

# Integrated Disease Management of Fruit Crops

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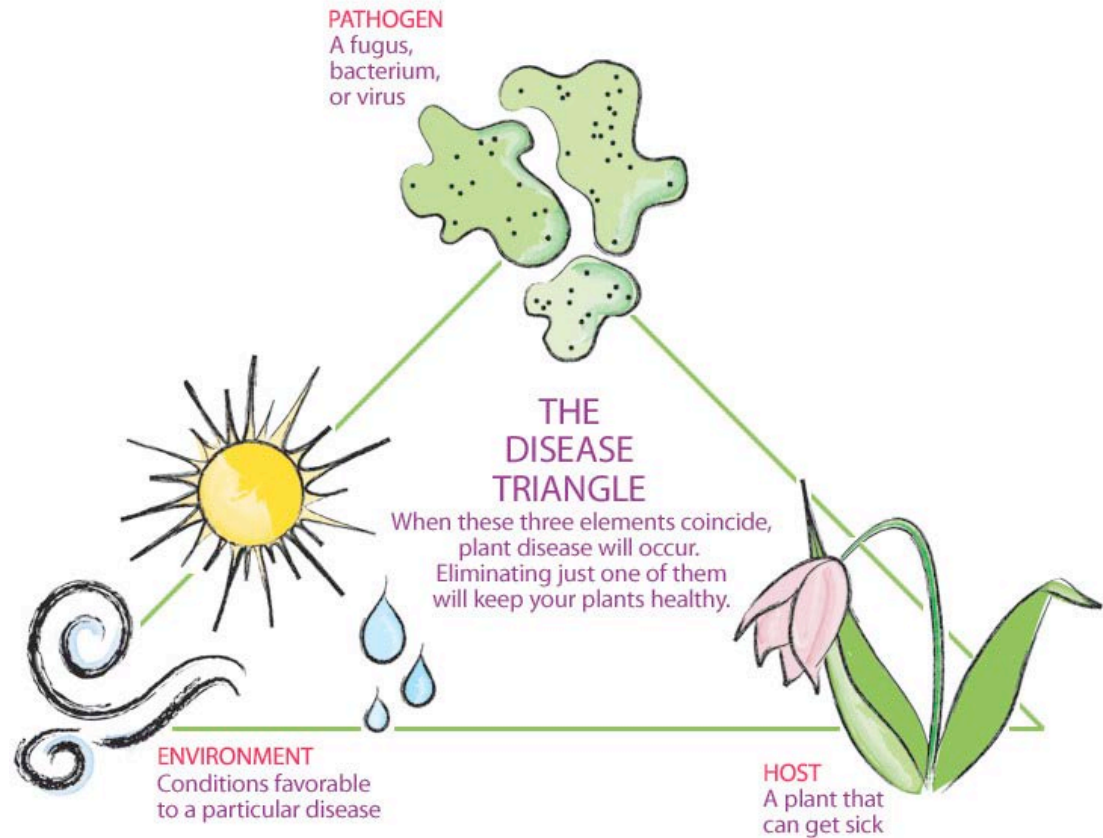
# Presentation Topics

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1. Integrated Disease Management
2. Fungicide Resistance Management
3. New and Emerging Diseases in Ohio
4. New(er) Fungicides and Biocontrol Products
5. Fruit Disease Management Resources

# The Disease Triangle

- Susceptible host
- Pathogen
- Environmental conditions that favor the pathogen



# Integrated Disease Management

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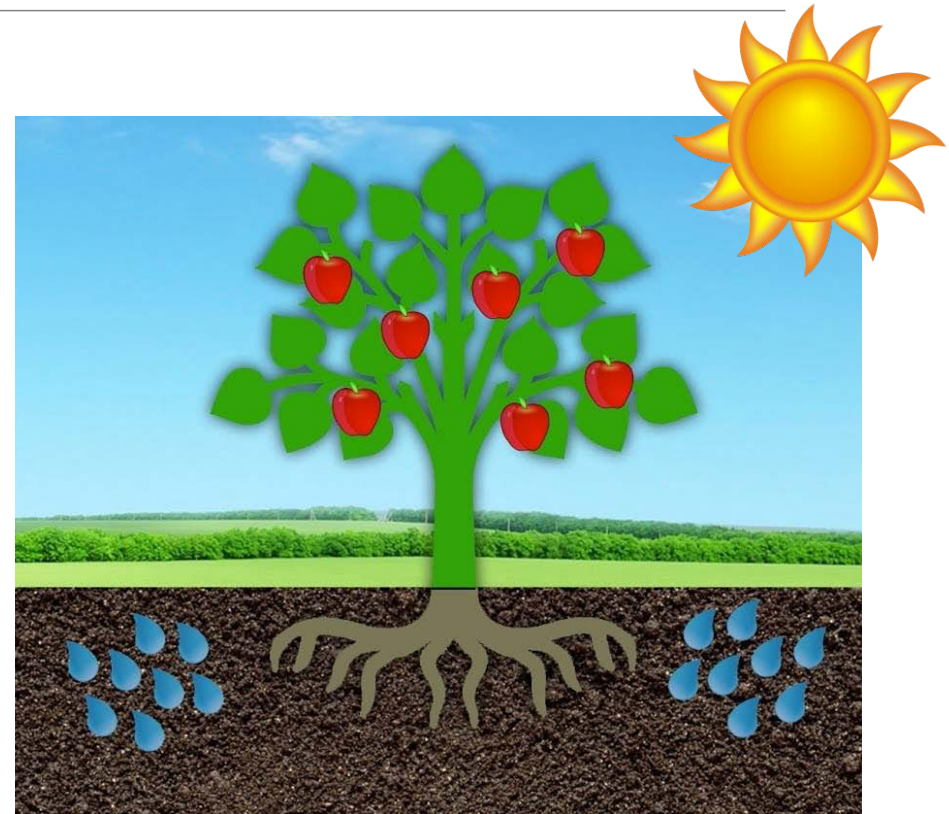
Use of multiple strategies to prevent and manage diseases

