

Two-Spotted Spider Mite Efficacy Trial and Resistance Monitoring

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Efficacy Trial Layout

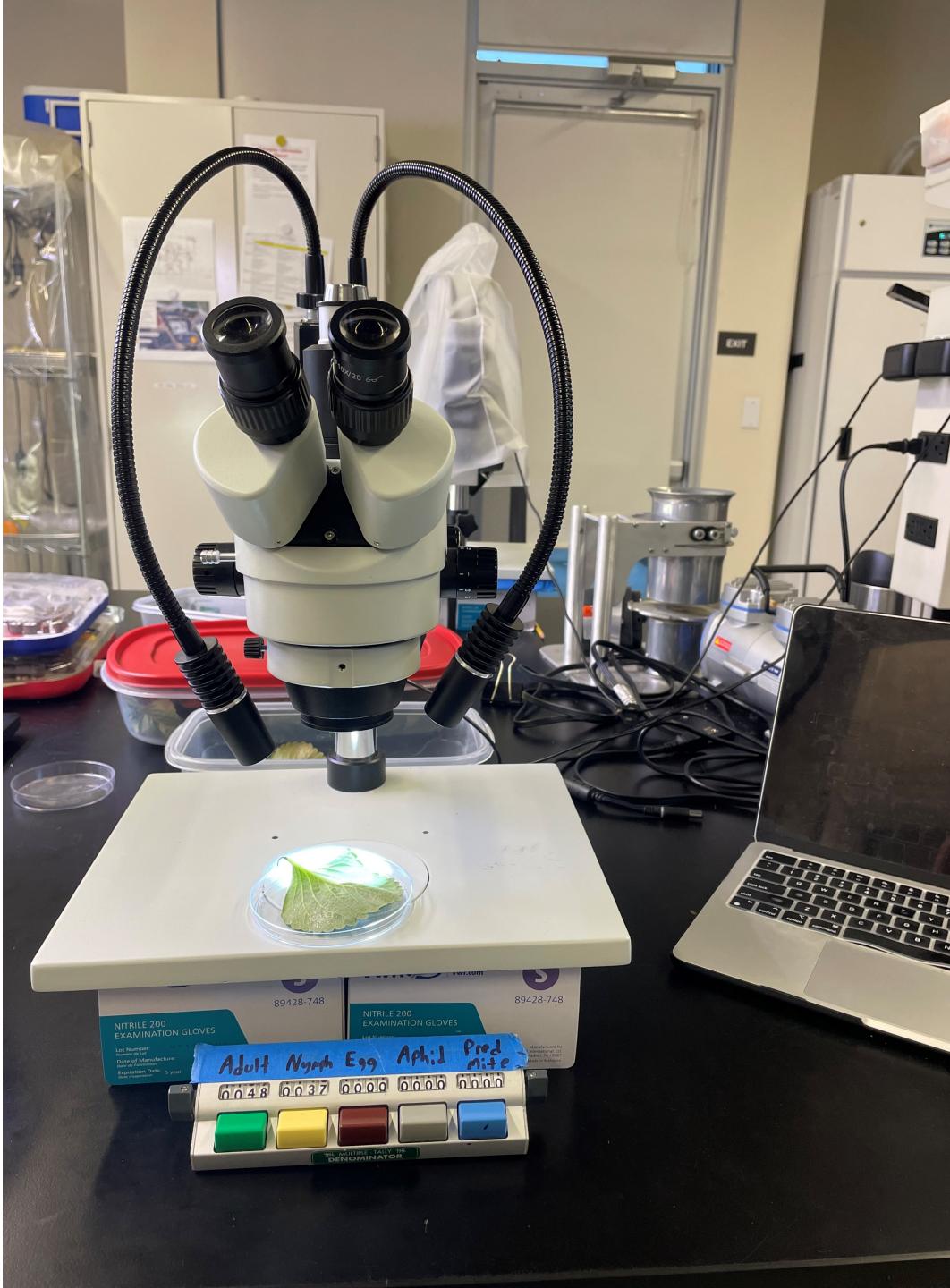
- Field 25 at Cal Poly
- Randomized Complete Block Design
- Two sprays, one week apart (March 26th and April 2nd)
- Five mid-tier leaflets per plot



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Mites were
counted with
a dissecting
microscope



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CO₂ Backpack sprayer
with 8 hollow cone nozzles
calibrated to deliver 150
gal/acre at 60 psi



