

Apple IPM Intensive Workshop

IPM for Apple Scab and Fire Blight



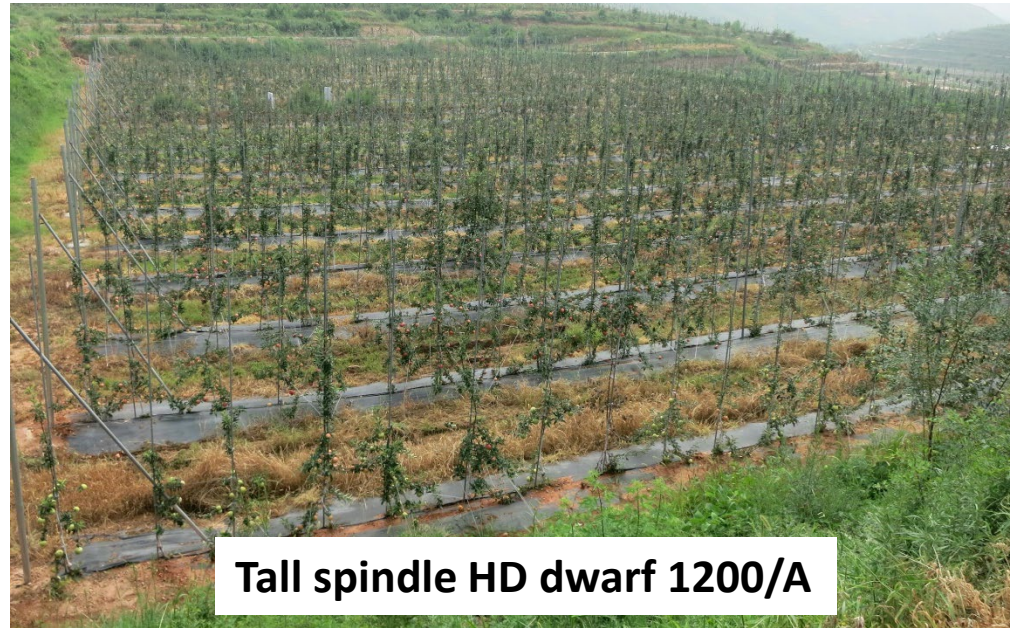
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IPM: General

- **Implement the best horticultural practices:** high-density plantings are better for color, yield per acre, agrichemical applications, drying time & air circulation for disease protection



Tall spindle semi-dwarf 300/A



Tall spindle HD dwarf 1200/A

IPM: General

- **Implement the best horticultural practices:**
 - Water management: select the best sites, tile orchards, manage drip irrigation
 - Prune dead plant material & manage weeds to increase air circulation



Apple scab

- Perennial problem in cool wet temperate production regions
- Susceptible cultivars: favored by consumer and producer
- High input system (10+ fungicide applications/year)
- Fungicide resistance is reported for nearly all single-site fungicides chemistries

