

Research Update: Invasive Insects in Berry Crops



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Focus: Stakeholder access to the technical aspects of insect pest management and integrated approaches for reducing crop losses from insect pests is an integral component of our work and the primary purpose of this website. We hope to convey to the agricultural and consumer community that plant protection is a dynamic and an ever changing process, especially as resistance diminishes the effectiveness of pest management tools and newly invasive pests overwhelm the integrity of the regions agricultural commodities. Our efforts in applied entomology are formulated to benefit agricultural producers in sustaining the highest quality yield, maintaining economic competitive advantage and promoting national food security, while ultimately serving the world-wide community of consumers by reducing the negative impact of food production on our environment. At the Hudson Valley Laboratory we strive to provide access of time sensitive information to the agricultural community. This site is one of many on-demand sources of plant protection information available from Cornell University.

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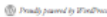
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MONTHLY ARCHIVES: JUNE 2014

Obliquebanded Leafroller and Tufted Apple Bud Moth Management This Week in the Mid-Hudson Valley.

The first adult male moth was observed in traps on Monday, June 9th followed by a sustained flight with larvae emergence on the 20th of June. Applications made on or after the 20th had 100% of control on the night -- [Continue reading...](#)

San Jose Scale Damage Increasing on Hudson Valley Apple

The San Jose scale, *Aspidiotus perniciosus*, is a serious pest of fruit trees, difficult and expensive to control once it becomes established. Female scales produce approximately 400 young "crawlers" over a 6-week period requiring immediate control over two applications to -- [Continue reading...](#)

Fruit with Frass: Assessing 1st Generation Codling Moth Injury

Codling Moth eggs were laid during the week of May 26th in Highland, NY. The first eggs hatched after about 200 DDs, predicted to occur on the 1st of May (2014 hatching report). We have been using the development of -- [Continue reading...](#)

Brown Marmorated Stink Bug Trapping in the Hudson Valley: June 19th

The EMV Brown Marmorated Stink Bug Project began in 2010 to address the potential impact this invasive species could have on NY's commercial agricultural commodities while documenting its pest status in the urban environment. The Hudson Valley Region, along with Monticello -- [Continue reading...](#)

Controlling Potato Leafhopper To Reduce Fireblight and Maintain Growth on Young Apple Trees

To optimize growth of newly planted trees, protection of the terminal shoot is essential for economic return within the first three to five years. Branching by when not done is the most common form of damage to newly developing apple -- [Continue reading...](#)

Time To Weigh In Hand On Scale This Week!

This is the week to begin managing QP numbers emerging from the female covering. Use a two application program at 70-100 intervals beginning at the first visible window. Over the past five years the San Jose scale (SJS) has become -- [Continue reading...](#)

OBLR Update: First Egg Hatch Predicted For June 20th

We've been capturing the adult male moths since hatching, June 9th and are confident of our sustained flight. Using the 9th as our basis, the NYSMA model indicates the early period of emergence for the 20th of June. If you -- [Continue reading...](#)

Brown Marmorated Stink Bug Update (BMSB): Eggs And Nymphs Found On Bardet Pears

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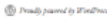
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Historical Invasive Insect Pests Of Fruit In Eastern New York

Apple maggot , <i>Rhagoletis pomonella</i> (Wash, 1867)	Tephritidae; Diptera
European red mite , <i>Panonychus ulmi</i> ,	<i>Acari</i> : Tetranychidae
Grape berry moth , <i>Lobesia botrana</i> ([Dennis & Schiffermuller])	Tortricidae; Lepidoptera
Japanese beetle , <i>Popillia japonica</i> Newman,	Scarabaeidae; Coleoptera
Oriental fruit moth , <i>Grapholita molesta</i> (Busck)	Tortricidae; Lepidoptera
Oystershell scale , <i>Lepidosaphes ulmi</i> (Linnaeus)	Diaspididae; Hemiptera
Pear psylla , <i>Cacopsylla pyricola</i> Foerster,	Homoptera: Psyllidae
Rose leafhopper , <i>Edwardsiana rosae</i> (Linnaeus)	Cicadellidae; Homoptera
San Jose scale , <i>Quadraspidiotus perniciosus</i> (Comstock)	Diaspididae; Hemiptera



Historical Invasive Insect Pests Of Fruit In Eastern New York

Factors Contributing to Invasive Insect Success

- Size of the **introduced population** (the larger the number, the higher the probability of establishment).
- **Aggressiveness** (how well it out competes native species)
- **Many generations** (producing high populations)
- Rapid dispersal and **overwintering success**
- Ecological niche with **suitable climate** and **available food**
- **Absence of natural enemies** (parasites and predators)



New Pest Update: Spotted Lanternfly. Hemiptera: Fulgoridae

- The **Spotted Lanternfly**, *Lycorma delicatula* (White), is a **planthopper** orinating from China, Korea, India, Vietnam, and parts of eastern Asia.
- **On Sept. 22, 2014, the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture**, in cooperation with the Pennsylvania Game Commission, confirmed the presence the Spotted Lanternfly in **Berks County, PA**.
- It is an invasive insect in **Korea** where it was introduced in **2006** and since has **attacked 25 plant species** which also grow in Pennsylvania. In the U.S. it has the potential to greatly impact **>70 plant host species including grape, apple, pine and stone fruit**.
- **Adults** appear in July & moves to **Tree of Heaven** (*Ailanthus altissima*)
- Uses Tree of heaven for **egg laying** beginning in October.



Adult SLF

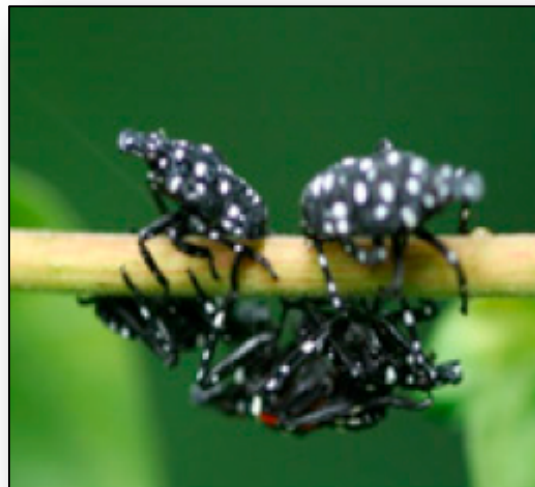


New Pest Update: Spotted Lanternfly. Hemiptera: Fulgoridae

- Nymphs hatch from Late April to early May egg masses laid on smooth bark, stone, and other vertical surfaces. Nymphs **climb, feed and fall** repeatedly onto host plants.
- Nymphs complete **four immature stages**. The first stage is black with white spots and wingless.
- As it grows, the Spotted Lanternfly will start to develop red patches in addition to the white spots. Nymphs spread from the initial site by crawling and feeding on woody and non-woody plants.



Fall/ Winter



Spring



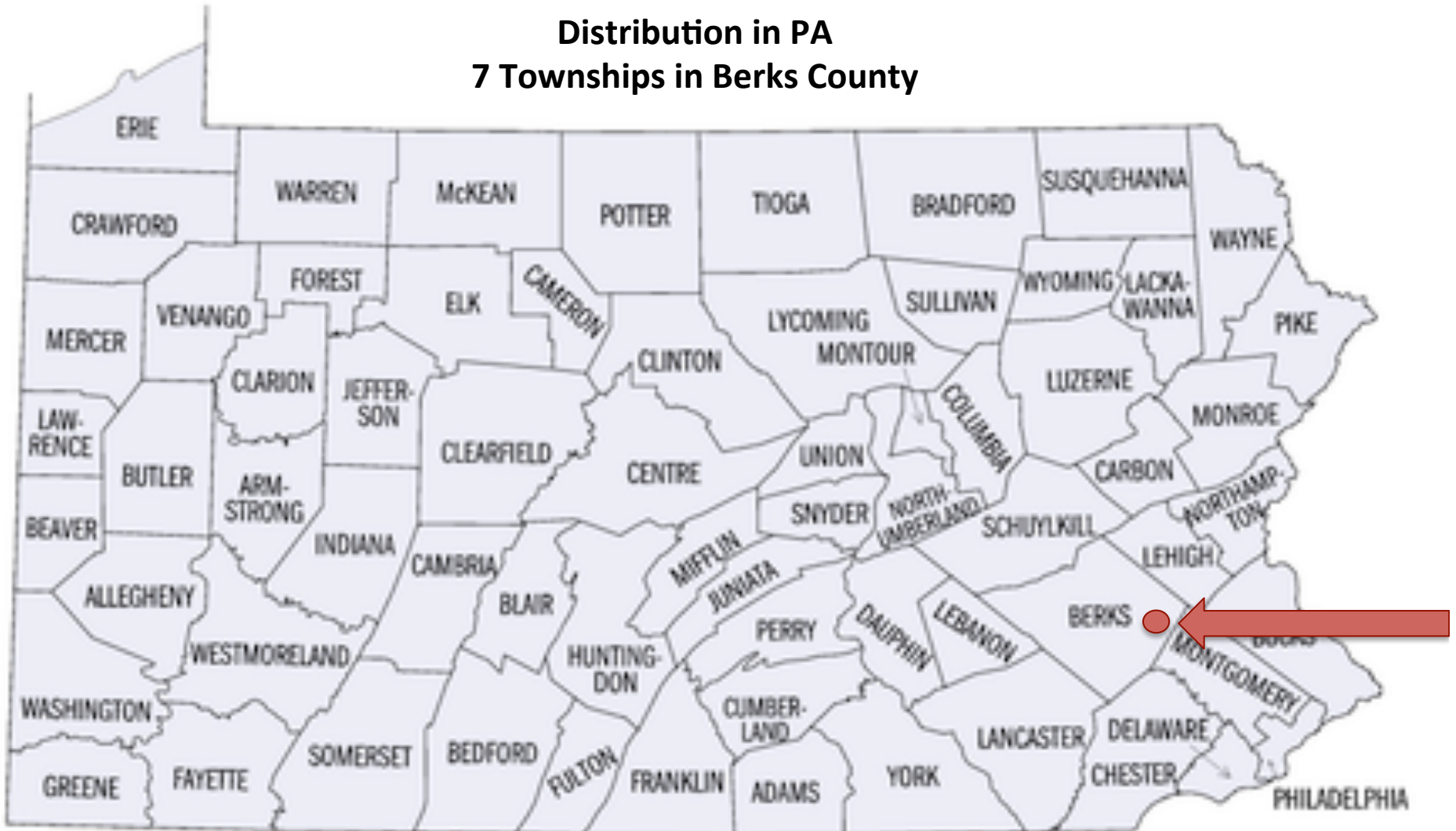
Early Summer





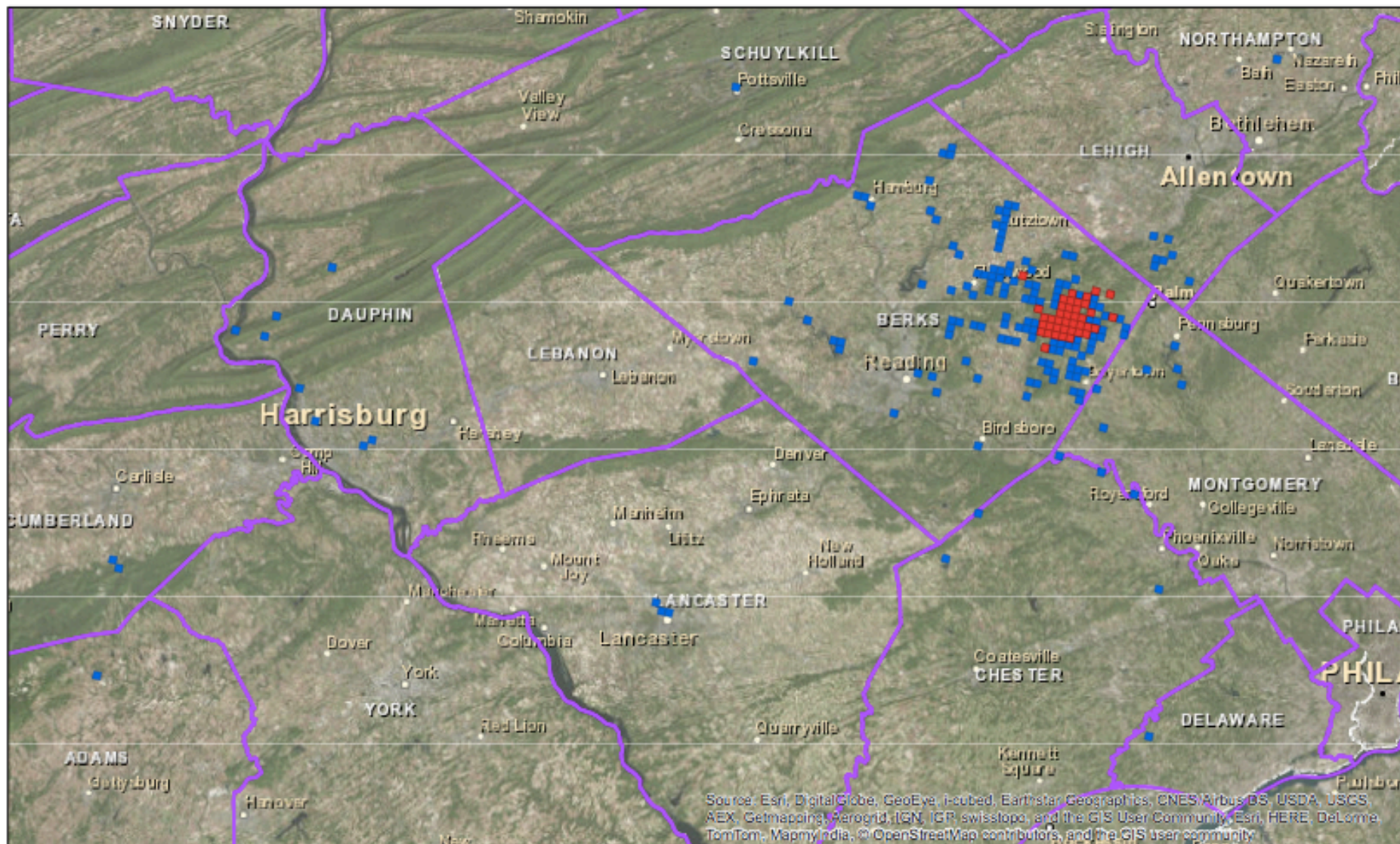
Distribution in PA
7 Townships in Berks County

A map of Pennsylvania with its county boundaries and names labeled. Berks County is highlighted in light blue. A red arrow points to Berks County from the right side of the map.



