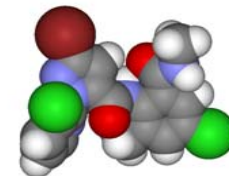


# Development of Rynaxypyr<sup>®</sup>: Assessment of Impact to Non-target Organisms Including Pollinators in the Insecticide Discovery Process

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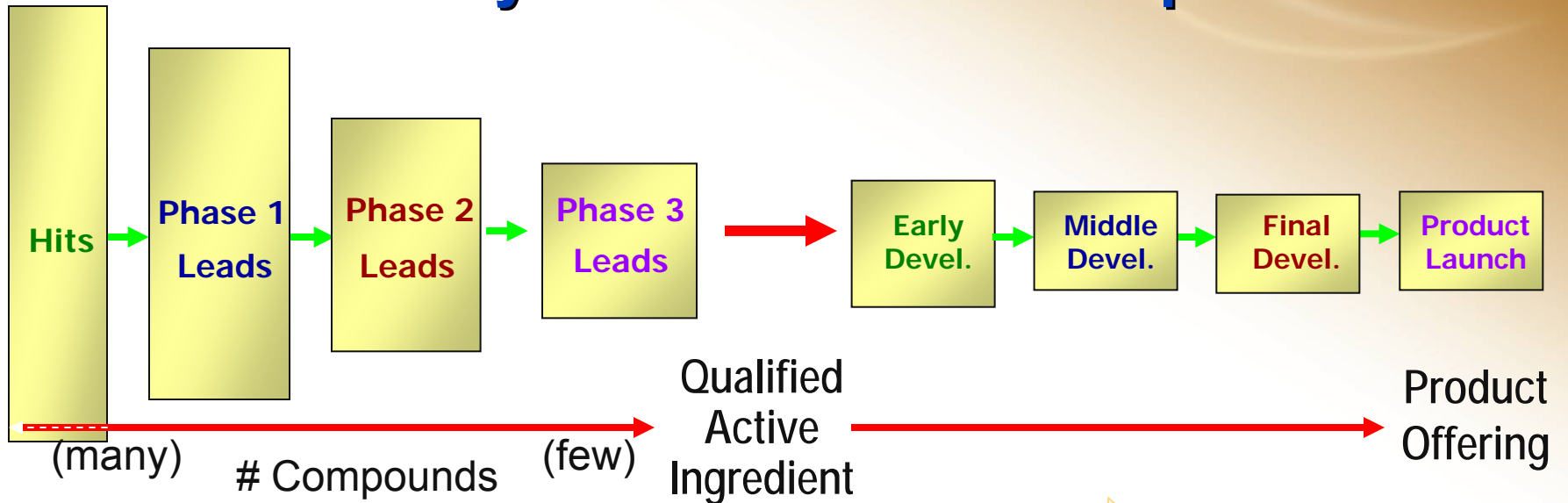
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# New Product R & D Process

## Discovery

## Development



Hit Generation → Lead Optimization



Registration Process

Product Supply

Field Development and Market Planning

Product Registration

Packaged Product

Motivated Customer



# Previous Discovery Process

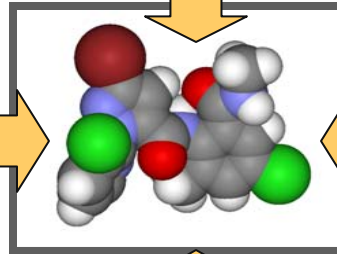


## Nematode Control

Broad-spectrum, usable with precision application technology

## Insect Control

Broad-spectrum, systemic activity



## Disease Control

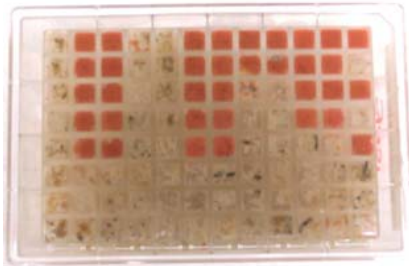
Protective, curative, systemic, broad-spectrum fungicides

## Weed Control

Broad-spectrum, residual, pre/early/post-emergence herbicides



# Evolving Discovery Process



## Nematode Control

Broad-spectrum, usable with precision application technology



## Insect Control

Broad-spectrum,

Safe

## Disease Control

Protective, curative, eradicated, systemic, broad-spectrum fungicides

## Toxicology

Acute, sub-chronic, developmental

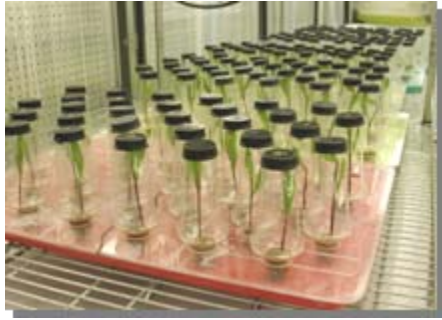
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# Evolving Discovery Process



## Nematode Control

Broad-spectrum, usable with precision application technology



## Insect Control

Broad-spectrum,

Safe

"Green"