1. Host resistance
2. Clean planting stock
3. Monitoring and forecasting
4. Cultural and sanitation practices
5. Chemical and biological control
6. Pesticide resistance management

# Disease Management Begins Before Planting

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- Select a location with:
  - full sun
  - healthy soil
  - good drainage
- Other considerations:
  - Soil depth
  - Wind direction
  - Morning vs. afternoon sun
  - Plants in the area



# Plant Resistant Varieties

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- Select root stocks with disease resistance
- Select varieties with resistance
  - Consider environmental conditions and prevalence of diseases in the region



# Plant Resistant Varieties

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Cultivar	Juniper Rusts	Powdery Mildew	Apple Scab	Fire Blight
Cortland	S	HS	S	S
Enterprise	R	S	R	R
Red delicious	R	MR	S	R
Liberty	R	S	R	R
Fuji	R	R	S	S
Gala	R	R	S	S
Honey crisp	S	S	MR	?
Baldwin	R	S	S	S
Crimson crisp	S	MR	R	R



# Select Clean Plant Stock

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- Foundational or Generation 1 (G1) plant line or cultivar
  - Tested for and found free of economically important plant pathogens
  - Maintained under controlled conditions to prevent reinfection
- Not guaranteed to be free of ALL pathogens



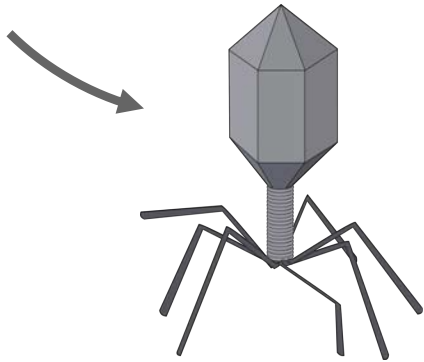


# National Clean Plant Centers

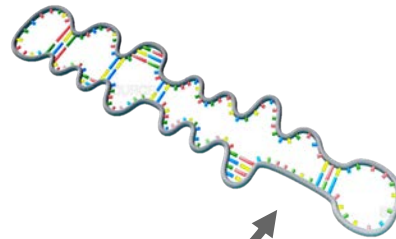
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- Rigorous pathogen testing and screening process
  - Viruses, viroids, phytoplasma
  - Root pathogens, nematodes

