

Introduction to the Emerald Ash Borer *Agrilus planipennis* and the Latest Research



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Federal Government Roles in Forest Invasive Alien Species



 Natural Resources Canada / Ressources naturelles Canada

Natural Resources Canada
Canadian Forest Service


vs.

 Canadian Food Inspection Agency / Agence canadienne d'inspection des aliments

Canadian Food Inspection Agency

Science-Based Policy
Organization

Regulatory Agency
Plant Protection Act

 Emerald Ash Borer Science Committee
(Barry Lyons, CFS-GLFC, Chair)

science-based
advice → **CFIA**

- Biology/ Signs & Symptoms
- Survey/Monitoring (Development of Detection Tools)
- Chemical Control (Systemic Insecticides)
- Biological Control (Parasitoids and Pathogens)

- Quarantines/Regulations
- Outreach/Communications
- Cultural Controls (Sanitation)

Host Range (*Fraxinus* spp.?? – ashes)



China

Fraxinus chinensis var. *chinensis*
F. chinensis var. *rhynchophylla*
F. mandshurica
F. velutina

Japan (*A. planipennis ulmi*)

F. mandshurica var. *japonica*
Juglans mandshurica var. *sieboldiana*
Pterocarya rhoifolia
Ulmus davidiana var. *japonica*

Northeastern North America

F. pennsylvanica – green ash (red ash)
F. nigra – black ash
F. americana – white ash
F. profunda – pumpkin ash
F. quadrangulata – blue ash ???

Europe

F. excelsior – European/common ash





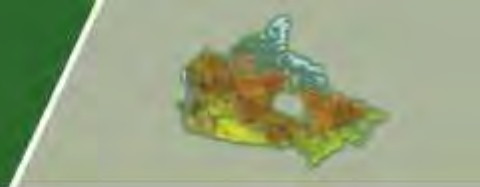


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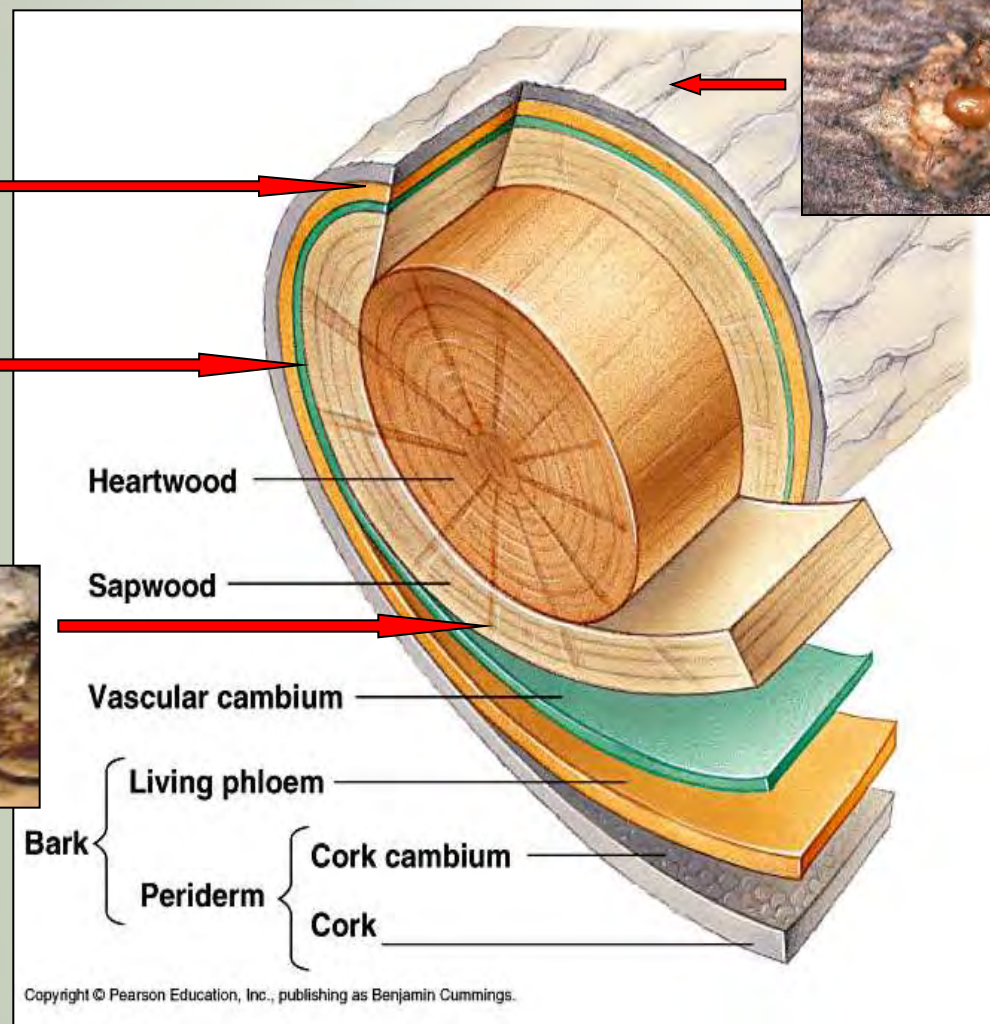
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Life Cycle

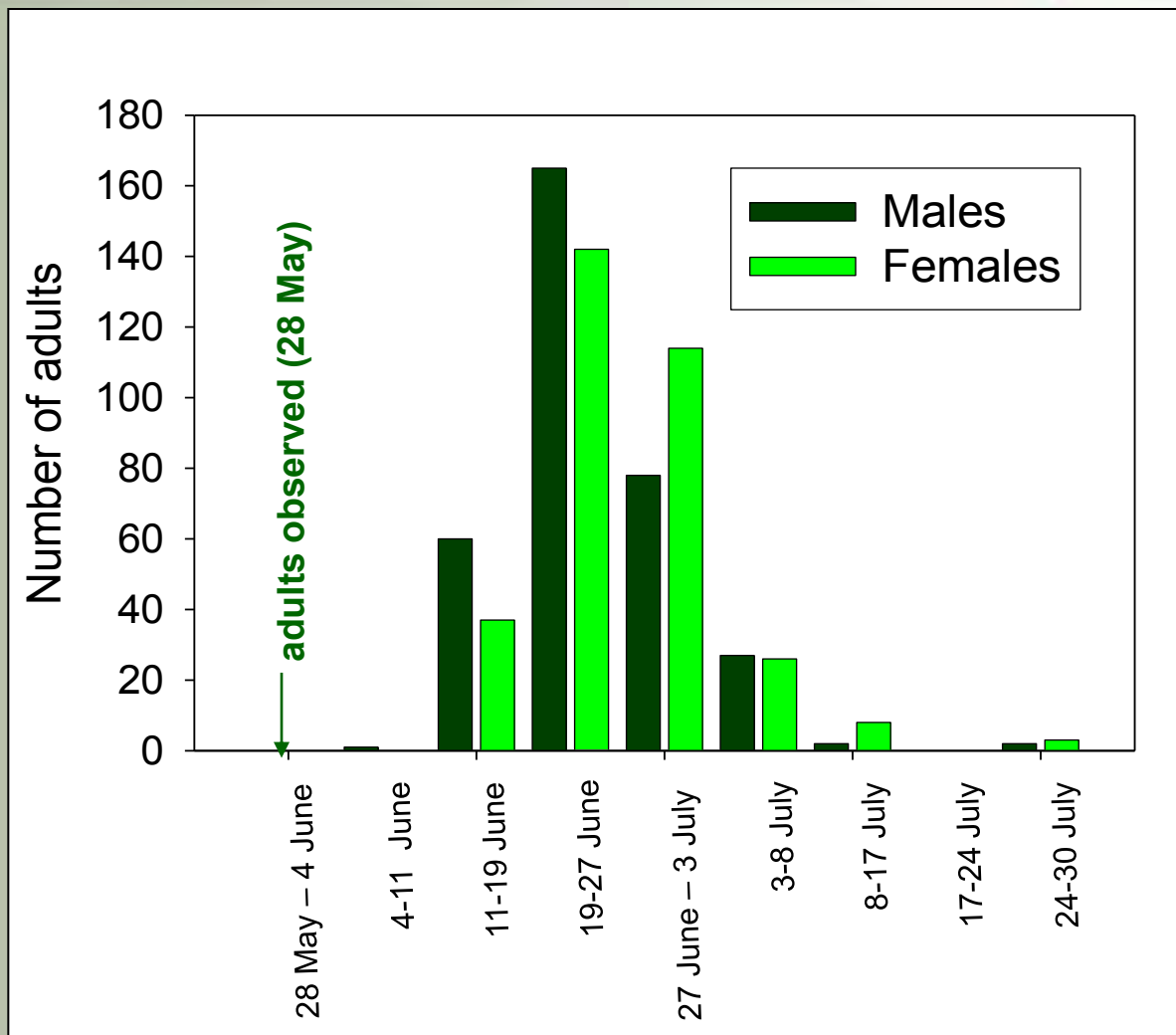




Tree Anatomy



Adult Emergence - 2003



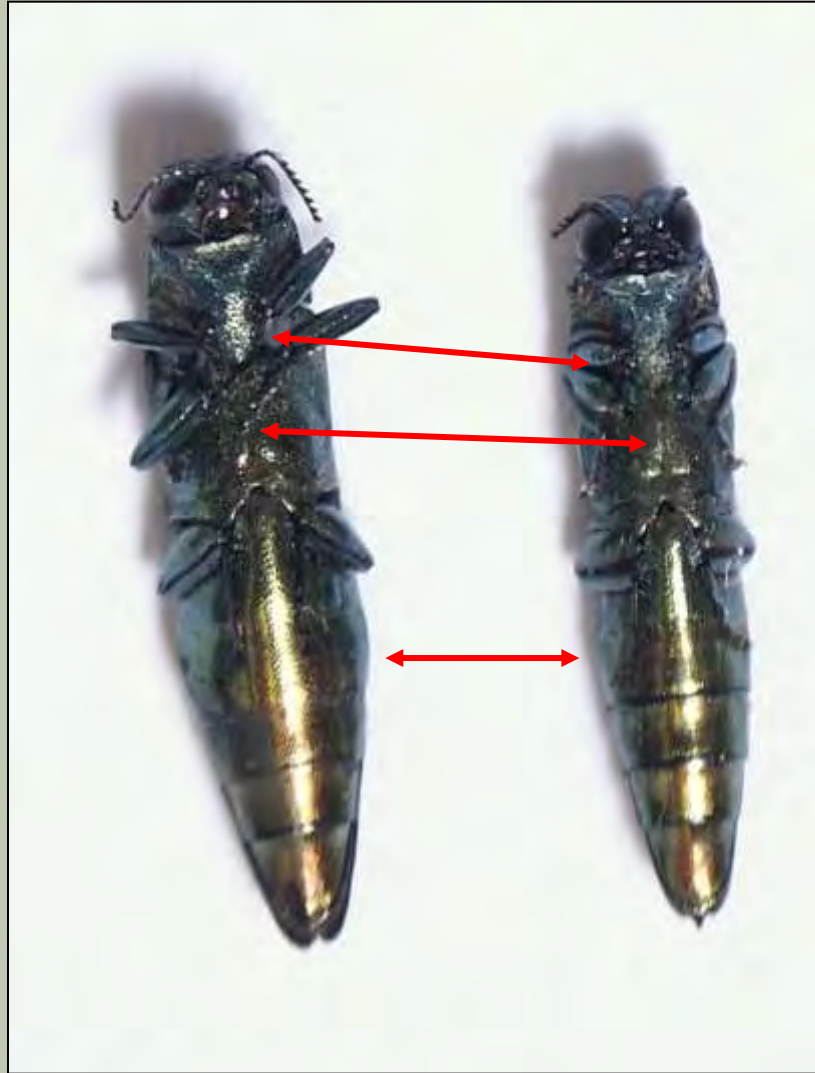


Adult





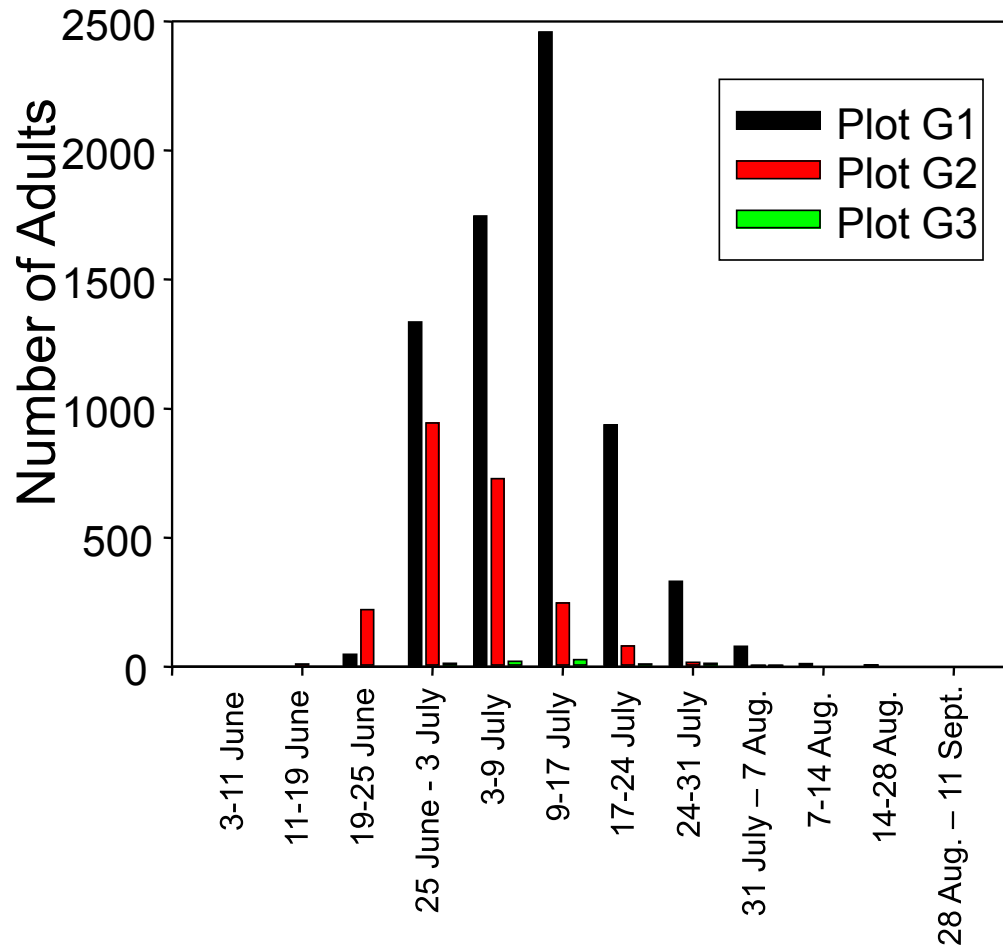
Female



Male



Adult Activity Period – 2003





Eggs (after Yu 1992)

