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**Sweet Corn School
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**EPA RELEASES REPORT ON MINOR USE PESTICIDES AND
NEW WEB PAGE**

From: "Joanne Kick-Raack"

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has released a Report on the Minor Uses of Pesticides, mandated by the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA)

The report describes actions taken by EPA to increase communication with minor use stakeholders and to expedite registrations for minor use pesticides. For example, EPA has designated a minor crop

advisor and a public health coordinator to increase responsiveness to minor use concerns.

EPA in partnership with USDA's Interregional Research Project 4 (IR-4) has aggressively sought to increase pesticide registrations for minor uses, registering 814 new uses in 1999 and 901 in 2000. Over 80% of the new use registrations have been for reduced-risk pesticides. Minor use priorities for reregistration and tolerance reassessment have been guided by recommendations from the EPA/USDA Tolerance Reassessment Advisory Committee (TRAC) and the Committee to Advise on Reassessment and Transition (CARAT), both established to provide EPA and USDA advice on strategic approaches for pest management planning and tolerance reassessment while implementing FQPA.

EPA has also created a new minor use web page, <http://www.epa.gov/pesticides/minoruse/> which provides links to the report and related information on the Agency's minor use activities and partnerships with other agencies. Copies of the Report on Minor Use Pesticides may be obtained on the new minor use web site or by calling 1-800-490-9198.

Minor uses of pesticides are those for which the total United States production for a crop is fewer than 300,000 acres, or those uses which do not provide sufficient economic incentive for a registrant to support initial or continuing pesticide registrations. Minor uses of pesticides occur on fruits and vegetables and for control of disease vectors, such as mosquitos, ticks, cockroaches, rodents and disease-causing organisms.



What's New At The VegNet Web Site

- [Online Edition of the 2001 Ohio Vegetable Production Guide - Now Available](#)

- Sweet Corn Disease Resistance Ratings

The following are summarized lists of Dr. Pataky's work at the Univ. of IL on disease reactions of sweet corn. In these summaries, all experimental and processing varieties have been removed and only named varieties which were rated for common rust or MDM are included. The first list are those named varieties rated for common rust. The second list are only those named varieties rated for Maize Dwarf Mosaic virus (MDM). For a complete report, E-mail: Bob Precheur: precheur.1@osu.edu

[Common Rust of Sweet Corn](#)
[MDM of Sweet Corn](#)

- Do You Know Us?

Find out what we've been up to. The OSU Vegetable Team Report is available in PDF file format for downloading from the VegNet homepage.

- Sources of Pheromone Traps Used in Vegetable Pest Management.

Do you need to find traps, lures or suppliers, click on the Vegetable IPM button on the left side of the homepage, then click on the 'Sources' document in the Vegetable IPM section.

IR-4 News

Also in the Vegetable IPM section, you can link to the IR-4 website. Read the results of the 2000 food use workshop, monthly and quaterly newsletters. Find out the latest on pesticide registrations for minor crops. Learn about biopesticides plus much more. Click on the Vegetable IPM button on the VegNet homepage and then click on the IR4 link in the Vegetable IPM section.



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