## Disease Control

Protective, curative, eradication

## Toxicology

Acute, sub-chronic, developmental

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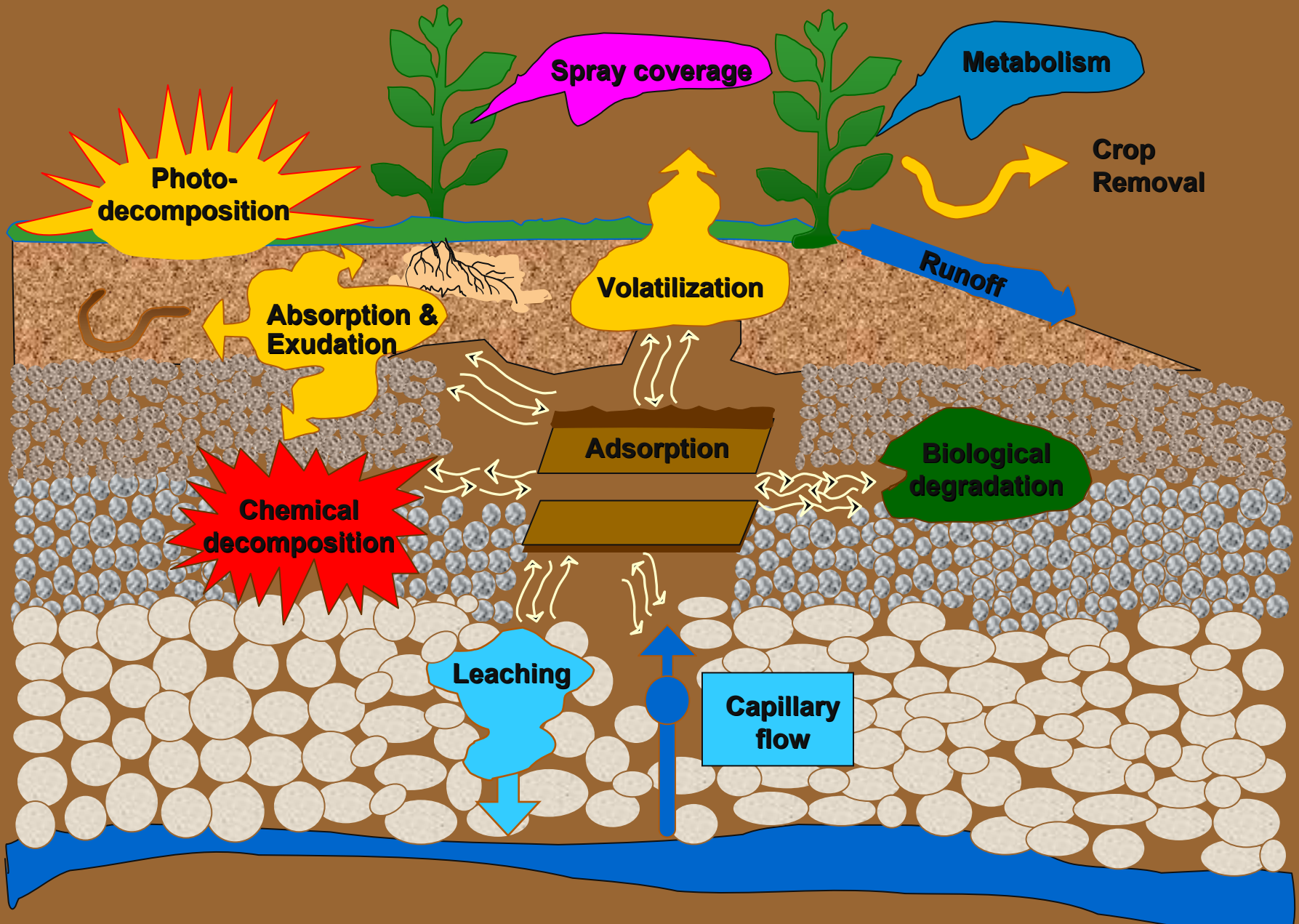
Physical properties, metabolism, photostability, soil dissipation

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# Environmental Fate of Agrochemicals



# Evolving Discovery Process

## Nematode Control

Broad-spectrum, usable  
Precision application  
Technology

## Mode of Action

Novelty desired,  
compatible with IPM & RM

## Insect Control

Broad-spectrum,  
Systemic

## Toxicology

Acute, sub-chronic,  
developmental

Safe

"Green"

New MOA

## Disease Control

Protective, curative,  
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## Environmental Fate