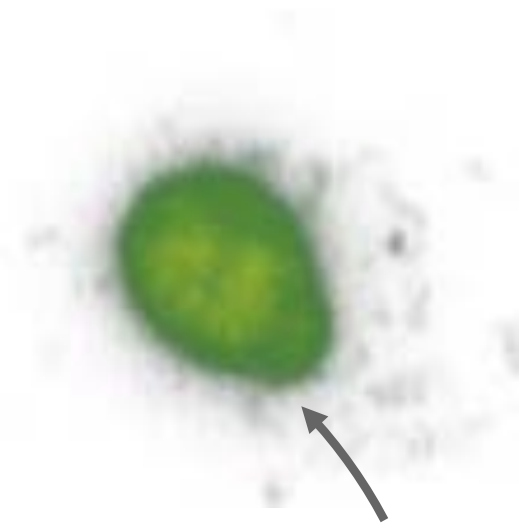
Virus



Viroid

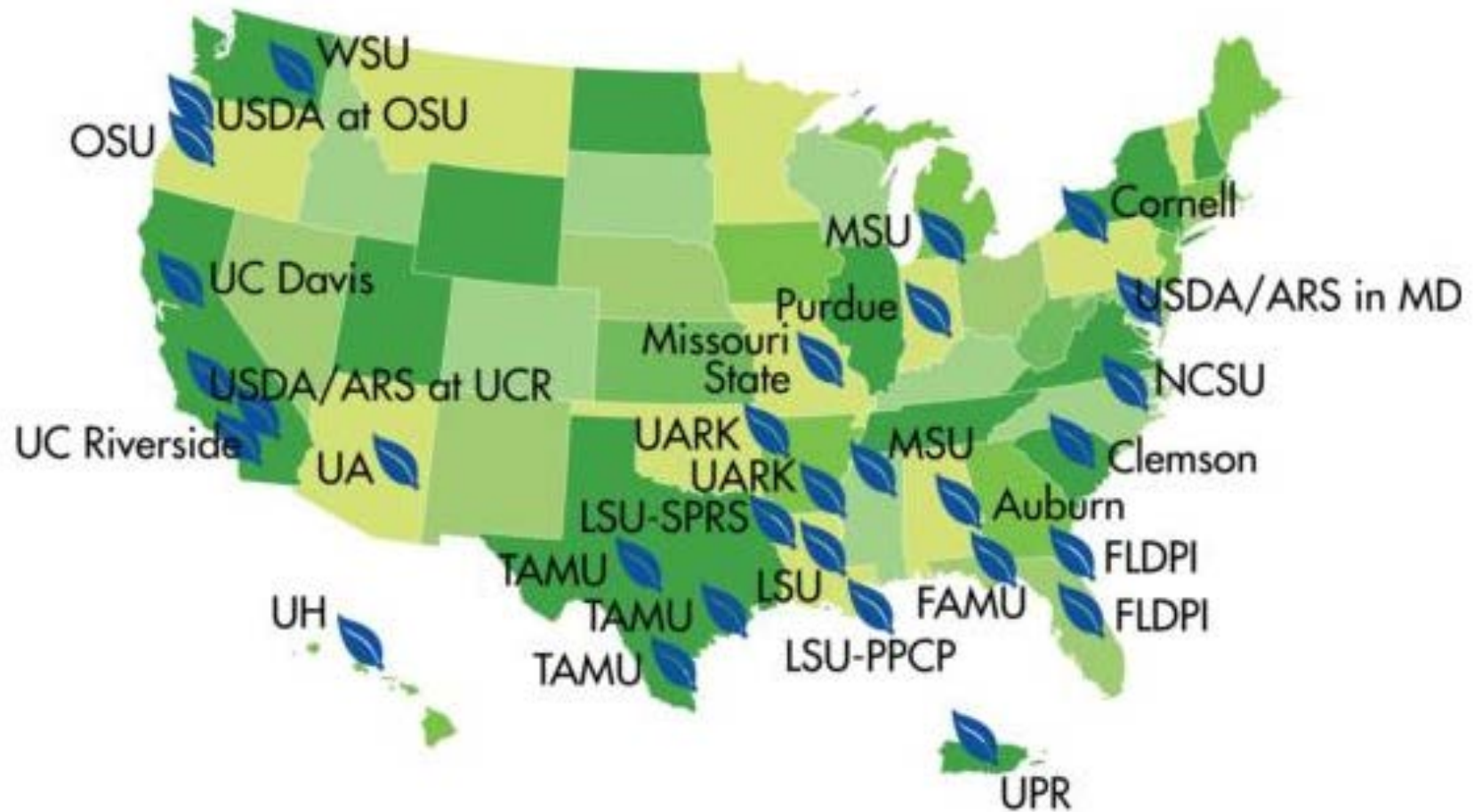


Phytoplasma



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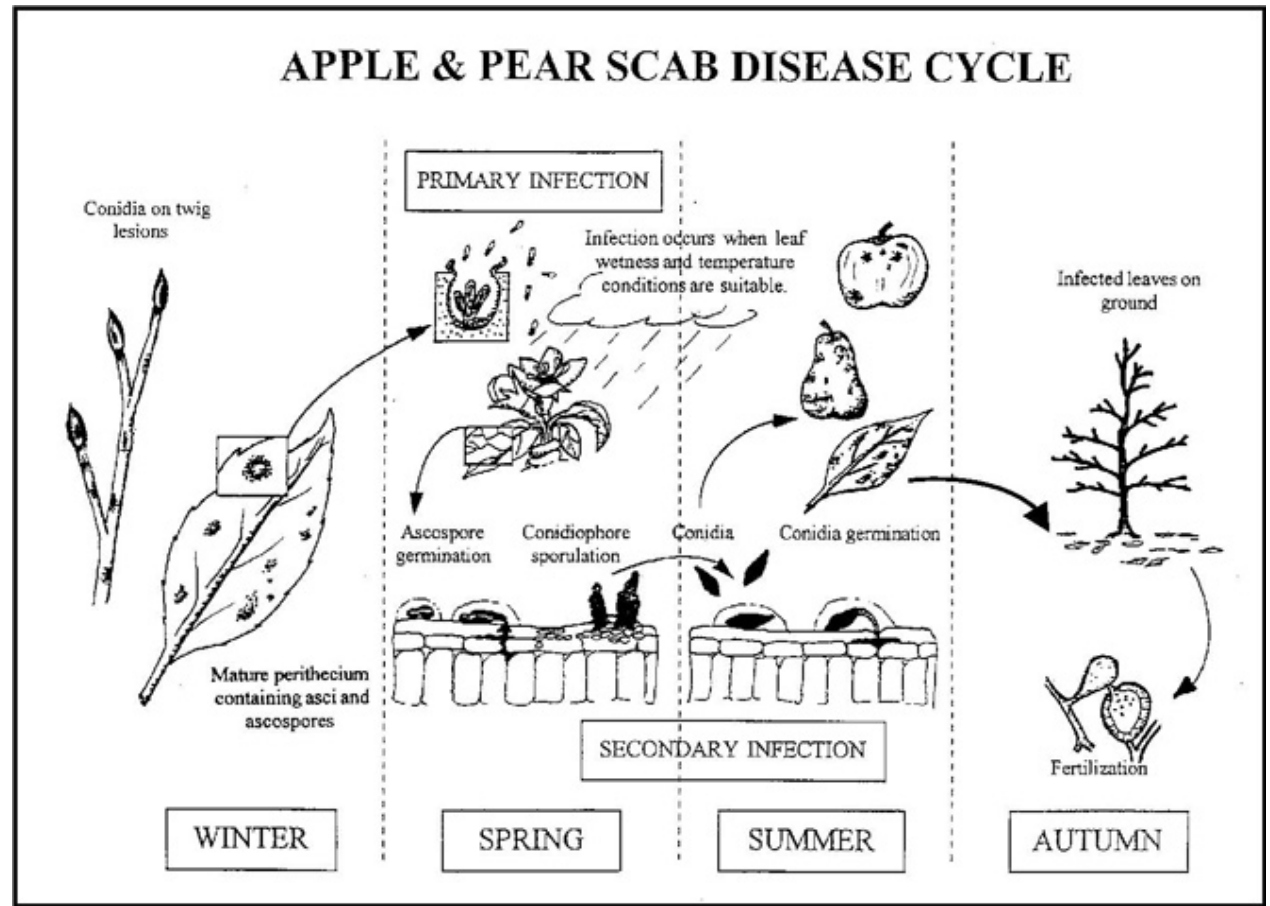


