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Herbicide names: If a common name has not yet been approved by WSSA, use the manufacturer's code number. Check the Weed Science Society of America's website <http://www.wssa.net> (click 'Weeds', then 'Herbicides', then "Common and Chemical Names of Herbicides Approved by the WSSA") for the current list of approved chemical and common names. Herbicide trade names may be used as long as accompanied by appropriate common name. If use of a trade name is required to properly identify product, at first mention use the appropriate common name, immediately followed by trade name in parenthesis. Herbicide trade names are acceptable for clarification of pre-packaged mixtures.

Plant and animal names: In the body of abstracts, at the first mention of a crop, weed, or other organism give the common name and follow it with the approved scientific name. The scientific name should be italicized, in parentheses, or in brackets if there are parentheses within the scientific name. Give the genus, species, and authority for the binomial. Include the cultivated variety of a crop plant if known and indicate it by enclosing it in single quotes. Example: Corn (*Zea mays* L. 'Dixie 18'). For cultivar names that are registered trade names insert (R) after the name. For approved common and scientific names of weeds see the 'Composite List of Weeds' at the WSSA website. After the first mention, use only the common name. For species without an accepted or useful common name, use the italicized genus initial and specific epithet, i.e. *G. species*.

Abbreviations: Use abbreviations as shown in the current WSSA *Herbicide Handbook* or as used in one of the previous year's issues of *Weed Science*. Abbreviations acceptable for NEWSS use (although not in agreement with the CBE Style Manual) include two letter abbreviations for states, 'Ci' for curie, 'M' for molar (do not abbreviate mole), 'L' for liter, 'ppmw' for parts per million by weight, 'ppmv' for parts

per million by volume, 'ae' for acid equivalent, and 'ai' for active ingredient. Do not place a period after an abbreviation in the text. Do not start a sentence with an abbreviation. All abbreviations not shown in Weed Science should be introduced in parentheses immediately after the first use of the word. Example: cation exchange capacity (CEC). Do not use a hyphen for the preposition “to”; or an “x” for the preposition “by”, except in tables or figures. Write '1 to 3' rather than '1-3' and '100 by 20' rather than '100 x 20'. Explicitly identify pre-packaged mixtures of herbicide, and use '+' between ingredients.

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Measurements and units: Report measurements in metric units. In laboratory studies, express concentration of acids and bases in normality (N) and of herbicide and salt solutions in molarity (M) rather than 'ppm'. Use 'ml' rather than 'cc' for all measurements of volume.

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