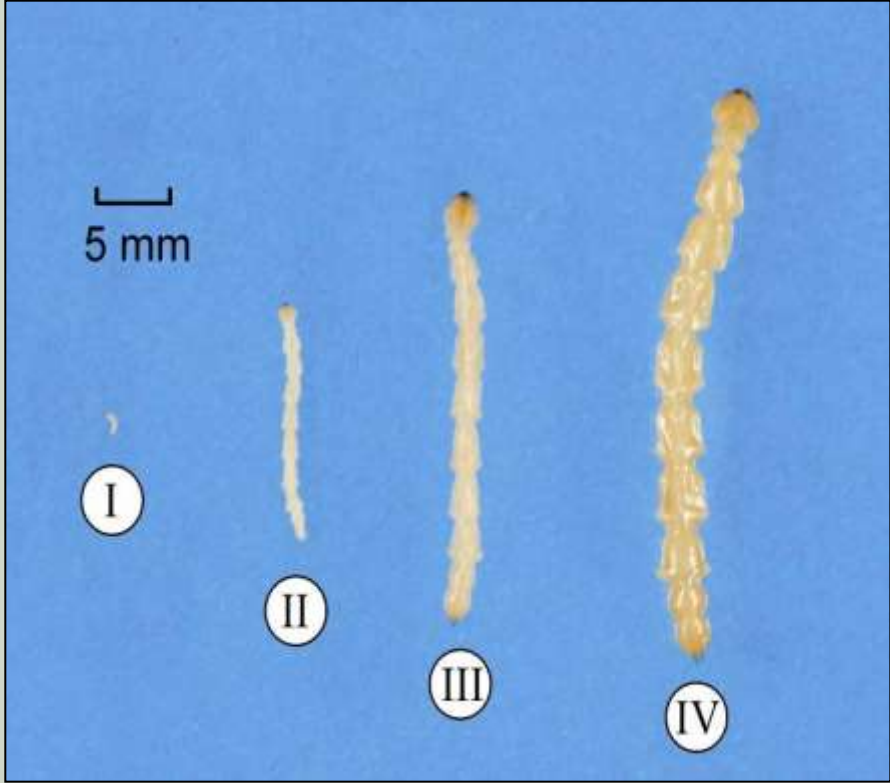
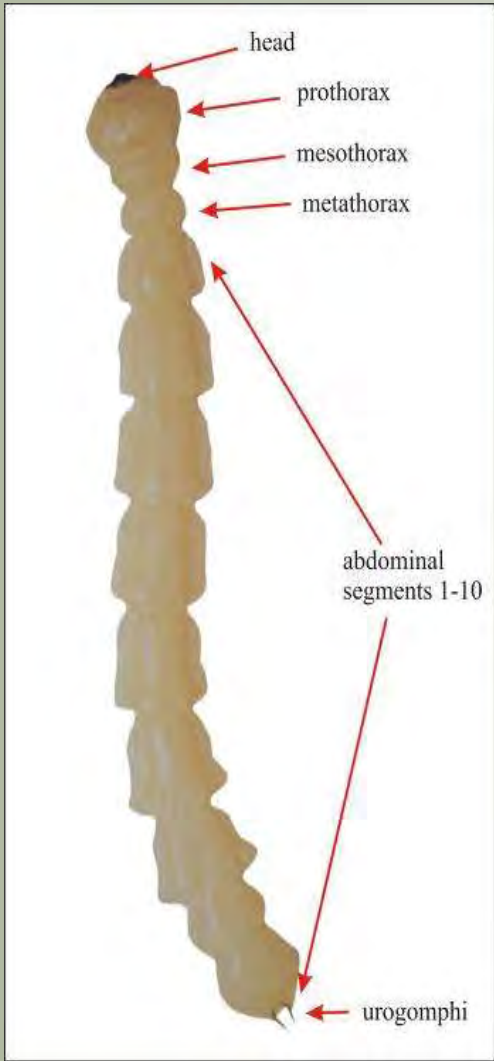
- eggs laid in sunny bark crevices and on the base of the trunk
- only one egg at each site
- cream-colored -> yellowish brown
- oblate, 1.0 by 0.6 mm slightly protruding in center, with reductus (fold) extends radially toward edges

TOO SMALL TO DETECT DURING SURVEY



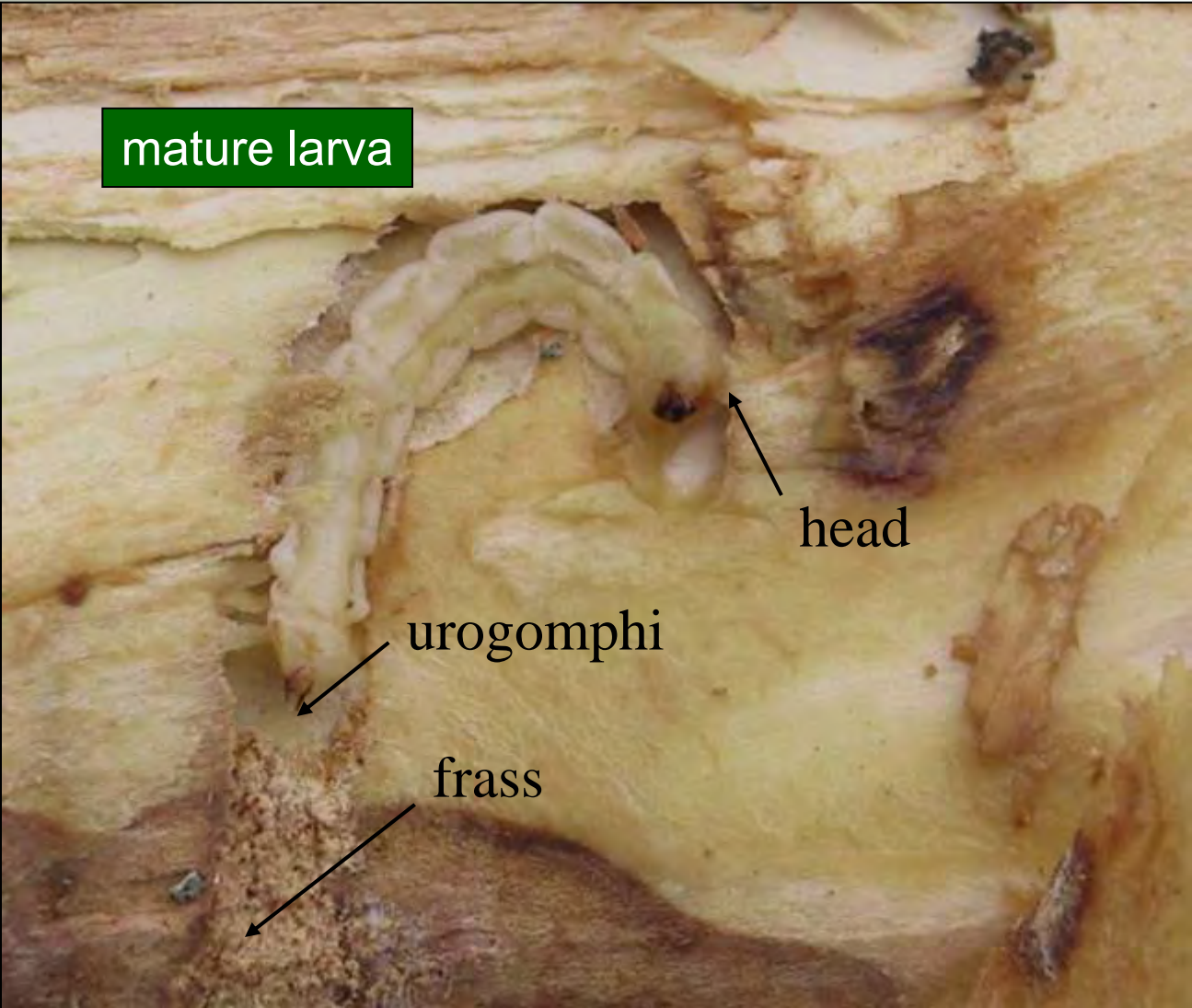


Larva





mature larva



head

urogomphi

frass



Overwintering Stage (n = 2909)

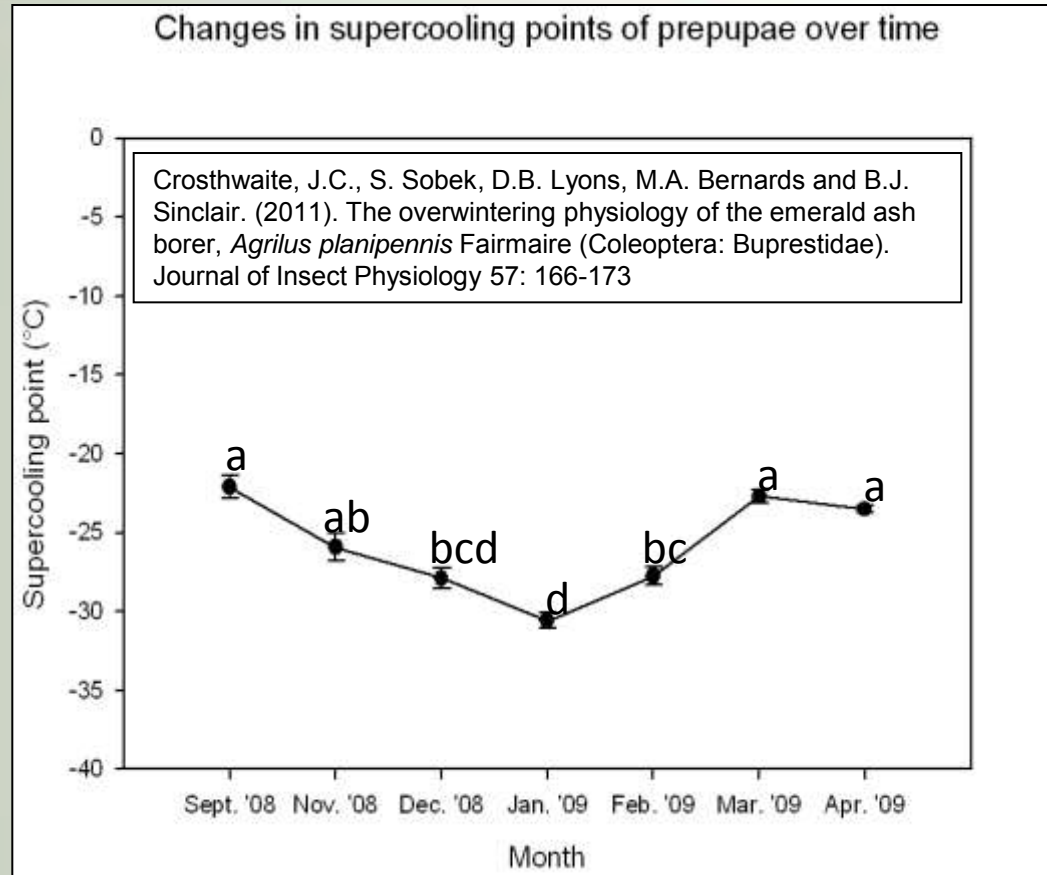
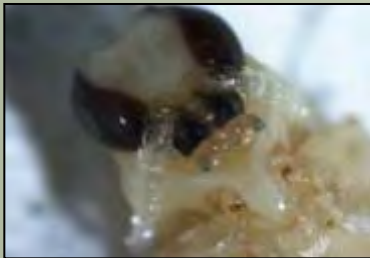


Overwintering Physiology of Emerald Ash Borer

B. Sinclair (UWO) & K. Cuddington (U of W) et al.



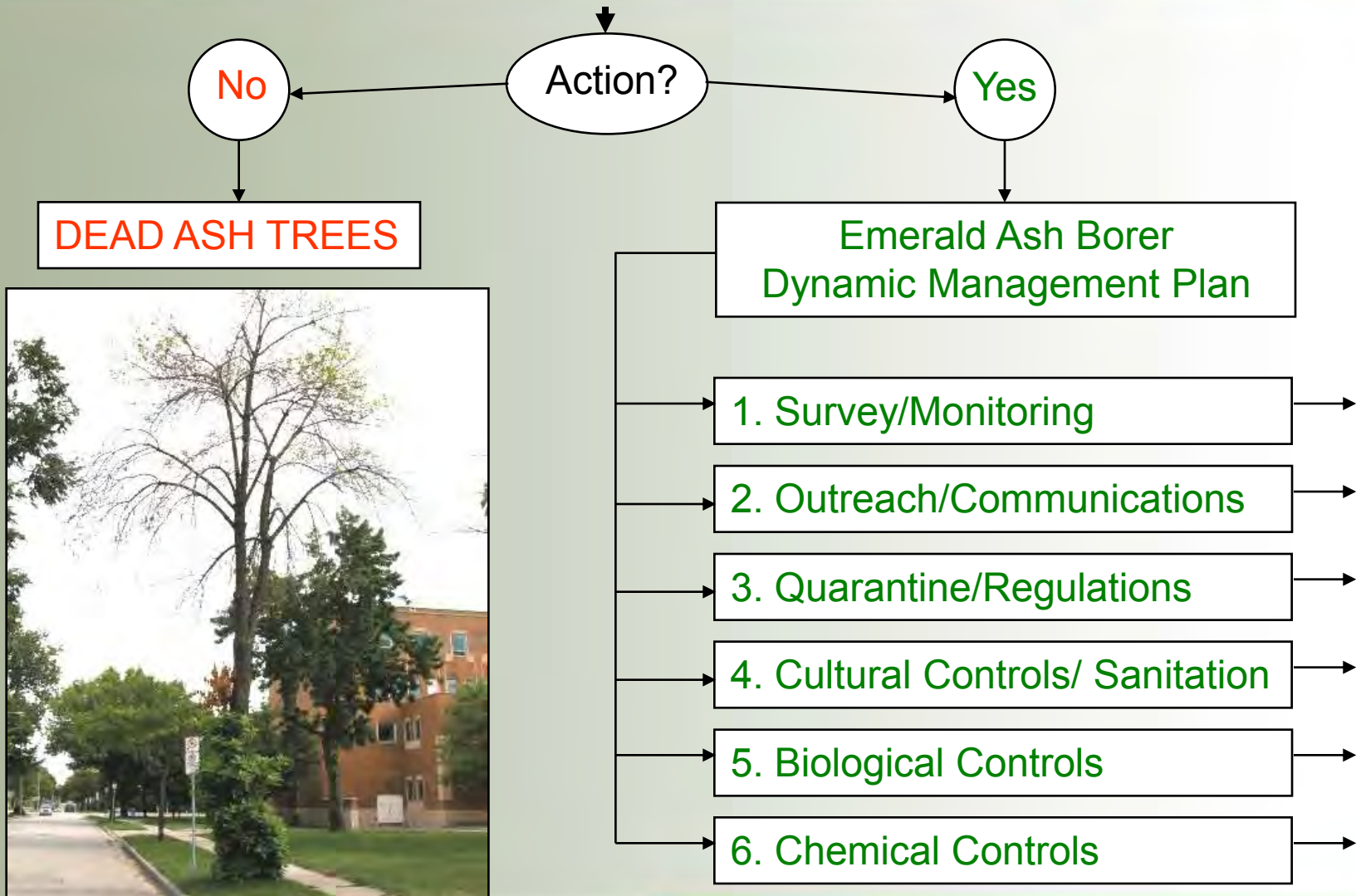
- Freeze-intolerant prepupae
- Extremely low SCPs (-30 °C) in midwinter
- High Conc. Glycerol
- SCP is likely to be lower lethal temperature
- Warm snaps affect ability to supercool
- Decrease in supercooling ability not fully reversible



