

GOT A SMART PHONE?



Reduce Bee Poisoning from Pesticides

Quinolone insecticide/miticide, metabolic poison



Acetamiprid
Neonicotinoid insecticide (cyano group)



Common Product Names

Assail, Tristar, Transport

Toxicity information

N/A

Notes and Special Precautions

Length of residual toxicity to honey



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HELLO

my name is

Andony



CLICKERS




1. Press channel button
2. Type '41'
3. Press channel button



Have you ever seen this publication or app?

A. Yes

B. No



Quinolone insecticide/miticide, metabolic poison 

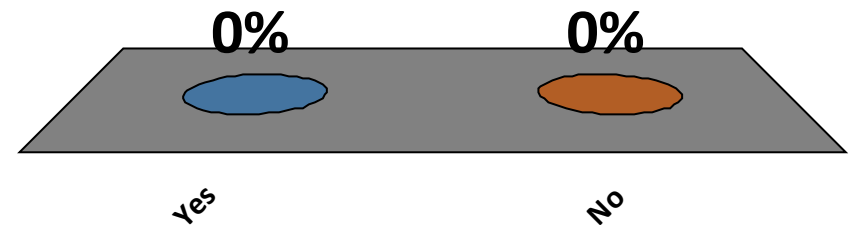
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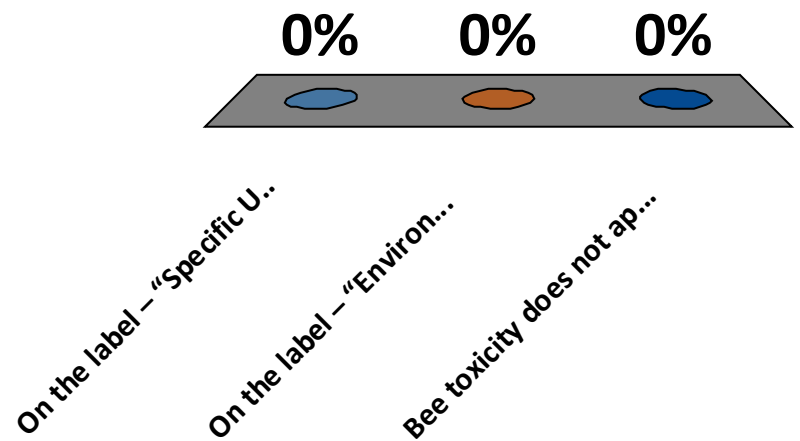
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How can you find out if a pesticide is toxic to bees?

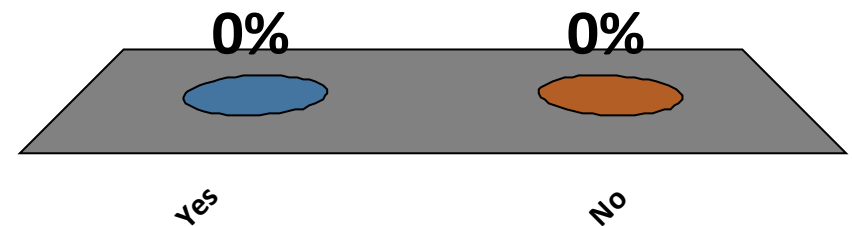
- A. On the label –
“Specific Use
Directions”
- B. On the label –
“Environmental
Hazards”
- C. Bee toxicity does not
appear on the label –
you have to exercise
judgement.



By law you can apply a pesticide when honey bees are in the area if the label indicates the **product is toxic to bees?**

A. Yes

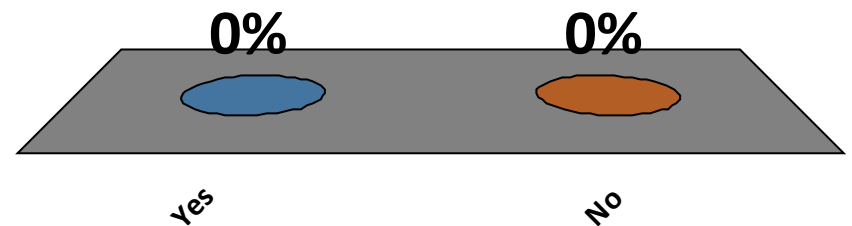
B. No



If a pesticide label says you cannot apply a pesticide when "bees are visiting the treated area" can you apply the product at night?

A. Yes

B. No



GETTING *MORE* WILD BEE POLLINATION OF CRANBERRY



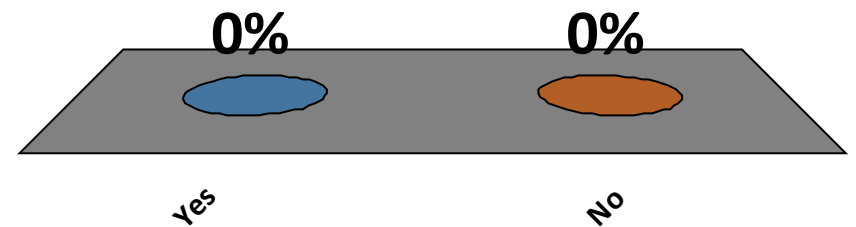
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Cranberry School, Bandon, Oregon
3 February 2017

Do you rent honey bee colonies for pollination?

A. Yes

B. No





HONEY BEE POLLINATION IN OREGON

FEBRUARY

>75% of beekeeper income

almond

MARCH

peach

APRIL

orchard fruit

berries

seeds (onion, cabbage)

MAY

meadowfoam

JUNE

clover seed

cranberry

watermelons

JULY

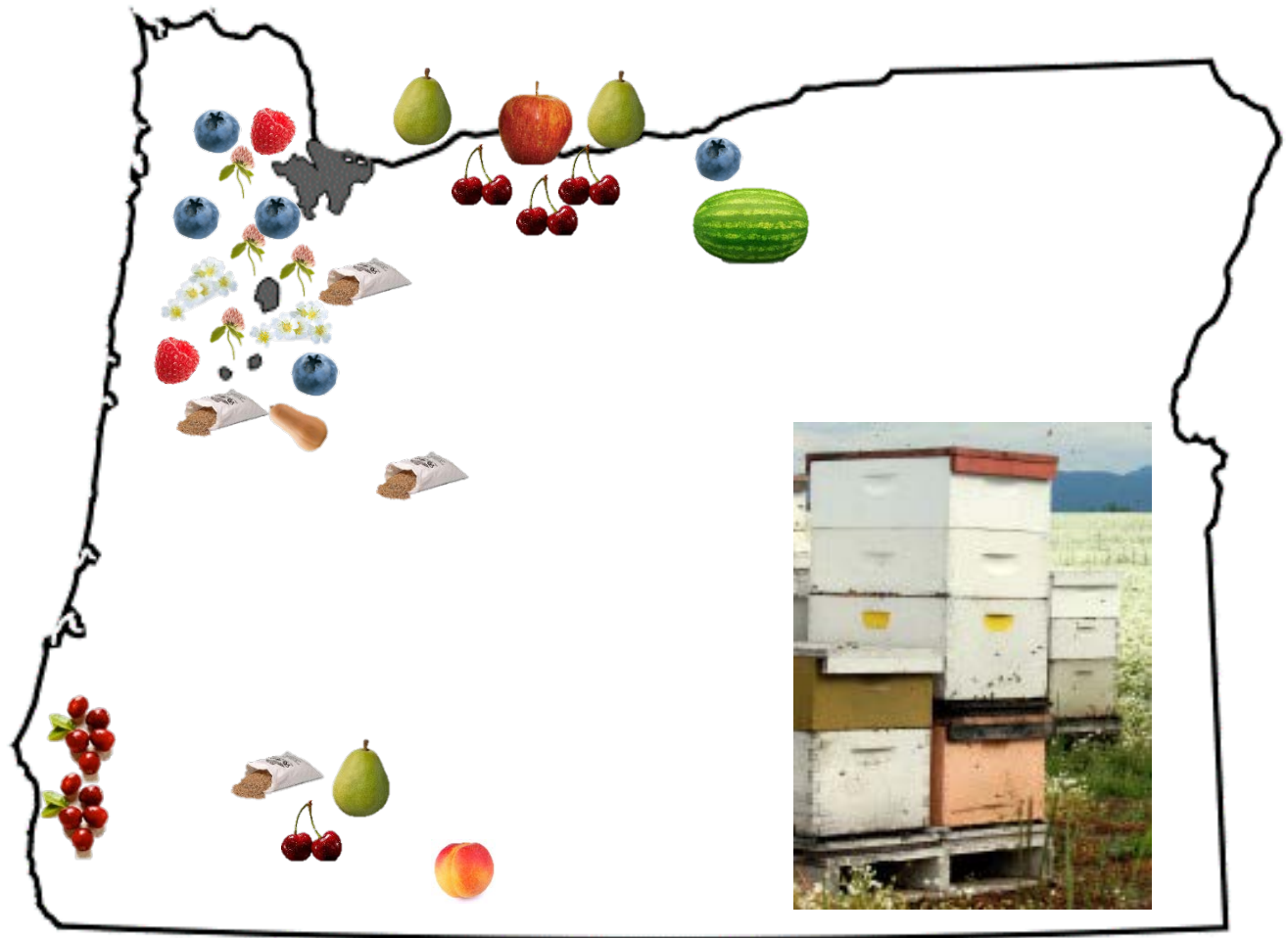
seeds (carrots)

watermelons

AUGUST

watermelons

pumpkin and squash



WILD BEES

500 species in Oregon



BUMBLE BEES

(~20 species)

