Sunburn damage on Echinopsis.

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Hello Group,

I apologize if the words look strange in English translation to German.

I grow Echinopis hybrids in south facing green house on south coast , UK. It receives many hours of sunshine.

In winter they are on benches , no shade. They are kept dry and cold.

In Spring (March 2010) I put aluminum shade cloth on south side, and shade paint (x2 layers) on north side. Automatic ventilator to open

+ 30 degC . I water from below and then spray water onto plants on hot days. I water in the morning (am)

I like to keep my greenhouse plants at 30degC for quick growth.

On some plants I have big problems with burn, ribs on top and crown of plants. Brown rib burn and then cell death in circles .

I also get brown death on some pups (Kindel) on top and bottom.

Now my plants are shaded, but will they become too soft for when I remove Shade in September? How can I make plants hard to take sunshine in the winter?

The plants seem to burn when dry in the winter.

Can I grow my Echinopsis with lots of shade all the year? Will this make big soft plants but no flowers in spring? Is it best to be safe with lots of shade?

Any help is much appreciated .

LeeAlan