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Bill Barnett and Rich Coviello conducted a similar test on peaches and nectarines in Kingsburg, Fresno County. Their results were very promising, but the infestation levels were much lower

than in the Colusa County trial. They had many different treatment timing combinations of Javelin WP (0.8 lb. per 100 gallons) applied at pink bud-shoots 0.5" (March 1), 20% bloom-shoots 1" (March 9), beginning of petal fall (March 15), 90% petal fall (March 22) and jackets off 20%-shoots 3-6" (March 29). Diazinon (1 lb. A.I. per 100 gallons and oil was the treated check and an untreated control was also included. There were 7 single tree replicates of each treatment. The best single treatment appeared to be at 20% bloom, and the best two spray timings were those applied at pink bud and again at bloom or early petal fall. No additional control was achieved by using either three, four or five sprays.

Additional Objective, Entomological Component of the Dormant Spray Plots to Mitigate Effects on Red Tailed Hawks. In 1990, we cooperated with the large project being conducted by Barry Wilson in cooperation with Jim Seiber, Bill Steinke and Wes Asai, and provided the entomological component of the project. Insects sampled were peach twig borer and San Jose scale.

Peach Twig Borer. Two methods of sampling were attempted as discussed in the proposal, counting twig strikes resulting from feeding of overwintering larvae emerging from their hibernacula, and trapping adult males in pheromone traps.

Twig strikes. The middle 3 trees from each of the 5 replicates of the 3 treatments (untreated, mister miser, and air blast), were used for this trial. The total number of twig strikes per tree was counted on April 3 by individuals who climbed into the upper tree canopy using orchard ladders. Differences between treatments were significant ($F=4.61$, $P=0.0012$) by ANOV. Means were all significantly different by Duncan's multiple range test (Table 6).

Pheromone traps. Wing style traps baited with a pheromone lure were placed in the 3 treatment areas on April 3, and checked each week thereafter until the end of the first flight in mid June. It is interesting to note that moth catches on the first observation date (April 10) had relative densities similar to what we observed for twig strikes on the same date (air blast 4, mister miser 9, unsprayed check 15). Moth migration would have been limited on this first date, so it could confirm the results of our twig strike counts. On each of the sampling dates thereafter, no differences were observed between treatments. Peach twig borer is a very mobile insect, and it is likely there was extensive migration of

moths between treatments. Obviously, pheromone traps are not a good method of estimating peach twig borer population differences on small plots, especially after the first week of emergence.

San Jose Scale - Few scales were seen in visual examinations of the orchard before treatment. Two methods of sampling were attempted, using 2 sided sticky tapes which were wrapped around twigs and trapping male scales on tent type pheromone traps.

Sticky tapes. Two tapes were wrapped around twigs on the center 3 trees from each of the 5 replicates of the 3 treatments. The sticky tapes were removed and replaced twice during May and returned to the laboratory where they were examined under the microscope. No scale crawlers were found on any of the sticky tapes.

Pheromone traps. Three pheromone traps were placed in each of the 3 treatment areas. The traps were not examined on a weekly basis, but rather the traps were removed on May 25 and returned to Davis for counting. The traps were replaced in the same trees and removed again on June 20. This period represented the flight period of the male scales. No significant difference ($p > 0.05$) was found between treatments by ANOV for either of the sampling periods. However, it is interesting to note that in both instances more male scales were trapped in the untreated areas than in the mister miser or air blast sprayer plots (Table 7). While pheromone traps are not a preferred estimator of relative population size in most instances, it is possible that in the case of male scale insects, which are not strong fliers, pheromone traps could be used as a toll in comparing relative population size.

Table 1. Hullsplit sprays of Javelin and Guthion applied for navel orangeworm, Butte Co., in 1989.

Treatment	Damage (%)	
	Mean	S D
Javelin (1 lb., Hullsplit; +1 lb. Javelin 10 days later)	4.38	1.45 a
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Guthion (2 lb., Hullsplit)	5.38	2.32 ab
Javelin (1 lb.)+Guthion (.25 lb) Hullsplit; +1 lb. Javelin 10 days later	5.38	1.03 ab
Javelin (1 lb.)+Guthion (.25 lb.) Hullsplit	5.50	0.71 a
Untreated	7.81	2.44 b

Table 2. Hullsplit sprays of Javelin and Guthion applied for navel orangeworm, Kern Co., in 1989.

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Javelin (1 lb. Hullsplit) + Javelin (1 lb. 10 days later)	5.00	1.51 a
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Javelin (3 lb., Hullsplit)	1.75 a
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Table 5. Blom sprays applied for control of Peach Twig Borer at Nickel's Estate, Colusa Co., 1990.