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Products

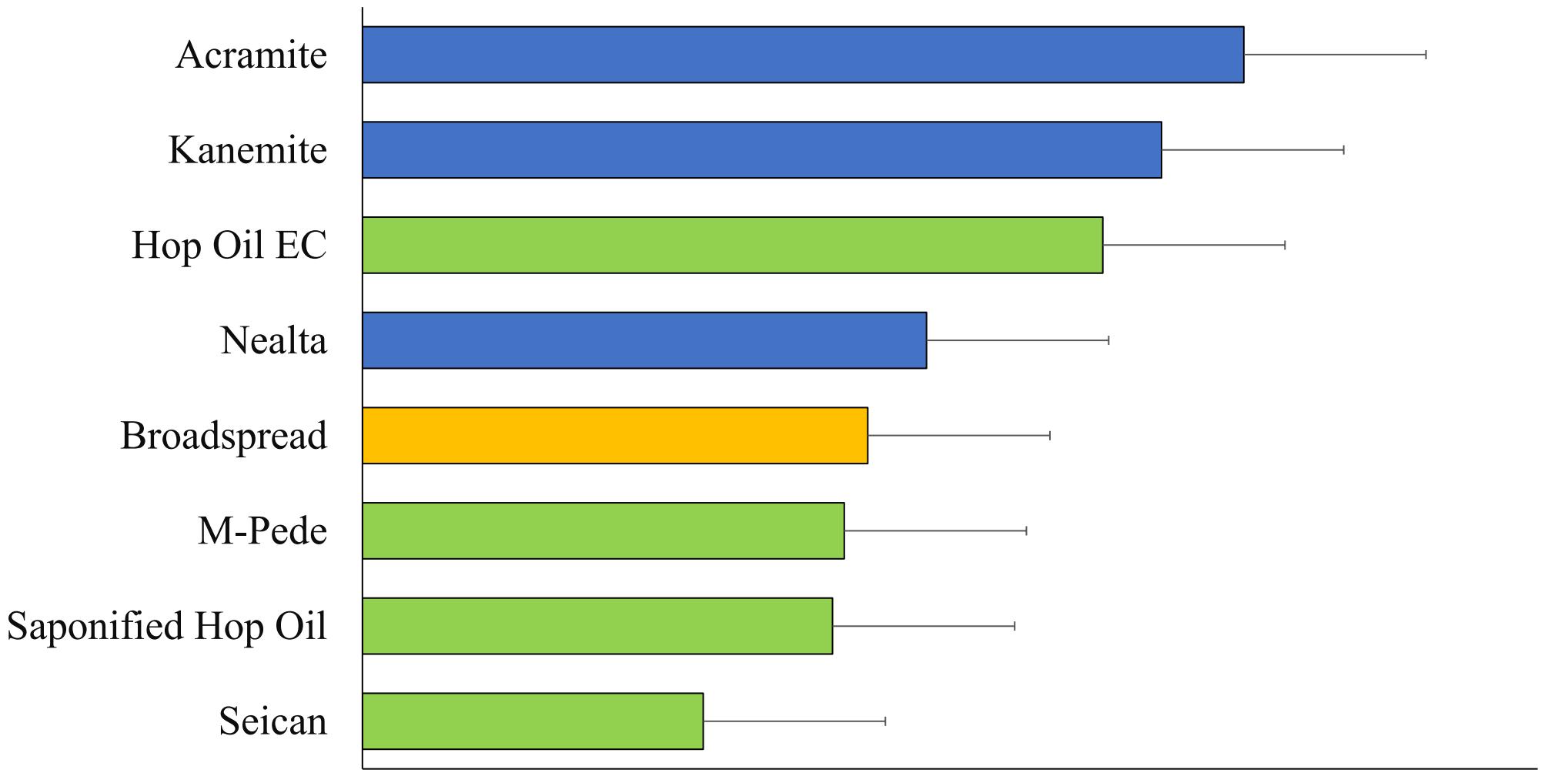
Chemical	Rate/acre
Broadspred*	19.5 fl oz
M-Pede (O)	96 fl oz
Seican (O)	48 fl oz
Saponified Hop Oil (O)	3.25 % v/v
Hop Oil EC (O)	2.5 % v/v