Sobek, S., J.C. Crosthwaite, D.B. Lyons and B.J. Sinclair. (submitted) Could phenotypic plasticity limit an invasive species? Incomplete reversibility of mid-winter deacclimation in emerald ash borer. *Biological Invasions*



Elements of an Emerald Ash Borer Management Plan







Assessing Canada's Urban Jungle

- A street tree survey to aid in alien species research

J. Pedlar (CFS-GLFC) et al.

Survey Overview

- Most urban centres have thousands of trees within their boundaries
- Our approach surveys only a sample of the trees in an urban centre
- Participants walk a number of routes (0.5 km in length) that have been randomly located throughout their urban centre, identifying trees as they go
- In total, the routes cover about 10% of the total length of roads in each urban centre

The screenshot shows the Natural Resources Canada website for the Urban Tree Survey. The header includes the Canadian flag, the text 'Natural Resources Canada' in both English and French, and the website URL 'www.nrcan-rncan.gc.ca'. A navigation bar contains links for 'Français', 'Home', 'Contact Us', 'Help', 'Search', and 'canada.gc.ca'. The main content area is titled 'Urban Tree Survey' and 'Urban Street Tree Survey - Overview'. It features a sidebar with a 'CFS Home' menu containing links to Overview, Getting Started, Survey Protocol, Routes & Maps, Data Forms, Species Codes, After The Survey, Data Entry, Data Summaries, and Contact. The main text is divided into 'Background' and 'General Approach' sections. The 'Background' section explains the importance of urban forests and the need for data collection. The 'General Approach' section describes the survey methodology, including the use of 0.5 km routes to cover approximately 10% of the total road length in each urban centre.



Results so far...

- numerous surveys carried out by the Ontario Stewardship Rangers this summer
- interest shown by the Ontario Field Naturalists as well
- surveys also carried out by GLFC employees when possible

City	Province	% Ash
Chatham	Ontario	0.6
Bracebridge	Ontario	0.0
Guelph	Ontario	6.3
Huntsville	Ontario	1.5
London	Ontario	3.3
Meaford	Ontario	8.2
Owen Sound	Ontario	6.7
Parry Sound	Ontario	19.8
Porcupine	Ontario	1.7
Sault Ste Marie	Ontario	2.2
Sudbury	Ontario	4.9
Timmins	Ontario	0.4
Bathurst	NB	4.0
Oromocto	NB	0.4
Fredericton	NB	0.0
Moncton	NB	0.1
Mean		3.7

Monitoring - Detection/Delimitation Surveys



- ▶ **Exposed Galleries**
(cracks, windows, peelings)
- ▶ **Bark Deformities**
(stains, cracks, swellings)

visual inspection



- ▶ **Emergence Holes**

- ▶ **Woodpecker Feeding Holes**

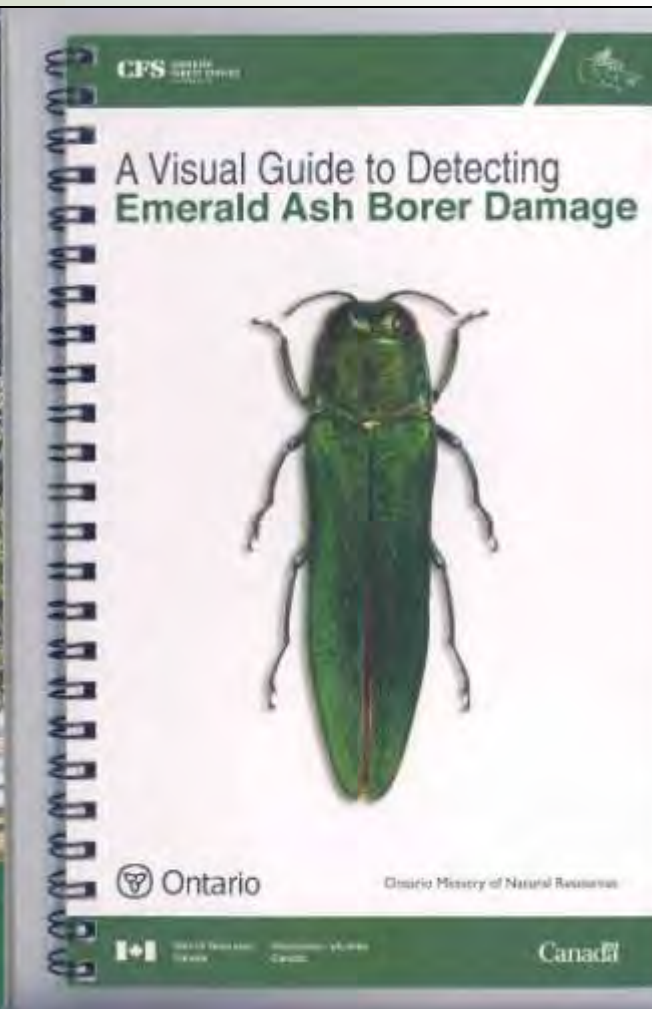
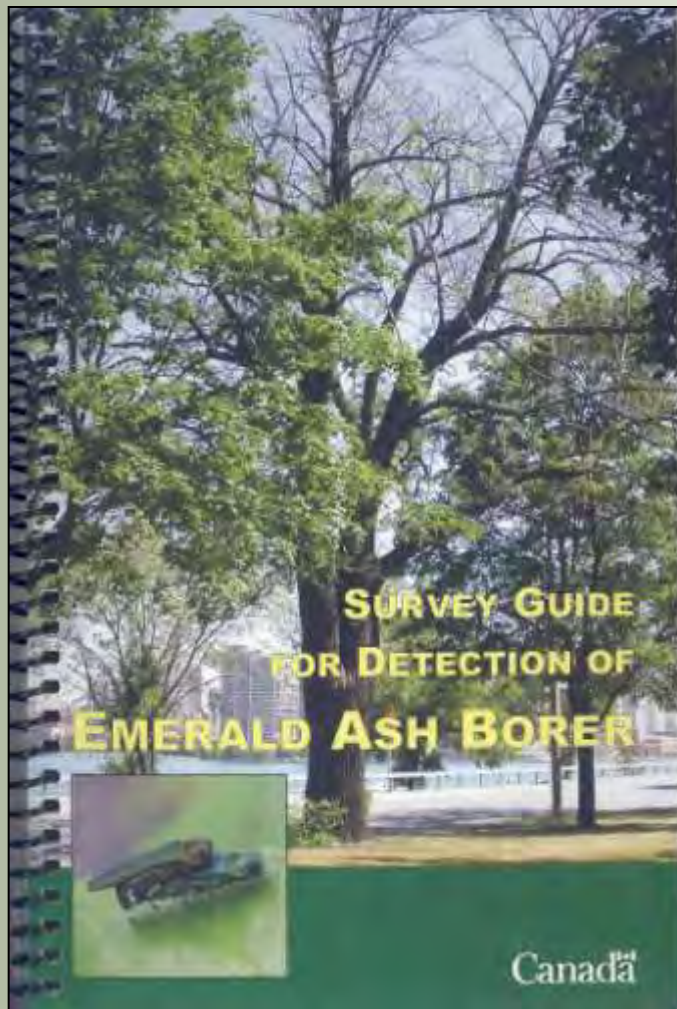
- ▶ **Epicormic Shoots**
(root, bole, crown)



trap tree



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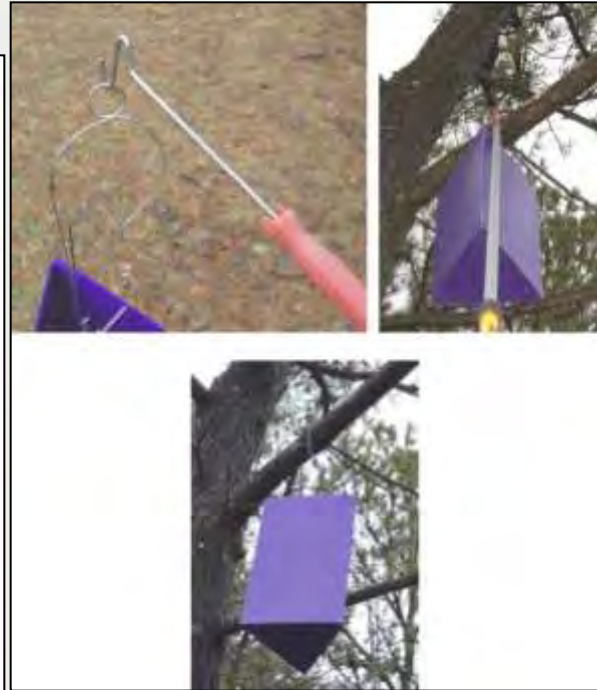
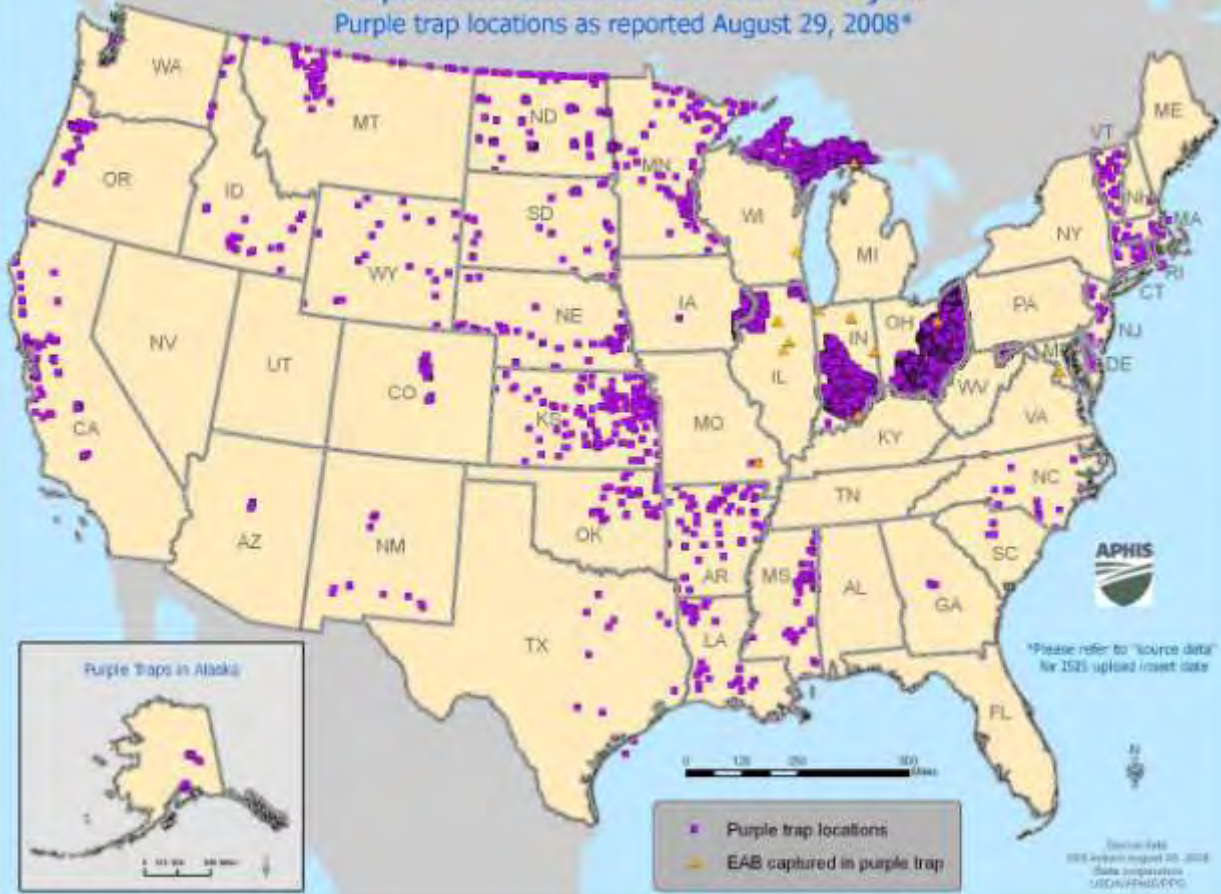
Dispersal Study
(Lyons/Jones)



Monitoring - Detection/Delimitation Surveys



Cooperative Emerald Ash Borer Project
Purple trap locations as reported August 29, 2008*



