

## **New Project**

## **HNS 166**

Hardy ornamentals: Herbicide screening for herbaceous perennials and grasses

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perennials and grasses

Start and end dates: 1 April 2008 to 31 May 2011

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Location: Commercial herbaceous plant nursery, Cheshire (to be

confirmed)

## **Background and project objectives**

Good weed control continues to be important for hardy ornamentals growers to ensure that plant quality is maintained and that accreditation standards are achieved. Herbicides remain the most cost-effective weed control method although herbaceous subjects are particularly vulnerable to herbicide damage. In recent years a number of weed species have proved difficult to control and are increasing in distribution and importance. It is therefore important to continue to assess new products to help combat resistant weed species and extend the range of subjects screened for which herbicides can be used.

This project aims to evaluate several new herbicides for efficacy and safety for use on a wide range of container-grown herbaceous subjects as well as extending the range of crop species phytotoxicity information for currently used herbicides.

## Further information

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