Acramite*	1 lb
Kanemite	31 fl oz
Nealta	13.7 fl oz

*Acramite was buffered to have a pH of about 5.5

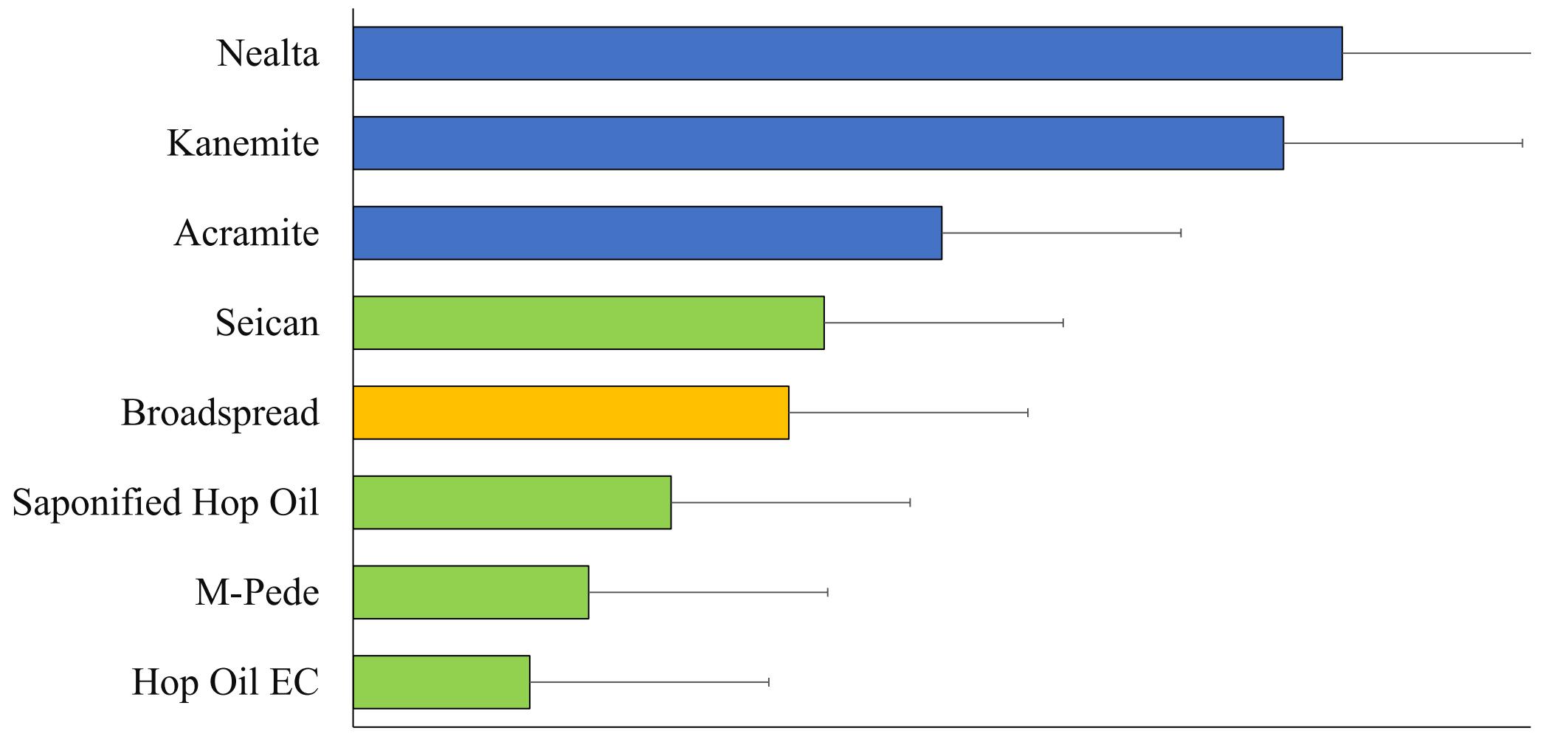
*Broadspred was a tank mix with Mixwell at 12 fl oz/100 gallons and Acadian at 64 fl oz/A sprayed at 200 GPA.



