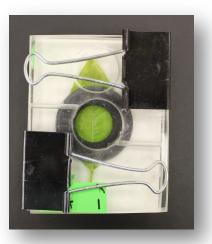
# **Pesticide Resistance in Citrus Pests**

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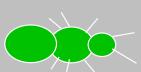






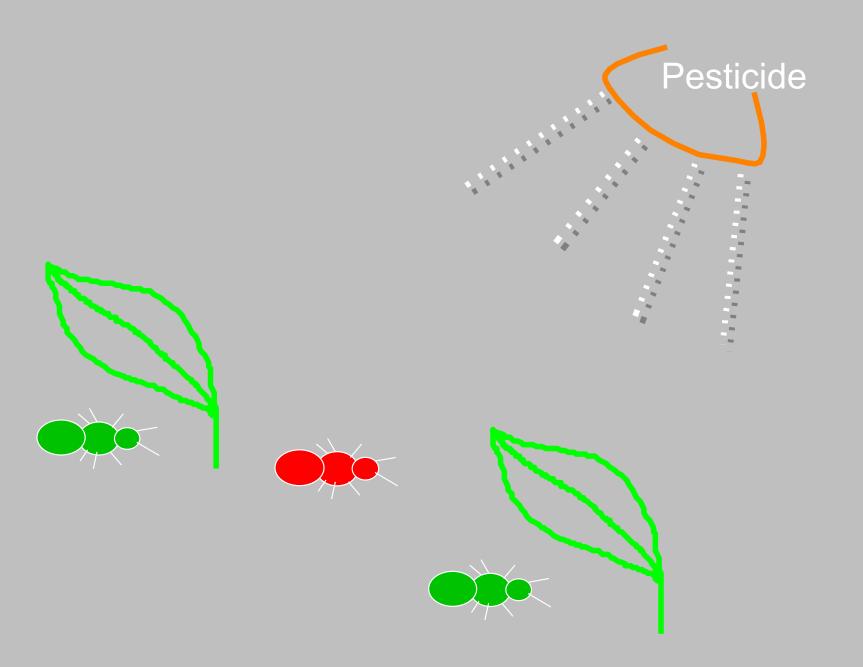
## What is resistance?

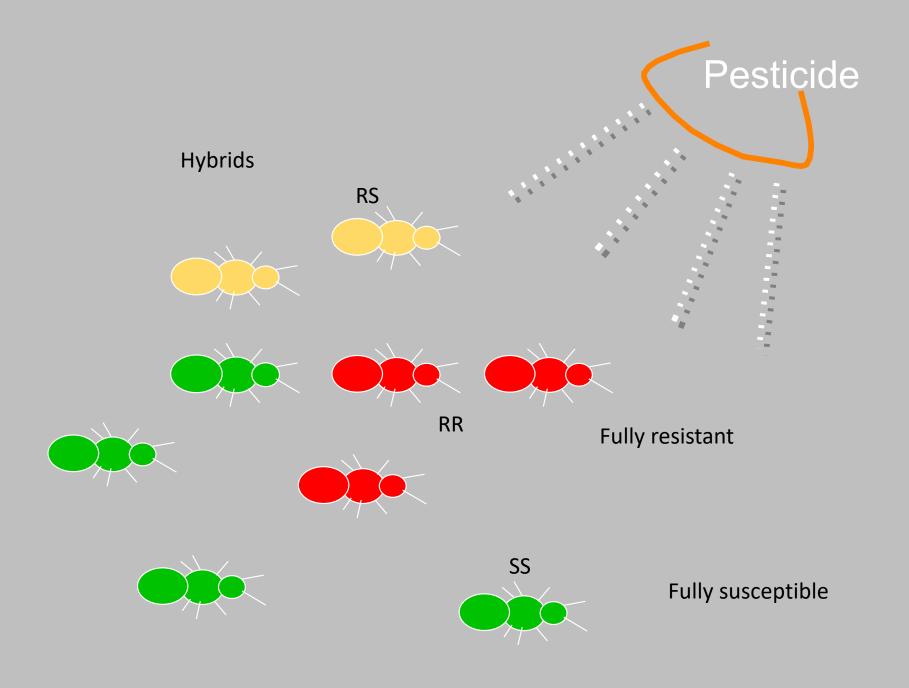
# Pesticide



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- The decreased susceptibility of a pest population to a pesticide that was previously effective
- Resistance is inherited (passed from one generation to the next)





## **Insecticide resistance ≠ Insecticide tolerance**

• **Tolerance** – natural ability of a population to withstand the toxic effect of an insecticide

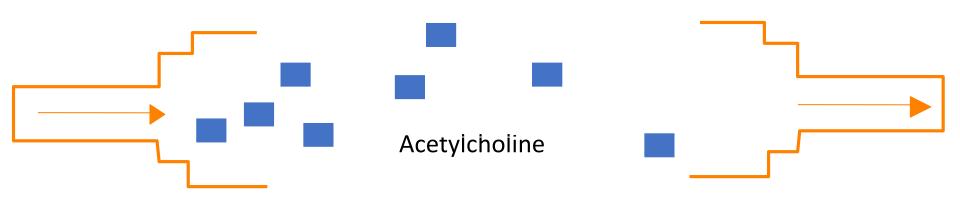
**Example**: Lacewings are highly tolerant of pyrethroids because they have really high natural levels of esterase enzymes.