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Location	Berries	Grapes	Fruit Trees	Hops
Arkansas	X			
North Carolina	X			
Oregon	X			
California	X	X	X	
South Carolina			X	
Washington		X	X	X
Missouri		X		
New York		X		
Florida		X		

# Disease Management Throughout the Year



# Use Best Cultural and Sanitation Practices

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- Maintain a clean planting site
  - Prevents the introduction and build-up of pathogens in the cropping system





# Use Disease Forecasting Models

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- Weather based models
- Assists growers with fungicide spray timings
- Available disease models for Ohio:
  - Fire blight
  - Apple Scab
  - Sooty blotch/fly speck
  - Grape diseases including downy mildew



Also many insect  
pests!

# Network for Environmental and Weather Applications (NEWA)

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- Free forecasting for apple and grape diseases
- Requires a weather station on or near farm
  - Rainwise or Hobo (Onset)






# NEWA Platform

- On-line resource (newa.cornell.edu)
- 36 stations in Ohio


**New York State Integrated Pest Management Program**


**NEWA Network for Environment and Weather Applications**

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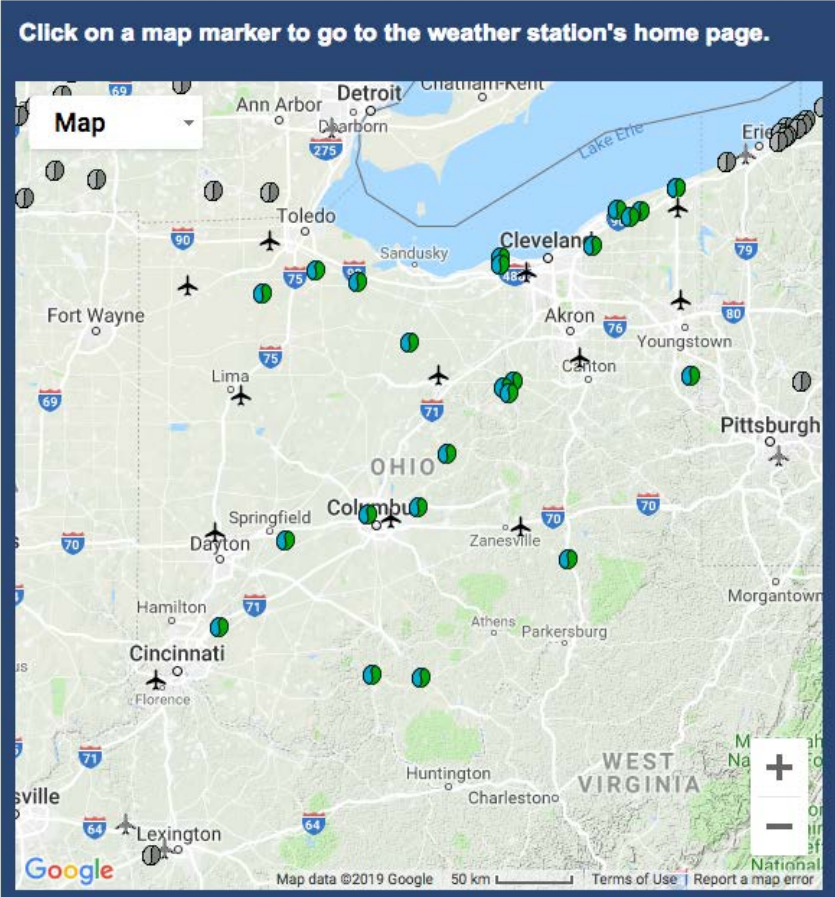
**Weather Stations in Ohio**

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<a href="#">Ashtabula</a>
<a href="#">Avon</a>
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<a href="#">Jackson (Jackson ARS)</a>
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<a href="#">Pemberville</a>
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<a href="#">Piketon</a>
<a href="#">Rogers (Peace Valley)</a>
<a href="#">South Charleston (Western ARS)</a>
<a href="#">Toledo</a>
<a href="#">Willard (Muck Crops ARS)</a>
<a href="#">Wooster</a>
<a href="#">Wooster (Troutman)</a>
<a href="#">Youngstown</a>

**36 records found.**

Click on a map marker to go to the weather station's home page.