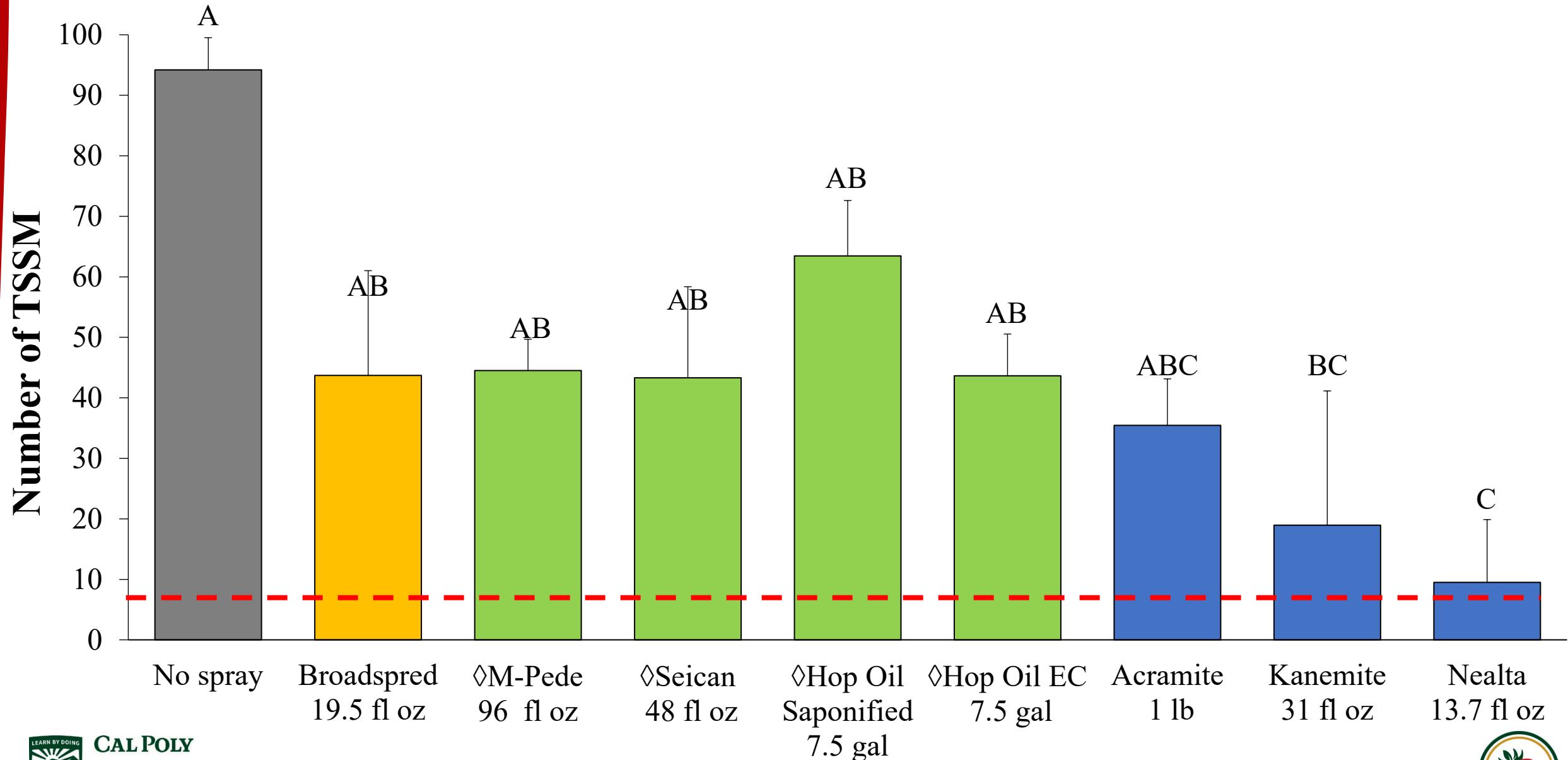
% reduction of *Tetranychus urticae* motiles 3 days after first application



