# 2.2.3 Attract-and-Kill, 2.2.4 Repellents, 2.2.7 Cultural Techniques for IPM, 2.2.8 RNAi







# 2.2.3 Develop attract-and-kill strategies for controlling BMSB









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- Baseline questions to be addressed:
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  - 2) How long can we retain BMSB adults on baited vs. non-baited crop hosts?
  - 3) Can we precisely target management to obtain a large kill of BMSB throughout the season?









#### Behavioral Basis of AK

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  - 2) How long can we retain BMSB adults on baited vs. non-baited crop hosts? ~ 24 hrs
  - 3) Can we precisely target management to obtain a large kill of BMSB throughout the season?

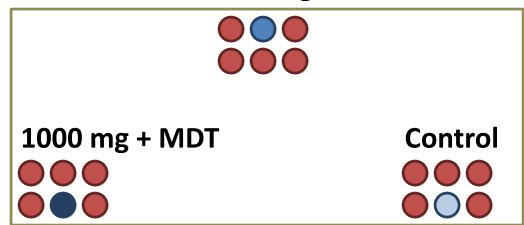






#### Methods: Attract & Kill

100 mg + MDT

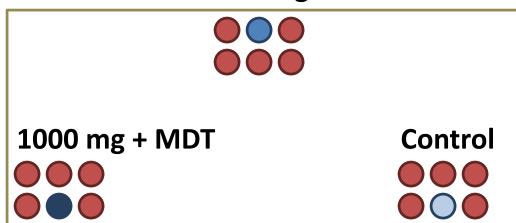


x 4 Blocks
Sprayed every 7 d
Sampled @ 1 & 6 d
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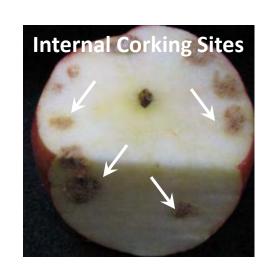


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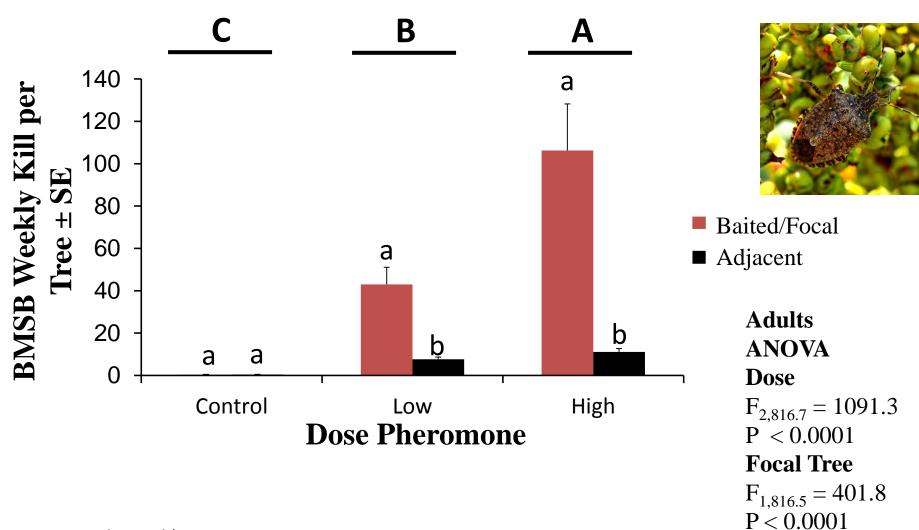
#### Methods: Attract & Kill