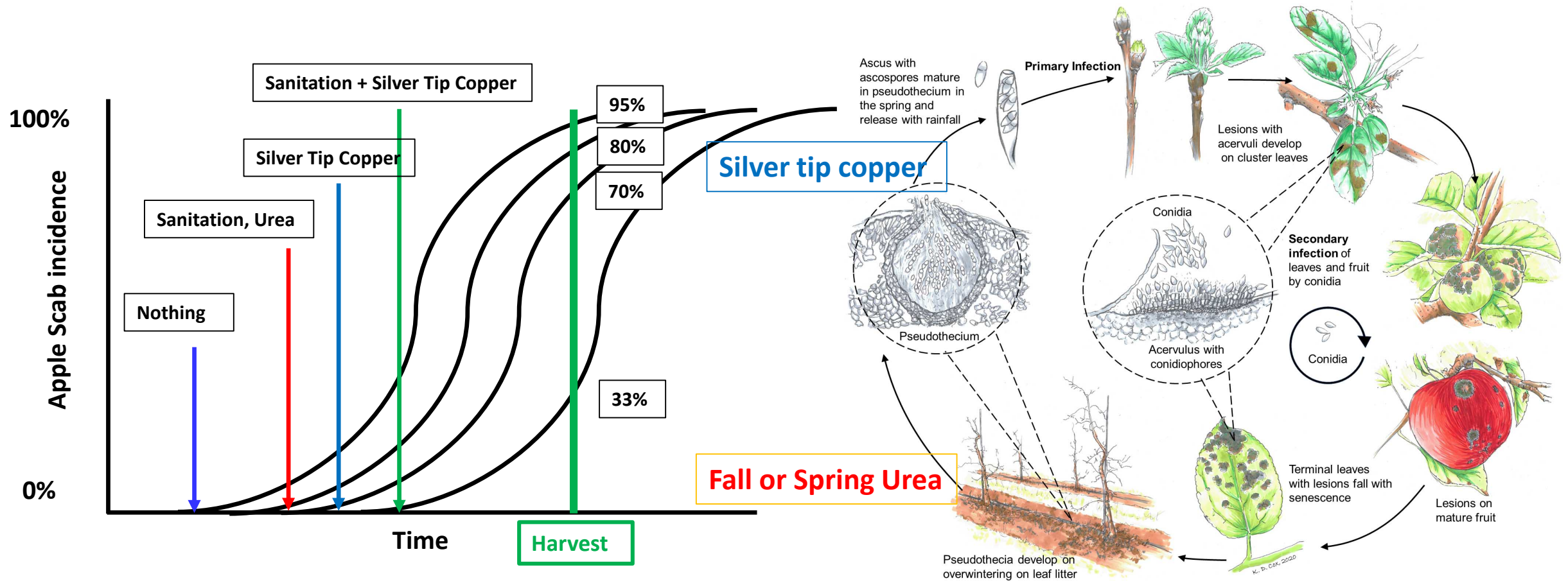


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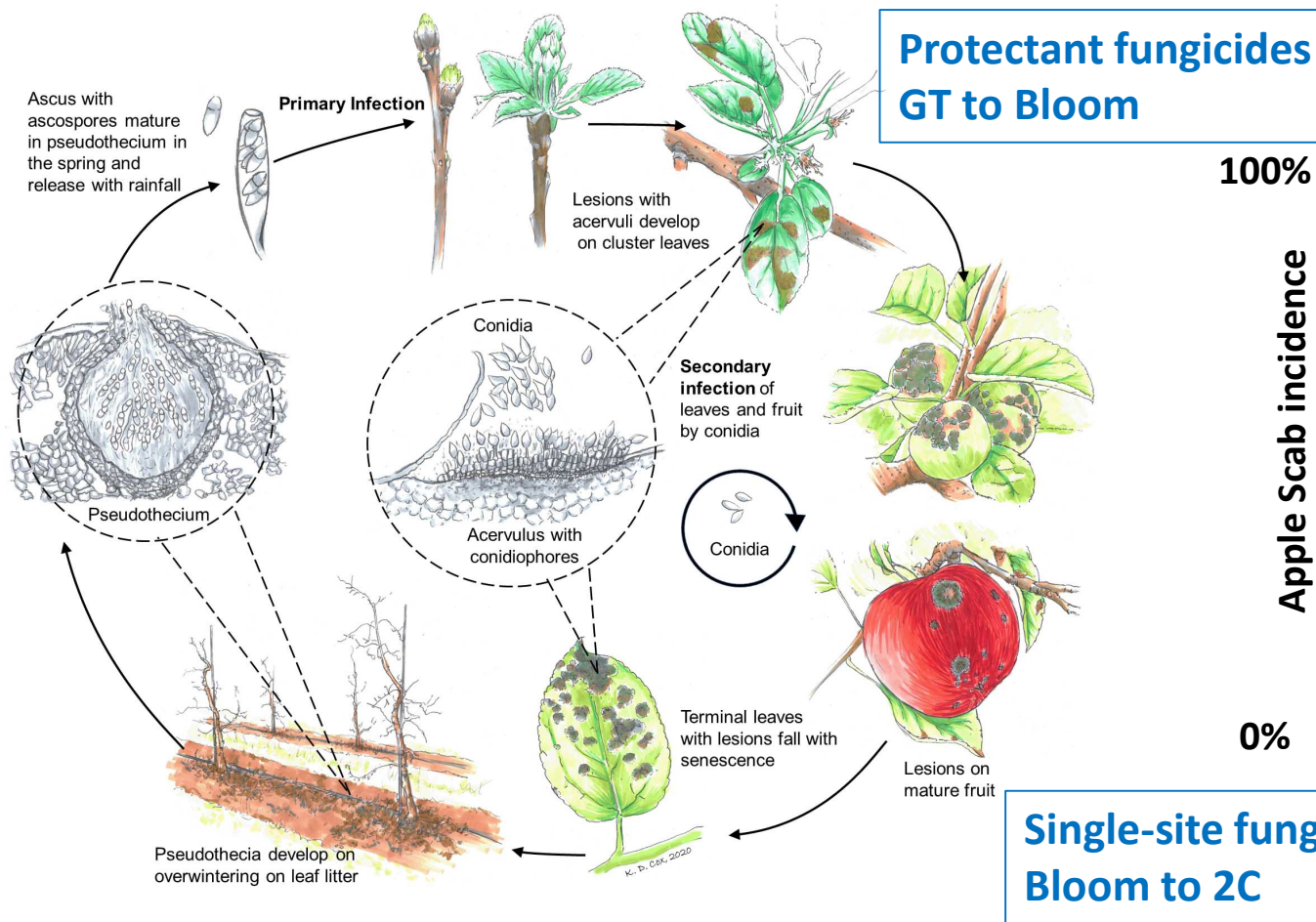
- Overwinters: infected leaf litter
- Infection: ascospores from leaf litter
- Secondary spores produced on infected leaves spread infection to other fruit & leaves
- Spread is local & management is site-specific