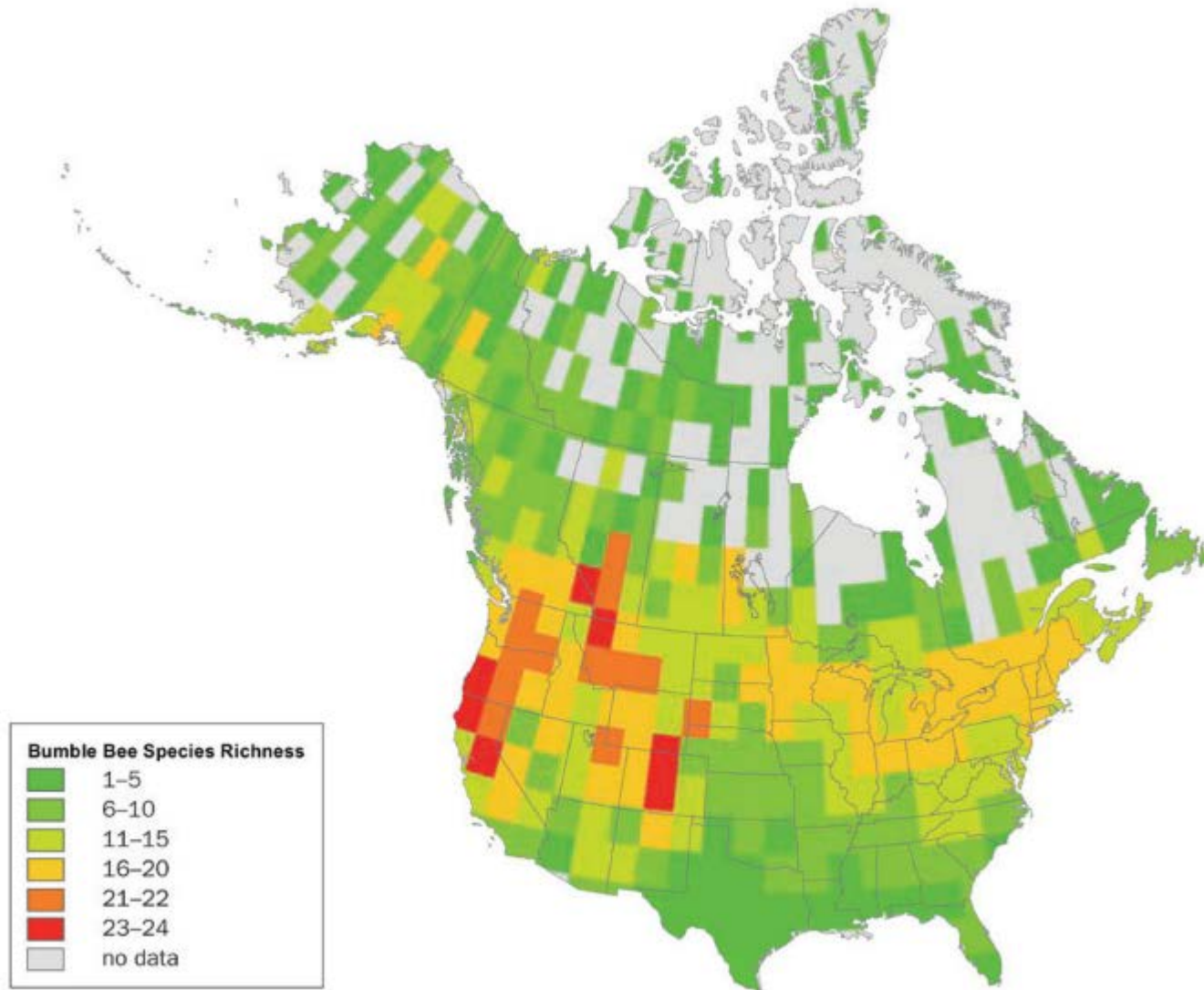


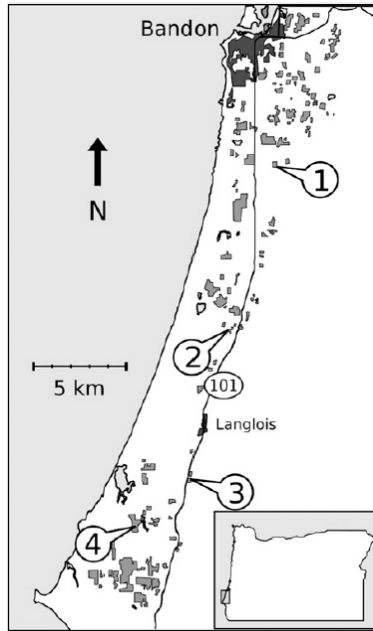
GROUND NESTING BEES

(~300 species)



OREGON SOUTH COAST BUMBLE BEE HOT SPOT





68%



Honey Bee

31%



Bombus vosnesenskii



Bombus mixtus



Bombus melanopygus

7 : 3 : 1

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11 tetrads/visit



51 tetrads/visit × 6.5 visits

Taxa	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1. <i>A. mellifera</i>	1.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. <i>M. rotundata</i> (♂)	1.0	1.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. <i>M. rotundata</i> (♀N)	1.1	1.1	1.0	—	—	—	—	—
4. <i>M. rotundata</i> (♀P)	2.4	2.4	2.3	1.0	—	—	—	—
5. <i>Bombus</i> spp. (Q)	4.3	4.4	3.9	1.8	1.0	—	—	—
6. <i>Bombus</i> spp. (W)	2.9	3.0	2.7	1.2	0.7	1.0	—	—
7. <i>Andrena</i> spp.	4.0	4.0	3.6	1.7	0.9	1.3	1.0	—
8. <i>Halictus</i> spp.	2.2	2.2	2.0	0.9	0.5	0.7	0.6	1.0



WILD BEES Require ...

*A suitable **nesting substrate** from which they can **access adequate forage** over the course of individual or colonial **life spans**.*



The Bees Perspective ...

How are foraging resources distributed both spatially and temporally?



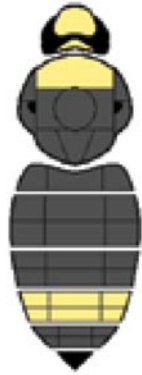
FORAGING RESOURCES



TAXA	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEP	OCT
<i>Andrena</i>							
<i>Melissodes</i>							
<i>Bombus</i>							



