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# **IPM OF ROSE PESTS**

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# INTRODUCTION

- There are many different types of organisms (insects, mites, diseases) in the home garden
- Very few are pests!
- Many beneficial organisms are present
- Correct identification of the pest is essential for proper control

#### **INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT (IPM)**

IPM is an environmentally sound integration of all control methods to control pest populations below economic or damaging levels

# **IPM STRATEGIES**

- Prevention
- Pest & Symptom Identification
- Regular Survey for Pests (presence or symptoms)
- Establish Action Thresholds & Guidelines

# **IPM METHODS**

Cultural Control
Mechanical & Physical Control
Biological Control
Chemical Control

# **CULTURAL CONTROL**

Growing healthy plants Buying pest-free plant materials Choosing resistant varieties Choosing the planting site Fertilization - too much or too little Sanitation - removal of infected plant materials

Watering methods

# **MECHANICAL & PHYSICAL**

- Barriers e.g., copper banding for snails/slugs
- Mulching for weed control & water conservation
- Solarization for control of weeds and diseases
- Hosing & Syringing for control of aphids, mites,
   & powdery mildew
- Handpicking & Crushing for many large insects and beetles
- Hoeing for weed control Trapping e.g., pheromone traps for tobacco budworms

# **BIOLOGICAL CONTROL**

- Parasites (Parasitoids) e.g., parasitic wasps & flies
- Predators e.g., lady beetles & lacewings
- Diseases e.g., milky spore for
   Japanese Beetle, beneficial nematodes, etc.

# CHEMICAL CONTROL

- Inorganic Pesticides Derived from elemental sources: Sulfur
- Organic Pesticides Synthetic pesticides further classified by chemical families and modes of action.
- Botanical Pesticides Derived from plant materials:
   Pyrethrum, rotenone, rynia, bioneem, pepper oil, etc.
- Microbial Pesticides Derived from microbial organisms: *Bacillus thuringienses*

# **SIGNAL WORDS**

These words give information on the relative toxicity and corrosiveness of the pesticide

- **POISON:** Highly Toxic Nicotine Sulfate
- DANGER: Highly Toxic Funginex (Triforine)
   WARNING: Moderately Toxic Roundup
- CAUTION: Slightly Toxic many botanicals & microbial pesticides

## Garden Insecticides - Systemics



# Insecticides – Contact - Residual







### Insecticides – Contact – No Residue







## Insecticides - Microbal



# Aphids



# **Aphid Natural Enemies**







# More Aphid Natural Enemies











# Sooty Mold – usually grows on top of honeydew produced by sucking insects



# Ants – commonly found on honeydew produced by sucking insects



# Mealybugs







# Whiteflies



### Rose Scale – common on berry bushes





#### San Jose Scale – common on fruit trees





# Scale Insect Natural Enemies



Red Scale Wasp Larva On Scale

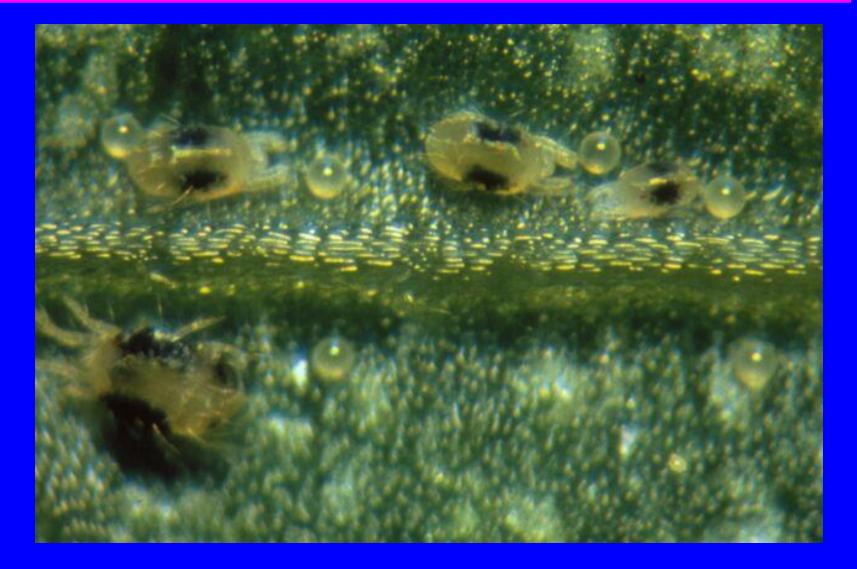
# Spittlebugs – unsightly "spit" or foam



# Spider Mites – suck individual cells dry



# **Two-Spotted Spider Mites**



### Flower Thrips – very tiny insects! Commonly found causing damage to rose petals

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Pm. 42. Gradual metamorphosis of thrips. a, eggs. b, nymphs; four stages, known as instars, c, adult. (From Moulton.)

# Western Flower Thrips



# Rose Midge – tiny mosquito like flies, feeds on the apical buds of roses





# Katydids – long horned grasshoppers











# Snails & Slugs – leave a silvery slime trail behind



# **Control Measures For Snails**



## **Diabrotica or Cucumber Beetles**



### Rose Curculios – feeds on early flower buds



#### Rose Curculio – damage to buds



#### Other Beetles: Hoplia, Japanese beetles, Stem girdlers, etc.









#### Fruit Tree Leafroller Caterpillars



# Tobacco Budworms - commonly migrate from companion plantings



#### Marmara Cambium Miners



#### Rose Stem Sawfly Damage on Rose



#### Rose Stem Boring Sawfly Aka – Raspberry Stem Boring Sawfly





#### **Cane Boring Insects**



Most cane boring insects are predaceous on other insects and use rose stems for nesting

# Leafcutter Bees – do not eat leaves; they use them for lining nests





#### Learn To Recognize The Good Bugs Of The Garden

Larva

Lady Beetle

Leatherwinged Beetle

Ground Beetle

Scale Feeding Lady Beetle Larvae, Pupae & Adult Parasitized Aphid – A "Mummy"

Lady Beetle Pupae

Mealybug Destroyer Lady Beetle Larvae

### Watch out for the Lady Beetles!



#### **IPM IN THE HOME GARDEN**

- Establish damage levels for your own garden
- Make observations and record them
- Correctly identify the pest
- Take the appropriate action; sometimes the appropriate action is no action

### The End