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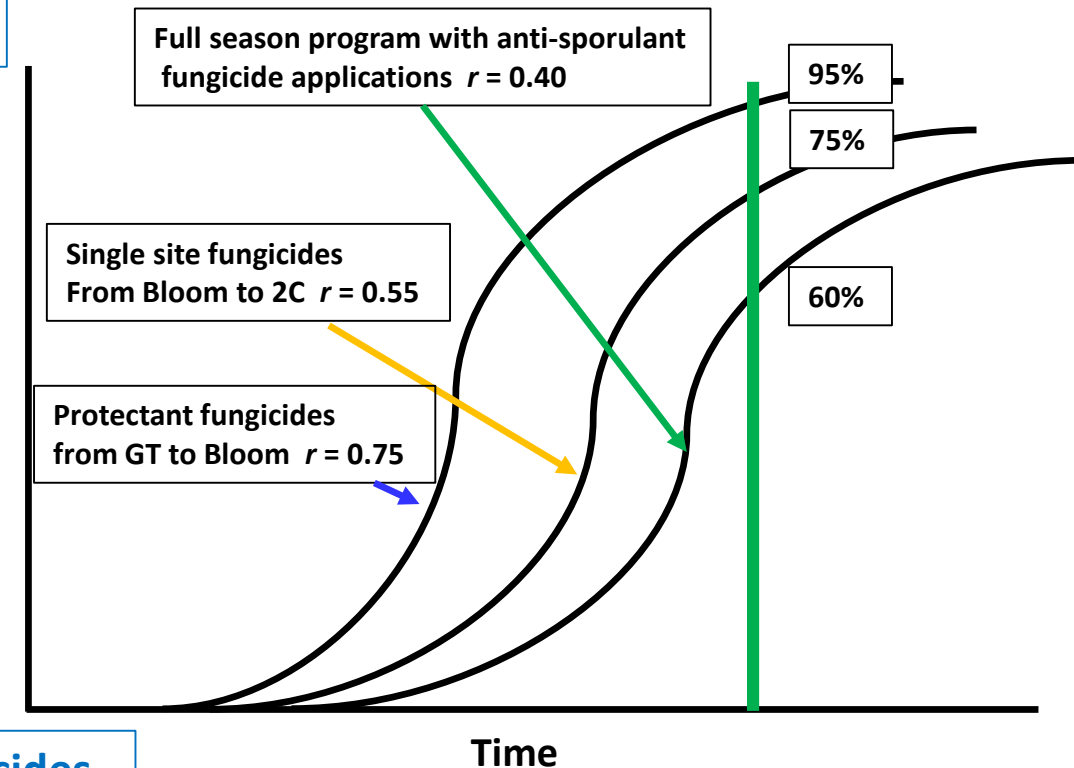
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100%

Apple Scab incidence

0%



IPM: Apple scab

- Implement the best horticultural practices: use resistance cultivars
 - Enterprise, Freedom, Goldrush, Jonafree, Liberty, Pristine, Redfree, Topaz, William's Pride, Crimson Crisp, Prima, Ariane, **Honeycrisp**
 - Immunity to apple scab (**Rvi6 gene**) **NOT** other diseases (e.g. Topaz & PRR)