Lycorma Detection Survey

Results Through 15 December 2014



Survey Grids

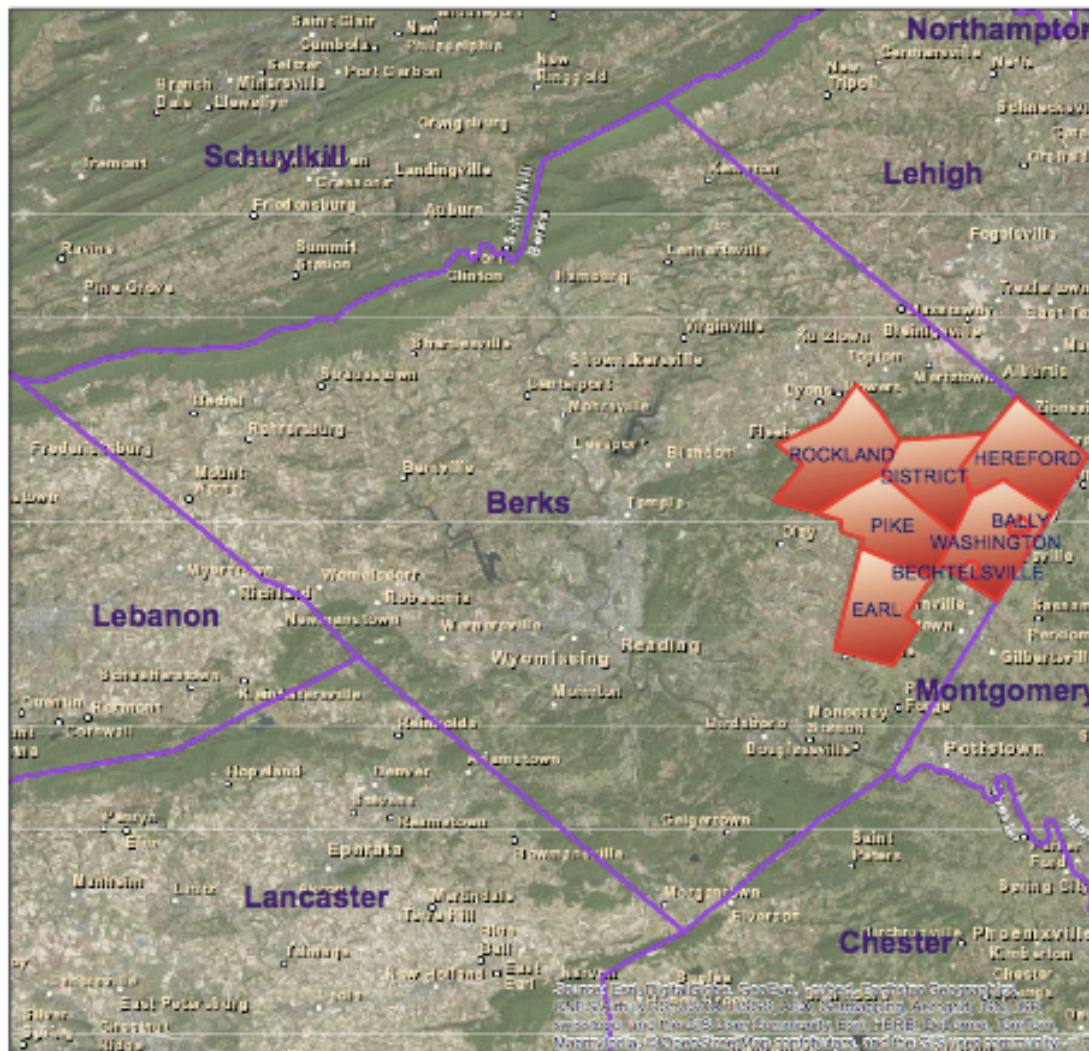
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- Surveyed - Not Found

Spotted Lanternfly Quarantine Map

Townships Under Quarantine As of December 13, 2014

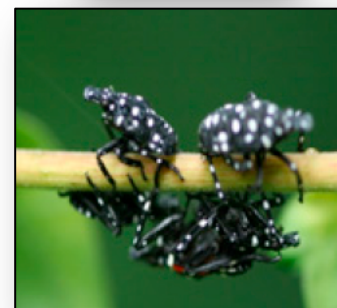
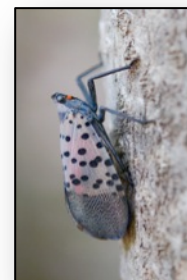


6 Township self assessment for all life stages of SLF using PA Dept of Ag. Form below.



Legend

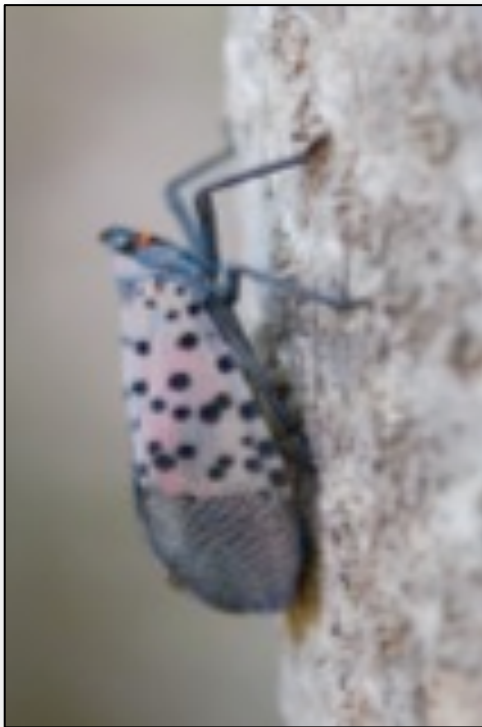
- Township Under PDA Quarantine
- Pennsylvania County Border



New Pest Update: Spotted Lanternfly: Management

Target adults in mid-late September prior to egg laying & nymphs as they hatch

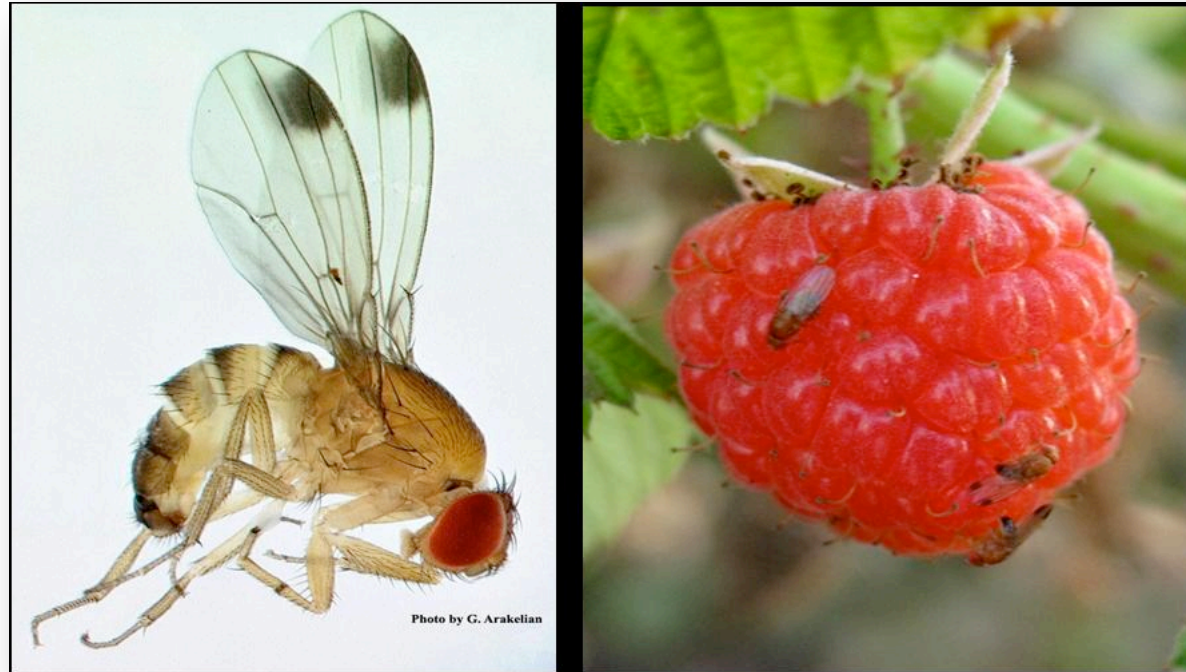
- Removal of egg masses from bark
- Trunk applications of Dinotefuran (*Safari, Scorpion, Venom*)
 - Systemic insecticide activity kills insects as they feed on sap



SLF Eggs



Spotted Wing Drosophila

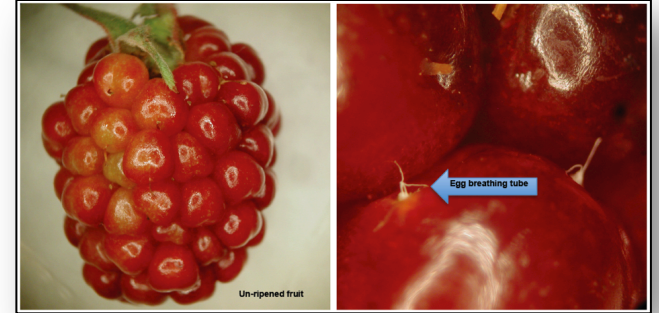


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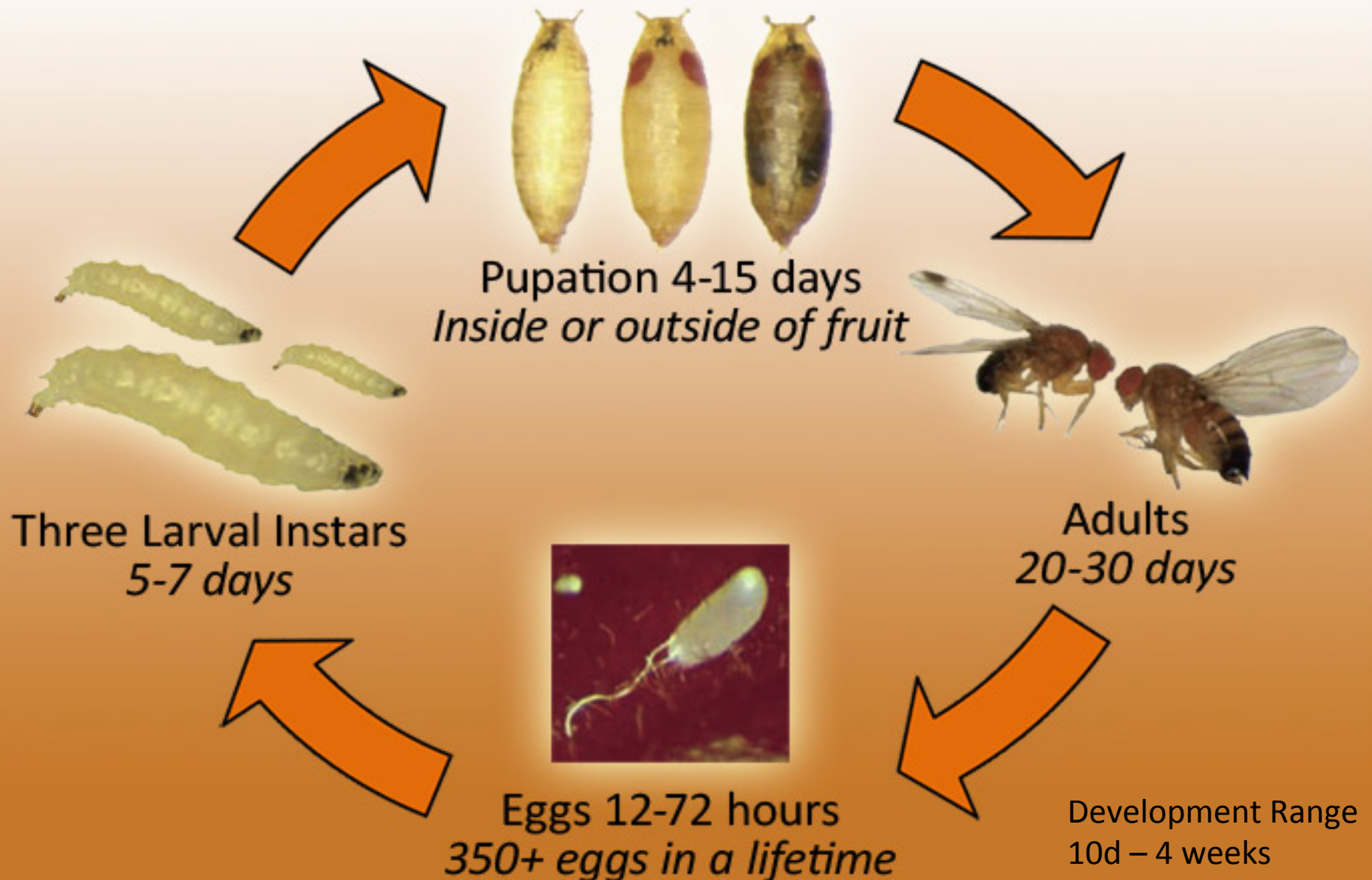
Crops at Highest Risk

- Raspberries, blackberries, and blueberries
- Fall-bearing and late maturing varieties
- Day-neutral strawberry varieties
- Late season tart and sweet cherries
- Thin-skinned grapes (Pinot Noir: Dejon Clones)
- Cracked or damaged fruit.



