

IPM and Regenerative Agriculture

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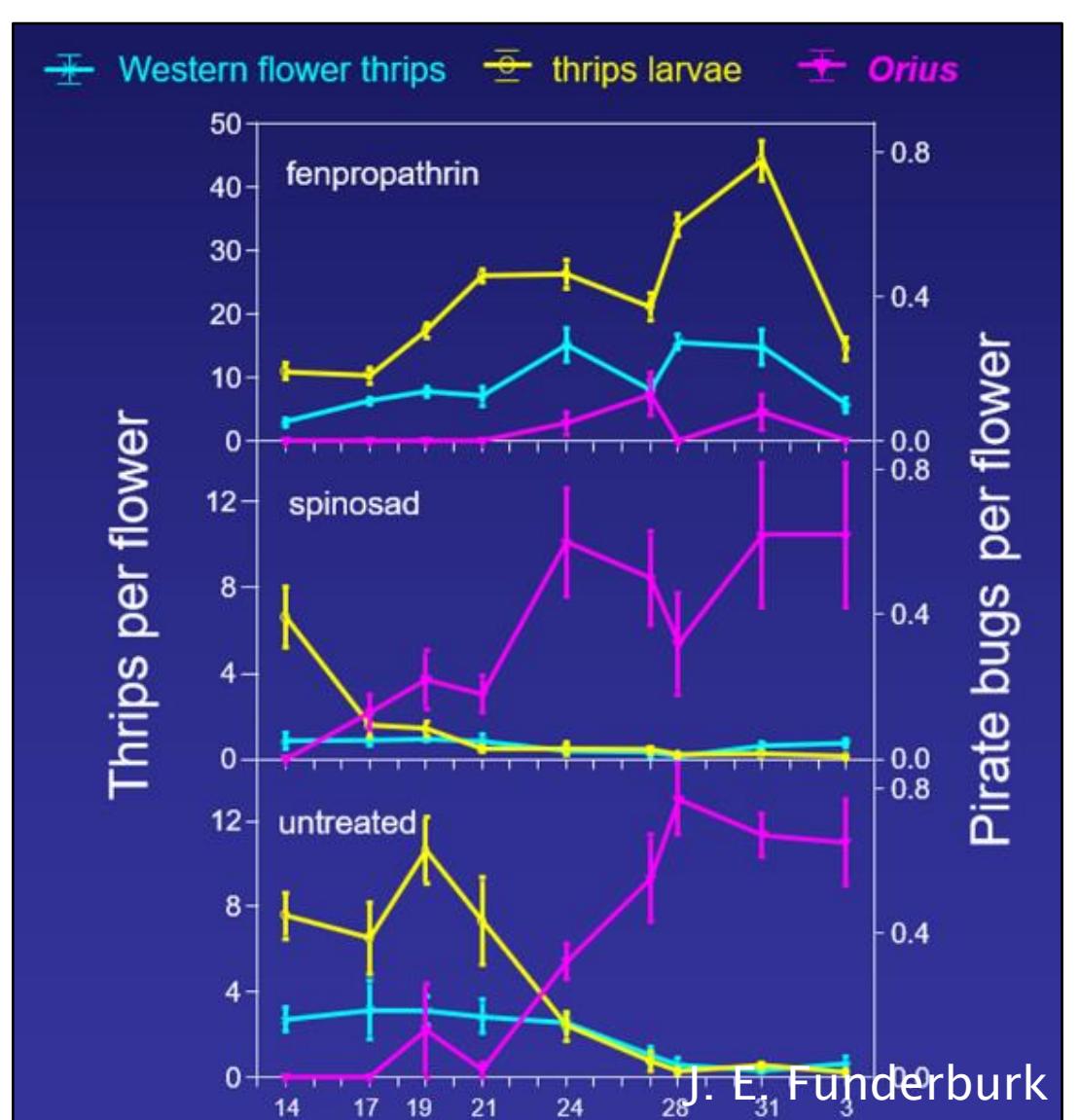


