

# West Region Update

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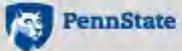
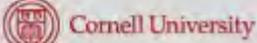
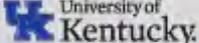
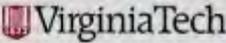
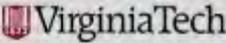


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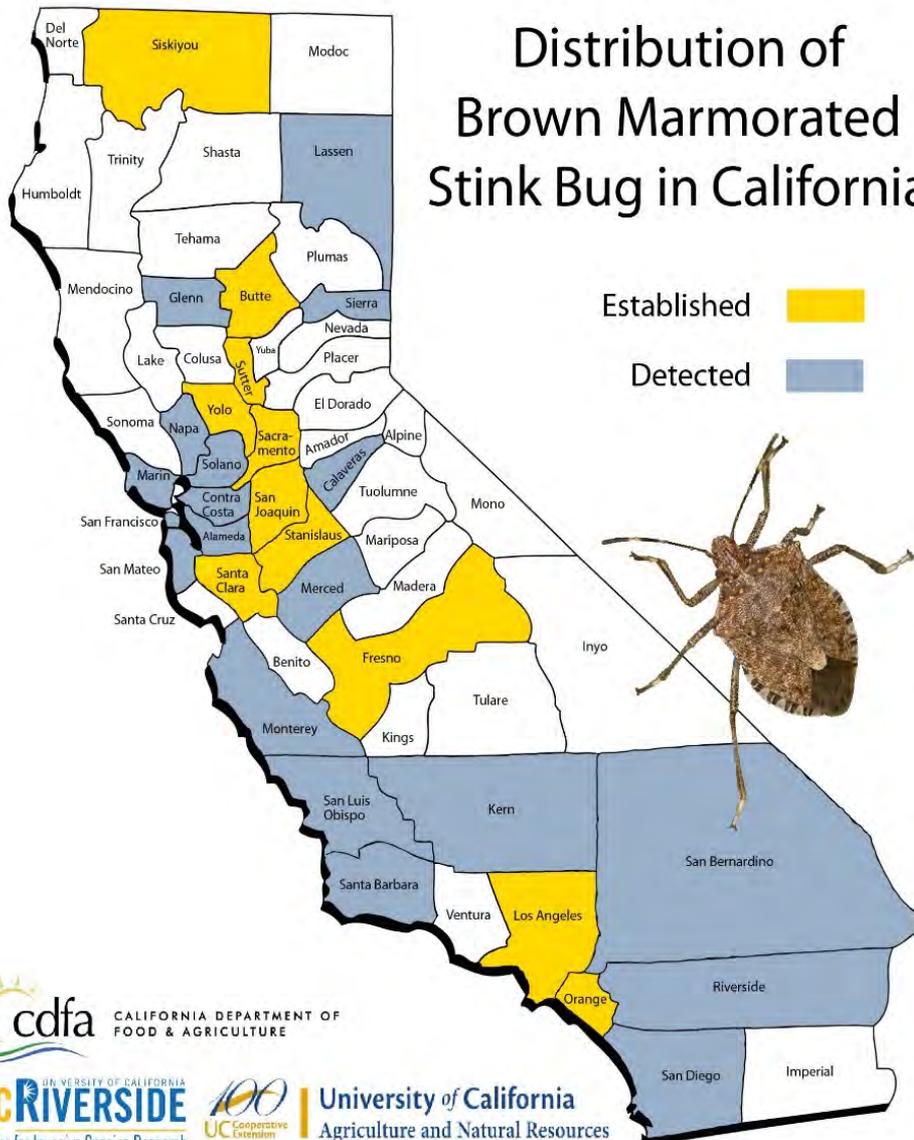
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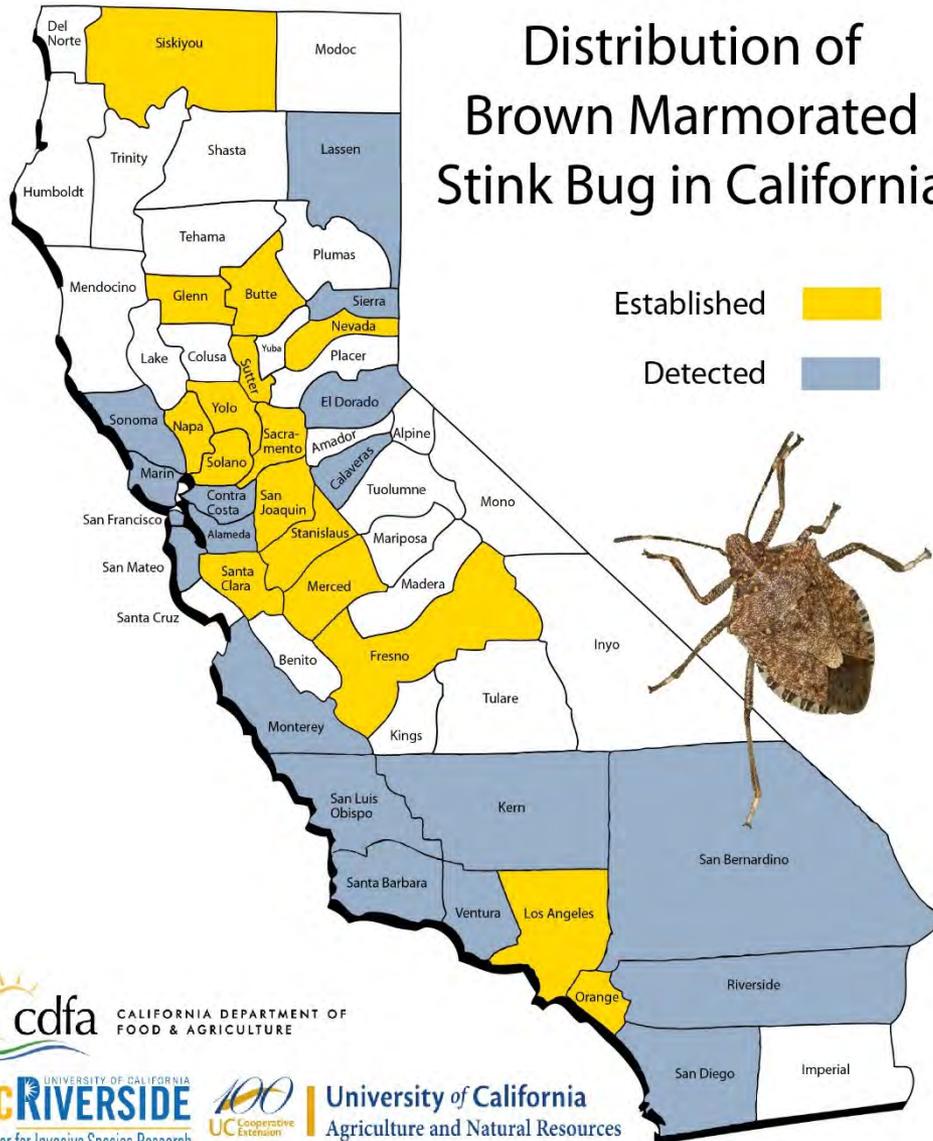
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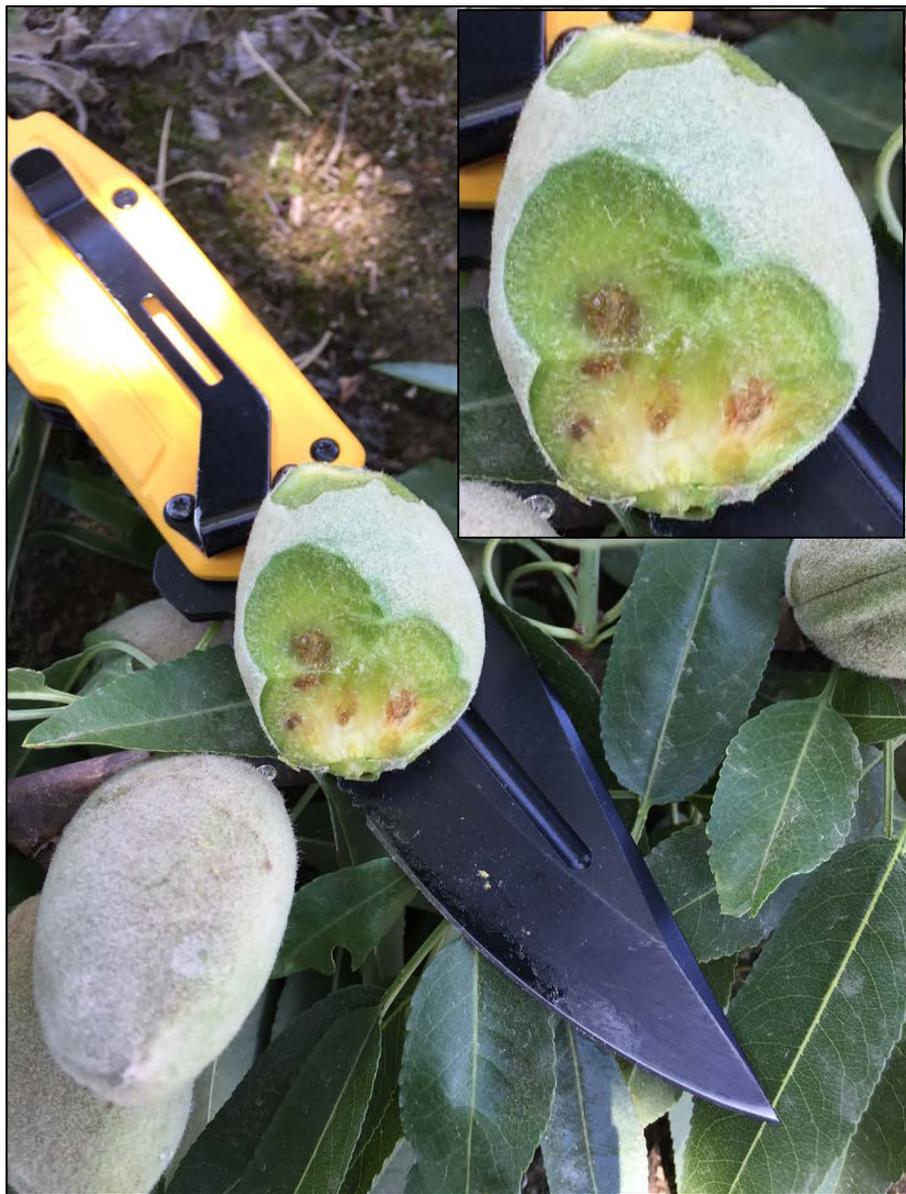
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# BMSB in California – Almonds

