

# Herbicide Interactions between Glufosinate and Three Fomesafen-Containing Herbicide Products as Affected by Weed Size and Spray Droplet Size

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## Abstract

Two effective herbicides with different sites of action (SOA) are recommended for control of problematic weeds such as Palmer amaranth. When a LibertyLink<sup>®</sup> soybean variety is planted in the Midsouth, USA, glufosinate is often mixed with fomesafen to control Palmer amaranth and other common weed species. However, mixtures of glufosinate and fomesafen could be antagonistic, specifically when applied to grass species. A two-factor factorial experiment (herbicide treatment by weed size) was conducted at the Northeast Research and Extension Center in





Liberty+Prefix	Glufosinate+fomesafen +S-metolachlor	595+266+1189	10	100	0	100	0	100	0
			30	100	0	100	0	100	0
Liberty+Dual Magnum	Glufosinate+S- metolachlor	451+1389	10	99	1	88	10	95	4
			30	93	2	93	8	98	2

<sup>a</sup>Data did not meet the assumptions of ANOVA and are reported as means followed by the standard error (SE) of the mean. <sup>b</sup>Height and density reduction is expressed as a percent of the nontreated control.



Prefix	Fomesafen+S- metolachlor	266+1189	10	41	--	--	--	18	--	--	--	53	--	--	--
			30	46	--	--	--	16	--	--	--	39	--	--	--
Liberty +Flexstar	Glufosinate +fomesafen	451+264	10	95	NS	97	NS	84		83	NS	95	NS	98	NS
			30	85	NS	91	NS	69	NS	77	*	87	NS	94	NS
Liberty +Flexstar	Glufosinate +fomesafen	595+264	10	98	NS	97	NS	94	NS	91	NS	97	NS	97	NS
			30	90		92	NS	69	NS	76	NS	87	NS	95	NS
Liberty +Reflex	Glufosinate +fomesafen	- u	NS	97	97	N	84		83	NS	95	S	69	NS	

+Flexstar	+fomesafen	300+207	30	81	76	NS						
			10	94	NS 96	NS						
Liberty+Reflex	Glufosinate +fomesafen	451+280	30	77	73	*						
			10	96	NS 99	NS	72	56	NS	97		
Liberty+Reflex	Glufosinate +fomesafen	595+280	30	81	75	*	61	59	NS	47		
			10	98	NS 97	NS	98	57	*	99		
Liberty+Prefix	Glufosinate +fomesafen+S- metolachlor	451+266+1189	30	78	74	NS	61	60	NS	51		
			10	95	NS 99	NS	88	55	*	97		
Liberty+Prefix	Glufosinate +fomesafen+S- metolachlor	595+266+1189	30	82	76	*	59	57	NS	59		
			10	97	NS --	--	58	--	--	97		
Liberty+Dual Magnum	Glufosinate+S- metolachlor	451+1389	30	70	NS --	--	42	--	--	48		
	LSD			6			15			14		

<sup>a</sup>Abbreviation: Obs, Observed value; Exp, Expected value; NS, Not Significant, <sup>b</sup>Height and density reduction is expressed as a percent of the control. " " indicates a mixture that provided significantly greater control than both herbicides alone based on the LSD. NS indicates the mixture was not significantly different from the herbicides alone, <sup>d</sup>A "A" denotes significant antagonism based on a two-sided t-test between observed and expected values. Expected values were calculated using the equation  $[E=(X+Y)-(XY)/100]$ . Expected values can only be calculated when two herbicides in the mixture have POST activity on the species. <sup>e</sup>Equivalent ha<sup>-1</sup>.

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Liberty+Dual Magnum	Glufosinate+S-metolachlor	451+1389	121 <sup>d</sup>	238 <sup>g</sup>	374 <sup>c</sup>	1.06 <sup>e</sup>	17.5 <sup>a</sup>
<sup>a</sup> Means followed by the same letter within a column are not statistically different according to Fisher's protected LSD with a Tukey adjustment ( $\alpha=0.05$ ), <sup>b</sup> Relative span is a unitless index of the uniformity of droplet size distribution. Smaller values represent more uniformity in droplet size distribution.							

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