Sugarcane Aphid Impacting Sweet Sorghum



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While the sugarcane aphid has complicated the production of grain sorghum (milo) in Kentucky since its detection in late August, it has also destroyed sweet sorghum in many Kentucky counties. Since the first detection of this new invasive aphid on grain sorghum in August in western Kentucky, there have been reports of sweet sorghum lost to this pest in five counties. It has been detected as far east as Casey and Garrard Counties. Growers are reporting that large aphid populations have resulted in lower sugar levels in the juice, less juice, killed stalks, and off-flavors in the syrup.

4-H Teen Club.

donation.

This pest is sometimes sorghum, but as with Trans-cessed. It is crushed for the referred to as the "white" pale yellow to whitish colinto fields are darker in colrather than laying eggs and rapidly, covering the undersides of leaves before they move to other parts of the plant. Often the first sign that aphids are in a field is the presence of sticky honeydew, the sugary excrement of the aphids, on leaf surfaces, as well as yellow to reddish-brown leaf discoloration. Black sooty mold sometimes grows in the honeydew which reduces leaf photosynthesis.

In early September the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) granted an emergency exemption for use of Transform to control sugarcane aphid on sorghum used for grain and fodder; however this exemption for Transform does not permit use on sweet sorghum. Sivanto is the other insecticide that is labeled and effective against sugarcane aphid on

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sugarcane aphid. Wingless sweet sorghum. Last month sugarcane aphids have a the EPA lost a court decision regarding the labeling oration and dark cornicles, of sulfoxaflor, the active the "stove pipe" structures ingredient in Transform and located at their rear end. The Closer. Soon we will learn winged, or "alate," sugar- of impact of this decision cane aphids that first migrate on the use of sulfoxaflor. Lorsban, dimethoate, and oration. Sugarcane aphids Malathion are labeled for give birth to live young controlling aphids on sorghum, but they are not as can reproduce without mat- effective as Transform or ing. They can multiply quite Sivanto. Currently we have no conventional insecticides that are labeled for use on sweet sorghum other than Intrepid, which is only effective against caterpillars. The only organic insecticides labeled for control of aphids on sweet sorghum are the neem-seed based azadirachtin insecticides.

> The reason for the limmost likely has to do with how sweet sorghum is pro-

form, it cannot be used on juice, and the juice is boiled down for syrup with 8 gallons of juice yielding 1 gallon of syrup. Companies with interest in labeling pesticides for sweet sorghum would need to conduct the residue trials on the syrup as part of the registration process. The IR-4 Minor Use Program will begin the process this coming summer to conduct the needed residue studies to expand the Sivanto label to include sweet sorghum. This process typically takes 3 or more years to result in labeling expansion. (Source: Ric Bessin, UK Entomology).

For more insect pest information, contact the Estill County Extension Service at 723-4557.

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Drying gourds

• Clean gourds with soapy water and air dry; hang them in a dark area, making sure they do not touch, for about 6 months.

- Discard any that decay, shrivel or get soft. If mold appears, wipe it with a cloth dipped in bleach.
- When the gourds become light, solidly hard and you hear the seeds rattling inside when you shake them, they can be carved or painted. - Brenda Weaver

Source: gardening.about.com

Stickeler's Puzzle



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Clue: X equals G

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CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different

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CryptoQuip

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CryptoQuote answer

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