Harvest sample at end of seasonFrom baited & adjacent trees50 fruit per tree

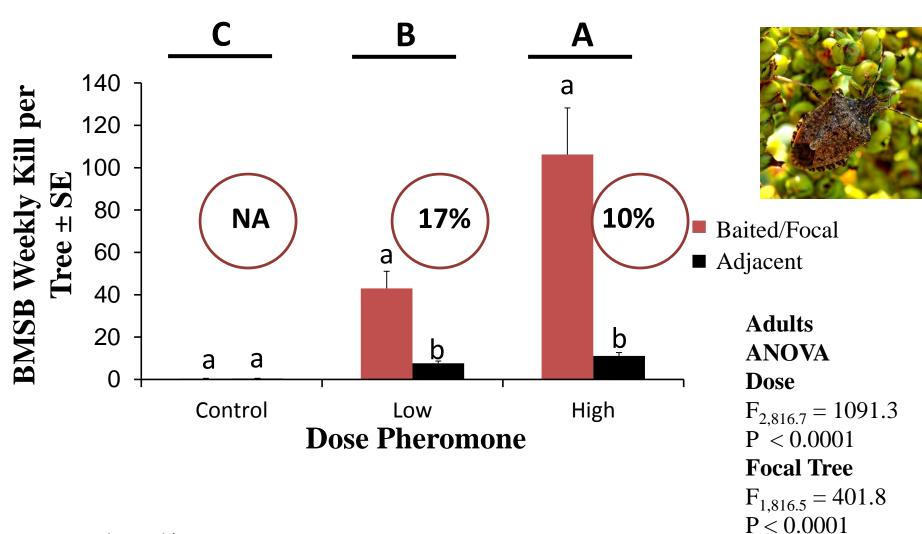




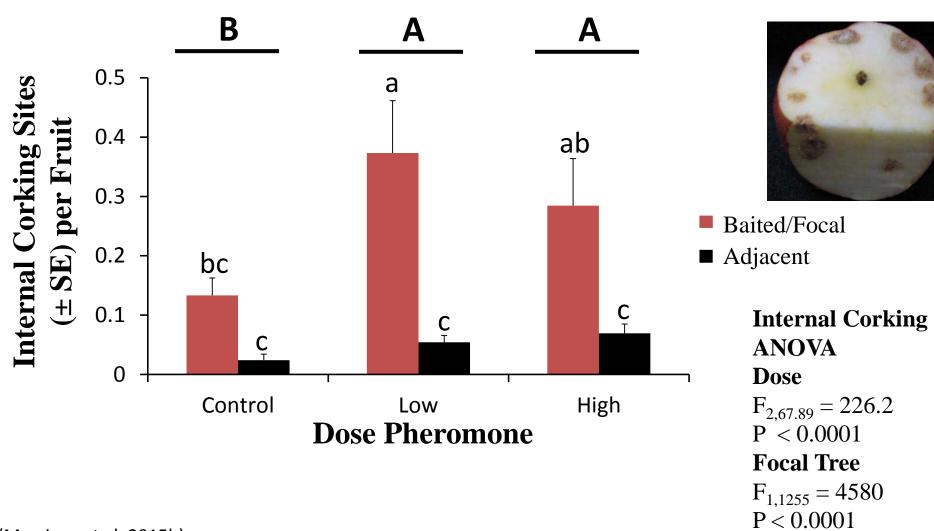
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### Damage: Internal Corking