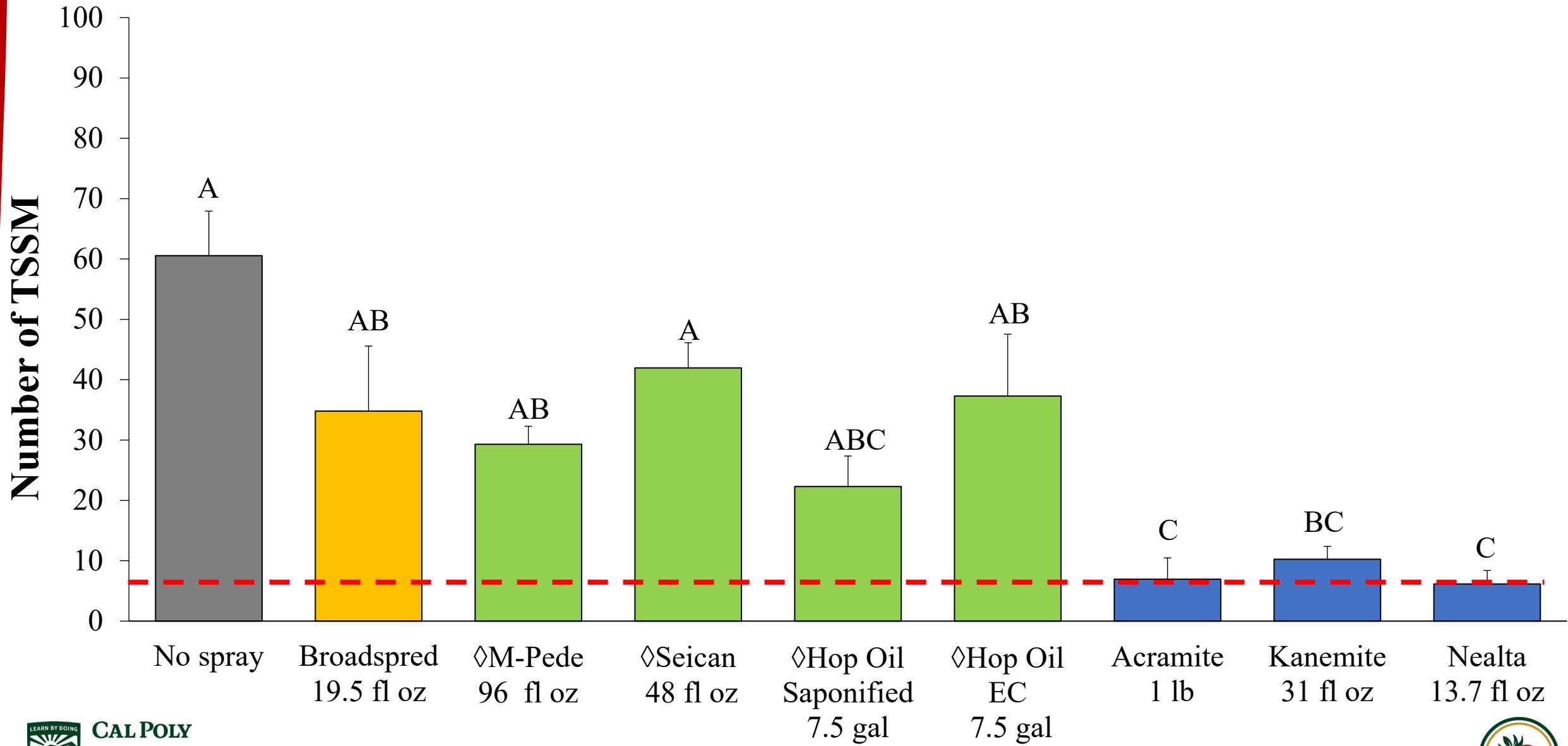
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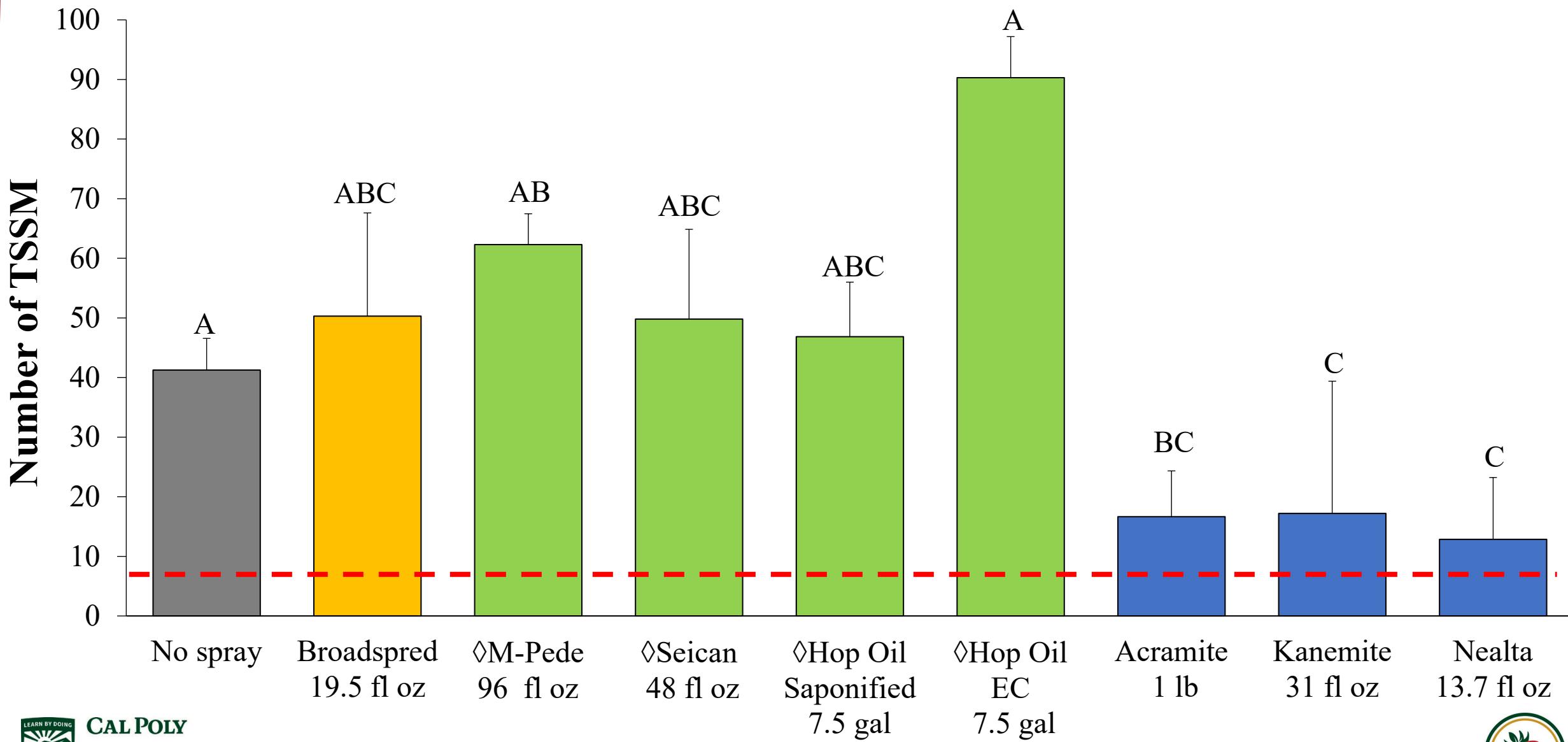
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T. urticae adults 7 days after first application



