## **Avocados** with Vitazyme application

**Researcher:** Javier Acevedo **Research organization:** Syngenta, Santiago, Chile; Integra, Quillota, Chile **Farm cooperator:** Agricola Middletong **Field location:** Tabolango, Valparaiso region, Chile **Variety:** Hass on Zutano rootstock **Planting date:** 2012 **Row spacing:** 4 m **In-row spacing:** 2 m **Planting rate:** 1,250 plants/ha; the trees placed on 60 cm ridges

**Soil:** Clay loam texture with imperfect drainage **Experimental design:** Healthy, high-productivity

orchards in the Valparaiso region were used for the trial. Three trees per treatment were selected for flower monitoring, and 15 trees per treatment were selected for productivity evaluations. Foliar applications of Cultar (paclobutrazol) and Vitazyme were made with a wetting volume of 1000 L/ha. All practices in each orchard were the same for all plots except for the number of Vitazyme applications. Parameters measured were open flowers, flowers per panicle, large flowers, and fruit production.

1	Cultar	<b>2</b> Vitazyme	<b>6</b> Cultar +Vitazyme
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	Cultar	Vitazyme					
Treatment	March 1	March 15	March 21	March 28			
1.	1.5 L/ha			_			
2.	1.5 L/ha	1 L/ha	—	—			
3.	1.5 L/ha	1 L/ha	1 L/ha	—			
4.	1.5 L/ha	1 L/ha	1 L/ha	1 L/ha			

#### Fertilization: unknown

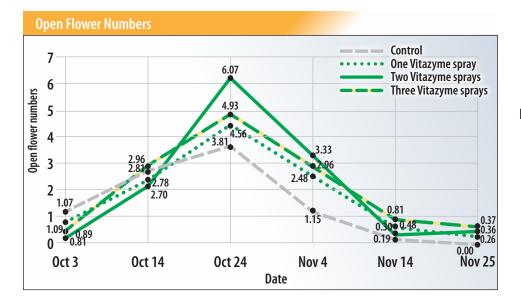
- **Cultar application:** 1,5 L/ha sprayed on all trees on March 1, 2019. Cultar is a systemic plant growth regulator containing 250 g/L of paclobutrazol (triazole).
- Vitazyme applications: 1 L/ha on the dates shown above, using an orchard sprayer.
- **Irrigation:** Drip irrigation with 2 L/hour emitters per plant. A second lateral was added over a year ago, having 2 L/hour emitters spaced every 50 cm, which provided 2 mm/hour



Avocados are a major export crop in Chile, and perform excellently in the Chilean climate and respond excellently to Vitazyme.

**Open flower number:** Means followed by the same letter are not significantly different at P = 0.05, according to Duncan's Multiple Range Test. The range of values is also given.

Treatment	October 3 October 14		October 24	October 24 November 4		November 25
	number of open flowers					
1.	1.07 ± 2.16 a	2.81 ± 2.27 a	3.81 ± 2.65 b	1.15 ± 1.06 b	0.19 ± 0.48 b	0.00 ± 0.00 a
2.	1.04 ± 2.14 a	2.70 ± 1.92 a	4.56 ± 3.60 ab	2.48 ± 2.34 a	0.48 ± 0.80 ab	0.26 ± 0.71 a
3.	0.81 ± 1.39 a	2.78 ± 2.42 a	6.07 ± 3.76 a	3.33 ± 3.64 a	0.30 ± 0.54 b	0.36 ± 0.78 a
4.	0.89 ± 1.63 a	2.96 ± 1.95 a	4.93 ± 2.43 ab	2.96 ± 2.07 a	0.81 ± 0.92 a	0.37 ± 0.69 a



It is clear that Treatment 3, two Vitazyme sprays, produced the highest amount of open flowers on both October 24 and November 4. The three Vitazyme sprays did next best, and the control treatment gave the fewest open blossoms after October 14.