#### SPLAT Attract-and-Kill Technology







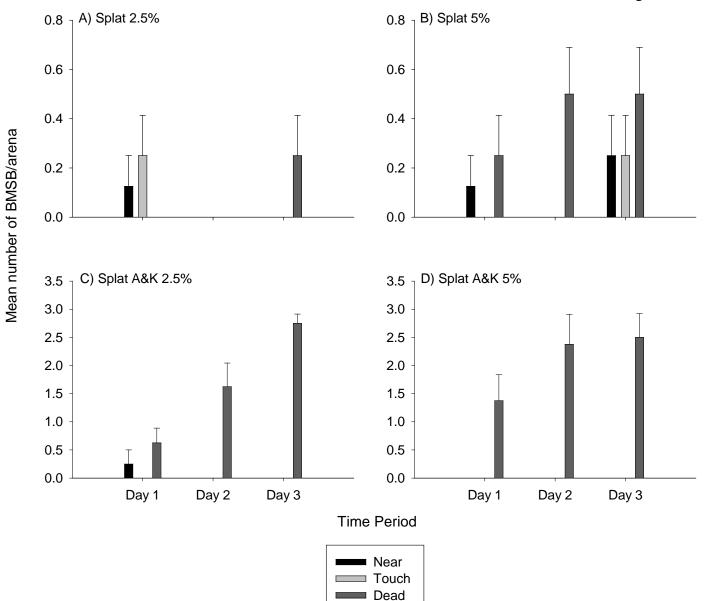
### Methods IV. SPLAT Bioassays

- Treatments
  - SPLAT for attraction of BMSB (2.5%)
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  - SPLAT for A&K of BMSB (2.5%)
  - SPLAT for A&K of BMSB (5%)
  - SPLAT control
- 1 g dollop per arena
- 5 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> instar nymphs
- 4 replications/treatment
- Recorded
  - mortality every 6 and 12 hours for 3 days
- All arenas contained green beans, carrots, sunflower seeds and water



From Rodriguez-Saona et al.

## Results IV. SPLAT Bioassays



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### Outstanding topics:

- 1) Investigating AK outside protected crops
- 2) Implementing attract-and-kill in other crops
- 3) Evaluating SPLAT with BMSB pheromone and in the field.



# 2.2.4 Repellents and mineral-derived compounds against BMSB









#### **Agriculture and Life Sciences**



# Evaluation of kaolin and essential oils as natural repellents of BMSB

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# Kaolin (Surround WP™)

- Kaolin [Al<sub>4</sub>Si<sub>4</sub>O<sub>10</sub>(OH)<sub>8</sub>] is a white, non-porous, non-swelling, low-abrasive, fine-grained, aluminosilicate mineral or clay that is derived from weathered feldspar & quartz
- a fine chemically inert powder that can safely be applied to plants to reduce heat stress, water loss, and sunscalding.



# Surround® WP

**Crop Protectant** 

**Surround WP** crop protectant forms a barrier film, which acts as a broad spectrum agricultural crop protectant for controlling damage from various insect and disease pests, a growth enhancer, and as a protectant against sunburn and heat stress.

#### **ACTIVE INGREDIENT:**

| Kaolin             | 95.0%  |
|--------------------|--------|
| OTHER INGREDIENTS: | . 5.0% |
| TOTAL:             | 100.0% |

#### **Essential oils**

- Essential oils are secondary metabolite compounds produced by certain plants like rosemary & mint to deter feeding by insect pests.
- Zhang et al. (2014) recently showed that several essential oils including rosemary and spearmint oil had repellent activity against BMSB in the lab.
- Ecotec (EcosSMART Technologies, Inc.) is a commercially-available blend of essential oils



### Repellent Choice Test Bioassays

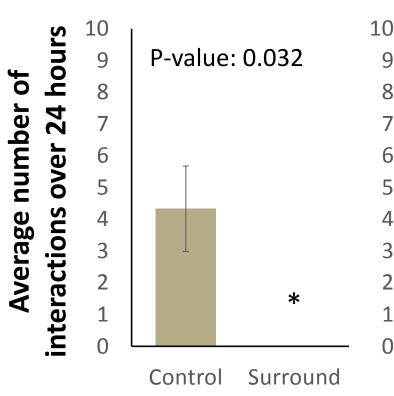
- Arena: 12" mesh rearing cube with two 90 mm Petri dishes on opposite corners
- Paulownia spp. leaves trimmed to fit dishes and treated with Surround WP, Ecotec, or Untreated
- Tomatoes placed in the center of trimmed leaves and given the same treatment as the leaf
- 10 insects were introduced into the arena (Adults or Nymphs)
- Checked at 20 min, 40 min, 1 hour, 2 hours,
   hours, 6 hours, 8 hours, and 24 hours
- Analyzed with a paired T-test



