

*8th Annual Strawberry Production Meeting
Camarillo, August 28, 2008*

Lygus Bug, Vinegar Fly and Other Insect Problems

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Lygus



Lygus - developments

Loss of Lannate

Pyrethroid resistance

New products

Rimon (novaluron) - Section 18

Clutch (clothianidin) - IR-4

Beleaf (flonicamid) - IR-4

Treatment timing, Lygus life cycle

Lygus Resistance

Field collect Lygus adults
Aspirate into tubes
Challenge with insecticide
at a series of
concentrations

Lygus tube bioassay



Lygus Resistance

Danitol

Prunedale, July, 2008

Lygus collected from -

Weeds

First Year Field

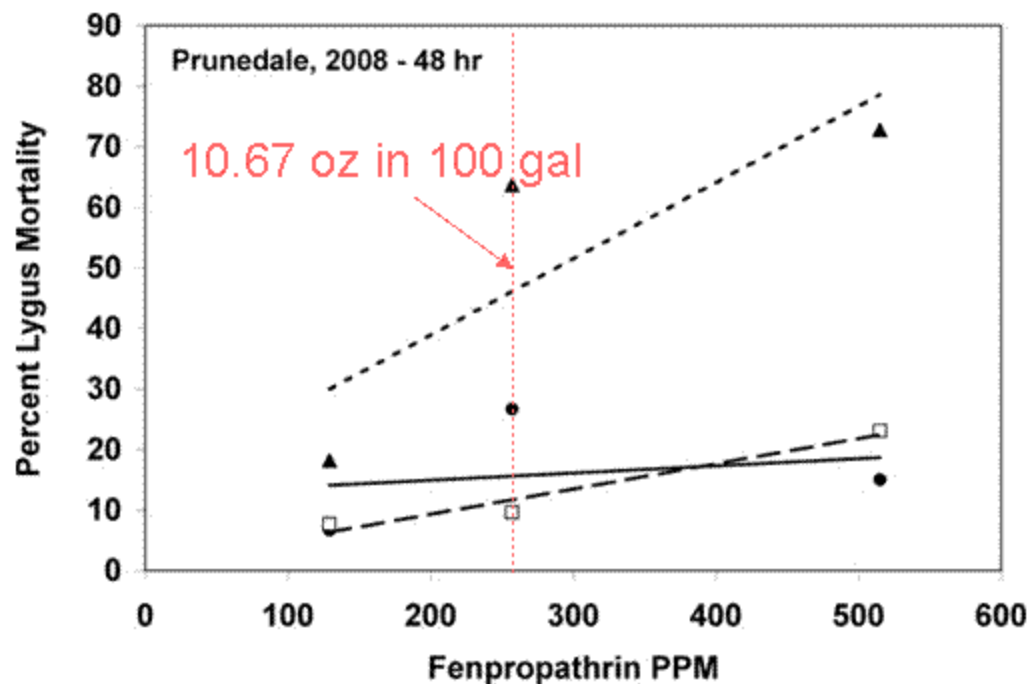
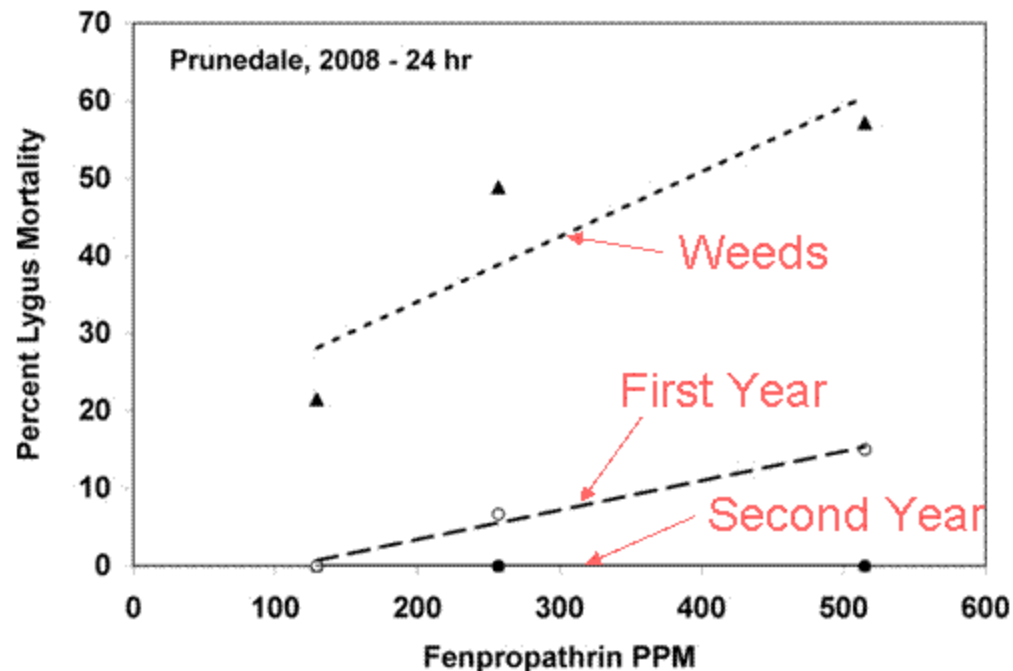
Second Year Field

2007 sprays -

1 Brigade + 2 Danitol

2008 sprays -

3 Brigade + 1 Danitol



Lygus Resistance

Danitol

Watsonville, July 17, 2008

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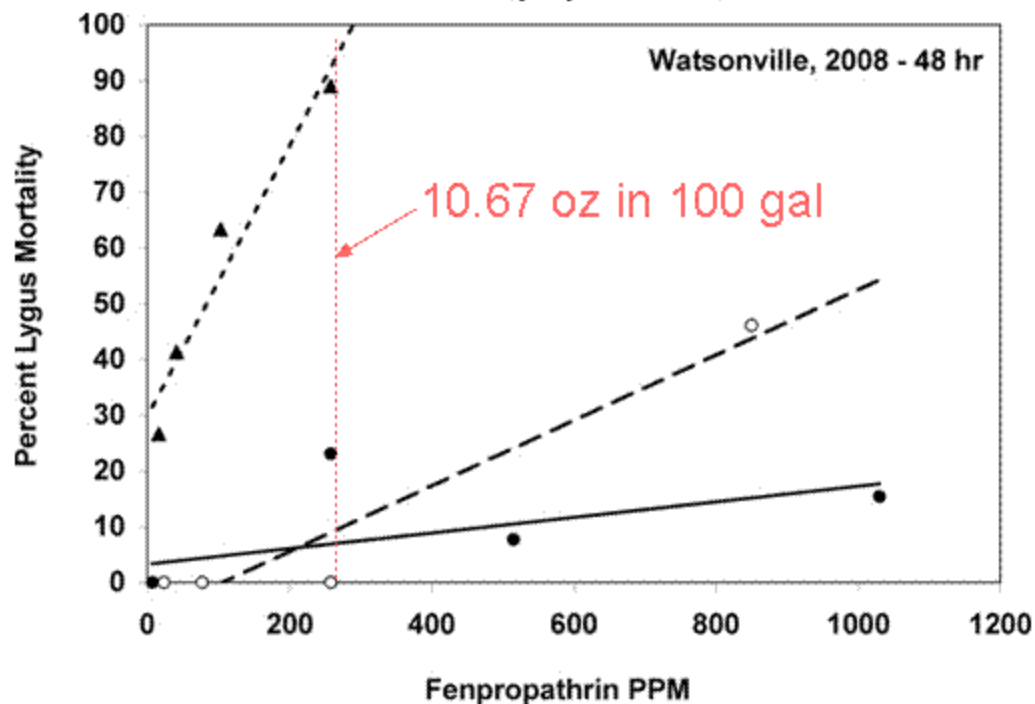
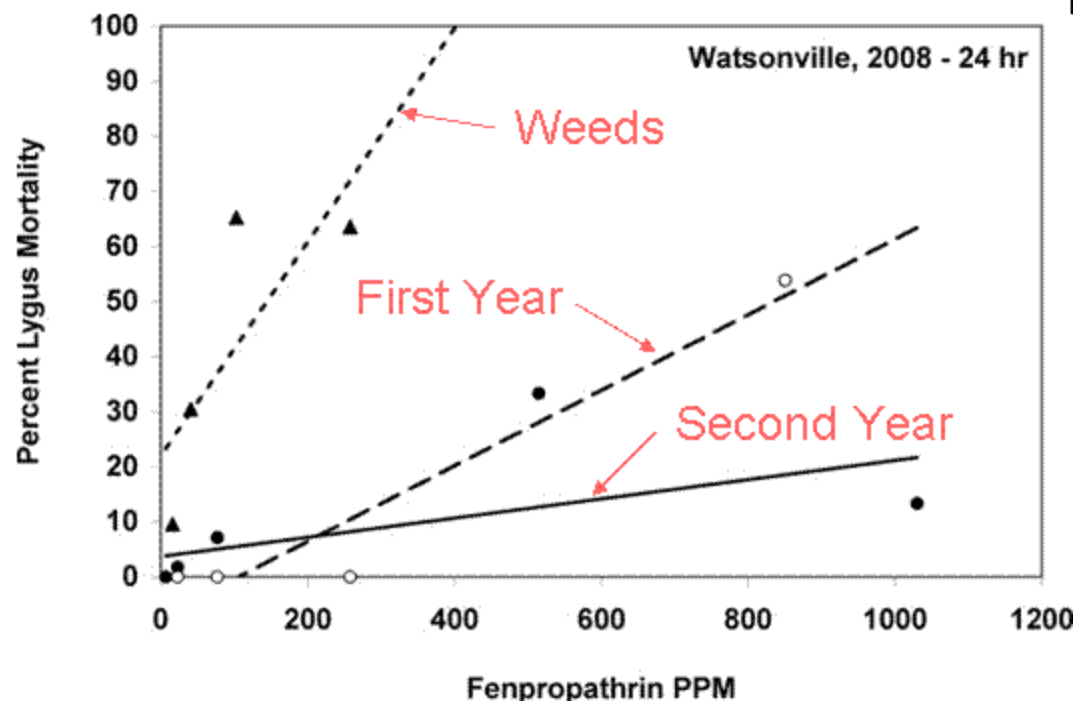
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Lygus Resistance