- 84,000 traps
- 1.5 mile spacing
- manuka oil lures
- 100 mile band

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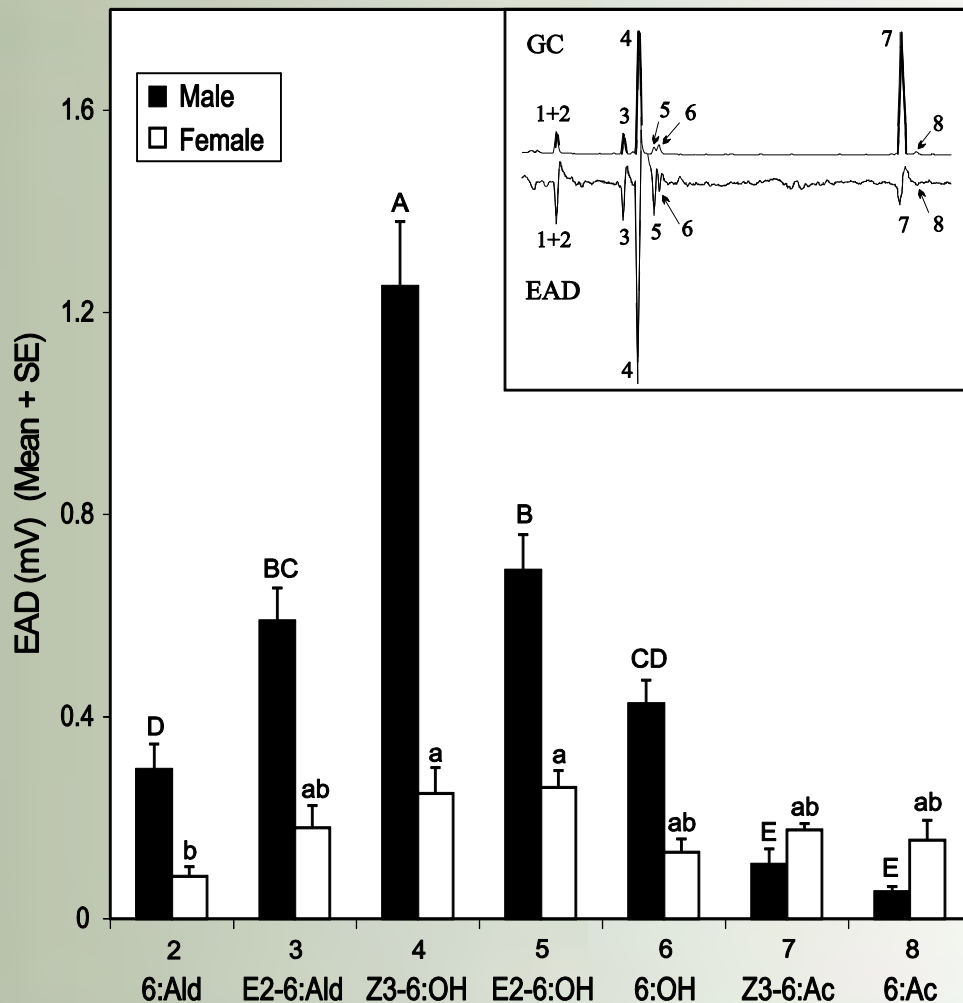
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GC-EAD – G. Grant



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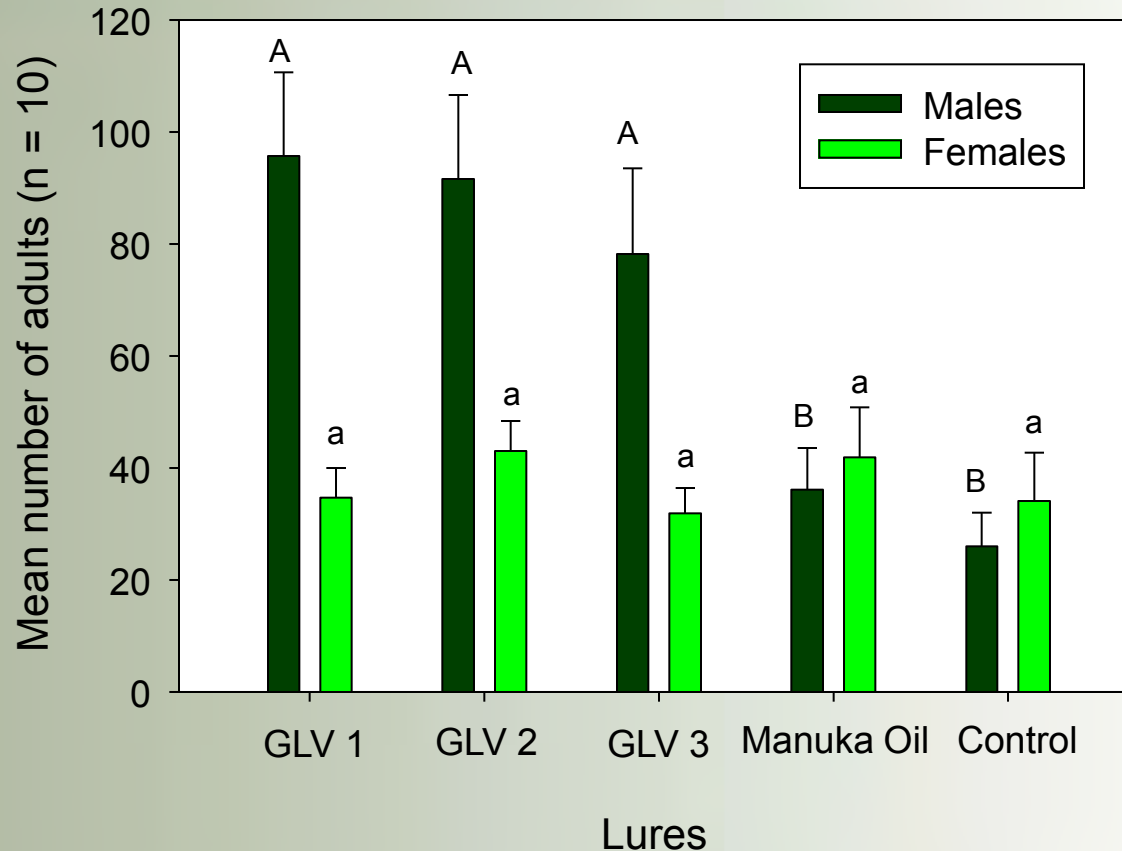


Semiochemical Testing – Grant/Ryall/Silk/Lyons





Experiment G2: Green Canopy Traps

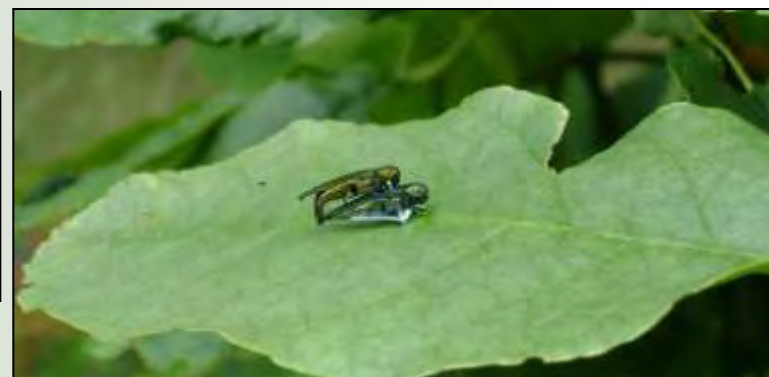


- Grant, G.G. K. L. Ryall, D.B. Lyons and M.A. Abou-Zaid. 2010. Differential response of male and female emerald ash borers (Col., Buprestidae) to (Z)-3-hexenol and manuka oil. *Journal of Applied Entomology* 134: 26-33.
- Grant, G.G., T.M. Poland, T. Ciaramitaro, D.B. Lyons and G.C. Jones. (accepted). Comparison of male and female emerald ash borer (Coleoptera: Buprestidae) responses to phoebe oil and (Z)-3-hexenol lures in light green prism traps. *Journal of Economic Entomology*.



Aspects of the Pheromone Chemistry of the Emerald Ash Borer, *Agrilus planipennis* P. Silk (CFS-AFC) & K. Ryall (CFS-GLFC) et al.

- Difficult to detect early infestation
- Trees asymptomatic for several years
- Need for effective lure to deploy with traps



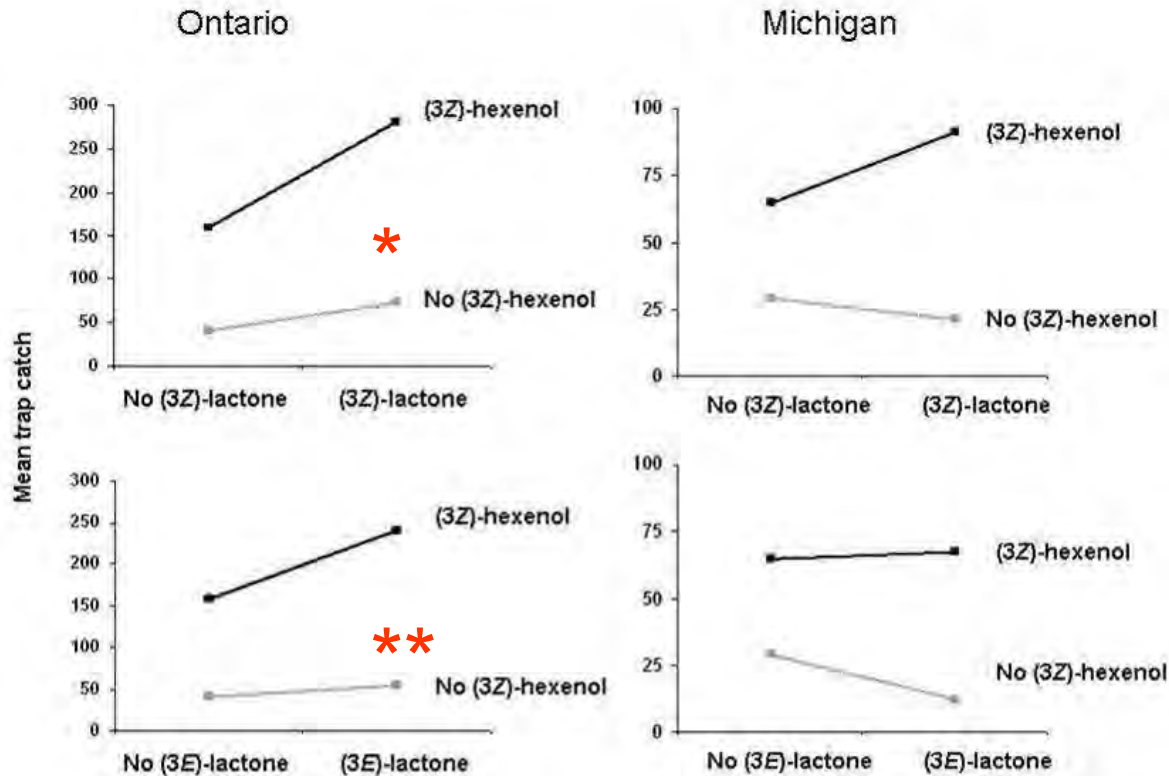
- Improve understanding of the chemical ecology of EAB
- Develop chemical lure for better monitoring and detection tool for EAB
 1. Test female-produced lactone pheromone for biological activity in the field
 2. Identify contact pheromone and test for biological activity in the field

• Silk, P.J., K. Ryall, D.B. Lyons, J. Sweeney and J. Wu. 2009. A contact sex pheromone component of the emerald ash borer *Agrilus planipennis* Fairmaire (Coleoptera: Buprestidae). *Naturwissenschaften* 96: 601-608.

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Hypothesized host volatiles necessary to synergize attraction for EAB males, similar to brown spruce long-horned beetle (Silk et al. 2007)



- * significant increase in male captures with (3Z)-lactone
- ** significant interaction (increase in male captures with (3E)-lactone + (3Z)-hexenol)

• Silk, P.J., K. Ryall, P. Mayo, M.A. Lemay, G. Grant, D. Crook, A. Cossé, I. Fraser, J.D. Sweeney, D.B. Lyons, D. Pitt, T. Scarr and D. MaGee. (internal review). Evidence for a volatile sex pheromone in *Agrilus planipennis* Fairmaire (Coleoptera: Buprestidae) that synergizes attraction to a host foliar volatile.



Monitoring - Detection/Delimitation Surveys



Sampling urban trees for EAB: developing an early-detection

K. Ryall, J. Fidgen and J. Turgeon

- Sample **two** branches per tree
 - open grown, semi-mature tree
 - 20 -50 cm DBH
 - minimum 5-8 cm dia
 - one 50-cm sample per branch
 - from any crown level or aspect
 - Mid crown, south aspect
 - carefully dissect bark

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Forestry Research Applications

Canadian Forest Service - Saskatchewan, Manitoba / Service canadien des forêts - Saskatchewan, Manitoba

Technical Note No. 111

Detection of Emerald Ash Borer in Urban Environments Using Branch Sampling

K. L. Ryall, J. G. Fidgen, J.J. Turgeon

The emerald ash borer (EAB), *Agryus planipennis* Fairmaire (Fig. 1), a non-native insect pest of Asian origin, presently infests large numbers of ash (*Fraxinus* spp.) trees in Ontario and Quebec and could soon spread to other provinces.




Fig. 1. Adult emerald ash borer



Fig. 2. Healthy-looking ash trees with no visible signs or symptoms, but determined to be infested with EAB using branch sampling.

One of the many requirements for effective management of EAB is early detection of infestation, when densities are still low and before signs and symptoms are obvious. Visual surveys rely on external signs and symptoms (e.g., exit holes, larval tunnels seen through cracks in the bark, feeding by woodpecker or squirrels) that may not be noticeable for 2 to 3 or more years after the arrival of the population, particularly if the infestation begins in the upper part of the tree. Early signs based on an attractive bait are the potential to detect EAB adults in an area before signs or symptoms become visible, but may not necessarily provide information on the infestation status of individual trees.

Ryall et al. (2010) sampled many ash trees with no obvious signs or symptoms of EAB attack (Fig. 2) and showed that branch sampling was an effective method of detecting EAB-infested trees; indeed, 74% of the infested trees would have been discovered if the method described below had been used. The purpose of this note is to describe this basic sampling technique.