Life Cycle of the Spotted Wing Drosophila

Drosophila suzukii (Matsumura)



Female *Drosophila* species

UC Berkeley & UC Cooperative Extension Photos: M. Hauser, CDFA

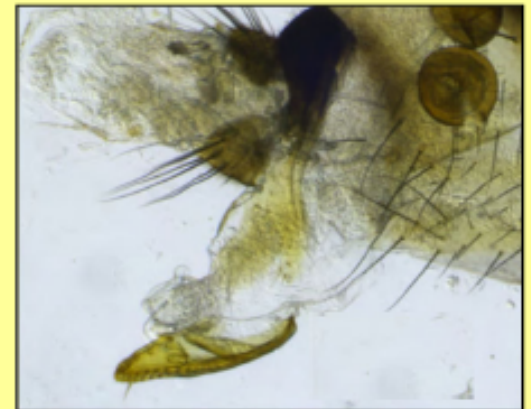
Spotted Wing *Drosophila* (*D. suzukii*)



SWD has a large, saw-like, serrated ovipositor with two even rows of teeth that are much darker than rest of ovipositor

Other *Drosophila* spp.

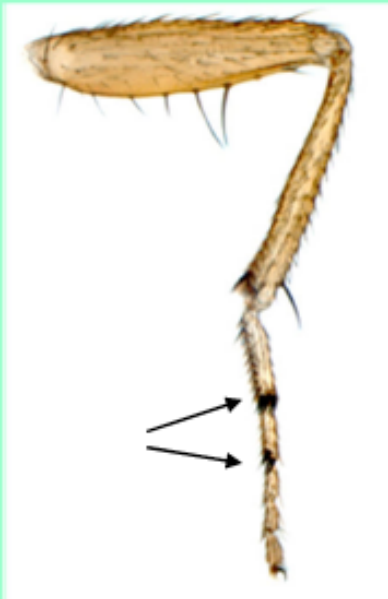
have smaller, more rounded ovipositors, sometimes with irregular, poorly defined teeth



Male Spotted Wing Drosophila (SWD)

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Double stripes on
tarsi of front legs



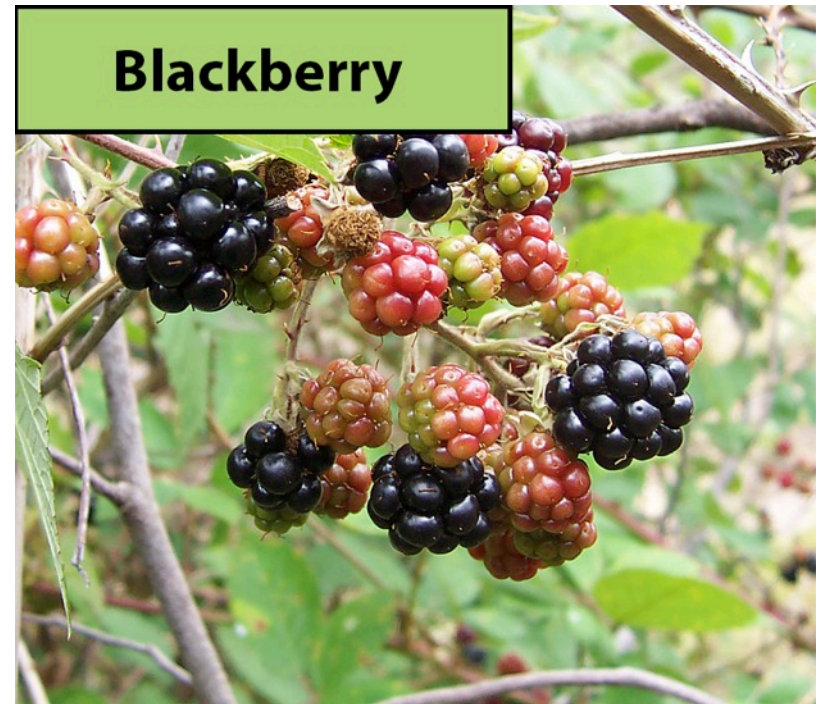
Leading edge of
wing has dark spot



Unbroken abdominal bands

Alternate hosts for SWD

Rubus allegheniensis - Blackberry

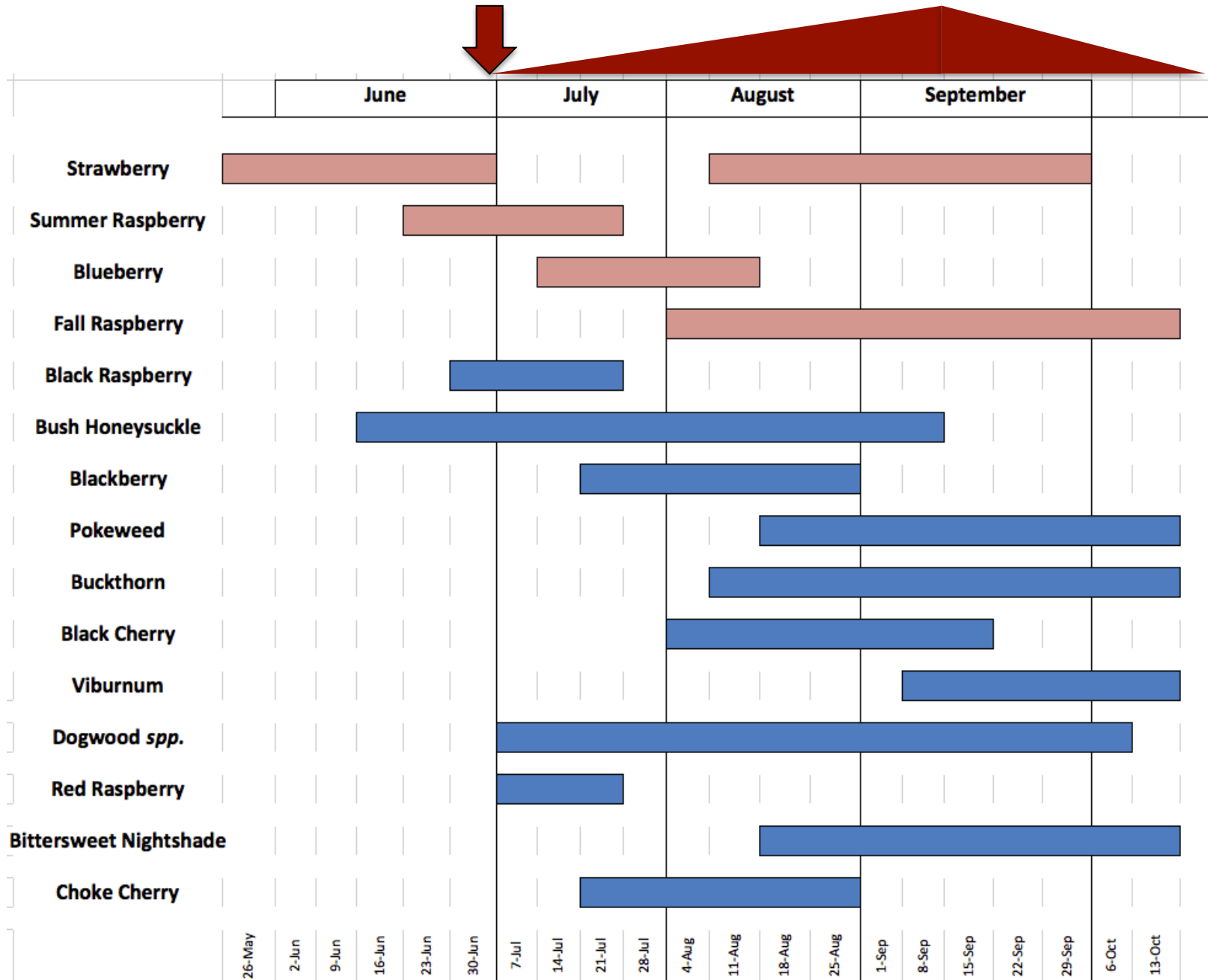


Tartarian Honeysuckle (*Lonicera tatarica*)

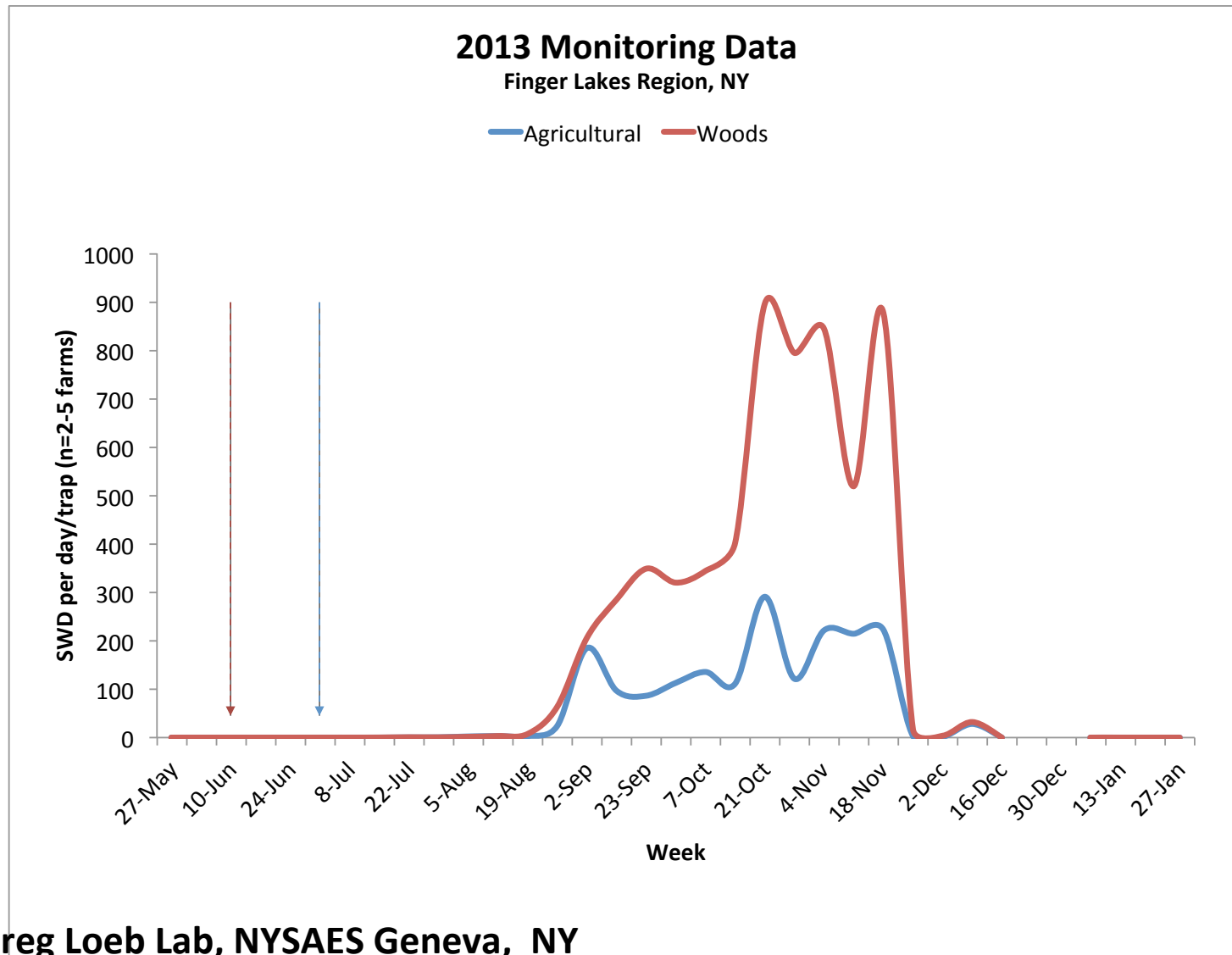


An invasive shrub, Tartarian honeysuckle is a native of eastern Asia and was first introduced into North America as an ornamental in 1752. SWD was found to be highly attracted to the fruit, and infestations in *L. tatarica* were noticed before infestation in cultivars.

