## Penn State Hemp Program 2018 by Greg Roth, PhD & Alyssa Collins PhD



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## 2017 studies conducted in Centre County. 2018 studies hosted at Southeast Agricultural Research & Extension Center (SEAREC), Lancaster County.



#### Southeast Agricultural Research & Extension Center Industrial Hemp 2018





## **Studies conducted**

- Variety trial
- Response to Nitrogen
- Seeding rate
- Planting date
- Herbicide trial

Performance of five industrial hemp varieties in 2017 at Centre Co., PA and in 2018 at Lancaster Co., PA planted on May 30.



Variety	2018 Yield (lbs/ac)	2018 Height (in)	2017 Yield (lbs/ac)	2017 Height (in)
CRS-1	749	33.6	1349	40
CFX-2	739	26.6	1226	33
CFX-1	595	27.4	976	32
Picolo	463	22.5	1104	29
Katani	444	23.3	845	27
Mean	598	26.7	1100	32
LSD(0.1)	84	2.2	244	4
CV%	12.8	7.5	21	11.3

#### Varieties performed similarly from year to year

Top yielders were CRS-1 and CFX-2. Picolo failed to outcompete weeds in 2018.





## **PDA THC Testing**

Variety	THC %	CBD %
CRS-1	0.28	0.64
CFX-2	0.18	1.48
CFX-1	0.05	1.37
Picolo	0.13	1.30
Katani	0.04	1.05



Impact of planting date and variety on hemp seed yield at SEAREC in 2018.

Planting Date	Variety	Yield (lbs/ac)	Height (in)	
30-May	CRS-1	890	37.2	
30-May	CFX-1	535	30.9	
30-May	CFX-2	613	28.6	
30-May	Picolo	450	23.9	
30-May	Katani	486	27.2	
30-May	Mean	595	29.5	
19-Jun	CRS-1	823	30.8	
19-Jun	CFX-1	369	22.0	
19-Jun	CFX-2	522	24.9	
19-Jun	Picolo	312	18.6	
19-Jun	Katani	308	21.2	
19-Jun	Mean	467	23.5	

### Yield and height decrease with later planting dates.

However, a viable yield can still be achieved.



Impact of seeding rate for hemp two varieties, CRS-1 and Picolo on seed yield at SEAREC in 2018.

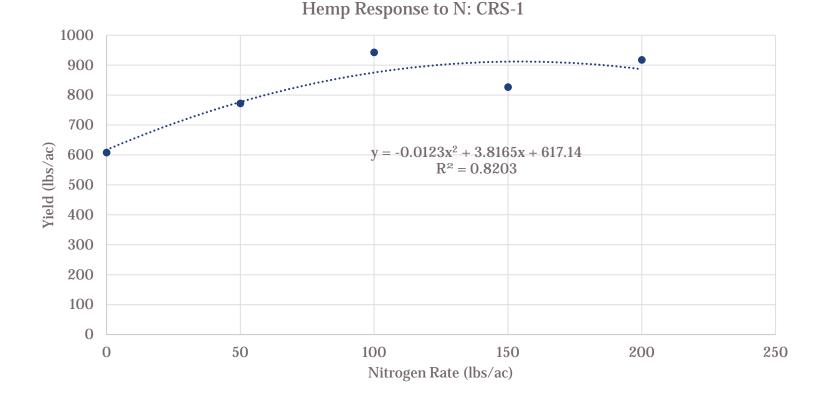
	<u>CRS-1</u>		<b>Picolo</b>	
Seeding Rate (lbs/ac)	Yield (lbs/ac)	Height (in)	Yield (lbs/ac)	Height (in)
15	893	39.8	518	24.4
20	921	40.1	532	23.9
25	1009	36.3	608	22.5
30	949	37.6	587	22.9
45	1077	37.4	593	21.8
Mean	970	38.2	568	23.1
LSD(0.1)	87	NS	NS	NS
CV%	8.1	3.3	12.6	5.0

#### For both varieties tested, seeding 25lb/ac was sufficient.

In 2017, optimum seeding rate was 30 lb/a for CRS-1 and 45 lb/a for Picolo.

## Response of hemp to N fertilizer applied as treated urea at SEAREC, 2018





## Yields reached maximum at 100lbs/acre urea (up front)

In 2017, yields were maximized at 150lb/acre N.

## Impact of herbicide treatment on hemp seed yield and plant height at SEAREC in 2018.



Treatment	Chemical	Application	Yield (lbs/ac)	Height (in)
1	Untreated		554	25.7
2	Dual Magnum	PRE	489	26.6
3	Zidua SC	PRE	_*	-
4	Prowl H2O	PRE	-	-
5	Sonalan	PRE	583	27.2
6	Chateau	PRE	-	-
7	Reflex	PRE	-	-
8	Metribuzin	PRE	-	-
9	Caparol	PRE	-	-
10	Nortron	PRE	-	-
11	Upbeet, NIS	POST	473	21.6
12	Maestro/Buctril, NIS	> POST	571	23.4
13	Resolve/Matrix, NIS	POST	-	-
14	Impact, COC	POST	-	-
15	Assure II, COC	POST	538	25.4
16	MCPA	POST	-	-
		Mean	535	25.0
		LSD(0.1)	NS	NS
		CV%	24.6	15.5

#### Most treatments resulted in unacceptable plant injury.

No significant differences in yield or height between remaining treatments.





# Challenges in 2018

Insects, disease, weeds, birds!

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## Outreach

- Ag Alternatives Factsheet
- Ag Progress Days
- Field Day at SEAREC
- PA State Police
- Chamber of
  Commerce
- Lancaster Farming Podcast











# Changes to the Penn State program for 2019

New hemp team members!

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