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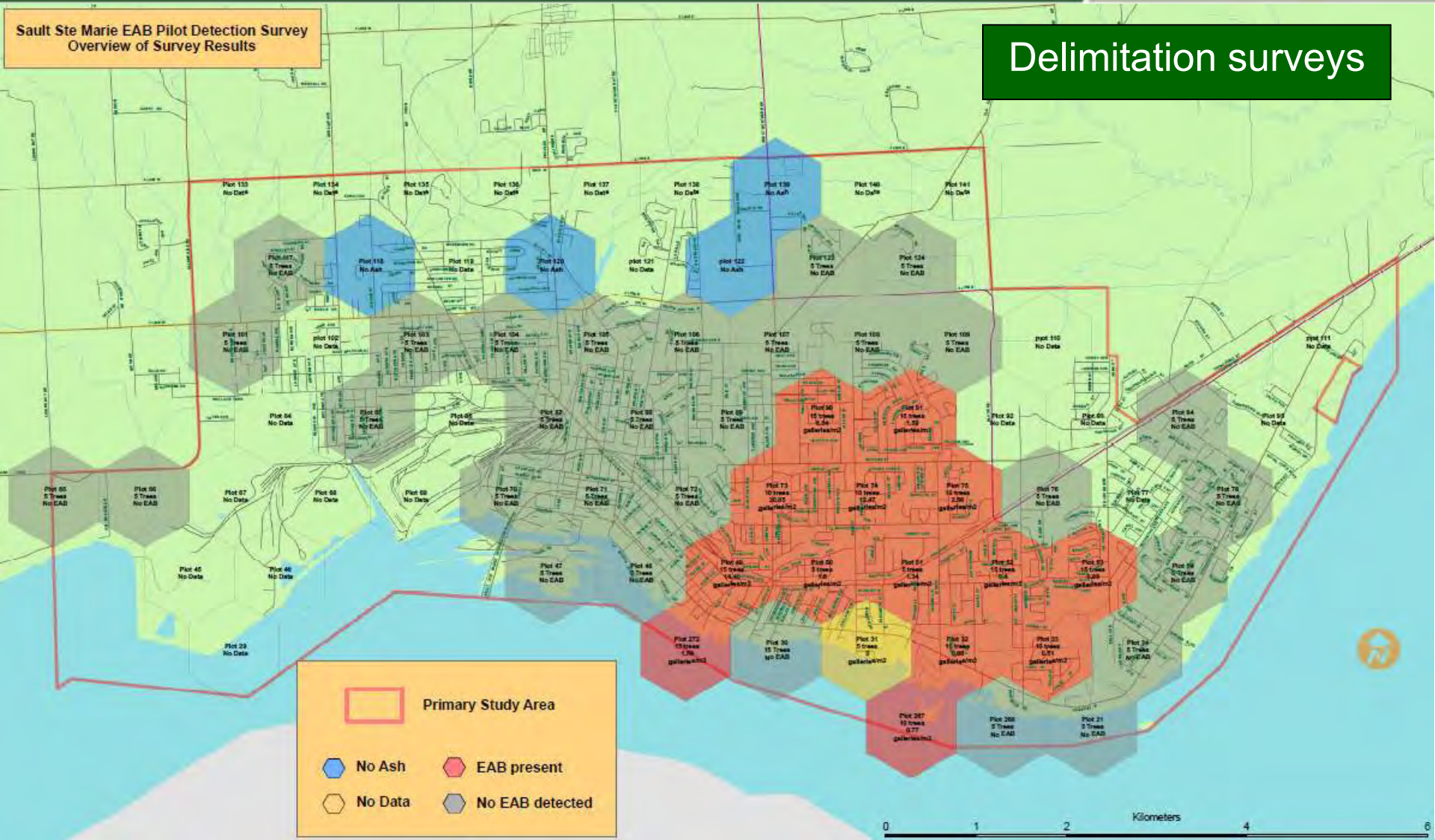
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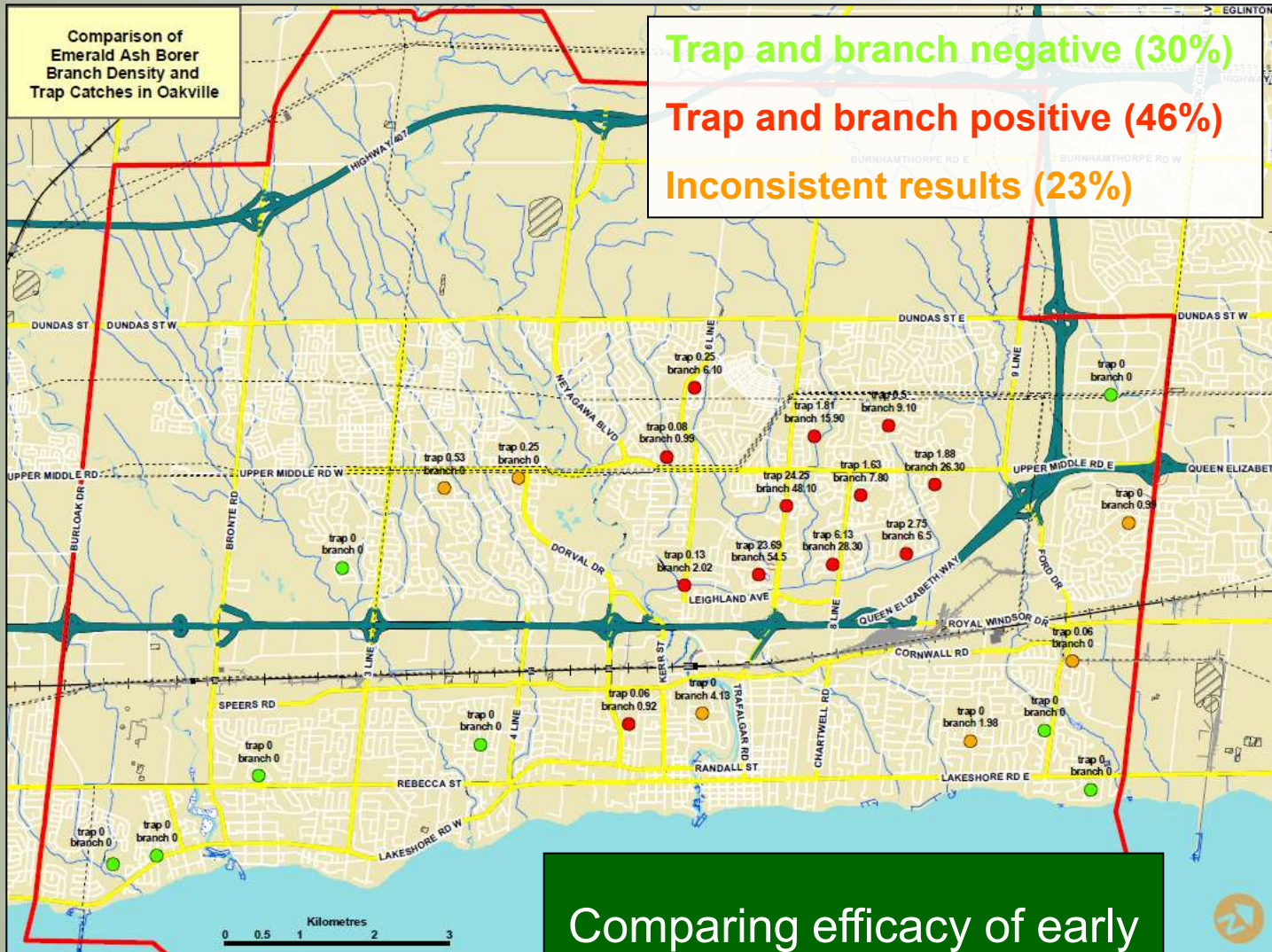
Sault Ste Marie EAB Pilot Detection Survey
Overview of Survey Results

Delimitation surveys



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Comparing efficacy of early detection methods

Chemical Control



Chemical Controls

Foliage/Trunk
Sprays

Product?
Efficacy?
Public Concern?

Systemic Trunk
Injections

Confidor

Ecoprid/
Ecoject System

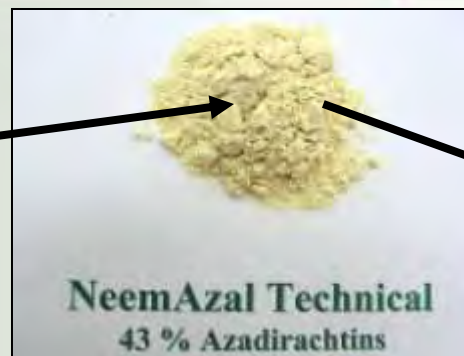
TreeAzin
Ecoject System

ACECAP 97





TreeAzin



- natural product insecticide
- CFS proprietary formulation
- registered in US for organic production on greenhouse and outdoor food crops
- temporary registration of Neemix 4.5 in 2000 for control of sawflies by aerial application
- low risk of impact on non-target organisms
- no bioaccumulation



EcoJect™ System for Pest Management

- Simple to use;
- Minimum exposure risk;
- Light weight;
- Moderate pressure:
 - rapid injection times
 - reduced damage to host.

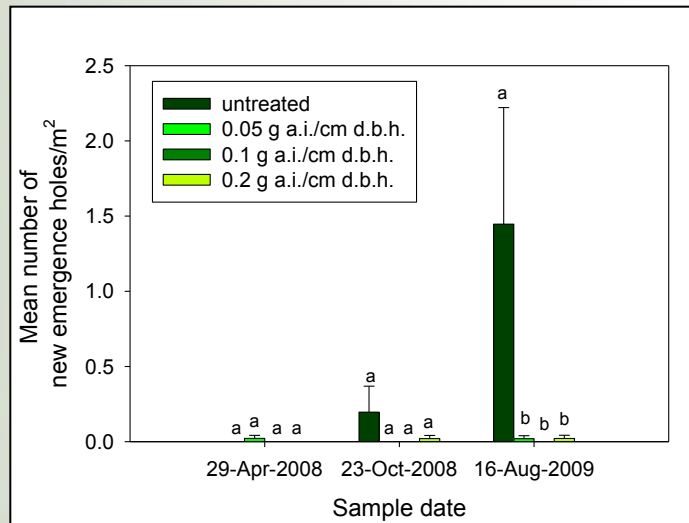


Chemical Control



Dutton, Ontario Service Centre (Hwy 401) - 2007

- three dosages, 0.05, 0.1 and 0.2 g azadirachtin/cm dbh



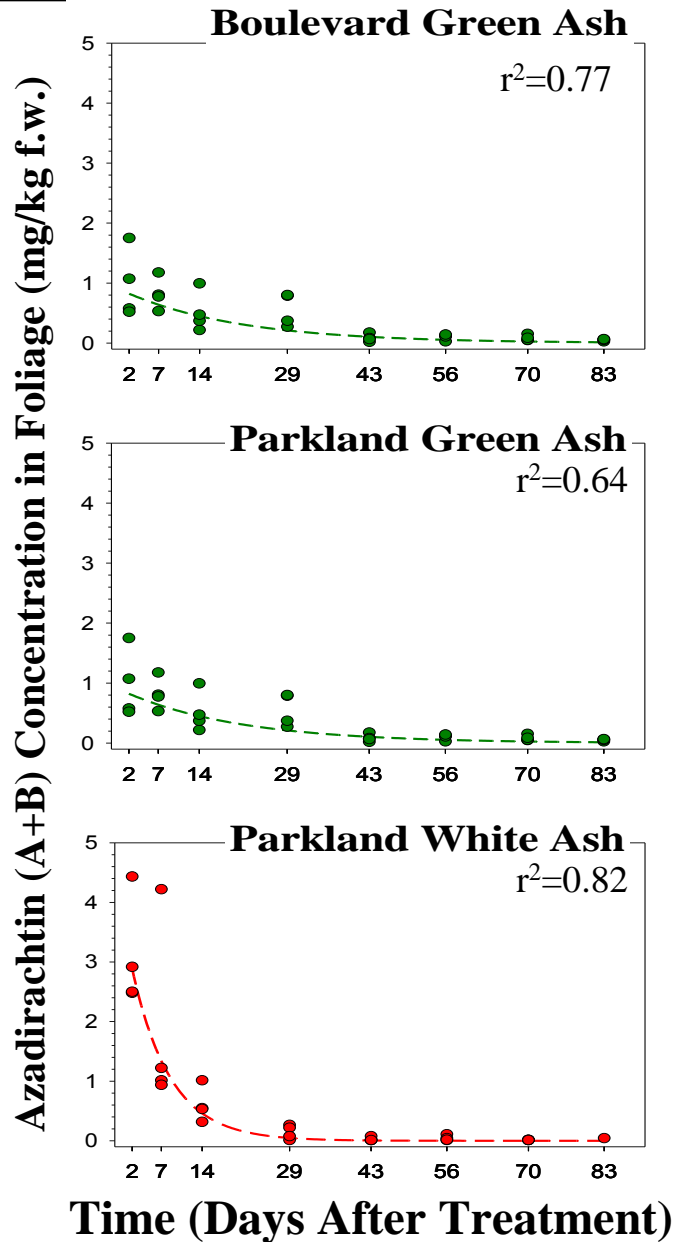


Systemic Insecticides for Control of Emerald Ash Borer D. Thompson (CFS-GLFC) et al.

- London, Ontario
- TreeAzin™ 50 mg/mL or 5% total azadiracthins (A+B)
- Treatment rate = 0.2 g a.i./cm dbh
- Standard protocol
- 4 injection ports per tree
- 8 mL EcoJect cannisters; 8 per tree
- All trees injected June 26, 2007
- Foliage sampling throughout growing season 2, 7, 14, 29, 43, 56, 70 and 83 as well as 365 DAT



Chemical Control



Dissipation

D. Thompson (CFS-GLFC) et al.

- Rapid uptake
- In all cases, foliar residues declined significantly with time ($P < 0.0001$)
- Dissipation via exponential kinetics
- DT_{50} ranged from 5.1 to 12.3 d
- DT_{90} ranged from 15.6 to 44.1 d
- At the time of leaf senescence, foliar residues levels \sim LOQ (0.01 mg/kg f.w.).
- Minimal residues at leaf fall – no non-target effects

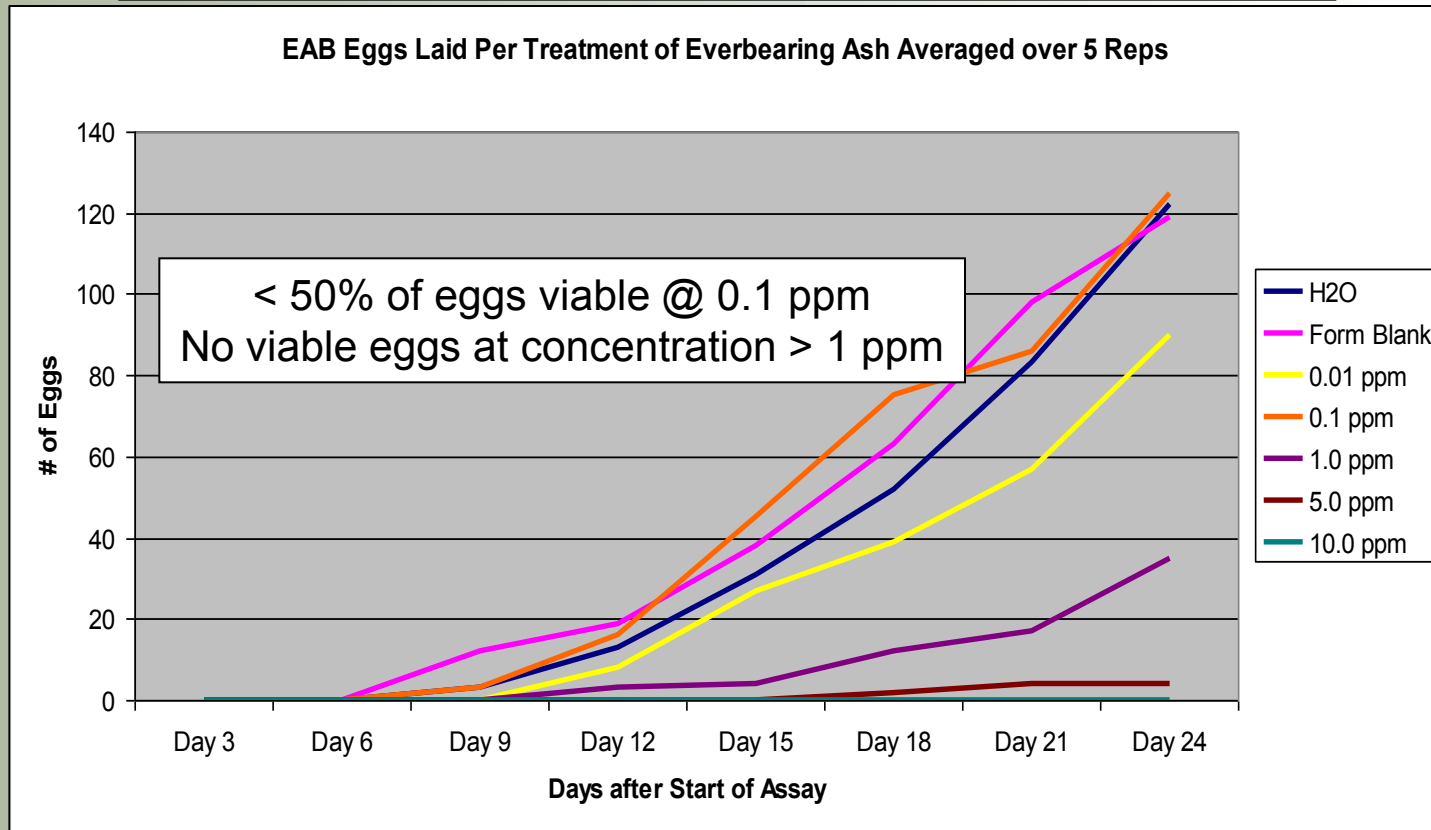
• Grimalt Brea, S., D. Thompson, D. Chartrand, J. McFarlane, B. Helson, J. Meating and T. Scarr (submitted). Foliar residue dynamics of azadirachtins following direct stem injection into white and green ash trees for control of emerald ash borer. Pest Management Science