<http://kuffelcreek.wordpress.com/>



<http://www.eatlikenoone.com/prima-apples.htm>



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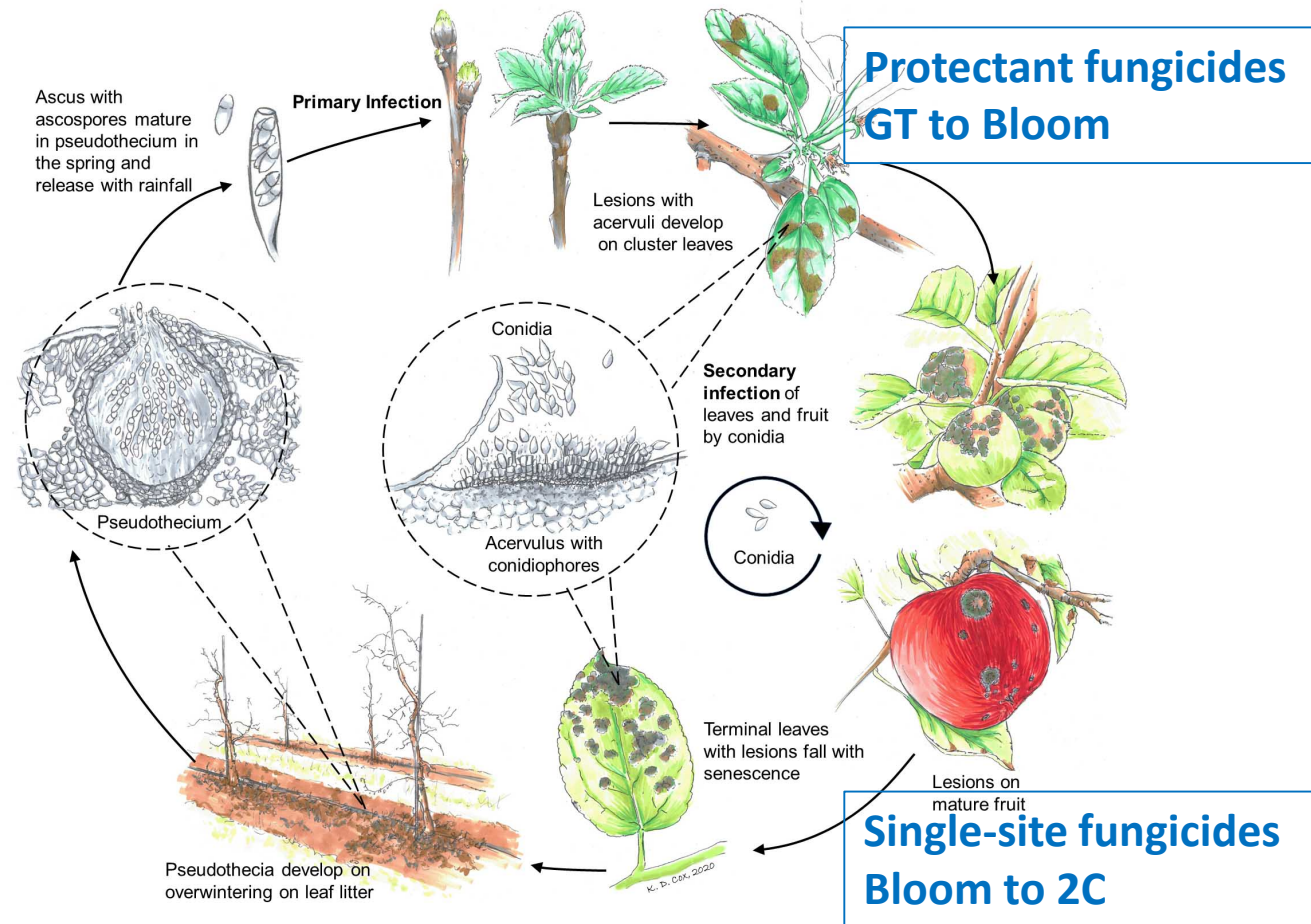
- **Sanitation:** remove & destroy fruit drops, leaf litter, and prunings, or other dead plant material: Avoids accumulation of inoculum
 - Fall or spring Leaf Shredding (rake into middles, scalp the sod) or Urea application (40lbs/100) or Dolomitic lime (2.5 tons/Acre)
 - Delayed Dormant Copper application at silver tip (15% MCE)



IPM: Apple scab

• Chemical management:

- Primary apple scab:
Protectant fungicides 5-7
days from green tip to petal
fall: captan, mancozeb, sulfur,
dodine
- Secondary apple scab: Single
site fungicides 5-7 days
bloom to 2-3rd cover: DMIs,
Qols, SDHIs



IPM: Apple scab

- Apple scab forecasting
 - Predicts ascospore maturity, ascospore release, conditions for 1' infection
 - Helps track 1' apple scab infection
 - 2'' apple scab “technically” not predicted
 - NEWA system for NY growers



IPM: Apple scab

- NEWA Disease forecasting for apple scab
- <http://newa.cornell.edu/index.php?page=apple-diseases>
- Predicts ascospore maturity, ejection, & infection events
- Provides warnings of possible infection events
- Local and satellite weather data: w/LW algorithms for satellite data

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Apple Scab Results for Peru

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Daily Ascospore Discharge	0.0%	0.0%	17.4%	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.5%
Cumulative Ascospore Discharge	1.7%	1.7%	19.1%	19.5%	19.5%	19.5%	19.5%	21.0%

