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Drosophila suzukii. Interactions of Microorganisms or Metazoans with the Immune System

Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues Drosophila suzukii, an invasive fruit flv. is a major agricultural pest; it causes significant damage to soft-skinned fruits. Chemical control has limited effectiveness, given the rapid life cycle and the protected environment in which the larvae develop. Biological control strategies include the introduction of natural enemies, such as parasitoid wasps, predatory insects, nematodes, and entomopathogenic fungi. It is well known that bioinsecticides base their efficacy on the ability to evade and/or neutralize host immune defense processes. Therefore, the study of the physiological relationships between host and bioinsecticide is fundamental to the development of effective and innovative methods for the control of insect pests. The goal of this Special Issue is to gather up-to-date information on the efficacy of bioinsecticides in relation to the immune response of *D. suzukii*.

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