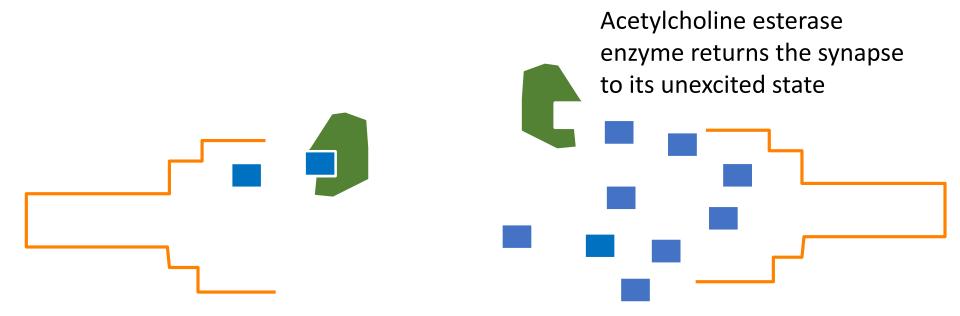
• **Resistance** – increased survival over generations that it is genetically inherited

# How do insects develop resistance?

- Change their behavior
- Change their cuticle so that the pesticide can't penetrate as easily
- Increase the number of enzymes they have to detoxify the pesticide and maintain normal function
- Change the nature of the target site so that the pesticide can't bind to it

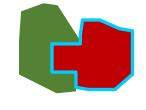
#### Normal Activity of a Nerve Synapse



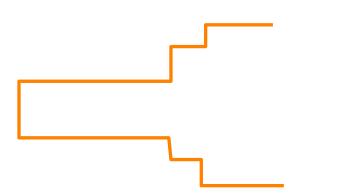


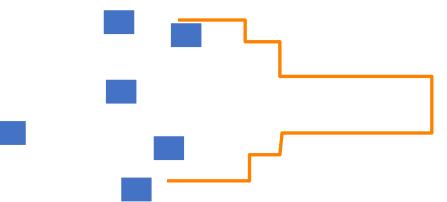
## How Pesticides Act on the Nerve Synapse

#### Acetylcholine esterase



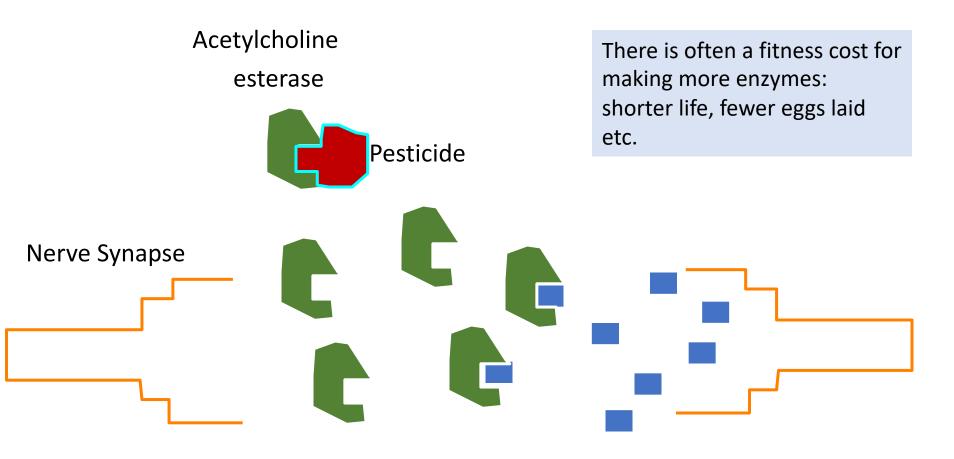
Organophosphate and Carbamate insecticides bind with AchE and prevents it from doing its job





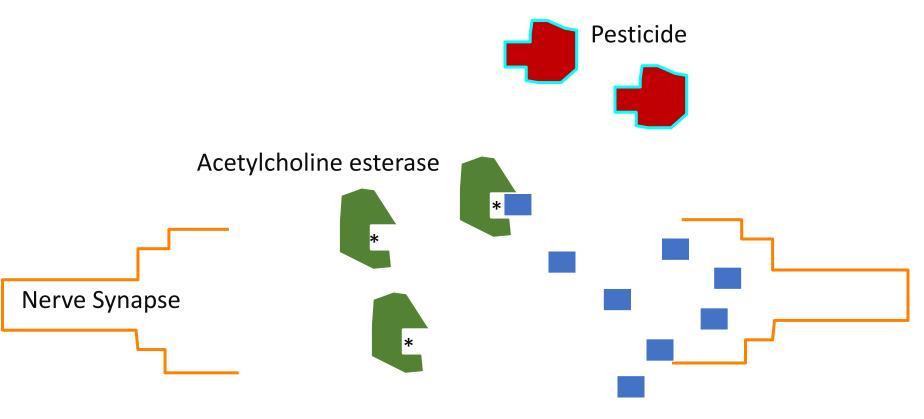
Acetylcholine can't be restored and the insect nervous system remains in the excited state

## One method of resistance: the insect makes more AchE



Acetylcholine

Second method of resistance: the insect changes the nature of the binding area for AchE and the pesticide can't attach (decreased target site sensitivity)