Danitol and Brigade

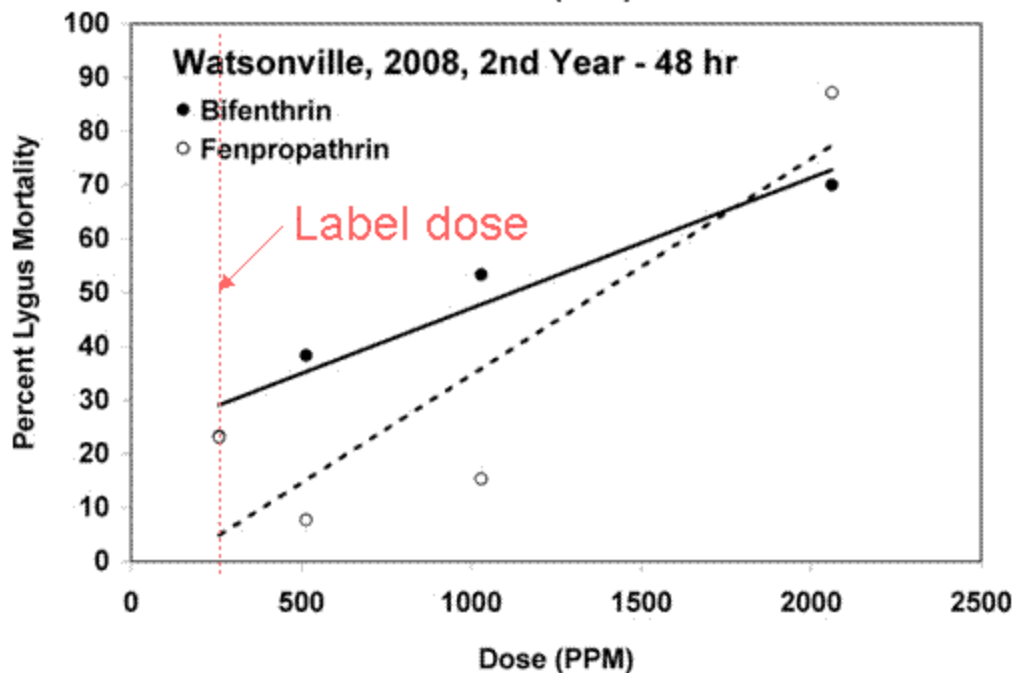
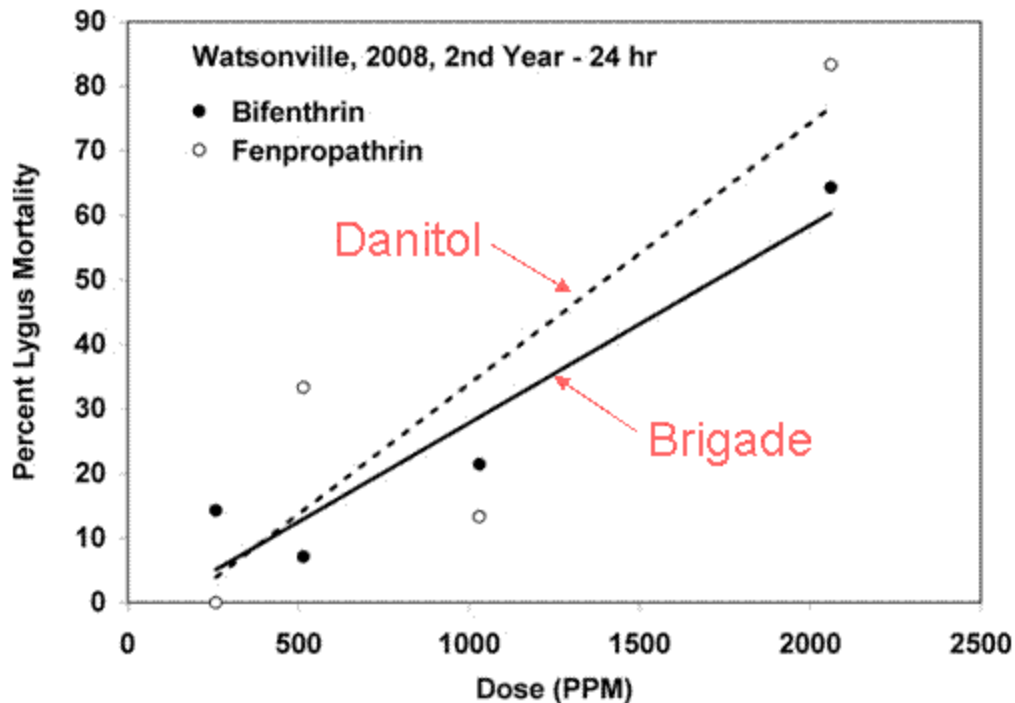
Watsonville, July 17, 2008

Label dose =

Danitol - 10.67 oz

Brigade - 32 oz

(Volume = 100 gal)



Lygus Bug Control, 2007, Watsonville - nymphs

Treatment	Mean \pm SE nymphs per plant ¹				
	Pre 8-2-07	8/16/07	8/23/07	8/30/07	9/6/07
Untreated	0.35 \pm 0.04	0.43 \pm 0.20	0.43 \pm 0.06	0.38 \pm 0.05	0.33 \pm 0.02
Danitol	0.18 \pm 0.06	0.07 \pm 0.02	0.13 \pm 0.04*	0.13 \pm 0.03*	0.22 \pm 0.03
Assail-L	0.26 \pm 0.04	0.17 \pm 0.04	0.23 \pm 0.05	0.15 \pm 0.04*	0.35 \pm 0.23
Assail-H	0.21 \pm 0.02	0.16 \pm 0.11	0.21 \pm 0.02*	0.27 \pm 0.03	0.34 \pm 0.09
Assail-L + Danitol	0.13 \pm 0.03	0.18 \pm 0.05	0.13 \pm 0.03*	0.17 \pm 0.02*	0.34 \pm 0.13
Rimon	0.23 \pm 0.04	0.10 \pm 0.07	0.07 \pm 0.03*	0.22 \pm 0.05	0.27 \pm 0.06
Rimon (2 apps)	0.24 \pm 0.05	0.08 \pm 0.00	0.18 \pm 0.07*	0.21 \pm 0.05*	0.41 \pm 0.10
Actara	0.32 \pm 0.09	0.13 \pm 0.05	0.15 \pm 0.01*	0.23 \pm 0.03	0.23 \pm 0.07
Actara + Danitol	0.17 \pm 0.03	0.08 \pm 0.01	0.08 \pm 0.05*	0.07 \pm 0.03*	0.13 \pm 0.03
Actara + Dibrom	0.21 \pm 0.02	0.17 \pm 0.03	0.08 \pm 0.03*	0.15 \pm 0.03*	0.23 \pm 0.02
Clutch ²	0.21 \pm 0.02	0.08 \pm 0.02	0.11 \pm 0.02*	0.14 \pm 0.04*	0.20 \pm 0.10
Beleaf ²	0.26 \pm 0.03	0.09 \pm 0.01	0.14 \pm 0.03*	0.17 \pm 0.07*	0.21 \pm 0.07
Dibrom	0.29 \pm 0.06	0.08 \pm 0.02	0.18 \pm 0.06*	0.17 \pm 0.02*	0.23 \pm 0.09

¹ Means followed by * are significantly different from untreated at $p=0.05$ when compared by Students t-test following $\text{Log}(\text{mean}+0.1)*10$ transformation.