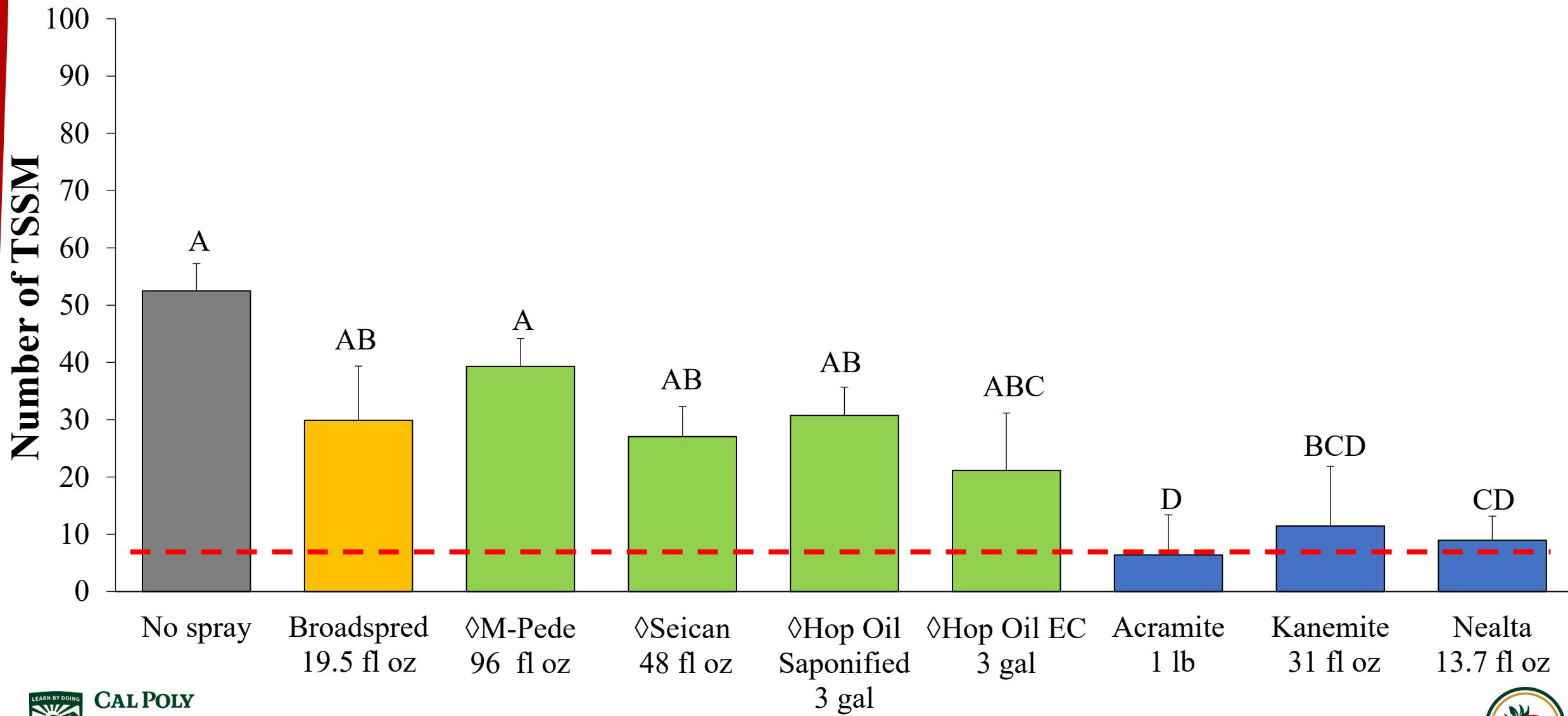
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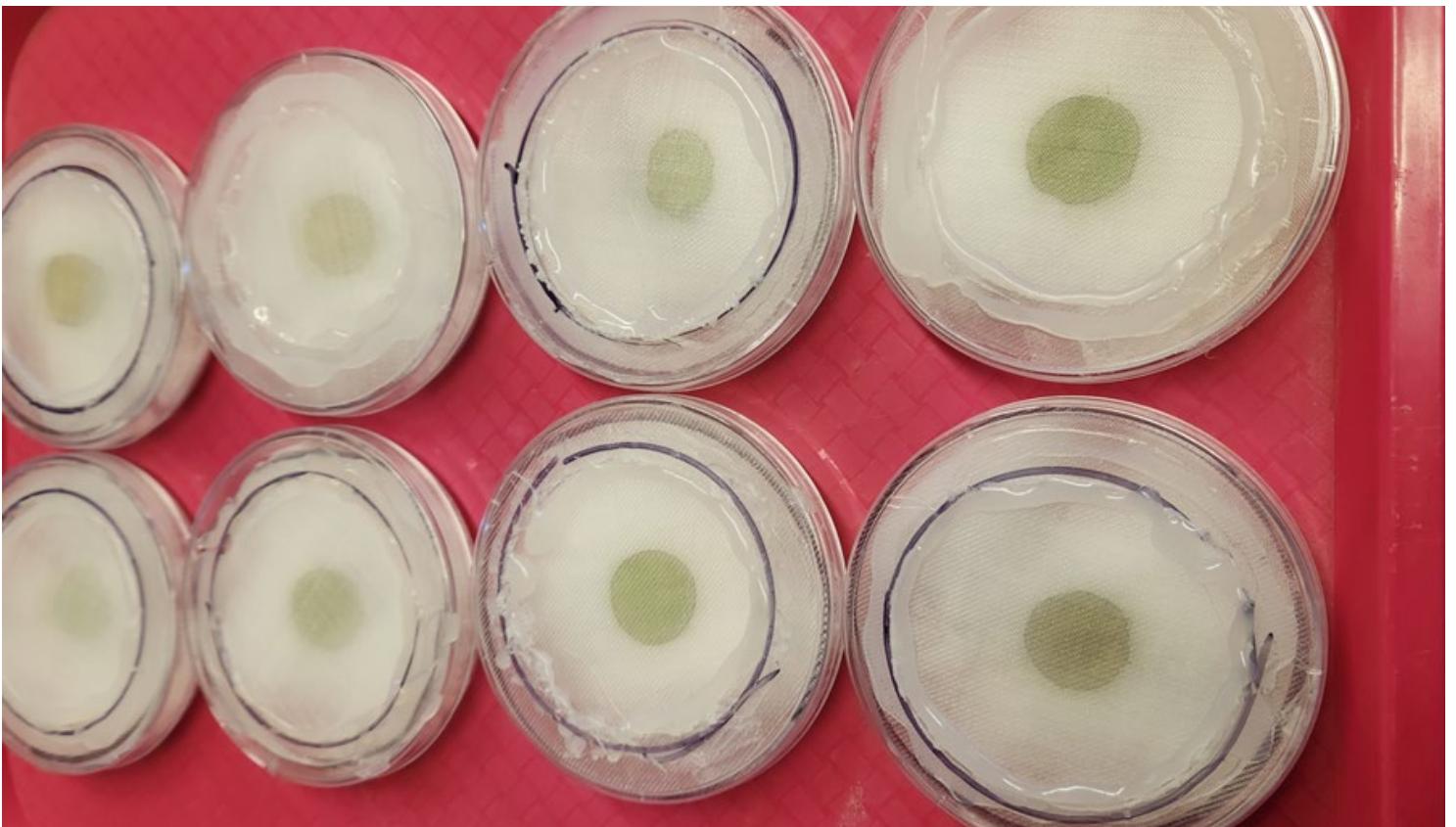