SEASONAL PHENOLOGY

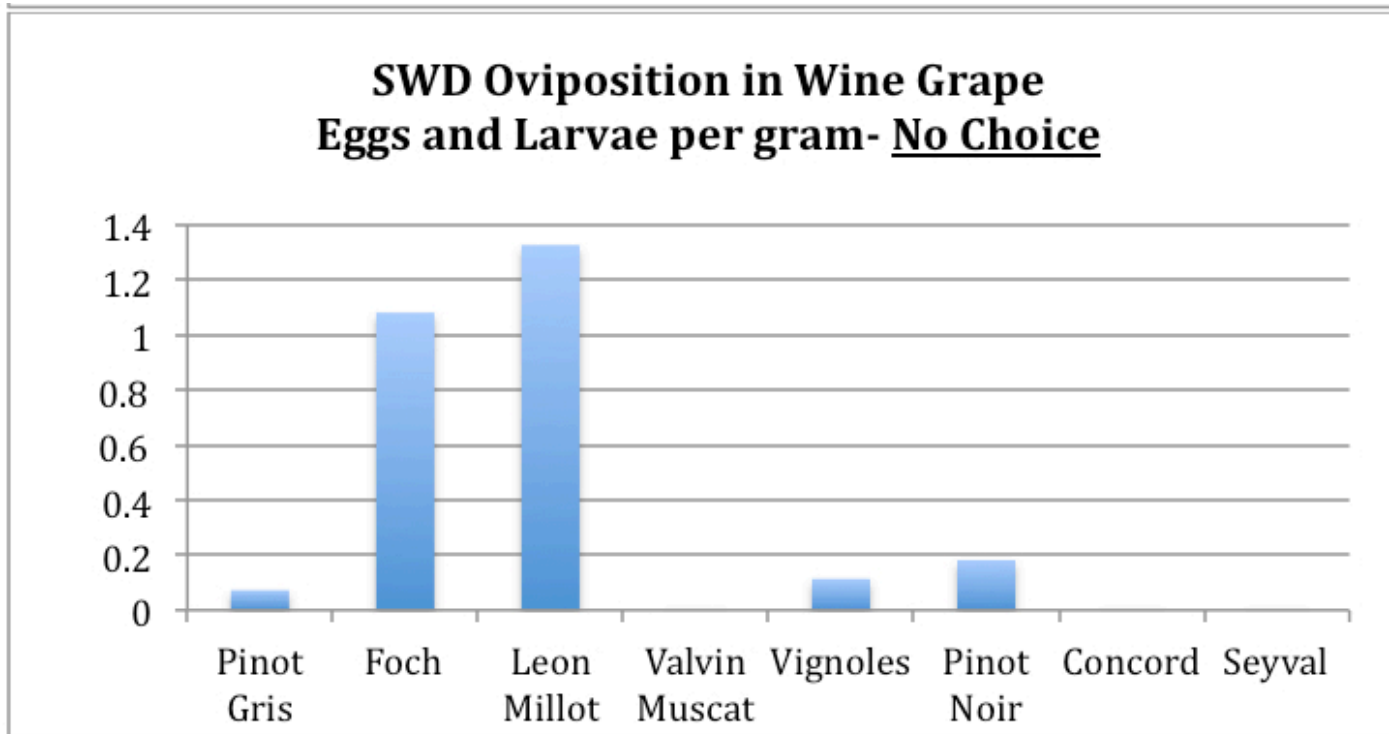


SWD SEASONAL DYNAMICS IN THE NORTHEAST



Credit: Greg Loeb Lab, NYSAES Geneva, NY

Grape Variety Preference Study: SWD

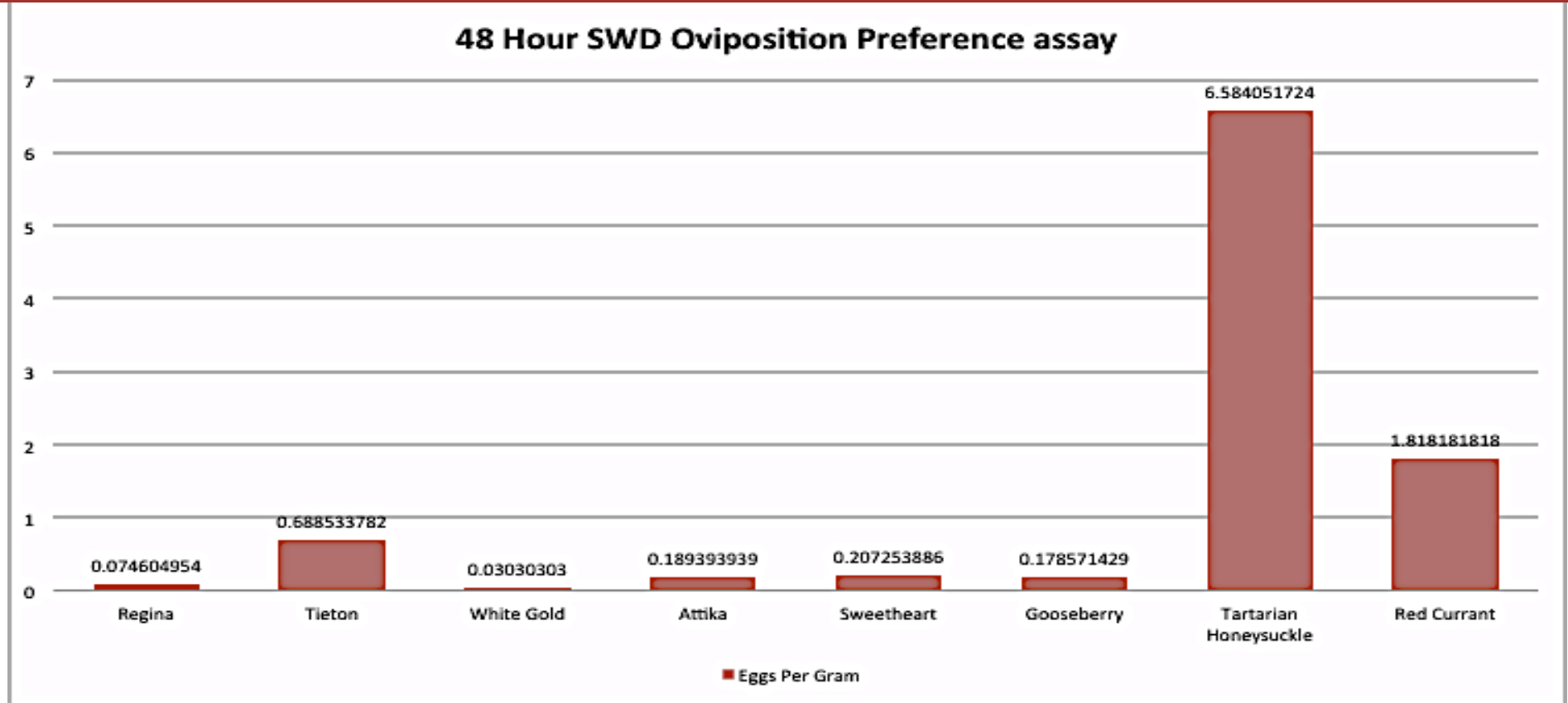


- Non-Choice Test
- Grapes varieties placed in individual containers.
- 5 female SWD

- SWD ovipositional preference in pre-ripened grape varieties.
- Allowed 48 hours to oviposit.



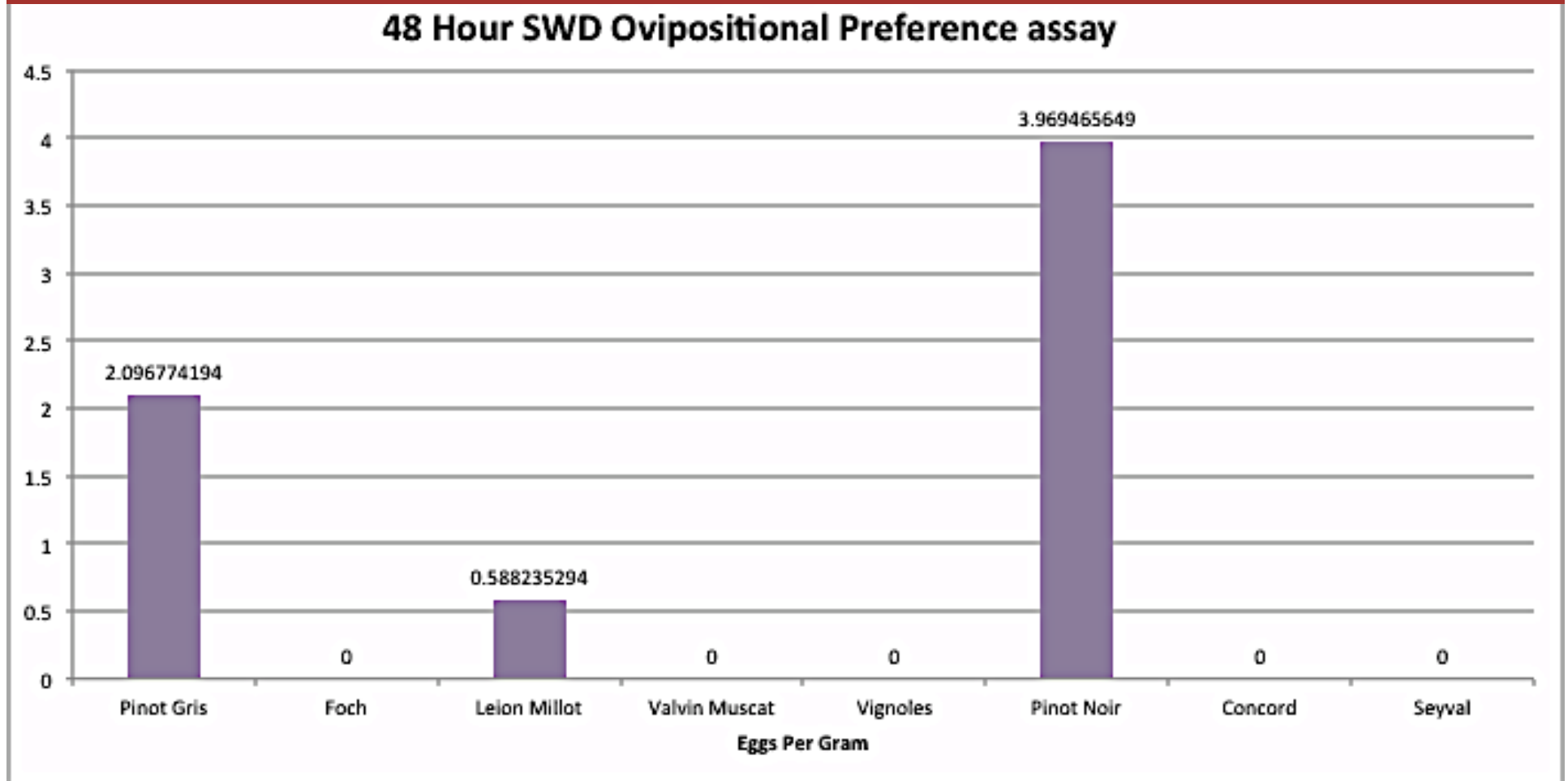
Grape Variety Preference Study: SWD



- Male and Female flies were introduced to fruit, and allowed 48 hours to oviposit before they were removed and eggs were counted.
- Each fruit was isolated with 5 male and 5 female SWD adults.



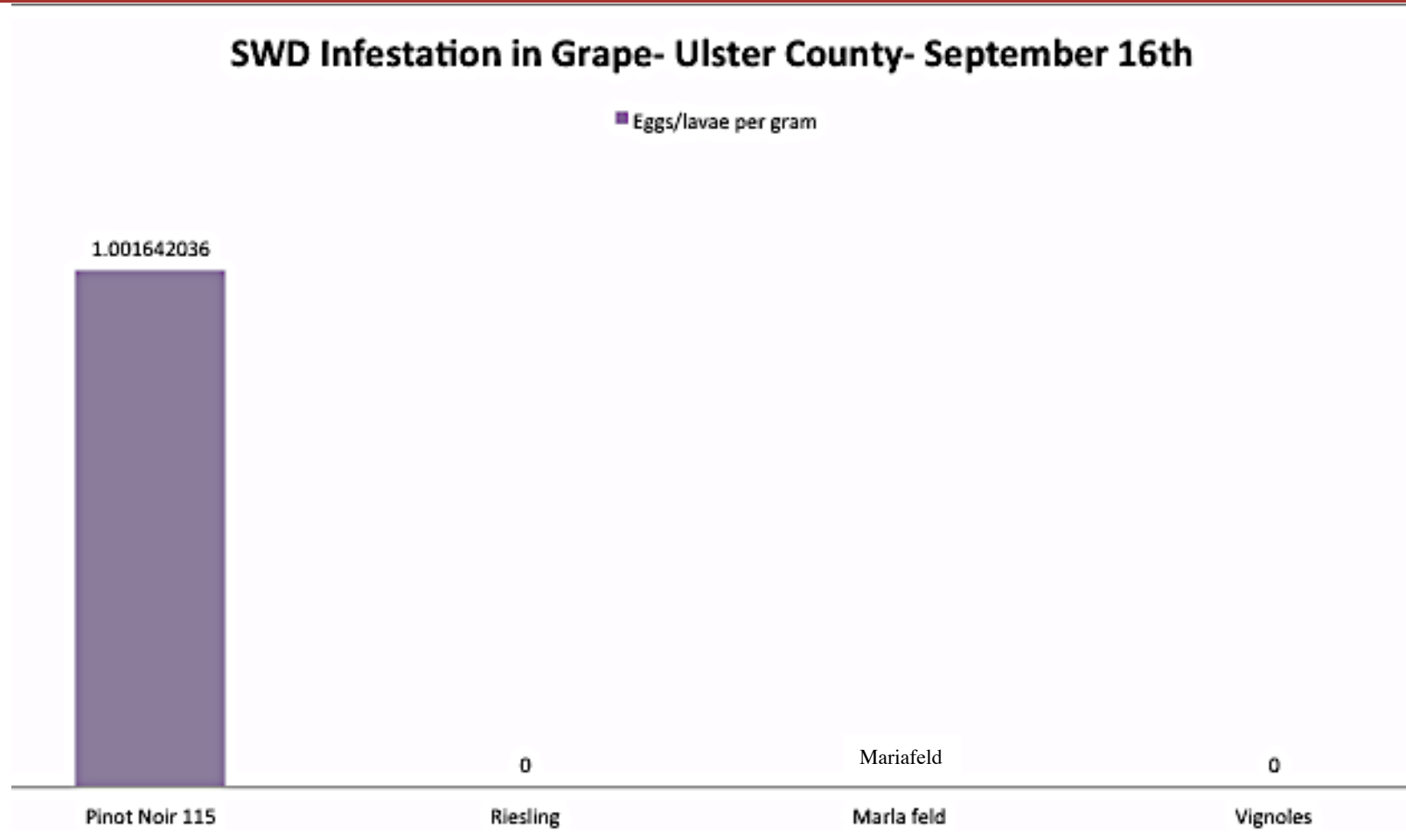
Grape Variety Preference Study: SWD



- SWD ovipositional preference in healthy grape varieties. All grapes placed in same container. 40 SWD adults introduced and allowed 48 hours to oviposit.