Increase in open flow	Increase in open flowers with Vitazyme							
Oct 24 Nov 4								
One Vitazyme spray (T2)	20%	116%						
Two Vitazyme sprays (T3)	<b>59</b> %	190%						
Three Vitazyme sprays(T4)	<b>29</b> %	66%						

Increase in flowers per panicle with Vitazyme One Vitazyme spray (T2) ......23% Two Vitazyme sprays (T2) ......26% Three Vitazyme sprays (T2)......31%

#### Flowers per panicle on October 19:

Treatment	Flowers per panicle <sup>2</sup>	Change in flowers <sup>1</sup>					
	number	number					
T1	41.74 ± 13.62 b						
T2	51.37 ± 14.94 a	9.63 (+23%)					
T3	52.67 ± 17.20 a	10.93 (+26%)					
T4	54.78 ± 119.63 a	13.04 (+31%)					
<sup>1</sup> Means followed by the same letter are not significantly different at P = 0.05 according to the Kruskall Wallace Test							

Productivity factors:

Treatment	Weight/Tree <sup>1</sup>	Change	Number Tree <sup>1</sup>	Change	Fruit weight <sup>1</sup>	Change
	kg/tree	kg/tree	number	number	g/fruit	g/fruit
T1	10.19 ± 7.09 a	—	62.22 ± 42.62 a	—	163.73 ±36.11 c	—
T2	7.67 ± 3.53 a	(-) 3.10 (-30%)	48.14 ± 21.60 a	(-) 14.08 (-23%)	159.29 ±35.93 c	(-) 4.44 (-3%)
T3	11.71 ± 5.35 a	1.52 (+15%)	65.44 ± 26.07 a	3.22 (+5%)	179.00 ±37.73 a	15.27 (+9%)
T4	14.00 ± 8.78 a	3.81 (+37%)	81.22 ± 47.57 a	19.00 (+31%)	172.36 ±35.70 b	8.63 (+5%)

<sup>1</sup>Means followed by the same letter are not significantly different at P = 0.05 according to the Duncan Multiple Range Test.

### Change in fruit weight/tree with Vitazyme

One Vitazyme spray ...... -30% Two Vitazyme sprays..... +15% Three Vitazyme sprays... +37%

### Change in fruit number/tree with Vitazyme

One Vitazyme spray ...... -23% Two Vitazyme sprays..... +5% Three Vitazyme sprays... +31%

### Change in fruit weight with Vitazyme

One Vitazyme spray ......-3% Two Vitazyme sprays......+9% Three Vitazyme sprays.....+5% There were no significant differences among the four treatments for fruit weight/tree and fruit number/ tree, though the two and three Vitazyme application treatments showed a distinct trend to benefit both parameters. Fruit weight for the control and the single Vitazyme application showed no difference, but the two and three L/ha applications showed significant increases, of 9% and 5% respectively.

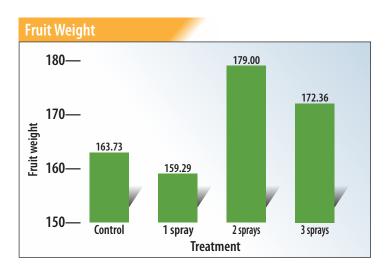
*Large fruit:* The percentage of large fruit (size 32 to 50, over 200 g), were determined.

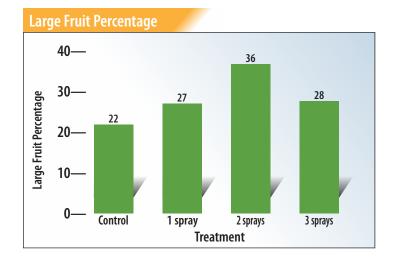
There was a definite trend for greater fruit weight with increasing Vitazyme applications, with two applications giving the greatest increase.

Treatment	Large fruit <sup>1</sup>	Change in large fruit
	%	%
T1	22.0 ± 12.0 a	_
T2	27.0 ± 11.0 a	5 (+23%)
T3	36.0 ± 2.0 a	14 (+64%)
T4	28.0 ± 17.0 a	6 (+27%)

 $^1\mbox{Means}$  followed by the same letter are not significantly different at P = 0.05 according to the Duncan Multiple Range Test

# Change in large fruit with Vitazyme One Vitazyme spray ......+23% Two Vitazyme sprays.....+64% Three Vitazyme sprays.....+27%





**Conclusions:** This avocado study, conducted in 2019 in Chile, revealed very good efficacy for Vitazyme as a foliar spray when applied once, twice, or three times at one-week intervals the last half of March. These late-season applications likely improved the energy capture and carbohydrate stores of the trees for the following crop season. As a result, the productivity parameters of flowering, fruit number, fruit weight, and large fruit were improved with Vitazyme, especially for the two and three 1 L/ha applications. In some cases the increases with Vitazyme are not statistically significant, such as with flowers per panicle, fruit weight per tree, and fruit number per tree, but in these cases there was a strong trend for the product to increase the parameter at the two and three-application regimes. For some unknown reason the single application did not result in improvements for some parameters, though it did for open flowers on some dates and large fruit size. Although 2019 was a difficult year in Chile for avocado production due to extreme environmental conditions, the promotion of photosynthesis and tree metabolic functions by Vitazyme helped overcome flowering and fruit set problems caused by cold (below 10°C) temperatures.

