

# An Overview of Apple Disease Models



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# Bacterial Diseases of Apple

# Fire Blight: The Phases



**Canker Blight**



**Blossom Blight**



**Shoot Blight**

# Increasing Fire Blight Concerns in the S.E.

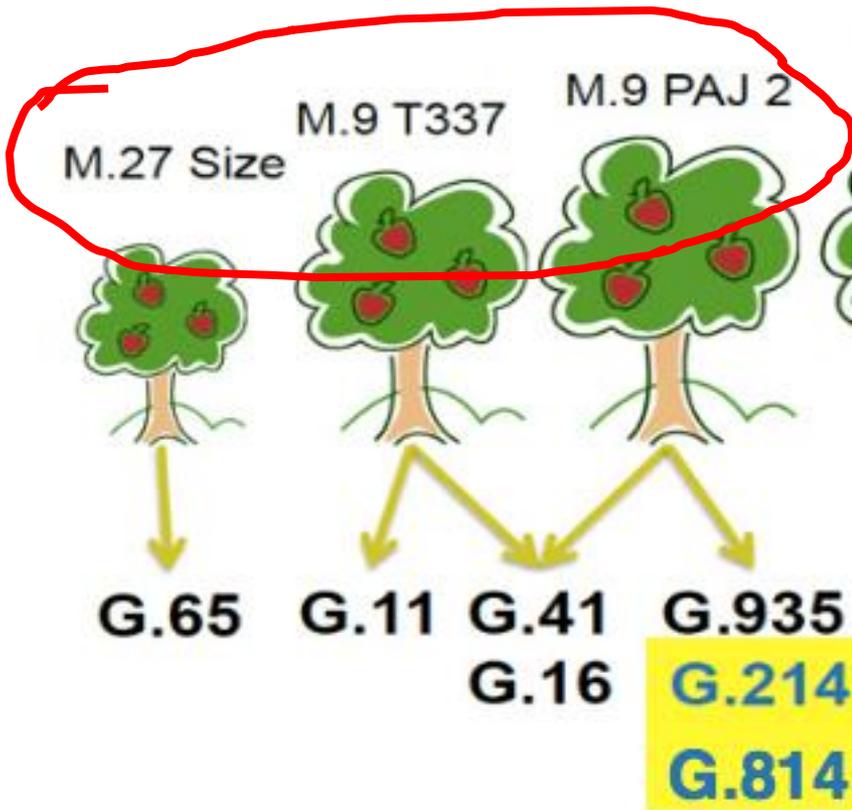
Increasing #s of high density plantings: greater \$\$\$ investment



# Increasing Fire Blight Concerns in the S.E.

High Demand for fire blight resistant rootstocks (G-series)

- Grower nursery plantings

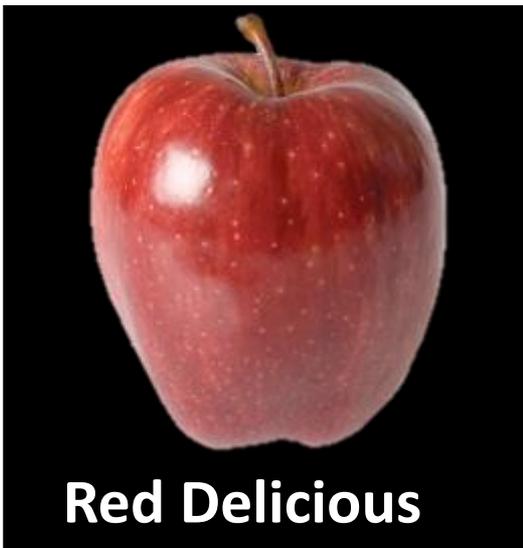


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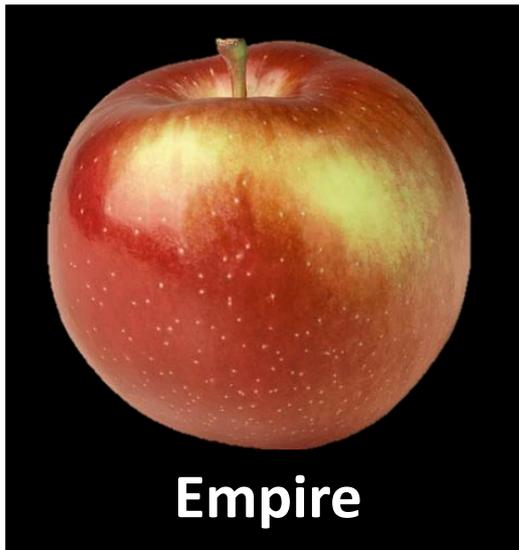
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Increased planting of popular scion varieties with greater fire blight susceptibility

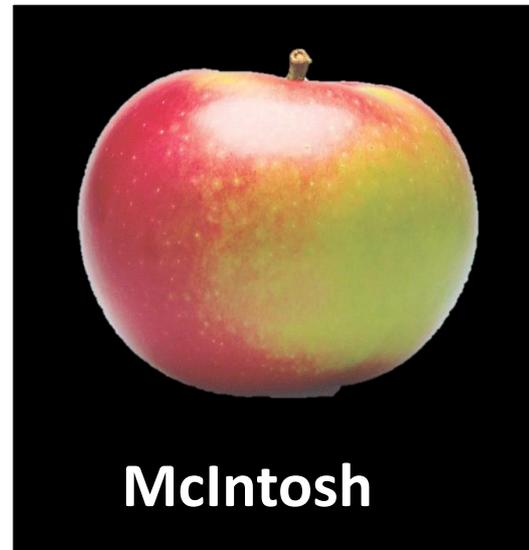
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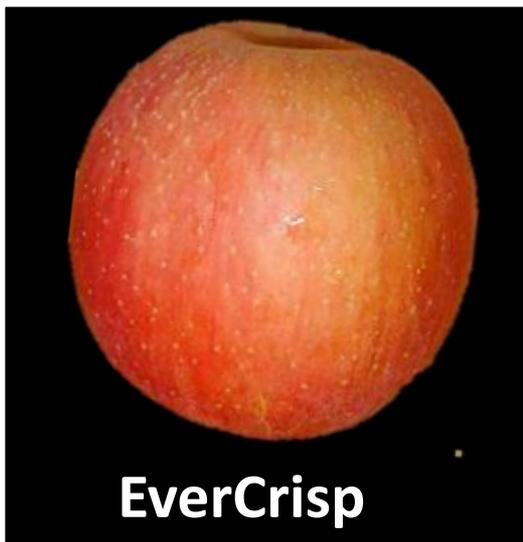


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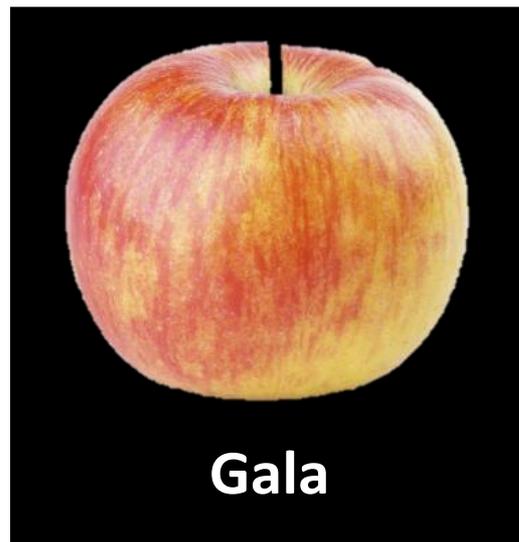


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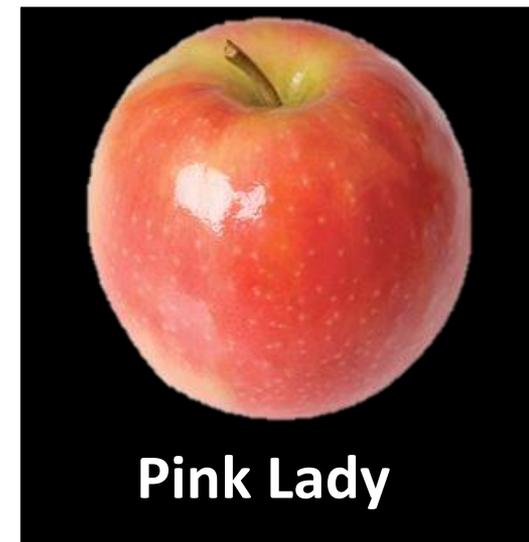
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**EverCrisp**



**Gala**



**Pink Lady**

## Fire Blight Concerns in the S.E.

- Young, new plantings: extended/protracted bloom period, susceptible tissue (esp. during “filling out” period)