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Resistance Monitoring Method

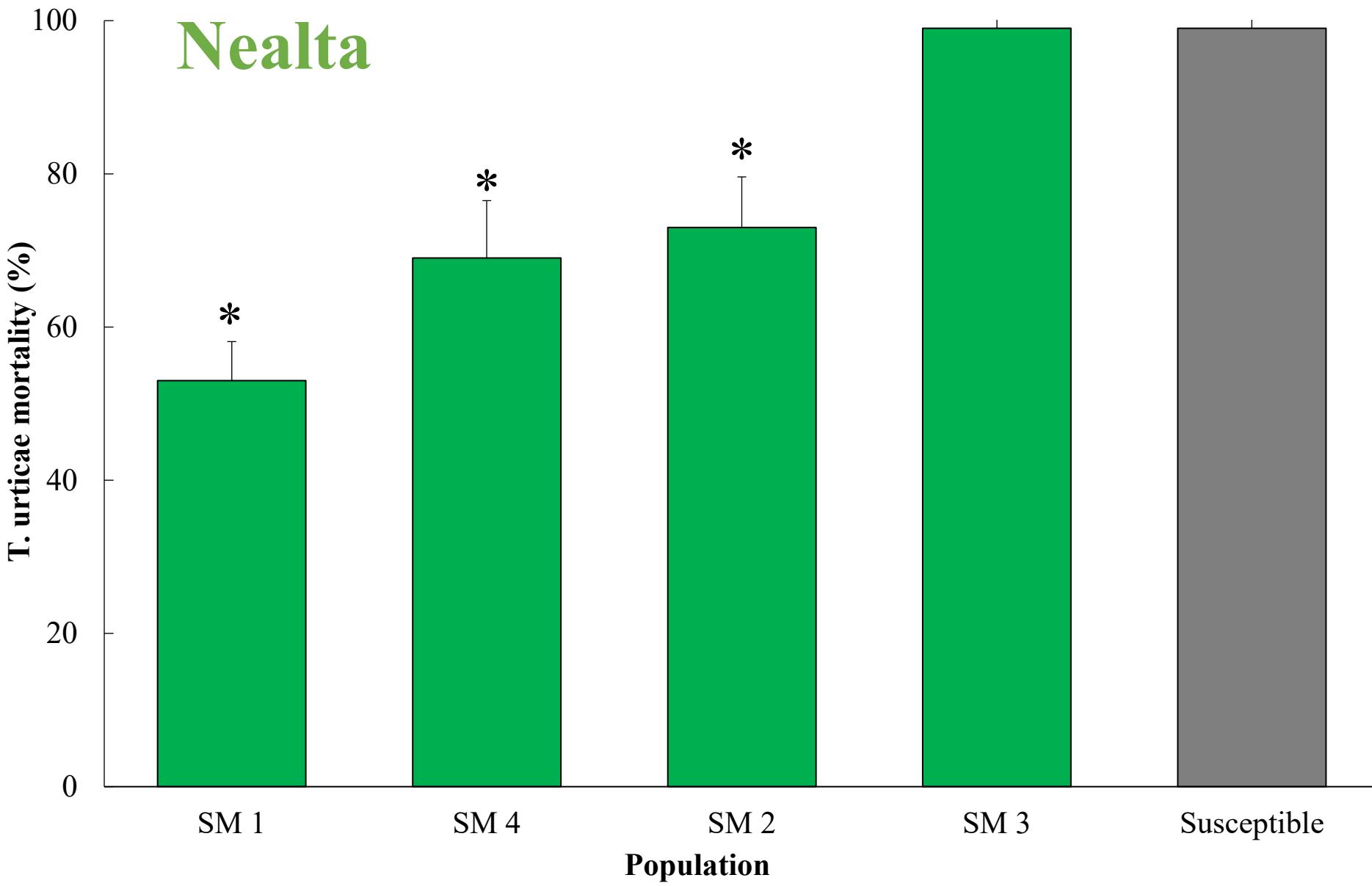
- 5 mites per leaf disc
- Susceptible vs Field Population
- Treat leaf disc at field rate for a chemical
- Checked mortality 24 and 48 hours after treatment



Chemicals Tested

Product	Active Ingredient	Mode of Action	IRAC
Nealta	cyflumetofen	Mitochondrial electron transport inhibitor (Complex 2)	25
Kanemite	acequinocyl	Mitochondrial electron transport inhibitor (Complex 3)	20B
Oberon	spiromesifen	Inhibit acetyl coenzyme A carboxylase, part of the first step in lipid biosynthesis	23