Jhalendra Rijal, Joanna  
Fisher, Frank Zalom

BSMB damage to almonds



# BMSB in California – Pistachios



Judith Stahl, Kent Daane  
BSMB damage to pistachio



# BMSB Parasitism in California



*Trissolcus japonicus* detected in 2018

Ricky Lara, Charles Pickett

2020:

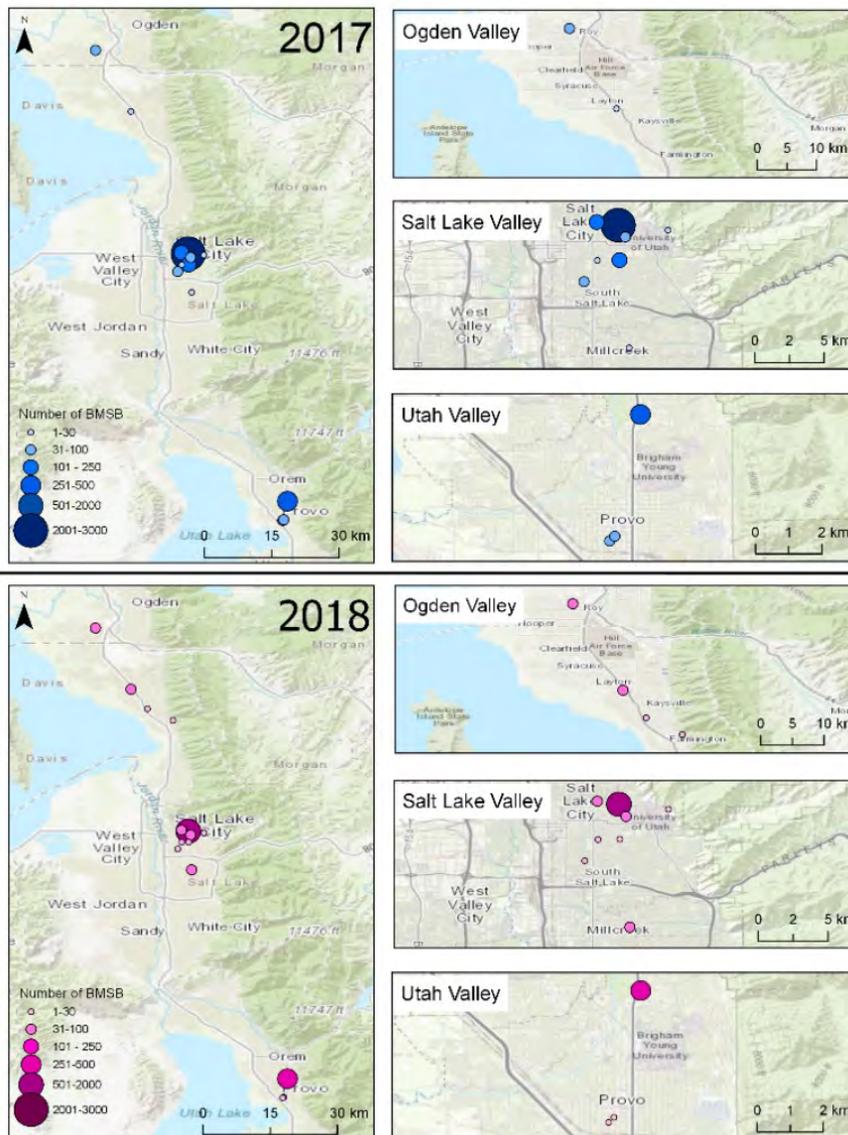
Detections of BMSB in pears  
in N. CA

CA hotspots continue to be  
Los Angeles & Santa Clara  
counties, Northern San  
Joaquin Valley