Physical properties,  
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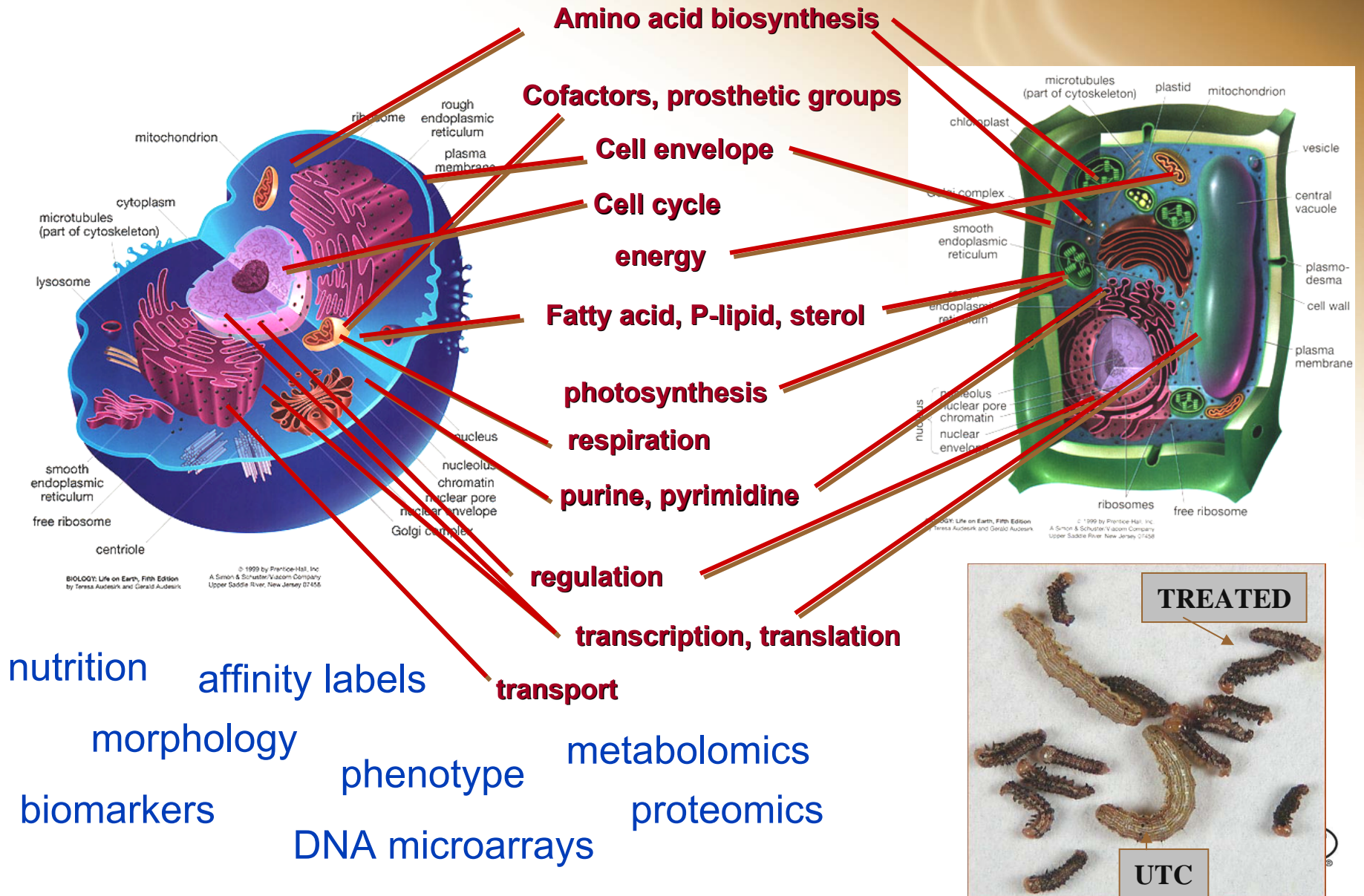
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# Biochemical Target Identification (SoA)





# Current Discovery Process

## Nematode Control

Broad-spectrum, use  
precision appli  
technology

## Mode of Action

Novelty desired,  
compatible with IPM & RM

## Ecotoxicology

Aquatic, birds &  
mammals, pollinators

## Insect Control

Broad-spectrum,  
S

## Disease Control

Protective, curative,  
S

## Toxicology

Acute, sub-chronic,  
developmental

New MOA

## Environmental Fate

Physical properties,  
photostability, metabolism,  
soil dissipation

## Weed Control

Broad-spectrum, residual,  
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# Ecological Effects



