Developing Trap and Kill Technologies to Improve Management of the Western Spotted and Striped Cucumber Beetles (Diabrotica undecimpunctata) and (Acalymma trivittatum)

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# Western Spotted Cucumber Beetle

\*Wide host range



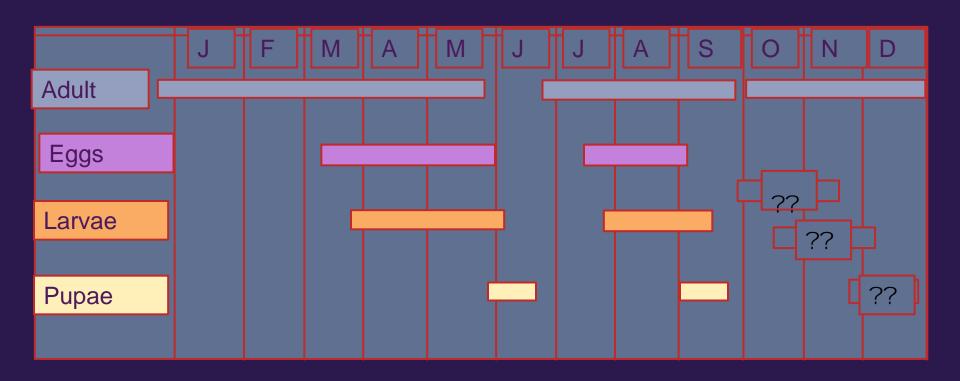








# Lifecycle



# Western Striped Cucumber Beetle





## Current Beetle Control

\*Insecticid
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## Alternative Beetle Control

\*Trap
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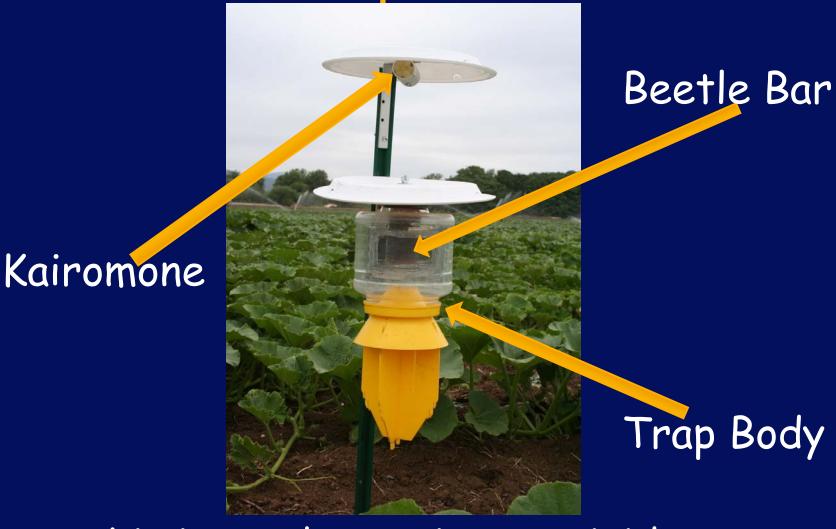


# Alternative Beetle Control



\*Exclusion

OSU Lab Trap



\*Limits and contains pesticides.

## Kairomone

- \*Kairomone
- \*(Ibb)
  - \* indole,
  - \* beta-ionone,
  - \* and benzyl alcohol.



### Beetle Bar - Cucurbitacin E

- \* BitterHawkesburyMelon (BHM)
- \* Ingredients
  - \* BHM pulp,
  - \* BHM juice,
  - \* sodium benzoate,
  - \* xanthum gum,
  - \* entrust.



