

News release

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Fastnet sails ahead as Sipcam enters herbicide race

Sipcam has launched Fastnet, a herbicide which offers excellent control of annual grass and broad-leaved weeds in winter wheat, winter and spring barley, winter rye, triticale, potatoes, combining peas, forage maize and sunflowers. Fastnet is a pendimethalin-based product with proven efficacy against a very wide range of weeds and grasses.

This new herbicide is a forerunner of other new Sipcam products that will enter the same market.

James Ward of Sipcam said:

“The introduction this season of Fastnet, following Solo D (diflufenican) last year, marks the start of Sipcam’s strategy to develop an autumn cereal herbicide range. Fastnet provides entry to the pendimethalin market which the company is looking to develop in the future with its encapsulated formulation, marketed successfully in Italy for a number of years. Encapsulation offers several advantages over established products including a reduction in the staining effects for which pendimethalin is well known. It also gives improved crop safety without losing any of its potency in weed control and the company is in the process of developing broader spectrum mixtures for use in the same market. So, while we are delighted to be able to bring UK farmers the benefit of Fastnet right now, we are very excited about future developments.”

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