

3.1 IPM in Orchard Crops



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Integrated Pest Management in many eastern orchards has been severely impacted

- At present, IPM is mainly about Integrated Pesticide Management to: 1) mitigate BMSB effects, 2) manage other pests, 3) manage insecticide resistance, & 4) minimize 2^o pest outbreaks
- Some pre-BMSB recommendations still relevant
- New/revised recommendations regarding product selection & timing predicated on new information from BMSB research & observations in the field
- Differences between pome & stone fruit

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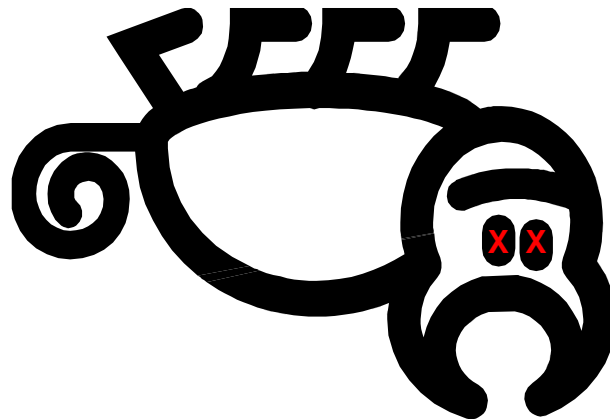
Target mite eggs, San Jose scale and woolly apple aphid in prebloom



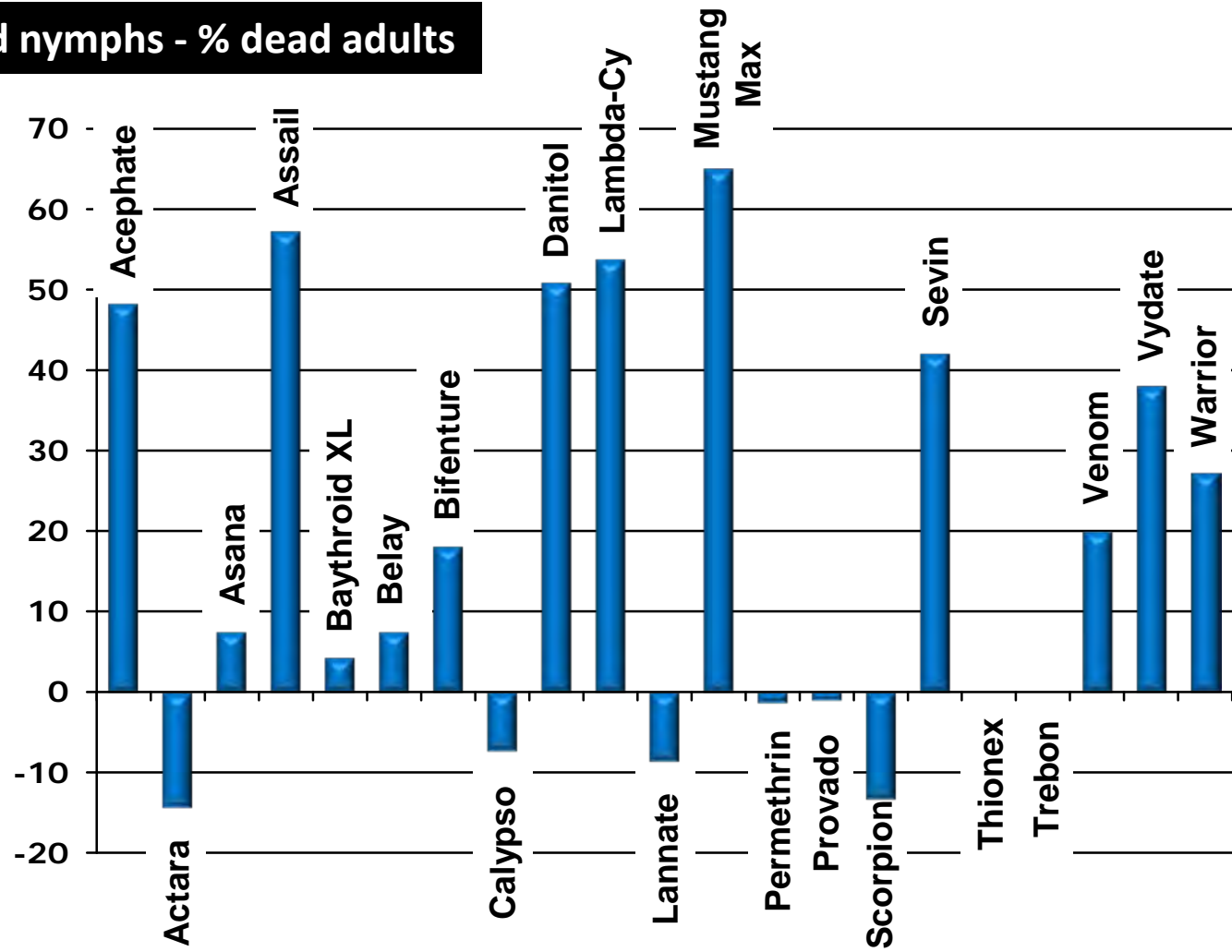
2:

In pome fruit, target first wave of overwintered adults & their progeny starting late May (in a “normal” year)

- Overwintered adults may be more susceptible to insecticides than later generation(s)
- Nymphs generally more susceptible than adults



% dead nymphs - % dead adults



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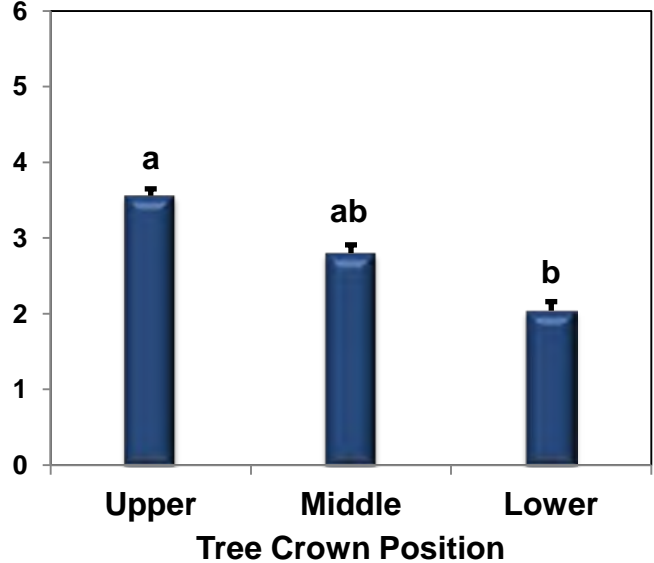
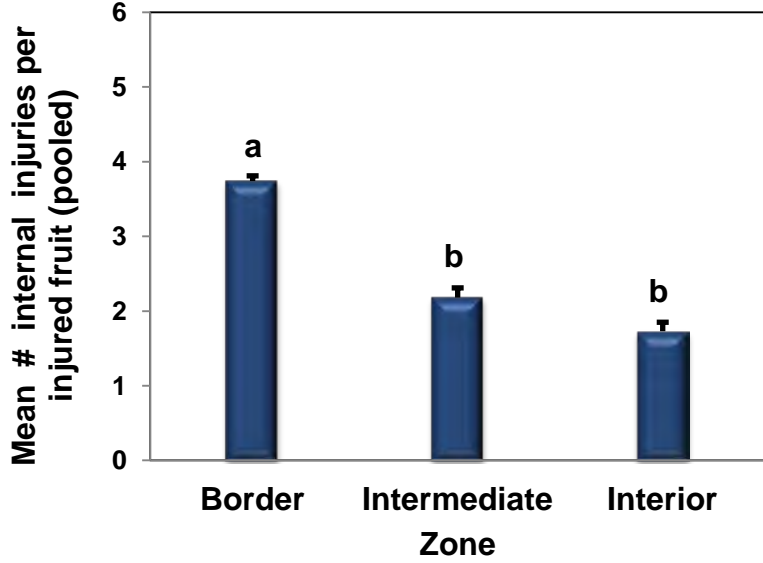
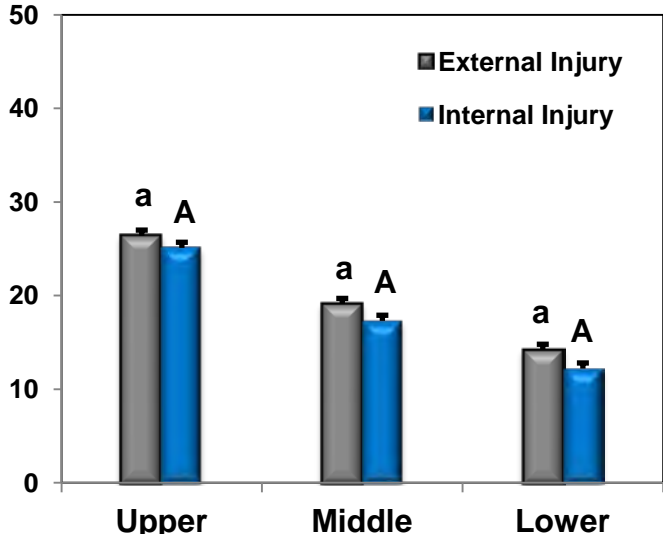
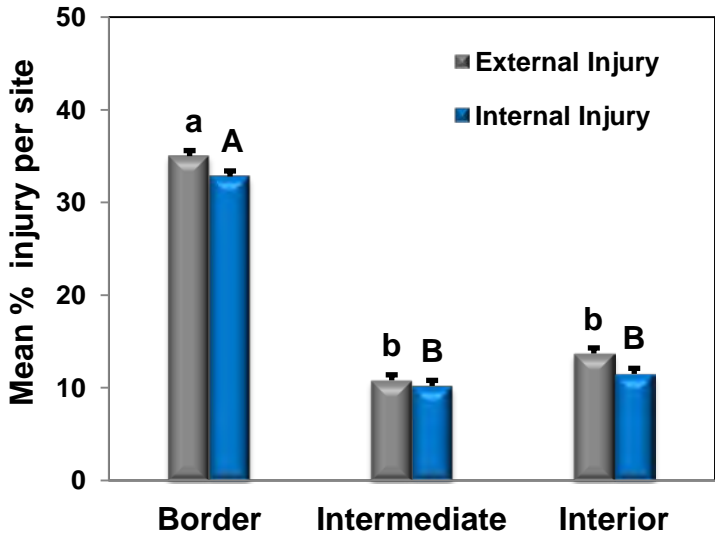
Scout to assess injury