Fecundity Effects - Dose Response

D. Thompson (CFS-GLFC) et al.



Double whammy effect – may explain two year protection

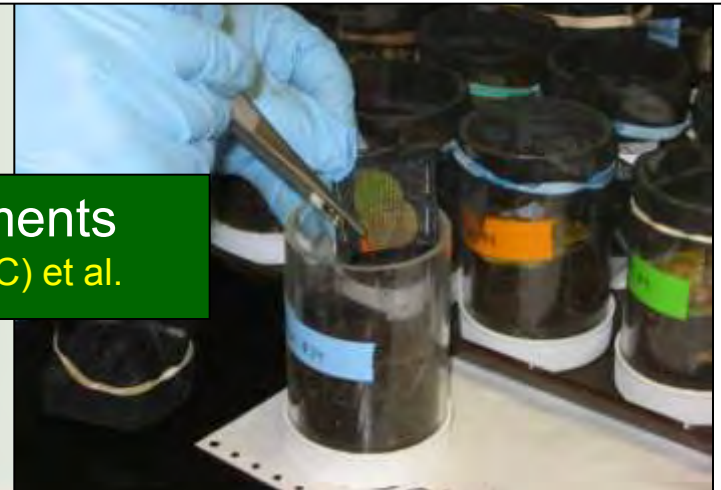


- Assess risk of non-target impacts from systemic insecticides
- Imidacloprid, at realistic concentrations, likely to inhibit leaf litter breakdown processes
- Negative implications for organic matter processing, nutrient cycling
- Know these risks; use accordingly
- Azadirachtin (TreeAzin): not so....

Ecological Impacts...



Microcosm experiments
D. Kreuzweiser (CFS-GLFC) et al.





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FOR EMERGENCY USE ONLY

For sale and use in Ontario and Québec for management of emerald ash borer in ash trees until August 31, 2010.

TREEAZIN SYSTEMIC INSECTICIDE

A solution containing azadirachtin for tree injections

Commercial

Registration number: 28929 Pest Control Products Act

BioForest Technologies Inc.
105 Bruce St.
Sault Ste. Marie, ON
P6A 2X6

KEEP OUT OF THE REACH OF CHILDREN

READ THIS LABEL BEFORE USING

Net contents: 1 or 2 litres

Concentration: Azadirachtin: 50 grams per litre (5% by weight or volume)

POTENTIAL SKIN SENSITIZER

IRRITANT TO EYES AND SKIN.

CAUTION

POISON

Product Information
Label (pages 1 & 2/5)

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

This formulation is to be used only with the EcoJectSM System for tree injections against emerald ash borer (*Acantholyda planipennis* Fairmaire) in ash (*Fraxinus*) trees.

The maximum application rate is 5 mL TreeAzin per centimeter diameter of the tree at breast height (dbh). Apply TreeAzin (undiluted) using the EcoJectSM System. Apply into drilled holes every 15 cm of tree circumference at a height between 15 cm and 30 cm above ground level on the trunk of each tree. One application per tree between May 15 and August 31, 2010.

Inject 2 mL TreeAzin per cm dbh when being used as a prophylactic or early therapeutic treatment in trees up to about 30 cm dbh. In larger trees or heavily attacked trees, inject up to 5 mL per cm dbh. Seal drilled holes after treatment.

DO NOT apply by air.

DO NOT contaminate irrigation or drinking water supplies or aquatic habitats by cleaning of equipment or disposal of wastes.

PRECAUTIONS

Potential skin sensitizer.

Harmful if swallowed or absorbed through skin. Do not swallow.

May irritate eyes and skin. Avoid contact to the eyes and skin or on clothing.

Practice good personal hygiene. At all times when handling TreeAzin plan events in such a way as to minimize personal exposure. Lather wash stations with an adequate supply of fresh water on work vehicles. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling and before eating or smoking. Bathe or take a hot shower using plenty of soap after working with TreeAzin.

Wear long-sleeved shirt and long pants, or coveralls over short sleeves and short pants, chemical-resistant gloves and goggles or a face shield during handling, loading, application, removal, clean-up and repair of product and injection equipment. Entry to treated areas by bystanders is restricted until all insecticide is injected into the trees and drilled holes are sealed.

Physical and Chemical Hazards

Flammable. Do not use in close heat or open flame.

TreeAzin received an Emergency Registration in 2008, 2009 and 2010



6. Chemical Control – ACECAP 97



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ACECAP® 97 SYSTEMIC INSECTICIDE IMPLANTS

FOR CONTROL OF CERTAIN DESTRUCTIVE PESTS OF ORNAMENTAL AND FOREST TREES

SYSTEMIC INSECT CONTROL FOR TREES

GUARANTEE:
Acephate (O,S-dimethyl acetylphosphoramidophosphate) 0.773g/implant cartridge

DANGER POISON



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KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN
SEE ADDITIONAL PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

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SITE	PEST	RATE (a.i.)	APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS AND LIMITATIONS
ASH	Emerald Ash Borer	773 mg/cartridge 1 cartridge per 10-16 cm	Preventative treatment should be made by applying implants early April – early June. Treatment reduces populations of Emerald Ash Borer larvae and the damage they cause, but may not provide control of this pest.
		773 mg/cartridge 1 cartridge per 10-16 cm	Apply in early spring prior to larvae feeding.
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		773 mg/cartridge 1 cartridge per 10-16 cm	Apply when wingless forms are first noticed.
		773 mg/cartridge 1 cartridge per 10-16 cm	Apply when sexually first appear.
ELM	Aphids (Woolly)	773 mg/cartridge 1 cartridge per 10-16 cm	Apply only when heavy production of aphid wax (material becomes visible).
		773 mg/cartridge 1 cartridge per 10-16 cm	Apply on eggs and hatching, or when larvae are first noticed.
		773 mg/cartridge 1 cartridge per 10-16 cm	Apply in early spring prior to larvae feeding.
FIR	Spruce Conesawyer Western Spruce Barkbeetle	773 mg/cartridge 1 cartridge per 10-16 cm	Apply immediately prior to or at budbreak.
		773 mg/cartridge 1 cartridge per 10-16 cm	Apply when spruce first appear.
HICKORY	Elm Spanworm	773 mg/cartridge 1 cartridge per 10-16 cm	Apply in early spring prior to larvae feeding.

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NO MIXING, MEASURING, OR SPRAYING REQUIRED

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SYSTEMIC INSECTICIDE

FOR CONTROL OF CERTAIN DESTRUCTIVE PESTS OF ORNAMENTAL AND FOREST TREES

10 IMPLANTS WILL EFFECTIVELY TREAT 10 CM OF TREE TRUNK

EMERALD ASH BORER

IDEAL FOR LARGE TREES

DELIVERED BY THE TREE'S OWN SAP

EASY TO INSTALL

KILLS DESTRUCTIVE INSECTS

Production Lot No.

CAUTION
READ LABEL BEFORE USING. SEE BACK PANEL FOR ADDITIONAL PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS.

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

Chemical Control – United States

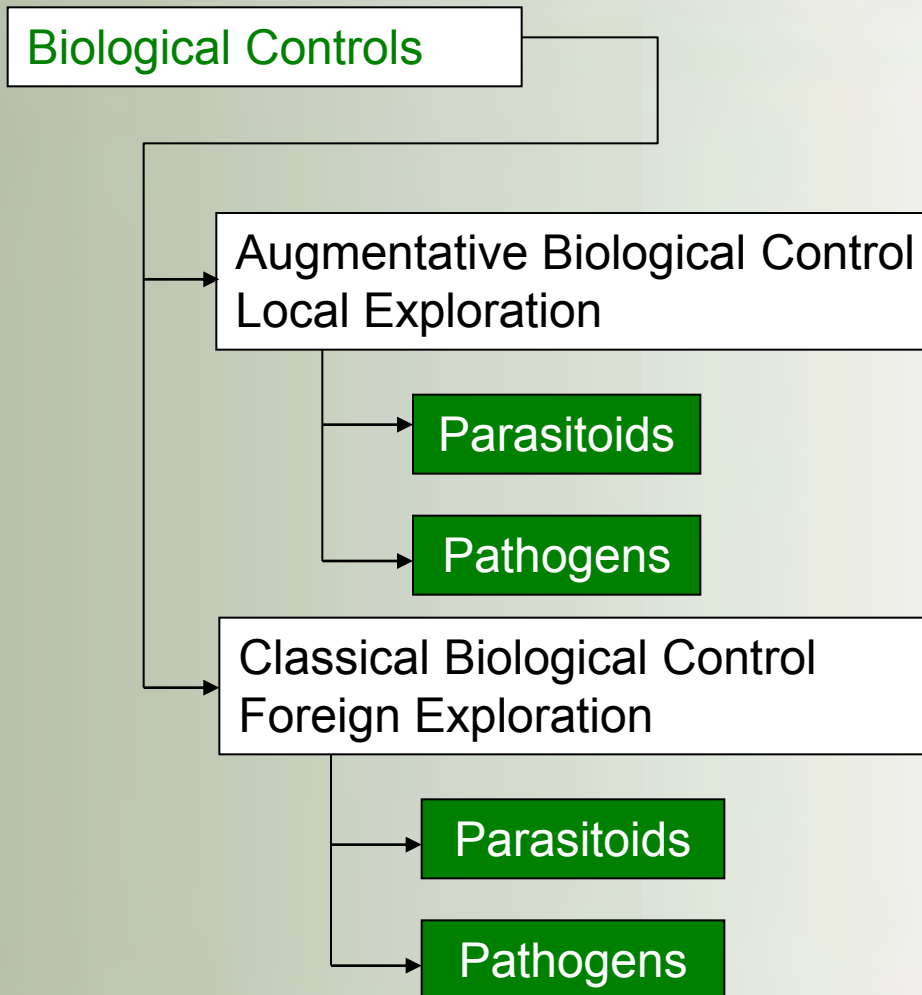


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Insecticide Formulation	Active Ingredient	Application Method	Recommended Timing
<i>Professional Use Products</i>			
Merit [®] (75WP, 75WSP, 2F)	Imidacloprid	Soil injection or drench	Mid-fall and/or mid- to late spring
Xylect [™] (2F, 75WSP)	Imidacloprid	Soil injection or drench	Mid-fall and/or mid- to late spring
IMA-jet [®]	Imidacloprid	Trunk injection	Early May to mid-June
Imicide [®]	Imidacloprid	Trunk injection	Early May to mid-June
Pointer [™]	Imidacloprid	Trunk injection	Early May to mid-June
TREE-äge [™]	Emamectin benzoate	Trunk injection	Early May to mid-June
Inject-A-Cide B [®]	Bidrin [®]	Trunk injection	Early May to mid-June
Safari [™] (20 SG)	Dinotefuran	Systemic bark spray	Early May to mid-June
Astro [®]	Permethrin	Preventive bark and foliage cover sprays	2 applications at 4-week intervals; first spray should occur when black locust is blooming (early May in southern Ohio to early June in mid-Michigan)
Onyx [™]	Bifenthrin		
Tempo [®]	Cyfluthrin		
Sevin [®] SL	Carbaryl		
<i>Homeowner Formulation</i>			
Bayer Advanced [™] Tree & Shrub Insect Control	Imidacloprid	Soil drench	Mid-fall or mid- to late spring



Biological Control



Classic Biocontrol/Foreign Exploration USDA-FS and USDA-APHIS



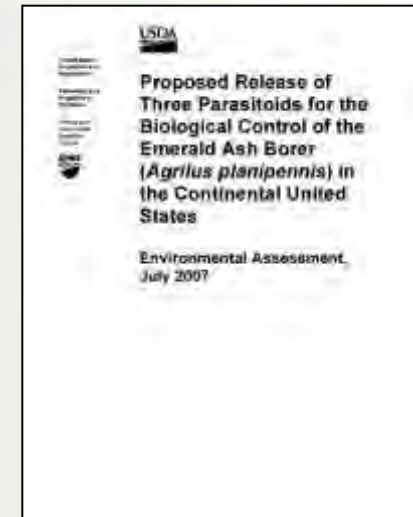
Spathius agrili Yang
(Hymenoptera: Braconidae)