#### Some highlights of this study:

- Excellent improvements in flowering (+190% more open flowers on November 4) with two 1 L/ha Vitazyme applications, and excellent responses for this same date with a single 1 L/ha application (+116%) and for three applications (+66%)
- Up to 31% more flowers per panicle on October 19 with Vitazyme
- Up to 37% greater fruit weight per tree with Vitazyme
- Up to 31% more fruit per tree with Vitazyme
- Up to 9% heavier fruit with Vitazyme
- Up to 64% more large fruit (over 200g) with Vitazyme

These results show the great efficacy of Vitazyme to improve avocado productivity in Chile.

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**Research organization:** Gama Company and Syngenta, Santiago, Chile

**Location:** Panquehue, Valparaiso Region, Santa Blanca, Chile

Variety: Hass/Mexicola

# **Establishment date of the plantation:** 2009 **Experimental design:** An avocado plant

plantation was selected to evaluate the effect of Vitazyme on the yield and quality of avocado fruit. The trees were spaced 3 x 3 meters in the grove. Avocado trees were selected in a completely random distribution in the plantation, and were similar in size, health, vigor, and nutritional status.

## 1 Control 😢 Vitazyme

#### Fertilization: unknown.

**Vitazyme applications:** A 1 liter/ha application was made each week throughout the flowering period, beginning when 10% of the flowers were open, on these dates: October 8, 15, and 25, and November 2, 9, and 16 of 2021. The application was made through the irrigation system during the last third of the irrigation time.

*Leaf temperature results:* Leaf surface temperatures were measured on November 25, 2021.



The avocado plantation at Panquehue at Santa Blanca, Chile, was the site of this avocado trial in 2021-22.

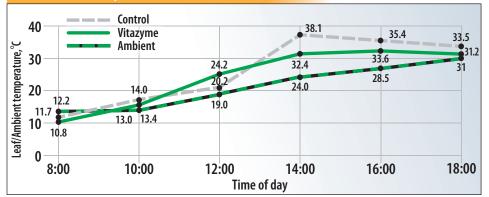


Vitazyme was applied to the avocado trees multiple times during the flowering stage, which is represented here at from 0 to 100% flowering.

	Time of day								
Treatment	8:00	10:00	12:00 14:00		16:00	18:00			
	degrees Centigrade								
Control	11.73 <u>+</u> 1.55	14.03 <u>+</u> 1.62	20.23 <u>+</u> 2.04	38.13 <u>+</u> 3.27	35.40 <u>+</u> 2.87	33.50 <u>+</u> 3.47			
Vitazyme	10.77 <u>+</u> 0.93	13.37 <u>+</u> 0.15	24.22 <u>+</u> 5.93	32.43 <u>+</u> 0.25	33.57 <u>+</u> 4.45	31.17 <u>+</u> 1.48			
P-Value	0.423	0.551	0.386	0.095*	0.591	0.396			

\*Significantly different mean temperatures at P=0.10 by the Student T-test.

#### **Leaf Ambient Temperature**

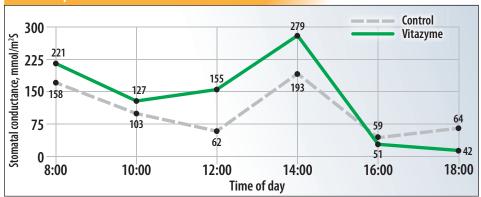


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10:00	
14:00	5.7°C
16:00	1.8°C
18:00	

Stomatal conduction results: On November 25, 2021, an evaluation of the conductance of the leaf stomata was performed. This is a measure of the leaf stomatal opening.