**Bees**



**Mammals  
and Birds**



**Plants**

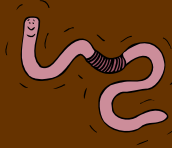


**Arthropods**

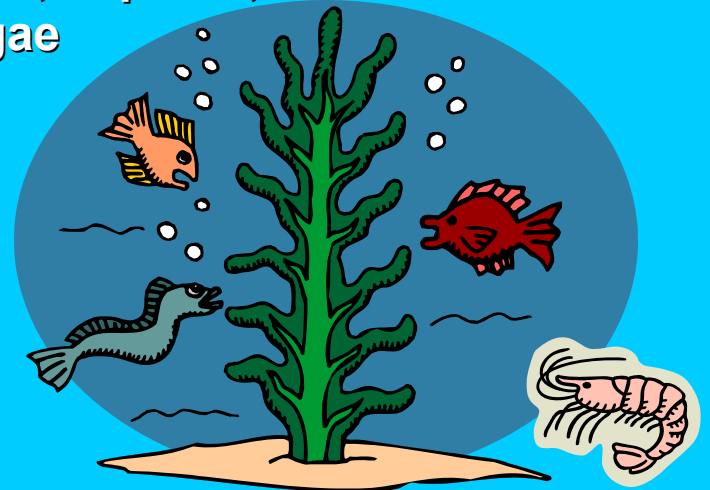
**Soil**

**Surface water**

**Fish, daphnia,  
algae**



**Worms**



**Soil Macro  
Organisms**

**Soil Micro  
Organisms**

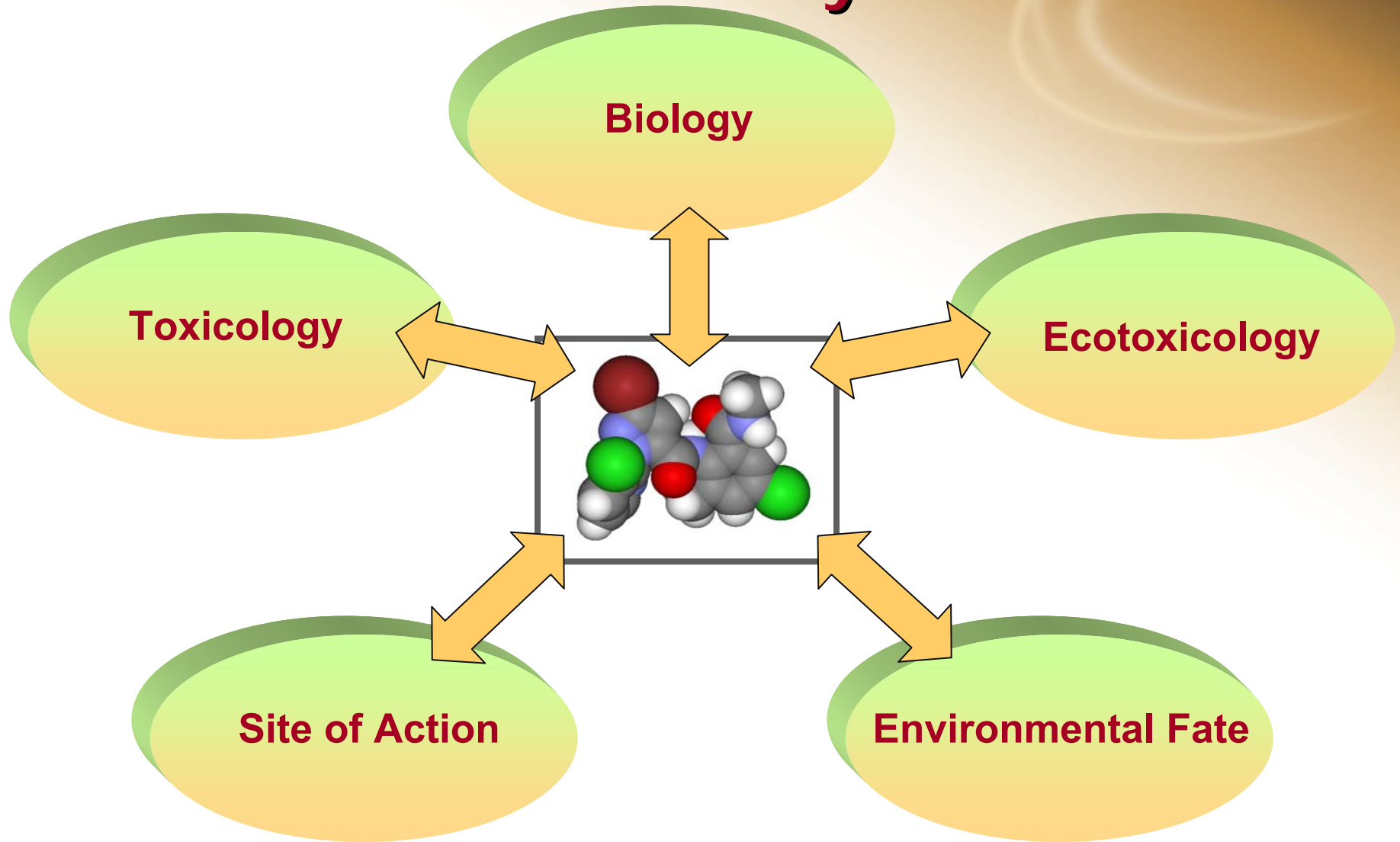


**Sediment**

**Midge larvae**



# Current Discovery Process



# Drivers for Early Pollinator Testing

- Regulatory requirements
  - Directive 91/414/EEC
  - Regulation (EC) 1107/2009
  - US Reduced Risk
- Early identification of potential regulatory issues
- Save time in planning for appropriate higher tier testing
- Determine extent of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) fit
- “Customer” expectations around stewardship



**Choose the best candidate molecule**

## Factors facilitating Early Testing

- Testing should require minimal amounts of compound
- Testing should allow for more compounds to be screened
- Testing results need to be available in a useful timeframe
- Testing should be predictive/reliable indicator  
(standardized, regulatory protocols)



# Honey Bee Testing (*Apis mellifera*)



- **Acute contact (topical application)**
  - Screening test: adapted OECD 214
  - Technical material or formulation
  - Dose response testing (0.1 - 100  $\mu\text{g}$  a.i./bee)
  - Measured parameters: mortality and behavior
  - Endpoints: 48-96h LD<sub>50</sub> ( $\mu\text{g}$  a.i./bee)



- **Acute oral (dietary exposure)**
  - Screening test: adapted OECD 213
  - Technical material or formulation
  - Dose response testing (0.1 -100  $\mu\text{g}$  a.i./bee)
  - Measured parameters: mortality and behavior
  - Endpoint: 48-96h LD<sub>50</sub> ( $\mu\text{g}$  a.i./bee)