[Ascospore Maturity Graphs](#)

Infection Events Summary								
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Infection Events	No	Combined	Combined	Yes	No	No	No	No
Days to Symptoms	-	-	-	12-13	-	-	-	-
Average Temp (F) for wet hours		64	54	60			65	59
Leaf Wetness (hours)	0	6	9	11	0	0	1	8
Rain Amount	0.00	0.01	0.62	0.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.03

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Average Temp (F) for wet hours						64	64	74
Leaf Wetness (hours)	0	0	0	0	0	8	5	7
Rain Amount	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.05	0.01	0.04

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IPM: Apple scab

- Considerations for apple scab models:
 - Predictions on primary apple scab infection & ascospore dynamics
 - NEWA cursory information on ascospore maturity and ejection
 - NEWA uses forecast data conservatively > day 3-5 less weight than days 1&2

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Average Temp (F) for wet hours		64	64	74	69		72	52
Leaf Wetness (hours)	0	8	5	7	6	0	6	24
Rain Amount	0.00	0.05	0.01	0.04	0.07	0.00	0.25	0.42

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IPM: Apple scab

- Considerations for apple scab models:
 - Models predict favorable conditions:
apply at the highest risk periods not every infection
 - Spraying in advance? Use common sense with any model
 - Avoid spraying only after an infection period > selection for resistance

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IPM: Fire Blight

- Fire blight increasingly problematic
 - High-density tall/super spindle plantings (1000 – 1200/A) = \$high-value acreage
 - Young productive trees: protracted bloom & vigorous susceptible shoot tissue
 - Resistant rootstocks not always helpful: once fire blight hits leader > tree gone
 - New popular scion varieties susceptible



IPM: Fire Blight

- Blossom blight
 - Reduces current season's crop
 - Managed forecasted antibiotic applications
- Shoot blight
 - Reduces bearing wood for following season
 - Managed by pruning and treatment with growth regulator prohexadione-calcium (Apogee)