² Not registered for use on strawberries

ANOVA statistics for each date:

8/16/07, $df=12, 38, F=1.7839, P=0.1053$

8/23/07, $df=12, 38, F=3.4892, P=0.0037$

8/30/07, $df=12, 38, F=3.1341, P=0.0071$

9/6/07, $df=12, 38, F=0.7466, P=0.6956$

Lygus Bug Control, 2008, Prunedale - *nymphs*

Treatment	Rate	Mean \pm SD nymphs per plant ¹			
		Pre 8-21-08	9/4/08	9/11/08	9/18/08
Untreated	NA	0.88 \pm 0.13	2.33 \pm 0.65	1.48 \pm 0.40	0.90 \pm 0.38
Danitol	10.67 oz	0.41 \pm 0.06	2.00 \pm 1.02	1.65 \pm 0.51	0.80 \pm 0.06
Altacor ²	3.0 oz	0.92 \pm 0.35	3.37 \pm 1.27	1.34 \pm 0.36	0.85 \pm 0.46
Rimon	12.0 oz	0.78 \pm 0.08	1.86 \pm 0.49	1.09 \pm 0.34	1.01 \pm 0.24
Clutch ²	5.6 oz	0.93 \pm 0.48	1.81 \pm 0.28	1.84 \pm 0.78	1.32 \pm 0.59
Clutch ²	11.2 oz	0.64 \pm 0.09	1.18 \pm 0.44	1.31 \pm 0.63	1.09 \pm 0.87
Danitol	10.67 oz				
+ Clutch ²	+ 5.6 oz	0.93 \pm 0.13	1.14 \pm 0.72	1.24 \pm 0.73	1.30 \pm 0.74
Beleaf ²	2.8 oz	0.74 \pm 0.34	1.61 \pm 0.08	1.08 \pm 0.24	0.89 \pm 0.40
Cyazypyr ²	13.5 oz	0.62 \pm 0.49	2.02 \pm 0.63	1.40 \pm 0.64	0.86 \pm 0.49
Cyazypyr ²	20.25 oz	0.41 \pm 0.14	1.45 \pm 0.67	1.25 \pm 0.36	0.87 \pm 0.49
metaflumizone ²	16.0 oz	0.68 \pm 0.27	1.85 \pm 0.75	1.29 \pm 0.39	0.98 \pm 0.54
Diatomaceous earth		0.76 \pm 0.09	1.66 \pm 0.35	1.43 \pm 0.40	0.92 \pm 0.24

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Treatment date - August 28, 2008

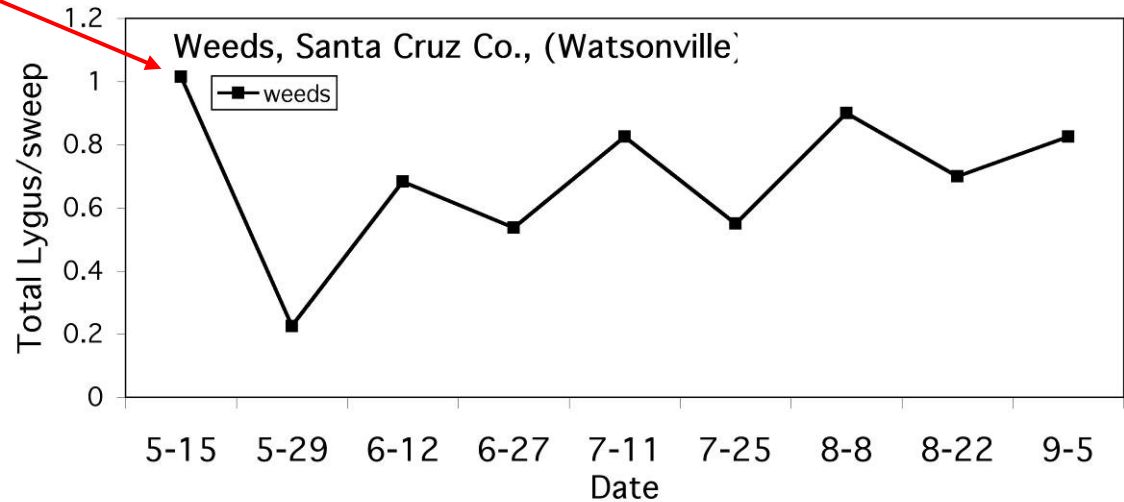
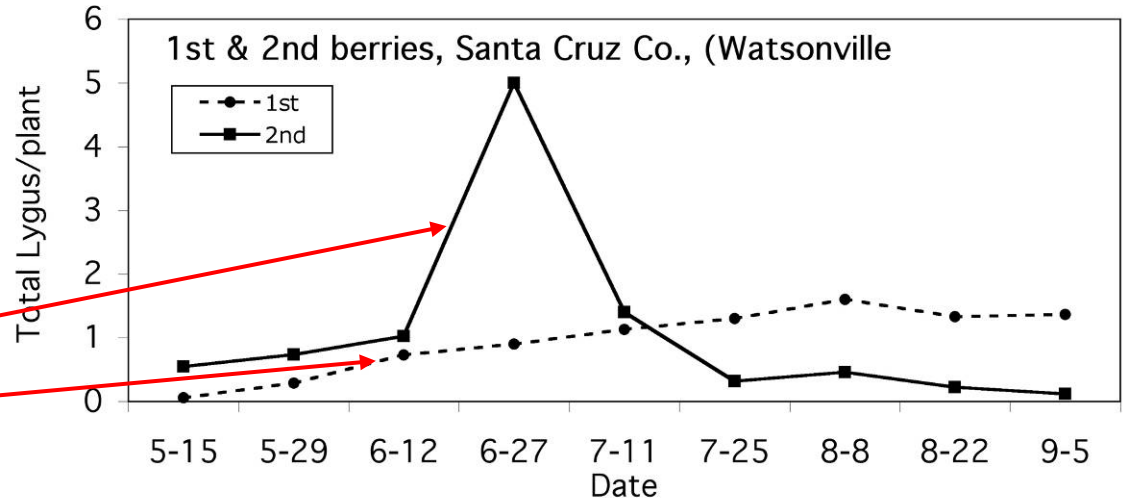
Monitoring, Monitoring, Monitoring.....

Important to determine if and when to make a control action....

- Monitor alternate hosts, be aware when adults are present that may move into strawberries
- Treat or destroy alternate hosts before nymphs become adults, if practical, to avoid movement of adults to strawberries
- Avoid overlapping of strawberry plantings
- Treat with appropriate products depending on age structure of populations (e.g. Rimon is a growth regulator, so will only be effective on nymphs)

Lygus Population Santa Cruz Co., 2008

Second Year Field
First Year Field
Adjacent Weeds

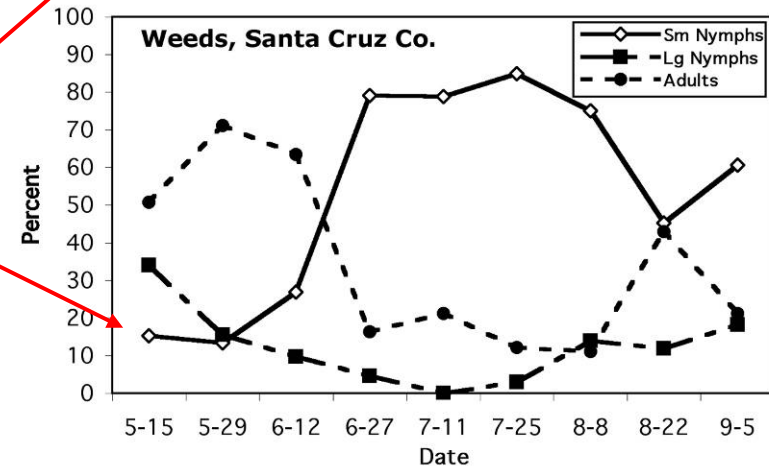
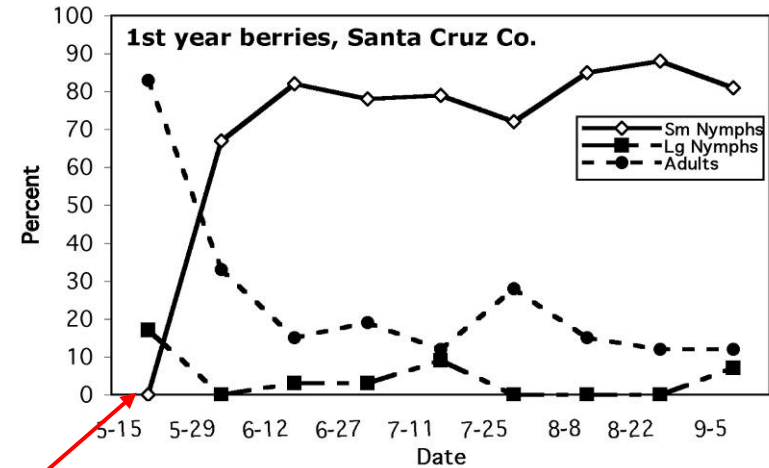
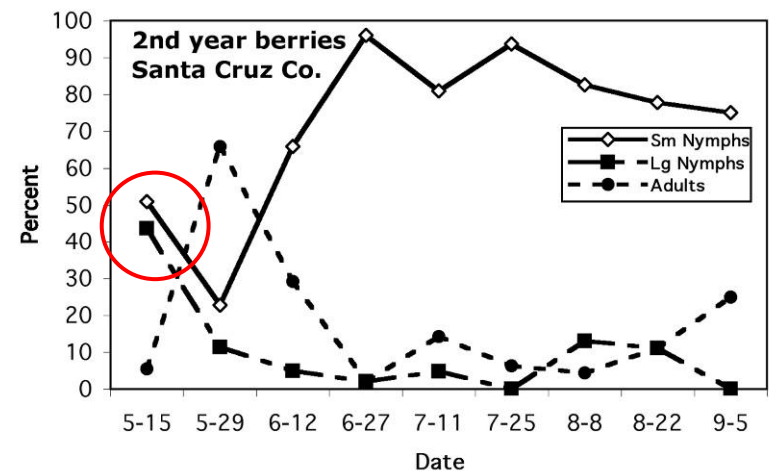


