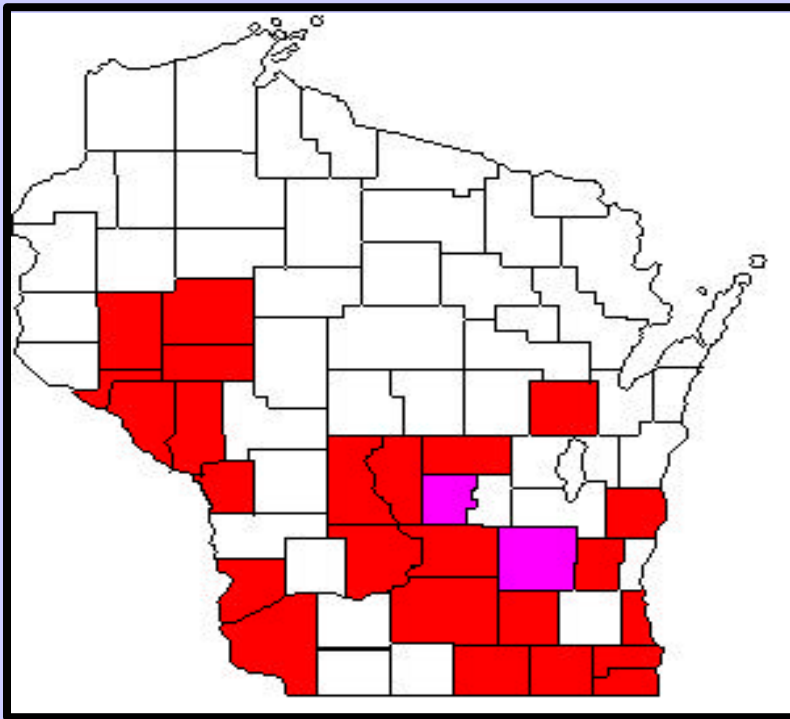


# **Rotational Effects on The Soybean Cyst Nematode**

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**Approximately 20% of the soybean acreage in Wisconsin is infested with Soybean Cyst Nematode (SCN). The SCN has been detected from 26 counties to date.**



Adams  
Buffalo  
Chippewa  
Columbia  
Crawford  
Dane  
Dodge  
Dunn  
Eau Claire  
Grant  
Jefferson  
Juneau  
Kenosha  
La Crosse  
Marquette  
Milwaukee  
Outagamie  
Pepin  
Racine  
Rock  
Sauk  
Sheboygan  
Trempealeau  
Walworth  
Washington  
Waushara

# SCN Assays – UW Disease Clinic

- 275 samples submitted in 2002 for SCN
- 31 positive for SCN
- Other cyst nematodes present

Take the test.



Beat the pest.