Resistant tomato crop, plastic mulch & sorghum trap crop

2. Scout & ID pests & natural enemies (NEs)



3. Conserve competitors & natural enemies (NEs)

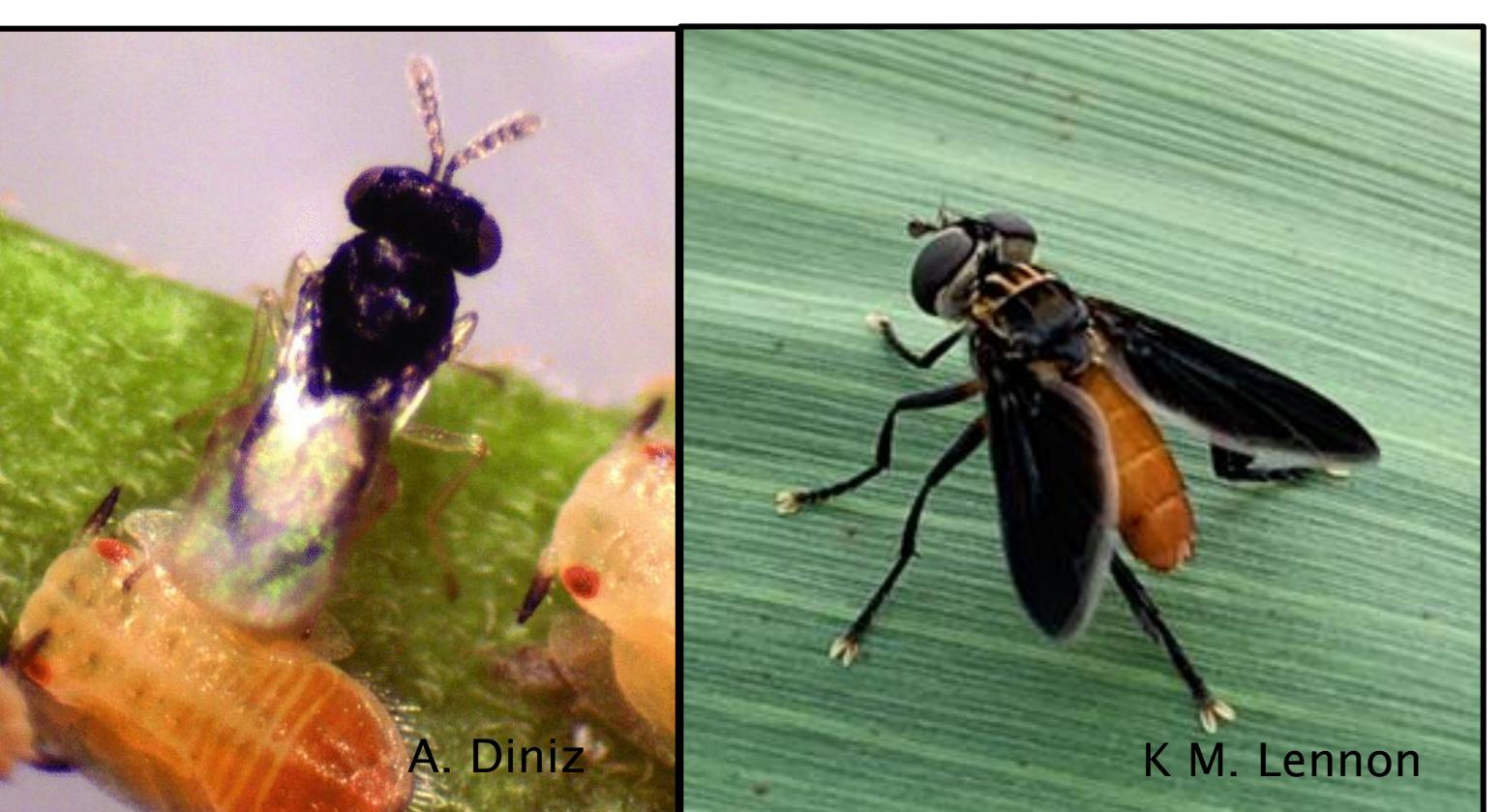


IPM Program

1. Use cultural practices
2. Scout & ID pests & NEs
3. Conserve competitors & NEs
4. Augment natural enemies
5. Use reduced-risk insecticides
6. Establish action thresholds
7. Manage resistance