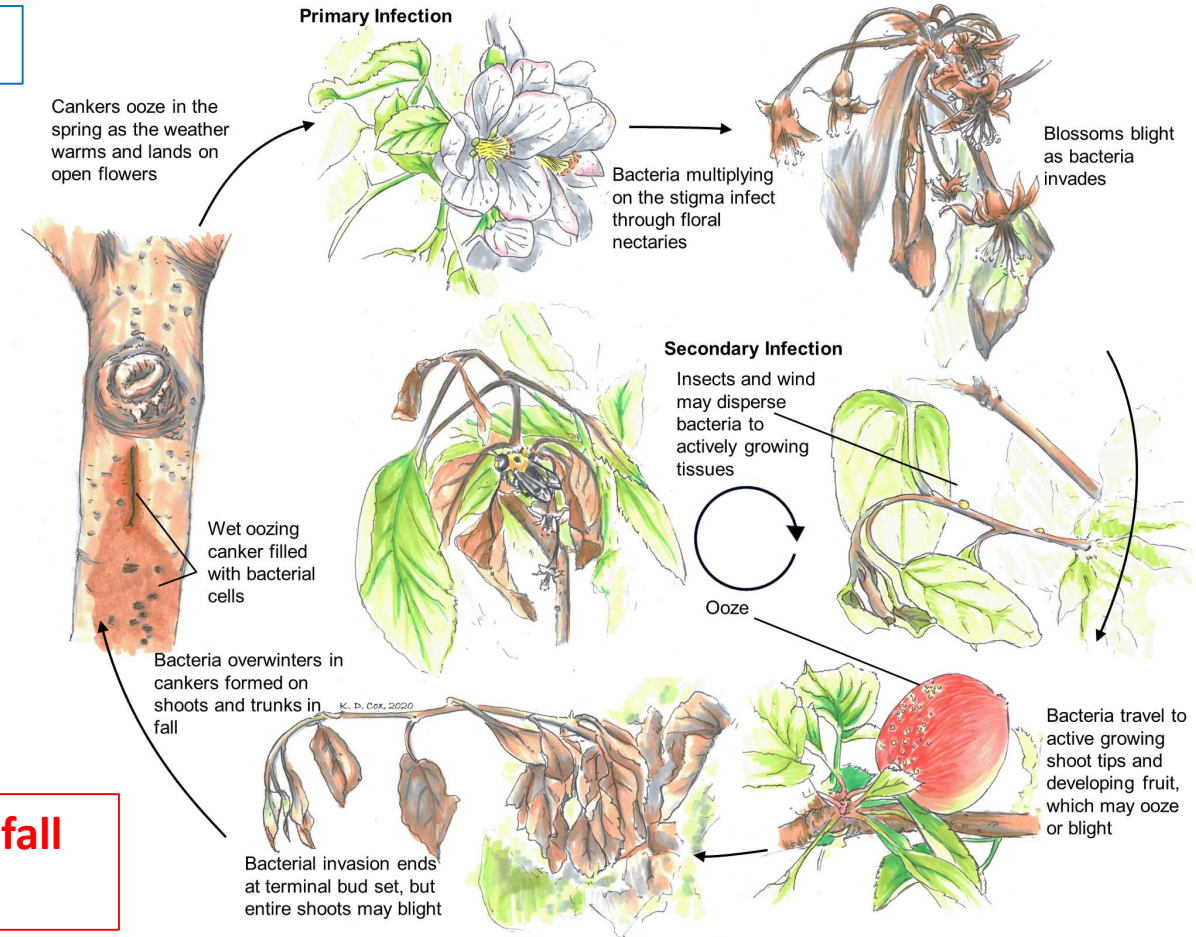
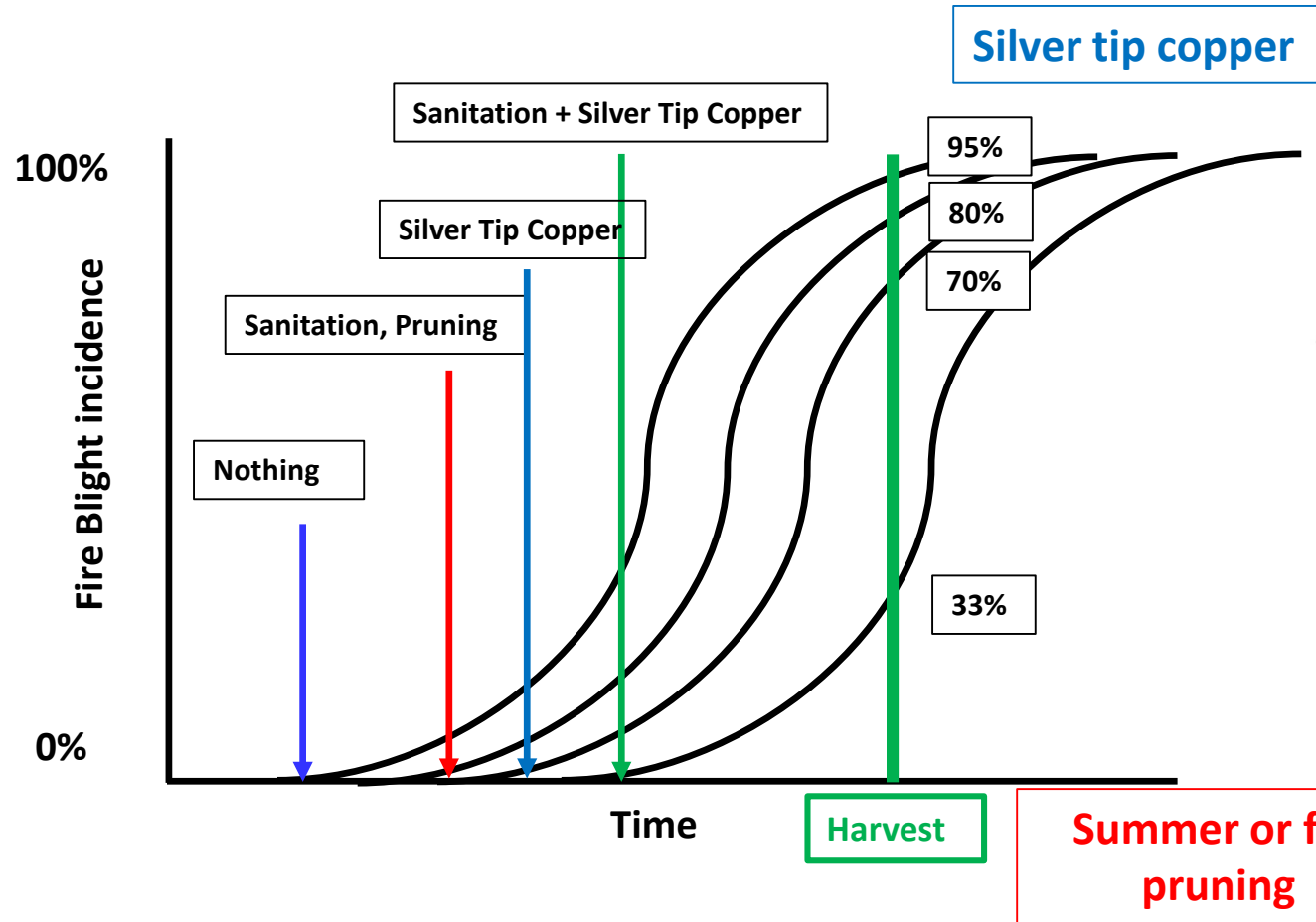