# **SCN is forever!**

**Population densities increase rapidly**

**One female = hundreds of eggs**

- Rotate soybean cultivars**
- Rotate using nonhost crops**

**Cyst protects unmatched eggs**

**SCN survives in soil for years**

# We studied population density and spatial pattern of SCN in > 30 soybean fields

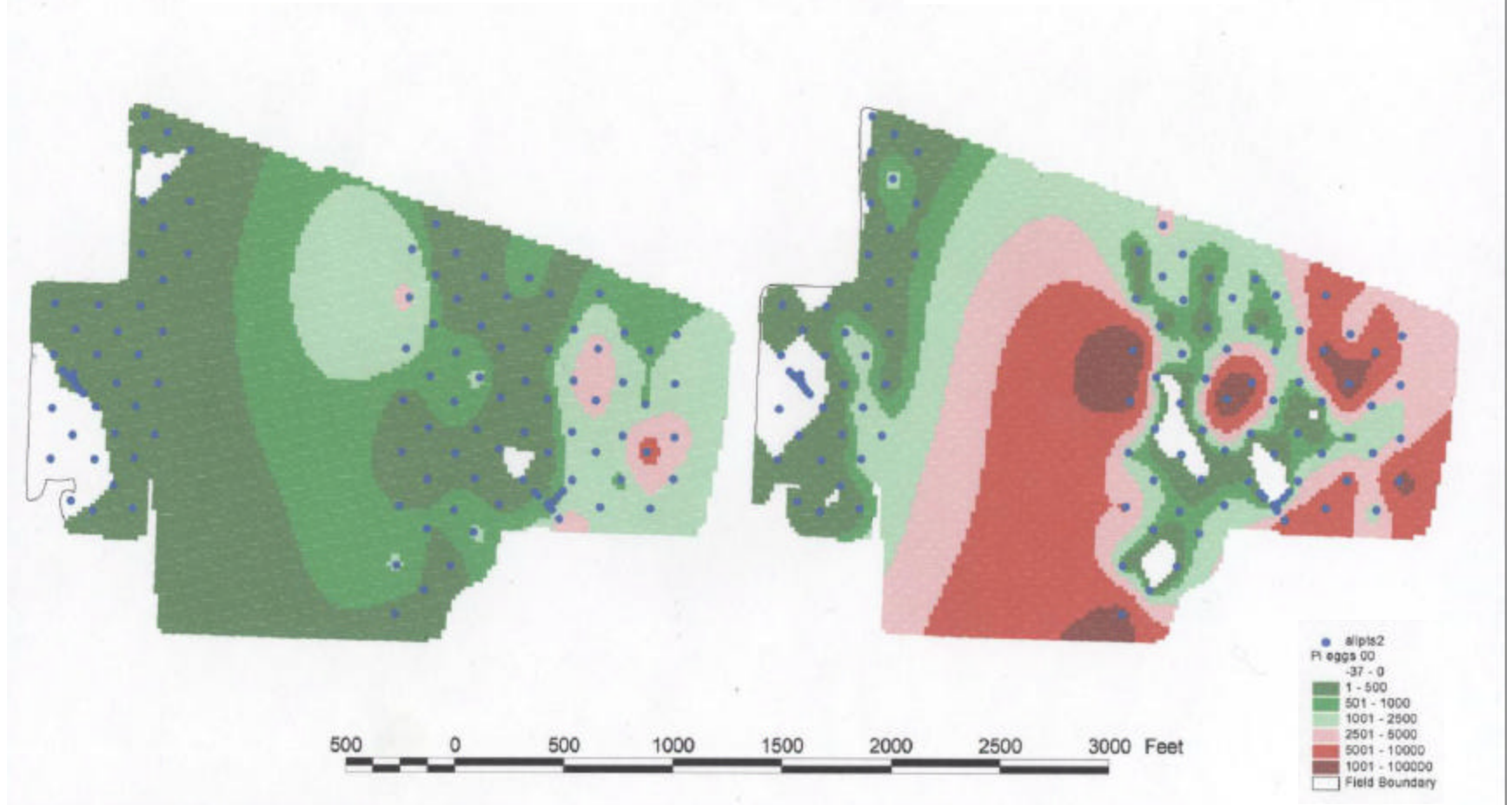
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2	2000-02	2001	39	res/sus	3.58	74%
3	2000-02	2001	13	res/sus	1.00	77%
4	2000-02	2001	19	sus	2.72	66%
5	1999-01	2000	49	res/sus	1.85	100%
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**Spring 2000**