# BMSB in Utah



# BMSB Plant Survey Maps



# Brown Marmorated Stink Bug Survey Updates



BMSB 2020

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### BMSB Populations in Salt Lake City 2017-2020

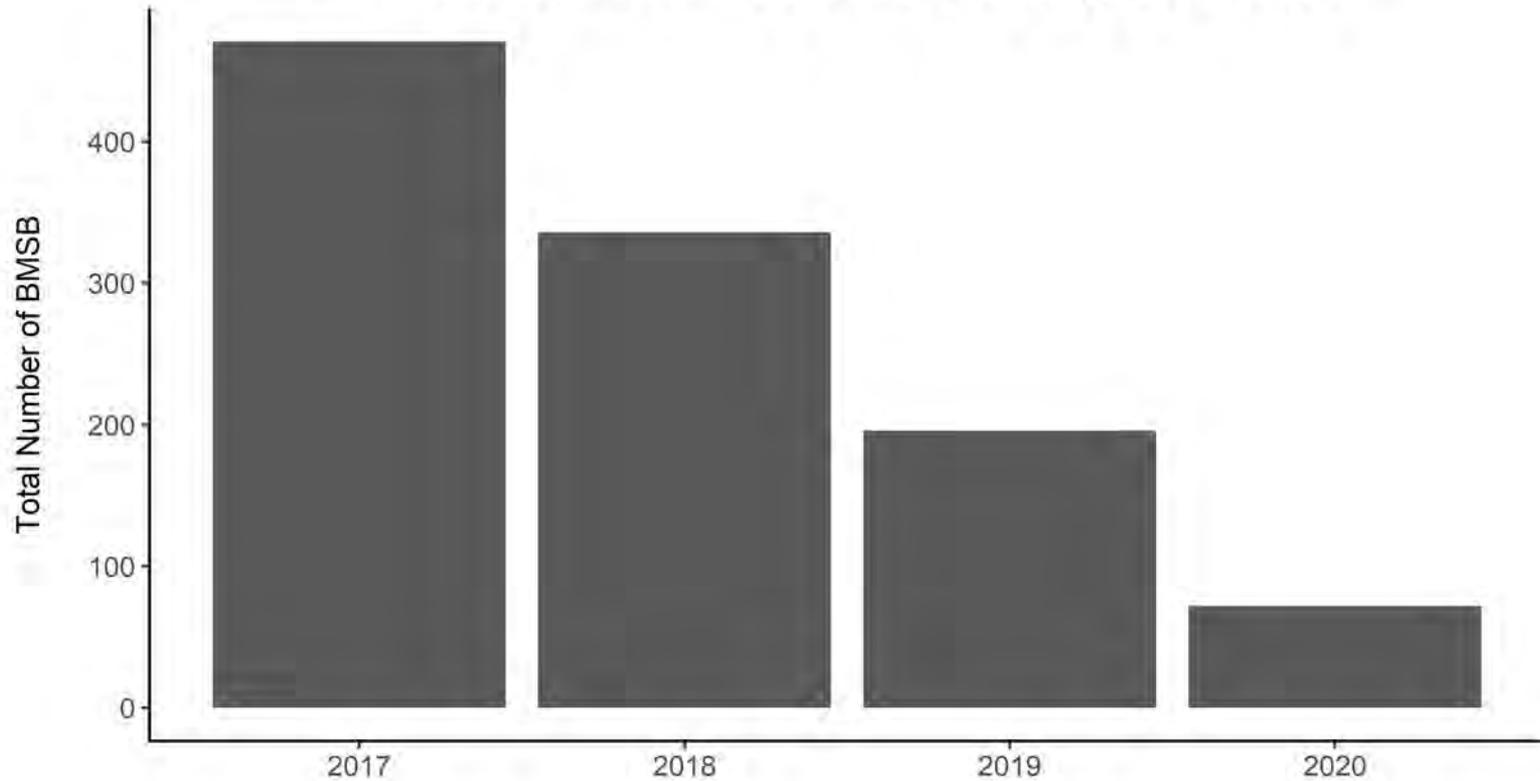
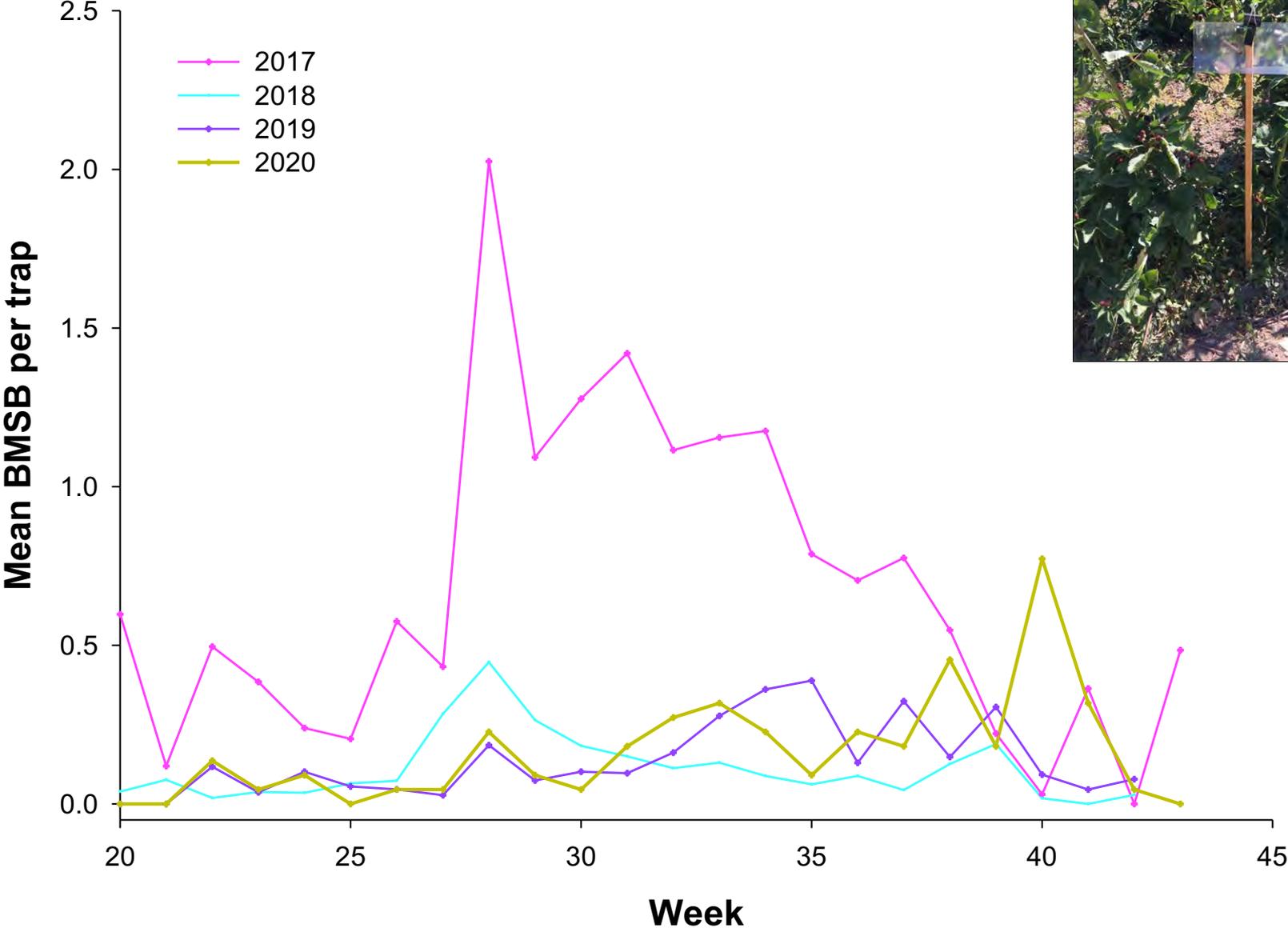
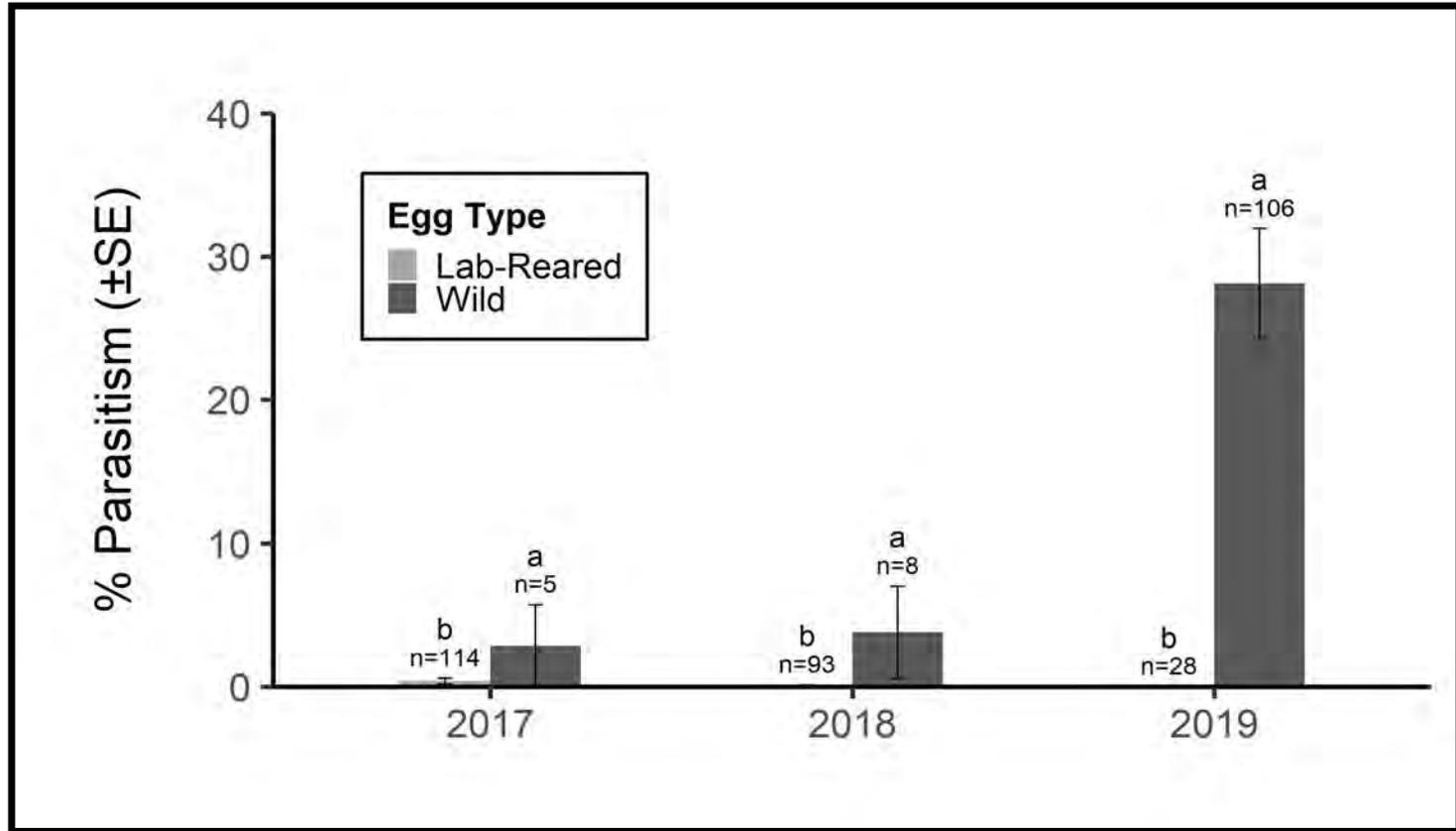