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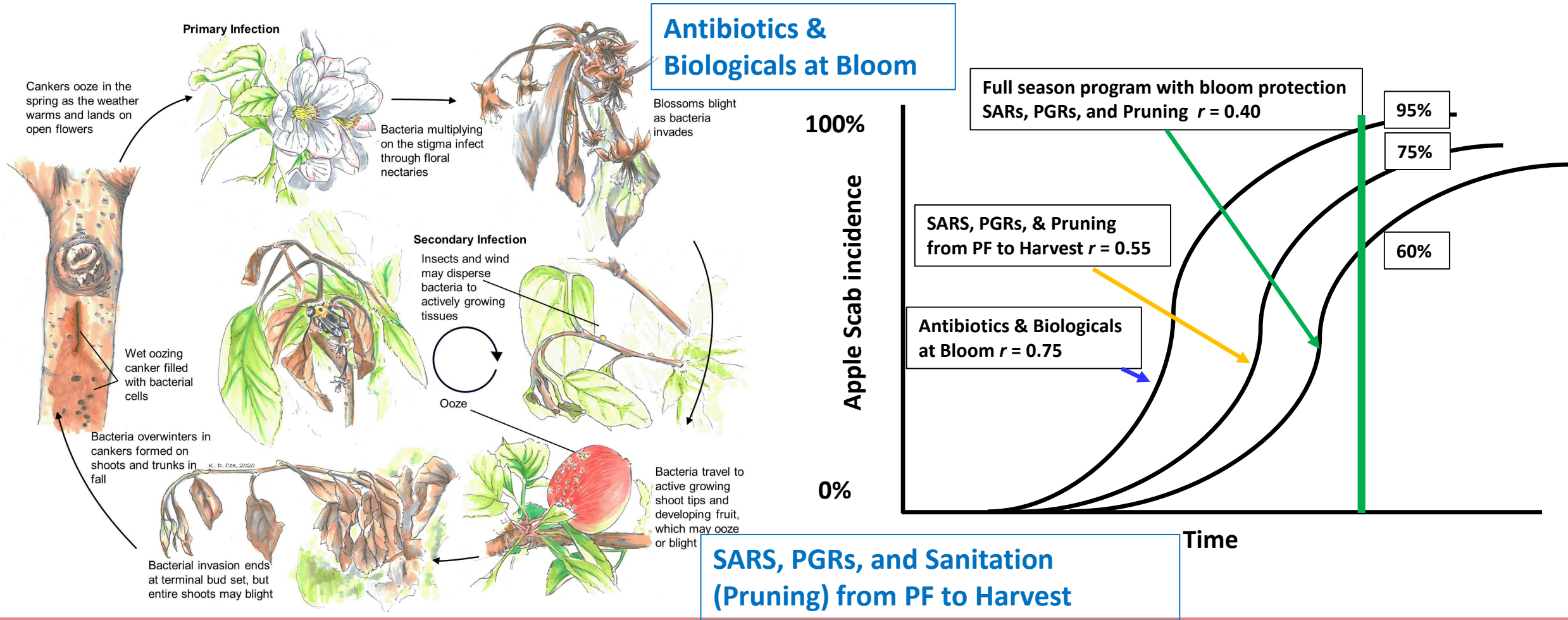
- Rootstock blight
 - Systemic infection of rootstock from suckers or blossom/shoot blight
 - Managed by resistant rootstocks
- Trauma blight
 - Results from wounds caused by hail, wind, & animals
 - Managed by antibiotics or copper



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- Implement the best horticultural practices: use less susceptible cultivars
 - No single-gene resistance in popular cultivars
 - Resistant rootstocks include the Geneva series & B.9 (2nd year)
 - Remove infected trees



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- Post-season: Clean up inoculum to reduce spread within and between trees: Prune out strikes & small cankers



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- Pre-season: Scout and prune out oozing cankers
 - Large - depressed discolored cracked bark: main scaffolds can't prune
 - Small – blossom & shoot infections, summer pruning cuts: numerous & hard to see/find



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- Pre-season
 - Delayed Dormant Fixed Copper application at silver tip (15% MCE)
(Warm weather causes cankers to ooze
> fire flight inoculum increases greatly)
- Bloom (had or have history of fire blight)
 - Use: consultant, extension alerts, or disease model forecasts for fire blight infection periods (NEWA)