## NEWA Apple Disease Models

Select a disease:

Fire Blight

State:

Ohio

Weather station:

Chesterland

Date of Interest:

05/12/2018

Calculate



Map

Results

More info

### Fire Blight Risk Predictions for Chesterland

**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:** 4/23/2018

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 5/12/2018:** 483 (0 days missing)

	Past	Past	Current	Ensuing 5 Days				
Date	5/10	5/11	5/12	5/13	5/14	5/15	5/16	5/17
<b>Cougarblight 4-Day DH</b>	Extreme 501	High 489	High 414	Low 108	Low 88	Caution 188	High 318	Extreme 509
<b>Infection Potential EIP value</b>	Infection 124	Moderate 83	Moderate 41	Moderate 0	High 19	High 38	Moderate 72	Infection 123
<b>Wetness Events</b>								
<b>Rain Amount</b>	0.38	0.00	0.22	0.65	0.31	0.07	0.00	0.00
<b>Dew ?</b>	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
<b>Leaf Wetness (hours)</b>	8	9	10	11	12	7	0	0
<b>Hours &gt;90% RH</b>	4	0	9	17	17	9	0	5
<b>RH max/min</b>	93/44	87/56	96/71	98/84	100/70	97/72	89/47	97/40
<b>Temp avg F</b>	64	48	51	54	61	64	64	64

NA - data not available

[View Cougarblight Charts](#)

Download Time: 5/18/2018 23:00



# Fungicide Resistance Management

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- Critical to an effective and sustainable fungicide spray program



Brown rot



Gray mold



Apple scab

# Preventing the Development of Fungicide Resistance Pathogens

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- Accurately diagnose the problem



Downy Mildew



Powdery Mildew

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Spider mites



Hop Mosaic Virus



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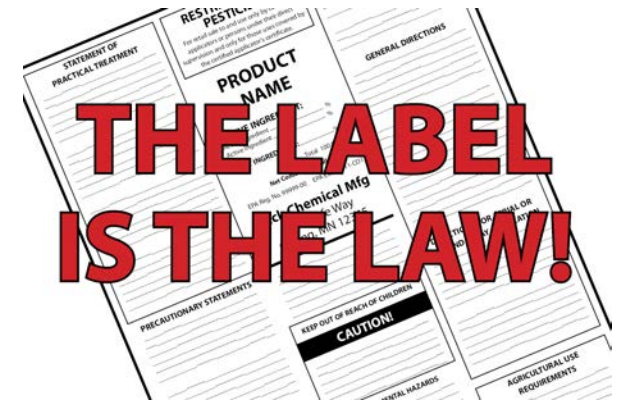
- Know the mode of action of the fungicide
  - FRAC number or group number



# Fungicide Resistance Management Strategies

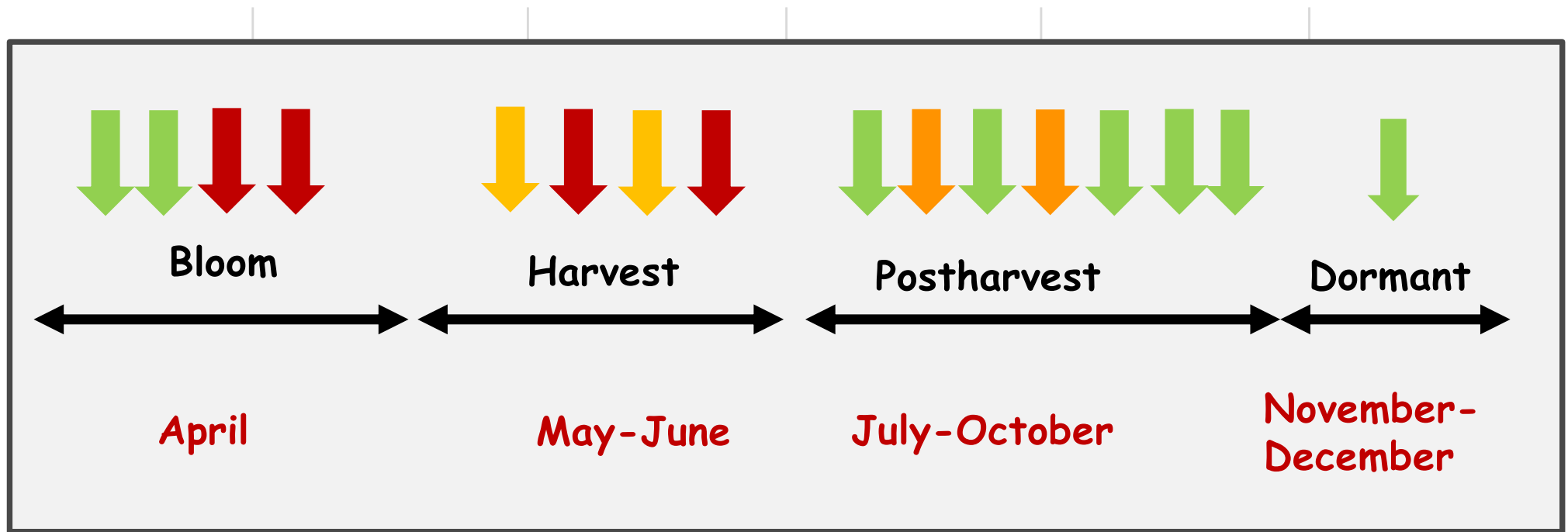
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- Never use one mode of action alone in a full season program
  - Alternate with fungicides with a different mode of action
  - Use the “2-spray” rule (unless label indicates otherwise)
- Stay within the recommended rate range
- Apply at the correct growth stage