Figure 1. Total BMSB trapped in pyramid traps by year at four urban locations in Salt Lake City, Utah .

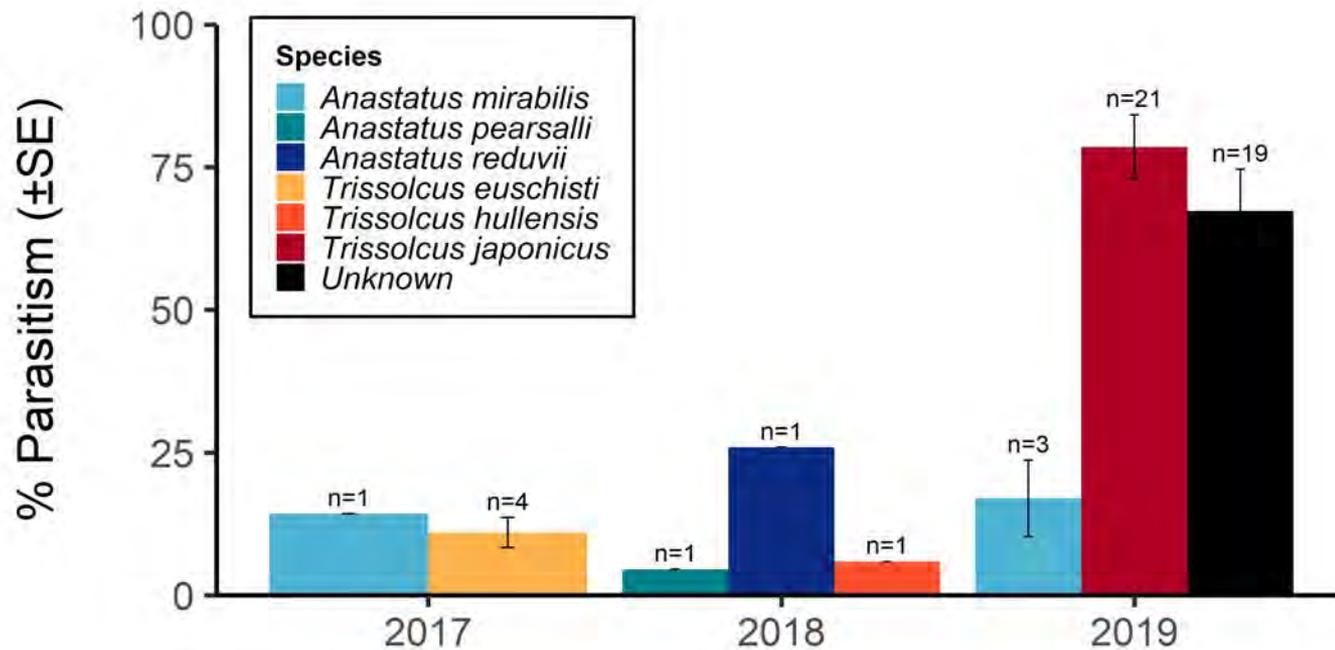
# BMSB in Northern Utah (2017-2020)