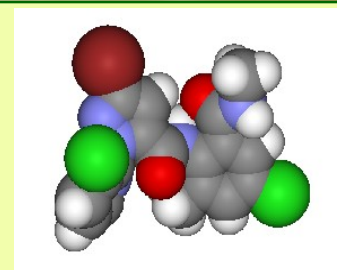
# Summary

- **Regulatory test designs (OECD methods) can be adapted to meet needs of a Discovery process (amount of test material needed, feasibility for testing numerous analogs)**
- **Discovery level Ecotox testing is contributing to the optimization/selection of new candidate molecules**
- **Challenges - potential bee brood effects, prediction of effects on other pollinators, etc.**

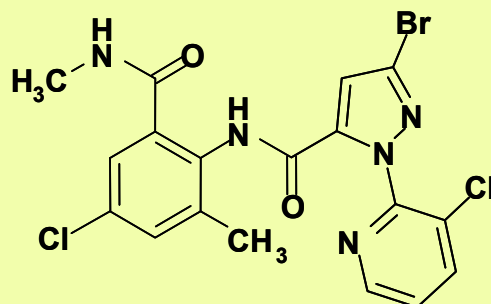


# Nomenclature and General Properties

**Trade name:** Rynaxypyr®  
**Common name:** Chlorantraniliprole  
**Chemical class:** Anthranilic diamide  
**Code number:** DPX-E2Y45  
**Molecular formula:** C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>14</sub>BrCl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>



**Structural formula:**



**Molecular weight:** 483.15 g/mole  
**Physical state (pure a.i.):** fine crystalline off-white powder  
**Melting point (pure a.i.):** 208-210°C [(200-202°C (technical))]  
**Vapour pressure (20 °C):** 6.3 × 10<sup>-12</sup> Pa  
**Part. Coeff. oct/w (Log P<sub>ow</sub>) (20 °C):** 2.76 (distilled water)  
**Dissociation Constant (pK<sub>a</sub>) (20 °C):** 10.88  
**Solubility in water (20 °C):** 1.0 mg/L

# Excellent Insect Receptor Selectivity

**Insect Receptor:**  
Single isoform

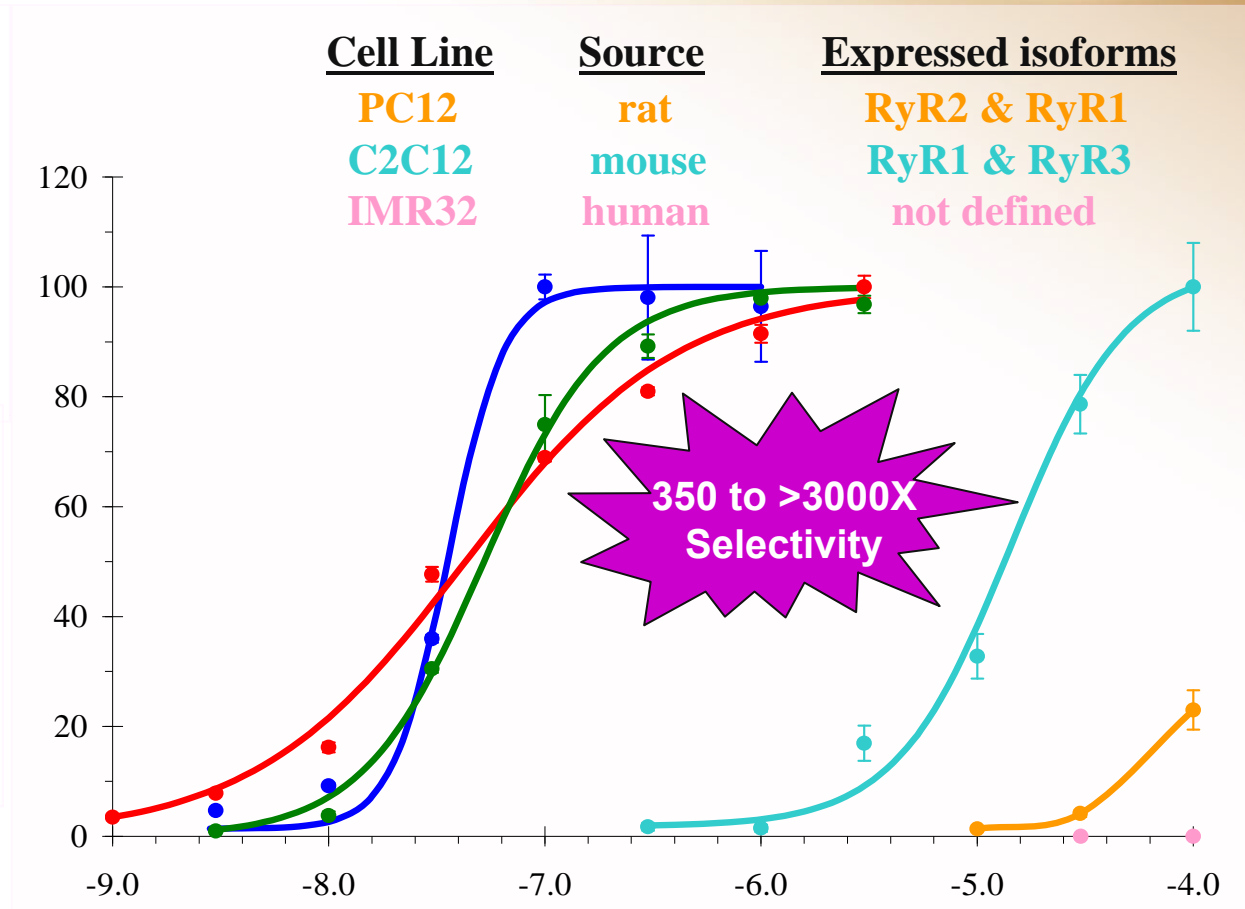
**Mammalian Receptor:**  
RyR1 – Skeletal  
RyR2 – Cardiac  
RyR1 – non-specific