	Time of day								
8:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00				
	mmol/m²s								
158.1 <u>+</u> 53.7	103.1 <u>+</u> 26.2	62.4 <u>+</u> 48.4	193.1 <u>+</u> 16.5	59.07 <u>+</u> 4.37	64.4 <u>+</u> 36.2				
221.0 <u>+</u> 145.0	127.3 <u>+</u> 87.8	154.6 <u>+</u> 41.3	279.0 <u>+</u> 145.0	51.47 <u>+</u> 8.04	42.2 <u>+</u> 13.2				
0.554	0.693	0.087*	0.416	0.246	0.422				
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#### **Leaf Temperature**



### Stomatal conductance increase with Vitazyme

8:00	63 mmol/m <sup>2</sup> S
10:00	24 mmol/m <sup>2</sup> S
12:00	93 mmol/m <sup>2</sup> S
14:00	86 mmol/m <sup>2</sup> S

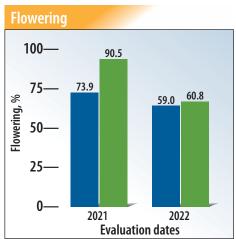
*Leaf analysis results:* There were no significant difference between the two treatments for several nutrients measured. Leaves were collected on March 24, 2022

	Leaf analysis results											
Treatment	Ν	Р	K	Ca	Mg	Na	Cl	Cu	Zn	Mn	Fe	В
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm
Control	2.39	0.10	0.78	2.83	0.60	0.010	0.65	9.62	33.4	111.1	180.3	45.7
Vitazyme	2.11	0.13	0.69	2.83	0.65	0.012	0.84	9.38	26.2	121.0	241.3	50.4
Change	-0.28	+0.03	-0.10	0	+0.05	+0.002	+0.19	-0.24	-7.2	+9.9	+61.0	+4.7

Tree vigor results: Evaluations for vigor were made on May 2, 2022. No significant difference between the treatments was found.

Flowering results: Measurements in flowering on a certain date in October were made both years: October 21, 2021, and October 24, 2022.

Treatment	2021	2022		
	%	%		
Control	73.9 <u>+</u> 17.5	59.0 <u>+</u> 16.5		
Vitazyme	90.5 <u>+</u> 7.9	60.8 <u>+</u> 18.2		
p-value	<b>p-value</b> 0.001* 0.752			
*Significantly different means at P=0.05 by the Student T-test.				

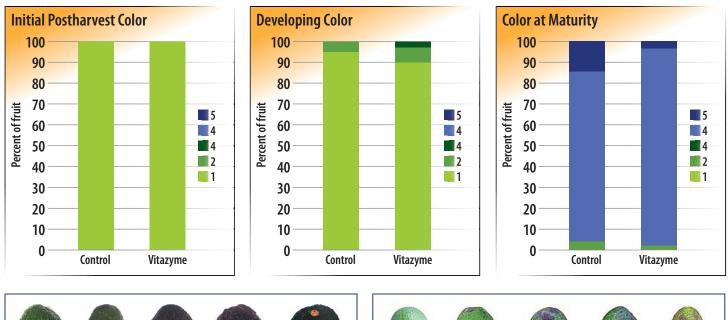


**Increase in flowering** with Vitazyme

2021....16.6 percentage-points 2022.....1.8 percentage-points

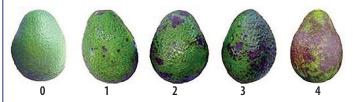
Vitazyme caused a great increase in flowering above the control in 2021, but in 2022 there was only a slight increase.

# *Fruit yield results:* There was no significant effect on yield with Vitazyme *Fruit size results:* There was no significant effect on fruit size with Vitazyme. *Fruit color results:*





Fruit color is shown here as used to categorize fruit color development of the treated and untreated avocado fruit. Note the more uniformly dark mature color of the Vitazyme treated fruit when ready for consumption.



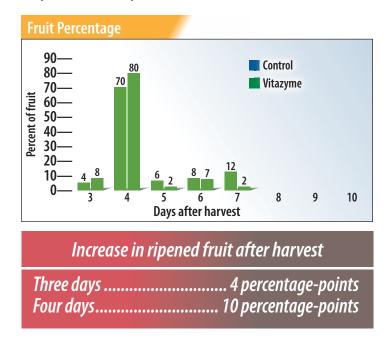
There were four stages of external browning of the avodado fruit that were measured for both treatments, as shown here. The Vitazyme treatment showed reduced external browning.

Fruit quality results: Vitazyme displayed some improvements in fruit quality.

**Vascular browning**. Vitazyme produced 5 percentage points more of the highest fruit grade without vascular browning. **Pulp browning**. Vitazyme revealed no pulp browning, while the control had 3 percentage points. **Stem end rot**. Neither treatment had any stem end rot.

**Blackspot.** Neither treatment revealed any blackspot on the fruit.

Days to maturity: Both treatments were evaluated for the number of days it took for the fruit to ripen for consumer use.