- Start late June
- Monthly thereafter?
- Assess outside & inside of fruit

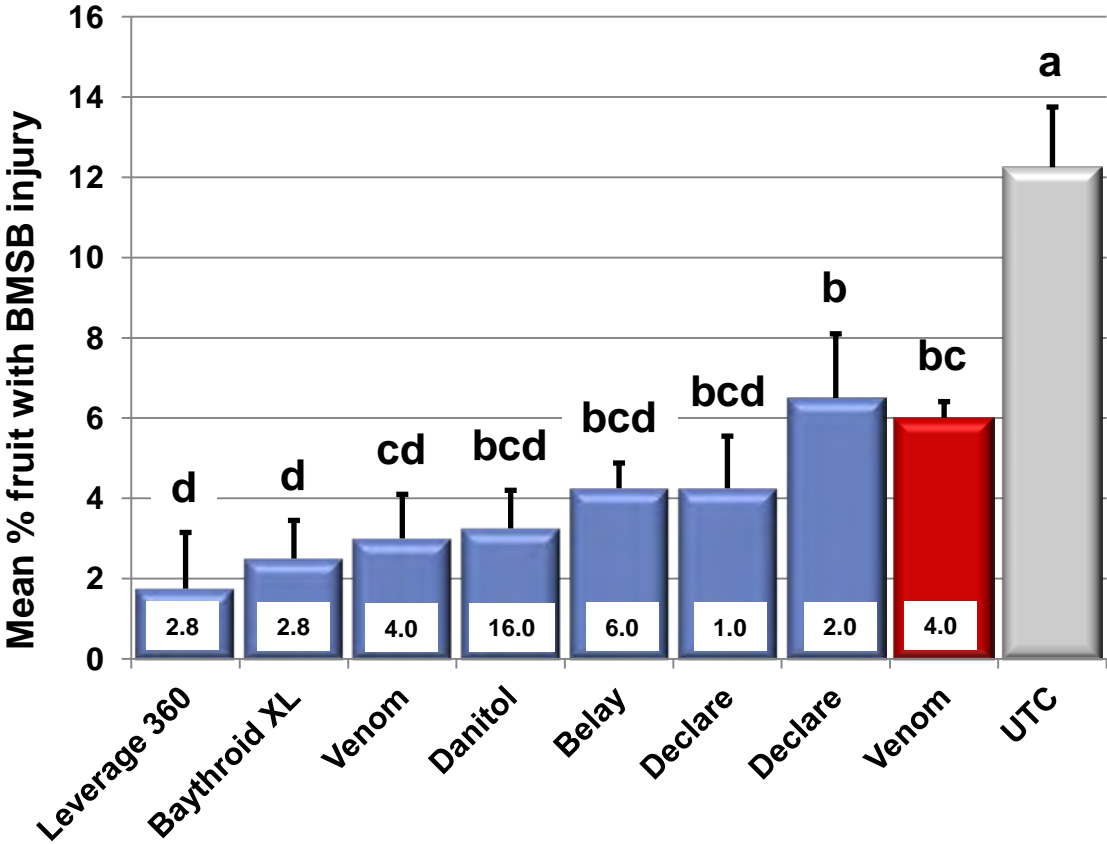
- Start mid- to late May
- Gummosis from early injury
- Bi-weekly thereafter?
- Later injury may not show externally

Apples from the upper canopy of trees in rows adjacent to woodland may show injury earliest



4:

Alternate-row-middle sprays through much of season



5:

Rotate among classes

- BMSB may not be as prone to insecticide resistance due to extensive refugia, although other pests likely are
- Maintain effective programs against CM and/or OFM (According to thresholds, DD models, & spectrum of activity)
- Tank-mixed or premixed products

6:

In apples, reserve products most prone to incite 2^o pests (& most effective against BMSB) until late season

- Anecdotal reports of predatory mites tolerating pyrethroids
- Instances of San Jose scale and woolly apple aphid (late season) outbreaks
- Use Section 18 products (hopefully) wisely

Suggestions for future research

- Resistance monitoring in adult BMSB populations
 - Baseline susceptibility
 - Effects of selection pressure
 - Resistance stability
- Generational changes in susceptibility within seasons
- Susceptibility of predatory mites to pyrethroids
- Management decisions based on BMSB monitoring & developmental models
- Tactics based on behavioral manipulation