Acetylcholine

## How do we measure resistance?

# California red scale organophosphate resistance monitoring

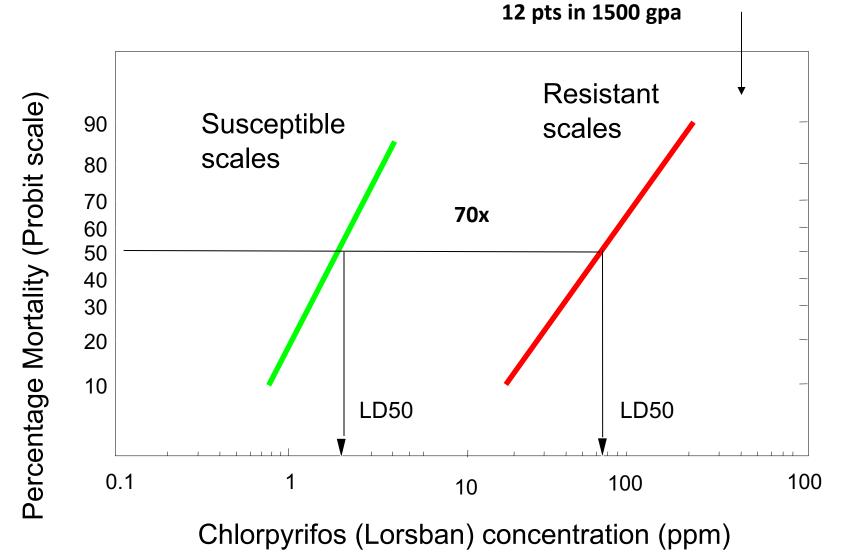
- Circle the 1<sup>st</sup> instar scales
- Dip the fruit
- Wait 14 days for the scales to molt to 2<sup>nd</sup> instars



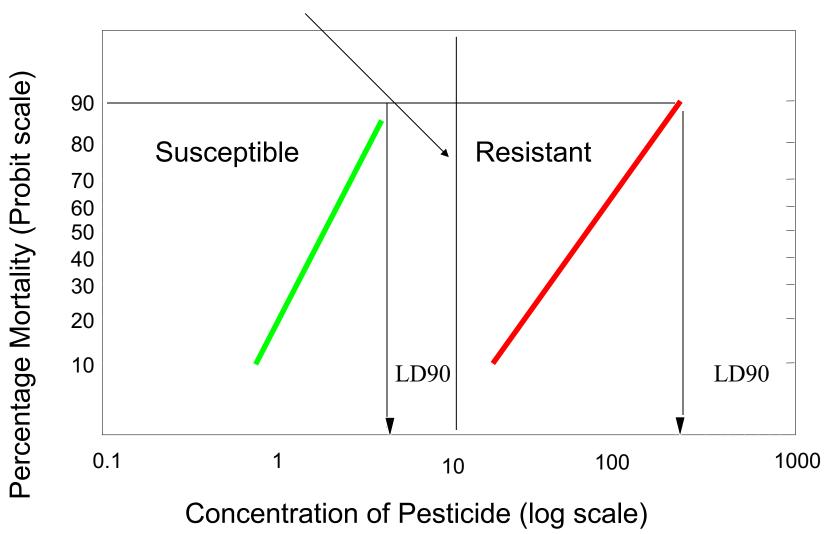
Log concentrations of insecticide: 1, 3.16, 5.62, 10, 31.6, 56.2, 100, 316, 562 ppm chlorpyrifos (Lorsban)

## **California red scale**

Lorsban field rate = 500 ppm



#### Discriminating Concentration of 10 ppm



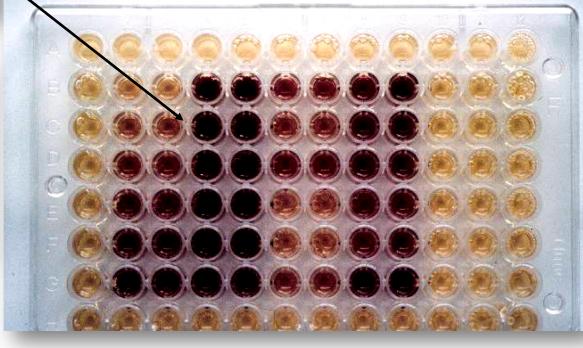
California Red Scale Life Cycle

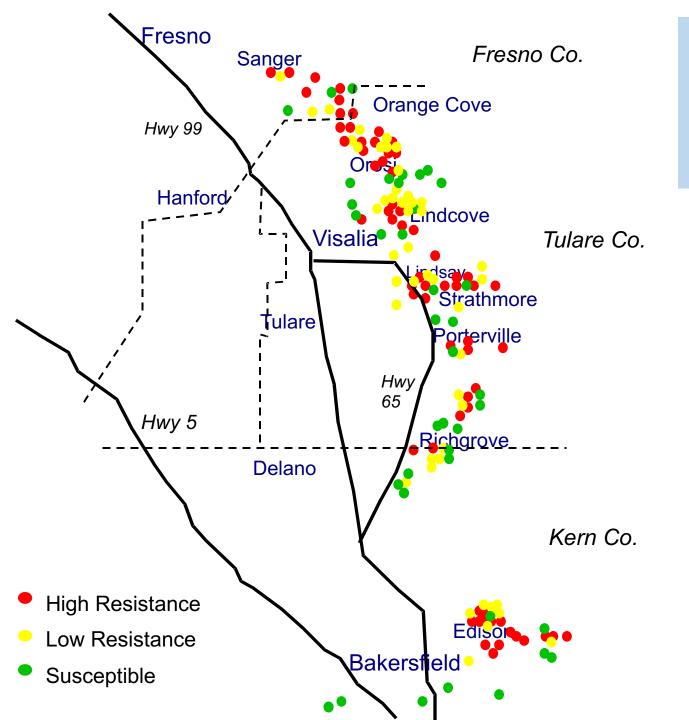


California red scale uses esterase enzymes to resist organophosphates and carbamates. Scales with **high esterase enzyme activity** have resistance.