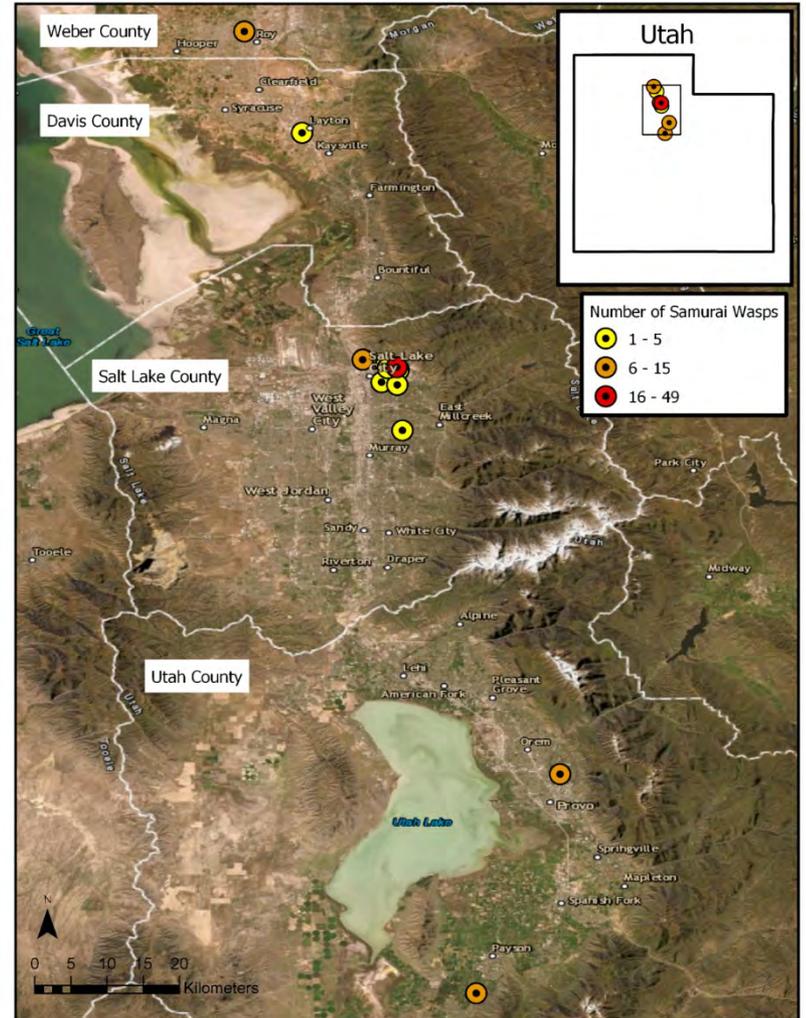
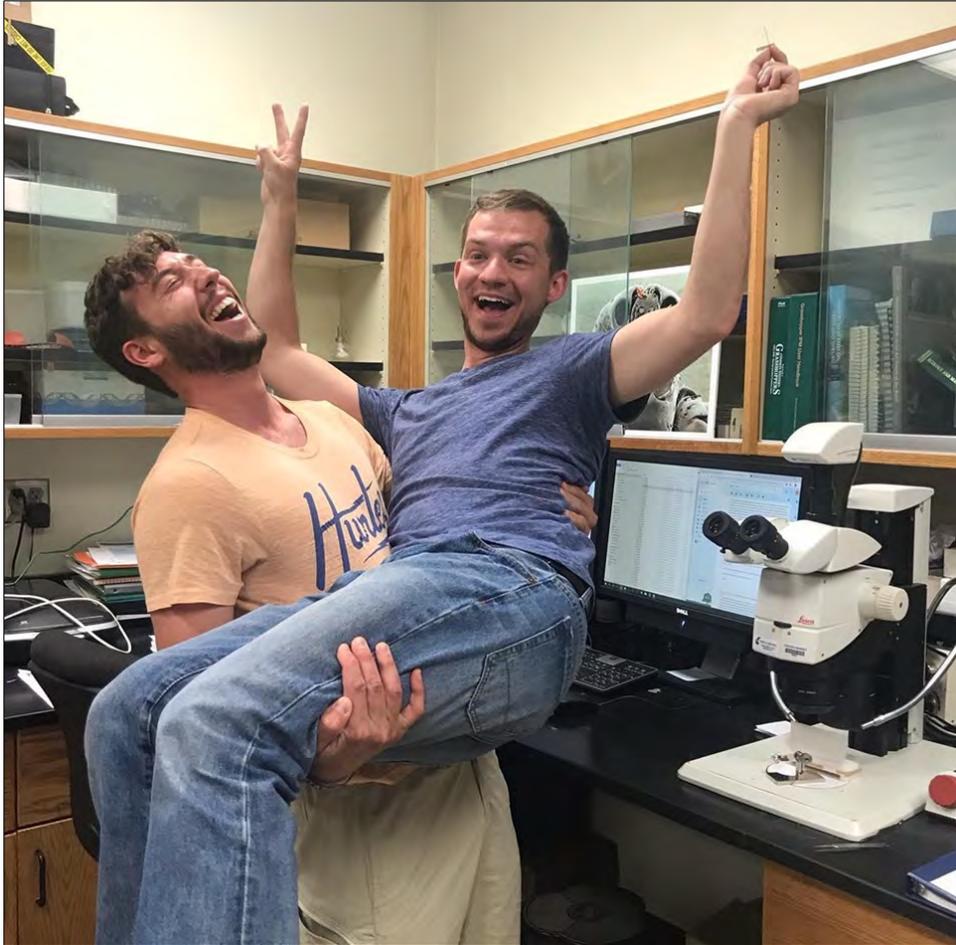
# BMSB Mean Egg Mass Parasitism



