CORN TRAITS GUIDANCE TOOL



- SmartStax[®] PRO with RNAi Technology is recommended for moderate to high corn rootworm (CRW) pressure environments including corn on corn operations.
- VT4PROTM with RNAi Technology and SmartStax[®] Technology are recommended for low to moderate corn rootworm pressure environments and areas at risk for extended diapause northern corn rootworm and areas with the western corn rootworm variant that lay eggs in soybean fields.
- For more in-depth guidance on trait recommendations for your operation, please see below.

How many years have you planted corn on corn?	Did you witness any corn rootworm damage in your corn crop last year?	What is your concern about corn rootworm in your fields?	Trecepta [®] TECHNOLOGY VTDoublePRO [®]	SmartStax	SmartStax PRO	Crop Rotation
0*	No	Low or Moderate				
0*	No	High				
1-4	Yes	Low, Moderate or High				
1-4	No	High				
1-4	No	Low or Moderate				
5+	Yes	Low, Moderate or High				
5+	No	Low or Moderate				
5+	No	High				

Recommendations above may not fit every scenario and may be impacted by environmental factors and other management practices. Reach out to your local agronomic expert for further recommendations.

= Primary Recommendation

= Secondary Recommendation

* Includes areas with CRW extended diapause or western CRW soybean variant.

- Price, germplasm, agronomic fit, and availability will help guide the VT4PRO[™] Technology vs. SmartStax[®] Technology decision.
- Expected level of pressure from western bean cutworm, corn earworm, and corn rootworm will help guide the VT Double PRO[®] Technology vs Trecepta[®] Technology vs VT4PRO[™] Technology decision.

Additional Advice:

Always consider your overall return on investment when making your final trait decision.

- One trait may offer more protection than you may need at the time, but (based on the product) will still have potential to deliver a better return on investment than another trait.
- Inversely, a trait may provide less protection than recommended, but (depending on the product) may outperform a product with the recommended trait in your area.

When your risks are known and accounted for, Bayer always recommends the trait that offers the best return on investment for your operation.

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VT4PRO[™] with RNAi Technology corn products are expected to be commercially available for the 2024 growing season.

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IMPORTANT IRM INFORMATION: RIB Complete[®] corn blend products do not require the planting of a structured refuge **except** in the Cotton-Growing Area where corn earworm is a significant pest. **See the IRM/Grower Guide for additional information. Always read and follow IRM requirements.**

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