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## Life in Life Scientific...

It's not unusual for companies to be using various social platforms so business can continue during the period of lockdown.

Life Scientific is no different but apart from the day to day work it's also using virtual meeting space to ensure everyone is still socially connected, and crucially, well, during these unprecedented times.

From daily check- ins, a weekly exercise class and, (my personal favourite) pay-day pints, it's great that the team are still able to meet together and stay connected.

## **Product News**

We are delighted to announce the arrival of two more new products this spring. Esker and Oraso Pro are broad spectrum fungicides which can be used in a range of different crops.

Oraso Pro is a reverse engineered Prosaro and contains 125g/I tebuconazole + 125g prothioconazole. Esker is a reverse engineered Kestrel and contains 80g/I tebuconazole + 160g/I prothioconazole.

There is more information on the reverse on this sheet or for product label, safety data sheet and compatible tank mixes see the Life Scientific website <a href="https://lifescientific.com/products/">https://lifescientific.com/products/</a> or download the App to get product information direct to your phone.



## Esker and Orașo Pro

First to market again, we have launched off-patent prothiconazole and tebuconazole mixes Esker and Oraso Pro.

Both are broad spectrum systemic fungicides with erradicant and protectant activity for use in winter and spring crops of wheat, barley, oats, oilseed rape and rye.

Oraso Pro and Esker provide control of powdery mildew, septoria, glume blotch, yellow and brown rusts and tan spot in all varieties of wheat, barley, oats and winter rye.

They have also both been proven to reduce the severity and incidence of eyespot in wheats, rye and oats, she adds.

Oraso Pro and Esker also control powdery mildew, brown rust and Rhyncosporium in rye. In winter and spring oats crown rust and powdery mildew are controlled.

Splitting the products apart is difficult but Oraso Pro may be best targeted where rusts are an issue. With a lot of later drilled wheat crops in the ground this season, yellow rust is proving to be a problem particularly on the more susceptible varieties, such as Skyfall which only has a resistance of rating of 5.

In these situations, the higher rate of tebuconazole in Oraso Pro will provide the best activity on rust.

However, varieties with higher rust resistant scores and low septoria resistance scores, such as LG Skyscraper, or those that were drilled early, are more likely to be at risk from septoria, and in these situations Esker would be the obvious choice with its higher rate of prothioconazole.

Looking further ahead, both fungicides are effective at T3 for reducing sooty moulds, DON (deoxynivalenol) and provide moderate control of Fusarium.

Both products are ideal as part of a resistance strategy, supporting additional fungicides in the mix, such as SDHI's.

## **Customer Feedback**

As a relatively new and growing business in the UK and Ireland it's important that we keep up to date with our customers to ensure we're delivering the best products and service that we can.

We always welcome feedback, good or bad, and try to act on and improve where necessary. A recent example of this has been the change in our 1lt container lids which we've spoken about in a previous newsletter. So this month I'd like to share some product performance feedback which has been sent in.

"Cintac doing a good job in a good amount of the black-grass. far"





"I'm not sure what this was, but it didn't like the Cintac!"

Whatever your comment, we'd love to hear from you.

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