# Objectives

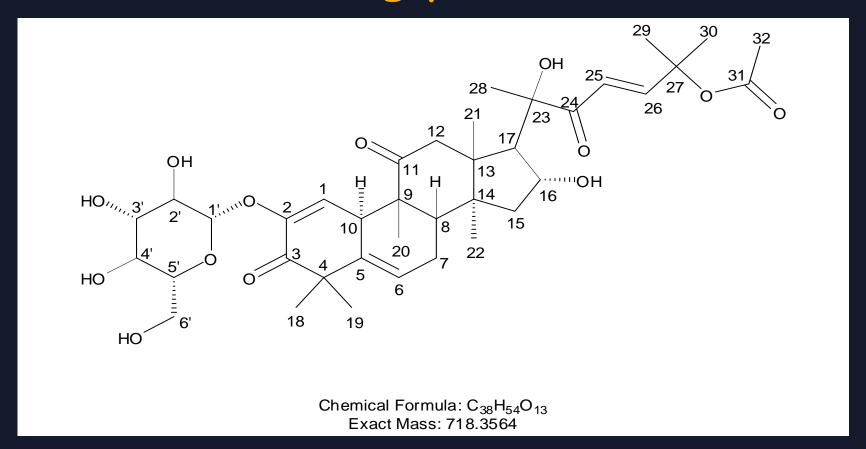
- \* 1. Evaluate the effect of temperature on the degradation of the cucurbitacin in BHM components of the beetle bar.
- \* 2. Evaluate kairomone lure longevity under field conditions.
- \* 3. Evaluate effectiveness of alternative trap designs on beetle capture rate.

# Cucurbitacin E glycoside Isolation

- \*Fred Stevens lab.
- \*BHM juice was isolated and ran on Mass Spec and NMR.



## Cucurbitacin E glycoside Isolation

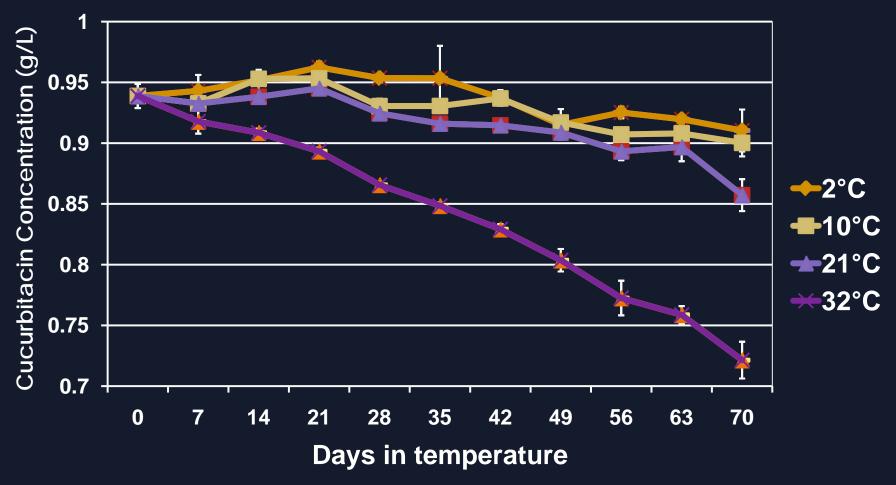


Fred Stevens and lab confirmed the compound to be Cucurbitacin E glycoside

# Cucurbitacin E glycoside Degradation

- \*Quantified with high-pressure liquid chromatography (HPLC)
- \*Temperatures of 2, 10, 21, and 32° C
- \*Ten week period, sampling at 1 week intervals.