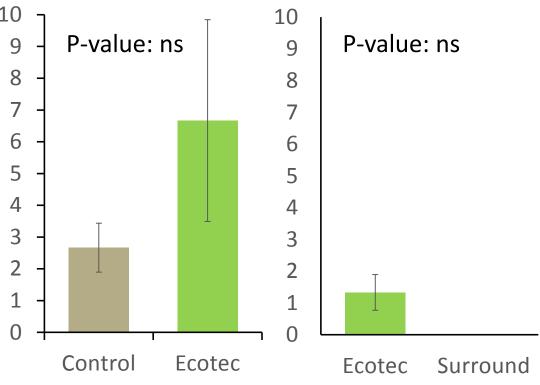


# Choice Test Bioassay Results





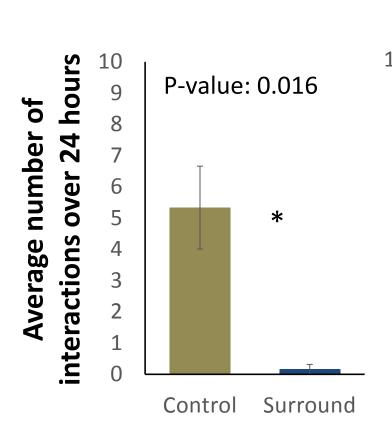
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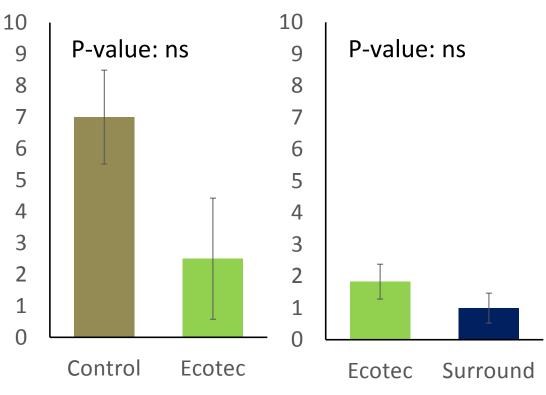
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## Choice Test Bioassay Results





#### **Adults**



**Treatment** 

### Repellent Field Efficacy Trial

- Aristotle bell peppers planted into blocks and arranged into a randomized complete block design
- Plots were 4 rows x 20 feet
- Treatments were applied weekly with a 3 nozzle drop down boom attached to a CO<sub>2</sub> sprayer for the duration of each experiment
- Subsample per plot was 50 fruit in 2014 and 40 fruit in 2015
- Analyzed with ANOVA and Students T-test





# Results Field Efficacy Tests

| Treatment | Rate/acre | Cumulative average % damage caused by BMSB |              |               |               |               |
|-----------|-----------|--|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|           |           | 8/29/2014                                  | 9/22/2014    | 8/12/2015     | 8/21/2015     | 8/28/2015     |
| UTC       |           | 21.5% ± 3.6 A                              | 13% ± 1.9 A  | 31.3% ± 3.9 A | 33.8% ± 3.5 A | 42.5% ± 3.2 A |
| Ecotec    | 64 fl oz  | 20.5% ± 4.9 A                              | 4.5% ± 1.0 B | 15% ± 3.6 AB  | 35.6% ± 4.6 A | 35.6% ± 2.4 A |
| Surround  | 800 oz    | 3% ± 1.4 B                                 | 1% ± 1.4 C   | 10% ± 2.0 B   | 15.6% ± 2.9 B | 8.8% ± 1.1 B  |
| P value   |           | 0.015                                      | 0.003        | 0.024         | 0.027         | 0.001         |