# Percent parasitism ( $\pm$ SE) of eggs in wild and lab-reared egg masses with adult wasp emergence in northern Utah, 2017–2019.



June 2019



*Trissolcus japonicus* detections in 2019 & 2020

## Urban host plant utilisation by the invasive *Halyomorpha halys* (Stål) (Hemiptera, Pentatomidae) in northern Utah

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## Surveys in northern Utah for egg parasitoids of *Halyomorpha halys* (Stål) (Hemiptera: Pentatomidae) detect *Trissolcus japonicus* (Ashmead) (Hymenoptera: Scelionidae)

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## Impact of Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (Hemiptera: Pentatomidae) Feeding on Tart Cherry (Rosales: Rosaceae) Quality and Yield in Utah

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## Non-sib Male Guarding Behavior Observed in *Trissolcus euschisti* (Hymenoptera: Scelionidae)

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### Abstract

Wasps in the genus *Trissolcus* (Hymenoptera: Scelionidae) are parasitoids of stink bugs and other insects in the Pentatomoidea superfamily (Order Heteroptera) and typically undergo sib-mating behavior where males emerge first from parasitized host insect eggs and remain near the natal site to mate with sib-females as they emerge. Although common in certain groups of parasitoid wasps, sib-mating often leads to inbreeding and subsequent reduced genetic diversity and fitness. During field surveys for native and exotic natural enemies of the invasive brown marmorated stink bug (BMSB, *Halyomorpha halys* Stål) in northern Utah, we discovered a male *Trissolcus euschisti* guarding a green stink bug (*Chinavia hilaris* Say) egg mass that was determined post-observation to be a non-sib male based on the timing of its presence to subsequently emerging *T. euschisti* males and females. This finding suggests alternative mechanisms for avoiding inbreeding depression in a sib-mating species, and that outbreeding may be more prevalent than once thought in this sib-mating system.

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## Behavior of the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug, *Halyomorpha halys* (Stål) (Hemiptera: Pentatomidae), in the Utah Agricultural Landscape Based on Trap Captures and Visual Sampling Studies

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### Abstract

The brown marmorated stink bug (BMSB), *Halyomorpha halys* (Stål), is a polyphagous, invasive insect of economic concern to agricultural production in North America. It was first discovered in Utah in 2012; crop damage was first reported in 2017. We propose that northern Utah's high elevation agricultural regions (> 1200 m), arid climate, and small-scale production fields surrounded by suburban development may invoke differences in BMSB attraction to baited traps and, thereby, influence the effectiveness of monitoring protocols compared with other BMSB-invaded regions. To evaluate these potential differences, we sampled the BMSB along transects with pyramid and sticky panel traps and visual plant inspections at nine orchard and community garden site-years (< 2.5 ha). Sites were selected to represent common specialty crops grown in Utah, including peach, apple, pear, tart cherry, and diverse vegetables. Sampling was conducted in four

# Tart Cherry

Yield was reduced because feeding caused fruit abscission