**Insect**

- Periplaneta
- Drosophila
- Heliothis

**Mammalian**

- C2C12  $EC_{50} = 14 \mu M$
- PC12  $EC_{50} > 100 \mu M$
- IMR32  $EC_{50} > 100 \mu M$





# Honey Bee Risk Assessment

## EU - Hazard Quotient Approach

- $HQ = \text{max. application rate (g a.i./ha)} / LD_{50} (\mu\text{g a.i./bee})$
- If  $HQ_{\text{oral}}$  and  $HQ_{\text{contact}}$  are  $< 50$ , then acute safety to bees can be assumed based on historical comparison of lab data and field data with numerous different test substances. Otherwise higher tier testing is possible.
- If  $LD_{50} > 100 \mu\text{g a.i./bee}$ , product is considered non-toxic.

## US categorizes hazard to honeybees as follows:

- $LD_{50} < 2 \mu\text{g a.i./bee}$ : highly toxic
- $LD_{50} \geq 2-10.99 \mu\text{g a.i./bee}$ : moderately toxic
- $LD_{50} > 11 \mu\text{g a.i./bee}$ : practically non-toxic



# Rynaxypyr<sup>®</sup>

## Safety to Honey Bees - Acute Exposure

Test material	Oral ( $\mu\text{g}$ Rynaxypyr <sup>®</sup> /bee)	Contact ( $\mu\text{g}$ Rynaxypyr <sup>®</sup> /bee)
<b>Coragen<sup>®</sup> 20SC</b>	<b>LD<sub>50</sub> = 117.8</b>  <b>EU HQ = 0.5</b>	<b>LD<sub>50</sub> = 81.5</b>  <b>EU HQ = 0.7</b> <b>USA = PNT</b>
<b>Altacor<sup>®</sup> 35WG</b>	<b>LD<sub>50</sub> &gt; 119.2</b>  <b>EU HQ &lt; 0.5</b>	<b>LD<sub>50</sub> = 100</b>  <b>EU HQ = 0.6</b> <b>USA = PNT</b>

# EU Higher Tier Studies

## EPP0 170-3 *Phacelia* Tunnel Tests

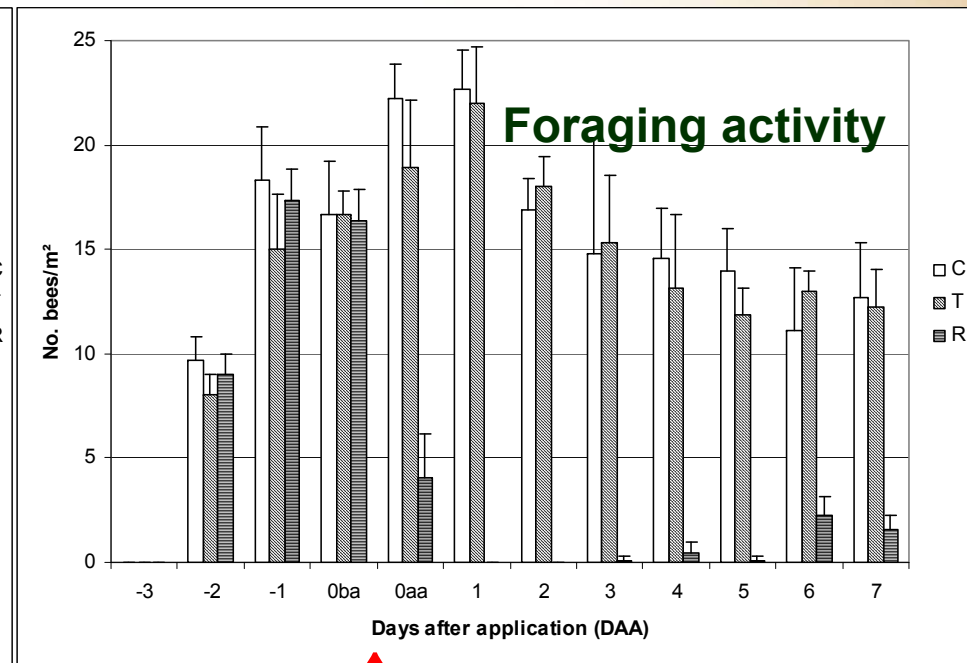
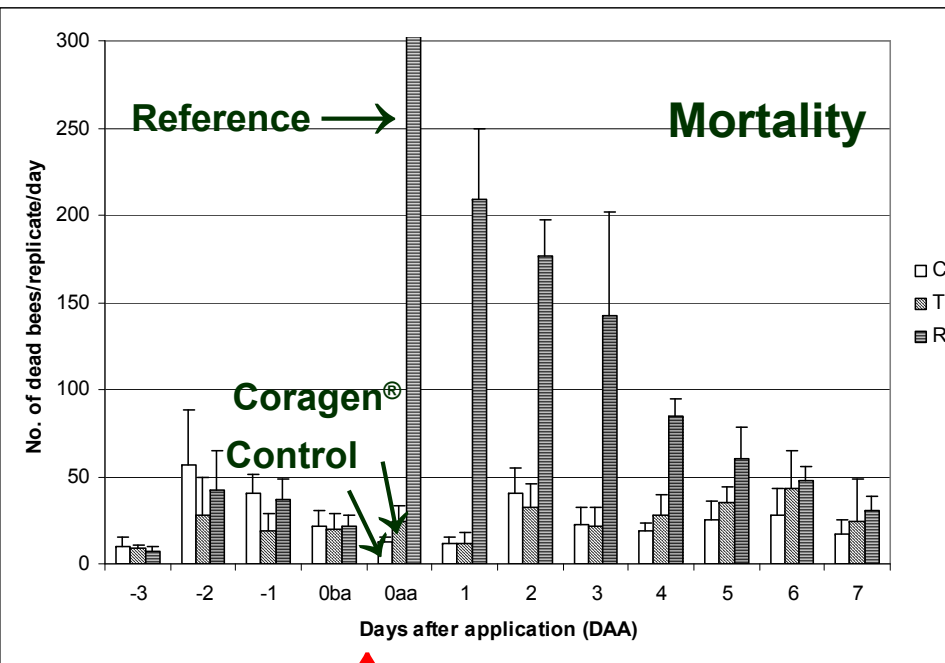
- GLP tunnel tests – Germany, Spain, France
- Coragen® – Spray application during foraging activity