Yellow Headed
B. vosnesenskii



Males



Workers



Queens



Fuzzy-Horned
B. mixtus



Males



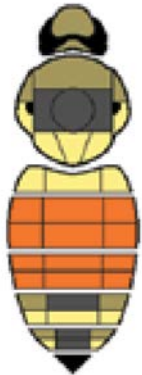
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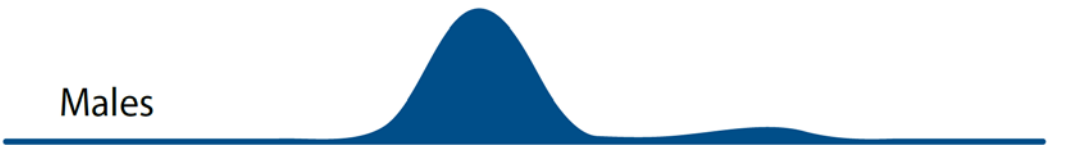
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Yellow Headed
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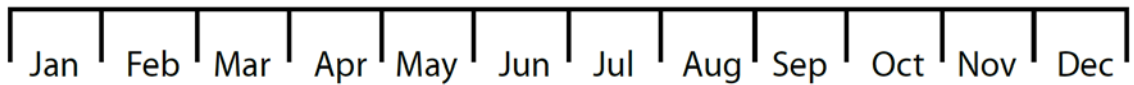
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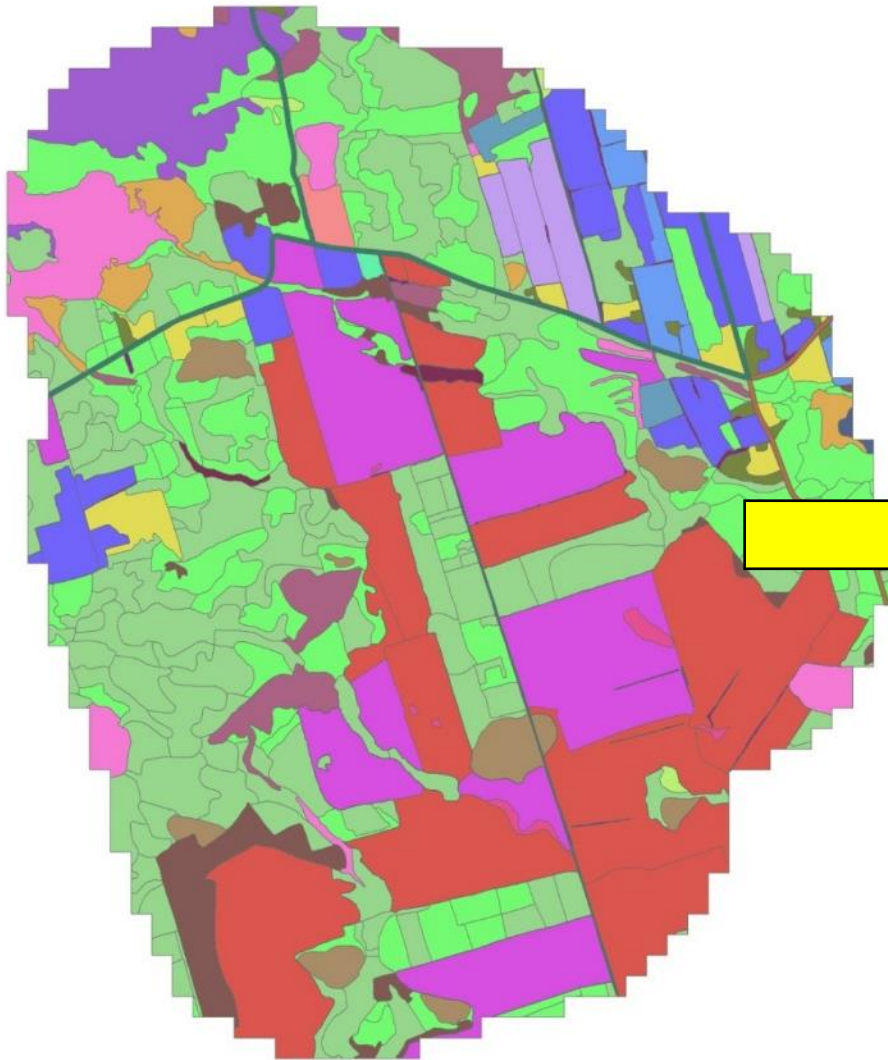
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POLLINATOR'S PERSPECTIVE





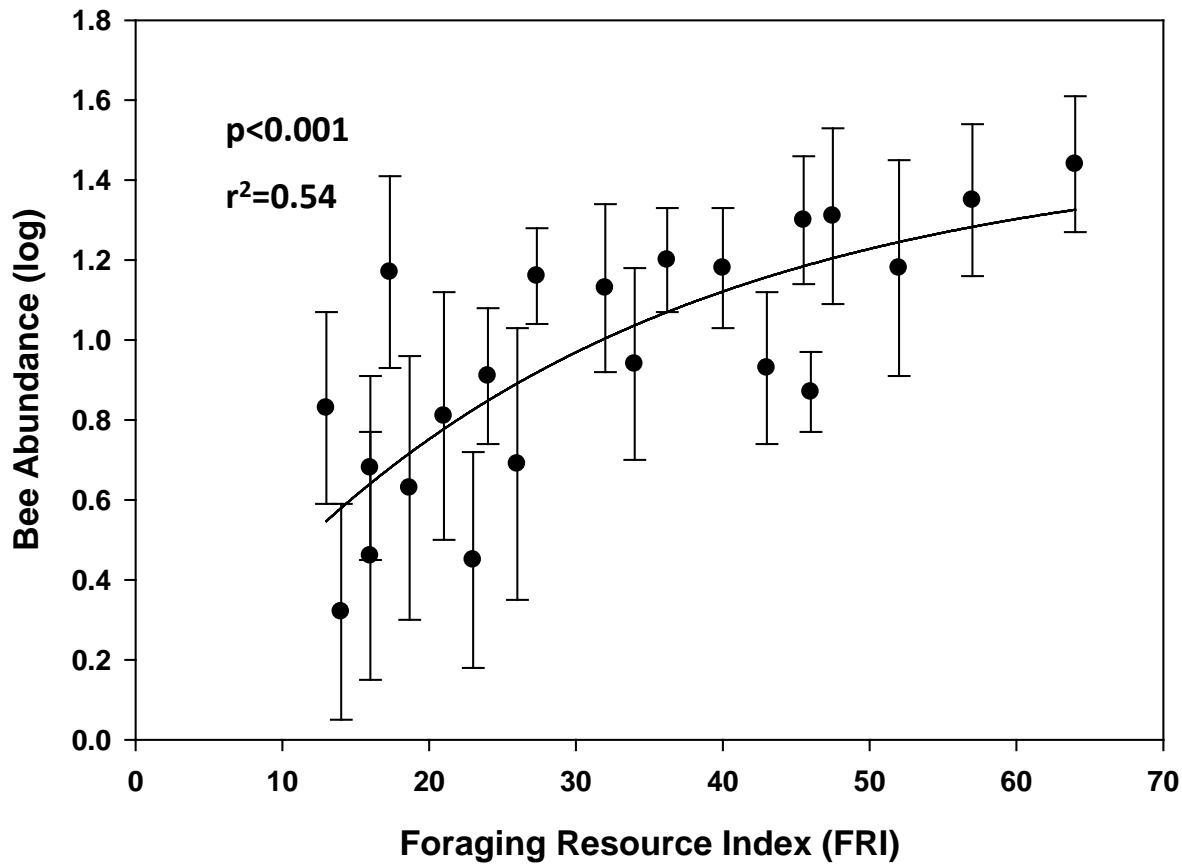
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April

August

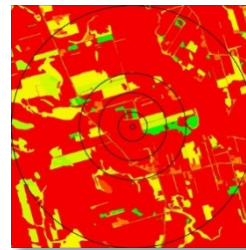
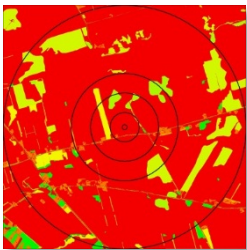


Foraging Resource Index



Key Factors

- Floral abundance \times continuity \times distribution
- Foraging resources beyond 300 m do not contribute significantly to the model
- Connectivity of blueberry land (crop/sprout ratio)



Pollinator Habitat Restoration



Land taken out of production for foraging habitat (meadows)

Expand Buffer (Bog/Field)



Shelterbelt (Greenlane)



Forest Clearing (maintain early successional plant community)