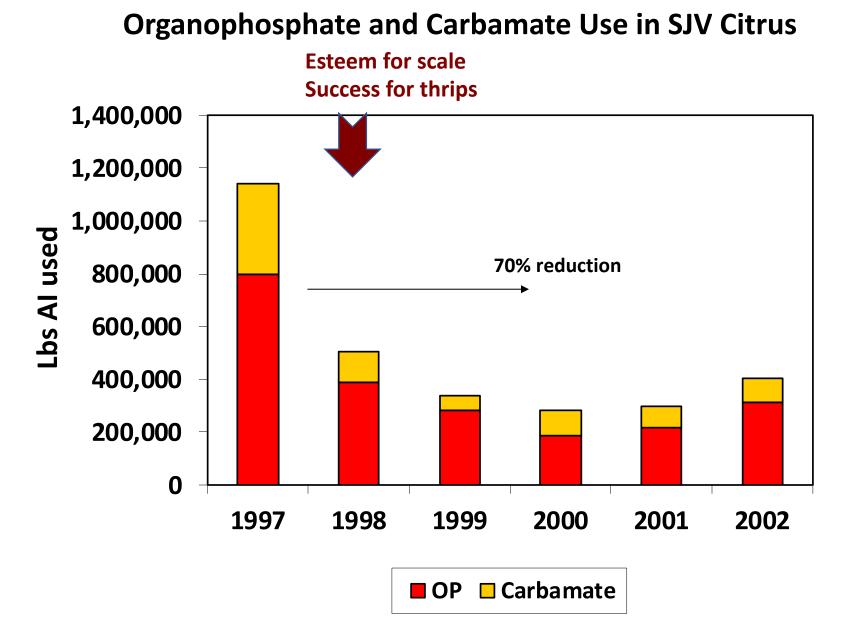
Esterase Enzyme Levels in California Red Scale

Standard - Resistant - Susceptible - Field Chemical Scale Scale Scale





California Red Scale Response to Organophosphate Insecticides 1993-1997



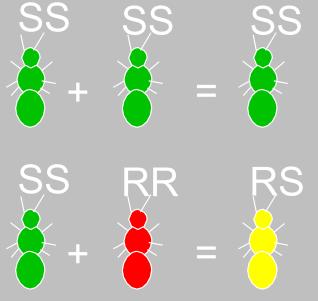
## Does resistance go away in red scale if you stop using OPs?

If a block has a population of red scale that is fairly uniformly resistant to organophosphates and carbamates, resistance does not usually decline during the following years (We have sampled some orchards for 7 years).

## Why not?

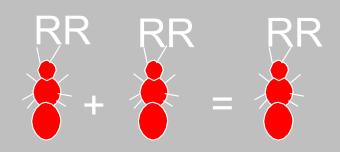
- **1.** Probably the resistance is genetically dominant
- 2. Scales don't move much, so once you have resistance, there are few if any susceptible scales in neighboring orchards that make it to your orchard, interbreed with the resistant individuals, and so reduce resistance.
- 3. Growers continue to use OPs for citricola scale control which continues to eliminate susceptible red scales and maintain OP resistance.

## **Dominance versus recessiveness**



## Heterozygote:

- Dominant acts like R
- Recessive acts like S or intermediate



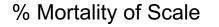


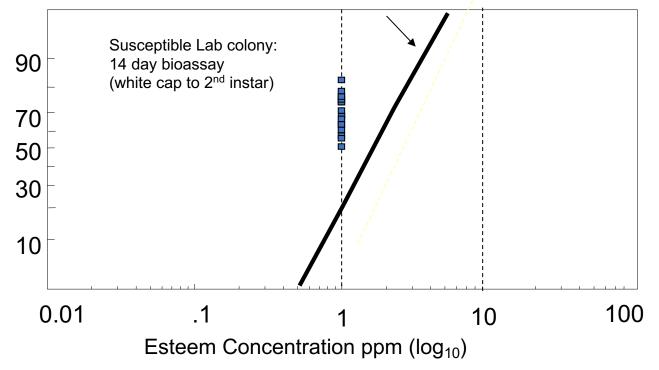
## **Esteem Bioassay**

Collect fruit from commercial citrus orchards, circle 1<sup>st</sup> instars and after dipping in 10 ppm see how many can molt to the 2<sup>nd</sup> instar after 14 days.