# EPP0 170-3 *Phacelia* Tunnel Tests

## Results – France 2006

- Coragen® tested at up to 60 g a.i./ha had no negative impact on the honey bee, *Apis mellifera* in several semi-field tunnel tests with flowering *Phacelia tanacetifolia*, when directly over-sprayed during foraging activity of honey bees (e.g. France 2006)





# EPP0 170-3 *Phacelia* Tunnel Tests

Test	Mortality	Behavioural effects	Impact on colony
Germany, 2004 52.5 g a.i./ha <i>A. m. Carnica</i>	<b>No significant increase in mortality compared to control</b>	<b>No inhibition of flight intensity or changes in individual behaviour compared to control</b>	<b>Colony strength not affected</b> <b>All brood stages present at on day +8</b>
Spain, 2004 52.5 g a.i./ha <i>A. m. Mellifera</i>			<b>Colony strength not affected</b> <b>All brood stages present at on day +22</b>
France, 2006 60 g a.i./ha <i>A. m. Carnica</i>			<b>Colony strength not affected</b> <b>All brood stages present at on day +7, +14, +22, +28</b>

# Rynaxypyr<sup>®</sup> – Exposure Assessment

- **EPPO 170-3 tunnel design, 3 treatments:**
  - 1.) **untreated control**
  - 2.) **soil application at Phacelia planting at 314 g Rynaxypyr<sup>®</sup>/ha (6 weeks before flowering)**
  - 3.) **spray application during Phacelia flowering at 60 g Rynaxypyr<sup>®</sup>/ha**
- **Bees of all treatments exposed in parallel to flowering Phacelia**
- **Residue sampling dates**  
**DAA -1, +1, +3, +7; (no DAA+3 inside hive)**
- **Residue samples taken**  
**pollen & nectar from forager bees, outside hive**  
**pollen, nectar and wax samples, inside hive**

# Rynaxypyr<sup>®</sup> – Exposure Assessment





# Rynaxypyr<sup>®</sup> – Exposure Assessment

		Nectar from Forager Bee Stomachs	Pollen from Forager Bee Legs	Nectar from Bee combs inside <u>hive</u>	Pollen from Bee Combs inside <u>hive</u>	Wax from Bee Combs inside <u>hive</u>
Treatment	Collection Date	(mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	(mg/kg)
1.) Control - water	-1	0	0	0	0	0
sprayed onto	+1	0	0	0	0	0
foraging bees in	+3	0	0	--	--	--
flowering Phacelia	+7	0	0	0	0	0
2.) 314 g ai/ha <u>soil application</u> at Phacelia planting	-1	0	0	0	0	0
	+1	0	0	0	0	0
	+3	0.0032	0.0010	--	--	--
	+7	0	0.0018	0	0	0
3.) 60 g ai/ha spray onto <u>flowering</u> Phacelia during foraging activity	-1	0	0	0	0	0
	+1	0.0330	2.601	0.0472	2.348	0.0105
	+3	0.0096	0.7633	--	--	--
	+7	0.0036	0.2643	0.0013	0.1080	0.0757