### Cucurbitacin E-glycoside Degradation



Treatment: Temp (C)	10	21	32
2	0.09	< 0.01	< 0.01
10		0.11	< 0.01
21			< 0.01

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# Kairomone Degradation

- \*Kairomones

  prepared 56 days,

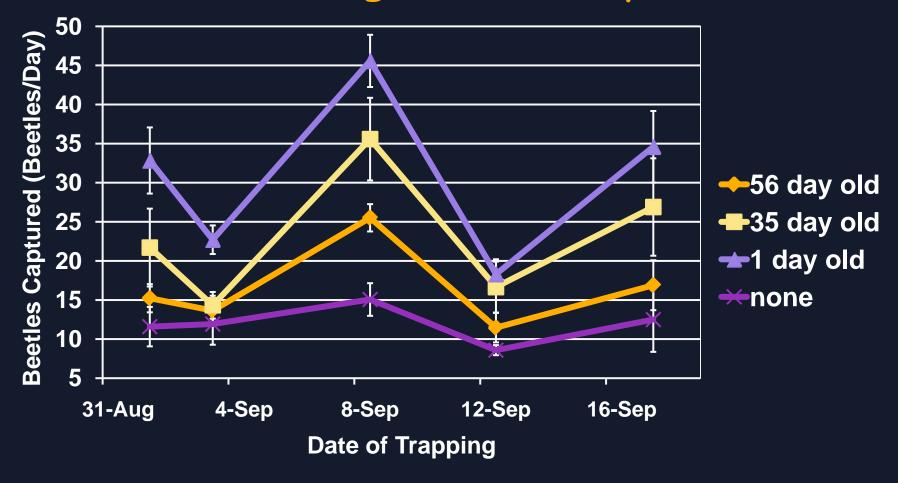
  35 days, and 1 day

  prior to the

  experiment.
- \*control of no kairomone lure.

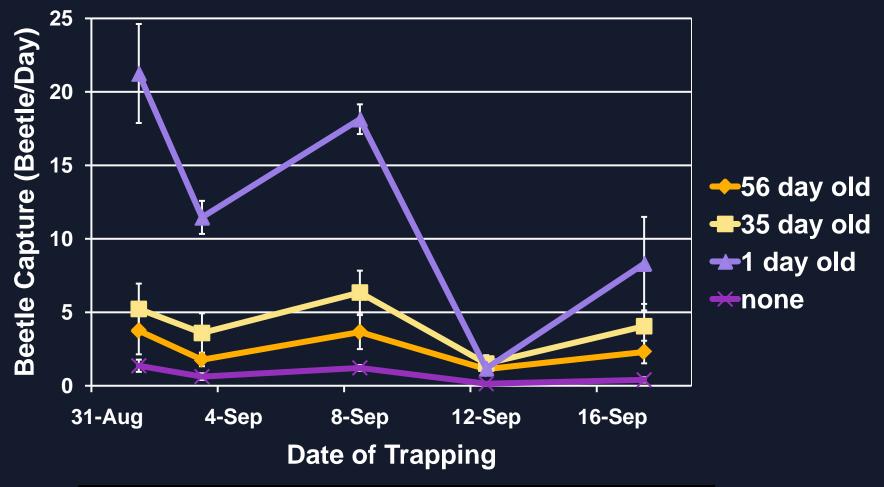


### Kairomone Degradation: Spotted



Treatment: IBb Age (days)	56	35	1
Control/none	0.14	< 0.01	< 0.01
56		0.05	< 0.01
35			0.02

## Kairomone Degradation: Striped



Treatment: IBb Age (days)	56	35	1
Control/none	0.25	0.05	<0.01
56		0.31	< 0.01
35			<0.01

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# Alternative Trap Design

OSU Lab Trap



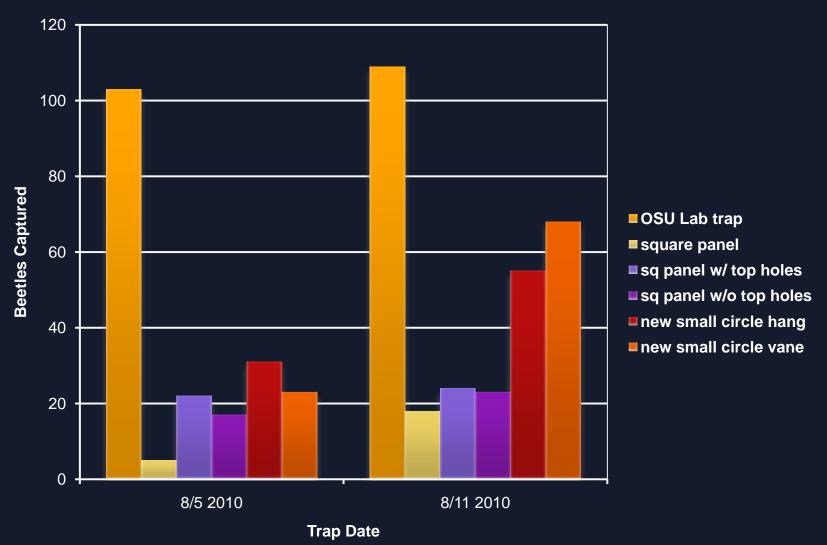
# Alternative Trap Design



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# Trap Design: Spotted



#### Trap Design: Striped 8 7 6 **Beetles Captured** ■OSU Lab Trap ■ initial green top sq panel ■ sq panel w/ top holes ■ sq panel w/o top holes new small circle hang 3 new small circle vane 2