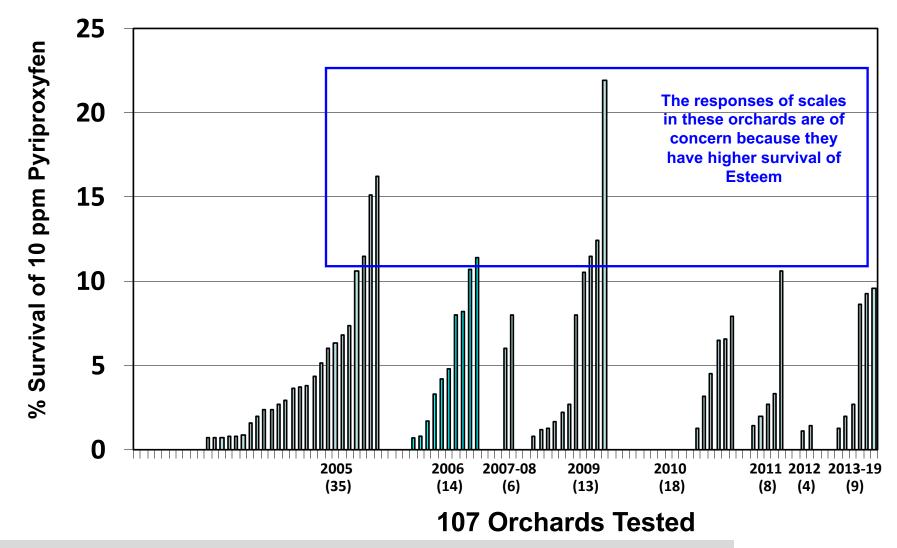


Esteem field rate = 70 ppm 16 oz in 1500 gpa





#### California red scale response to Esteem

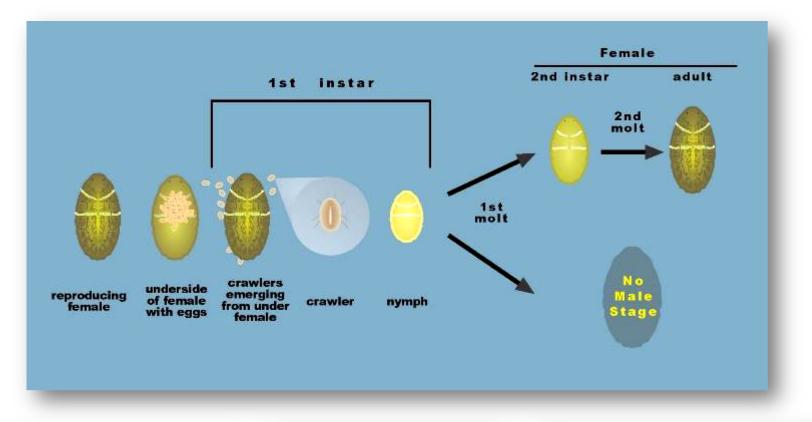


- Nothing higher than 22% survival
- No trend towards higher survival in recent years
- Suggests that resistance is not dominant and/or the bioassay is just not revealing it

# How do you know when you have a resistance problem?

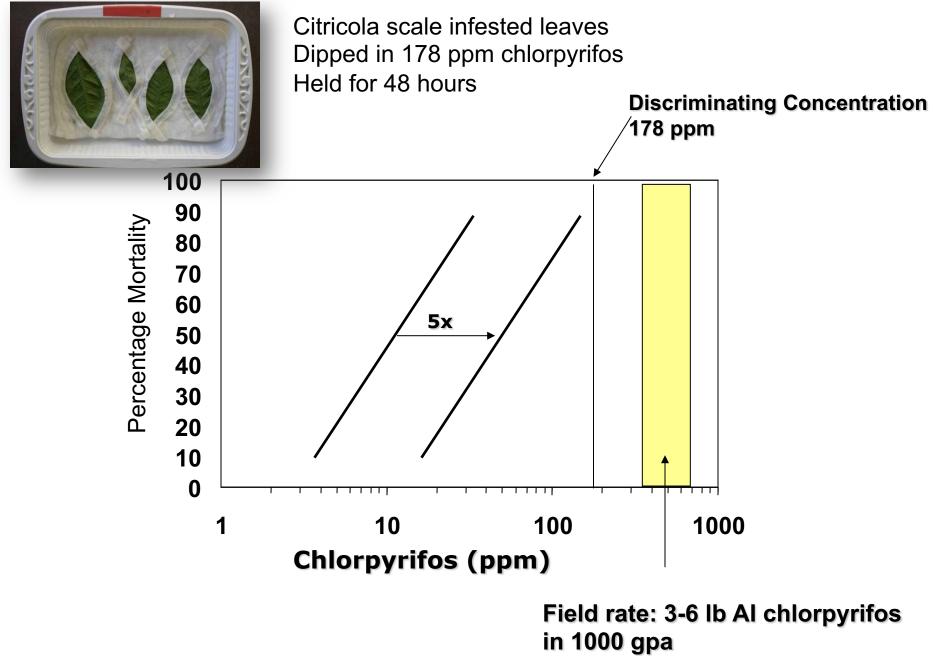
- Laboratory tests. The line shifts to the right and it takes much higher concentrations to kill them *However, the levels of resistance in the laboratory are just an indicator because the lab rate is not exactly what is happening in the field (dipping the insect versus spraying an orchard)*
- Field applied treatments work for a shorter and shorter period of time or don't work at all