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- Bloom

- Models over predict infection risk: shouldn't need more than 3 applications to get to petal fall
- Need 1 well-timed application
- Use Model + Common Sense/Consultant



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- Bloom

- Since **streptomycin resistance** is rare in NY, use highest rate of strep (24 oz/A) for a forecast infection
- Consider an application of Kasumin 2L at the labeled rate (64 fl oz/A) for the 2nd or 3rd forecast infection



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- Bloom (Organic with susceptible varieties)
 - **No antibiotics (Oct 20, 2014)**, Highest rate of Blossom Protect, Double Nickel with Cueva, Previsto, Regalia w/copper, or Serenade Opti
 - Use NEWA forecasts, apply materials for protection at EIP of 60-70 during wet weather at bloom– use local data



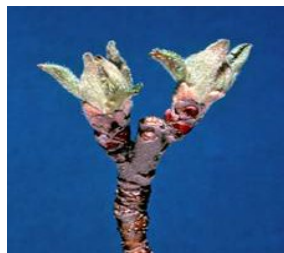
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- Post-Bloom & Summer: SARS & **Prohexadione Ca**
 - SARS: Actigard, Regalia, and LifeGard
 - PhCa: Retards vigorous shoot growth in young trees & is best protection against shoot blight

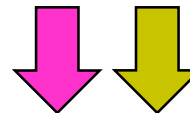
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PhCa 2 oz + Actigard 1 oz @Pink & PF



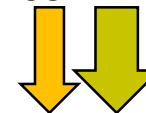
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Strep



PhCa 6oz



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- Post-Bloom & Summer: **Copper** (protectant)
 - Can cause fruit russet: not a concern in nursery or during establishment; Apply with adequate drying time
 - Protectant: reduces surface bacteria
 - Terminals can outgrow protective residues of copper
 - Low rate fixed copper program: 7-10 day schedule until terminal bud set



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- Post-Bloom & Summer: Pruning newly developed strikes
 - Remove as soon as noticed on a **cool dry day**
 - Cut into last season's growth - At least 12" into healthy tissue
 - Young trees: if 12" is into the main scaffold > remove/replant
 - "Rescue" program apply Apogee 6-12 oz/100 gal, wait 5 days, prune every two week till terminal budset



IPM: Fire Blight

- Fire blight forecasting:
 - Predicts blossom blight infection risk periods
 - Helps track development of shoot blight only (not infection), **why?**
 - Best practice for avoiding antibiotic resistance
 - NEWA: both use heat units & presence of moisture



IPM: Fire Blight

- NEWA system:
 - CougarBlight logic (WSU)
 - Epiphytic infection potential (WV UMD)
 - Integrated with NEWA/NRCC weather data
 - Fully Automated: w/ limited user input

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Fire Blight Risk Predictions for Peru

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: 5/7/2016
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Accumulated degree days (base 43°F) through 5/11/2016: 275 (0 days missing)

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Infection Potential EIP value	Low 7	Low 0	Low 2	Moderate 52	Moderate 53	High 69	Moderate 46	Moderate 22

Wetness Events

Rain Amount	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.08	0.01	0.03	0.02
Dew ?	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Leaf Wetness (hours)	0	0	0	0	5	3	9	0
Hours >90% RH	0	0	0	0	5	0	3	0
RH max/min	79/35	75/35	87/26	79/25	97/48	83/45	95/56	84/37
Temp avg F	43	50	52	60	59	61	45	46

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EIP Thresholds & Bactericides selection

- EIP > 70: streptomycin or kasugamycin
- EIP 40-70: Oxytetracycline or a biological



IPM: Fire Blight

- Considerations for models:
 - Tells: **When** and **How** favorable environmental conditions are for blossom blight infection
 - Doesn't predict control failures or future disease
 - Less effective for shoot blight: 1) **internal** movement of bacteria to growing shoot tips or 2) **external** injury following, insect, animal, or warm windy storm
 - More cost-effective to spray for **blossom blight** when environment conditions are favorable
 - Applying antibiotics for **blossom blight**, use the models to guide application timing

Which of the following is not an IPM practice for apple scab

1. Pruning limbs with apple scab infected fruit
2. Applying urea to reduce inoculum
3. Applying fixed copper delayed dormant to reduce inoculum
4. Using disease resistant cultivars

The fire blight model forecasts risks on all of the following except

1. Degree hour accumulations during bloom
2. The presence of dew
3. Hours of accumulated leaf wetness from petal fall
4. First blossom open date

Which of the following is not an IPM practice for fire blight

1. Using less susceptible resistant cultivars
2. Applying defense inducers and plant growth regulators
3. Delayed-dormant application of copper to reduce inoculum
4. Apply urea to leaf litter to reduce inoculum