

New adjuvant registration in summer crops further broadens Canopy®'s appeal

The popular Caltex Precision Spray Oil™, **Canopy**®, has broadened its already widespread versatility with further registrations as a selective herbicide adjuvant at the same rates as Hasten®.

Caltex Precision Spray Oils Technical & Marketing Manager, **David Johnson**, said rural suppliers will have much more flexibility with this one product to supply the mixed cropping that might go on in their territory.

“So for the first time in Australia, rural suppliers need only stock one oil product to cover the insecticidal, insecticide adjuvant, 0.5L/ha defoliation, and low rate herbicide adjuvant oil applications for all of their growers. And there’s even more exciting developments from Canopy to come.”

Mr Johnson explained that Canopy was already a leading and strategically important insecticide for cotton and other summer crop pests as well as a popular low rate defoliation aid.

The latest label claim as a selective herbicide adjuvant has been followed by a submission to the APVMA for aphid suppression in canola and pulses as well as Silverleaf Whitefly (SWF) for cotton.

“Since its launch, Canopy has proven its usefulness as a spray adjuvant which greatly enhances the effectiveness and persistence of other products, as well as demonstrating its value as both an insecticide in its own right and also a low rate defoliant aid. Thanks to ongoing trial work by Caltex, the range of applications keeps getting larger, making it even better value to resellers and growers.

“Canopy has provided an economically and scientifically sound way of managing resistance problems and tackling re-emerging insect pests such as aphids in cotton, in addition to helping control other common sucking pests like green mirids.

“Trials have been completed on SWF in cotton and in canola and pulses for aphid suppression, backing up the performance of Canopy in other crops.

“As rural resellers and farmers battle to contain costs and make more strategic use of cropping inputs, Canopy is emerging as the most flexible product in a range of situations, making it the ideal oil based product to stock.”

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