## **Citricola Scale Lifecycle**





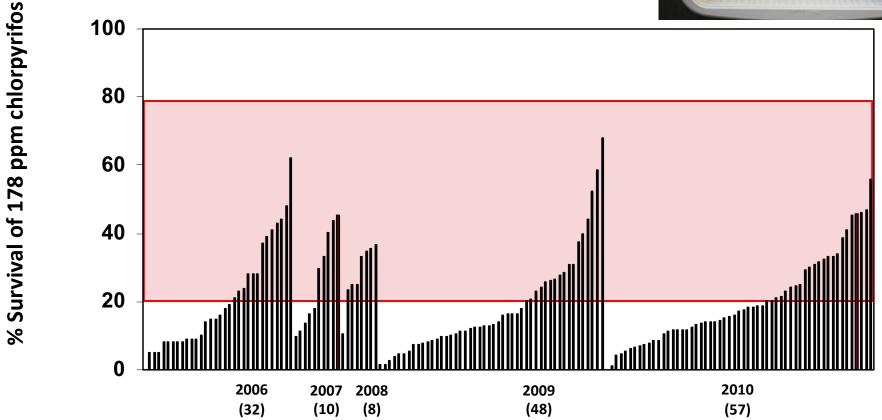
## **Response of Citricola Scale to Lorsban**



## **Citricola scale**

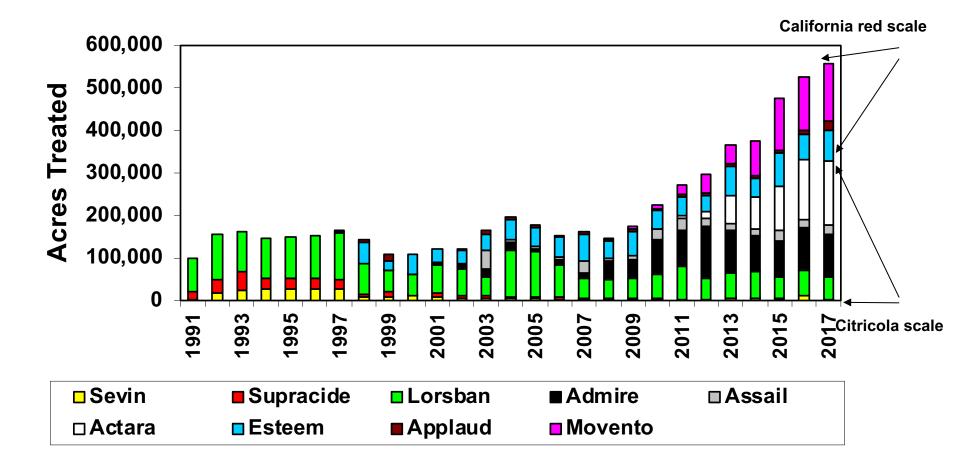
41% of populations with organophosphate resistance (20-75% survival) after > 50 years of exposure to OPs





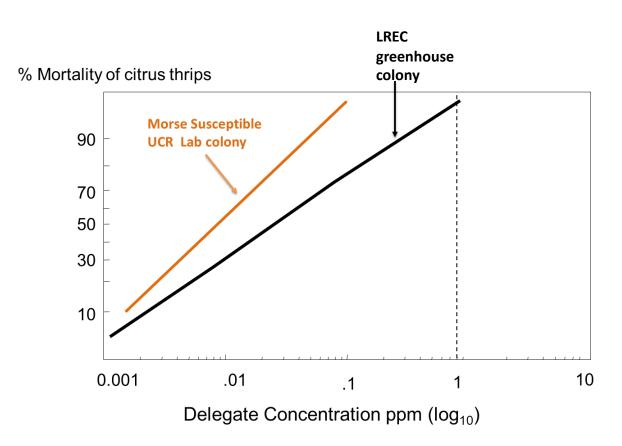
155 Populations of citricola scale tested (no.)

### Insecticides Used for Scale Control in the San Joaquin Valley

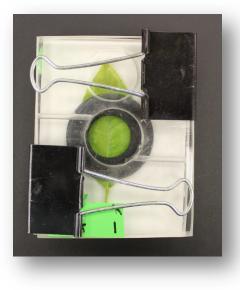


# **Citrus thrips resistance to Delgate**

- Delegate (spinetoram) field rate: 45-56 ppm
  - 6 oz in 200-250 GPA
- 48 hour bioassay of field collected adult thrips
- Discriminating concentration of 1 ppm