Richard Lehnert, Good Fruit Grower



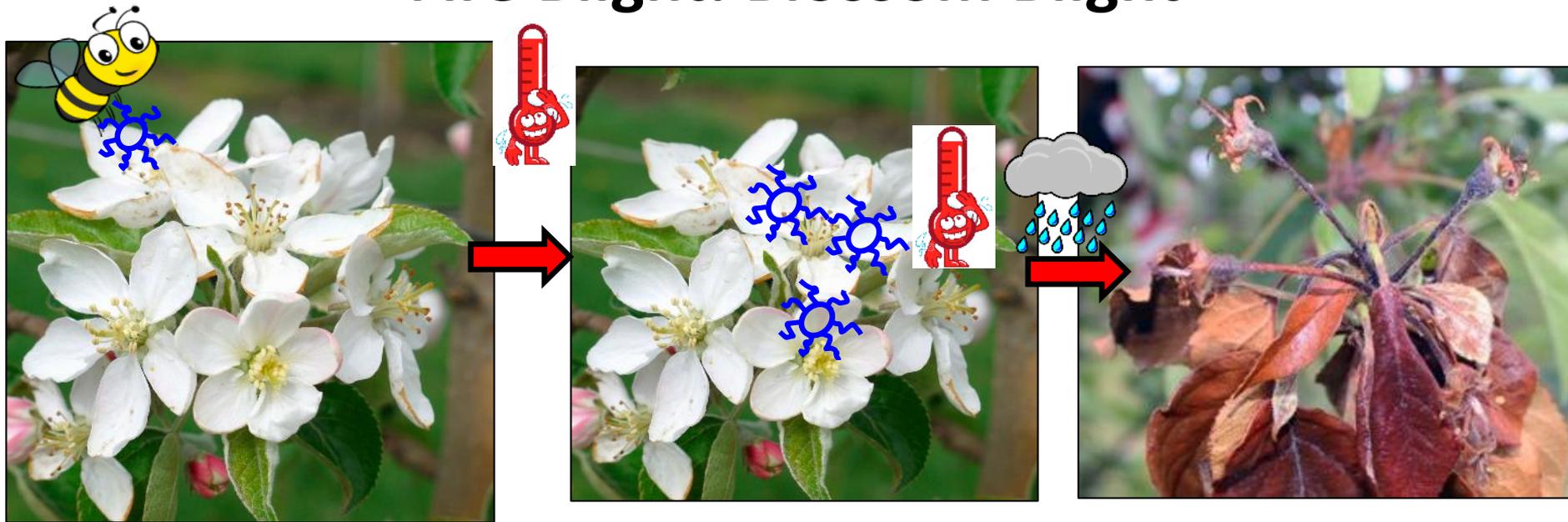
# Fire Blight: Canker Blight

- Occurs at site of canker margin, where pathogen overwinters; often responsible for severe epidemics (early pathogen dispersal)



Courtesy of Debbie Breth

# Fire Blight: Blossom Blight



## Certain conditions must be met....

- Flowers must be open w/ intact petals
- Accumulation of 198 DH above 65° F: Epiphytic Inoculum Potential (EIP)
- Wetting event (dew or rain)
- Avg. temperature  $\geq 60^{\circ}$  F

# Fire Blight: Shoot Blight



- Symptoms: Shepherd's crook, blackening/necrosis of leaf mid-vein and pedicel
- Reduces bearing wood for following season

# Other “Types” of Fire Blight

- Rootstock Blight
  - Systemic infection of rootstock from blossom or shoot blight
  - Managed with resistant rootstocks
- Trauma Blight
  - Mechanical injury to tissue caused by wind, hail, frost, deer feeding etc.



Photo courtesy Alan Biggs



# Pre-Season Management of Fire Blight

Target: Cankers

Purpose: Reduce overwintering inoculum to reduce risk of spreading within and across trees

- First Line of Defense: Prune out cankers
  - Large Cankers: in main scaffold/trunk: Normally don't remove
  - Small Cankers: Result from blossom and slowed/aborted shoot infections: Prune and destroy: 12" from canker margin into 2-yr-old wood



# Pre-Season Management of Fire Blight

Target: Cankers

Purpose: Reduce overwintering inoculum to reduce risk of spreading within and across trees

- Next Line of Defense: Copper Application
  - Apply full rate of copper at silver/green tip
  - Works only if bacteria are present: Will not get inside
  - Copper Concerns: Phytotoxic to fruit and leaves!



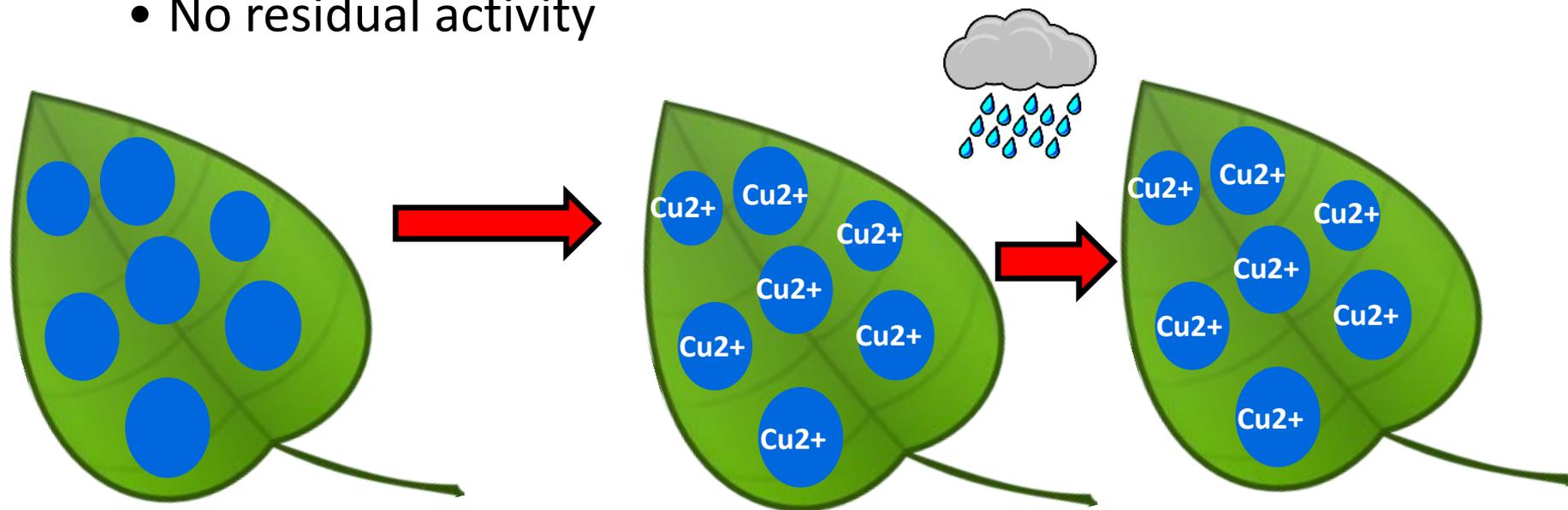
# Fire Blight Management: Copper

- Copper for disease management
  - Non-discriminatory: Plants, bacteria, fungi, people.....
  - Protectant only: Must be applied before pathogen arrives
- How copper works:
  - Contact with water:  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  ions released from copper compounds



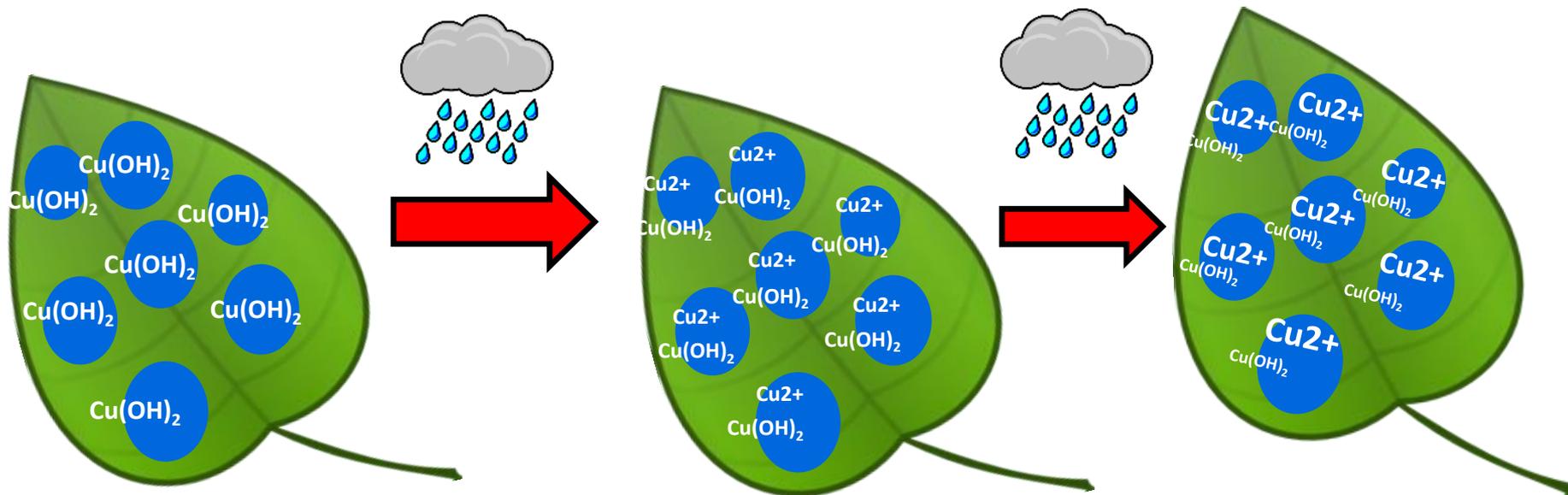
# Fire Blight Management: Copper

- 2 types of Copper: Soluble and fixed
- Soluble Coppers: Bluestone Copper/MasterCop
  - Copper Sulfate Pentahydrate
  - All  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  available at once upon water contact
    - High phytotoxicity risk + residues removed rapidly by rain
    - No residual activity



# Fire Blight Management: Copper

- 2 types of Copper: Soluble and fixed
- Fixed Coppers: Copper particles suspended in water
  - Persist on surface after spray dries
  - Residual activity: Slow release of  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  when wet



# Fire Blight Management: Copper

- **Copper application advice and warnings**
- Solubility of fixed coppers increases in acidic solutions: Becomes more phytotoxic
  - Choose adjuvants wisely (or don't use at all)
  - Check spray solution pH
  - Do NOT mix with phosphorous acids (e.g. ProPhyt)
  - Avoid applying under slow drying conditions
  - Follow label!