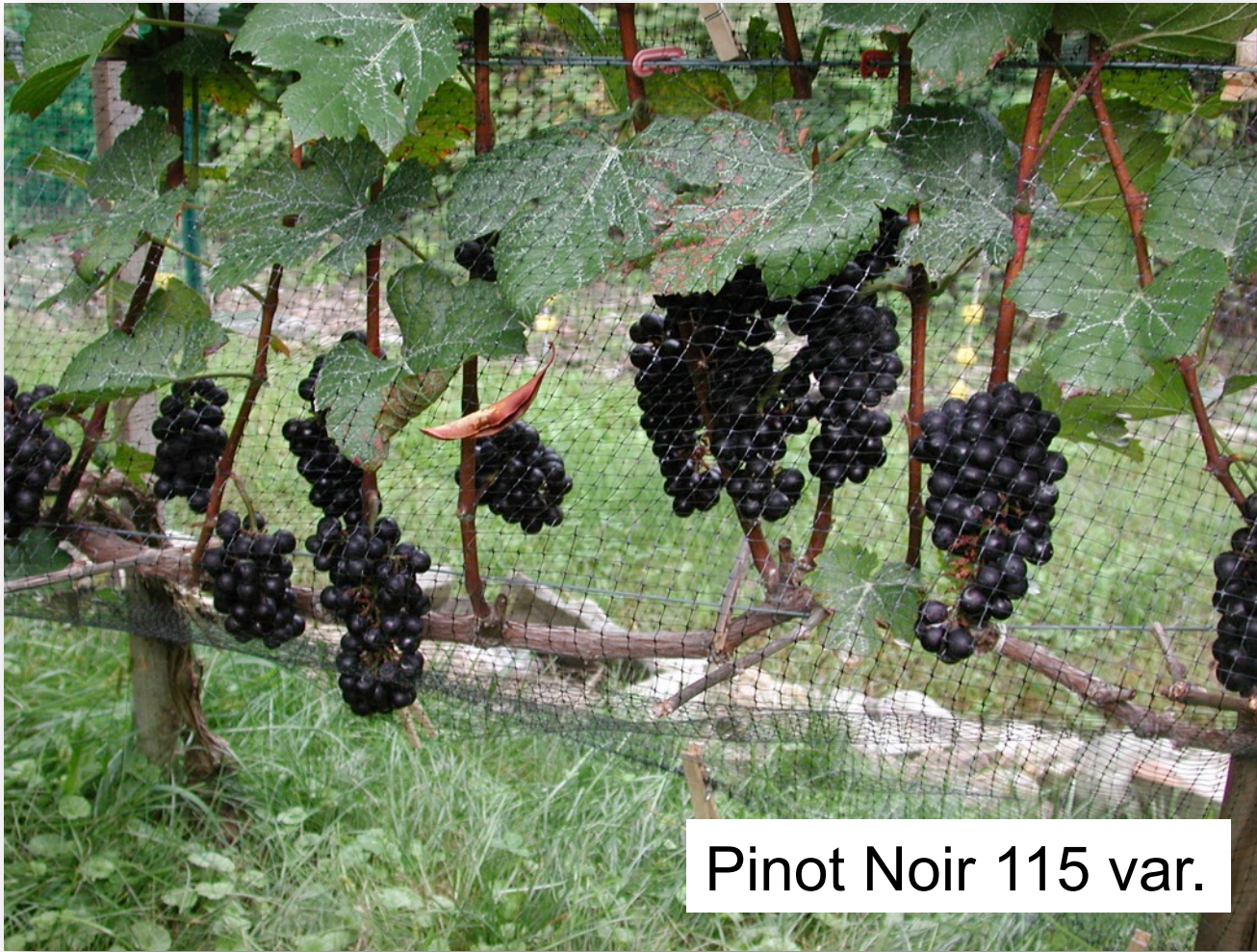
Grape Variety Preference Study: SWD



Grapes collected and analyzed from an Ulster County vineyard indicated that Pinot Noir is indeed at high risk of SWD infestation.



Grape Variety Preference Study: SWD



- Vineyard with P115 with 100% injury of cluster with >90% berry infestation / cluster.

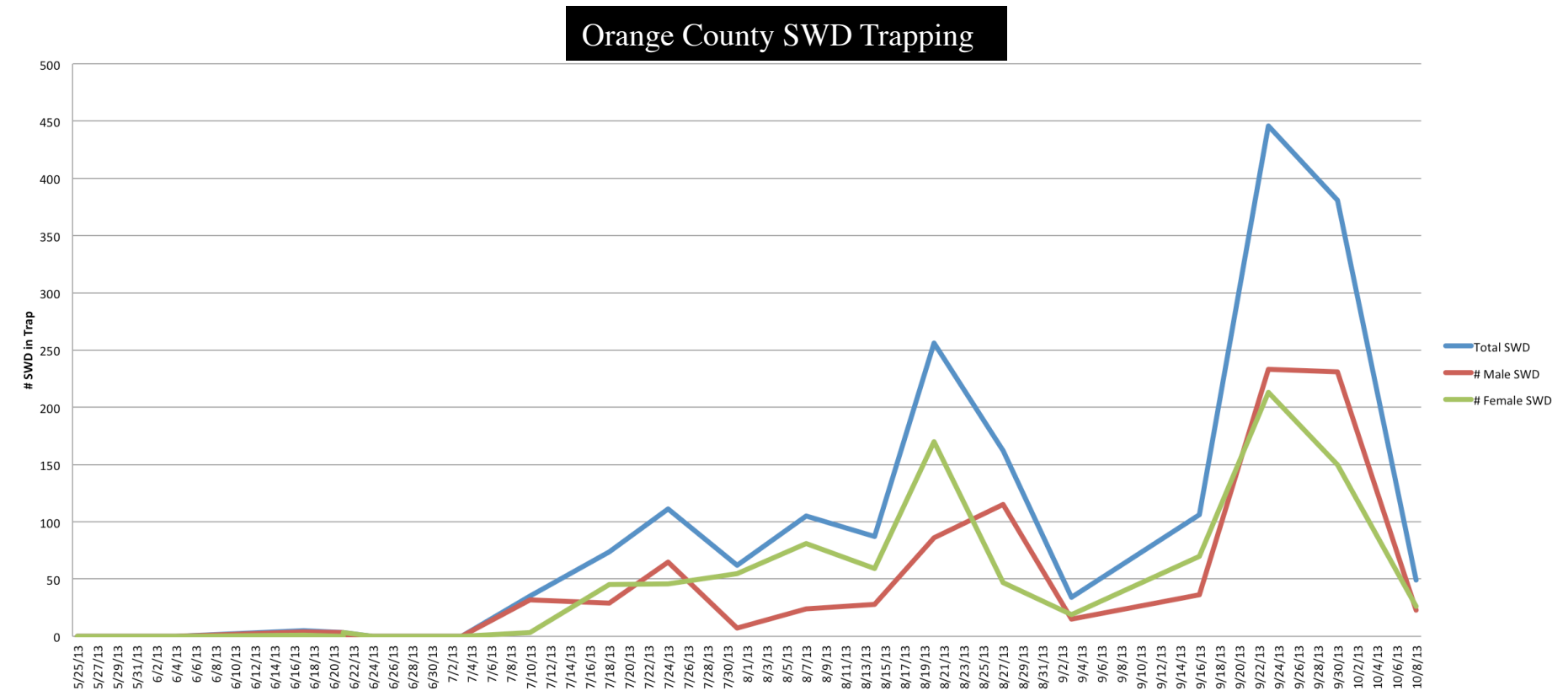


Monitoring

- **Whole wheat bread dough (fermenting bait)**
-water, sugar, yeast, whole wheat, apple cider vinegar (ACV)
- **Drowning solution of ACV**



SWD Population over Time: Orange



- First Capture: June 17 (5 SWD, 4 Male, 1 Female)
- Largest Capture: September 23
- (446 SWD, 233 Male, 213 Female)



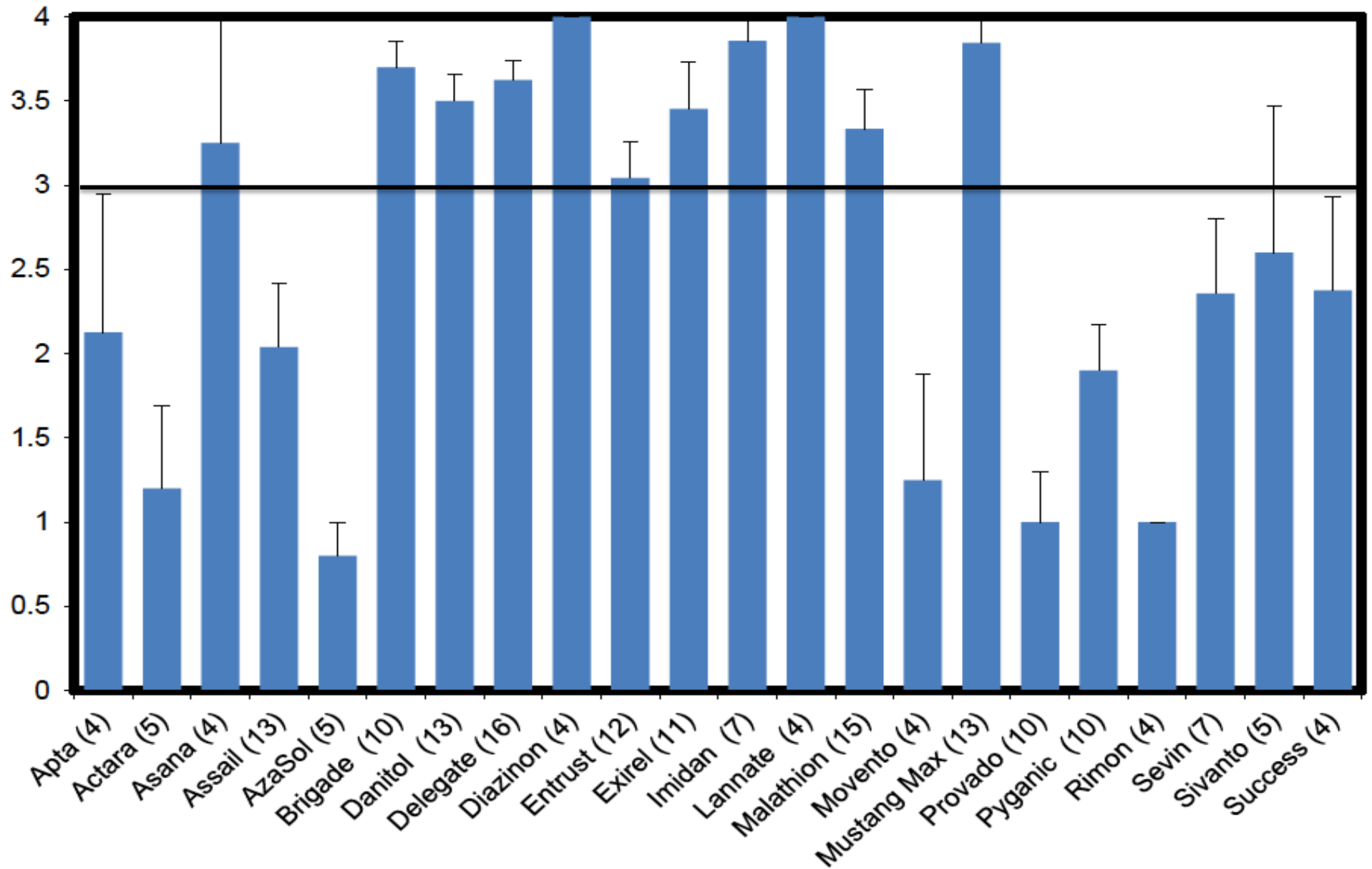
CLASSES OF SWD INSECTICIDES

Class	IRAC Code	Examples	SWD Efficacy
Organophosphates	1B	Malathion	Excellent to good
Pyrethroids	3A	Brigade, Danitol, Mustang Max	Excellent
Spinosyns	5	Delegate, Entrust	Excellent to good
Neonicotinoids	4A	Assail	Good to poor
Carbamates	1A	Sevin	Good to poor
Diamide	28	Exirel*	Excellent to good