# Seasonal Fungicide Spray Program for Strawberry Fruit Rot Control



Low High

A legend showing four colored arrows representing different levels of fungicide spray intensity: Low (green), Medium-Low (yellow), Medium-High (orange), and High (red).

**Berry, low growing, except cranberry, subgroup 13-07G**

Bearberry; Bilberry; Blueberry, Lowbush; Cloudberry; Lingonberry; Muntries; Partridgeberry; Strawberry; cultivars, varieties, and/or hybrids of these.

<b>Disease Control</b>	<b>Application Rate</b>	<b>Product Instructions</b>
Powdery mildew ( <i>Sphaerotheca macularis</i> ) Anthracnose ( <i>Colletotrichum</i> spp.) Phomopsis leaf blight / fruit rot ( <i>Phomopsis obscurans</i> )	4.0 to 7.6 fl oz/acre	Apply at the critical timings for disease control. Refer to University and/or extension guidelines for best application timings. Continue as needed on a 7- to 14-day interval. When disease pressure is severe, use the higher rates and/or shorter intervals.
Gray mold ( <i>Botrytis cinerea</i> )	6.0 to 7.6 fl oz/acre	Apply at the critical timings for disease control. Refer to University and/or extension guidelines for best application timings. Continue as needed on a 7- to 14-day interval. When disease pressure is severe, use the higher rates and/or shorter intervals.
<b>Disease Suppression</b>	<b>Application Rate</b>	<b>Product Instructions</b>
Rhizopus fruit rot ( <i>Rhizopus</i> spp.) Leaf spot ( <i>Mycosphaerella fragariae</i> )	7.6 fl oz/acre	Apply at the critical timings for disease control. Refer to University and/or extension guidelines for best application timings. Continue as needed on a 7- to 14-day interval. When disease pressure is severe, use the shorter intervals.
<b>Restrictions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Do not apply more than 27.1 fl oz of LUNA SENSATION per acre per year.</li><li>• Apply using ground, aerial, or chemigation equipment.</li><li>• Regardless of formulation or method of application, do not apply more than 0.446 lbs fluopyram or 0.6 lbs trifloxystrobin per acre per year, including soil and foliar uses.</li><li>• Can be applied the day of harvest.</li><li>• To limit the potential for development of disease resistance to these fungicide classes, do not make more than 2 sequential applications of LUNA SENSATION or any Group 7 or Group 11 containing fungicide before rotating with a fungicide from a different Group.</li></ul>		

# Antibiotic Resistance Management

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Apply antibiotics for fire blight management at the correct growth stage





# New and Emerging Fruit Diseases in Ohio

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- Blackberry Downy Mildew
- Sudden Apple Decline (SAD)
- Anthracnose Crown Rot of Strawberry
- Blossom end rot of chestnut
- Hop Powdery Mildew
- Hop Stunt Viroid
- Grapevine Red Blotch Virus



# Blackberry Downy Mildew

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- *Peronospora sparsa*
- Systemic pathogen
- Symptoms occur on leaves and fruit (dry berry)
- Hosts:
  - blackberry (thorny and thornless)
  - boysenberry
  - raspberry hybrids (red and black)





# Sudden Apple Decline

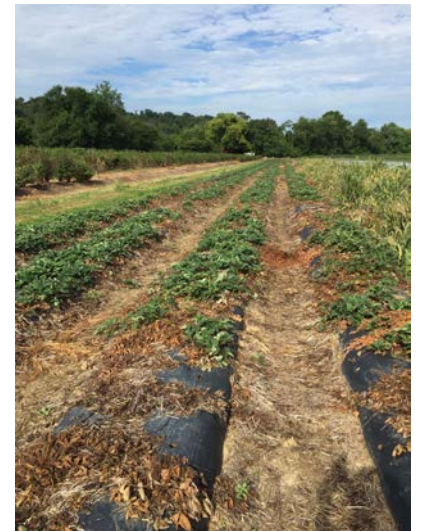
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# Anthracnose Crown Rot of Strawberry