# Bloom Management of Fire Blight

Target: Open Blossoms

Purpose: Prevent blossom blight and subsequent shoot infections

- Strategy: Use blossom blight forecasting models to predict infection periods
  - MaryBlyt 7.1
  - CougarBlight
  - NEWA: [newa.cornell.edu](http://newa.cornell.edu); uses logic from both models
  - If not using antibiotics- Adjusting EIP and pre-infection interval is essential



# Blossom Blight Management: Biopesticides/Reduced Risk Pesticides (RRP)

Applications of Streptomycin are the Gold Standard so

## Why Use Bio-pesticides/RRP?

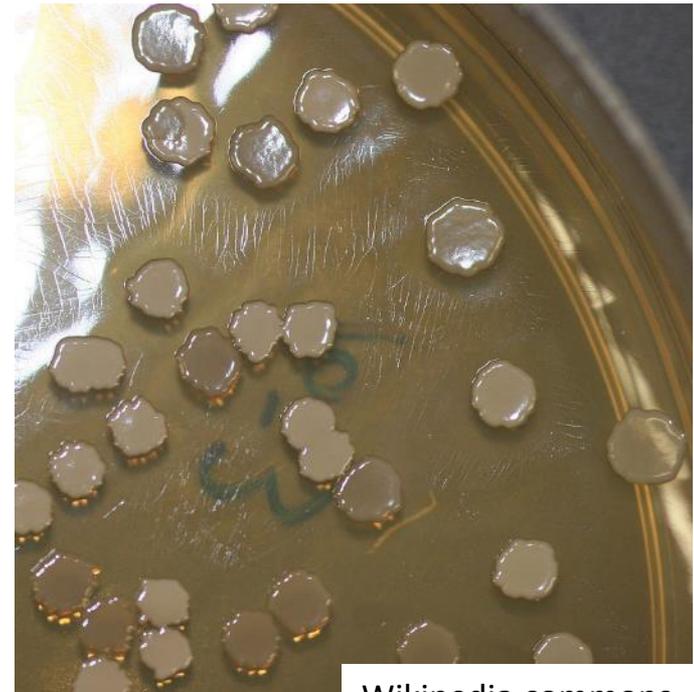
- Consumer demand/marketing
- Residue restrictions
- Organic production
- Extended/rattail bloom
- Low disease pressure: Environment, host resistance, regular incorporation of IPM strategies
- Small orchard allowing for frequent applications
- Antibiotic resistance concerns

# Blossom Blight: Biologicals and Reduced Risk Pesticides Options

Serenade Opti: 2 to 7 day application intervals

How it works: Antibiotic metabolites of *Bacillus subtilis*

- Flower colonization is not essential
- (+): Can be tank mixed with other products: coppers, oxidate, antibiotics
- General Opinions: Control of blossom blight consistent, but not great: 18-48% control (Ngugi et al.)



# Blossom Blight: Biologicals and Reduced Risk Pesticides Options

Double Nickel55/LC: 3 to 7 day application intervals

How it works: Antibiotic metabolites of *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens*

- Flower colonization is not essential
- (+): Can be tank mixed with other products: coppers, oxidate, antibiotics
- General Observations (NY): >50% blossom blight control under high pressure

**Double Nickel 55<sup>TM</sup>**  
**BIOFUNGICIDE**  
 Water Dispersible Granular Biofungicide

**FOR ORGANIC PRODUCTION**

Net Contents: 5 Pounds  
 EPA Reg. No. 70051-108  
 EPA Est. No. 70051-CA-001  
 Lot No:

Manufactured by:  
 Certis USA, LLC  
 2145 Guilford Rd., Suite 175  
 Columbia, MD 21040

**CERTIS**

**KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN  
 CAUTION**

**Active Ingredient:**  
*Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* strain D747\* ..... 25.0%  
**Other Ingredients:** ..... 75.0%  
**Total:** ..... 100.0%

\*Contains a minimum of 6410<sup>10</sup> colony-forming units (CFU) per gram

**PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS - Agricultural Use**  
 Irritated: Move person to fresh air. If person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial respiration, preferably mouth-to-mouth if possible. Call a poison control center or doctor for further treatment advice.  
 Have the product label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor.

**PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS - Agricultural Use**  
**HAZARDS TO HUMANS & DOMESTIC ANIMALS**  
**CAUTION:** Causes moderate eye irritation. Prolonged or frequently repeated skin contact may cause allergic reactions in some individuals. Avoid contact with eyes or clothing. Avoid breathing spray mist. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling and before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco or using the toilet.

**PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)**  
 Applicators and other handlers must wear:  
 • Long-sleeved shirt and long pants  
 • Waterproof gloves  
 • Shoes plus socks  
 Mover/loaders and applicators must wear a dust-tight filtering respirator meeting NIOSH standards of at least N-95, R-95, or P-95. Repeated exposure to high concentrations of microbial proteins can cause allergic sensitization. Follow manufacturer's instructions for cleaning and maintaining PPE. If no instructions are available, use detergent and hot water for washables. Keep and wash PPE separately from other laundry.

When handlers use closed systems, enclosed cabs, or airblast in a manner that meets requirements listed in the Worker Protection Standard (WPS) for agricultural pesticides, the handler PPE requirements may be reduced or modified as specified in the WPS.

**USER SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS**  
 Users should:  
 • Remove clothing/PPE immediately if pesticides get inside. Then wash thoroughly and put on clean clothing.  
 • Remove PPE immediately after handling this product. Wash the outside of gloves before removing. As soon as possible, wash thoroughly and change into clean clothing.

**ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS - Agricultural Use**  
 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 washwaters or rinsate. Do not apply when weather conditions favor drift or runoff from treated areas.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**  
 Double Nickel 55 is a broad-spectrum preventative biofungicide for control or suppression of fungal and bacterial plant diseases. The active ingredient of Double Nickel 55 is a naturally occurring strain (D747) of the beneficial microorganism *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens*, which colonizes roots, leaves, and other plant surfaces. D747 rapidly colonizes plant root hairs, leaves, and other surfaces, preventing establishment of disease-causing fungi and bacteria.  
 Double Nickel 55 can be applied alone or in combination and/or rotation with chemical fungicides as a tool for integrated disease management in agricultural crops, ornamental and nursery plants, and turfgrass, in accordance with the most restrictive of those label limitations and precautions. Double Nickel 55 offers a valuable tool for management of resistance to chemical fungicides through its multiple and unique modes of action.  
 Double Nickel 55 can be applied up to and including the day of harvest.

**DIRECTIONS FOR USE**  
 It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling. For any requirements specific to your State or Tribe, consult the State or Tribal Agency responsible for pesticide regulation. Do not apply this product in a way that will contaminate workers or other persons, either directly or through drift. Only protected handlers may be in the area during application.

# Blossom Blight: Biologicals and Reduced Risk Pesticides Options

Blossom Protect: Apply 10, 40, 70, 90% bloom

How it works: *Aureobasidium pullulans* (yeast) strains:  
Colonization of stigmatic surface

- (-) Russeting concerns?
- (-) Fungicide tank mixes: Limited
- Applied w/ **Buffer Protect**: Makes stigmatic surface less suitable for *E. amylovora*
- General observations (humid regions): 33-88% control

