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Early drilled oilseed rape needs tailored herbicide programme.

The past few growing seasons have posed a number of challenges for farmers. They have been competing with a drought one year and a deluge of rain the next, on top of the usual pest and disease pressures that need to be managed.

Reducing the up-front investment in crop protection is one way of managing risk. It allows farmers the time to see the crop establish before deciding on the appropriate herbicide programme.

Key problem weeds to get on top of in autumn oilseed rape programmes include **cleavers, poppy, shepherd's purse, fumitory and cranesbill.**

Belkar[®], the ground-breaking post-emergence herbicide, was launched by Corteva in 2019.

It contains Arylex[™] active – the same robust, reliable molecule which can also be found in the spring-applied oilseed herbicide Korvetto[®]. Belkar also contains picloram, known to many arable farmers who used Galera[®] in the past.

Now in its second year of use in UK and Irish fields, Belkar has demonstrated excellent control of key weeds and is already becoming an important tool in the box for growing oilseed rape successfully.

The way we grow oilseed rape is changing and that means farmers and agronomists are looking at weed

control from a new angle. The switch to post-emergence applications allows farmers to see the crop establish, assess

the weed spectrum and tailor a reactive programme accordingly. Read our recent press release on this topic [here](#).



*Pioneer WOSR,
drilled early
August 2020*

How to get the best results from Belkar.

The spray period for Belkar is from 1 September right up to the end of December, and you can use one of three treatment strategies that will deliver the best results.

From two-to-three leaves, an application at 0.25l/ha will take out the weeds which have germinated alongside the crop and, in some circumstances, that may be enough broad-leaved control before an application of AstroKerb® (propyzamide + aminopyralid) or Kerb® Flo 500 later on.

In high weed pressure situations where there is a further weed flush, crops can have a second dose at 0.25l/ha two to four weeks after the first.

A third option to be used is to wait until six true leaves of the crop and all the weeds have emerged and apply 0.5l/ha which will take care of the weeds going in to the autumn.

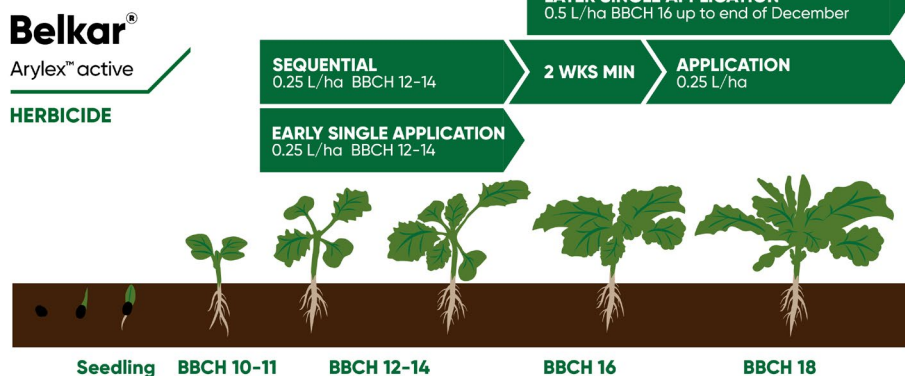
Belkar has an extensive tank mix list including some graminicides used for controlling cereal volunteers.

For technical information on Belkar, visit our product page at www.corteva.co.uk/belkar or click on the quick links below.

- [Label](#)
- [SDS](#)
- [Technical information sheet](#)
- [Tank mixes](#)
- [Videos](#)

You can also view the below image online [here](#).

What rate can Belkar® be used at? Wide window of application



Drilled your OSR? Please take part in our survey.

Belkar®
Arylex™ active

HERBICIDE

In 2019 we conducted a short survey on social media (@CortevaUK) to find out when

farmers drilled their OSR, the number of hectares sown, and if a pre-emergence herbicide was used. Of our respondents, 70% used a post-emergence herbicide versus 30% that used a pre-em. The top week for drilling was around the week commencing 25/08/19.

We are back with a 2020 survey and would like as many farmers and agronomists to get involved. The survey runs from 10 – 30 September 2020 and can be accessed at my.corteva.com/OSR-Survey2020.

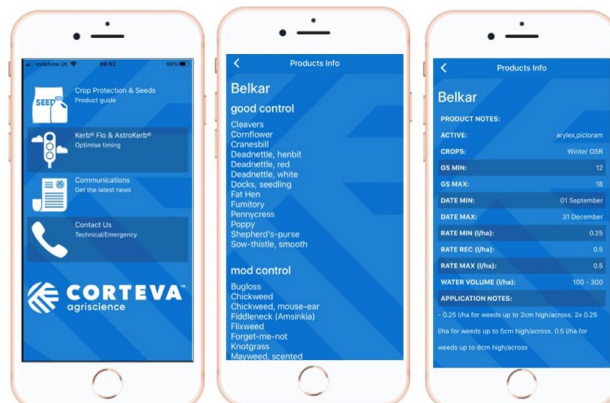
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- Free to download, The Arable App gives farmers and advisers specialist technical support about Corteva's crop protection and seed products at their fingertips.
- Use to find product information on arable crop protection and Pioneer OSR and maize hybrids.
- Contains information on rates, species controlled, links to labels and tank mixes.
- Quick access to contact information.



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Belkar®

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