**Conclusions:** A replicated avocado trial in Chile, using six 1 liter/ha applications spaced a week apart during blossoming, produced some good quality improvements in the fruit, though the yield was not significantly influenced. Leaf temperature and stomatal conductance were also improved, by up to 5.7°C lower at mid-afternoon, and up to 9.3 mmol/m<sup>2</sup>s. Flowering was advanced significantly by 16.6 percentage points in 2021, and fruit parameters were improved. Color at maturity was advanced with Vitazyme, and vascular and pulp browning were reduced. Days to marketable maturity were also reduced from the control. These results show the excellent quality improvements with Vitzyme for avocados in Chile.

#### Vitazyme Field Tests for 2021

#### Avocados with Vitazyme application

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Location: Municipality of Periban, Michoacan State, Mexico Variety: Hass Age of planting: over five years Initiation date of the trial (first application): December 4, 2020

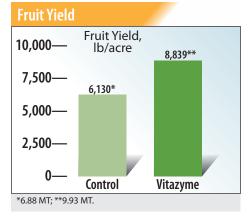
**Experimental design:** An avocado grove was partitioned to include a series of randomized block, using four replications, with experimental units containing two trees each. Trees were spaced 4 meters apart in the rows and rows were space 7 meters apart. Each plot was 56m<sup>2</sup>, and each treatment of eight total trees was 224m<sup>2</sup>.

#### 🚺 Control 😢 Vitazyme

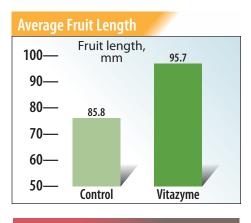
Vitazyme applications: Four foliar

sprays, each at 1 liter/ha (13 oz/acre), at 30-day intervals beginning at the vegetable growth stage. Applications were made December 4, 2020, and January 3, February 2, and March 4 of 2021. A motorized sprayer was used, with 1 liter of Vitazyme in 1,000 liters of water sprayed per hectare (about 100 gallons/acre), using adjustable cone nozzles.

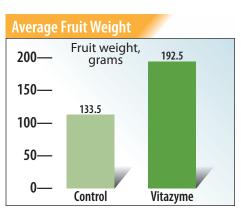
- *Fertilization:* unknown, but uniform over all areas
- **Results:** The data were completed on March 18, 2021, 104 days after the first application of Vitazyme on December 4, 2020.
- **Conclusions:** An avocado replicated experiment in Michoacan State, Mexico, revealed that Vitazyme, as four 1 liter/ha (13 oz/acre) applications every 30 days beginning with the vegetative stage, produced excellent yield and fruit size improvements above the untreated control trees. The yield increase of 2,709 lb/acre (3.05 MT/ha), a 44%. Fruit dimensions were improved by 12% (length) and 13% (diameter). These results show the great value of Vitazyme as a simple, efficient way of improving avocado yield and fruit size in Michoacan State, Mexico.



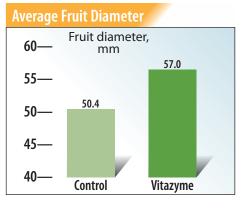
Fruit yield increase with Vitazyme: 44%



Average fruit length increase with Vitazyme: 12%



Average fruit weight increase with Vitazyme: 44%



Average fruit diameter increase with Vitazyme: 13%

## Avocados with Vitazyme application

**Researcher:** Steven David

**Research organization:** Sustainable Farming Solutions, Perth, Western Australia

*Location:* Western Australia *Variety:* Unknown

**Experimental design:** Nursery avocado plants were treated with Vitazyme and compared with untreated controls to determine the effect of this product on root and top growth.

### 1 Control 😢 Vitazyme

Vitazyme application: (1) Some plants were drenched at two times with a 1% Vitazyme solution; (2) other plants were drenched at two times with a 2% Vitazyme solution. Application timing is not known.

**Growth results:** Although no measurements were made, it was obvious by observation that both the 1% and 2% pot drenches improved root growth. This was especially true for the 2% drench, which displayed much greater root growth than the untreated control, and was substantially greater than the 1% drench. Note the accompanying photograph.



The circled root ball has been treated twice with a 2% Vitazyme drench, and reveals an amzing improvement in rooting; the 1% drench in the center also shows excellent rooting, far better than the control on the left.