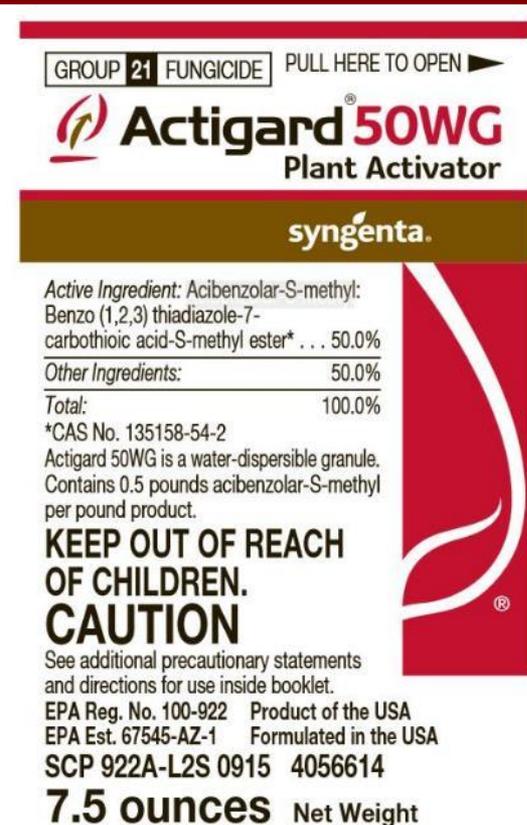


# Blossom Blight: Biologicals and Reduced Risk Pesticides Options

ISR/SAR Inducers: Actigard, LifeGard, Regalia

How it works: Activates natural defense genes in host

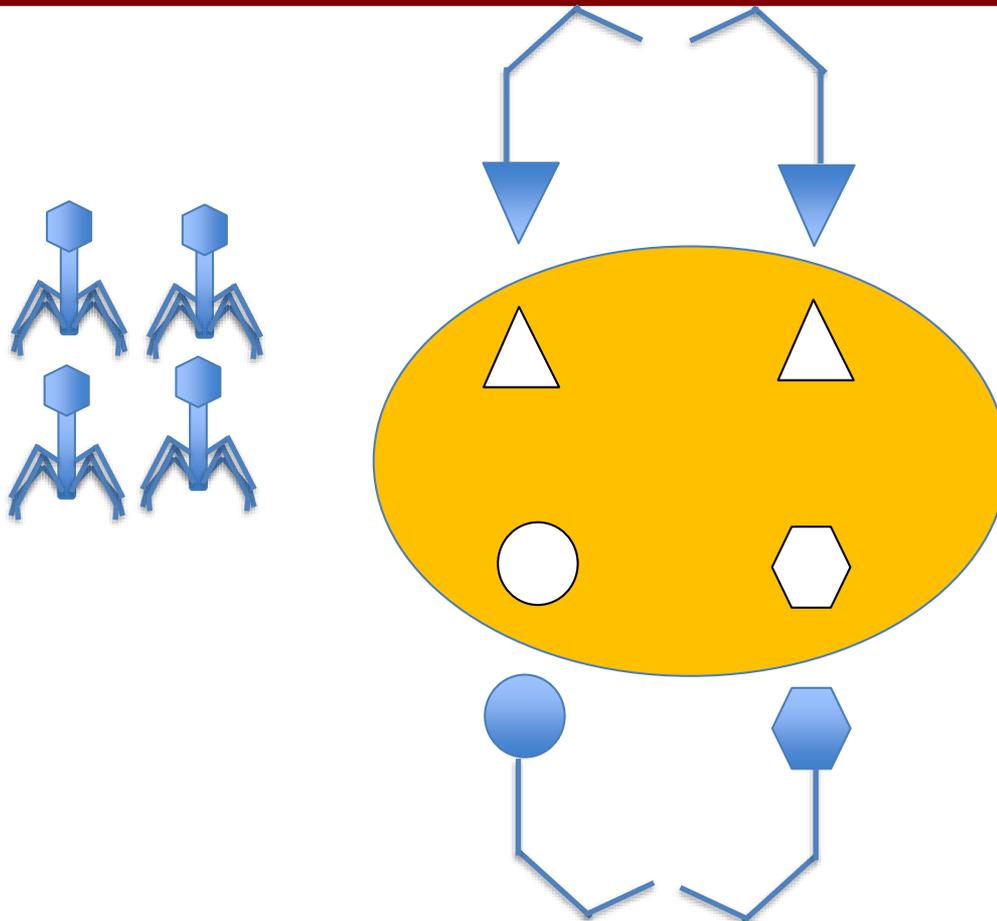
- Must be applied days to weeks in advance of infection event
- Control has been variable
- General observations (humid regions): LifeGard: 54- 72.6% control (2016 and 2017)



# Blossom Blight: Biologicals and Reduced Risk Pesticides Options

Bacteriophage “phage”: Agriphage

How it works: Activates natural defense genes in host



## Phage Obstacles

- **Survival:** Desiccation
- **Survival:** UV radiation
- **Efficacy:** Local strain specificity
- **Pathogen Accessibility:** Curative only?
- **Pathogen Accessibility:** Delivery method

# Disease Forecasting

- IPM tool using predictive models to minimize losses from a disease epidemic
- Generally includes all aspects of the disease triangle
  - Susceptible host
  - Presence of pathogen with ability to infect host
  - Weather conditions that are favorable for infection AND disease development
- Allow growers to make more informed decisions regarding pesticide application timing
  - Might reduce # of pesticide applications and decrease risk of fungicide resistance

# Blossom Blight Forecasting: MaryBlyt



- Only compatible with Windows operating systems

# Blossom Blight Forecasting: MaryBlyt Inputs

Maryblyt 7.1

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**Inputs** **Data Entry Mode**

Date	Phenology	Max Temp (F)	Min Temp (F)	Wetness (in)	Trauma	Spray	Notes
4/1/2020	PINK	50.5	28.3	0.00			
4/2/2020	PINK	52.2	33.3	0.00			
4/3/2020	PINK	65.0	35.4	0.00			
4/4/2020	PINK	67.2	39.5	0.00			
4/5/2020	PINK	57.0	50.0	0.27			
4/6/2020	PINK	69.6	55.1	0.00			
4/7/2020	PINK	69.9	56.2	0.00			
4/8/2020	BLOOM	73.6	60.8	0.86			
4/9/2020	BLOOM	73.7	59.8	0.01			
4/10/2020	BLOOM	74.2	53.4	0.00			
4/11/2020	BLOOM	73.0	49.5	0.00			

- Inputs: Date, Host Phenology, Max and Min. Temps, Wetness (Rain or Dew)

# Blossom Blight Forecasting: MaryBlyt

The screenshot shows the MaryBlyt 7.1 software interface. The 'Options' menu is circled in black, and a blue arrow points from it to a red box containing the text "Set Thresholds.....". Another blue arrow points from this red box to the 'Program Thresholds' dialog box. The dialog box has a title bar that says 'Program Thresholds' and a close button (X). It contains several sections: 'Units (this form only)' with radio buttons for 'US (Fahrenheit)' (selected) and 'Metric (Celsius)'; 'Thresholds' with input fields for 'EIP Degree Hour Threshold' (198), 'Blossom Life Degree Day Window Length' (80), 'Infection Temperature Threshold' (60), 'Shoot Blight Vector Threshold' (675), and 'BBS Development Threshold' (103); 'Heat Calculation Method' with radio buttons for 'Single Sine' (selected) and 'Double Sine'; and 'Spray Effectiveness (%)' with an input field containing '100'. The 'Spray Effectiveness (%)' section is circled in red. Buttons for 'Defaults', 'Advanced...', 'Set', and 'Close' are also visible.

Maryblyt 7.1

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Inputs

Data Entry Mode

Program Thresholds

Units (this form only)

Defaults

- US (Fahrenheit)
- Metric (Celsius)

Thresholds

- 198 EIP Degree Hour Threshold
- 80 Blossom Life Degree Day Window Length
- 60 Infection Temperature Threshold
- 675 Shoot Blight Vector Threshold
- 103 BBS Development Threshold

Heat Calculation Method

Advanced...

- Single Sine
- Double Sine

Spray Effectiveness (%)

Set

100

Close

"Set Thresholds....."



With biologicals, lower threshold to 40-70% efficiency

# Blossom Blight Forecasting: MaryBlyt

**B**= open flowers

**H**= EIP > 100

**W**= wetting from rain, dew, pesticide app. (current day)

**T**= mean temp >60F

**R**= Risk level: based on “+ #”

Outputs						
Avg Temp (F)	EIP	BHWTR	BBS	CBS	SBS	TBS
68.9	-	-	-	17	-	-
65.0	36	+ - + + H	-	22	-	-
61.8	73	+ - + + H	-	26	-	-
66.2	145	+ + - + H	-	32	-	-
72.0	255	+ + + + I	-	41	-	-
72.4	279	+ + + + I	17 a	49	-	-
70.3	267	+ + + + I	31 a	57	-	-
54.2	105	+ + + - H	34 a	59	-	-

**Let's take a look!**

<https://www.wunderground.com/history>

# Now You Try!

- 6 groups (2-3 per group)
- Visit: [www.weatherunderground.com/history](http://www.weatherunderground.com/history)
- Locations:
  - Raleigh, NC
  - Statesville, NC
  - Hendersonville, NC
- 2 Management Paradigms:
  - Conventional (strep, 100% efficiency)
  - Organic (biological products, 50% efficiency)

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## Questions to Ponder

- How many high risk infection events were you able to manage (e.g. how many “high” went to medium or low)?
- How many severe infection events were you able to manage (e.g. how many “I” went to high or medium or low)?
- How did environment impact control?
- Biological Groups: Did any applications actually increase likelihood of infection? Why??

# A Quicker and Easier Method?: NEWA!

The screenshot displays the NEWA website interface. At the top left is the Cornell University logo. A search bar is located at the top right. The main header includes the New York State Integrated Pest Management Program logo and the NEWA Network for Environment and Weather Applications logo. A grey box on the right indicates the website status: "Website status: No issues reported 2/26/2020 5:17:54 PM". A blue navigation bar contains links for "Weather Data", "Pest Forecasts", "Station Pages", "Crop Management", "Weather Stations", and "Help". The "Station Pages" link is circled in red. Below the navigation bar, there are two main sections: "National Weather Service Forecast" with a search input field for "City, ST" and "zip code", and "Welcome to the NEWA Home Page" which features a map of the Eastern United States and parts of Canada. The map is titled "Map" and shows numerous green circular markers representing weather stations, with a text overlay that says "Click on a map marker to go to the weather station's home page." The map includes labels for major cities like Minneapolis, Chicago, Toronto, and Washington, and various states and provinces.