**Fall 2000**

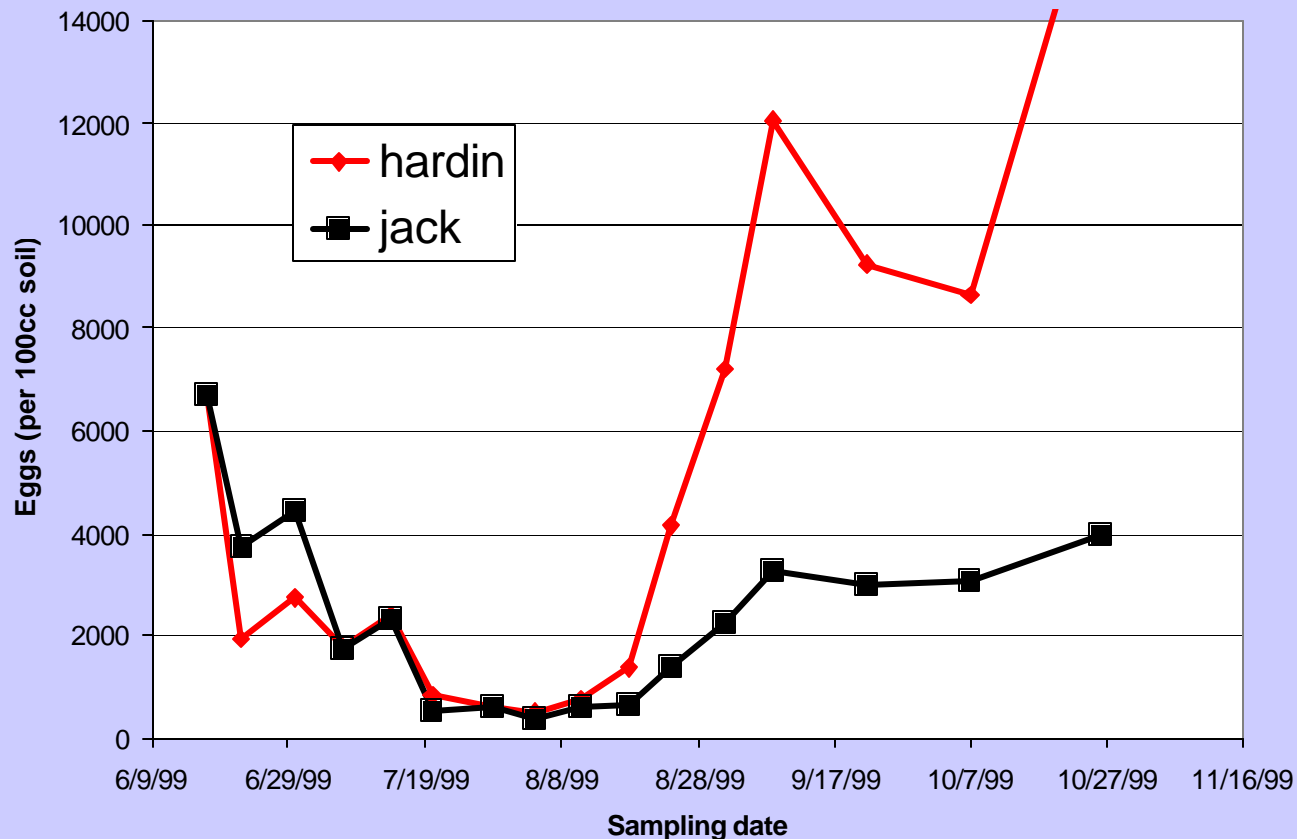


**Eggs / 100 cm<sup>3</sup> soil – green=low / red=high**

# **Why do SCN population densities increase in some fields planted with SCN-resistant cvs?**

- **Cultivar may not have a high level of resistance to SCN.**
- **SCN population may adapt to SCN-resistant cultivar.**

# Resistance = low level of reproduction by SCN



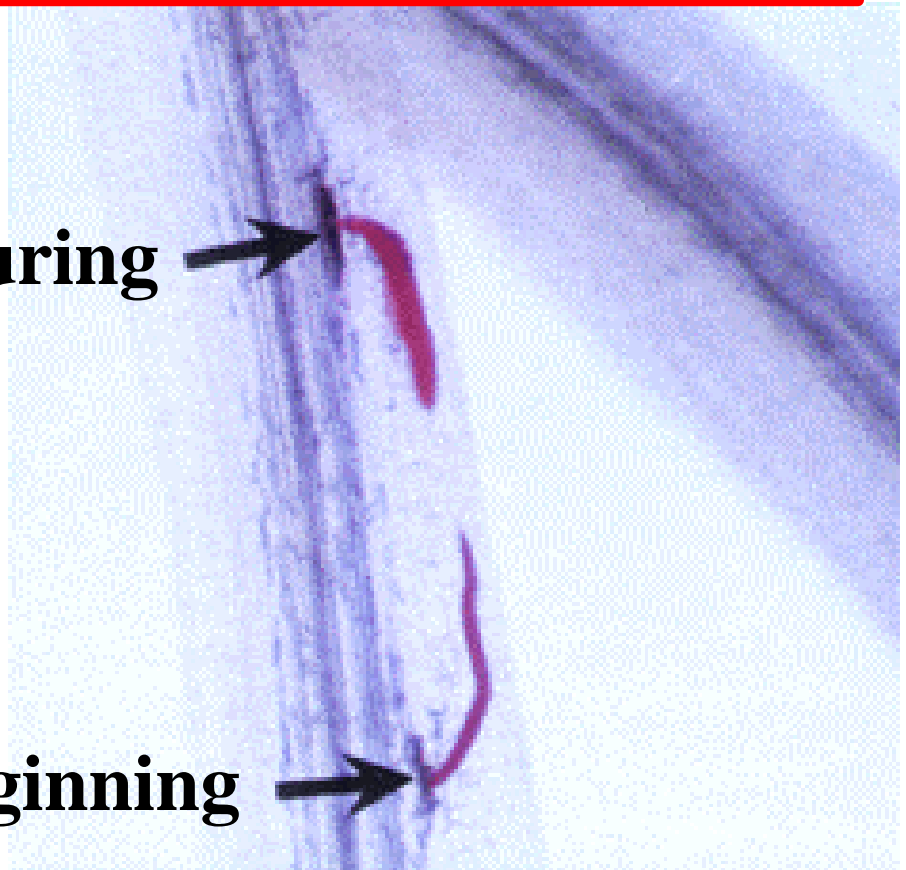


**Nematodes infect resistant cultivars,  
but develop slower and produce fewer  
eggs than on susceptible cultivars**

**Juvenile feeding and maturing**



**Second-stage juvenile beginning  
to feed**



**Single Type Test**  
Nematodes fail to trigger defense mechanisms in resistant cv.  
*adaptation to SCN-resistant genotypes*