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- *Colletotrichum* spp.
- Appearing in plants grown using plasticulture
- Fungicide resistance to QoI reported in 2018
- Symptoms:
  - Wilting
  - Necrosis
  - Lesions on petioles
  - Red marbling in crown





# Blossom End Rot of Chestnut

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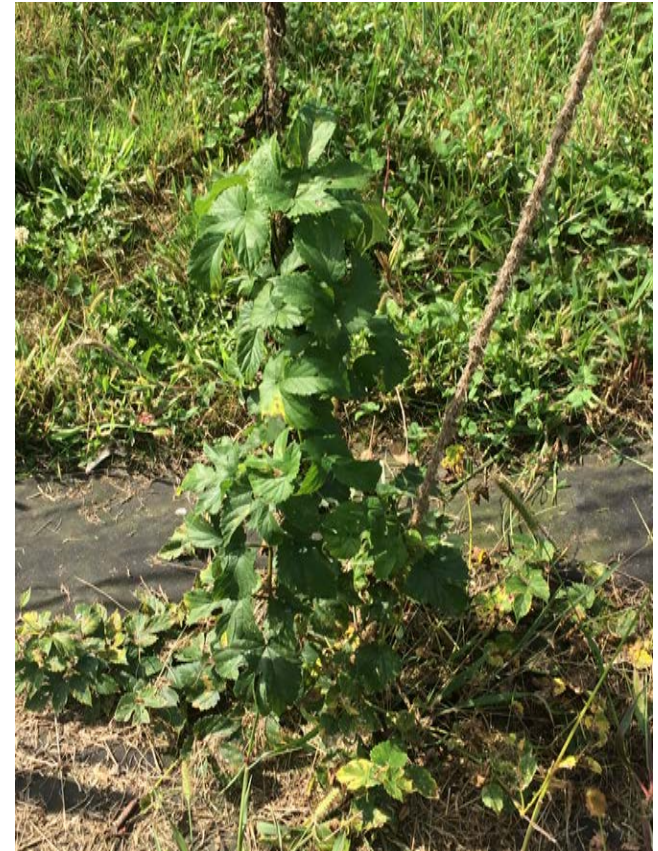
- *Colletotrichum* spp.
- Symptoms:
  - Darkening of the shell
  - Internal rot



# Hop Stunt Viroid Disease

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- Hop stunt viroid
- Stunting, yellow-green leaves
- Small cones
- Decrease in alpha acids



# Hop Powdery Mildew

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- *Podosphaera macularis* MAT1-1
- Infects shoots, leaves and cones
- Overwinters in crown buds as fungal strands only



# New(er) Fungicides on the Market

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- Kenja (SummitAgro)
  - isofetamid
- Translaminar activity
- SDHI class
- FRAC 7
- PHI= 0-14 days
- 12.5-22 fl oz/A



Supplemental  
labels:

Cane berries  
Stone fruit  
Pome fruit

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# New(er) Fungicides on the Market

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- Aprovia (Syngenta)
  - Benzovindiflupyr
  - Translaminar activity
  - SDHI class
  - FRAC 7
  - PHI= 30 days
  - 5.5-7 fl oz/A



# New(er) Fungicides on the Market

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- Aprovia Top (Syngenta)
  - Benzovindiflupyr + difenoconazole
  - Translaminar activity
  - SDHI class
  - FRAC 7 + 3
  - PHI= 21 days
  - 8.5-13.3 fl oz/A



Hardy Kiwi

# New Fungicides on the Market

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- Intuity (Valent)
  - mandestrobin
  - Translaminar activity
  - QoI (strobilurin) class
  - FRAC 11
- PHI= 0 (strawberry)
- PHI= 10 days (grape)
- 6 fl oz/A





# New Fungicides on the Market

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- Cevya (BASF)
  - Mefentrifluconazole
  - DMI (triazoles) class
  - FRAC 3
- PHI= 0 (pome and stone)
- PHI= 14 days (wine grapes, tree nuts)
- 3-5 fl oz/A



# New Biological Control on the Market

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- LifeGard (Certis)
  - *Bacillus mycoides* isolate J
- Triggers induced resistance
- PHI= 0 days
- Organic approved