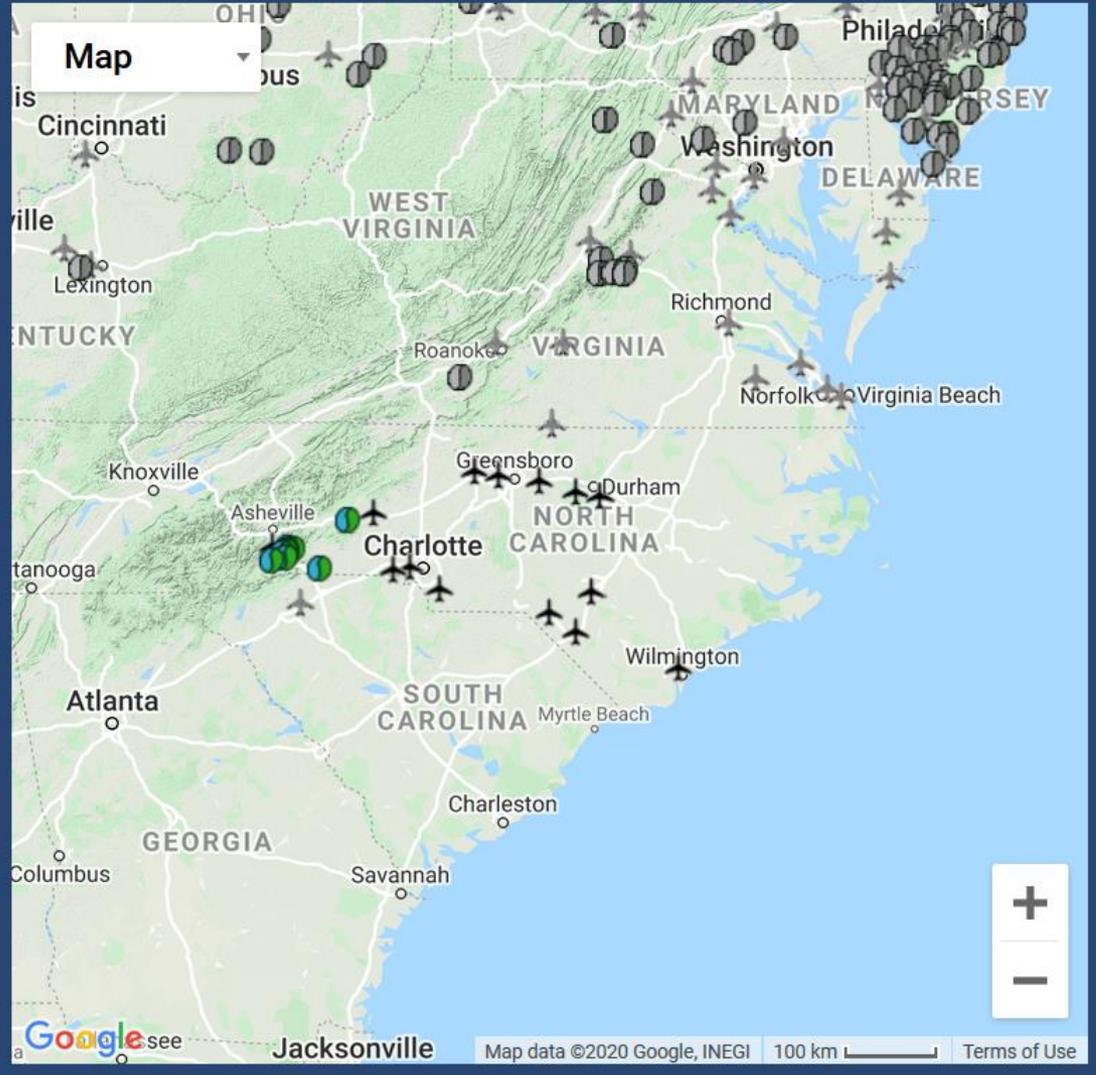
## Weather Stations in North Carolina

### Weather Stations

- [Asheville](#)
- [Burlington](#)
- [Chapel Hill](#)
- [Charlotte](#)
- [Edneyville \(Apple Wedge\)](#)
- [Edneyville \(Lewis Creek\)](#)
- [Edneyville \(M&M Berry Farm\)](#)
- [Edneyville \(Sugarloaf Mtn\)](#)
- [Fayetteville](#)
- [Flat Rock \(Richmind\)](#)
- [Gastonia](#)
- [Green Creek \(Polk Co Ag\)](#)
- [Greensboro](#)
- [Hendersonville \(Klimstra\)](#)
- [Hendersonville \(St Paul\)](#)
- [Hickory](#)
- [Laurinburg](#)
- [Lumberton](#)
- [Monroe](#)
- [Morganton \(Apple Hill Orchard\)](#)
- [Raleigh-Durham](#)
- [Wilmington](#)
- [Winston-Salem](#)



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23 records found.

Weather Data Quick Links

Past 12 months shown. Current month highlighted.

Daily Summary

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Hourly Data

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Growing Degree Days (Base 50F)

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Growing Degree Days (Base 86/50F)

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National Weather Service Forecast



Enter "City, ST" or "zip code"

[This Station's 7-Day Forecast](#)

[National Doppler Radar Sites](#)

Helpful Links

How to Use and Interpret Pest Forecasts

Select a link from list...

Pest Management Guidelines

Select a link from list...

University Cooperative Extension Programs

Select a link from list...

Edneyville (Apple Wedge), NC Weather Station Page

These Station Page forecasts are most accurate when you use your own biofix dates. Otherwise, the current results displayed will use NEWA's [default biofix dates](#). Enter your biofix dates on the forecast page, where prompted, for more accurate model predictions. After getting the Station Page forecast results, use the interface on the left to get query results for prior years, dates, and locations.

Edneyville (Apple Wedge) Pest Forecasts

- |   |  |                                  |
|---|--|----------------------------------|
| <a href="#">Apple Scab</a>                  | <a href="#">Plum Curculio</a>            | <a href="#">Grape Berry Moth</a> |
| <a href="#">Fire Blight</a>                 | <a href="#">Obliquebanded Leafroller</a> | <a href="#">Cabbage Maggot</a>   |
| <a href="#">Sooty Blotch/Flyspeck</a>       | <a href="#">Apple Maggot</a>             | <a href="#">Onion Maggot</a>     |
| <a href="#">Leaf Wetness Events</a>         | <a href="#">San Jose Scale</a>           | <a href="#">Onion Diseases</a>   |
| <a href="#">Spotted Tentiform Leafminer</a> | <a href="#">Grape Diseases</a>           | <a href="#">Potato Diseases</a>  |
| <a href="#">Oriental Fruit Moth</a>         | <a href="#">Grapevine Downy Mildew</a>   | <a href="#">Tomato Diseases</a>  |
| <a href="#">Codling Moth</a>                |  |                                  |

Station Location

Lat/Lon: 35.4/-82.35

Elevation: 2248 ft.



Last Download

2/26/2020 5 PM

Station Sensors

- Temperature
- Leaf Wetness
- Precipitation
- Relative Humidity
- Wind Speed
- Wind Direction
- Solar Radiation

Fire blight

State:

North Carolina

Weather station:

Edneyville (Apple Wedge)

Date of Interest:

04/08/2019

Calculate

### Fire Blight Risk Predictions for Edneyville (Apple Wedge)

Orchard Blight History: Fire blight occurred in your neighborhood last year.

Select the fire blight history in your orchard block of interest and the tool will calculate risk. Toggle orchard blight history to recalculate risk.

First blossom open date: 4/8/2019  Click if bloom has not occurred

The [first blossom open date](#) above is estimated based on degree day accumulations. Enter the actual first blossom open date for your orchard block of interest and the tool will calculate the protection period during bloom more accurately.

Accumulated degree days (base 43°F) through 4/8/2019: 711 (0 days missing)

Date	Past	Past	Current	Ensuing 5 Days				
	4/6	4/7	4/8	4/9	4/10	4/11	4/12	4/13
<b>Cougarblight 4-Day DH</b>	-	-	-	Caution* 185*	High* 315*	High* 444*	Extreme 580	Extreme 574
<b>Infection Potential EIP value</b>	-	-	-	High 83	Infection 117	High 151	Infection 143	Infection 140
<b>Wetness Events</b>								
<b>Rain Amount</b>	0.00	0.00	0.85	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.06	0.02
<b>Dew ?</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Leaf Wetness (hours)</b>	0	3	11	12	0	0	6	5
<b>Hours &gt;90% RH</b>	12	10	19	12	1	0	2	15
<b>RH max/min</b>	97/51	99/76	100/78	99/65	91/29	88/41	93/53	100/69
<b>Temp avg F</b>	62	63	67	66	64	61	67	68

NA - data not available

[View Cougarblight Charts](#)

Download Time: 4/14/2019 23:00

\* Indicates incomplete accumulation of the 4-day DH total. The DH value may reach "Caution", "High" or "Extreme" levels before spanning the 4-day accumulation cut-off time of Cougarblight.

Streptomycin Spray Date:  Click to enter date

If you applied streptomycin before all flowers were open, enter the date of the streptomycin application to recalculate

# Blossom Blight Forecasting: NEWA

<p><b>Low risk</b></p>	<p>If none of these conditions is met during bloom, risk is '<b>Low</b>' and bactericides are not needed.</p>
<p><b>Caution or Moderate risk</b></p>	<p>If only the heat units are met during bloom, Cougarblight risk is '<b>Caution</b>' and it is advisable to watch the forecast closely for continuing warm weather and rain. If only one of these conditions is met during bloom, Infection Potential risk is '<b>Moderate</b>' and it is advisable to watch the forecast closely for continuing warm weather and rain.</p>
<p><b>High risk</b></p>	<p>If two conditions are met during bloom, risk is '<b>High</b>' and forecasted wetting events should be carefully considered and a bactericide applied just before (or after) a rain.</p>
<p><b>Extreme or Infection risk</b></p>	<p>If all three conditions are met, risk is '<b>Extreme</b>' or '<b>Infection</b>' and an antibiotic should be applied just before (or after) a rain.</p>

Fire Blight

State:

North Carolina

Weather station:

Edneyville (Apple Wedge)

Date of Interest:

04/08/2019

### Fire Blight Risk Predictions for Edneyville (Apple Wedge)

**Orchard Blight History:** Fire blight occurred in your neighborhood last year.

Select the fire blight history in your orchard block of interest and the tool will calculate risk. Toggle orchard blight history to recalculate risk.

