in the field the value of a top quality hybrid when cultivating oilseed rape in stressful conditions.

[Download the Pioneer 2020 WOSR guide here.](#)



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Lumiposa® shows yield benefit in NIAB trials.



Independent trials from oilseed rape experts at leading research organisation NIAB have shown that using proven seed-applied technologies can boost yields.

Lumiposa treated seed of PT279CL gave a higher number of plants established and lower numbers of larvae per plant when compared to PT279CL seed sown without Lumiposa treatment. In addition, the NIAB conducted trial showed that PT279CL sown without Lumiposa treatment but with companion crops of mustard and buckwheat also led to higher numbers of established plants and lower larval levels. The trial suggests that combining the use of Lumiposa treated seed and effective companion crops like mustard and buckwheat in an integrated crop management strategy may increase established plant numbers and reduced larval numbers even further.

The findings support Corteva's own on-farm strip trial testing programme which has shown an **average yield benefit of 8.6%** when compared to crops with no Lumiposa seed dressing.

Read more about the trials in a [Farmers Weekly article](#) published earlier this month.

Lumiposa does not have full approval for treating seed in the UK but is approved for application to oilseed rape in several European countries and seed treated with Lumiposa in these countries can be imported and sold in the UK.

LumiGEN™ Standard treatment provides growers with a proven fungicide and growth promoter combination treatment. Lumigen Insecticide includes the same but also with the addition of the unique insecticide Lumiposa.

Lumiposa insecticide treatment is available on all Pioneer winter oilseed rape hybrids including the AHDB listed hybrids PT279CL, PT275 and PX131, and the new Protector Clubroot hybrid PT284.

[View our Lumiposa brochure here.](#)

Lumiposa®

SEED APPLIED INSECTICIDE

LumiGEN™

Free seed and the chance to take part in our trials.



Each year, we offer growers the chance to try a Pioneer winter oilseed rape hybrid with a Free of Charge sack of seed (subject to availability). This year includes seed treated with Lumiposa.

For more information, or to apply to take part in our Test the Best programme, [click here.](#)

Use the herbicide technology that manages risk.

The first applications of Belkar® – a new post-emergence herbicide for superior control of a wide range of broad-leaf weeds in winter oilseed rape – were made in autumn 2019 and represent a new option for farmers who want to see crops emerge before deciding on their herbicide investment.

Belkar is highly effective against key weeds such as cleavers, cranesbill, fumitory, poppies and shepherd's purse.

Belkar contains Arylex™ active, a new active ingredient for oilseed rape, together with the well

established active ingredient picloram. It delivers robust and reliable control of key problem weeds in variable temperatures with a flexible window of application from September to the end of December.

Watch this video to find out how Belkar can be part of the solution to successful establishment while lowering the upfront financial costs associated with growing oilseed rape using pre-emergence herbicides.

You can also find out more about Belkar here.



WIN A WASHER



Apply the pressure on OSR weeds this autumn with Belkar!

Three powerful petrol washers, **PLUS** twelve **Belkar®** satchels are up for grabs in our **FREE** prize draw.

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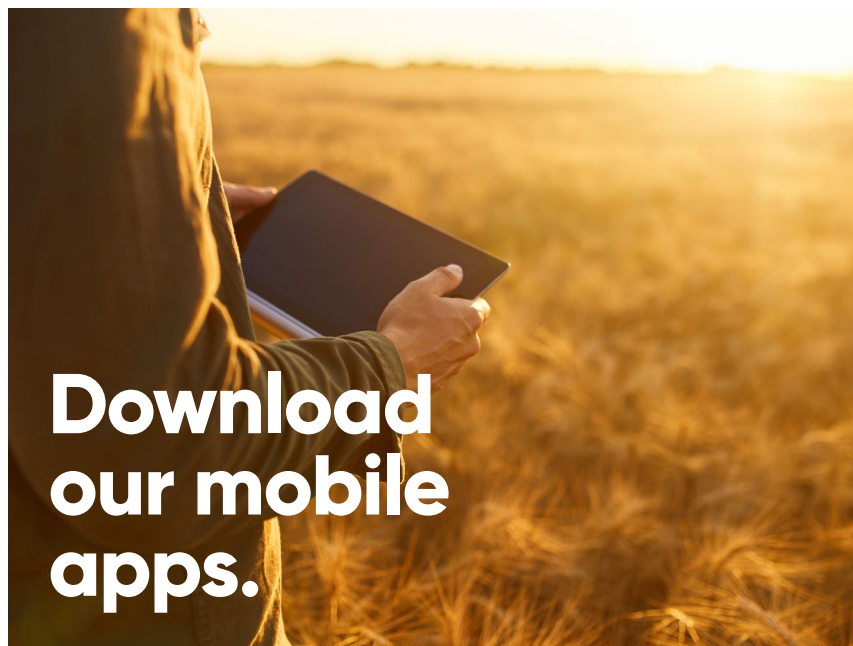
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