UF/IFAS Diagnostic Services
<https://diagnostics.ifas.ufl.edu>

4. Augment natural enemies



Tamarixia radiata for Asian citrus psyllid

Trichopoda pennipes for stink bugs

Invasive Pest → Vulnerable Crop

Resistant Crop

Resistant Crop Competitors
Natural Enemies
Resistant Varieties

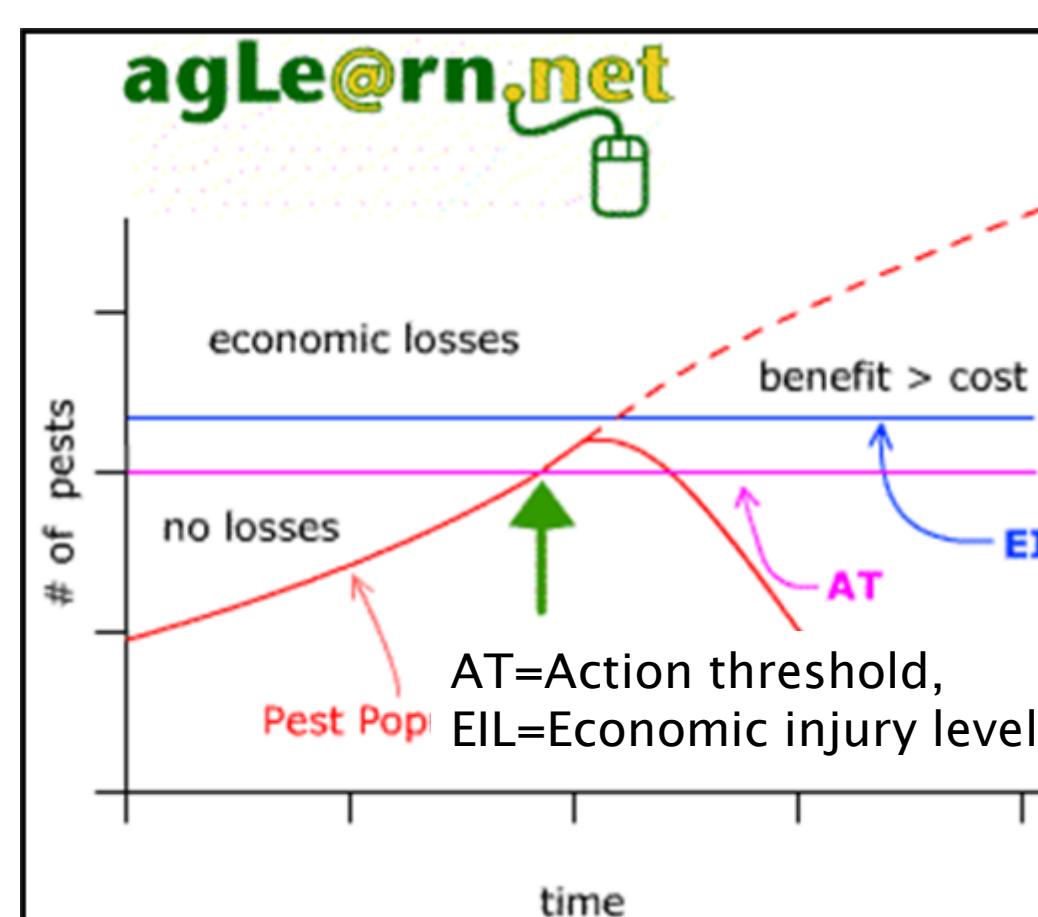
Insecticide Program

- New insecticides
- New formulations
- New Application Methods
- Resistance management

5. Use reduced-risk insecticides

Low impact on human health
Low toxicity to non-targets
Low groundwater contamination
Low use rates
Low pest resistance
Compatible with IPM