Lygus Population Age Structure

Santa Cruz Co., 2008

Second Year Field
First Year Field
Adjacent Weeds

Lygus nymphs



Lygus Population Age Structure

Ventura Co., 2008-09

Summer planted field

Winter planted field

Adjacent weeds

mustard

poison hemlock

clover

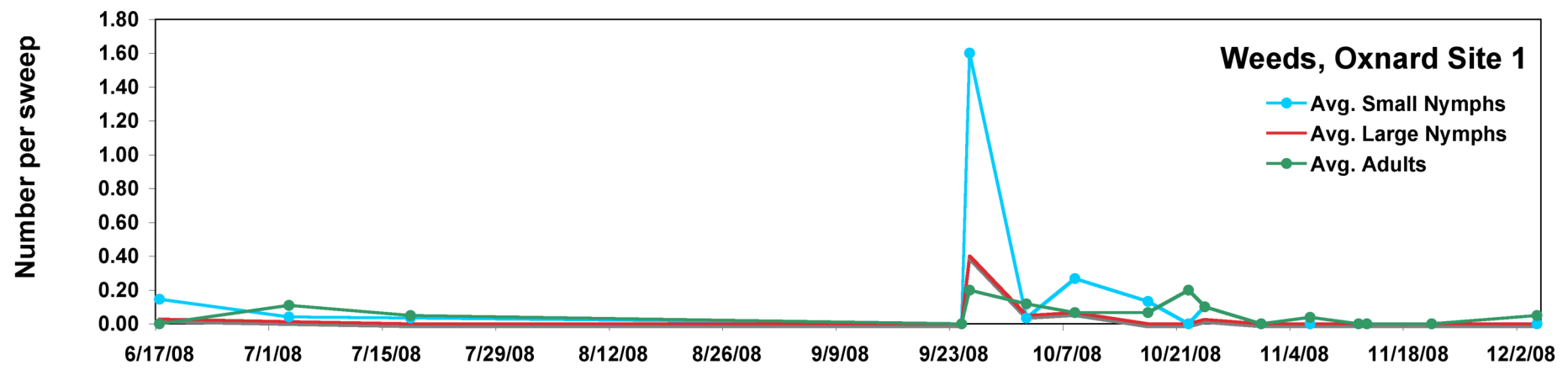
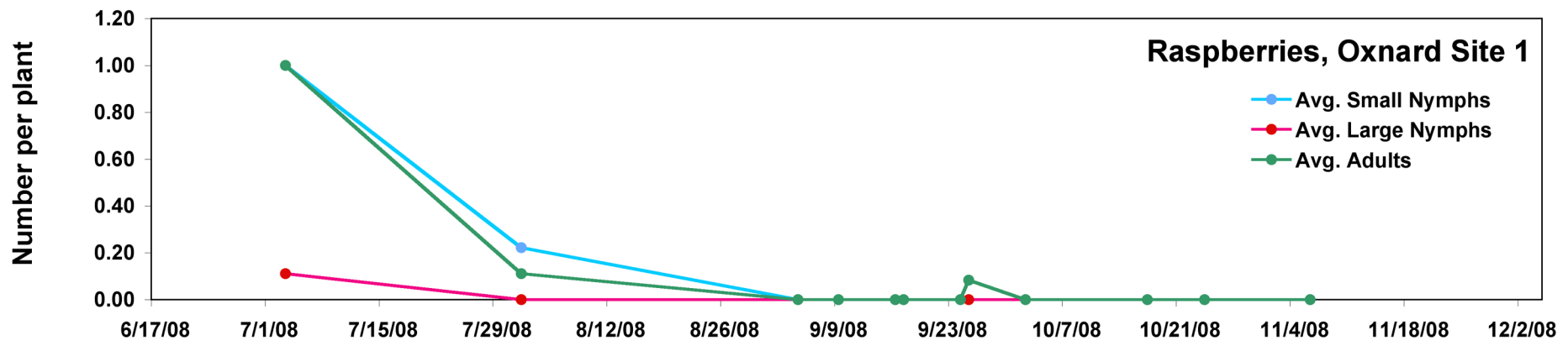
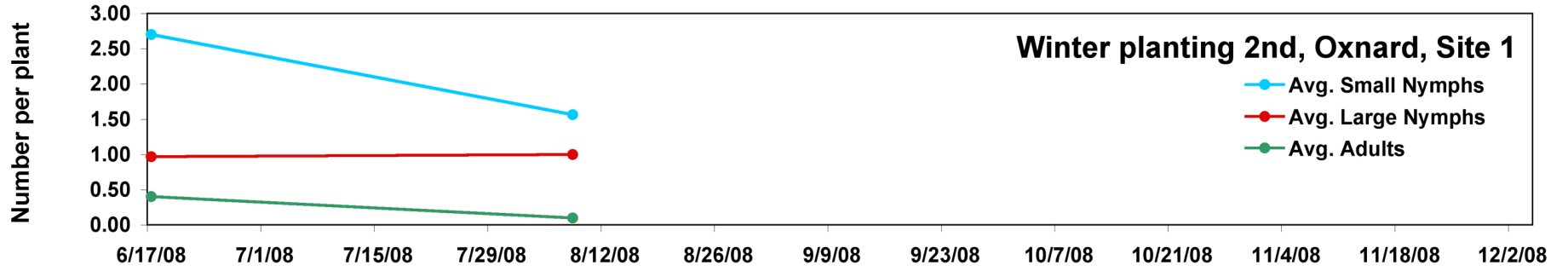
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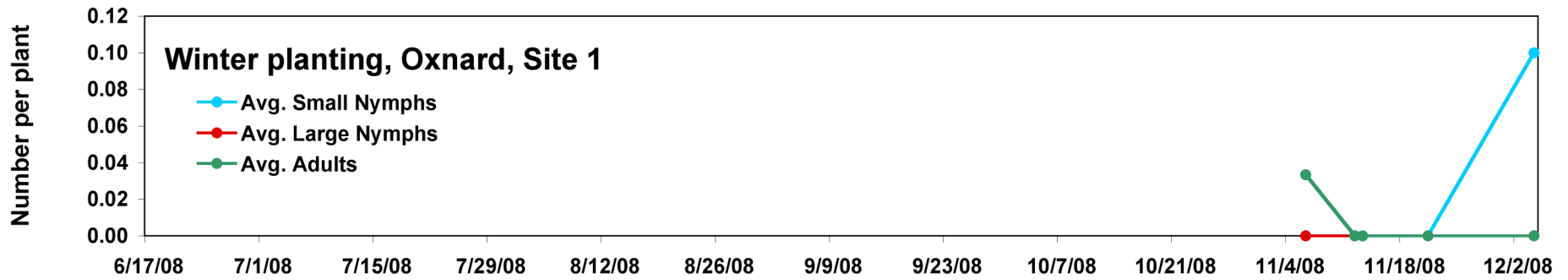