Steve Javorek





PLANTING FLORAL RESOURCES

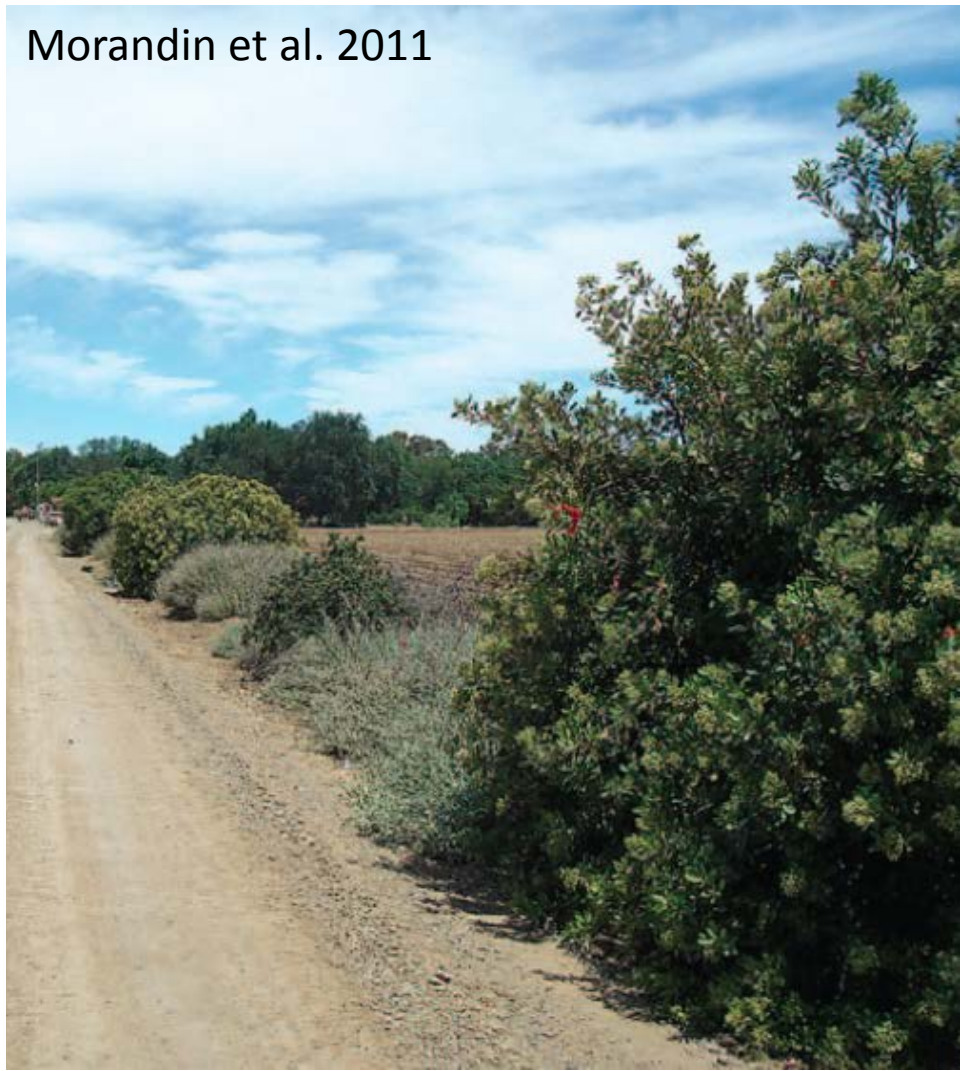
Floral Seed Mixtures

Williams et al. 2015



Hedgerows

Morandin et al. 2011



How to Estimate Bee Abundance in Maine Blueberries

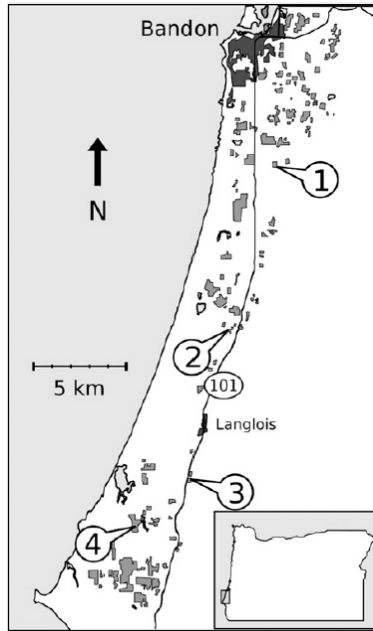
Frank Drummond, University of Maine



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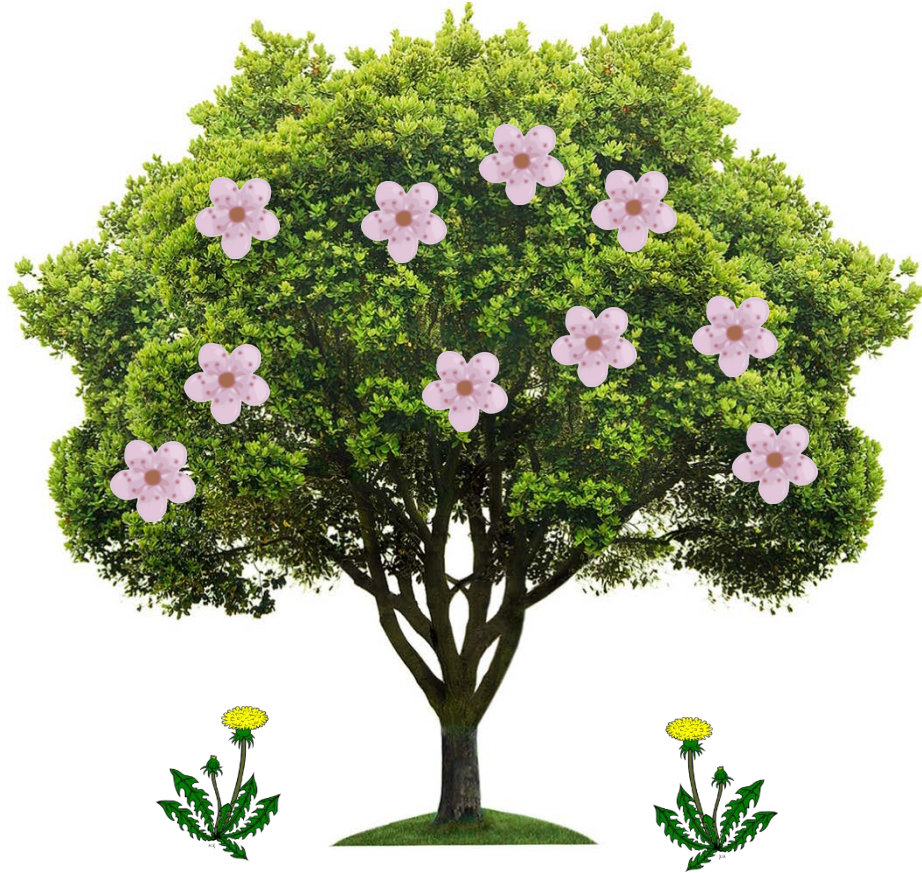
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LESSON OBJECTIVES:

1. Explain the difference between a pesticide's toxicity and risk to bees
2. Tell how risky a pesticide treatment is to bees from information on the label in conjunction with PNW 591

POLLINATORS, PESTICIDES & RISK



RISK =

1. Toxicity +



2. Residual Time +



3. Bloom +

4. Application/
Formulation



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PESTICIDE TOXICITY



Acute toxicity

LETHAL TOXICITY

Death within a few hours



TriStar[®] 8.5 SL

Insecticide

ACTIVE INGREDIENT:

Acetamiprid 8.5% by wt.

INERT INGREDIENTS:

..... 91.5% by wt.

TOTAL:

..... 100.0% by wt.

Contains 0.76 pounds of acetamiprid per gallon

ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

This product is toxic to wildlife. This product is toxic to bees and other pollinating insects exposed to direct treatment. Do not apply this product while bees or other pollinating insects are actively visiting the treated area. Risk to managed bees and native pollinators from contact with pesticide spray or residues can be minimized when applications are made at dawn or dusk or when temperature is below 55°F at the site of application. Do not apply directly to water, or to areas where surface water is present or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Do not contaminate water when disposing of equipment washwater or rinsate. Do not contaminate water used for irrigation or domestic purposes.

"...highly toxic to bees..."

"...toxic to bees..."

ACUTE TOXICITY & THE LABEL



"Highly Toxic to Bees"

– LD50 is *less than or equal to* 2 $\mu\text{g}/\text{bee}$



"Toxic to Bees"

– LD50 is *less than* 11 $\mu\text{g}/\text{bee}$ but *greater than* 2 $\mu\text{g}/\text{bee}$

Relatively Nontoxic

– LD50 is *greater than* 11 $\mu\text{g}/\text{bee}$



Nothing on the label





Table 4. Active ingredients of commonly used pesticides and their effect on bees in California, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington



Active Ingredient	Highly Toxic to Bees (RT)	Toxic to Bees (RT)	No Bee Precautionary Statement (PS) on Label	Common Product Names	Notes and Special Precautions
Abamectin (Avermectin) <i>Fermentation products derived from soil bacterium, affects nerve and muscle action of insects and mites</i>	X 0.025 lb ai/acre 1-3 days ERT, ≤ 0.025 lb ai/acre 8 hours RT [1] <i>Can vary with formulation and application rate</i>			Abacide, Abacus, Abba, Agmectin, Agri-Mek, Ardent, Avert, Avicta, Avid, Epi-Mek, Reaper, Solera, Solero, Temprano, Timectin, Zoro	ERT to bumble bees [2], short RT to alfalfa leafcutting bees and alkali bees at 0.025 lb ai/acre [1].
Acephate <i>Organophosphate insecticide</i>	X >3 days ERT [1] <i>Can vary with formulation and application rate</i>			Bracket, Orthene, Orthonex	Incompatible with bumble bees [2]. ERT to alfalfa leafcutting bees and alkali bees [1].
Acequinocyl <i>Quinolone insecticide/miticide, metabolic</i>			X	Kanemite, Shuttle	
Acetamiprid <i>Neonicotinoid insecticide (cyano group)</i>		X Yes ↑		Assail, Tristar, Transport	Length of residual toxicity to honey bees is unknown. ERT to alfalfa leafcutting bees and alkali bees [3]. 2 day ERT to bumble bees [2]. Cyano group neonicotinoids exhibit lower toxicity to bees than nitro group neonicotinoids [4].
Aldicarb <i>Systemic carbamate insecticide and nematocide</i>	X			Temik Only available as granular formulation [5]	Not hazardous to bees when applied at least 4 weeks prior to bloom [1]. May be a persistent contaminant of beeswax [6].
Alpha-cypermethrin <i>Pyrethroid insecticide</i>	X Yes			Fastac	Length of residual toxicity to bees unknown.
Aluminum tris O-ethyl phosphonate <i>Systemic organophosphate fungicide</i>			X	Aliette, Fosetyl-AI, Chipco, Flanker, Linebacker, Legion	
Azadirachtin <i>Insecticidal extract of neem oil Ecdysone antagonist</i>		X <2 hours RT [1] <i>Can vary with formulation and application rate</i>		Neemix, Amazin, Azera, Aza, Ecozin, Ornazin	Must be ingested to be toxic [7].
Azinphos-methyl <i>Organophosphate insecticide</i>	X 4 days ERT [1] 5 days ERT [8] <i>Can vary with formulation and application rate</i>			Guthion <i>is being phased out</i>	ERT to alfalfa leafcutting bees and alkali bees [1].
Azoxystrobin <i>β-methoxyacrylate fungicide</i>			X	Abound, Dynasty, Heritage, Quadris	
Bacillus subtilis <i>Fungicide derived from naturally occurring soil bacterium</i>			X	Kodiak, Rhapsody, Serenade, Optiva, Companion, Cease	Laboratory tests suggest potential effects on bumble bees [9].

Table 4 (p. 16-27)



*Quinolone insecticide/miticide,
metabolic poison*



Acetamiprid

*Neonicotinoid insecticide
(cyano group)*



Common Product Names

Assail, **Tristar**, Transport

Toxicity information

N/A

Notes and Special Precautions

Length of residual toxicity to honey

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Leafminer - *Liriomyza trifolii*



LEAST ACUTELY TOXIC TO BEES?



Tame
2.4 EC SPRAY
INSECTICIDE-MITICIDE

A

TriStar

B

 **Avid** 0.15EC
Miticide/insecticide

C

Surround
Agricultural Crop Protectant

D

Radiant
SC
INSECTICIDE

E

A 0%

B 0%

C 0%

D 0%

E 0%



ACUTE TOXICITY & THE LABEL

ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

"...highly toxic to bees..."

"...toxic to bees..."



New EPA Advisory Box

Nitro-group neonicotinoids:

- imidacloprid,
 - dinotefuran,
 - clothianidin, and
 - thiamethoxam
- applied outdoor to foliage.



GROUP

4A

INSECTICIDE



Safari®

20 SG INSECTICIDE



**FOR FOLIAR AND SYSTEMIC INSECT CONTROL
IN ORNAMENTAL PLANTS AND VEGETABLE
TRANSPLANTS IN ENCLOSED STRUCTURES.
FOR GREENHOUSE, NURSERY, INTERIOR PLANT-
SCAPE AND OUTDOOR LANDSCAPE USE ONLY**

Active Ingredient: **nitro-group neonicotinoid**

Dinotefuran, [N-methyl-N'-nitro-N''-((tetrahydro-3-furanyl)methyl)guanidine]	20%
Other Ingredients	80%
Total:	100%

ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

This product is toxic to honey bees. The persistence of residues and potential residual toxicity of dinotefuran in nectar and pollen suggests the possibility of



PROTECTION OF POLLINATORS

APPLICATION RESTRICTIONS EXIST FOR THIS PRODUCT BECAUSE OF RISK TO BEES AND OTHER INSECT POLLINATORS. FOLLOW APPLICATION RESTRICTIONS FOUND IN THE DIRECTIONS FOR USE TO PROTECT POLLINATORS.



Look for the bee hazard icon in the Directions for Use for each application site for specific use restrictions and instructions to protect bees and other insect pollinators.

This product can kill bees and other insect pollinators.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.

READ ENTIRE LABEL. USE STRICTLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS AND DIRECTIONS, AND WITH APPLICABLE STATE AND FEDERAL REGULATIONS.

FOR COMMERCIALY GROWN ORNAMENTALS NOT UNDER CONTRACT FOR POLLINATION SERVICES BUT ARE ATTRACTIVE TO POLLINATORS



- Do not apply this product while bees are foraging.
- This product is toxic to bees exposed to residue for more than 38 hours following treatment.

PESTICIDE TOXICITY



beeaware.org.au



Acute toxicity

LETHAL TOXICITY

Death within a few hours



honeycolony.com

Chronic toxicity

"a lot little nicks" - repeated
Lingering effects
(e.g., impaired foraging,
↑ disease susceptibility, etc.)



Marcus Brandt

CHRONIC TOXICITY

GROUP 11 3 FUNGICIDES



Fungicide

A broad-spectrum fungicide for prevention and control of listed diseases in golf course turfgrasses only

Active Ingredients:

Azoxystrobin* 18.2%

Difenoconazole** 11.4%

Other Ingredients: 70.4%

Total: 100.0%

Environmental Hazards: Difenoconazole is toxic to fish, mammals and aquatic invertebrates. Drift and runoff may be hazardous to estuarine/marine organisms in water adjacent to treated area.

Difenoconazole

Triazole fungicide



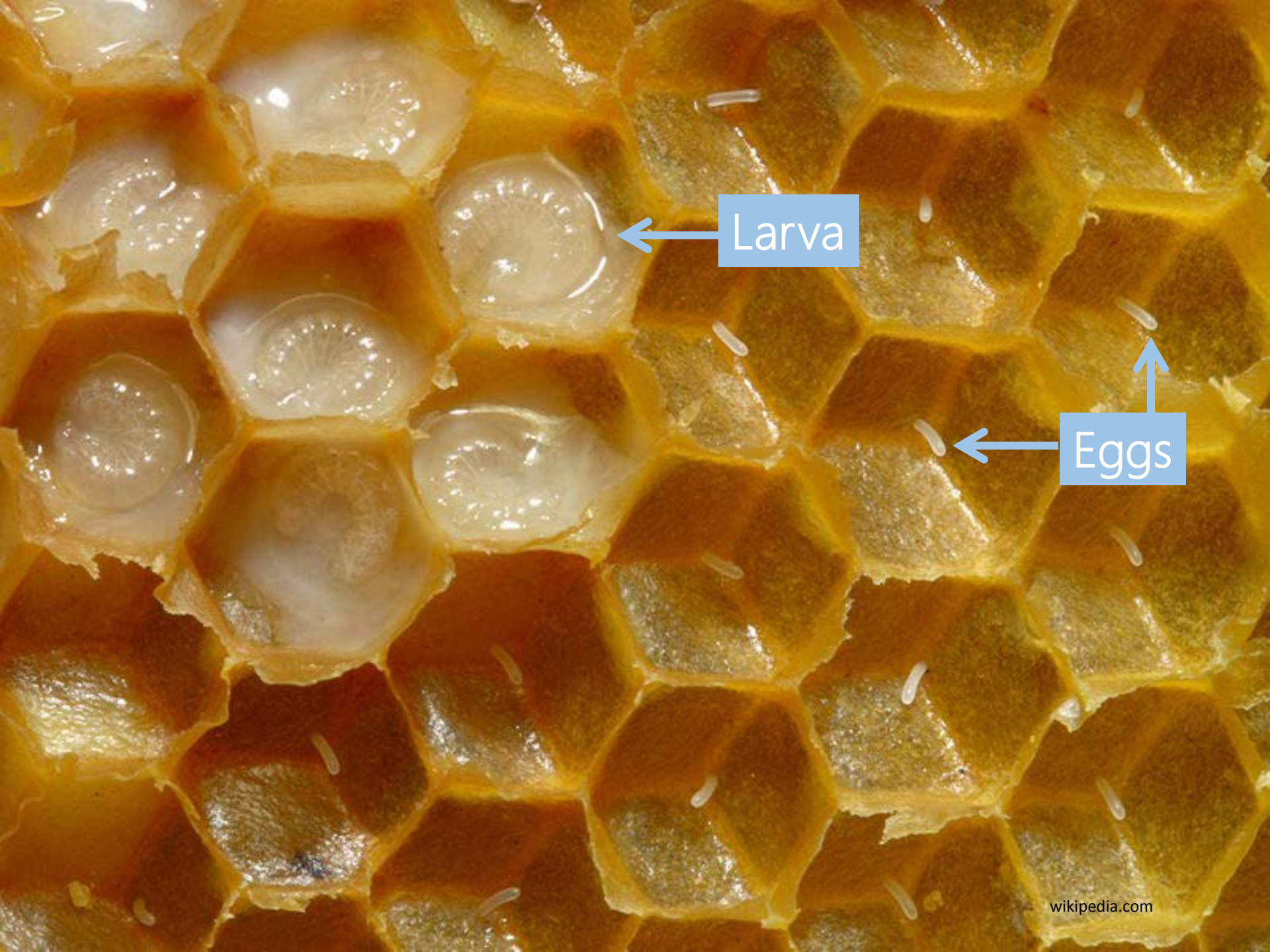
Notes and Special Precautions

Potential effects on learning in honey bees [19]