**Conclusions:** This Western Australia Vitazyme trial revealed that either a 1% or 2% pot root drench, applied two times, greatly increased root growth and associated top growth and development. This product is thus shown to be an excellent adjunct to nursery applications of avocados to stimulate more rapid growth, and reduced time to reach transplanting size.

# Avocados with Vitazyme application

**Researcher:** Francisco E. González Valdés, M.S., Agronomy Engineer **Research Institution:** Belloto Consulting Ltd., Chile

#### **Experiment 1.** Vitazyme used with avocado under unfavorable conditions (2016)

Variety: a Phytophthora-sensitive rootstock Soil type: clayey Planting date: 2013

- **Experimental design:** Root-rot sensitive avocado trees were treated with three Vitazyme regimes to determine the products effectiveness to control the problem. Each plot had 10 trees, with 16 plots (four reps), or 160 total trees.
- **Observations:** At six months after these in leaf area for the Vitazmye treatments, but final results were not yet available.



applications, there was a noticable increase Vitazyme applied to avocados in Chile has been proven to enhance tree growth and yields consistently, as can be seen in this photo showing vigorous new growth in a producing plantation.

Treatment	Vitazyme in drip irrigation	Vitazyme foliar	
1	0	0	
2	1 liter/ha, four applications	0	
3	0	0.2% four applications	
4	1 liter/ha, four applications	0.2% four applications	

*Increase in leaf area with drip irrigation: 48%* Increase in leaf area with foliar + drip irrigation: 80%

**Conclusions:** In these Chilean avocado trials, Vitazmye increased leaf area of the trees substantially and significantly, using both a foliar spray and a drip irrigation application. In Experiment 2, leaf area was increased by 48% using four drip irrigation applications,

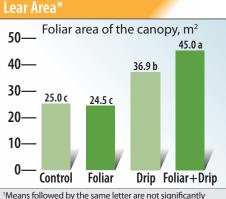
#### **Experiment 2.** Vitazyme for avocado tree vigor (2013) Variety: unknown

**Experimental design:** Four treatments were made in an avocado orchard, replicated four times, to determine the effectiveness of this product in accelerating the vigor of the trees.

Treatment	Vitazyme application sequence <sup>1</sup>			
ireatiment	1	2	3	4
1	0	0	0	0
2	Foliar	Foliar	Foliar	Foliar
3	Drip	Drip	Drip	Drip
4	Foliar	Drip	Foliar	Drip
<sup>1</sup> Treatment levels are at 1 liter/ha; foliar applications			tions	

used a 0.2% solution spray.

#### Leaf area results:



<sup>1</sup>Means followed by the same letter are not significantly different according to Duncan's Multiple Range Test P=0.05.

whereas by alternating foliar and drip irrigation applications the leaf area increased a remarkable 80%. This latter treatment is thus recommended for avocado growers to attain vigorous leaf canopies which should translate to greater fruit yields.

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# 2014 Crop Results

# Vitazyme on Avocados

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*Experimental design*: An avocado orchard was selected to evaluate the effect of Vitazyme on the yield and quality of the fruit. The experiment was laid out in a Latin Square design with one tree per plot (36 m<sup>2</sup>), replicated four times.

	Days after harvest <sup>1</sup>				
Treatment	60	120	180	240	Total dosage
		ml/liter of	of spray		liters/ha
Control	0	0	0	0	0
Vitazyme 1	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.7
Vitazyme 2	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	1.4
Vitazyme 3	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	2.1