**First blossom open date:** 4/8/2019

The first blossom open date above is estimated based on degree day accumulations. Enter the actual first blossom open date for your orchard block of interest and the tool will calculate the protection period during bloom more accurately.

Accumulated degree days (base 43°F) through 4/8/2019: 711 (0 days missing)

	Past	Past	Current	Ensuing 5 Days				
Date	4/6	4/7	4/8	4/9	4/10	4/11	4/12	4/13
<b>Cougarblight 4-Day DH</b>	-	-	-	Caution* 185*	High* 315*	High* 444*	Extreme 580	Extreme 574
<b>Infection Potential EIP value</b>	-	-	-	High 83	Infection 117	High 151	Infection 143	Infection 140

#### Wetness Events

<b>Rain Amount</b>	0.00	0.00	0.85	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.06	0.02
<b>Dew ?</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Leaf Wetness (hours)</b>	0	3	11	12	0	0	6	5
<b>Hours &gt;90% RH</b>	12	10	19	12	1	0	2	15
<b>RH max/min</b>	97/51	99/76	100/78	99/65	91/29	88/41	93/53	100/69
<b>Temp avg F</b>	62	63	67	66	64	61	67	68

NA - data not available

[View Cougarblight Charts](#)

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**Streptomycin Spray Date:**

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- Open flowers
- Heat unit accumulation
- Wetting event
- Avg. temp > 60F

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# Acquiring a NEWA Weather Station

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## Purchase a station

**Purchase a weather station from our preferred partners.**

Our independently-owned business partners build specially-configured instruments compatible with NEWA online tools and resources for agricultural production. Click below for additional pricing and configuration information.



**Make an Onboard Request to NEWA**

Contact the NEWA Help Desk after linking your station to the vendor system. Click below to start the NEWA onboarding process.

[Send an email to the NEWA Help Desk](#)

**Find your NEWA state coordinator**

- Onset: Annual state fee paid for by NC Apple Growers Association
- Contact Mike Parker (State Coordinator) for station purchase

# Acquiring a NEWA Weather Station



- AgroMET Rainwise Weather System
- Records temperature, leaf wetness, relative humidity, precipitation, solar radiation, wind speed, wind direction
- Cost: \$1890

# Acquiring a NEWA Weather Station



- RX3000 series
- Connection options: cellular (data plan w/ annual cost, wifi, ethernet)
- Base Cost: \$1896 but highly configurable with several upgrade/add-on options available
  - For example, set wireless sensors in “problem areas”

# Shoot Blight Management

Target: Actively growing shoots

Purpose: Prevent infections of shoots and slow migration of bacteria

- First line of defense: Chemical Management
  - Prohexadione Calcium
  - Copper (young and/or organic plantings)
  - ISR/SAR inducers: Young plantings?



# Shoot Blight: Biologicals and Reduced Risk Pesticides Options

Prohexadione calcium: Apogee, Kudos

How it works: Thickens xylem cell walls + stops terminal growth

- Best protection against shoot blight
- Make two applications: 6-12 oz/100 gal (3-6 oz/100 gal for tree <5 years): 1-3" shoot growth & 14-21 days later
- "Trickle" program 1-3 oz/100 gal: beginning late bloom every 14-21 days till terminal bud set

# Shoot Blight: Biologicals and Reduced Risk Pesticides Options

Coppers: Kocide 3000, Cueva, Badge SC/X2 + others

How it works: Protectant: Reduces bacteria on surface and prevents against new infections only

- Can cause fruit russet: not a concern in nursery or during establishment - survival
- Apply with adequate drying time
- Terminals can outgrow protective residues of copper
- Low rate fixed copper program: 7-10 day schedule until terminal bud set

# Shoot Blight Management

Target: Actively growing shoots

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Line of Defense: Pruning newly developed strikes
  - Remove ASAP on cool, dry day
  - Cut into previous season's growth: ~12 inches into healthy tissue
  - Young trees: If infection is in the main scaffold or close, remove tree
  - Rescue: Apogee 6-12 oz/100 gal, wait 5 days, then prune every two weeks until terminal bud set



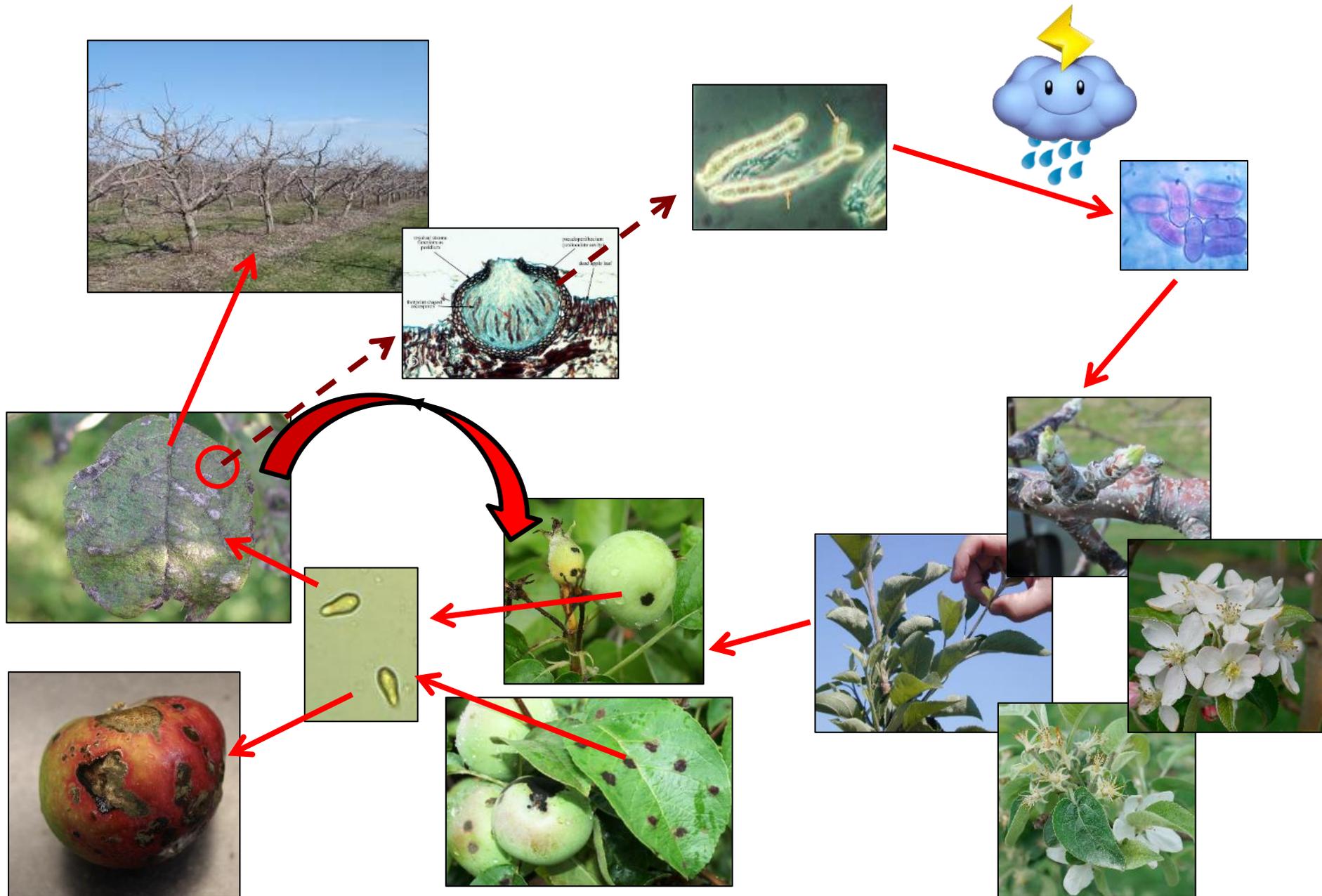
**There are models on NEWA for apple  
scab as well!**

# Apple Scab: *Venturia inaequalis*

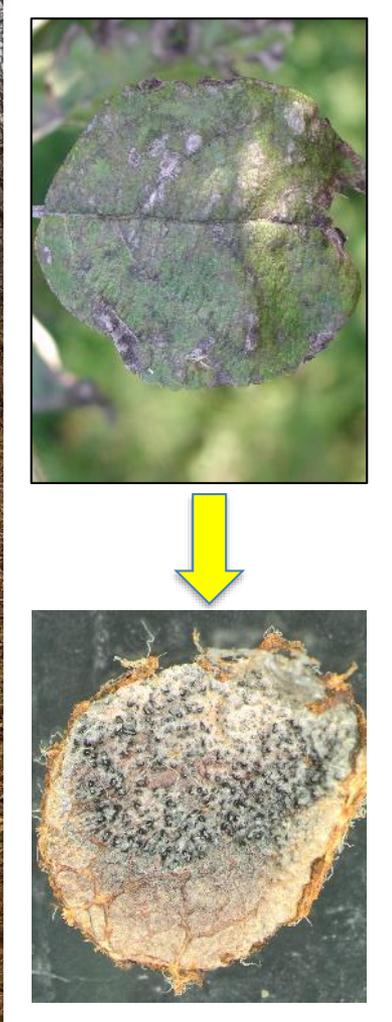
## *“Early Season Disease”*

- Early: Causes lesions on leaves and fruit
- Late: Premature defoliation, fruit cracking
- Cool, humid spring climate + highly susceptible cultivars: favorable infection conditions
- Management: Green Tissue through 1<sup>st</sup> cover (primary infection, then scout)





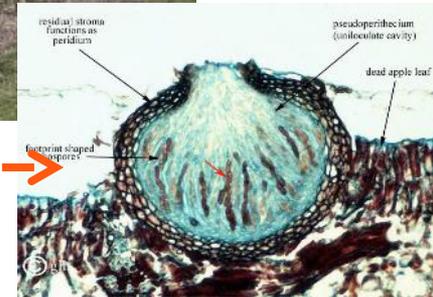
# Apple Scab: Preseason/Cultural



- 5% urea to orchard floor + trees
- Flail mow to increase leaf surface area

# Apple Scab Chemical Management

Dormant / silver: urea, copper + “cultural control”



<http://www.uoguelph.ca/~gbarron/Misc2009/applemic.htm>

Green tip, ½ inch green, tight cluster: captozeb, dodine, SDHIs?



