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## Asiatic Fruit Fly (Drosophila suzukii) dried residue toxicity

## **Technical question? Aims of the trial**

Determination of the toxicity of dried residues of insecticides against *Drosophila suzukii*:

- Screening for insecticides
- Determination of adult mortality (adulticide action) versus number of larvae per fruit (ovicide / larvicide / fecundity effect)
- Determination of the speed of adult mortality
- Determination of the larval stadia present in the fruit (ovicide / L1, L2 and/or L3 larvicide)

## **Trial summary**

Trial in condiment cups with insecticide treated grapes incubated under controlled conditions with 10 D. suzukii flies:

- Rearing of selected *Drosophila suzukii* populations and age synchronization
- Treatment: Dipping or spraying of untreated fruits with different insecticides and concentrations, followed by air drying
  - Minimal 5 replicates per insecticide and concentration
  - Different test products at different concentrations
  - Positive reference: spinosad / Negative reference (check): purified water
- Transfer of the grapes to the bioassay arena (condiment cup with hydrophilic cotton)
- Anesthesia of 10 D. suzukii flies and transfer to the condiment cup
- Assessments
  - Number of living/dead/affected  $\mathcal{E}$  and  $\mathcal{L}$  D. suzukii
  - Timing dependent on insecticide action
  - After larval growth: number of larvae and larval stage / fruit
- Statistical analysis of outcomes

## **Trial output**

- Data in xls/ARM + Report (M&M, graphs, summary, conclusions)
- Adulticide action: mortality rates in function of time
- Ovicide / Larvicide action: number of larvae per fruit and stage
- Screening of interesting compounds

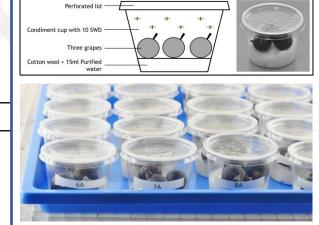


Illustration and photograph of the insecticide residue trial

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