***Just received EPA label for blueberries, not raspberries**

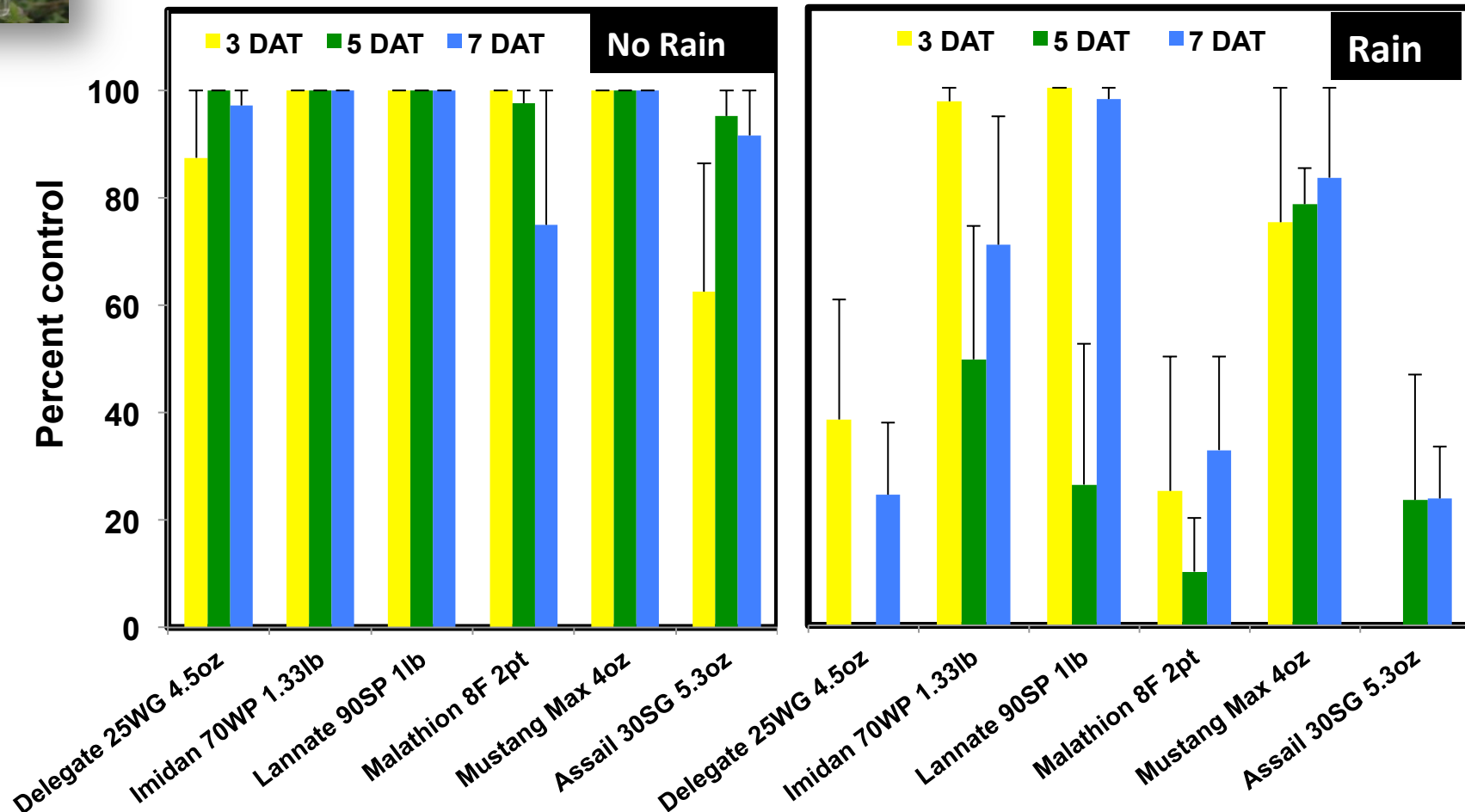
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Survey on insecticide efficacy against SWD, collated by
Rufus Isaacs, MSU - November, 2013



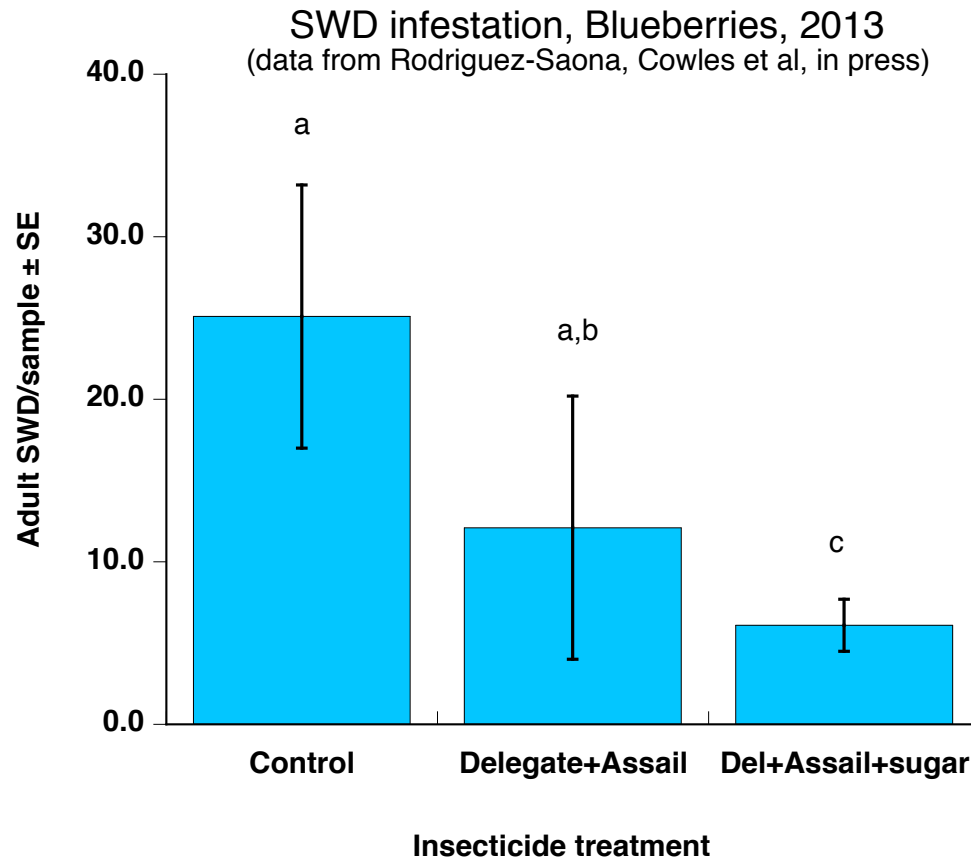
Effect of Rain on Some Common Insecticides

From Rufus Isaacs, MSU



*0.8 inches of rain on treated bushes
1 day after application*

Enhancing Mortality with Sugar



Cultivar: 'Bluecrop'

Treatments: 4 wk spray program

-**Alternate Delegate & Assail**

-**Delegate & Assail plus sugar**

Plot size: 2 rows, 32 bushes

Replicates: 4

2 lbs. sugar / 100 gal. water

African Fig Fly, *Zaprionus indianus* Gupta



African Fig Fly, *Zaprionus indianus* Gupta



- **Introduction:** The fig fruit fly is native to tropical Africa, but has been found in South America, including Brazil in 1999 (Vilela 1999).
- Central Florida on 26 July, 2005, Virginia and Mississippi in 2012.
- In apple cider baited traps *Zaprionus indianus* Gupta were found in Milton, NY on 4 September, 2012 and August 2014.

African Fig Fly, *Zaprionus indianus* Gupta



- **Description:** A striking pair of white stripes from the antennae, dorsally along distinctive red eyes to the end of the thorax with two black lines bordering each white stripe.
- The body is yellow in color approximately 3.5 mm in length
- Development time is approximately 19 days from egg to adult.
- The African fig fruit fly are capable of producing numerous generations in a season.

African Fig Fly: Crops at Risk

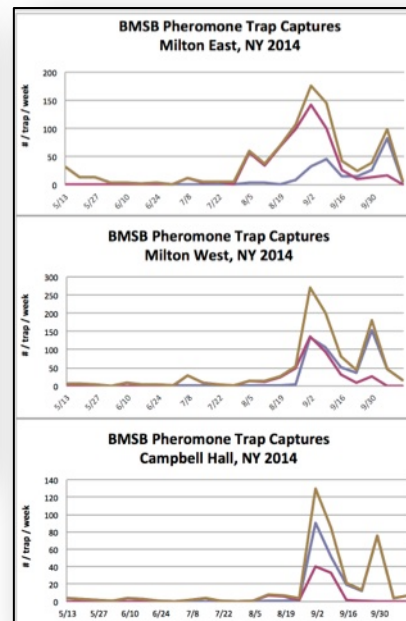
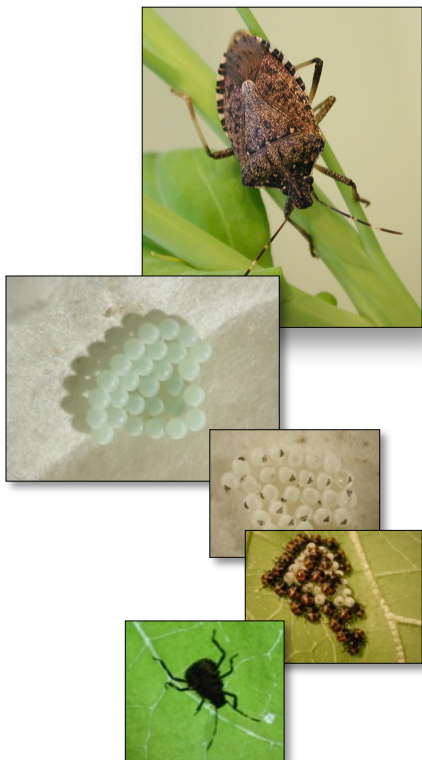


- **Damage: Predominately to citrus and grape**
- **Hudson Valley:**
 - **4 AFF in 2012**
 - **0 AFF in 2013**
 - **3 AFF in 2014**
- **Reports from Rutgers, NJ of wine grape injury independent of SWD injury.**
- **Not yet a threat in NY**

SUMMARY

- Insecticides are presently the primary method of control for SWD
- Consider rotating insecticide IRAC classes every 10-14 days to maintain insecticide susceptibility
- Consider the weather forecasts and insecticide to maintain residual activity
- Sugar may increase efficacy of some insecticides

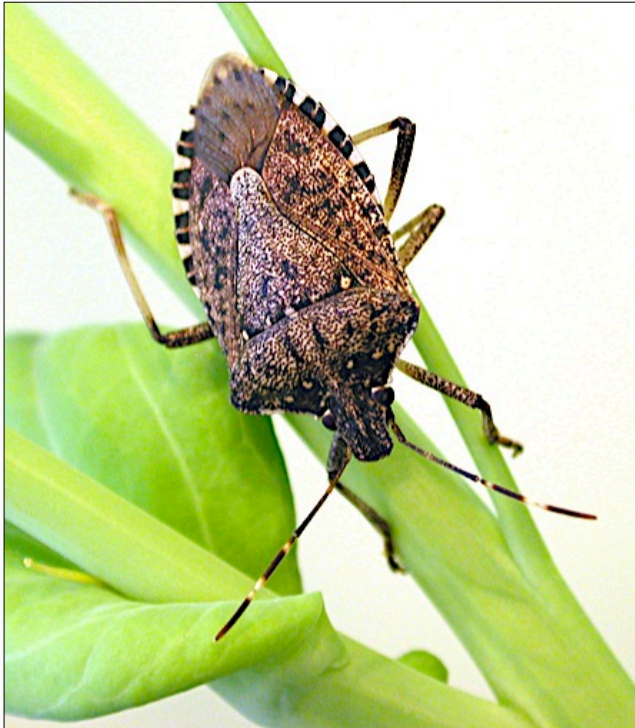
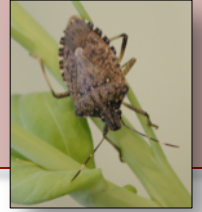
Managing the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug, *Halyomorpha halys* (Stål) in New York State



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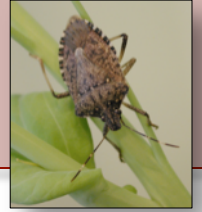
Brown Marmorated Stink Bug, *Halyomorpha halys* Overview



- Brown Marmorated Stink Bug first detected in Allentown, PA in 1998, confirmed in 2001.
- First NY BMSB confirmed in 2007
Hudson Valley in **December of 2008.**
- Economic injury caused by BMSB in the mid-Atlantic occurred in commercial apple in 2009
- Extensive injury in 2010 causing 37 million dollars in pome fruit damage.
- **Economic damage to apple on three Hudson Valley Farms in Ulster and Orange Counties in 2012.**

Brown Marmorated Stink Bug, *Halyomorpha halys*

Overview



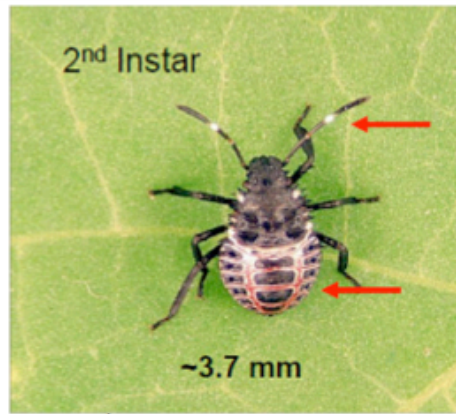
- Initial observations in 2012 suggest that BMSB presence in wine grapes after harvest does not affect wine taste and scent.
- While there is a distinct taint in freshly crushed juice, the taint does not appear to be stable after the fermentation and bottling process.
- Feeding on berries causes a necrosis and shriveling.
- Adults lay eggs in late spring; population dynamics in vineyards appear to be affected by which hosts are nearby.