**Low risk for honey bees via systemic uptake**



# Rynaxypyr<sup>®</sup> Bumble Bee Greenhouse Trial





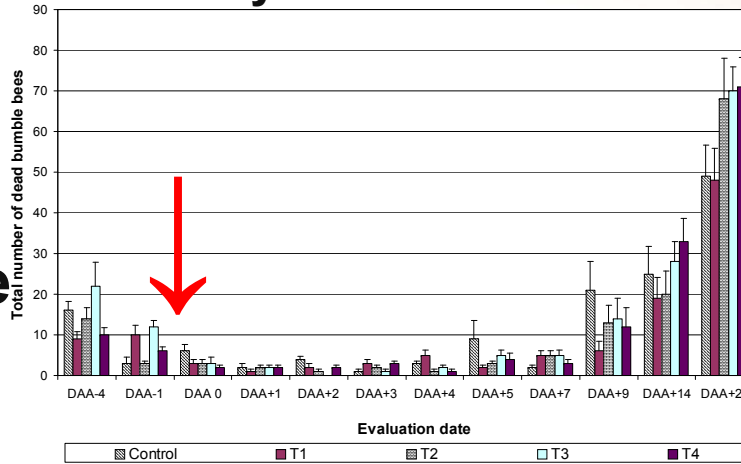
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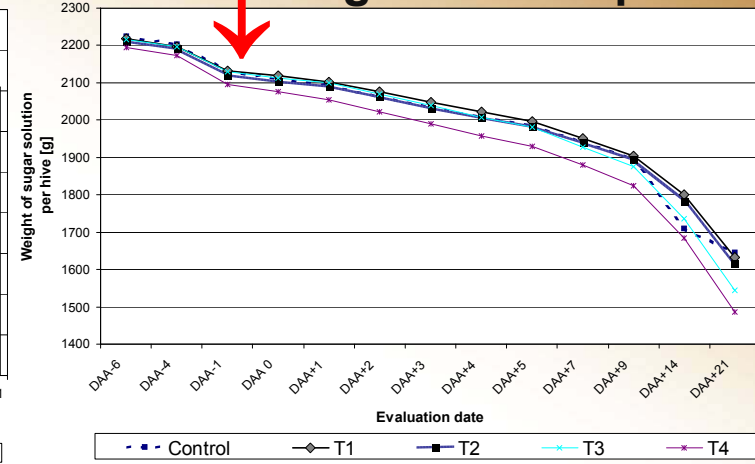
# Rynaxypyr<sup>®</sup> Bumble Bee Safety

- 40 g a.i./ha
- Exposure during foraging activity and to 1, 2 & 3 day old residues

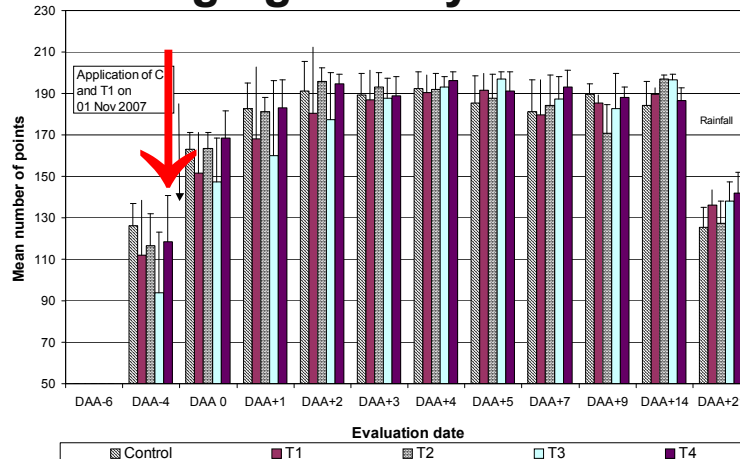
## Mortality



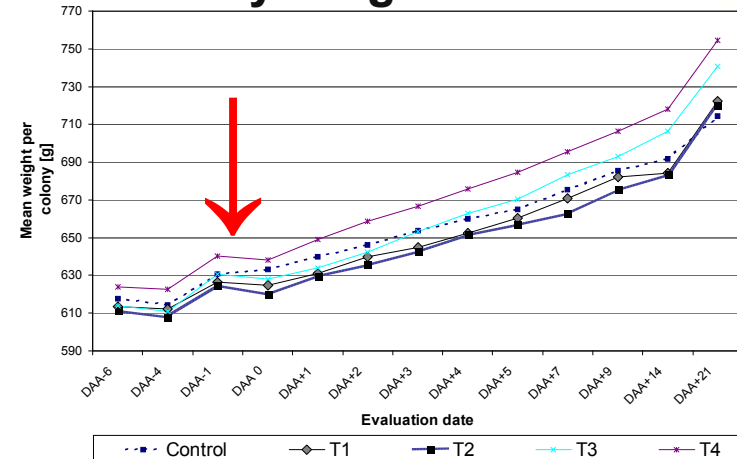
## Sugar consumption



## Foraging activity



## Colony weight



# Conclusions – Pollinator Safety

Rynaxypyr<sup>®</sup> and its formulated products – Coragen<sup>®</sup> and Altacor<sup>®</sup> – are expected to present low risk for honey bees and bumble bees, because

- Low intrinsic honey bee toxicity
- Safety demonstrated in worst-case honey bee EPPO 170-3 & CEB 230 tunnel tests:
  - No increased mortality
  - No behavioral effects
  - No effects on honey bee brood
- Safety shown in worst-case bumble bee greenhouse tomato test

Also, low impact to beneficial arthropods

Excellent IPM profile!

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