Treatment	mean *
Untreated	24.01 a
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Javelin (high), 3/13	19.71 ab
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Javelin (high), 3/3	13.76 bc
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Table 6. Peach twig borer twig strikes per tree (3 trees per replicate with 5 replicates).

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Untreated	8.34 a
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Table 7. Cumulative number of San Jose scale males trapped in pheromone traps (n=3).

Treatment	Sample Date	
	5/25/90	6/20/90
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Bill Barnett and Rich Coviello conducted a similar test on peaches and nectarines in Kingsburg, Fresno County. Their results were very promising, but the infestation levels were much lower

than in the Colusa County trial. They had many different treatment timing combinations of Javelin WP (0.8 lb. per 100 gallons) applied at pink bud-shoots 0.5" (March 1), 20% bloom-shoots 1" (March 9), beginning of petal fall (March 15), 90% petal fall (March 22) and jackets off 20%-shoots 3-6" (March 29). Diazinon (1 lb. A.I. per 100 gallons and oil was the treated check and an untreated control was also included. There were 7 single tree replicates of each treatment. The best single treatment appeared to be at 20% bloom, and the best two spray timings were those applied at pink bud and again at bloom or early petal fall. No additional control was achieved by using either three, four or five sprays.

Additional Objective, Entomological Component of the Dormant Spray Plots to Mitigate Effects on Red Tailed Hawks. In 1990, we cooperated with the large project being conducted by Barry Wilson in cooperation with Jim Seiber, Bill Steinke and Wes Asai, and provided the entomological component of the project. Insects sampled were peach twig borer and San Jose scale.

Peach Twig Borer. Two methods of sampling were attempted as discussed in the proposal, counting twig strikes resulting from feeding of overwintering larvae emerging from their hibernacula, and trapping adult males in pheromone traps.

Twig strikes. The middle 3 trees from each of the 5 replicates of the 3 treatments (untreated, mister miser, and air blast), were used for this trial. The total number of twig strikes per tree was counted on April 3 by individuals who climbed into the upper tree canopy using orchard ladders. Differences between treatments were significant ($F=4.61$, $P=0.0012$) by ANOV. Means were all significantly different by Duncan's multiple range test (Table 6).

Pheromone traps. Wing style traps baited with a pheromone lure were placed in the 3 treatment areas on April 3, and checked each week thereafter until the end of the first flight in mid June. It is interesting to note that moth catches on the first observation date (April 10) had relative densities similar to what we observed for twig strikes on the same date (air blast 4, mister miser 9, unsprayed check 15). Moth migration would have been limited on this first date, so it could confirm the results of our twig strike counts. On each of the sampling dates thereafter, no differences were observed between treatments. Peach twig borer is a very mobile insect, and it is likely there was extensive migration of

moths between treatments. Obviously, pheromone traps are not a good method of estimating peach twig borer population differences on small plots, especially after the first week of emergence.

San Jose Scale - Few scales were seen in visual examinations of the orchard before treatment. Two methods of sampling were attempted, using 2 sided sticky tapes which were wrapped around twigs and trapping male scales on tent type pheromone traps.

Sticky tapes. Two tapes were wrapped around twigs on the center 3 trees from each of the 5 replicates of the 3 treatments. The sticky tapes were removed and replaced twice during May and returned to the laboratory where they were examined under the microscope. No scale crawlers were found on any of the sticky tapes.

Pheromone traps. Three pheromone traps were placed in each of the 3 treatment areas. The traps were not examined on a weekly basis, but rather the traps were removed on May 25 and returned to Davis for counting. The traps were replaced in the same trees and removed again on June 20. This period represented the flight period of the male scales. No significant difference ($p > 0.05$) was found between treatments by ANOV for either of the sampling periods. However, it is interesting to note that in both instances more male scales were trapped in the untreated areas than in the mister miser or air blast sprayer plots (Table 7). While pheromone traps are not a preferred estimator of relative population size in most instances, it is possible that in the case of male scale insects, which are not strong fliers, pheromone traps could be used as a toll in comparing relative population size.

Table 1. Hullsplit sprays of Javelin and Guthion applied for navel orangeworm, Butte Co., in 1989.