# Feeding Deterrent/Repellent for the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug

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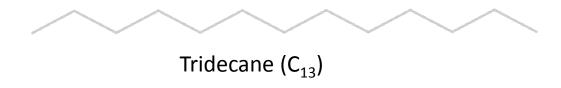
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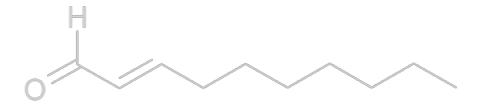
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## BMSB Feeding Deterrent/Repellent

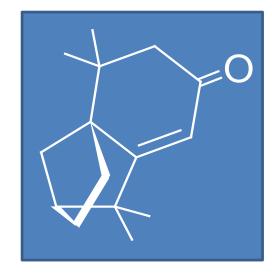
**BMSB Major Secretion Compounds** 

Mosquito & Tick
Repellent





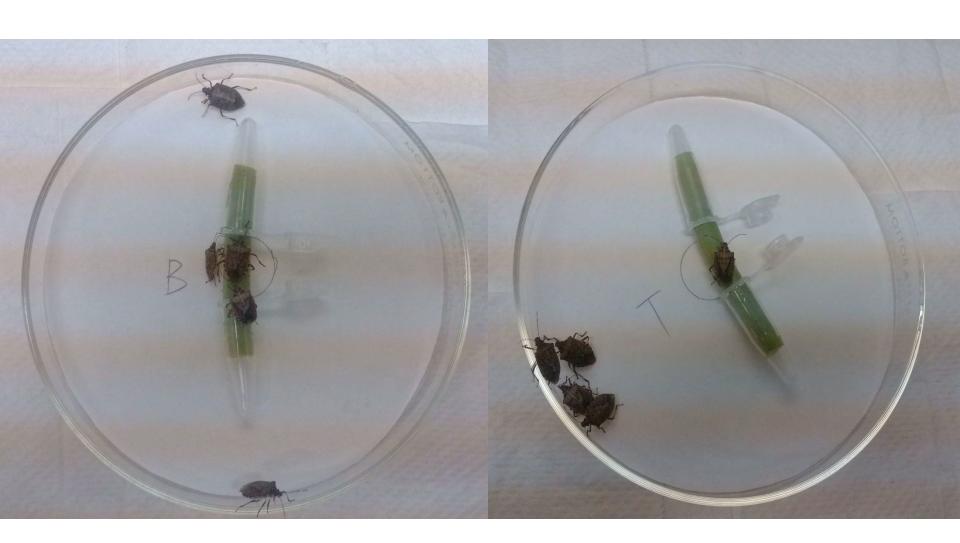
E-2-Decenal (E2)



Isolongifolenone (En)



#### No Choice Test



### **Two Choice Test**



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#### Conclusions

- The major BMSB secretion compound (C13) has no effect on feeding activity.
- E2-decanal (E2) demonstrates dual functions in Petri Dish assay. At low concentration (>100  $\mu$ g), it acts as feeding stimulant; while at high concentration (<100  $\mu$ g), it acts as feeding deterrent.
- A blend of tridecane (C13) and E2-decanal (E2) (1:1 ratio) showed significant feeding deterrent activity.
- Isolongifolenone (En), a mosquito and tick repellent, exhibits strong feeding deterrent activity.
- A blend of C13, E2, and En (1:1:1 ratio) also exhibits strong feeding deterrent activity.
- Although identified feeding deterrents are natural products, they can not be directly applied on the plants (surfaces burning). New formulation is ready to be tested in the field in this fall.
- The identified feeding deterrents/repellents can be easily commercialized and used for protecting agricultural crops from *H. halys* damage in support of ongoing *H. halys* management programs.