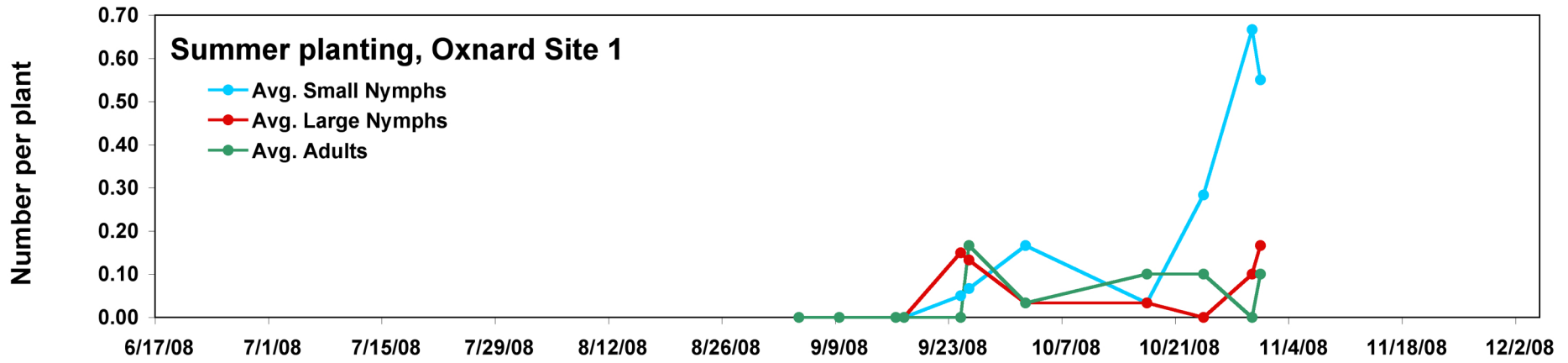
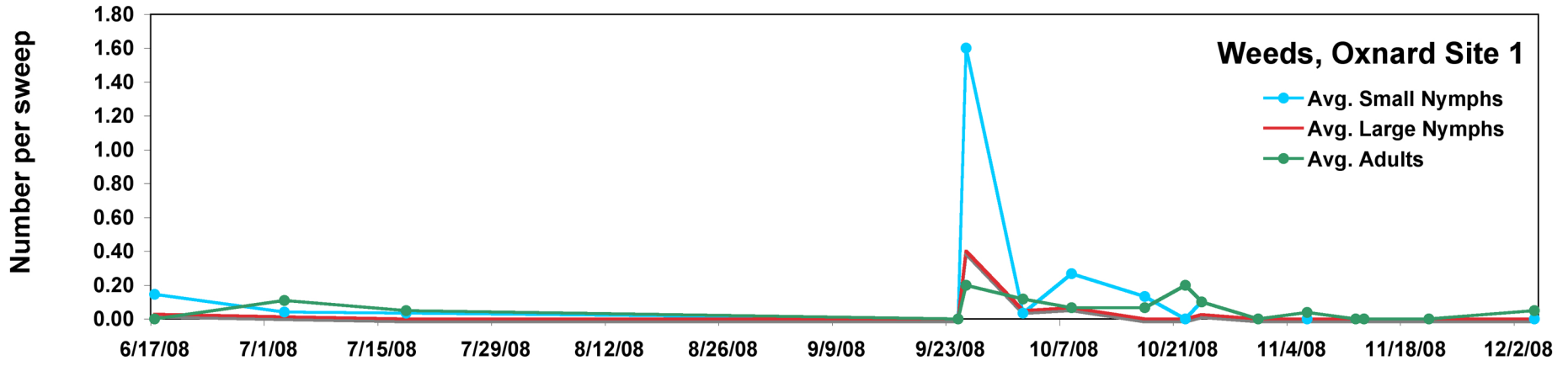
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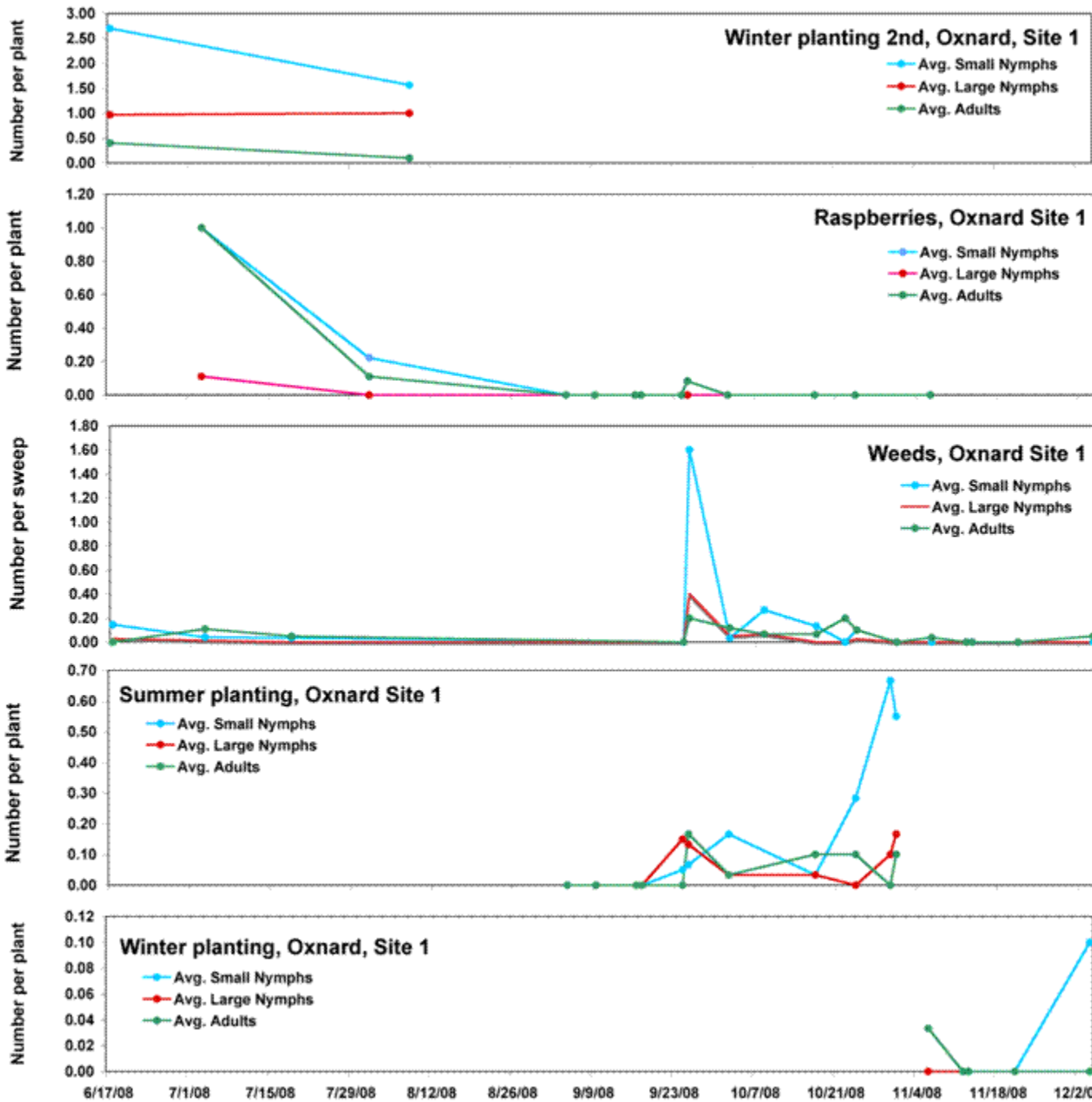
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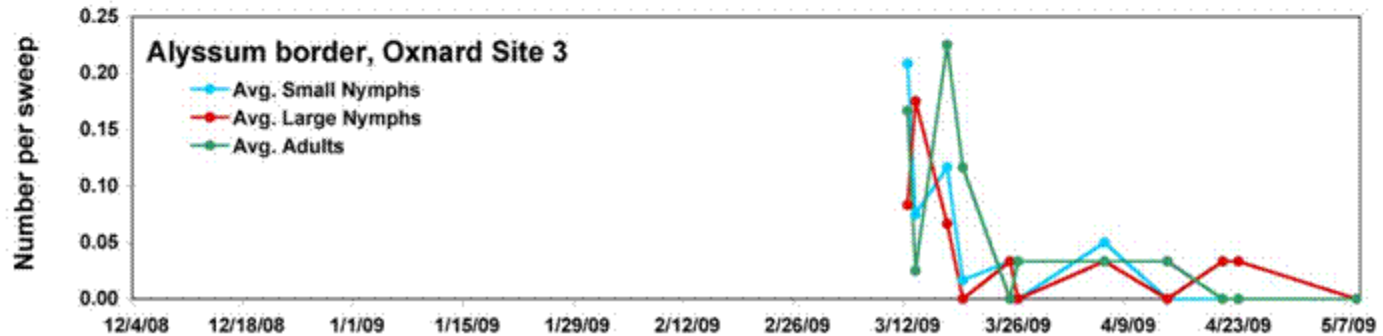
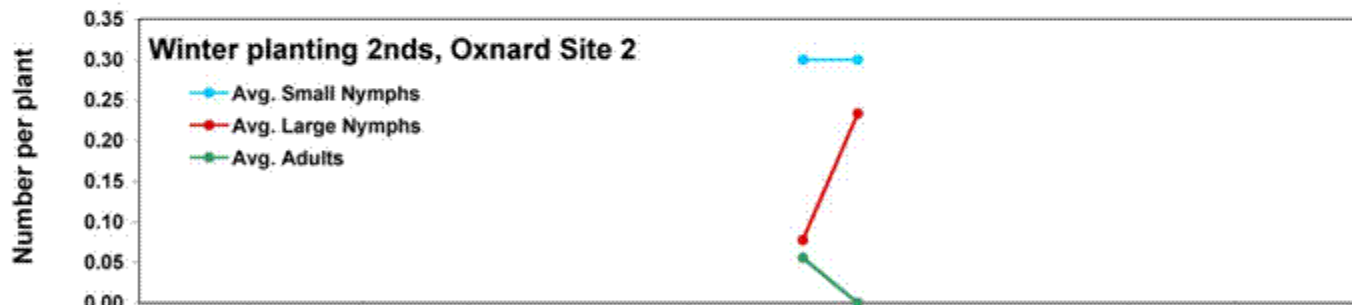
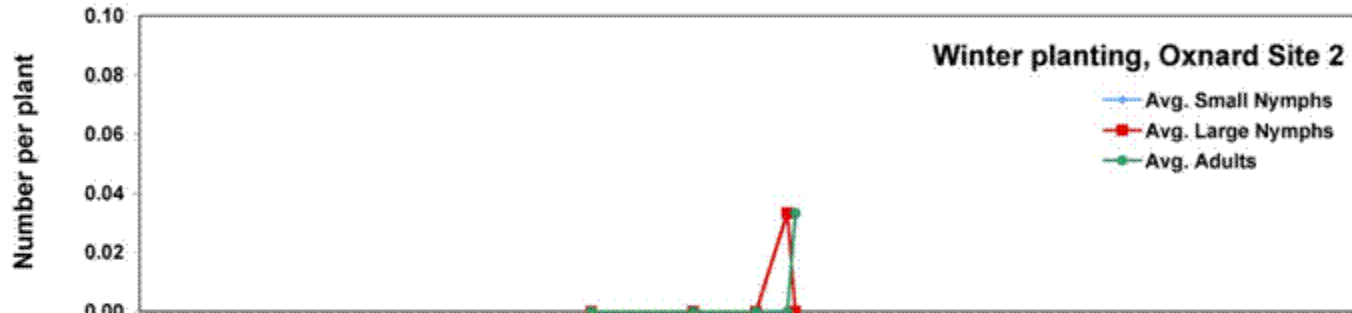
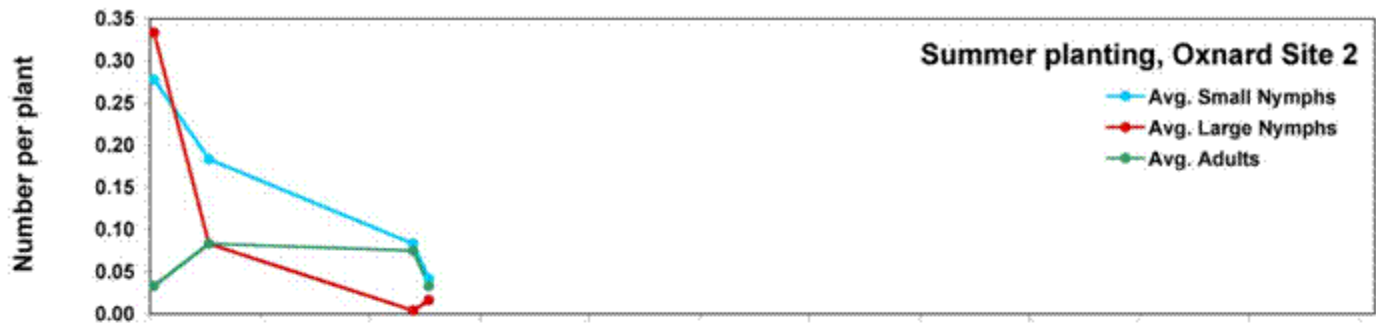
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Western Flower Thrips