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**Trap Date** 

8/5 2010

## Trap Modifications

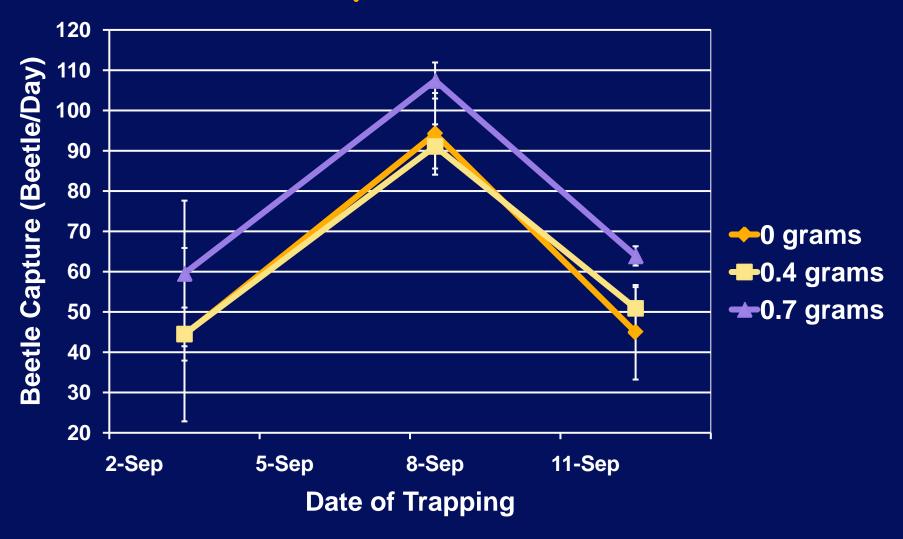
- \*Trap Modifications
  - \* Kairomone "Mini-lure" modification.
  - \* Beetle Bar dilution modification.
  - \* Vent modification.

# Kairomone Mini-lure

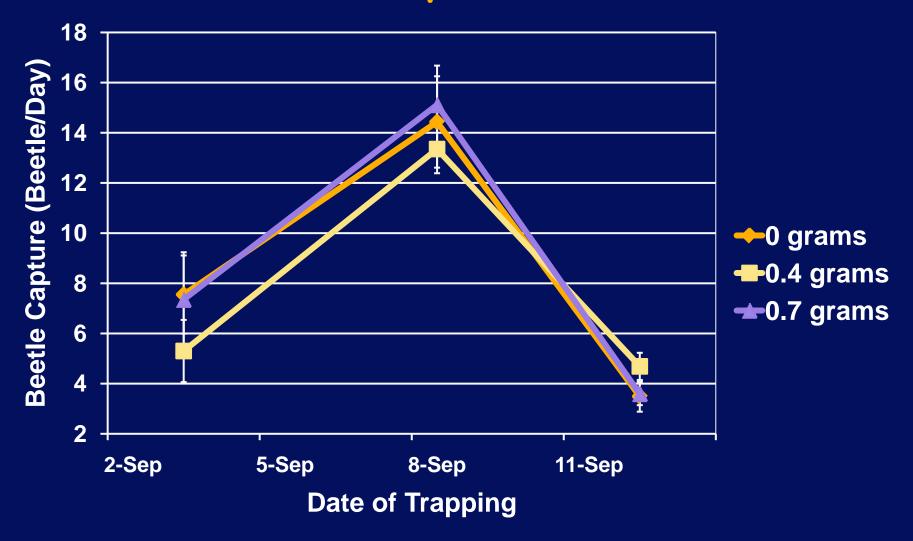
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0.4 grams
0.7 grams