## Outstanding topics:

- 1) Further repellency studies to refine use in the field
- 2) Integrate with other management tactics



#### 2.2.7 Cultural Techniques for IPM







#### Interplanting of bell peppers with red clover



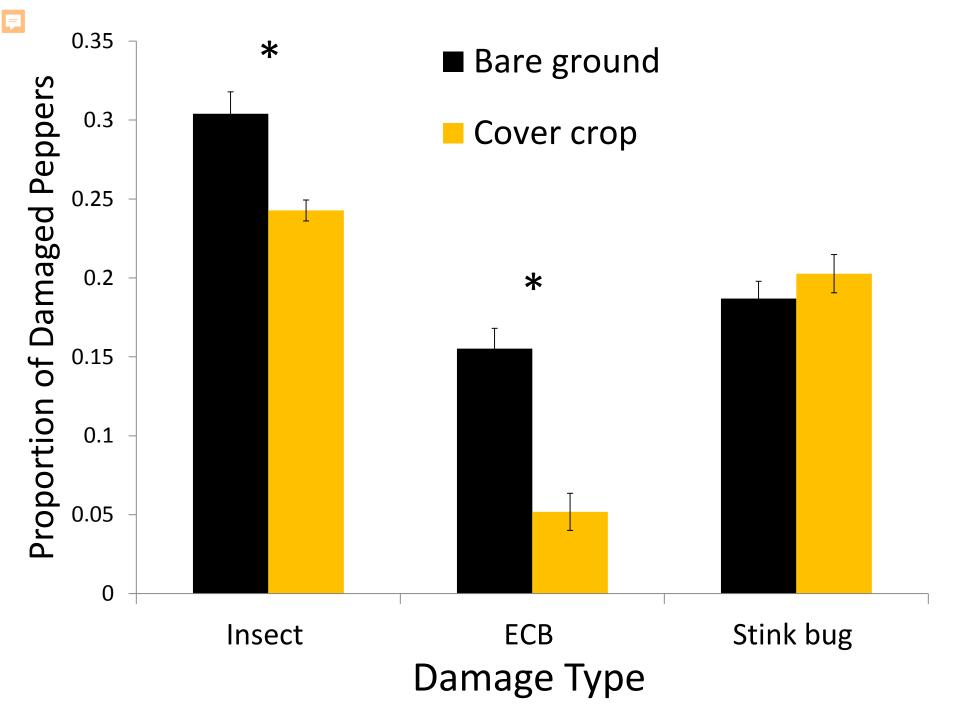
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## Objective

Determine the impact of inter-planting bell peppers with red clover on:

- 1) Stink bug egg mortality
- 2) Percentage of stink bug damaged fruits
- 3) Fruit yield



### Cages to Exclude Stink Bugs



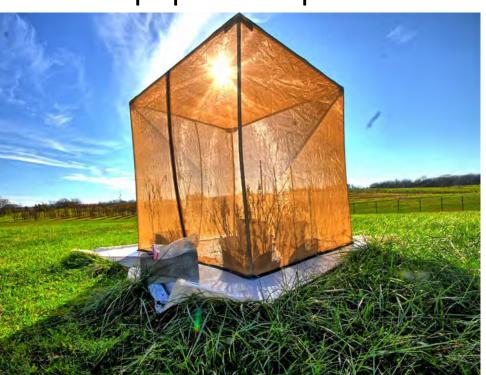
Two treatments: **caged vs. uncaged**Consperse stink bug used as surrogate

**1,932** fruit harvested: no damage in either treatment

E. Beers et al.

### Outstanding topics:

- 1) Verify cultural control results with additional cover crops and compare with trap cropping
- 2) Repeat exclusion experiments under higher population pressure





#### 2.2.8 RNAi against BMSB









#### Amylase in BMSB saliva

• In cooperation with DOW Chemical, proteome data has been re-analyzed with the newly available BMSB genome(www.hgsc.bcm.edu/brown-marmorated-stink-bug-genome-project)



We are focusing on 2 amylases:

- 1. HHAL004834 is an  $\alpha$ -amylase identified in both watery saliva and the salivary sheath
- 2. HHAL001011 is an  $\alpha$ -amylase identified in watery saliva only





Salivary sheaths on green bean (left) and tomato (right)

- Currently we are using the SMARTer RACE technique to clone the full length genes and obtain complete sequence information
- The sequence information will be used to create small silencing RNA to suppress amylase in the saliva