Frankliniella occidentalis



California



Type I Bronzing

Western Flower Thrips

Frankliniella occidentalis



Damage -

- 'bronzing' from fruit feeding
- flower abortion from feeding on strawberry blossoms that causes the stigmas and anthers to wither prematurely



Threshold - 10 thrips per flower

Type I Bronzing

Bronzing

3 types identified

Type I



Type III



Type II



Characterizing Type 3 Bronzing

Microscopic analysis revealed that Type III bronzing results from lesions in the cortical surface during early stages of fruit development. These results are consistent with reports of sunscald injury in other types of fruit.

Polito, V.S., K.D. Larson, and K. Pinney. 2002. Anatomical and histochemical factors associated with bronzing development in strawberry fruit. *J. Amer. Soc. Hort. Sci.* 127: 355-357.



Causes of Type 3 Bronzing



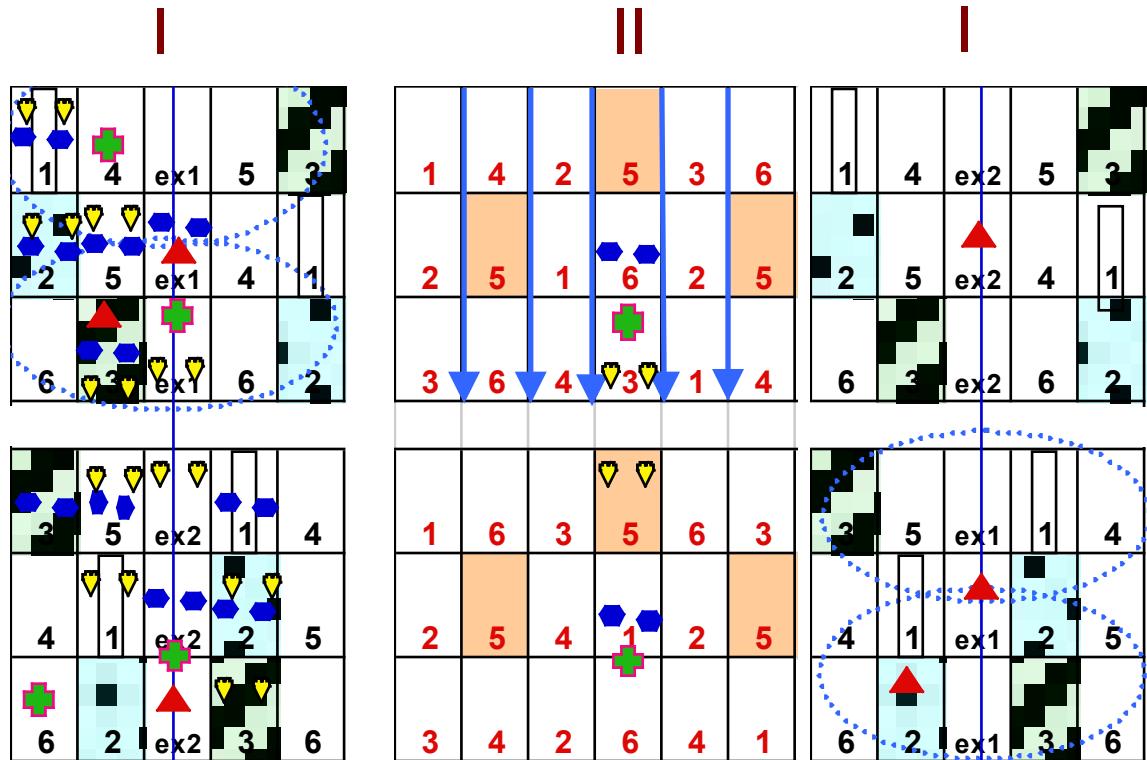
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Watsonville Bronzing Experiment

(Impact sprinklers and no sprinklers with 6 treatments)

Treatments Exp. I:

1. center strip/Mar.
2. clear plastic/Dec.
3. gray/green mulch
4. shadecloth hoops
5. deficit irrigation
6. commercial spray



Sprinklers run for 15 minutes (= 1/8 to 1/4 inch precipitation) after each harvest (twice a week) from April 23 to June 21