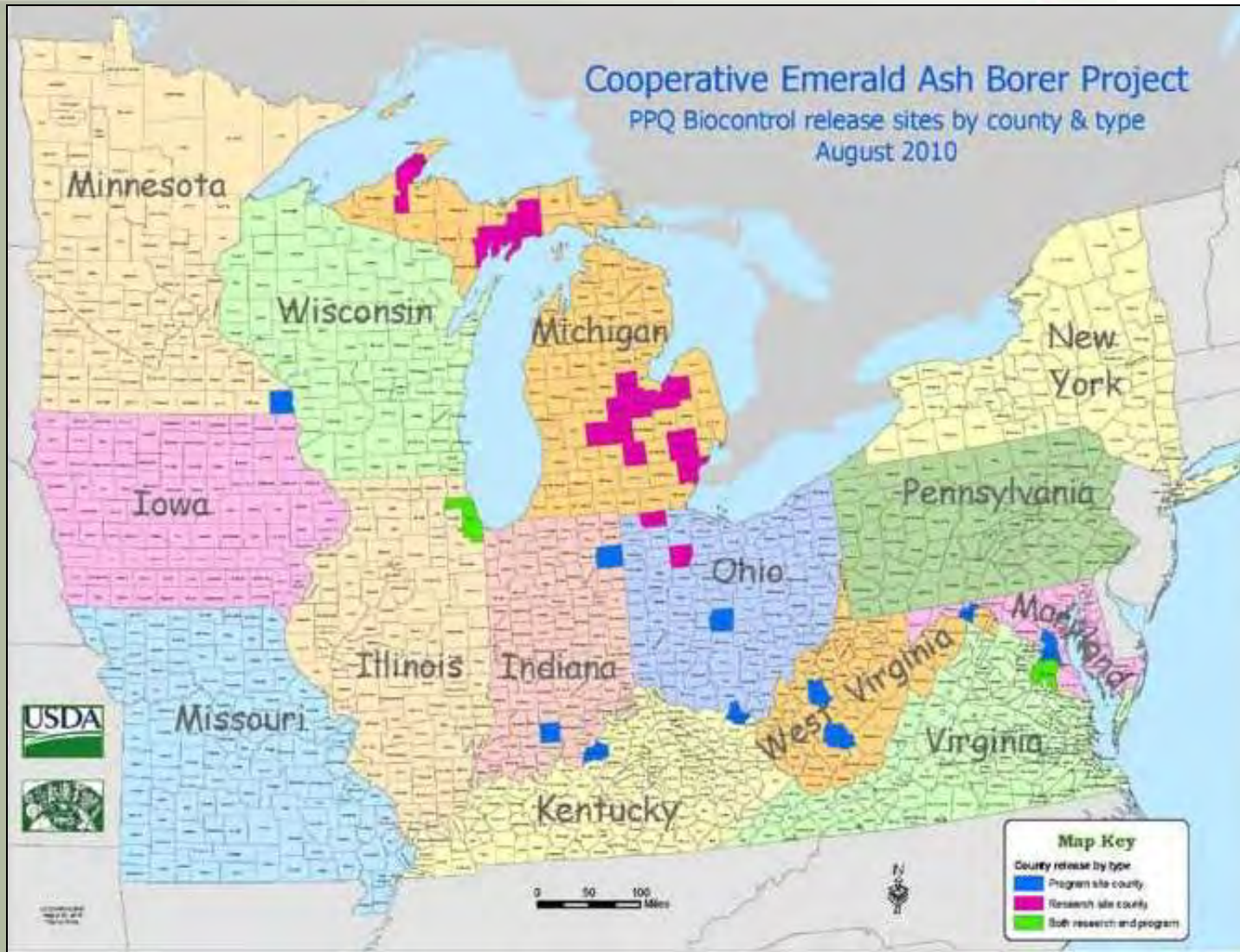
Tetrastichus planipennisi Yang
(Hymenoptera: Eulophidae)



Oobius agrili Zhang and Huang
(Hymenoptera: Encyrtidae)



Classic Biocontrol/Foreign Exploration





Surveys for EAB Natural Enemies in Michigan

(Liu *et al.* 2003)

Larval/Pupal Parasitoids (0.7% parasitism)

Spathius simillimus Ashmead (Braconidae) (= *S. floridanus* Ashmead?)

Heterospilus sp. (Braconidae)

Phasgonophora sulcata Westwood (Chalcididae)

Balcha sp. (Eupelmidae) (= *B. indica* Mani & Kaul) – exotic species

Eupelmus sp. (Eupelmidae)

Egg Parasitoid (>6000 eggs reared – remains only)

Liu, H., L. S. Bauer, R. Gao, T. Zhao, T. R. Petrice, and R. A. Haack. 2003. Exploratory survey for the emerald ash borer, *Agrilus planipennis* (Coleoptera: Buprestidae), and its natural enemies in China. *The Great Lakes Entomologist* 36: 191-204.



Parasitoids of EAB in western Pennsylvania (Duan *et al.* 2009)

Species	No. of Individuals	Relative abundance (%)	Parasitism† (%)
<i>Balcha indica</i> (Eupelmidae)	32	82.0	2.9
<i>Eupelmus pini</i> (Eupelmidae)	1	2.6	0.1
<i>Dolichomitus vitticrus</i> (Ichneumonidae)‡	2	5.1	0.2
<i>Orthizema</i> sp. (Ichneumonidae)‡	1	2.6	0.1
<i>Cubocephalus</i> sp. (Ichneumonidae)‡	3	7.7	0.3

† 1091 EAB

‡ could not be associated with EAB life stages

- only female *B. indica* observed, associated with larval, prepupal and pupal remains
- both eupelmids successfully reared on late instar larvae, prepupae and pupae
- both reproduced via thelytokous parthenogenesis

Duan, J. J., R. W. Fuester, J. Wildonger, P. B. Taylor, S. Barth, and S. E. Spichiger. 2009. Parasitoids attacking the emerald ash borer (Coleoptera: Buprestidae) in western Pennsylvania. *Florida Entomologist* 92: 588-592.





Leluthia astigma (Ashmead) (Hymenoptera: Braconidae: Doryctinae) (Kula *et al.* 2010)

- Delaware Co., Ohio
- 2567 EAB larvae/prepupae were found – 45 parasitoid cocoons, 10 parasitoid larvae – 2.1% parasitism
- F₁ larvae observed feeding externally on non-feeding EAB larvae – idiobiont ectoparasitoid literature records and/or specimens examined from **Canada**; **QC**: **United States**; AZ, CA, **IN**, IA, KS, **MD**, **NY**, **OH**, NC, OK, **PA**, TX, UT, **VA**, **WV**, WY; Mexico; JA, SO.

Kula, R. R., K. S. Knight, J. Rebbeck, L. S. Bauer, D. L. Cappaert, and K. J. K. Gandhi. 2010. *Leluthia astigma* (Ashmead) (Hymenoptera: Braconidae: Doryctinae) as a parasitoid of *Agrilus planipennis* Fairmaire (Coleoptera: Buprestidae: Agrilinae), with an assessment of host associations for Nearctic species of *Leluthia* Cameron. Proceedings of the Entomological Society of Washington 112: 246-257.



Atanycolus cappaerti Marsh and Strazanac (Hymenoptera: Braconidae)

- parasitism rates of 9 to 71%
- bivoltine
- adults long lived (mean female = 31.7 d)
- apparent synchrony problem: at least the first generation of wasps will die before new generation are large enough for parasitization (i.e., they're stuck with the EAB in 2nd of 2-year life cycle)
- also develop on *A. liragus* and *A. bilineatus*



Marsh, P. M., J. S. Strazanac, and S. Y. Laurusonis. 2009. Description of a new species of *Atanycolus* (Hymenoptera: Braconidae) from Michigan reared from the emerald ash borer, *Agrilus planipennis* (Coleoptera: Buprestidae: Agrilinae). *The Great Lakes Entomologist* 42: 8-15.

Cappaert, D., and D. G. McCullough. 2009. Occurrence and seasonal abundance of *Atanycolus cappaerti* (Hymenoptera: Braconidae) a native parasitoid of emerald ash borer, *Agrilus planipennis* (Coleoptera: Buprestidae). *The Great Lakes Entomologist* 42: 16-29.



Methods

red oak (*Quercus rubra*) infested with *Agrilus bilineatus*

white birch (*Betula papyrifera*) infested with *Agrilus anxius*

trembling aspen (*Populus tremuloides*) infested with *Agrilus liragus*

green ash (*Fraxinus pennsylvanica*) infested with *Agrilus planipennis*

Species of Hymenopterous parasitoids reared from bolts from four tree species infested with four species of *Agrilus*, the relative abundance of each species and its potential as an *Agrilus* parasitoid.

Species	Host Tree				Agrilus host
	<i>Fraxinus</i>	<i>Betula</i>	<i>Populus</i>	<i>Quercus</i>	
Braconidae					
<i>Alicolus stictopleurus</i> Martin	U				no
<i>Atanycolus disputabilis</i> (Cresson)		C			unknown
<i>Atanycolus hicorniae</i> Shenefelt	VC	VC			yes
<i>Atanycolus longicauda</i> Shenefelt	C				unknown
<i>Atanycolus cappaerti</i> Marsh and Strazanac	C	C			yes
<i>Bassus</i> sp.	U				unknown
<i>Chelonus</i> sp.				U	unknown
<i>Coeloides rossicus betulae</i> Mason		U			maybe
<i>Doryctes rufipes</i> (Provancher)			C		yes
<i>Leluthia astigma</i> (Ashmead)	U			U	yes
<i>Macrocentrus marginator</i> (Nees)	U				no
<i>Spathius similimus</i> Ashmead				C	yes
Ichneumonidae					
<i>Dolichomitus irratator</i> (Fabricius)	U				maybe
<i>Dolichomitus messor</i> (Gravenhorst)		U	U		maybe
<i>Rhyssella nitida</i> (Cresson)		U			no
<i>Xorides humeralis</i> (Say)	U				maybe
Pteromalidae					
<i>Holcaeus</i> sp.		U			unknown
<i>Platygerrhus algonquina</i> (Girault)		U			unknown
Chalcididae					
<i>Phasgonophora sulcata</i> Westwood	VC		U		yes
Eupelmidae					
<i>Metapelma spectabile</i> Westwood	U				yes
<i>Balcha indica</i> (Mani & Kaul)	C				yes
Eulophidae					
<i>Baryscapus</i> sp.		U			unknown
Aulacidae					
<i>Pristaulacus</i> sp.		C			no

U = uncommon, C = Common, VC = very common



Phasgonophora sulcata
Westwood



(Hymenoptera: Chalcididae)

Rearing (Essex Co. site 1 - 2006)

54 *P. sulcata*

9 *B. indica*

6 *Atanycolus* spp.

146 *A. planipennis*

Parasitism = 32.1%

Rearing (Essex Co. site 2 - 2006)

8 *P. sulcata*

0 *B. indica*

3 *Atanycolus* spp.

648 *A. planipennis*

Parasitism = 1.2%

Balcha indica (Mani & Kaul)



(Hymenoptera: Eupelmidae)

Sticky Band Captures (Essex Co. site 1 - 2007)

407 *P. sulcata*

600 *A. planipennis*

Parasitism = 40.7%



A. disputabilis
A. hicoriae
A. cappaerti

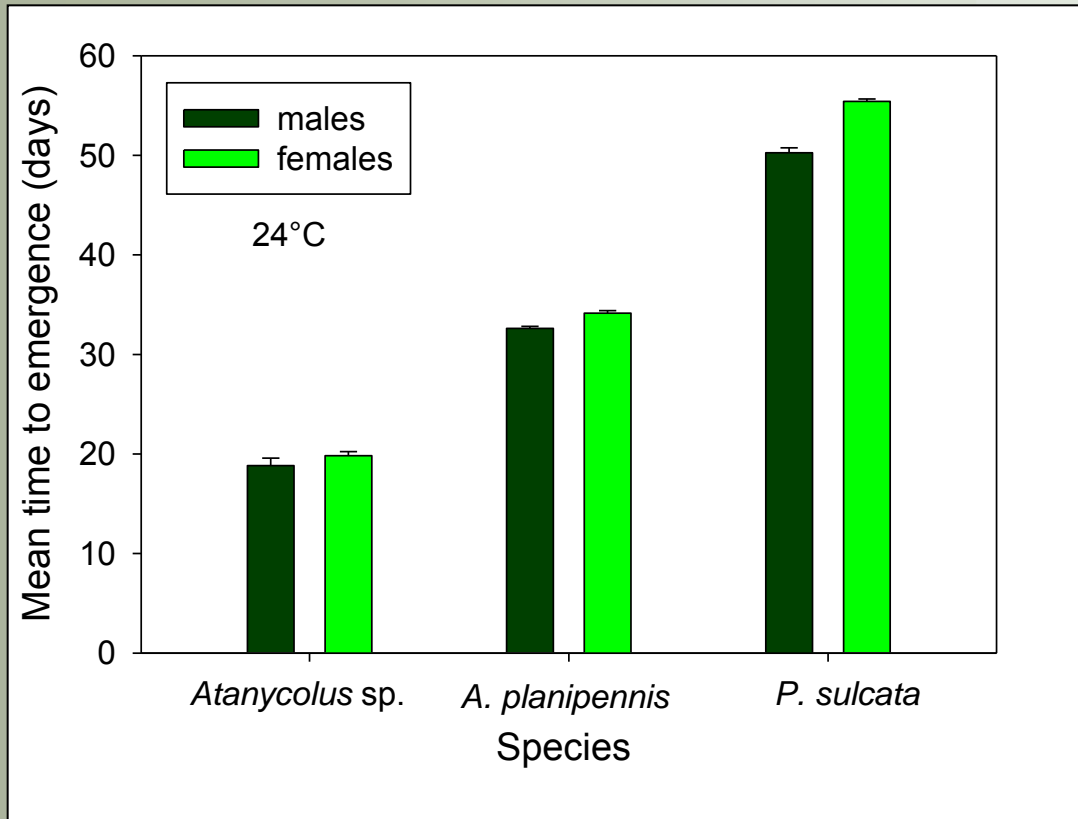
Atanycolus spp.

A. hicoriae
A. longicauda
A. cappaerti





Emergence Data McKeough Dam - 2010



Sex Ratio

Species	n	Female (%)
<i>Atanycolus sp.</i>	55	69.1*
<i>A. planipennis</i>	645	48.1
<i>P. sulcata</i>	355	73.5*

* significantly different from 1:1 (chi-square)

Parasitism Rates

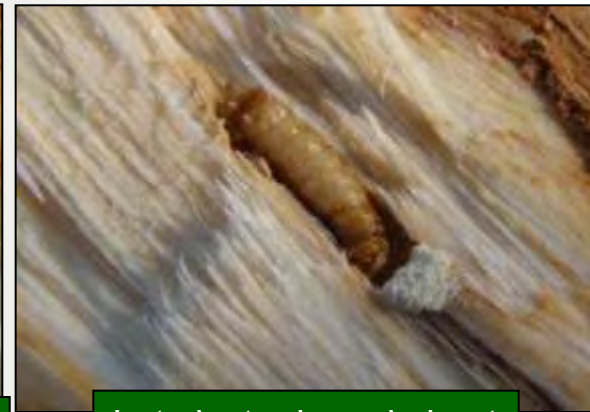
Species	Parasitism (%)
<i>Atanycolus sp.</i>	5.2
<i>P. sulcata</i>	33.6
Overall	38.9



Eggs dissected from female



Early instar larva dissected from host



Late instar larva in host



Pupa dissected from host

- solitary
- endoparasitoid
- koinobiont?



