IRRIGATION INSECTICIDE INJECTIONS FOR CONTROL OF POTATO AND GREEN PEACH APHIDS ON POTATOES, 1984

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## MATERIALS AND METHODS

"Russet Burbank" potatoes were planted May 1, 1984 in Purdam silt loam at the University of Idaho, Research and Extension Center, Caldwell, ID. The plots were 80 ft diameter circles (0.1 acre) spaced 80 ft apart. Four treatments were replicated 4 times in a complete randomized block design. Three in. hook-and-latch pipe with 6-1/8 in. nozzles were used in 3 positions on the field. Treatments were applied with a MAZZEIR injector for 20 min. Water was applied at the rate of 0.2 in/hr with a 7 h.p pump. Insect populations were sampled pre-treatment and 1, 3, 7 days post-treatment by counting live aphids per 25 leaves.

## RESULTS

Pydrin at the .2 lb rate and Thiodan at 1.0 lb rate controlled potato aphids. The same treatments also reduced green peach aphids significantly. However, the Pydrin treatment did not provide satisfactory control in practical terms.

Treatment and 1b ai/acre	Potato aphids/25 leaves			
	7-24	7-25	7-27	7-31
Pydrin .1	3.5a*	1.8a	2.5b	2.5b
Pydrin .2	7.8a	2.3a	0.8a	0.5a
Thiodan 1.0	7.3a	3.0a	0.5a	0.5a
Check	10.0a	9.3b	5.8c	10.3c

Treatments and 1b ai/acre	Green peach aphids/25 leaves			es
	7-24	7-25	7-27	7-31
Pydrin .1	15.5a	7.8a	2.3b	2.8b
Pydrin .2	12.0a	9.3a	4.5ab	1.5bc
Thiodan 1.0	10.0a	10.0a	7.5a	0.80
Check	12.8a	9.3a	7.3a	8.5a

<sup>\*</sup> Treatment means flanked by the same letter are not significantly different from each other using Duncan's MRT at the 0.05 level.