Treatment	Damage (%)	
	Mean	S D
Javelin (1 lb., Hullsplit; +1 lb. Javelin 10 days later)	4.38	1.45 a
Javelin (1 lb., Hullsplit)	4.56	0.90 a
Guthion (2 lb., Hullsplit)	5.38	2.32 ab
Javelin (1 lb.)+Guthion (.25 lb) Hullsplit; +1 lb. Javelin 10 days later	5.38	1.03 ab
Javelin (1 lb.)+Guthion (.25 lb.) Hullsplit	5.50	0.71 a
Untreated	7.81	2.44 b

Table 2. Hullsplit sprays of Javelin and Guthion applied for navel orangeworm, Kern Co., in 1989.

Treatment	Damage (%)	
	Mean	S D
Guthion (2 lb. Hullsplit)	4.94	1.16 a
Javelin (1 lb. Hullsplit) + Javelin (1 lb. 10 days later)	5.00	1.51 a
Javelin (1lb. Hullsplit)	5.81	1.84 a
Untreated	7.00	3.24 a
Javelin (1 lb.)+ Guthion (.25 lb.) Hullsplit	7.81	2.35 a

Table 3. Hullsplit sprays of Javelin and Guthion applied for navel orangeworm, Butte Co., in 1990. Plots were harvested on 8/30/90.

Treatment	Mean *
Javelin (3 lb., Hullsplit)	1.75 a
Guthion (2 lb. A.I., Hullsplit)	2.50 a
Javelin (1 lb., Hullsplit + 1 lb., 2 weeks later)	2.75 a
Javelin (1 lb., Hullsplit)	2.75 a
Javelin (1 lb., + 2 weeks)	4.50 ab
Untreated	7.00 b

* means followed by the same letter are not significantly different by Duncan's multiple range test.

Table 4. Hullsplit sprays of Javelin and Guthion applied for navel orangeworm, Kern Co., in 1990. Treatments were applied on 7/13/90.

Treatment	Mean *
Guthion (2 lb. A.I., Hullsplit)	12.93 a
Javelin (1 lb., Hullsplit)	14.85 ab
Javelin (1 lb., Hullsplit + 1 lb., 2 weeks later)	15.28 ab
Untreated	22.98 b

* means followed by the same letter are not significantly different by Duncan's multiple range test.

Table 5. Blom sprays applied for control of Peach Twig Borer at Nickel's Estate, Colusa Co., 1990.

Treatment	mean *
Untreated	24.01 a
Javelin (high), 2/21	21.44 ab
Javelin (high), 3/23	20.43 ab
Javelin (high), 3/13	19.71 ab
Javelin (low), 3/3	17.64 ab
Javelin (high), 3/3	13.76 bc
Javelin (low), 3/13	7.18 cd
Methidathion, Dormant	6.35 d
Javelin (all 4 timings)	4.88 d
Methidathion + Kocide	1.21 e

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Table 6. Peach twig borer twig strikes per tree (3 trees per replicate with 5 replicates).