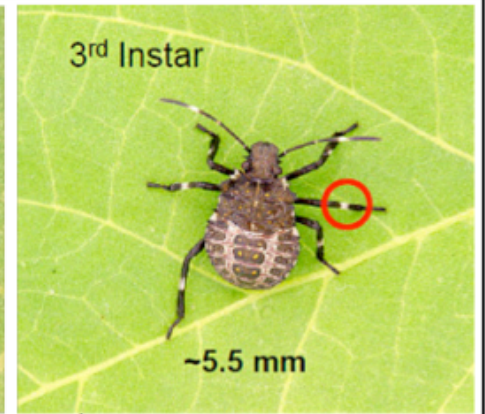
Eggs: Average 28/cluster; light green to white



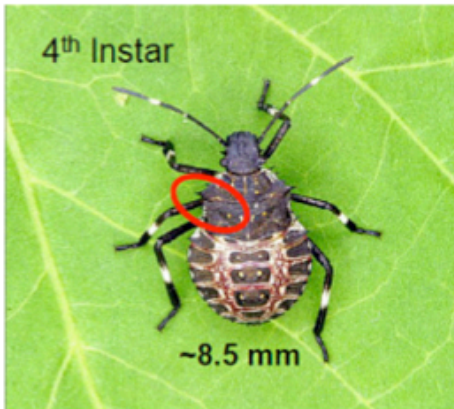
1st instar: black & red; cluster near eggs



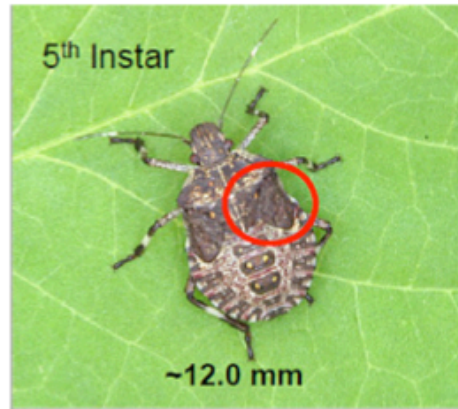
2nd instar: striped antennae



3rd instar: striped antennae and legs



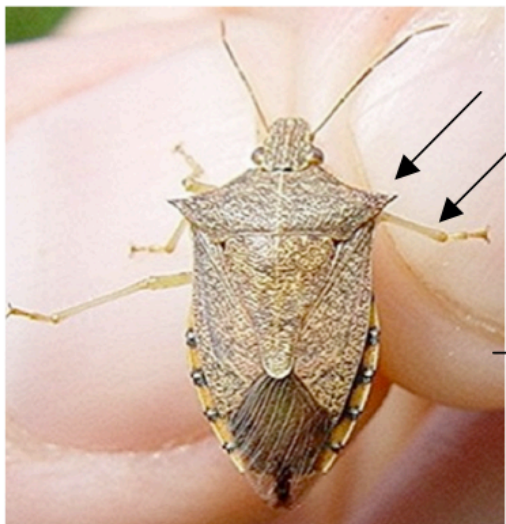
4th instar: thoracic spur striped antennae & legs



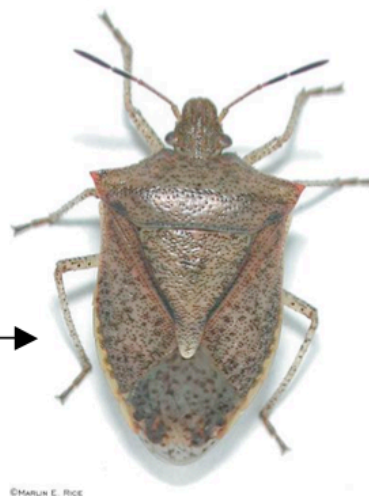
5th instar: wing pads striped antennae & legs



BMSB Adults: red eyes, 4 cream colored dots on shoulders; banding on legs and antenna, smooth blunt shoulders. Banded abdomen; 14 -17 mm in length.



Spined Soldier Bug
Pointed shoulders
No leg stripe



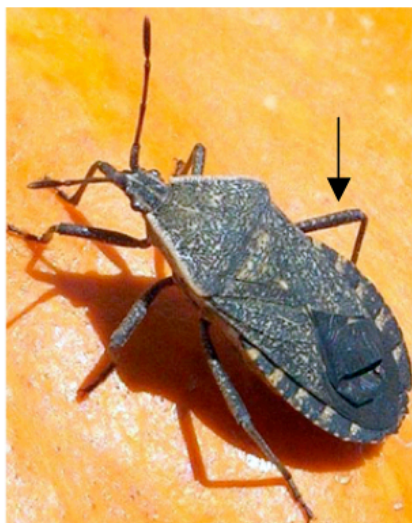
Brown stink bug
No leg stripe



Rough Stink Bug
'Teeth' along shoulders



Green Stink Bug
No leg stripe



Squash Bug
No leg stripe



**Western conifer
seed bug**
'leaf footed'

Key features of the brown marmorated stink bug

Halyomorpha halys

Antenna:

light & dark
banding

2 sets of 4

Cream colored dots on thorax

Wing pads &

Legs:

light & dark banding

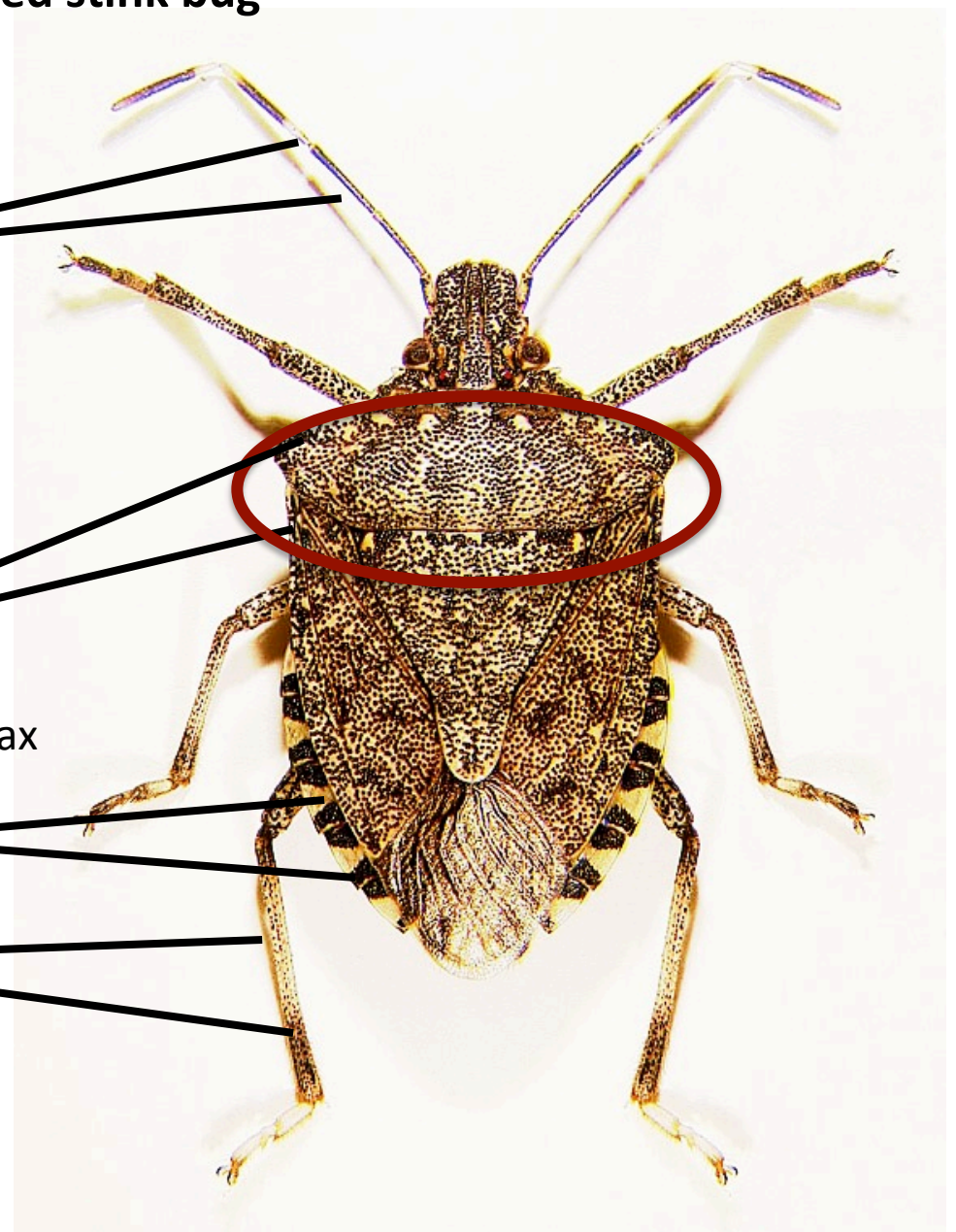


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Brown Marmorated Stink Bug: Host Plants - Food for Success

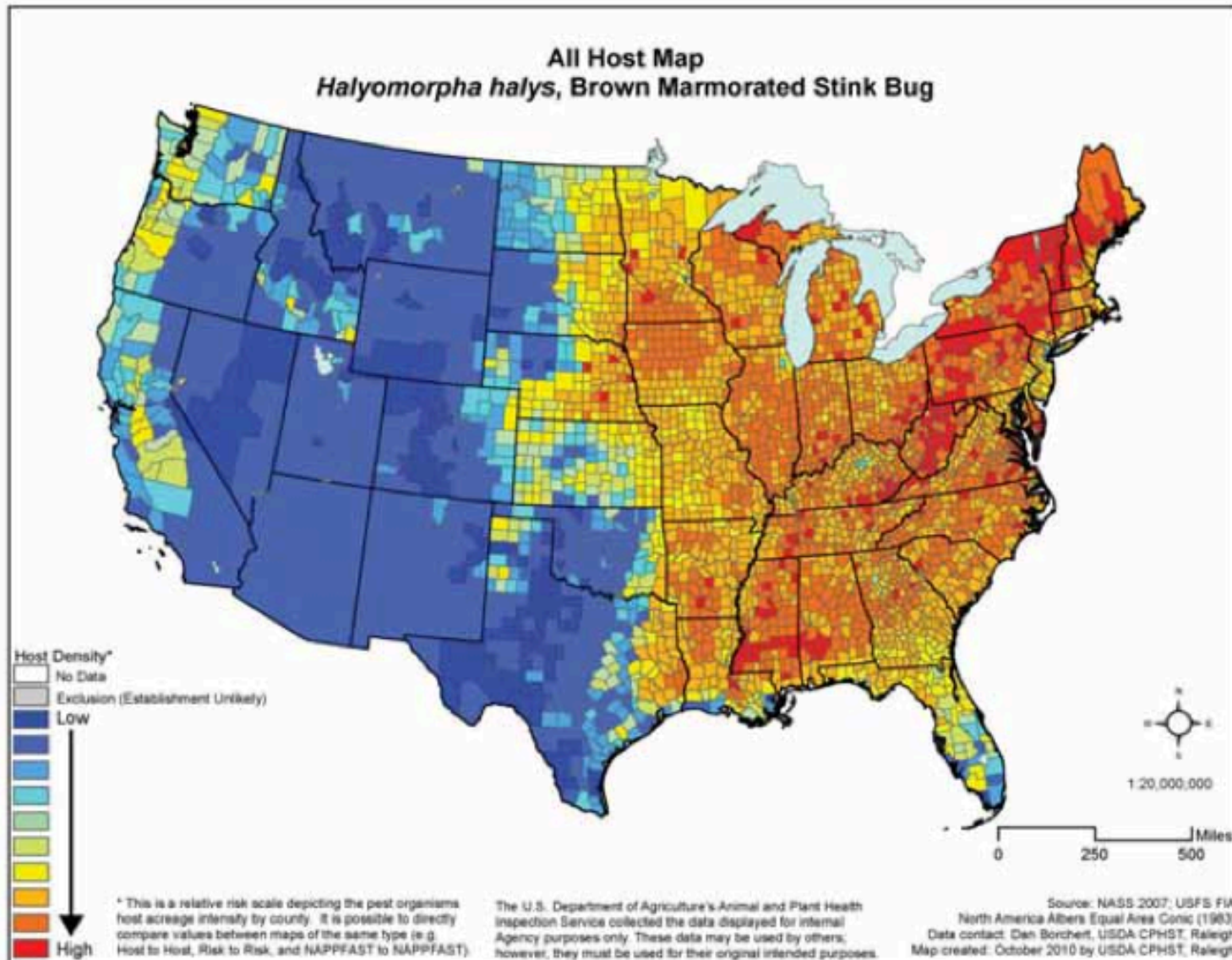
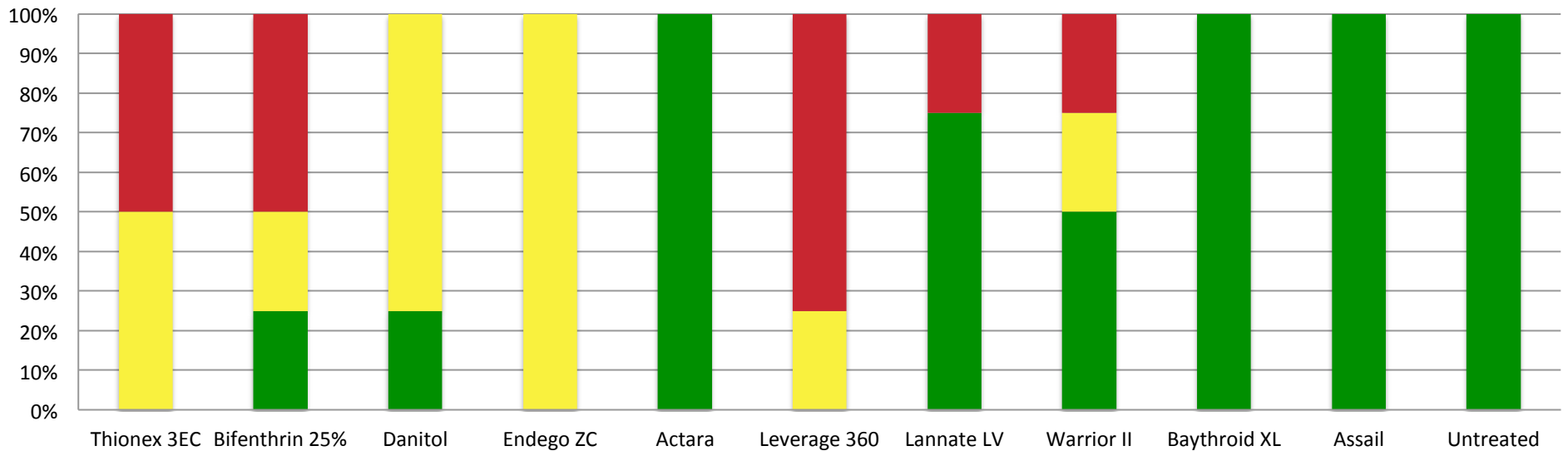
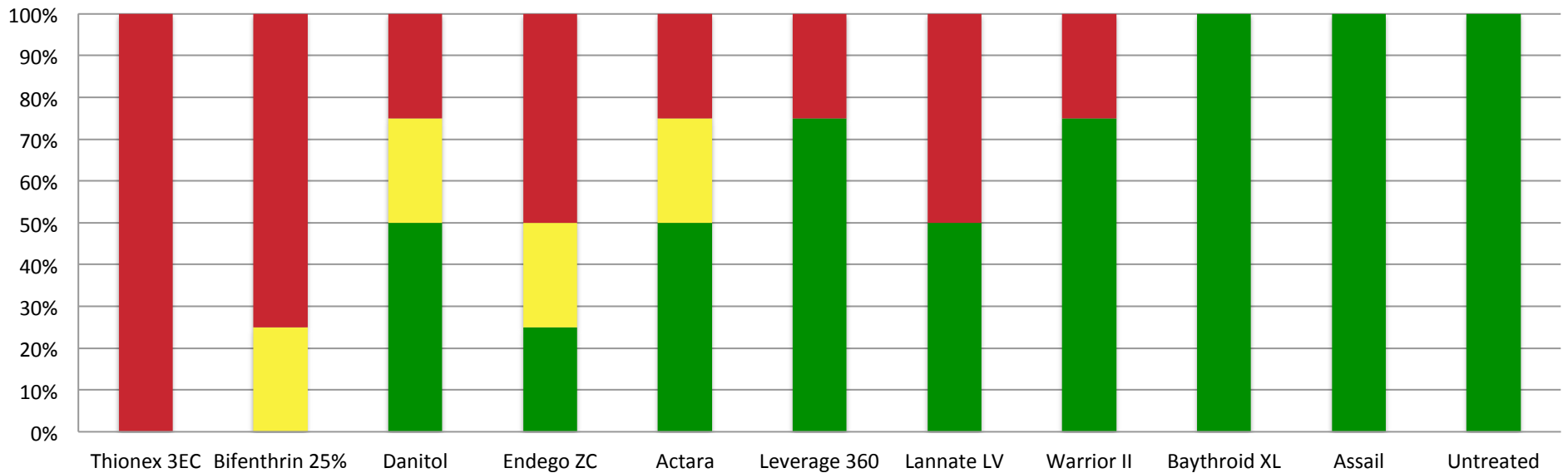