FOOD RESERVOIR





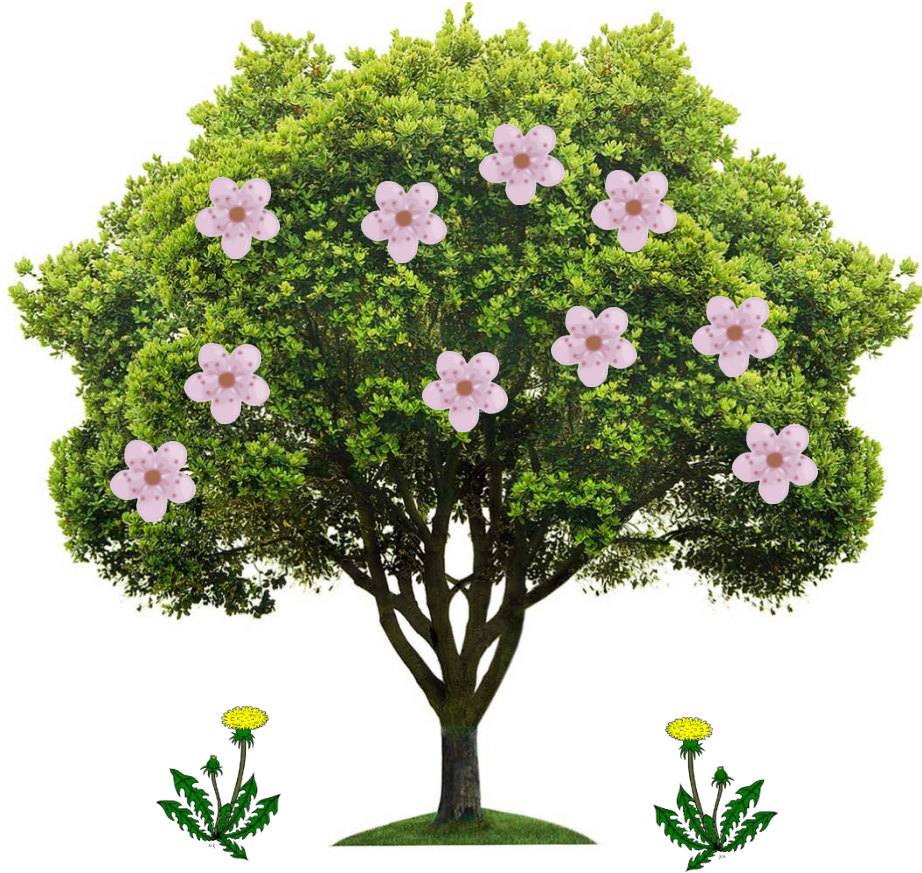
Larva

Eggs



The Great Sunflower Project

POLLINATORS, PESTICIDES & RISK



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1. Toxicity +



2. Residual Time

3. Bloom



4. Application/
Formulation

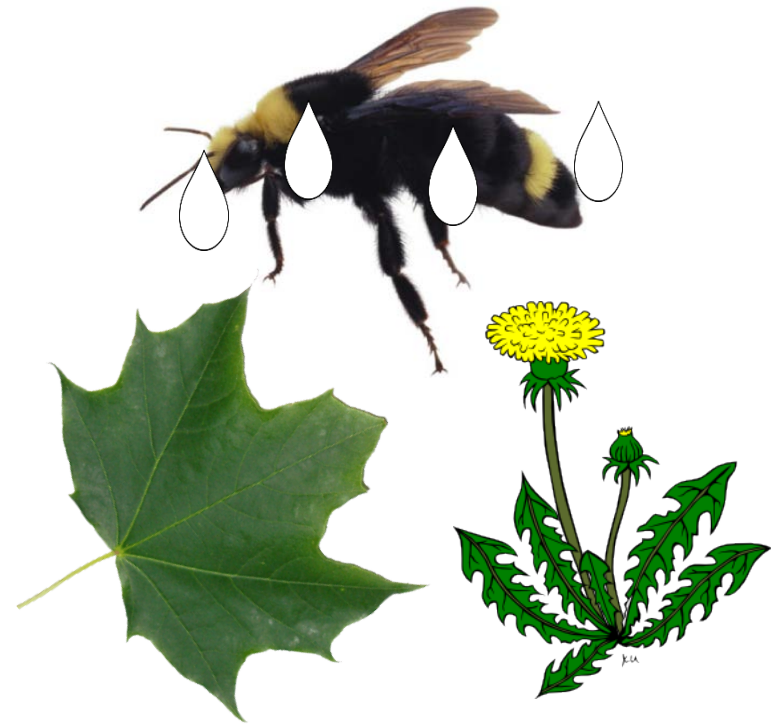


RESIDUAL TOXICITY

Direct Toxicity

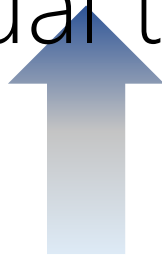


Residual Toxicity
(*Residual Time*)

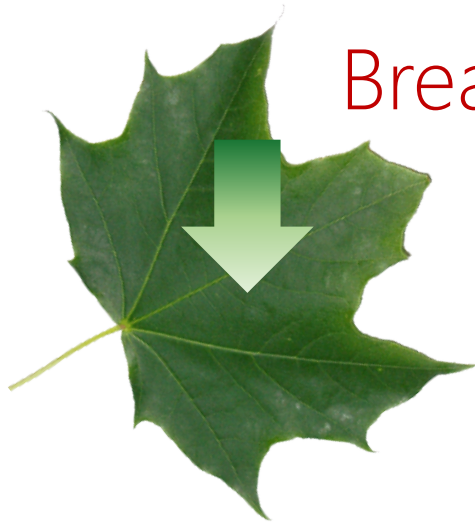


RESIDUAL TIME (RT)

↑ residual time with ↓ temperature



Volatilization



Breakdown



Absorption

RESIDUAL TIME (RT)



...toxic to bees exposed to treatment during the 3 hours following treatment...

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For control of listed pests such as thrips, lepidopterous larvae, foliage feeding worms, fire ants and other listed pests infesting apple and other pome fruits, artichoke, asparagus, banana, *Brassica* (cole) leafy vegetables, bulb vegetables, bushberries, caneberries, citrus, commercial aquatic plants, cucurbits, dates, fruiting vegetables, grape, herbs, leafy vegetables, leaves of legume vegetables, leaves of root and tuber vegetables, okra, ornamentals (herbaceous and woody) growing outdoors, in nurseries or in greenhouses, peppermint, pistachio, plantain, pomegranate, popcorn, root and tuber vegetables, spearmint, spices, stone fruits, strawberry, sweet corn, tree nuts, tropical tree fruits, tree farms or plantations and turfgrass

Group	5	INSECTICIDE
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Active Ingredient:		
spinosad (Including Spinosyn A and Spinosyn D).....	11.6%	
Other Ingredients.....	88.4%	
Total.....	100.0%	



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Notes and Special Precautions

> 1 day ERT for alfalfa leafcutting bees, short RT for alkali bees [1].

EXTENDED RESIDUAL TOXICITY (ERT)

Pesticide remains toxic to bees for an extended period (8 hours +) following foliar application



ERT pesticides cannot be applied to blooming crops or weeds



EXTENDED RESIDUAL TOXICITY (ERT)

What would you see on the label?

If NO ERT:

"...actively visiting the treatment area..."

→ bees seen on plants

If ERT:

"visiting" replaced with
"foraging" on newer labels

"...visiting the treatment area..."

→ *could* visit plants later

DIAZINON CAN BE APPLIED TO BEES WHEN A CROP IS IN BLOOM?