Deficit irrigation - drip tapes shut off from April 11 to June 4

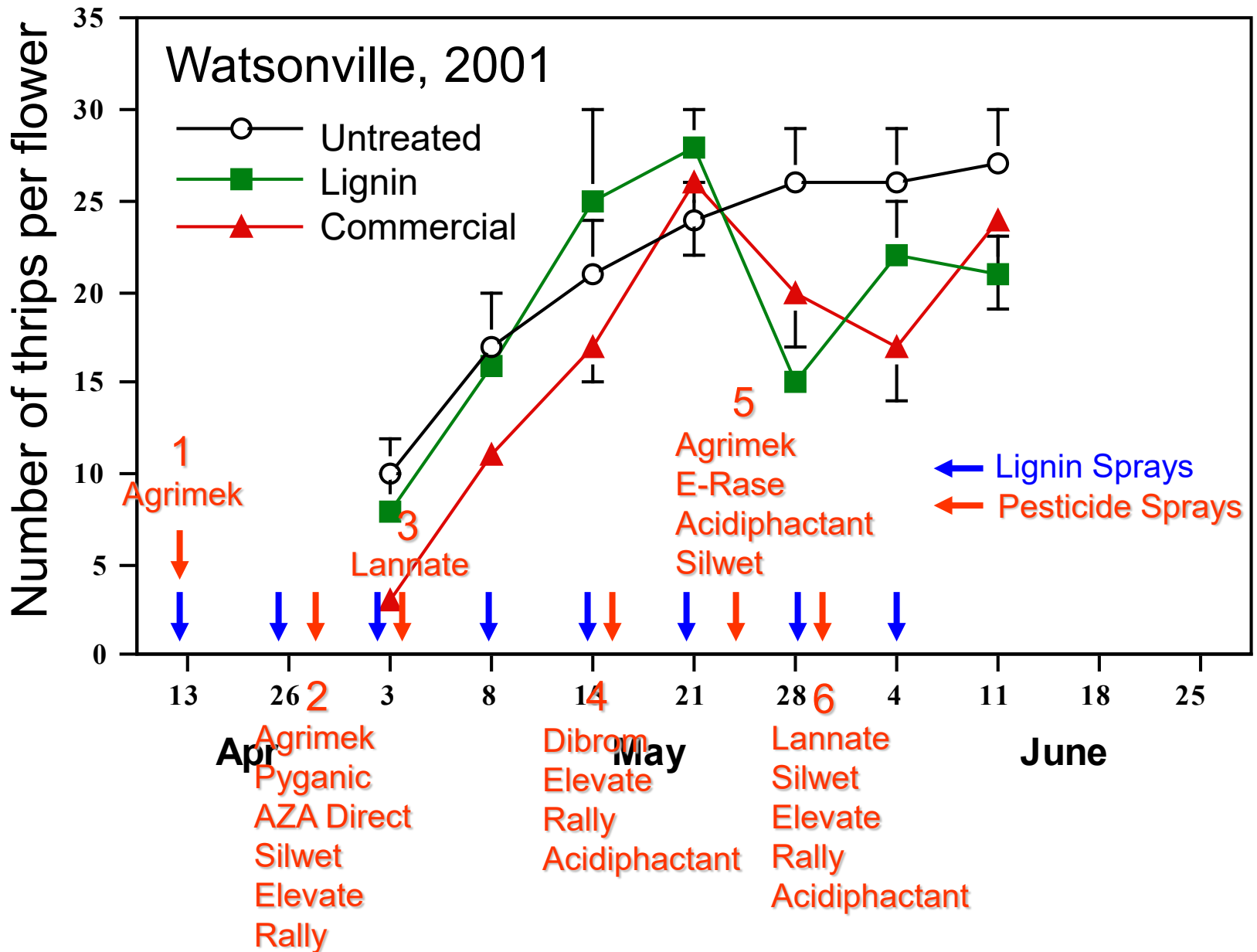


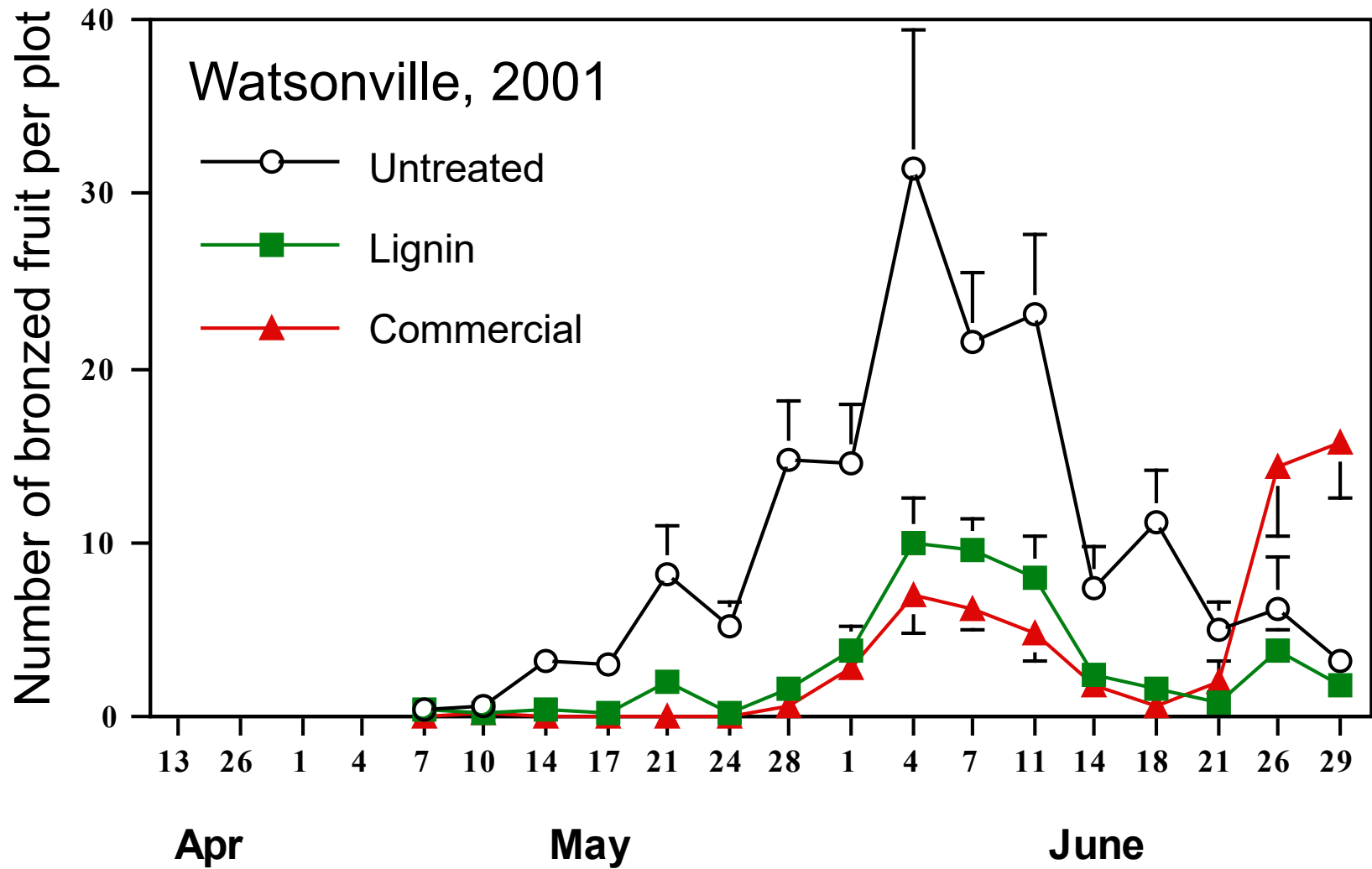


Type III fruit bronzing as a function of treatments, 2001

Treatment	Sprinkling	Number of bronzed fruit	
		Mean ± SEM	
Clear, Full in Dec	Not Sprinkled	142.0 ± 6.8	B
Clear, Strip in March	Not Sprinkled	176.3 ± 32.1	AB
Commercial chemical	Not Sprinkled	58.5 ± 5.9	CD
Gray/Green in Dec	Not Sprinkled	168.5 ± 15.8	AB
Irrig. Deficit	Not Sprinkled	180.5 ± 16.4	AB
Shade	Not Sprinkled	186.3 ± 14.2	A
Clear, Full in Dec	Sprinkled	51.3 ± 6.7	CD
Clear, Strip in March	Sprinkled	76.0 ± 14.8	CD
Commercial chemical	Sprinkled	41.3 ± 6.5	D
Gray/Green in Dec	Sprinkled	87.3 ± 15.4	C
Irrig. Deficit	Sprinkled	78.5 ± 9.2	CD
Shade	Sprinkled	73.0 ± 7.8	CD

Means followed by the same letter are not significantly different by Student's t at $P < 0.05$





Western Flower Thrips Control, Orange Co.

Number of thrips per flower

Treatment	Feb 18	Feb 27	Mar 4	Mar 16
Untreated	1.14 ±0.62	5.29 ±1.94	6.90 ±2.72	11.10 ±3.52
Lannate	0.47 ±0.46	0.73 ±0.35*	1.87 ±1.16*	6.87 ±3.10
Entrust	0.45 ±0.30	1.39 ±0.45*	2.98 ±0.81*	6.15 ±0.89*
Success	0.60 ±0.72	1.58 ±0.86*	3.70 ±2.29	7.87 ±2.14

* Treatment differs from untreated by pairwise t-test at $p < 0.05$.

Issues:

- Loss of Lannate label for strawberries
- Restriction on number of applications per season by Dow Agrosiences for spinosyns (Entrust, Success and Radiant)

Efficacy of potential new insecticides

Western Flower Thrips Control, Monterey Co., 2008

Treatment	Mean \pm SD number of thrips per flower				
	Rate oz./ac.	Pre-Treat 8/21/08	Week 1 9/04/08	Week 2 9/11/08	Week 3 9/18/08
Untreated	NA	7.00 \pm 1.25	5.33 \pm 2.08	3.33 \pm 0.58	1.33 \pm 0.58
Altacor	3.0	10.60 \pm 2.09	6.00 \pm 3.00	3.67 \pm 0.58	1.00 \pm 1.00
Rimon	12.0	12.60 \pm 2.31	7.00 \pm 1.73	6.33 \pm 1.53	1.67 \pm 1.15
Clutch 2.13EC	11.2	9.93 \pm 4.92	14.00 \pm 4.00	7.33 \pm 2.89	2.33 \pm 0.58
Beleaf	2.8	9.00 \pm 0.87	8.67 \pm 3.06	2.67 \pm 0.58	2.33 \pm 1.15
Metaflumizone	20.25	7.87 \pm 4.09	4.67 \pm 0.58	5.67 \pm 1.53	2.00 \pm 1.00
Danitol 2.4EC	10.67	7.67 \pm 0.50	9.00 \pm 2.65	4.00 \pm 2.65	1.67 \pm 1.53

...doesn't look good

Western Flower Thrips Resistance, 2008

Mortality of a spinetoram susceptible population

@ 40 ppm - 100%

@ 200 ppm - 97.8%

@ 1000 ppm - 100%

(label rate is 28 - 187 ppm)

Mortality of a spinetoram resistant population

@ 40 ppm - 19.9%

@ 200 ppm - 57.3%

@ 1000 ppm - 90.6%

(label rate is 28 - 187 ppm)

Data from Dow Agrosiences

Western Flower Thrips Resistance, 2008

Mortality of a spinosad susceptible population

@ 40 ppm - 100%

@ 200 ppm - 100%

@ 1000 ppm - 100%

(label rate is 37 - 225 ppm)