Weather Data Quick Links

Past 12 months shown. Current month highlighted.

Daily Summary

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National Weather Service Forecast



Enter "City, ST" or "zip code"

[This Station's 7-Day Forecast](#)

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Helpful Links

How to Use and Interpret Pest Forecasts

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Pest Management Guidelines

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University Cooperative Extension Programs

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Edneyville (Apple Wedge), NC Weather Station Page

These Station Page forecasts are most accurate when you use your own biofix dates. Otherwise, the current results displayed will use NEWA's [default biofix dates](#). Enter your biofix dates on the forecast page, where prompted, for more accurate model predictions. After getting the Station Page forecast results, use the interface on the left to get query results for prior years, dates, and locations.

Edneyville (Apple Wedge) Pest Forecasts

- |   |  |                                  |
|---|--|----------------------------------|
| <a href="#">Apple Scab</a>                  | <a href="#">Plum Curculio</a>            | <a href="#">Grape Berry Moth</a> |
| <a href="#">Fire Blight</a>                 | <a href="#">Obliquebanded Leafroller</a> | <a href="#">Cabbage Maggot</a>   |
| <a href="#">Sooty Blotch/Flyspeck</a>       | <a href="#">Apple Maggot</a>             | <a href="#">Onion Maggot</a>     |
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| <a href="#">Oriental Fruit Moth</a>         | <a href="#">Grapevine Downy Mildew</a>   | <a href="#">Tomato Diseases</a>  |
| <a href="#">Codling Moth</a>                |  |                                  |

Station Location

Lat/Lon: 35.4/-82.35

Elevation: 2248 ft.



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Station Sensors

- Temperature
- Leaf Wetness
- Precipitation
- Relative Humidity
- Wind Speed
- Wind Direction
- Solar Radiation

# Disease Forecasting: Apple Scab

State:

Weather station:

Date of Interest:

### Apple Scab Results for Hendersonville (Klimstra)

The Ascospore Maturity degree day model begins at 50% green tip on McIntosh flower buds and provides an estimate of the potential for ascospore discharge in the next rain. To recalculate ascospore maturity for your orchard, enter your green tip date:

**Green Tip Date:**

#### Ascospore Maturity Summary

	Past	Past	Current	5-Day Forecast			Forecast Details	
	Mar 29	Mar 30	Mar 31	Apr 1	Apr 2	Apr 3	Apr 4	Apr 5
Ascospore Maturity	78%	81%	84%	88%	90%	91%	93%	94%

#### Infection Events Summary

	Past	Past	Current	5-Day Forecast			Forecast Details	
	Mar 29	Mar 30	Mar 31	Apr 1	Apr 2	Apr 3	Apr 4	Apr 5
<u>Infection Events</u>	No	No	Combined	Combined	Yes	No	No	No
Days to Symptoms	-	-	-	-	12-13	-	-	-
Average Temp (F) for wet hours			59	61	52	43	60	39
Leaf Wetness (hours)	0	0	16	19	10	2	1	1
Rain Amount	0.00	0.00	0.22	0.50	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rain Prob (%) Night/Day ?			60   60	92   53	83   5	1   1	0   7	13   0

Spores available for primary infection

- Minimal user input: Susceptible host tissue!
- Disease forecast only as good as weather forecast

# Disease Forecasting: Apple Scab

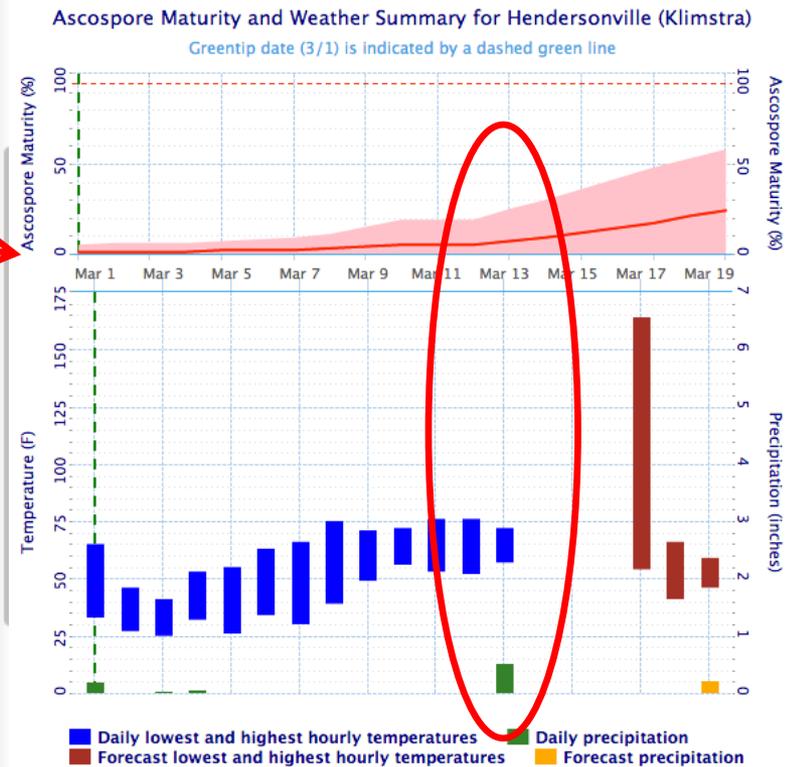
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Days to Symptoms	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Average Temp (F) for wet hours			59					51
Leaf Wetness (hours)	0	0	6					2
Rain Amount	0.00	0.00	0.53	0.00			0.00	0.00
Rain Prob (%) Night Day			36 0	- 0	- -	- -	- 0	10 7

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Ascospore Maturity Graphs



- Environment: Rainfall amount, wetting duration (leaf wetness), and average temp during wet hours important for apple scab model

# Disease Forecasting: Apple Scab

Revised Mills Table for primary apple scab infections

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34	41	-
36	35	-
37	30	-
39	28	-
41	21	-
43	18	17
45	15	17
46	13	17
48	12	17
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52	9	15
54-56	8	14
57-59	7	12-13
61-75	6	9-10
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- Generally more wetting hours required when cooler temperature

# Disease Forecasting: Apple Scab

- Apple scab ascospore maturity degree day model

## Ascospore Maturity Summary

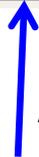
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Rain Amount	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.09	0.00	0.00	0.33	0.51
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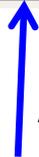
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# The New and Improved **MyIPM App**



- Apples: Disease, Insect
- Pears: Disease, Insect
- Strawberry: Disease, Insect, Weeds
- Pecan: Insect
- Pear: Disease, Insect
- Cranberry: Disease
- Cherry: Disease, Insect
- Bunch Grape: Disease, Insect
- Blueberry: Disease, Insect
- Blackberry: Disease

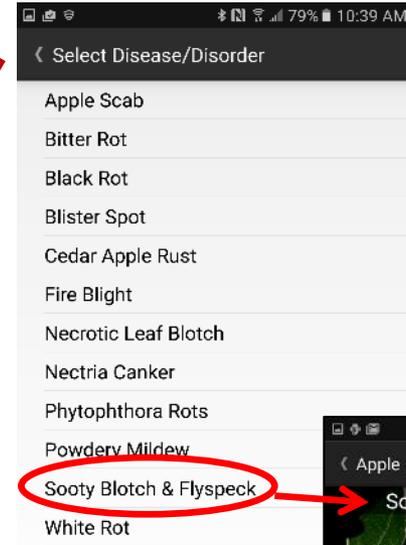
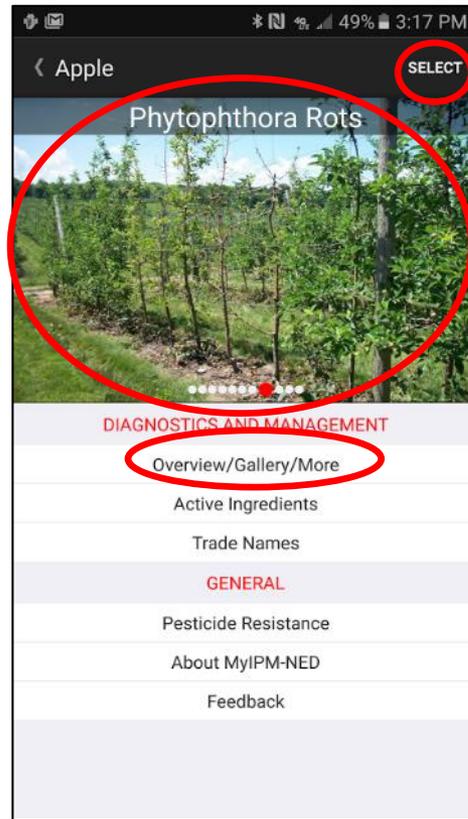