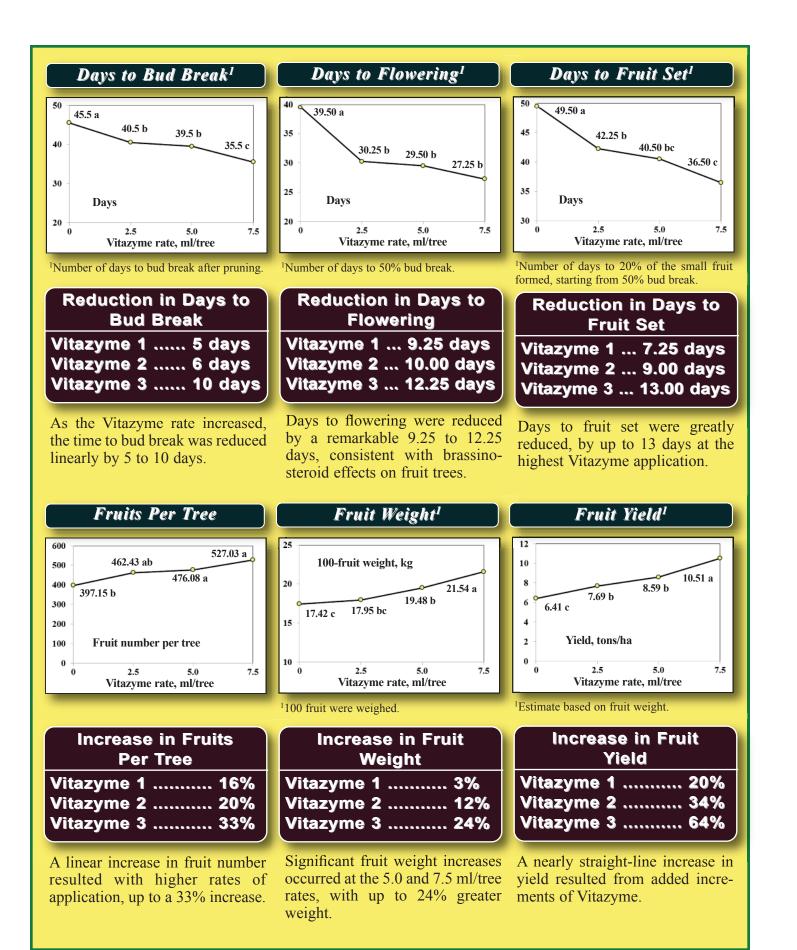
<sup>1</sup>All applications received the indicated dosage of Vitazyme in 5 liters per tree of water, applied to the leaves.

#### Fertilization: none

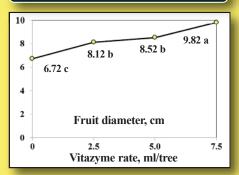
*<u>Vitazyme application</u>*: 2.5, 5.0, and 7.5 ml/tree applied by sprayer to the leaves of appropriate trees every 60 days, for four times, following harvest (see the table)

<u>Statistical evaluation</u>: The Statistical Analysis System (SAS) was used, employing Tukey's Test to evaluate differences among treatment means, at P = 0.05.

<u>*Growth and yield results*</u>: For all means, values followed by the same letter are not significantly different at P = 0.05 according to Tukey's Test.





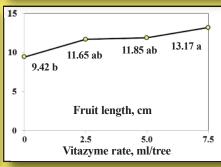


<sup>1</sup>10 fruits were measured with a vernier caliper, and averaged.

Increase in Fruit Diameter	
Vitazyme 1 21% Vitazyme 2 27% Vitazyme 3 46%	

All rates of Vitazyme increased fruit diameter significantly, up to 46% at the highest rate.

## Fruit Length<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup>10 fruits were measured with a vernier caliper, and averaged.

Increase in Fruit Length	
Vitazyme 1 24%	
Vitazyme 2 26%	
Vitazyme 3 40%	Γ

All three Vitazyme treatments were statistically the same, and the 7.5 ml/tree rate produced a 40% increase in fruit length.

#### 3.0 Thickness, mm 2.8 2.82 a 2.6 2.70 a 2.59 ab 2.4 2.30 b 2.2 2.0 Ó 2.5 5.0 7.5 Vitazyme rate, ml/tree

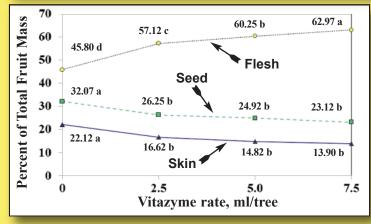
Skin Thickness<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>A cross section of skin from five fruit was measured by microscope, and averaged.

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	13%
	17%
Vitazyme 3	23%

In all cases Vitazyme increased skin thickness, significantly at the 7.5 ml/tree level (23%).

# Percentage of Flesh, Skin, and Seed<sup>1</sup>

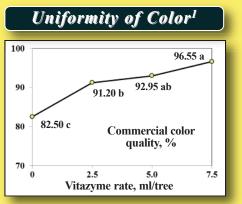


<sup>1</sup>Ten fruits for each plot were selected, and the flesh, skin, and seeds were separated, weighed, and averaged.

Change with Vitazyme, percentage points			
	<u>Flesh</u>	<u>Skin</u>	<u>Seed</u>
Vitazyme 1	+11.32	-5.50	-5.82
Vitazyme 2	+14.45	-7.30	-7.15
Vitazyme 3	+17.17	-8.22	-8.95

The percentage of flesh of the avocado fruit increased linearly and significantly with the rate of Vitazyme application, while the percentages of skin and seed conversely dropped with those same rates. *Conclusions*: The conclusions of the Mexican authors are as follows.