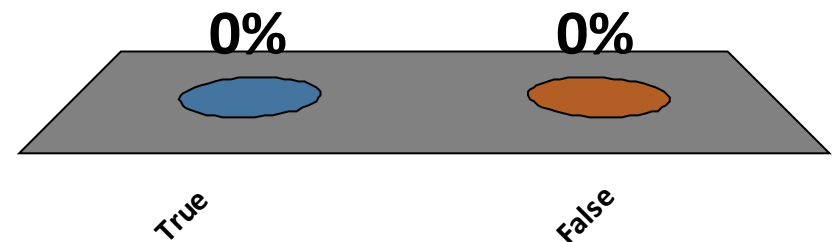
A. True

B. False

Diazinon AG500

This pesticide is highly toxic to bees exposed to direct treatment or to residues on blooming crops or weeds. Do not apply this pesticide or allow it to drift to blooming crops or weeds if bees are visiting the treatment area.

PEST	RATE
Blackheaded Fireworm (<i>Rhopobota naevana</i>)	2 qts. per acre
Cranberry Fruitworm	2 to 3 qts. per acre
Cranberry Tipworm	2 qts. per acre



"...actively visiting the treatment area..."

Assume:



“...actively visiting the treated area...” ?



"...actively visiting the treated area..." ?



"...~~actively~~ visiting the treatment area.."

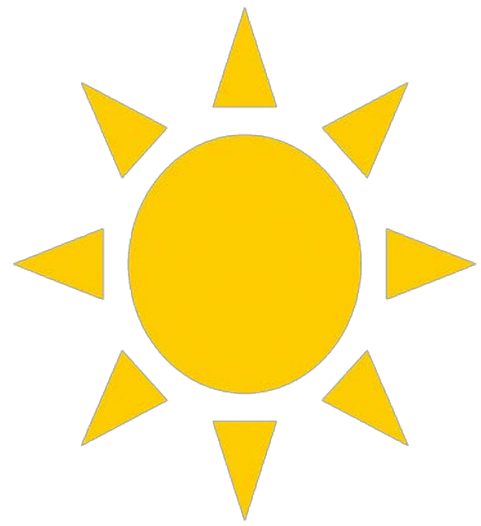
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ERT

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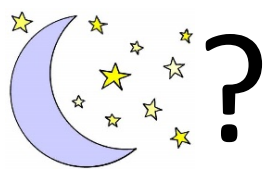


"...~~actively~~ visiting the treated area..." ?



WHICH PRODUCT CAN YOU APPLY TO A BLOOMING PLANT?

NO



NO

YES



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Miticide/insecticide

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actively?

no warning

actively

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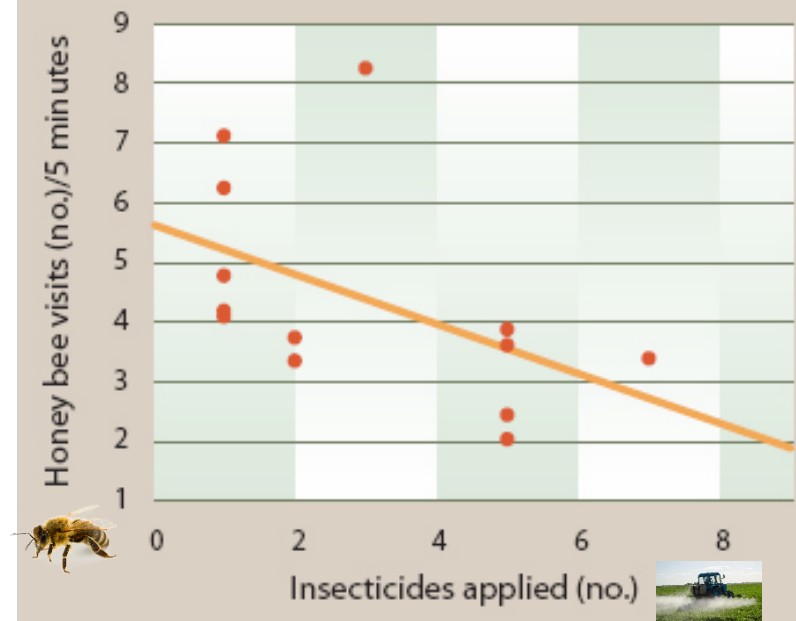
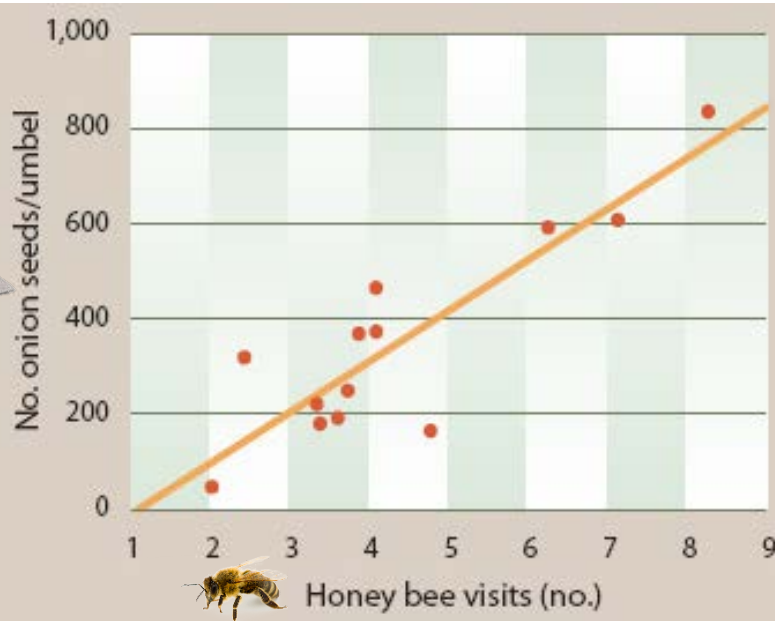
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AVOID SPRAYING AT BLOOM - ANYWAY

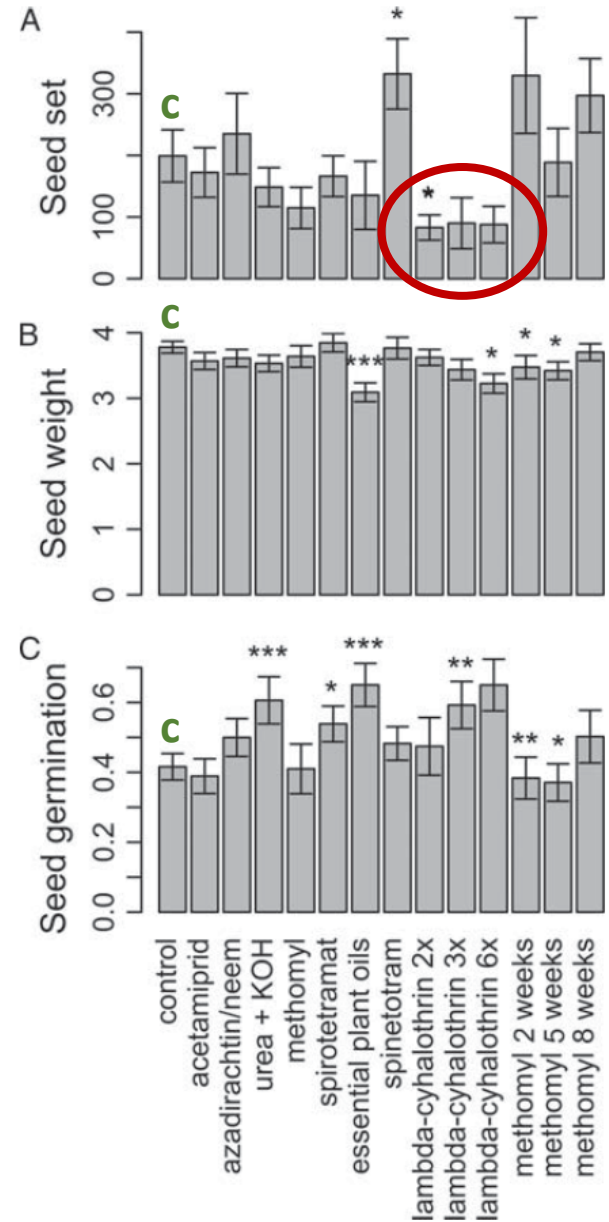


Onion thrip
(*Thrips tabaci*)
Iris yellow spot virus

Long and Morandin 2011, Cal. Agric., 65: 155-159



AVOID SPRAYING AT BLOOM - ANYWAY



SOMETIMES NOT SPRAYING IS EASIER SAID THAN DONE...



