

# Maintaining UC IPM Pest Management Guidelines for Almonds

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## PROJECT SUMMARY

### Objectives:

This project supports in part the position of a senior editor, Pest Management Guidelines Coordinator (PMG), to oversee and carry out the publications process that keeps the Pest Management Guidelines as up to date as possible for almonds.

- As the University of California's official guidelines for managing pests in almonds, it is important that new research information be incorporated into the Guidelines and available to growers and PCAs.
- UC scientists and UC IPM staff will ensure the Guidelines are up-to-date.

### Background and Discussion:

#### Progress:

- The fungicide efficacy, timing, and resistance management general information sections have been updated online—May 2012.
- The annual update is under way to be completed by December 2012. Updates will be made to and number of sections: 6 on general information, 9 on disease, 9 on insect and mite, and 4 on weed.

**UC IPM Pest Management Guidelines: Almonds (UC ANR Publication 3431) – <http://www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/PMG/selectnewpest.almonds.html>.**

### Update Process

The annual call for updates requests that authors submit changes to the PMG Coordinator and may result in changes to pesticides and monitoring or

management methods. New pests can be added as well.

1. Before the PMG Coordinator was hired, an email calling for updates was sent to the authors asking them to submit changes within a month on November 9, 2011.
2. Once hired, the PMG Coordinator made these changes, reconciling them to one another and going back to the authors for clarification, editing the manuscript for flow and style. The PMG Coordinator returned the resulting manuscript to authors for review.
3. The authors reviewed the updated manuscript and made additional changes. The additional changes were incorporated by the PMG Coordinator and approved by the authors.
4. The PMG Coordinator submitted the updated sections to the UC ANR Office of Pesticide Information and Coordination to ensure the pesticide information was correct on August 20, 2012.
5. The PMG Coordinator is now working with the UC IPM Production Team to get the manuscript prepared and posted to the UC IPM Web site.

PMG Coordinator Romy Basler coordinates the process and edits material for clarity and completeness and to conform to format and style. The Crop Team helps to manage the overall direction of the Pest Management Guidelines and, with the authors, provides scientific content.

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