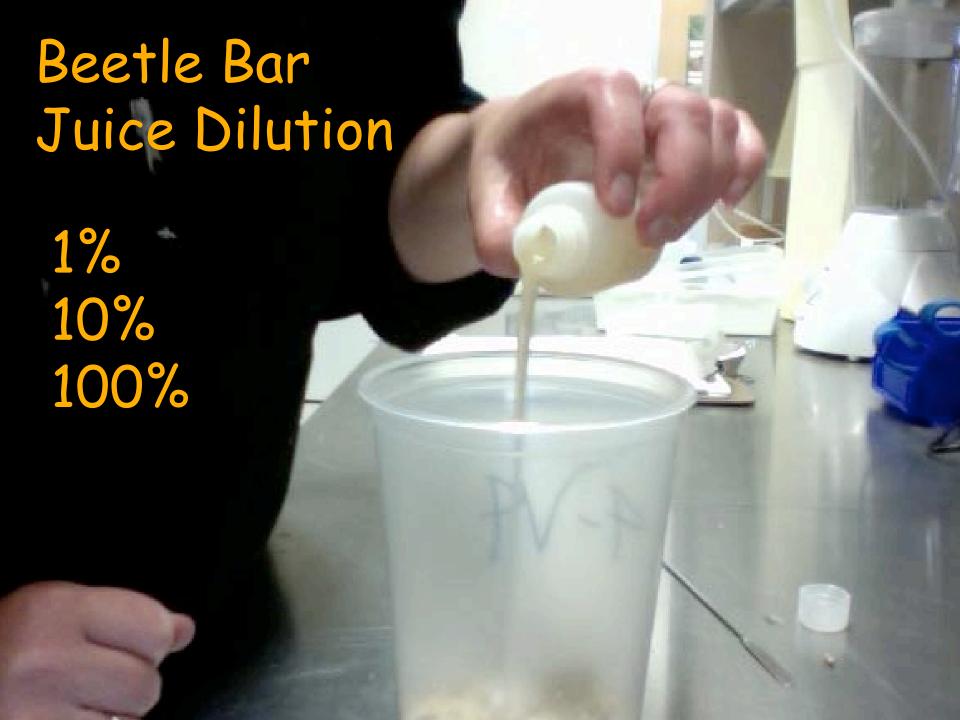


# Mini-lure: Spotted Beetles

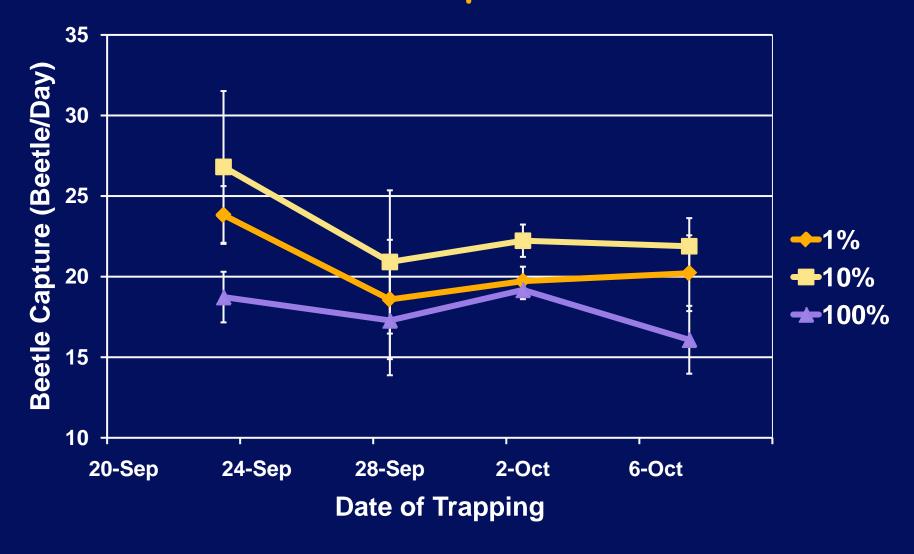


## Mini-lure: Striped Beetles

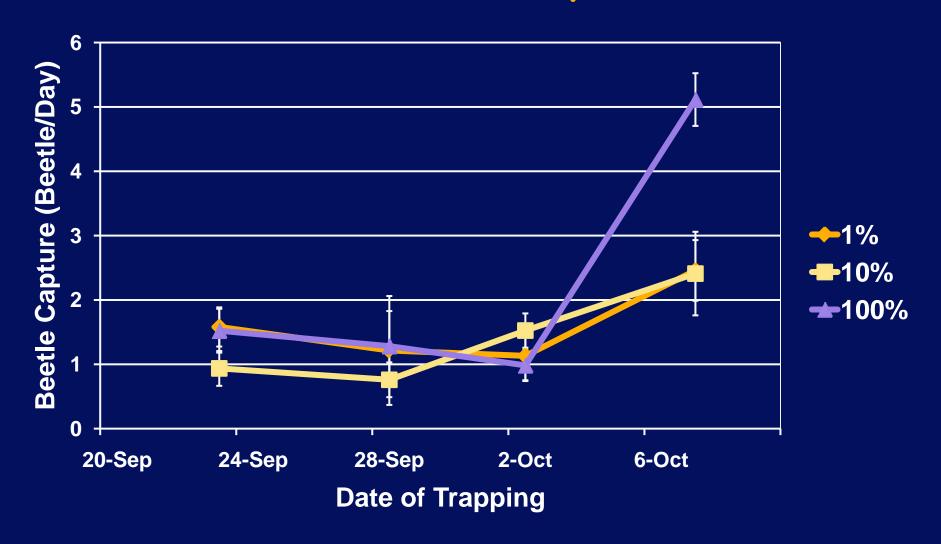




## Juice Dilution: Spotted Beetles



# Juice Dilution: Striped Beetles



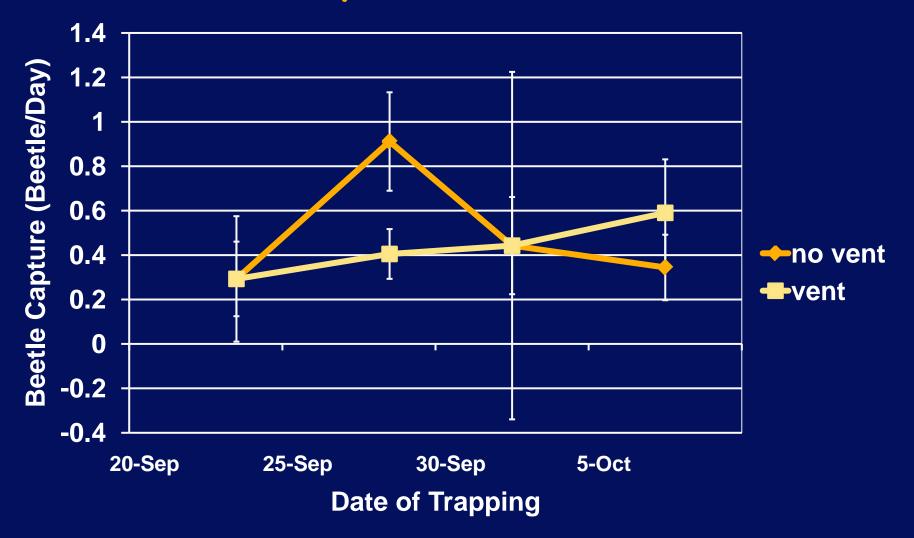
# Vent



# Vents: Spotted Beetles



# Vents: Striped Beetles



#### Conclusions

- \*1. Evaluate degradation of cucurbitacin in the beetle bar.
  - \* stable at temperatures at or below 21° C
  - \* Degradation is more rapid at 32° C

#### Conclusions

- \*2. Kairomone Degradation
  - \*Longevity of Kairomone is between 40-50 days in the field.

#### Conclusions

- \*3. Alternative traps and modifications.
  - \* The yellow vane trap had higher observed capture rate
  - \* The vent and mini-lure modifications did not increase beetle capture rate.
  - \* The 10% BHM dilution increased beetle capture rate.

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