## Outstanding topics:

1) Create effective RNAi materials for use against BMSB in the field



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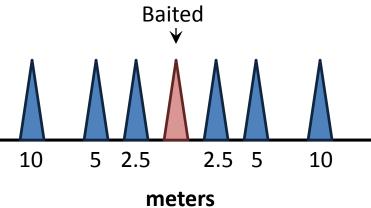


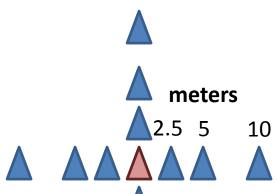
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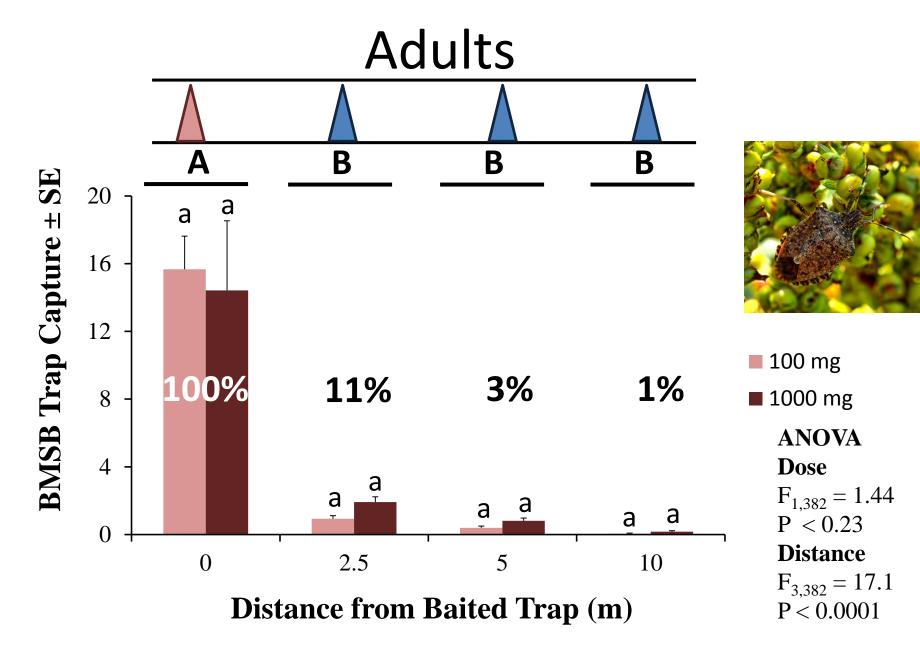