Treatment	Mean *
Untreated	8.34 a

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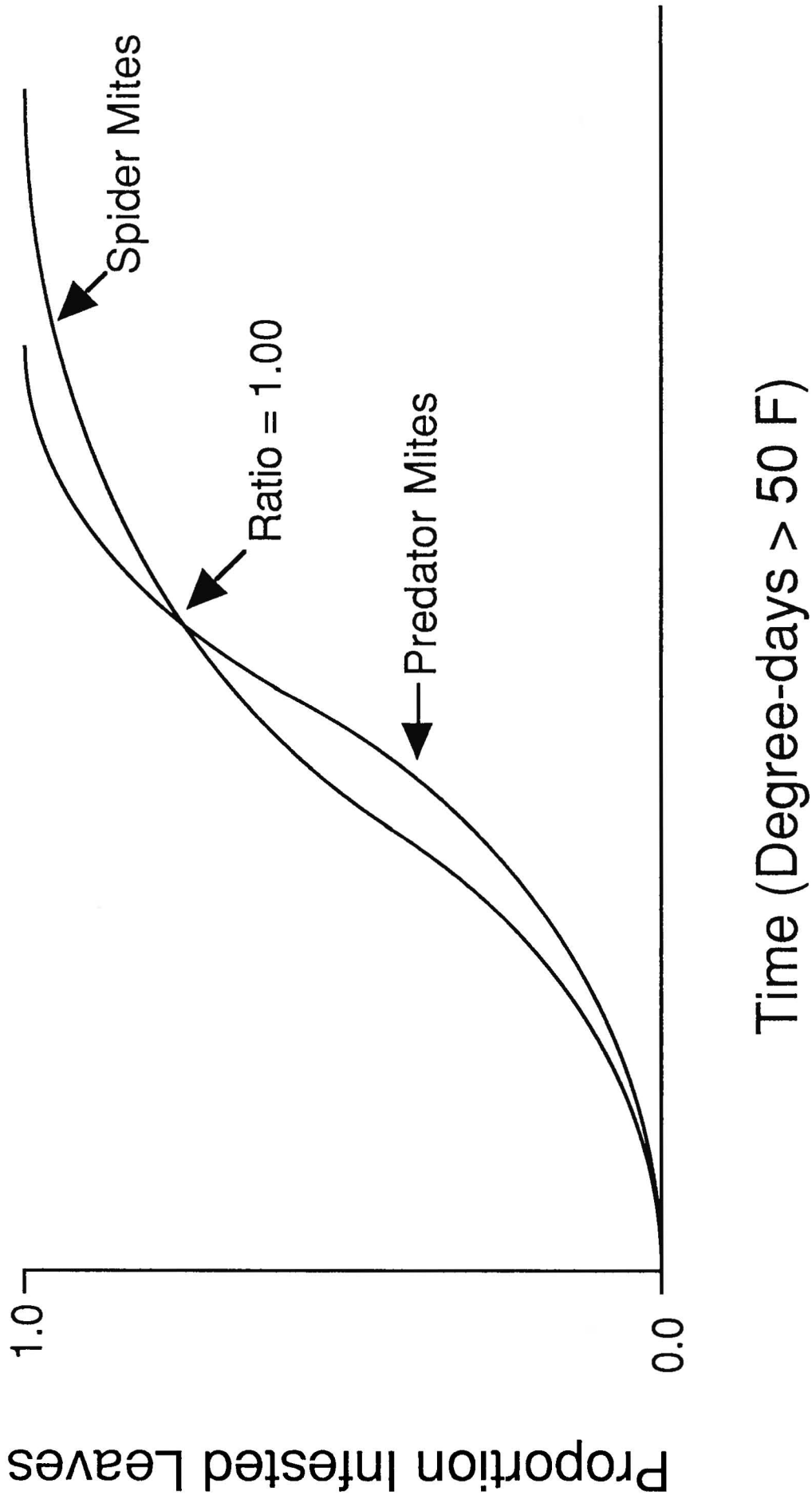


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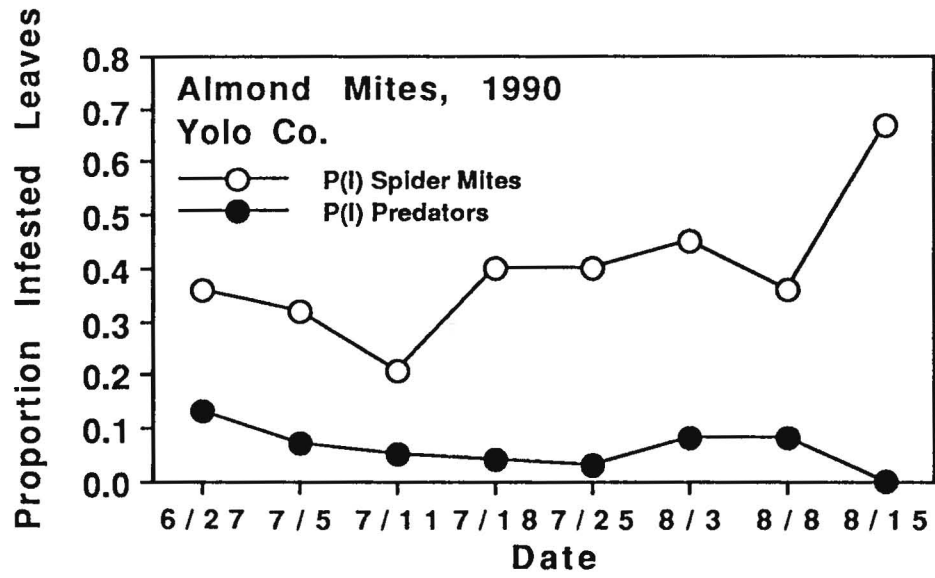


