#### 1.4 - Identify landscape and temporal risk factors associated with BMSB on crops and in adjacent ecosystems







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# The Crops Being Examined

- Oregon State
  - Hazelnuts
  - At risk vegetables
- Penn State
  - Tomatoes
  - General Public
- University of Maryland
  - Nurseries
  - Sweet corn

- Rutgers
  - Apples
  - Blueberries
  - Grapes
  - Peaches
  - General Public
- Virginia Tech
  - Grapes
  - Other Small Fruit

#### 1.4 - Identify landscape and temporal risk factors associated with BMSB on crops and in adjacent ecosystems

- Outcomes
  - Determine why and when BMSB leave one host plant for another
  - Determine where BSMB go when they leave
  - Predict BMSB seasonality and risks to other crops
- Methods
  - Monitor movement in and out of fields related to surrounding landscape
  - Monitor movement within fields
  - Techniques black lights, visual counts, beating, traps, markrecapture, homeowner reports
  - Map using GIS and geostatistics

### Work to Date

- MD Nurseries
- NJ Peach Orchards
- PA/NJ Homeowner Reports



### Landscape and temporal risk factors associated with BMSB in nurseries and in adjacent ecosystems

#### 2010 & 2011 Data Martinson, Bergmann, & Raupp University of Maryland

#### 2010 Pilot Study





Ruppert: BMSB on maple (October Glory)

30 feet



Ruppert Nursery, Montgomery Co., MD

-Surveyed BMSB on trees at varying distances from field edges

Halyomorpha halys in Landscapes

# Survey Methods

#### 2011 Nursery Surveys

1 minute visual counts for each plant part: Leaves • Fruit • Bark (up to 2 m)

BMSB stages:

Egg clusters• Early nymphs • Late nymphs • Adults

Dataset 1: All plants, Surveyed 4 times: June 2 – August 2, 2011 2006 individual trees, 178 cultivars, 7578 tree visits

Dataset 2: Subset of all plants: Surveyed 9 times: June 2 – October 10
217 individual trees, 25 cultivars, 1953 tree visits



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#### 2011 Spatial Patterns

#### Edge effects?



Edge Tree (E): 1-3 positions from field edge Core Tree (C): 9-15 positions from field edge

#### Hypotheses:

Fields will differ in densities due to adjacent habitat type (field effect).BMSB counts will be higher on edge trees (position effect).The strength of the edge effect will vary with field (interaction).



Landscape and temporal risk factors in nurseries

- Preliminary Results
  - Edge effects where identified in relation to corn and soybeans
  - Significant location and field effects where found
- Pitfalls Encountered
  - None Identified

- Follow-up Studies
  - Repeat 2011 study in 2012
- Expected Outcomes
  - Use landscape factors to target pest management actions

Landscape and temporal risk factors associated with BMSB in peaches and in adjacent ecosystems

> Noel Hahn, Dean Polk & George Hamilton Rutgers University

# Effect of Surrounding Landscape

- Selected 23 orchards based on surrounding landscape (10 south, 13 north)
- Weekly visual and beat samples
- Correlate densities with surrounding cover



#### Land cover

The aggregate landscape land cover was summed for all 13 farms in northern New Jersey



Aggregate land cover was also summed for all 10 farms in southern New Jersey





Nymphs

Adults

# Movement within fields

- One orchard selected in north NJ based on surrounding landscape & management tactics
- 15 rows x 22 trees
   GPS'd (~300 trees)
- Weekly visual and beat samples



Orchard was sprayed this week



Five most northeastern rows picked















8-6-12



8-13-12



50 100 200 Feet

8-23-12





# Landscape and temporal risk factors in peaches

- Preliminary Results
  - Unable to ID surrounding cover effects
  - Movement within fields
     dependant on fruit
     ripeness and availability
- Pitfalls Encountered
  - Low population levels
  - Growers sprays

- Follow-up Studies
  - Repeat 2012 study in 2013
  - Select orchards farther away from each other
- Expected Outcomes
  - Use landscape factors to target pest management actions

# Landscape & temporal risk factors associated with BMSB reports by the general public

John Tooker, Penn State University George Hamilton & Anne Nielsen Rutgers University



11,514 visits since June 1<sup>st</sup>; 218 separate contributions of data; no verification



Data to limited so far for analysis; 90% of the data comes PA.



We have not received annual ratings to display an average for the current version of this. application

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#### Description

This application provides educational information regarding the brown marmorated stink bug. The app includes weekly photos, and tips for homeowners and farmers on how to manage these ttink bugs.

#### BMS8 Support+

#### iPhone Screenshots

#### The Brown Marmorated Stink Bug About the BMSB How to identify BMS Similar insect species eekly control tips

Links and video

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#### click on the photo to learn more



Boxelder bugs are also very common area homos. Liko stink bugs, they like to sook refuge indoors during the winter. Boxolder bugs are not stink bugs. The prefer to feed on seeds. vers, and leaves of boxelder and maple trees. where they cause little damage



# Results to Date

- Started in 2004
- 10,569 reports
- Reports from 41 states
- Reports from Canada and France
- 2,134 confirmed reports



# **Challenges and Next Steps**

- Challenges
  - Obtaining enough data
  - Reports vs.
     confirmations
- Next Steps
  - Connecting the two datasets
  - Landscape analysis
  - Possible connection to bugwatch.com



http://www.veggiegardeningtips.com/march-of-the-brown-marmorated-stink-bug/



### **QUESTIONS?**





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