**Two Doses:**100 mg + MDT
1000 mg + MDT





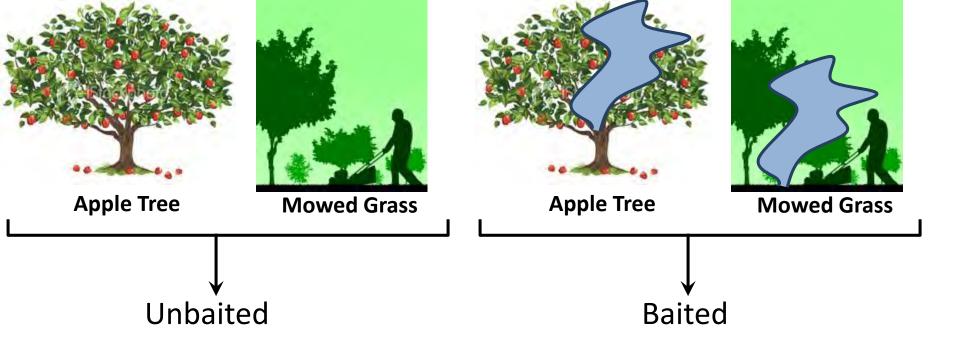
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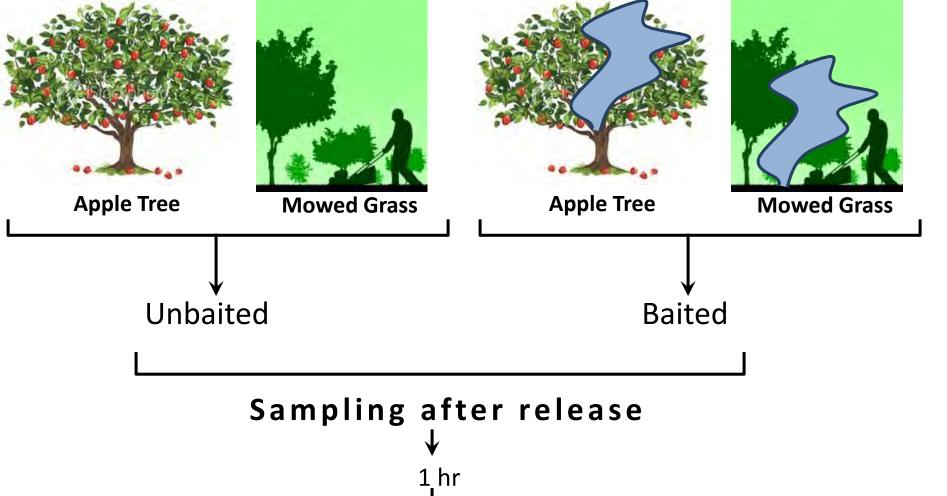
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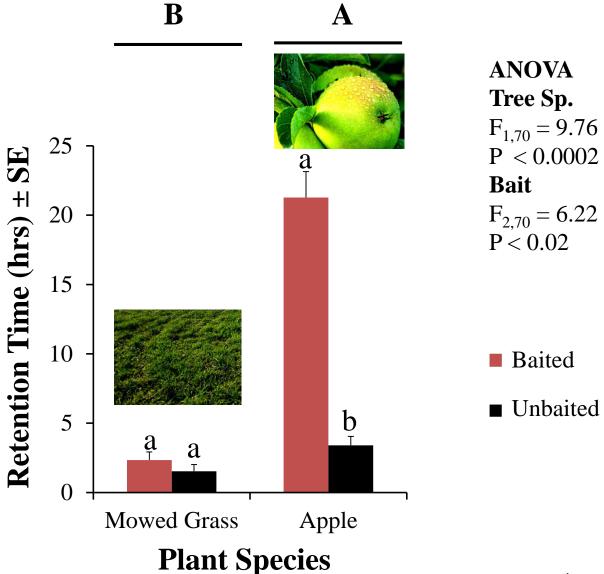


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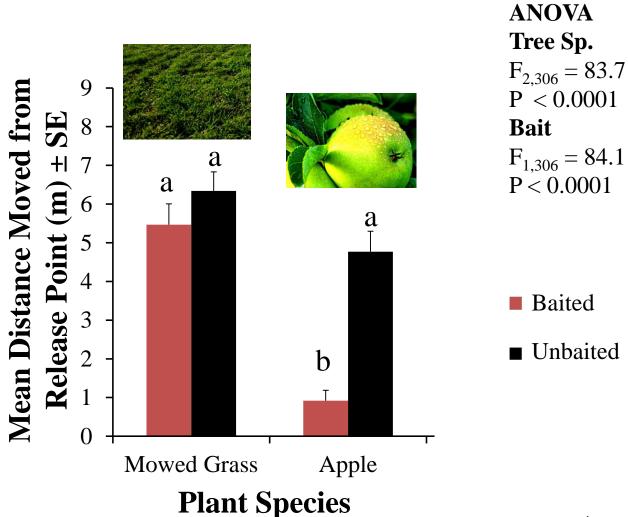


#### **Retention Time**



(Morrison et al. 2015b)

# A Distance Moved



(Morrison et al. 2015b)