Black *vine weevil*
Otiorynchus sulcatus



Blackheaded Fireworm
Rhopobota naevana



Greedy scale
Acrobasis vaccinii

YOU HAVE A HIGH RISK SITUATION – WHAT NEXT?

1. Cannot use ERT pesticide –
against the law

~~ERT~~

2. Select the least toxic product
with short residual toxicity



3. Contact beekeeper





Honey Tree Apiaries



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We are all working very hard.....



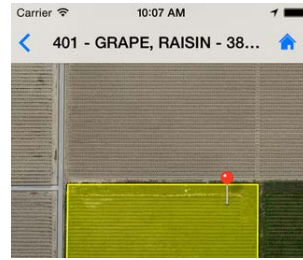
.....and trying to make a living at the same time

I would use the following tool to locate honey bees in a high risk situation:

A. Text msg system
beekeeper



B. A phone app that
pins colonies?

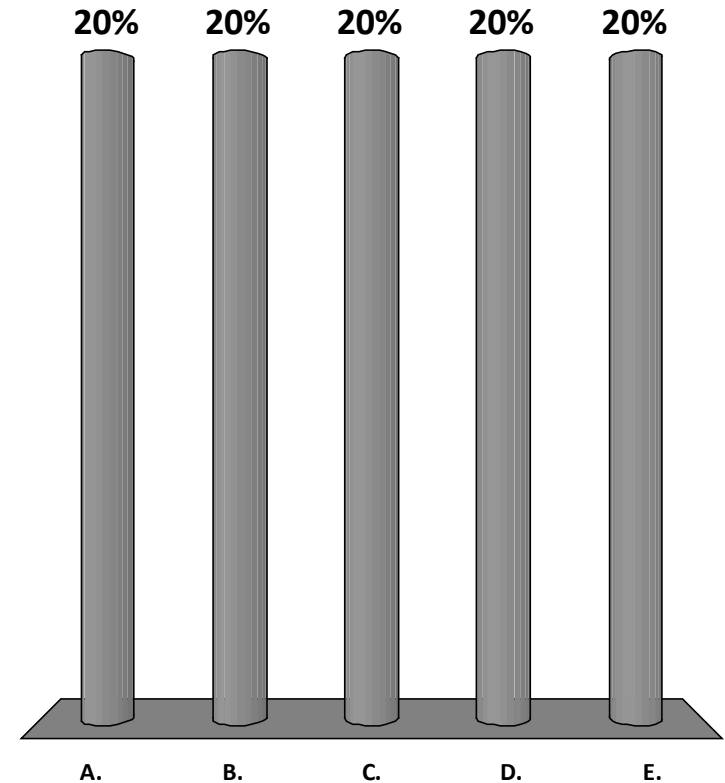
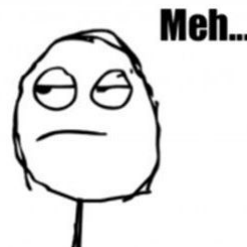


C. Web app that pins
colonies?

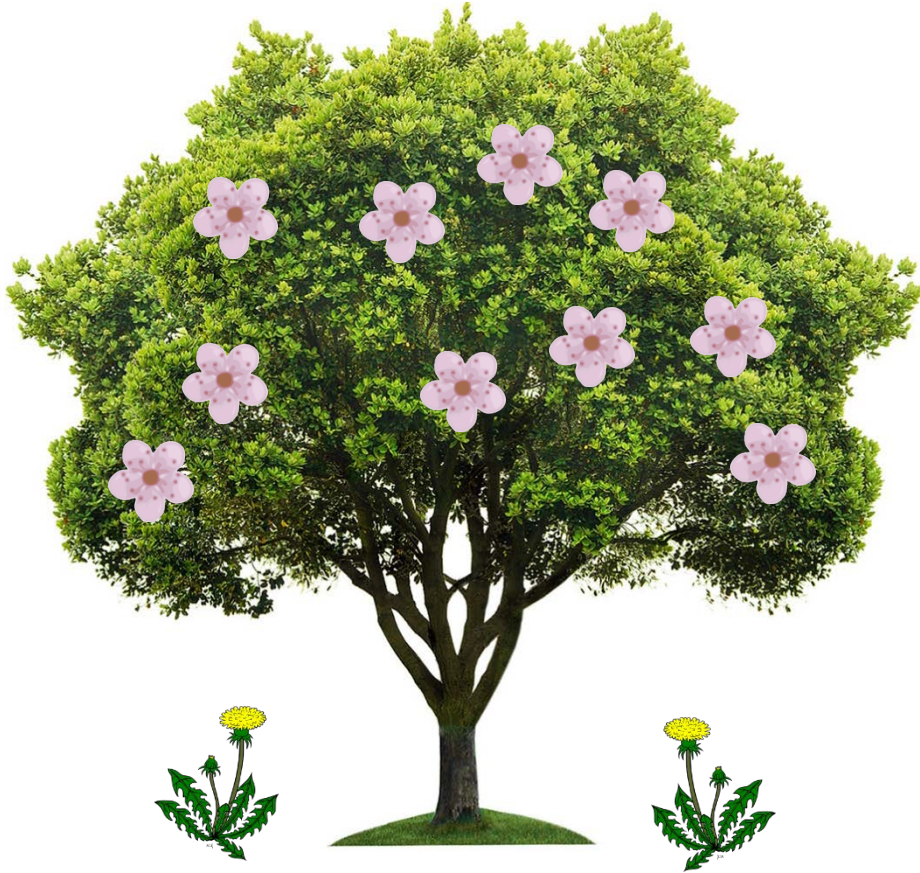


D. Flag system?

E. Waste of time –
wouldn't use it –
too much work.



POLLINATORS, PESTICIDES & RISK



RISK =

1. Toxicity +



2. Residual Time



3. Bloom

4. Application/
Formulation



wildflowers next to tomatoes, Solano County, CA

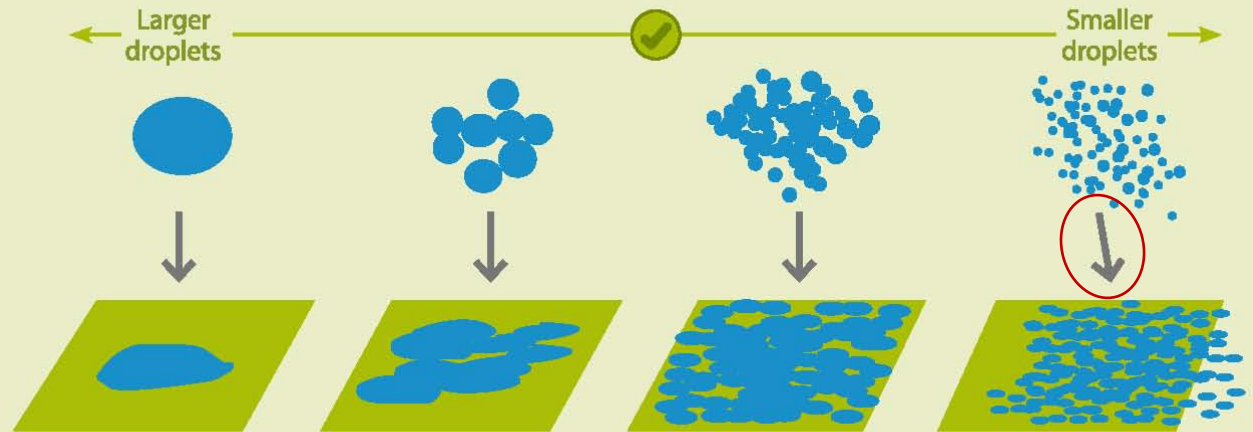


APPLICATION/FORMULATION



A delicate balance - coverage versus drift

Smaller droplets will achieve better coverage, but can increase the risk of spray drift.



TANK MIXES/PRE-PACKS



More uncertainty around toxicity of tank mixes

No Bee
Precautionary
Statement
(PS) on Label

X

Dicofol

Organochlorine miticide

Mixing with insecticides increases hazard to bees [1].

Triflumizole

Imidazole fungicide

May increase toxicity of certain neonicotinoids [32].

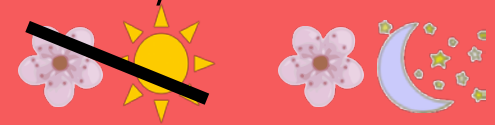
WHAT DID WE LEARN?

1. Use integrated pest management (pesticide only when needed)



2. Pay attention to bloom (target + non-target)

3. No bee toxic pesticides during bloom, but if necessary in evening



4. **No ERT** toxic pesticides during bloom



5. Communicate with your beekeepers



6. Least hazardous formulation – drop size, avoid tank mixes