Mortality of a spinosad susceptible population

@ 40 ppm - 5.7%

@ 200 ppm - 8.2%

@ 1000 ppm - 13.4%

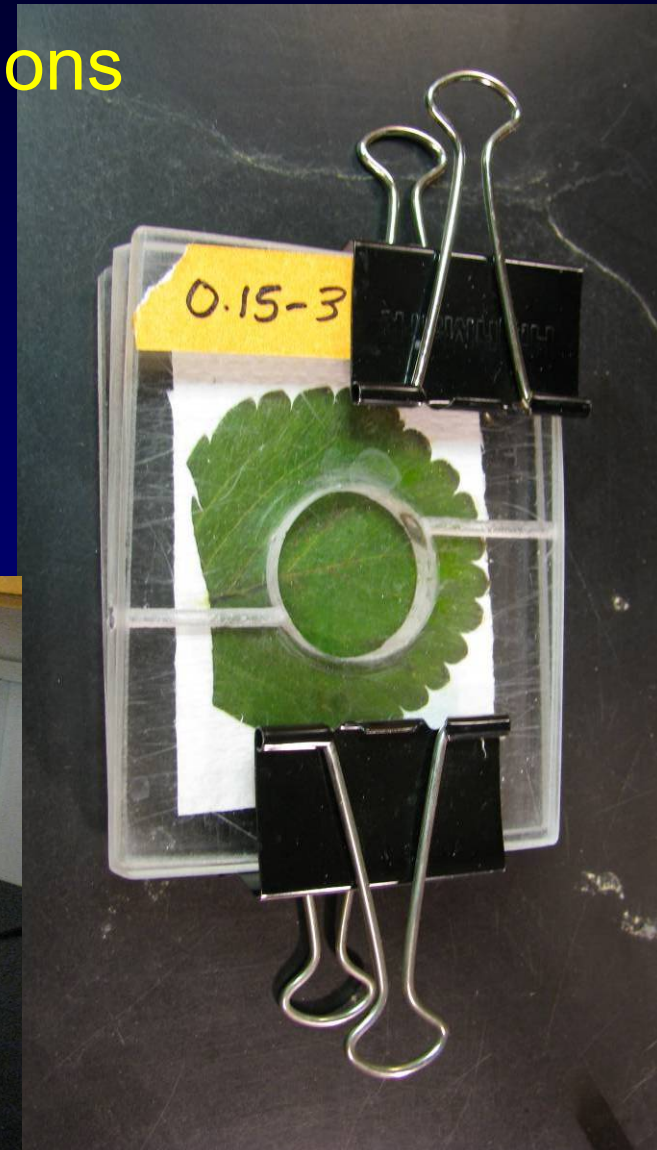
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Western Flower Thrips Studies, 2009

- Bioassays of insecticide rotations and resistance development
- Field efficacy trials

With Mark Bolda, Jianlong Bi, Robert Yu Yi, and Jim Mueller (Dow Agrosciences)



Spotted Wing Drosophila

Drosophila suzukii

New species in North America
Attacks sound fruit
Problem for fresh market



Drosophila melanogaster
and others

Always present
Attacks older fruit
Problem for processing



Spotted Wing Drosophila

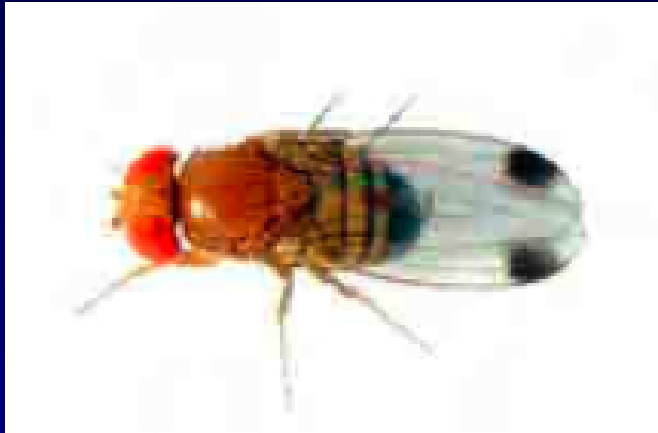
California Invasion

- Native to Asia (Japan, Korea & China)
- Invaded Hawaii
- Officially was found in California in 2009 but has been found earlier
- Confirmed in coastal counties from San Diego to Humboldt, and in the central valley from about Stanislaus to Yolo counties

Spotted Wing Drosophila

Identification and Biology

(with information provided by Artyom Kopp, UCD and Martin Hauser, CDFA)



Male



Female

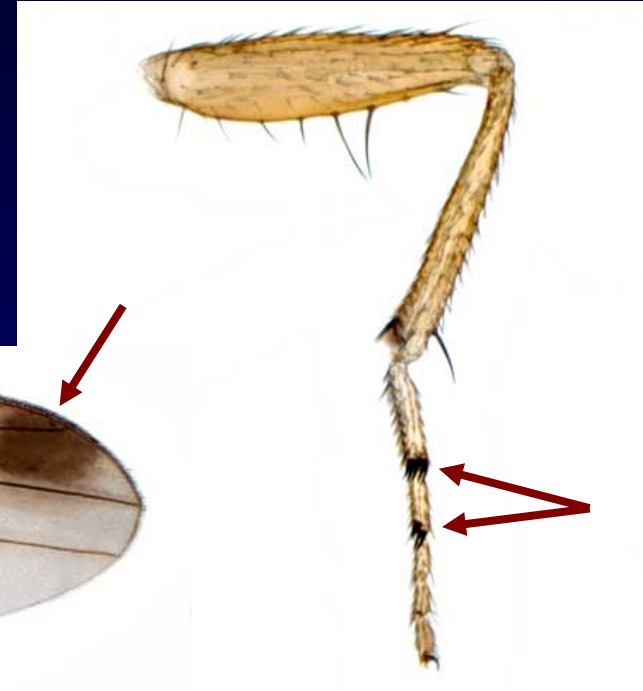
Adults are 2-3 mm in size. Females and their larvae (maggots) easily confused with other *Drosophila*

Spotted Wing Drosophila

Male identification



Male



Male foreleg

Females can be identified from other common *Drosophila* under magnification

Spotted Wing Drosophila



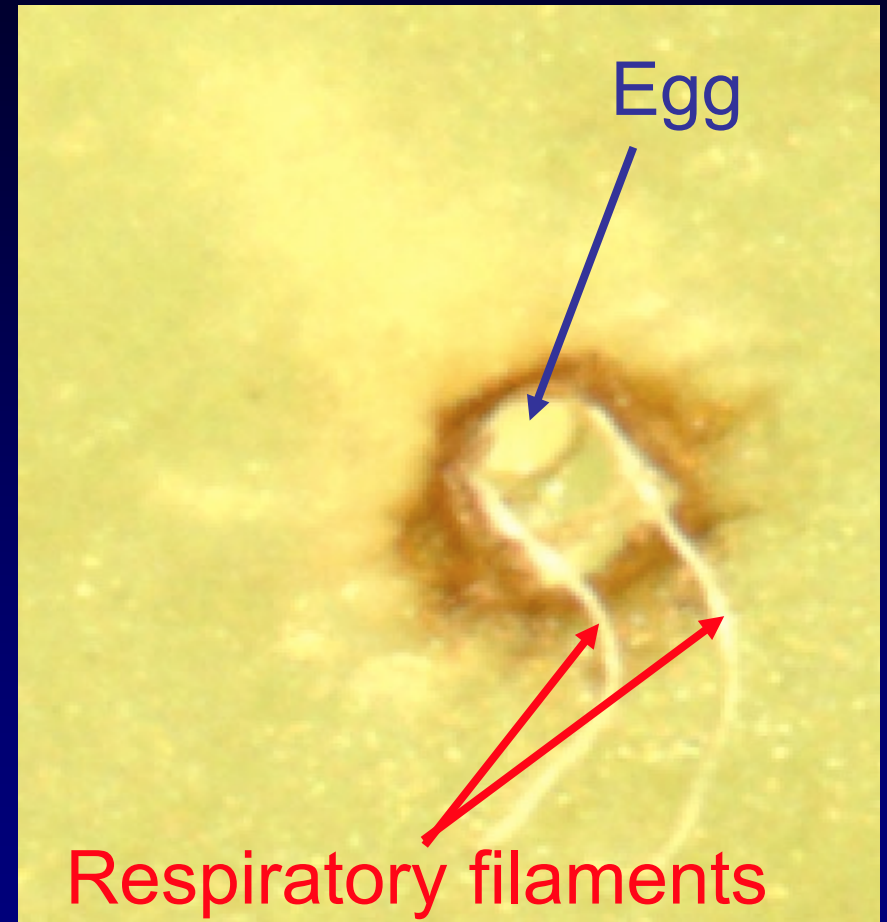
Other Drosophila



Drosophila suzukii

D. suzukii has a specialized sharp ovipositor, different from other *Drosophila*. Can pierce grape or cherry skin (again, unlike closely related species). Takes 2-3 minutes, not all attempts are successful.

Females lay eggs under the pierced skin of fruit



Larvae hatch and develop inside of fruit

Damage



Larva is ~ 3.5 mm long



Spotted Wing Drosophila

Biology

- Overwinter as adults
- Active throughout the year
- Prefer high humidity and moderate temperatures in the mid 70° F
- Oviposition stops below 54° F and above 91°
- Overwinters in harsh conditions in Japan
- Temperature may be limitation

Spotted Wing Drosophila

Hosts

- Identified in the field from Cherry, Strawberry, Raspberry, Blackberry and Blueberry
- Potential hosts: Grape, Plum, Prune and Nectarine

For additional information:

<http://www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/EXOTIC/drosophila.html>

Spotted Wing Drosophila

Identification, Biology and Management

- Sanitation, remove mature and overripe hosts
- Sanitation, eliminate alternate habitat (culled fruit, etc.) that sustains the infestation
- Get ahead of the damage - monitor and treat if found once fruit start getting ripe
- Products (Mark Bolda)

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