- 1. Vitazyme, at dosages of 0.7, 1.4 and 2.1 liters per hectare of Vitazyme, equivalent to 100, 200 and 200 mL/200 L water in 1390 liters per hectare of solution, each in 4 foliar sprays at intervals of two months after the last harvest, in 8 years old avocado trees, recorded good effects on the evaluated parameters in the avocado crop, achieving significant improvements in days to bud break, to flowering and to fruit set, as well as in yield and quality of fruits, showing statistical differences with the untreated control throughout the development of the trial.
- 2. With four foliar applications of Vitazyme at dosages of 0.7, 1.4 and 2.1 liters per hectare of Vitazyme, equivalent to 100, 200, and 300 mL/200 L water in 1390 liters per hectare of solution, each in 4 foliar sprays at intervals of two months after the last harvest, in 8 years old avocado trees, significant yield increases compared with an untreated control of 1.18, 2.18, and 4.11 tons/hectare, or 20, 34, and 64%, respectively, are achieved. Likewise, marked improvements in the quality of the Vitazyme treated fruits are noticed.
- 3. The use of Vitazyme at dosages of 0.7, 1.4, and 2.1 liters per hectare of Vitazyme, each in 4 foliar sprays at intervals of the two months after the last harvest, is recommended in avocado trees, since it is demonstrated to be an alternative that favorably increased yields per hectare, as well as the quality of avocado fruits.

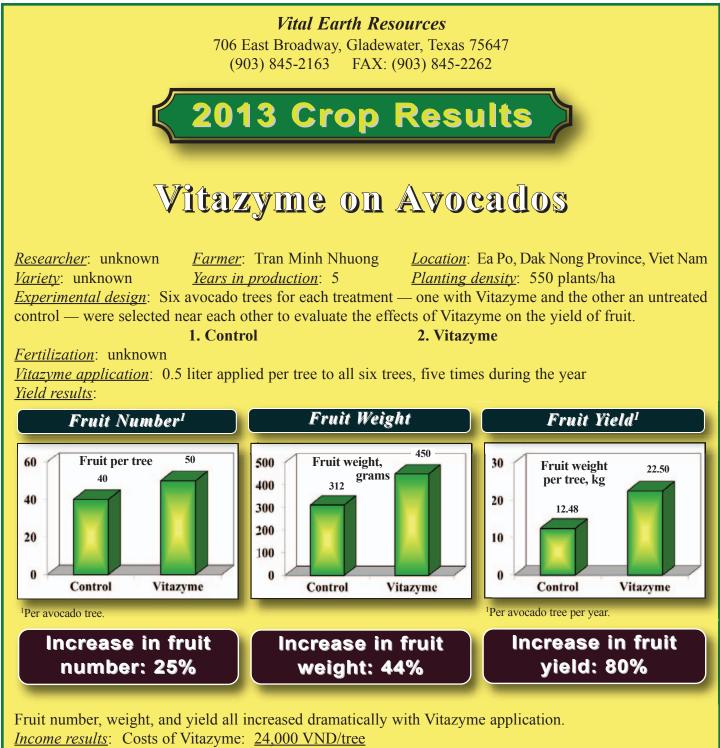


<sup>1</sup>100 fruit were evaluated for color qualifying for commercial for commercial sales.

Increase in Uniformity
(percentage points)
Vitazyme 1 8.70
Vitazyme 2 10.45
Vitazyme 3 14.05

Significantly more fruit was of commercial color quality with all three Vitazyme treatments, especially the 7.5 ml/tree rate.

4. There were no toxic effects to the avocado crop, after applying dosages of 0.7, 1.4, and 2.1 liters per hectare of Vitazyme, equivalent to 100, 200, and 300 mL/200 L water in 1390 liters per hectare of solution.



#### Increase in income with Vitazyme: 162,500 VND/tree

<u>Conclusions</u>: An avocado study in Viet Nam, using six trees for each treatment, revealed that Vitazyme greatly improved the yield (+80%), number (+25%), and size (+44%) of fruit. Moreover, the income per tree was raised by 162,500 VND. It was observed during the trial that **many avocado fruit fell prematurely in the control treatment, but not in the Vitazyme treatment**. This program is shown to be a most excellent adjunct to avocado production in Viet Nam.