Adult visible within host

Life Stages of *Phasgonophora sulcata*



Conclusions

- many species of native parasitoids have made the host switch from native *Agrilus* species to *A. planipennis*
- potential biological control agents are Braconidae and Chalcidoidea
- *P. sulcata* is capable of building to high population densities on *A. planipennis* but only in declining populations
- *P. sulcata* is synchronized with larval stages of *A. planipennis*
- species is solitary koinobiont endoparasitoid
- *P. sulcata* has bred in laboratory but effective rearing techniques need to be developed
- mating conditions for *P. sulcata* unknown

Biological Control – Native Entomopathogens

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Mycosed larva



Fungus growing on frass scooped from galleries



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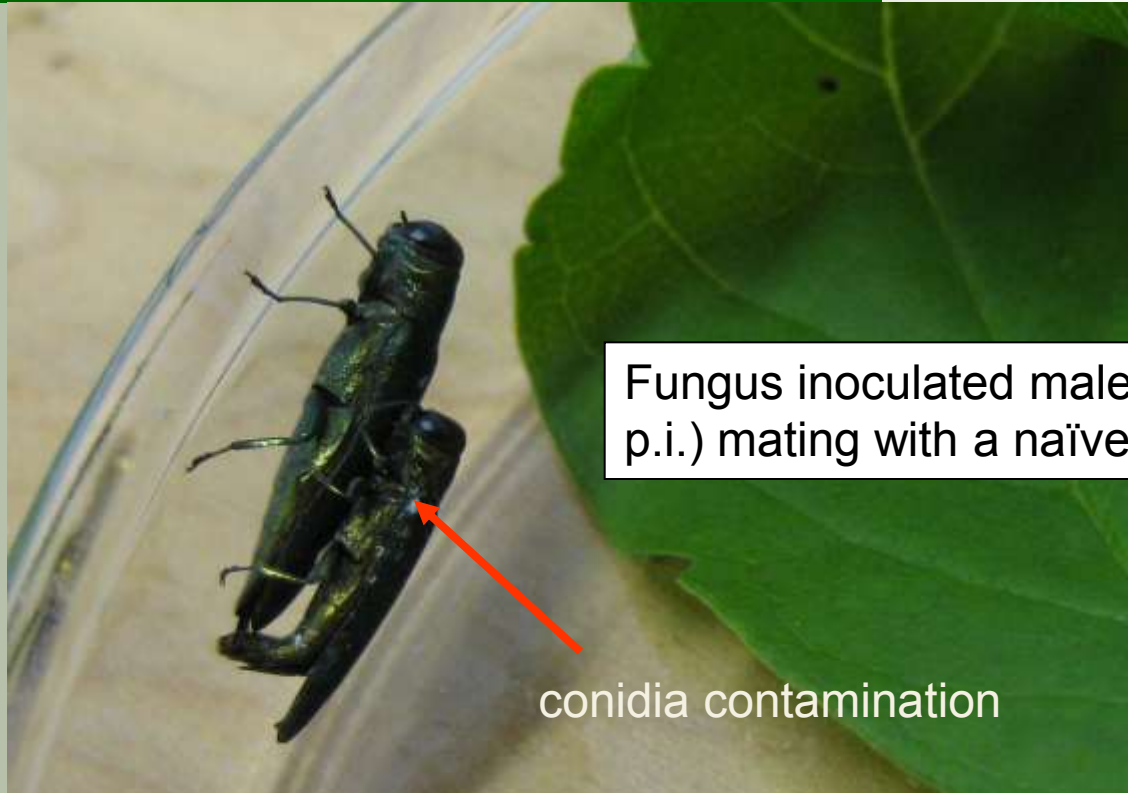


Metarhizium anisopliae
growing on EAB





Virulence of *Beauveria* spp. against EAB



Fungus inoculated male (0-1 days p.i.) mating with a naïve female

conidia contamination

Horizontal transmission studies of *Beauveria* spp.
against EAB

Biological Control – Entomopathogens
Development of an Autocontamination Trap
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Black Intercept™
Panel Trap



Green Intercept
Panel Trap



Green Prism
Trap

uncoated or coated with Insect-a-Slip Barrier
(Fluon – fluoropolymer resin)

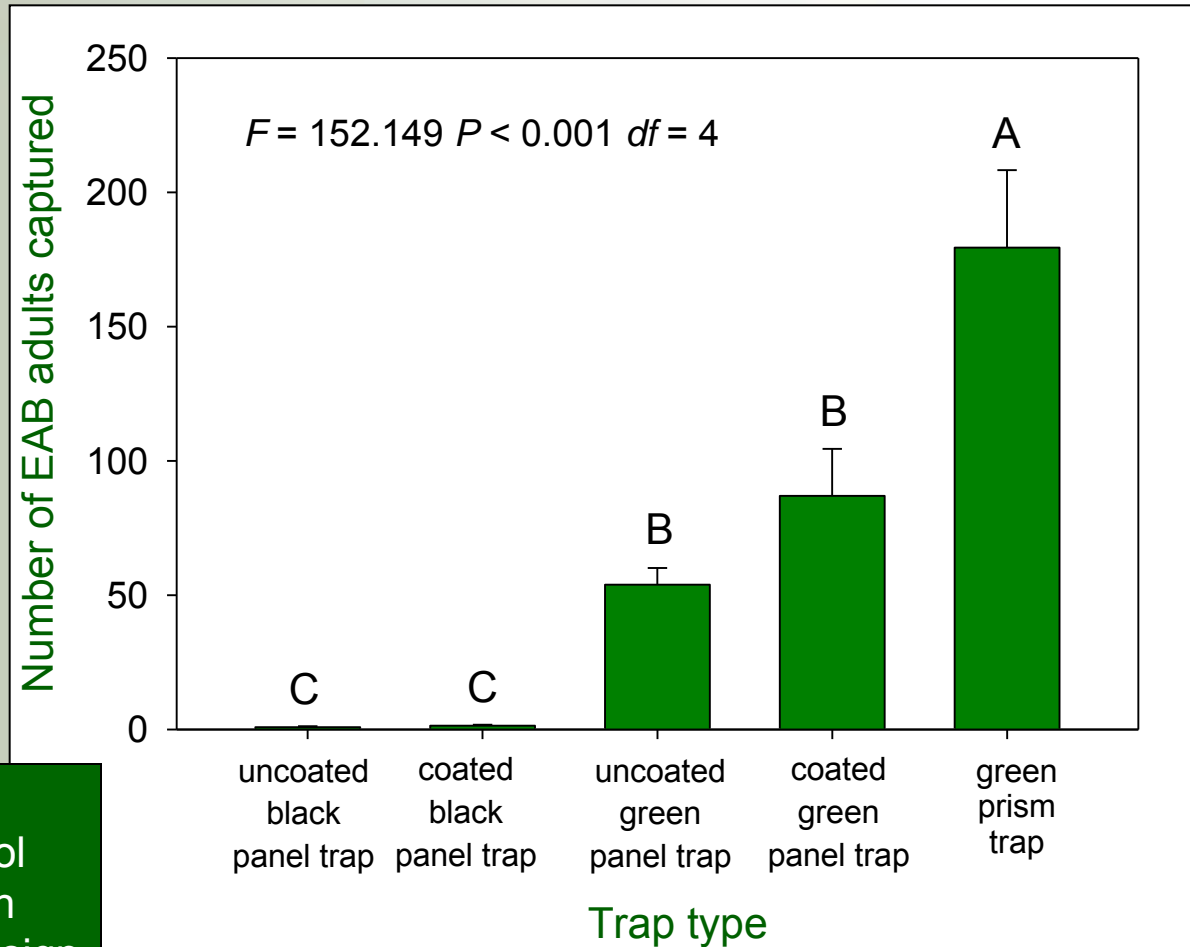


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Development of an Autocontamination Trap



- no fungus – salt solution
- all baited with Z-(3)-hexenol
- young green ash plantation
- complete random block design
- n = 10

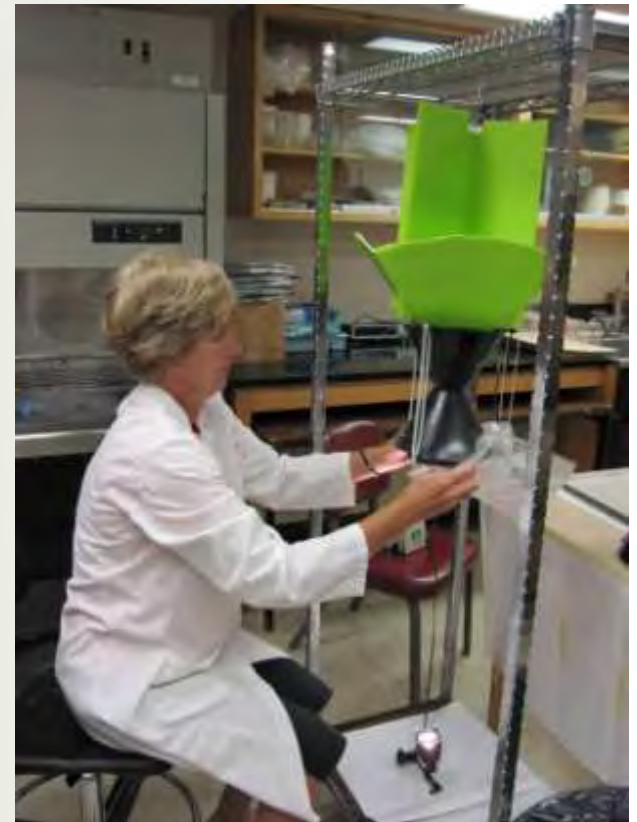
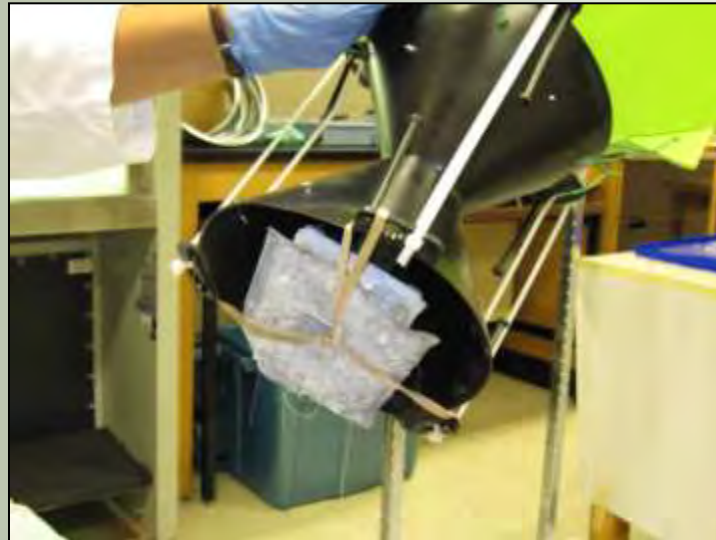


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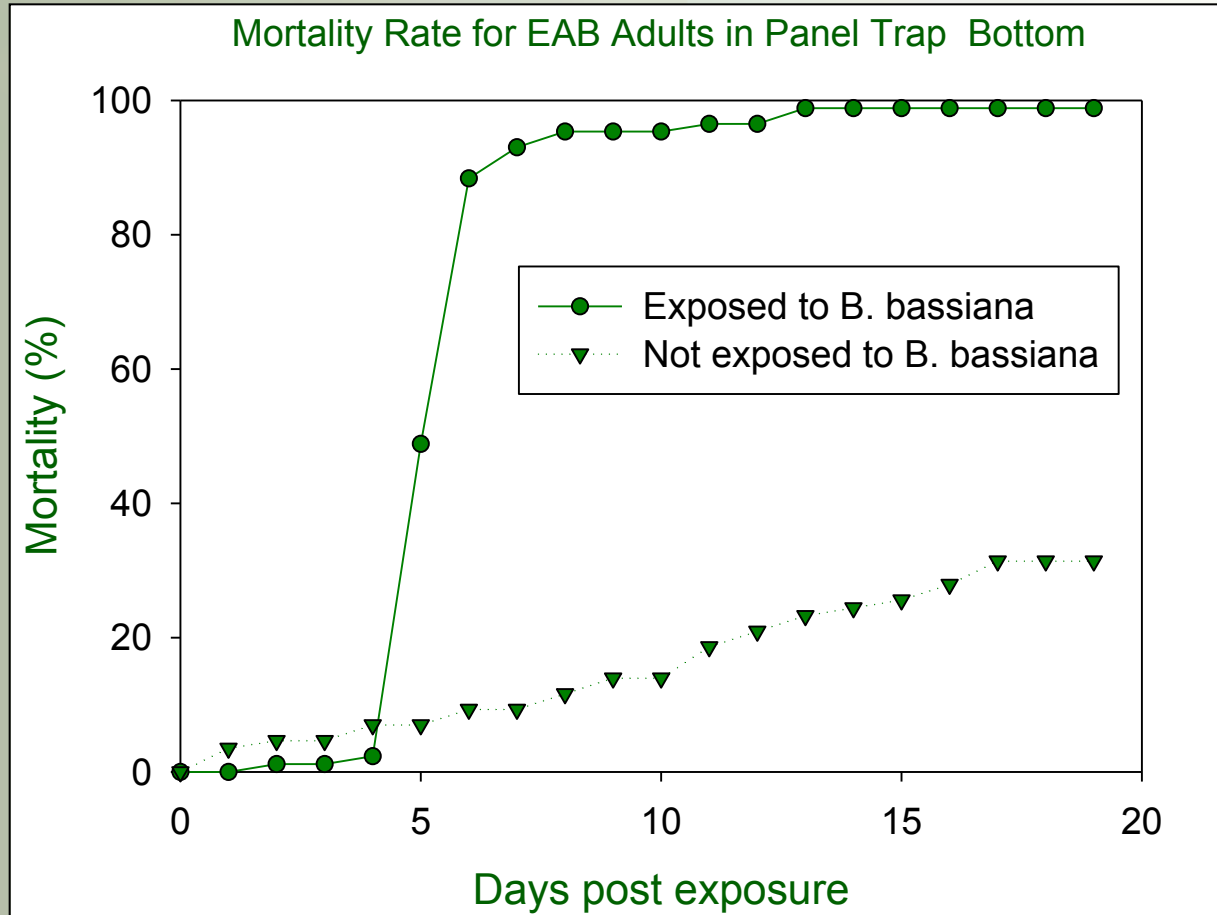


Beauveria bassiana
(strain CFL-INRS)



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The End

Questions?