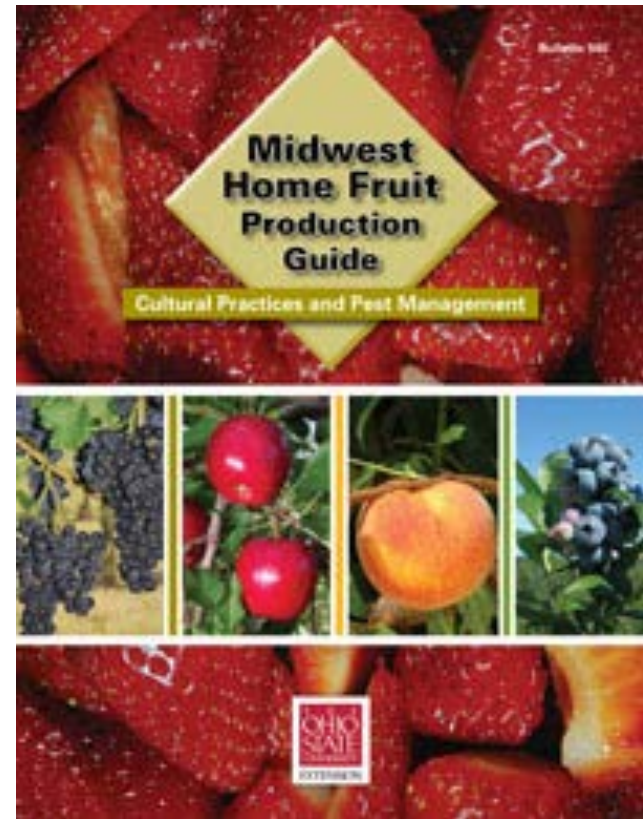


# Resources

## Midwest Fruit Pest Management Guide 2019-2020



Publication No. 506  
\$15.00



Publication No. 940  
\$23.25

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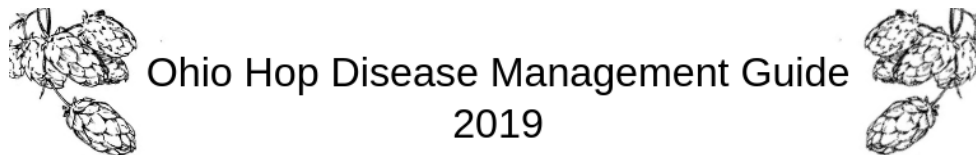
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Publication PP Series 147



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(free, updated annually)



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December 2018

## Fungicide Resistance Reported in *Colletotrichum* from Strawberries

Rachel Kaufman and Melanie Lewis Ivey (Fruit Extension Pathologist)

Over the past few years the incidence of anthracnose crown rot of strawberry, caused by the fungal pathogen *Colletotrichum* spp., has been increasing in Ohio. Symptoms of anthracnose crown rot include plant stunting, wilting, slightly sunken lesions on the petioles and internal red and white marbling of the crown. Generally, the roots remain fibrous and white.

Diseased transplants are the primary source of fruit inoculum during the season. Therefore, using disease-free transplants is the most effective method of controlling crown rot in production fields. While weekly foliar sprays of protectant fungicides such as captan are effective in slowing and reducing the spread of crown rot from infected to health transplants they do not adequately control the disease on infected plants. Therefore, single-site fungicides are recommended, unless resistant isolates are present. **Unfortunately, this year we detected resistant isolates of *Colletotrichum* in transplants with anthracnose crown rot.** These isolates, which were identified as *Colletotrichum nymphaeae*, were resistant to thiophanate methyl (FRAC 1) and the quinone outside inhibitors (QoI) fungicides (FRAC 11), including azoxystrobin. Based on current fungicide recommendations in the 2019-2020 Midwest Fruit Pest Management Guide for anthracnose crown rot, 58% contain a QoI mode of action including Abound, Cabrio, Luna Sensation, Merivon, and Pristine, to name a few. Because there is cross resistance between all members of the QoI group, the implication for effective management of anthracnose crown rot is serious.

Strawberry plants with *Colletotrichum* infection in the crown.



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October 2018

## Spotted Wing Drosophila: Fall Update

Jim Jasinski (Extension educator) and Celeste Welty (Extension entomologist)

Several Extension educators, specialists, and growers have been diligently trapping for spotted wing Drosophila (SWD) in berry crops at multiple sites across 20 counties in Ohio since June. In general, SWD populations at most locations have peaked at this point, but they can remain abundant for several weeks longer. Even after the first frost, some SWD adults are usually active in the field.

At some monitoring sites where growers have been spraying through the season, we are still able to trap SWD adults. Adults are also being trapped at sites where fruit is no longer being produced. While this is concerning to growers with fruit still in the field, there doesn't seem to be any significant fruit infestation or damage, which is good news. If you haven't kept up on your spray schedule and still have fruit out in the field, it is strongly recommended that you check your fruit with a simple salt water test to see if you have any infested fruit. Here are the directions from an OSU factsheet ([cpb-us-w2.wpmucdn.com/u.osu.edu/dist/1/8311/files/2017/04/SWD-salttesthandout-updated-pnd335.pdf](http://cpb-us-w2.wpmucdn.com/u.osu.edu/dist/1/8311/files/2017/04/SWD-salttesthandout-updated-pnd335.pdf)) or via an OSU IPM YouTube video ([youtube.com/watch?v=MtMXHxgcSVs](https://youtube.com/watch?v=MtMXHxgcSVs)).

Our closing message is that if there is still fruit on your farm worth harvesting, keep up on your spray schedule in order to protect those fruit from infestation. If you deem it necessary to spray for another few weeks, it is important to keep an eye on the PHI of products used. Most PHI's range between 0-7 days, but some products labeled for grapes have a 30-day PHI. Here is the complete list of insecticide PHIs and maximum number of applications allowed: [cpb-us-w2.wpmucdn.com/u.osu.edu/dist/1/8311/files/2017/02/SWD\\_insecticideOptions2018-1ppr7m8.pdf](http://cpb-us-w2.wpmucdn.com/u.osu.edu/dist/1/8311/files/2017/02/SWD_insecticideOptions2018-1ppr7m8.pdf).

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SWD larva floating from infested fruit.



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