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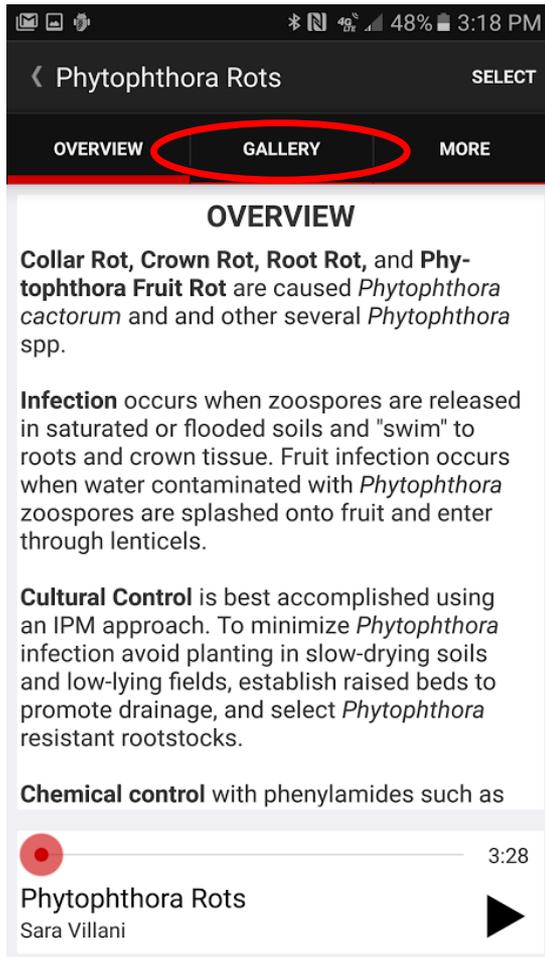
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- Diagnostics
  - Insect/Pathogen biology
  - Disease signs/symptoms
  - High quality, zoomable photo gallery
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# MyIPM App: Apple



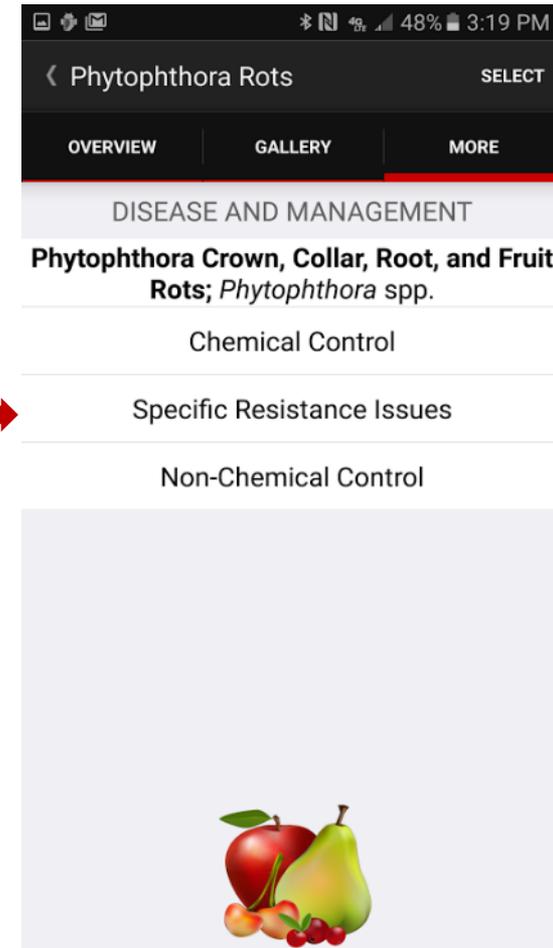
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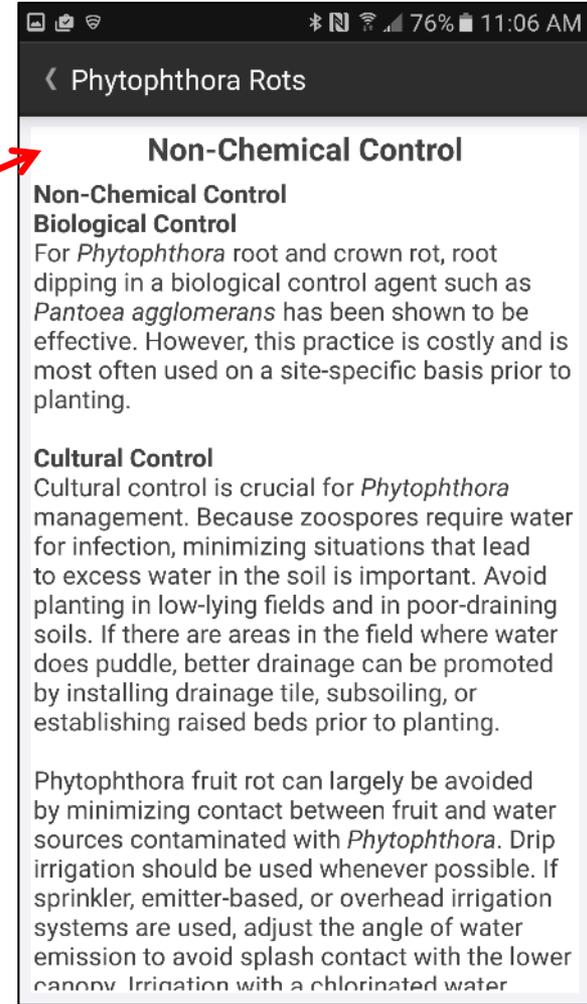
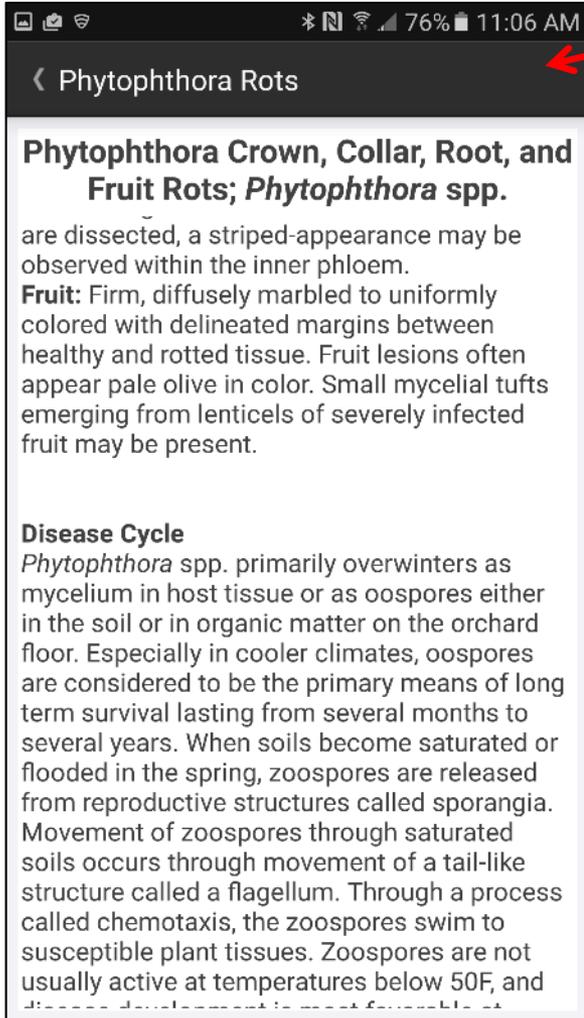
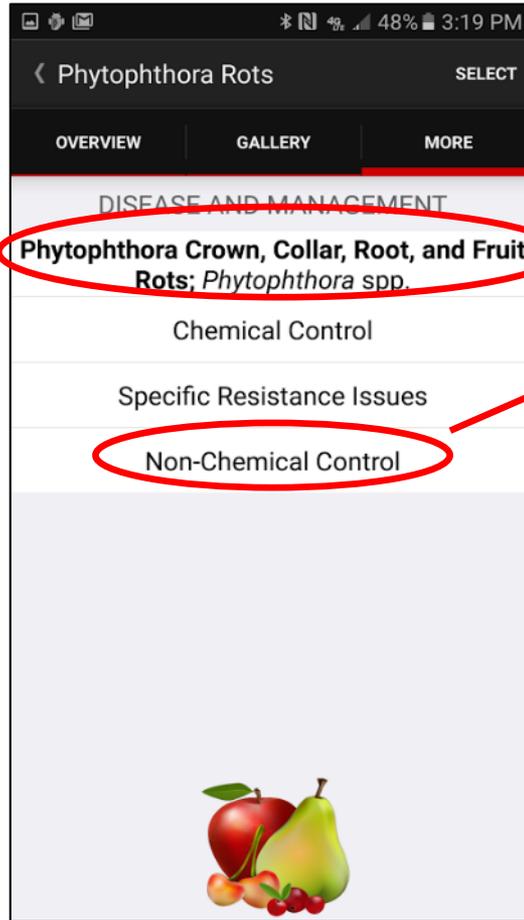
**Basic biology, control, short audio clip**



**Additional photos of disease symptoms**



**In-depth information on disease and control**



# Information Provided by MyIPM App

- Interactive Pesticide Tables
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  - REI, PHI, application rates
  - Product efficacy
  - Pesticide Risk
  - FRAC/IRAC codes
  - FRAC resistance risk



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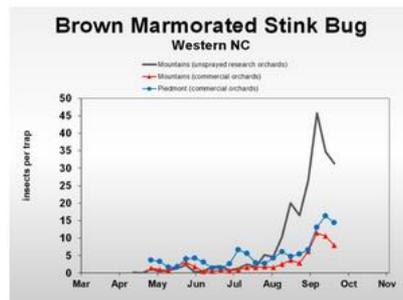
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