6. Establish action thresholds



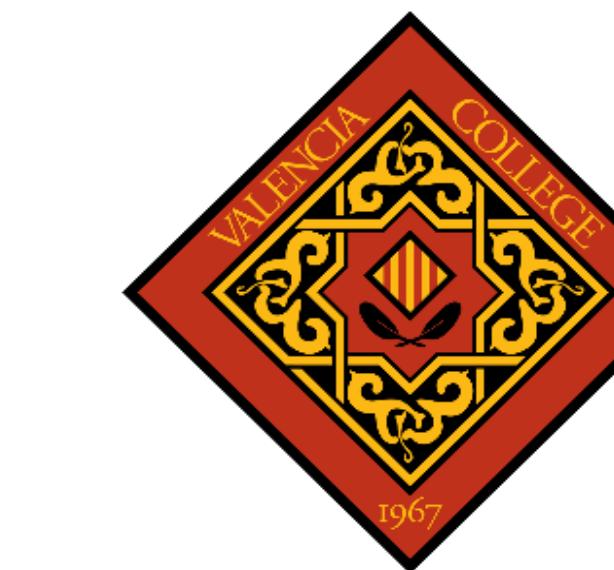
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IRAC

Insecticide Resistance Action Committee

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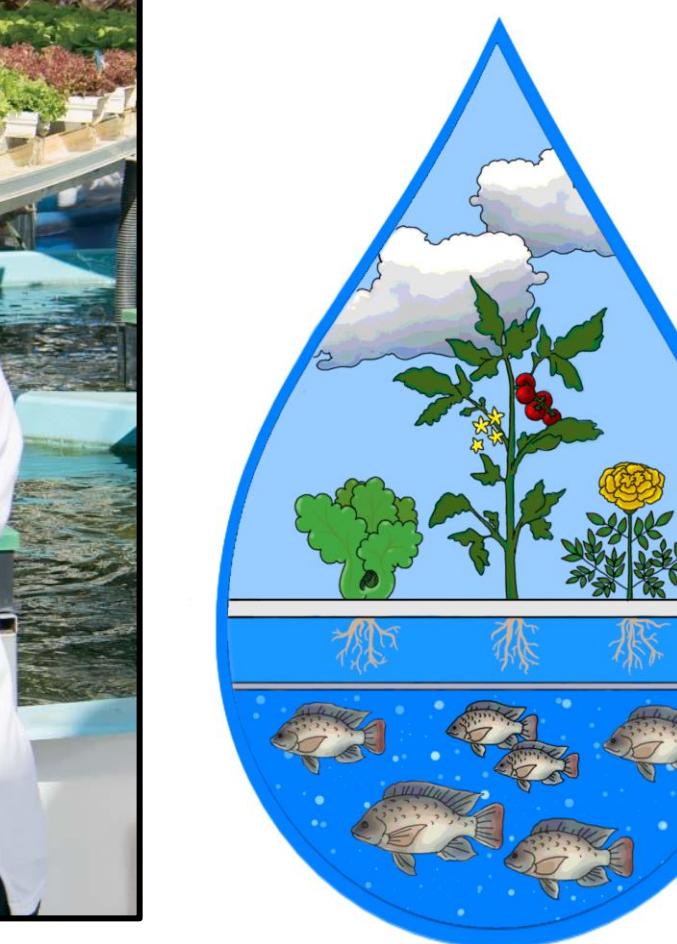
Smart Solutions to Hunger and Poverty



Valencia College Plant Science and Agricultural Technology Program
<https://valenciacollege.edu/future-students/plant-science-and-agricultural-technology-as.php>



- Technical Certificates
 - Specialist (12 credits)
 - Professional (18 credits)
 - Technician (30 credits)
 - Stand alone and/or lead up to A.S.



Hands-on training



- Courses include:
 - Plant Science / Botany
 - Entomology
 - Plant Pathology
 - Soils & Fertilizers
 - Sustainable Agriculture
 - Hydroponics
 - Aquaponics
 - Nursery / Greenhouse Ops.

Community projects



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