**Variation  
Within  
population**

**Plant  
resistant cv**

**This trait is heritable  
and passed on to offspring.**

**Nematodes without  
this trait die or produce  
few offspring.**

**Genetic change  
in population  
SCN adapts**

**Even SCN-resistant cultivars will fail to reach full yield potential if SCN population densities are high enough.**



# Average reduction in SCN population densities after one year of corn = 27%

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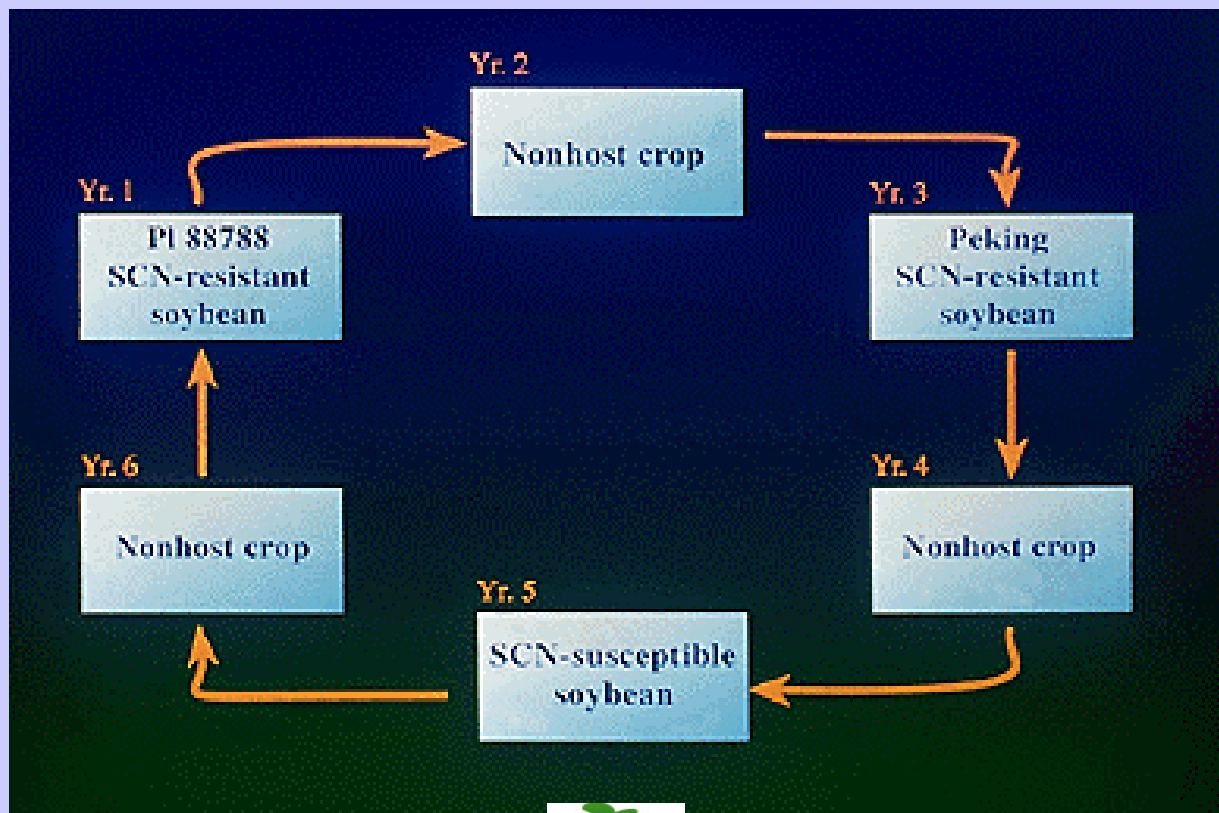
# Manage SCN with rotation

## Soybean Year

- Match cultivar to SCN population

## Rotation Year

- Choose appropriate crop(s) & duration of rotation
- Try new approaches



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**Monitor SCN**

**The  
SCN  
COALITION**

**every soybean year.**