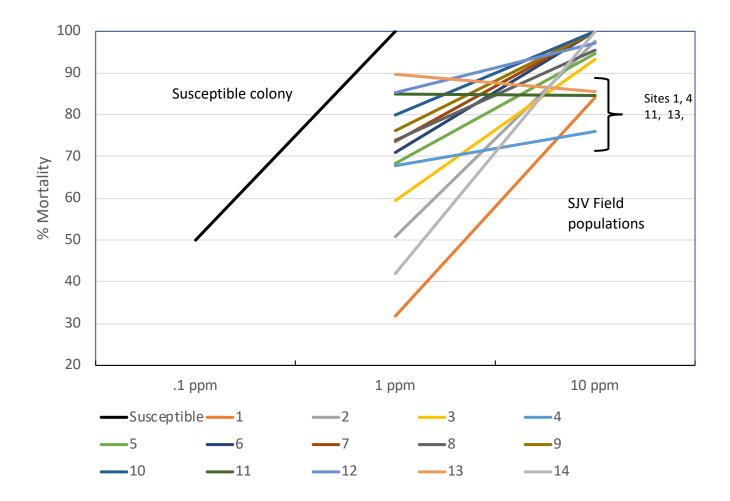






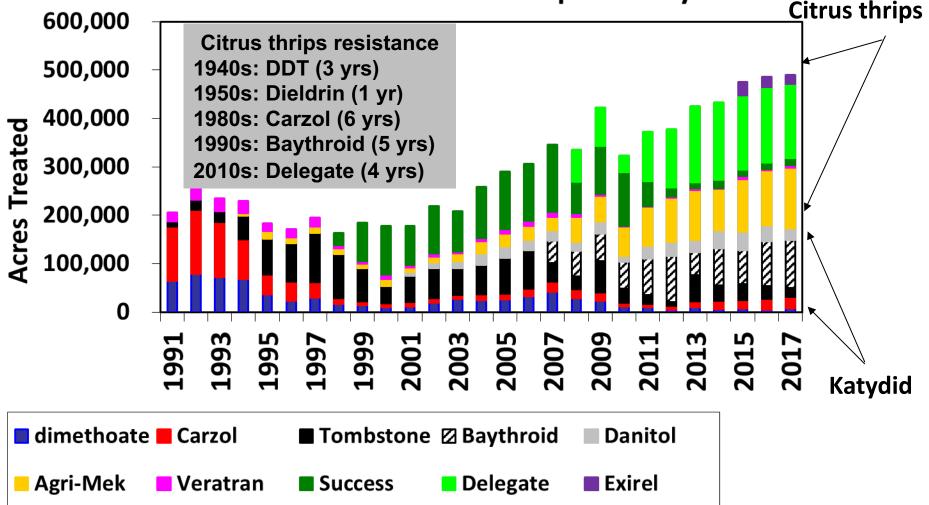
#### 2019 Citrus thrips adult % mortality response to 1 and 10 ppm Delegate

- 14 Field populations are showing 50-90% mortality of 1 ppm (resistance!)
- Sites 1, 4, 11 and 13 are concerning because they show <80% mortality at 10 ppm (High levels!)



Break for Quiz questions

## Insecticides Used for Citrus Thrips & Katydid Control in the San Joaquin Valley



## **Rate of Insecticide Resistance Development**

- are resistance alleles dominant or recessive
- how many genes are involved
- number of generations for pest
- population mobility and interbreeding with susceptible insects
- persistence of pesticide residues
- frequency of treatment\*\*



## **Organophosphate/carbamate resistance history in citrus**

	Citrus thrips (dimethoate, Carzol)	California red scale (Lorsban, Supracide, Sevin)	Citricola scale (Lorsban)
Resistance documented	1980s	199 <b>0</b> s	2000s
Generations per year	7-8	4	1
Mobility	Highly	Crawlers and males	crawlers

## **Can resistance develop to organically approved products?**

**Bacillus thuringiensis (Bt):** leafminer, diamondback moth, beet army worm, European corn borer, Indian meal moth, pink bollworm

Azadirachtin: ??

**Spinosad (Success):** leafminer, diamond back moth, beet army worm, Colorado potato beetle

**Oils:** ??

Sulfur: predatory mites

Pheromones: ??

Pyrethrum: blue tick, house flies

Cryolite: walnut husk fly

The one advantage of organics, is they are so short-lived its not a strong selection pressure. So you see resistance only where they are sprayed very frequently.

### **Cross Resistance**

Within the same chemical class, the insect has a mechanism of resistance that protects it against any chemical in that group, because the pesticide attacks the same point.

Mode of Action Group	Insecticides used for citrus thrips control	
Group 1A/1B Carb/OP acetylcholine esterase inhibitor	Dimethoate, Carzol	
Group 3 pyrethroid Sodium channel modulator	Danitol, Baythroid, Mustang	
Group 4d butenolide Nicotinic acetylcholine receptor agonists	Sivanto	
Group 5 spinosyn Nicotinic acetylcholine receptor allosteric activators	Success, Entrust, Delegate	
Group 6 avermectin chloride channel activators	Agri-Mek and generics	
Group 28 ryanoid Ryanodine receptor modulators	Exirel	
Group ? botanical	Veratran	

## Multiple Resistance (Super bugs)

Insects can use one or more different mechanisms of resistance to protect themselves against many different insecticide classes at the same time

- + Reduced penetration of the cuticle
- + increased enzyme activity
- + reduced nerve sensitivity

Example: Asian citrus psyllid in Florida, treated 9-12 times/yr

	MOA grp 1	MOA grp 3	MOA grp 4
ACP resistance	OPs/Carbamates	Pyrethroids	neonicotinoids



#### Insecticide Mode of Action Classification:

A key to effective insecticide resistance management



Insecticide Resistance Action Committee

#### IRAC website: www.irac-online.org

#### Introduction

IRAC promotes the use of a Mode of Action (MoA) classification of insecticides as the basis for effective and sustainable insecticide resistance management (IRM). Insecticides are allocated to specific groups based on their target site. Reviewed and re-issued periodically, the IRAC MoA classification list provides farmers, growers, advisors, extension staff, consultants and crop protection professionals with a guide to the selection of insecticides or acaricides in IRM programs. Effective IRM of this type preserves the utility and diversity of available insecticides and acaricides. A selection of MoA groups is shown below.