Figure 1: Risk maps displaying the relative density of field, vegetable, and fruit crop hosts plants of BMSB throughout the United States.

BMSB Adult Exposure to Insecticide Residue of Apple Foliage 72h Old Residue @ 1 d

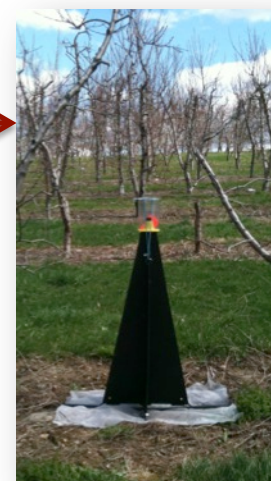


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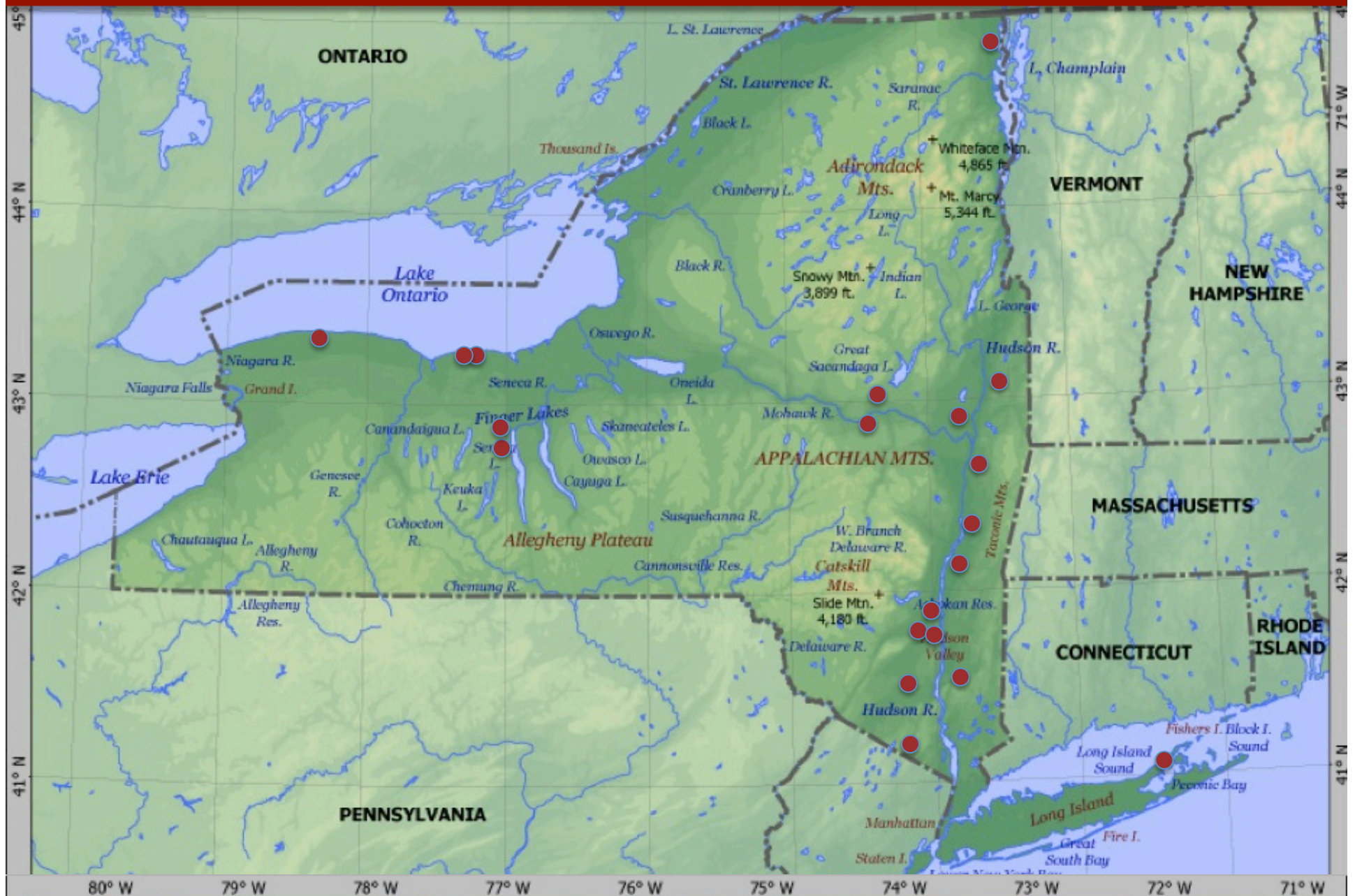
Developing Pest Thresholds for Managing the Invasive Brown Marmorated Stink Bug, *Halyomorpha halys* (Stål): (Pentatomidae) In NY Tree Fruit.

- Conduct State-wide Trap Monitoring of BMSB in NY
- **12 Cooperators**
 - **NYSAES**
 - **WNY LOFT**
 - **ENY Hort.**
 - **HVRL Staff**
- **40 Traps**
- **20 Farms**
- **14 Counties**



NYS BMSB Trap Locations: 2014

Tree Fruit, Vegetable / Sweet Corn, Grape



State-wide Trap Monitoring of BMSB in NY

BMSB Trap Site	Lat	Long.	County	Crop
Bellona-Orchard	42.74786	-77.01583	Yates	Apple
Campbell Hall - Orchard	41.42821	-74.23972	Orange	Apple
Chazy-Orchard	44.90238	-73.43094	Clinton	Apple
Columbia-Orchard	42.19387	-73.82546	Columbia	Apple
Cutchogue-Peach Orchard	41.01231	-72.48331	Suffolk	Peach
Fishkill - Orchard	41.51773	-73.82363	Dutchess	Apple
Greenwich-Vegetable	43.0724	-73.5571	Washington	Corn
Hudson Valley Lab - Highland	41.74551	-73.96775	Ulster	Apple
K M Davies Co	43.23571	-77.18898	Wayne	Apple
Kinderhook-Orchard	42.39906	-73.70259	Columbia	Apple
Milton East - Vegetable	41.63812	-73.96396	Ulster	Organic Pepper
Milton West - Orchard	41.65032	-73.9931	Ulster	Apple
Montgomery-Veg	43.00424	-74.32636	Fulton	Bean
Motts	43.23399	-77.17352	Wayne	Apple
Orleans-Orchard	43.2575	-78.23857	Orleans	Apple
Red Jacket-Orchard	42.86137	-77.0256	Ontario	Apple
Rexford-Orchard	42.81575	-73.83824	Saratoga	Apple
Schoharie-Veg	42.75273	-74.45422	Schoharie	Apple
Tivoli - Orchard	42.04537	-73.85442	Dutchess	Apple
Warwick - Orchard	41.23259	-74.3873	Orange	Apple

BMSB Total

0

370

0

-

8

192

0

510

3

0

800

962

0

0

0

2

0

0

211

227



• 20 Trap Sites in
14 NYS counties

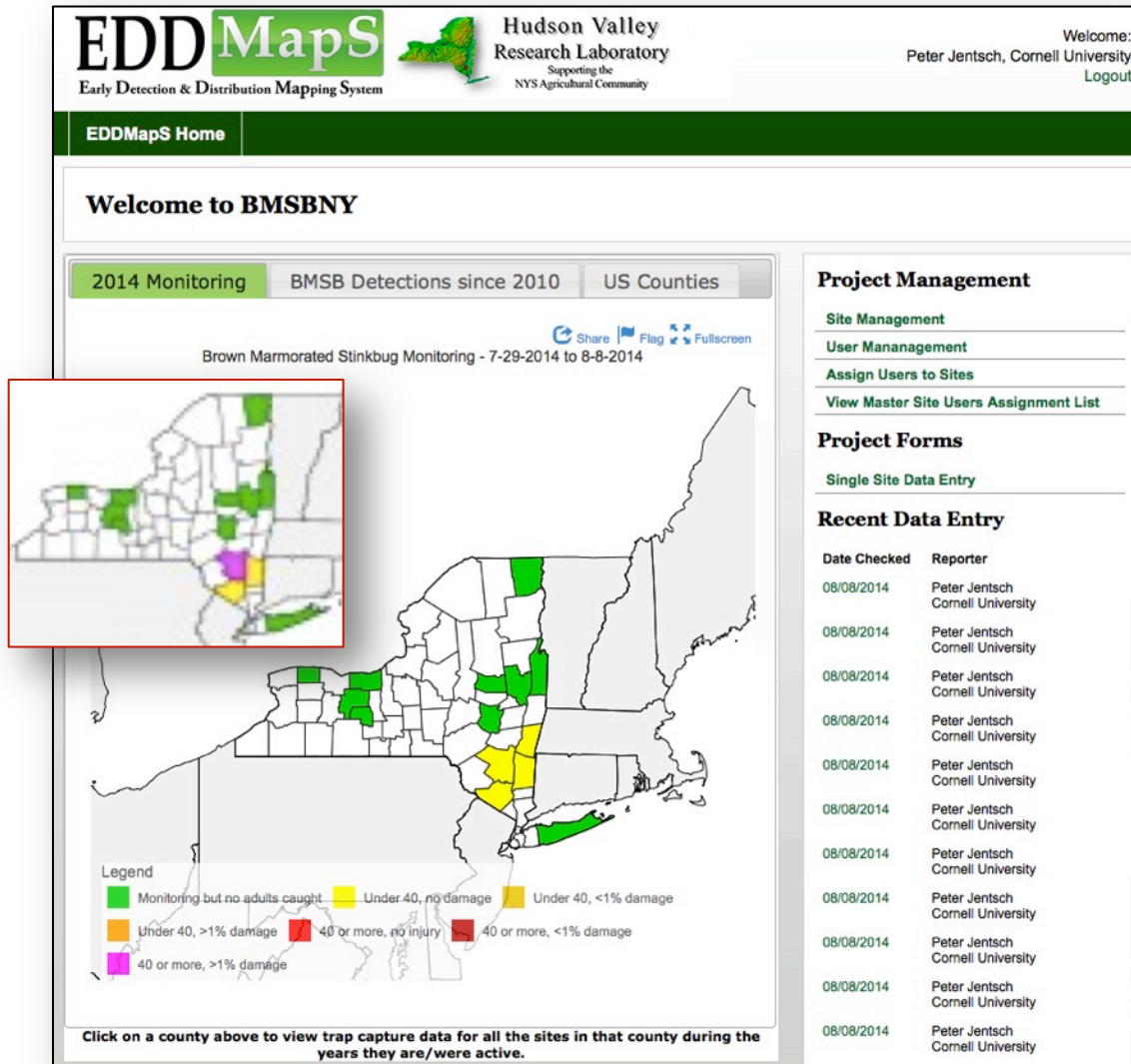
• 7 Sites @
Threshold
In 3 NY Counties



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BMSB Management Threshold: Communication



Partnered with EEDMaps to extend outreach

- Early Detection & Distribution Mapping of Invasive Insects
- Provide regional and nation invasive species tracking
- Provide customized data outputs for threshold development

By County: Weekly update
Trap data per county
Presence in degrees of risk
Threshold levels



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BMSB Management Threshold: Communication

- Employed a 10 Adult / Trap Threshold
- Subscribed growers to receive email Internet based link for BMSB mgt. recommendations weekly
- Worked with CCE to broaden outreach to apple and vegetable growers with threshold recommendations
- Data was entered into a NYS map to disseminate BMSB data using county-wide thresholds



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