

In the middle of the 2012 and 2013 season, I applied applications of Fulzyme Plus for tree health to mature Royal Gala blocks of trees exhibiting European canker. By the end of harvest 2013 results looked promising with visual signs of callusing and drying up of the canker stings.

After talking to senior management we decided to apply Fulzyme Plus to one hectare of mature Royal Gala leaving a control of the same variety planted at the same time directly across a centre track also infected with Canker.

Post-Harvest 2013 we applied our first application of Fulzyme Plus to this block at 1Litre/ ha in 2000 litres water. I followed up with two more applications all under conditions of slight evening drizzle, indicated as the most important timing, with the last being at 100% leaf fall.

During the 2013 and 2014 season I was pleased with the lack of canker in the treated block, with no fresh stings appearing. We did three canker walks in the control orchard block; but unfortunately there were fresh stings all season.

After these results I personally felt that we would be mad not to give Fulzyme Plus a go so we continued for another year.

I am now a 100% believer in Fulzyme Plus based on the visual results I see as I walk my block after a 2nd year of applications.

I have now expanded Fulzyme Plus to another 30 hectares of Royal Gala, Kanzy, Braeburn and Pink Lady series. When I started the Fulzyme program after talking to our local Roots, Shoots & Fruits rep I had in my mind that it would be a three year plan to get on top of the canker issue but the results after two years are outstanding.

Sincerely

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