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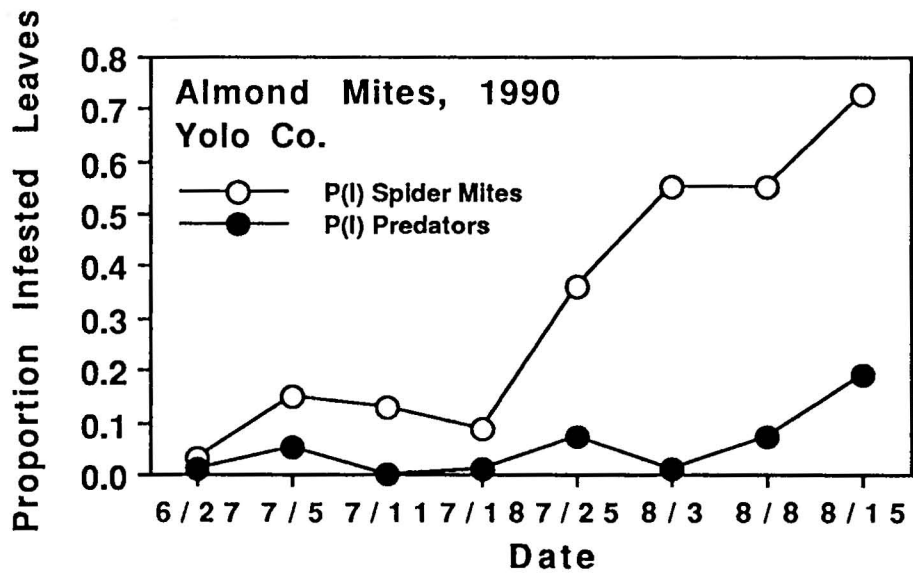
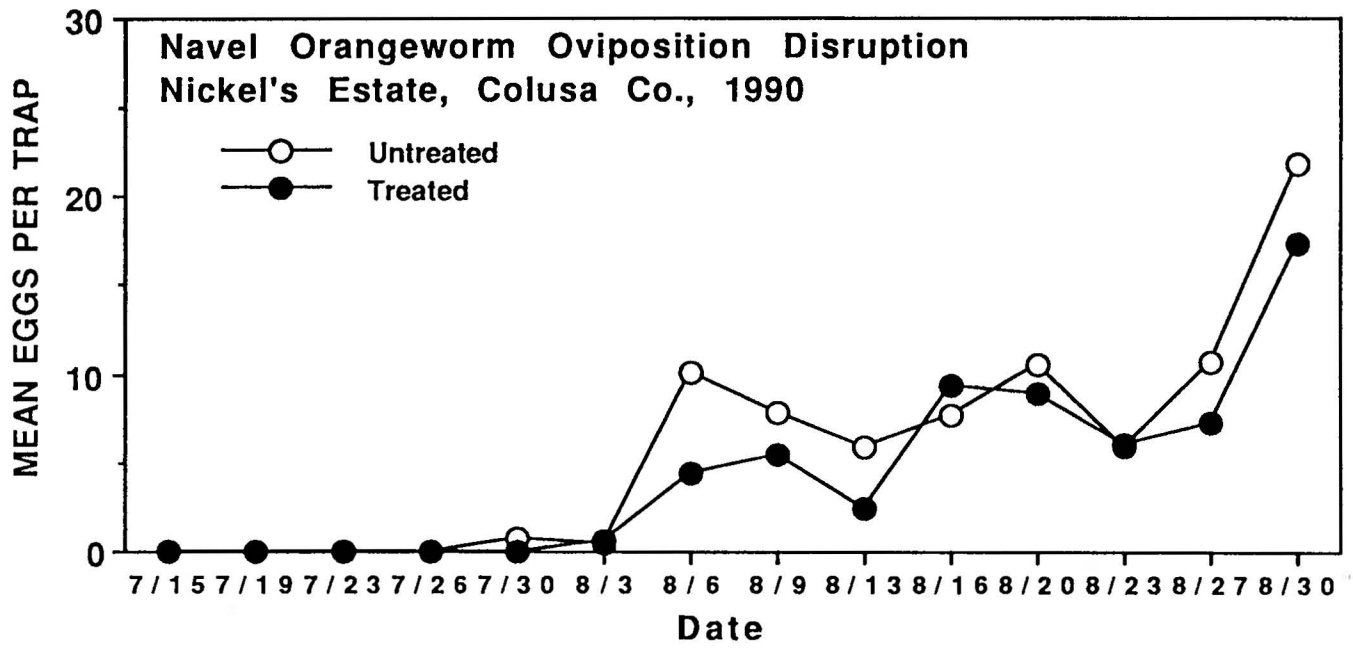


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ANNUAL FIELD FACILITIES PROJECT REPORT

Project 204 (WEO F5)

Project title: Almond variety collection
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Project activity during 1990

Trees have been pruned and managed to establish a germplasm and departmental variety block. This block is at same level of development as Field 10D but is about a year behind due to the poor growth during 1988 and 1989. Crop estimates were made but no nut samples were obtained. Some trees are missing and the collection inventory should be evaluated for its appropriateness and completeness. Virus indexing was carried out by Dr. Jerry Uyemoto, USDA Plant Path.

Publications: None