#### Effective IRM strategies: Alternations or sequences of MoA

All effective insecticide (and acaricide) resistance management (IRM) strategies seek to minimise the selection for resistance from any one type of insecticide or acaricide. In practice, alternations, sequences or rotations of compounds from different MoA groups provide sustainable and effective IRM. This ensures that selection from compounds in the same MoA group is minimised. Applications are often arranged into MoA spray windows or blocks that are defined by the stage of crop development and the biology of the pest(s) of concern. Local expert advice should always be followed with regard to spray windows and timings. Several sprays of a compound may be possible within each spray window but it is generally essential to ensure that successive generations of the pest are not treated with compounds from the same MoA group. Metabolic resistance mechanisms may give crossresistance between MoA groups, and where this is known to occur, the above advice must be modified accordingly.

#### Moulting & Metamorphosis

Group 18 Ecdysone agonist / disruptor Diacylhydrazines (e.g. Tebufenozide) Group 7 Juvenile hormone mimics JH analogues, Fenoxycarb, Pyriproxyfen, etc

Cuticle Synthesis

Groups 15 and 16 Inhibitors of

Benzoylureas (Lepidoptera and

others), Buprofezin (Homoptera)

chitin biosynthesis

#### Midgut

Group 11 Microbial disruptors of insect midgut membranes Toxins produced by the bacterium Bacillus thuringiensis (Bt): Bt sprays and Cry proteins expressed in transgenic Bt crop varieties (specific cross-resistance subgroups)

#### Nervous System

Groups 1A & B Acetylcholinesterase (AChE) inhibitors Carbamates and Organophosphates Group 2 GABA-gated chloride channel antagonists Cyclodienes OCs and Phenylpyrazoles (Fiproles) Group 3 Sodium channel modulators DDT, pyrethroids, pyrethrins Group 4A Acetylcholine receptor (nAChR) agonists Neonicotinoids Group 5 nAChR agonists (Allosteric) [not group 4A] Spinosyns Group 6 Chloride channel activators Avermectins, Milbemycins Group 22 Voltage dependent sodium channel blocker Indoxacarb

#### Non-specific MoA

Group 9 Compounds of nonspecific mode of action (selective feeding blockers) Pymetrozine, Flonicamid, etc.



#### Metabolic processes

Group 20 Mitochondrial complex III electron transport inhibitors Acequinocyl, Fluacrypyrim, etc Group 21 Mitochondrial complex I electron transport inhibitors Rotenone, METI acaricides Group 23 Inhibitors of lipid synthesis Tetronic acid derivatives

#### Metabolic Processes

Many groups acting on a wide range of metabolic processes including: Group 12 Inhibitors of oxidative phosphorylation, disruptors of ATP Diafenthiuron & Organotin miticides Group 12 Uncouplers of oxidative phosphorylation via disruption of H proton gradient - Chlorfenapyr

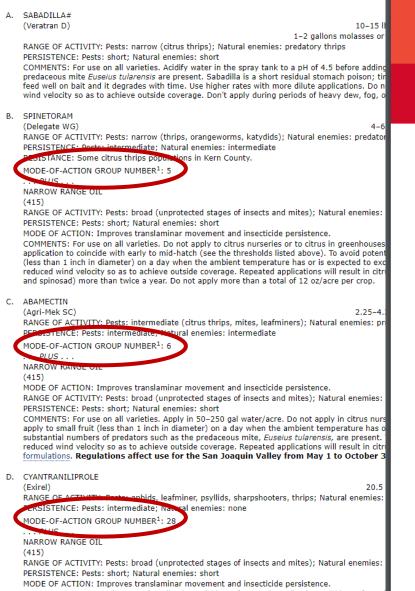


#### Non-specific MoA Group 10 Compounds of non-specific

Group 10 Compounds of non-specific mode of action (mite growth inhibitors) Clofentezine, Hexythiazox, Etoxazole

#### UC IPM Guidelines for Citrus – Mode of action group number

#### SELECTIVE



COMMENTS: Do not make ground applications within 25 feet or air applications within 50 feet of by air in a minimum of 10 gallons/acre.



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IF IN EYES: Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15-20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue rinsing. Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice. For questions regarding emergency medical treatment, you may contact 1-800-441-3637 for information.

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CAUTION! Causes moderate eye irritation. Avoid contact with eyes, skin or clothing. Prolonged or frequently repeated skin contact may cause allergic reactions in some individuals.

#### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Applicators and other handlers must wear:

Long-sleeved shirt and long pants. Chemical resistant gloves Category A (such as butyl rubber, natural rubber, neoprene rubber, or nitrile rubber), all > 14 mils.

Shoes plus socks.

# How can you slow resistance? Practice IPM

## Use pesticides as a last resort

- 1. Keep trees healthy, pruned and watered
- 2. Remove shiners
- 3. Utilize pheromone disruption
- 4. Release natural enemies
- 5. Use soft pesticides to allow natural enemies to survive and assist
- 6. Wait to treat until pests have reached treatment thresholds
- 7. Rotate between chemicals that have different modes of action