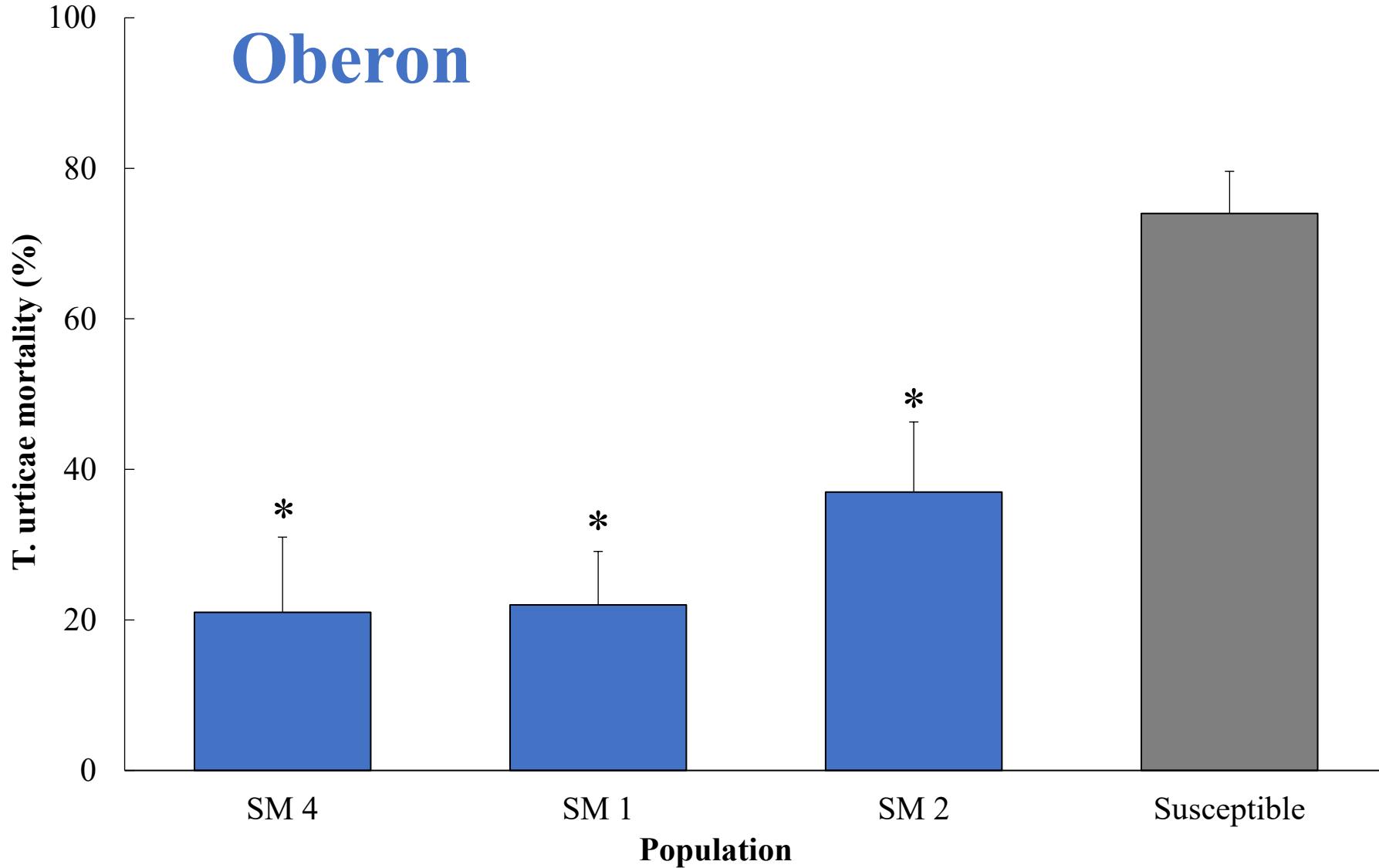
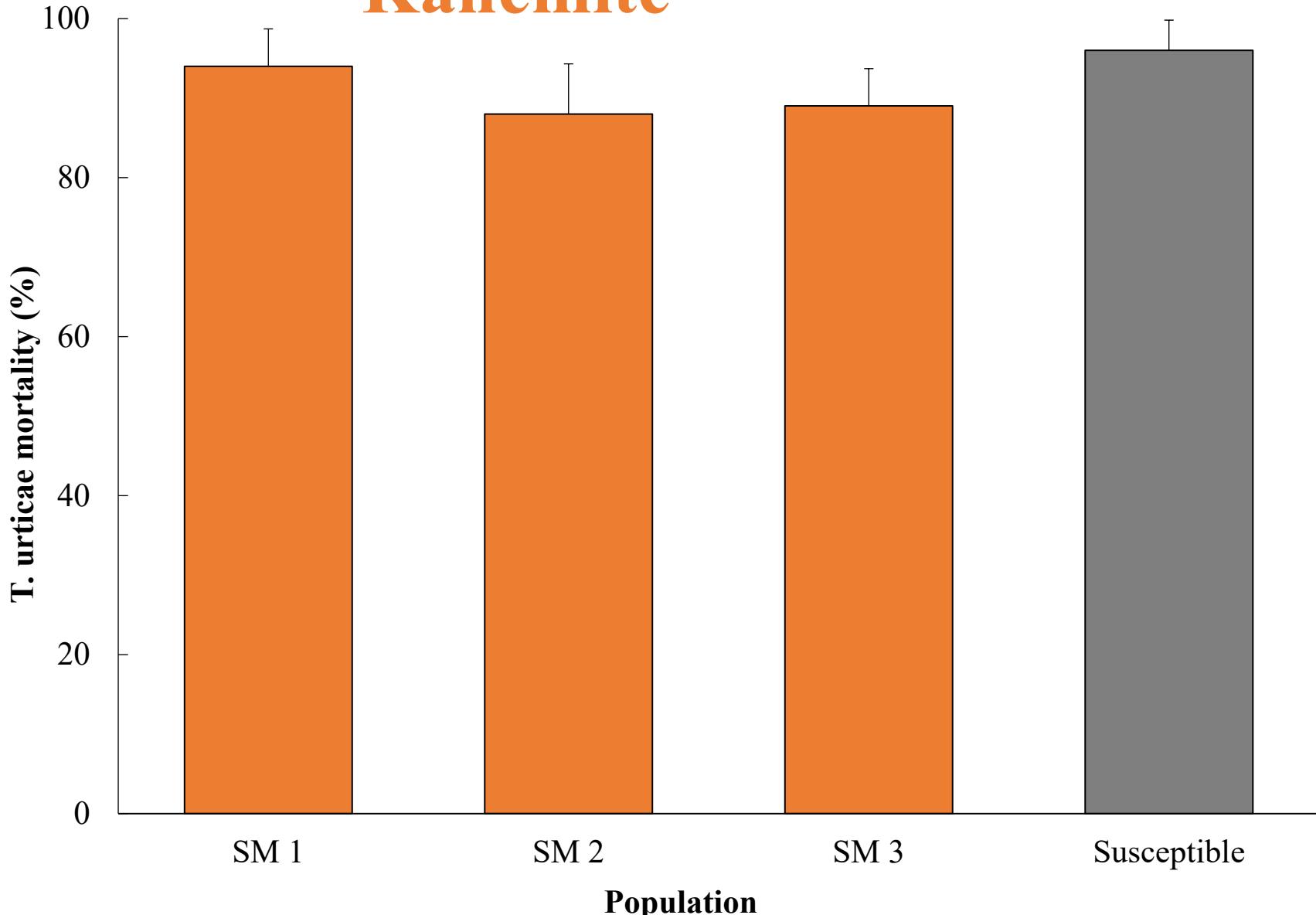
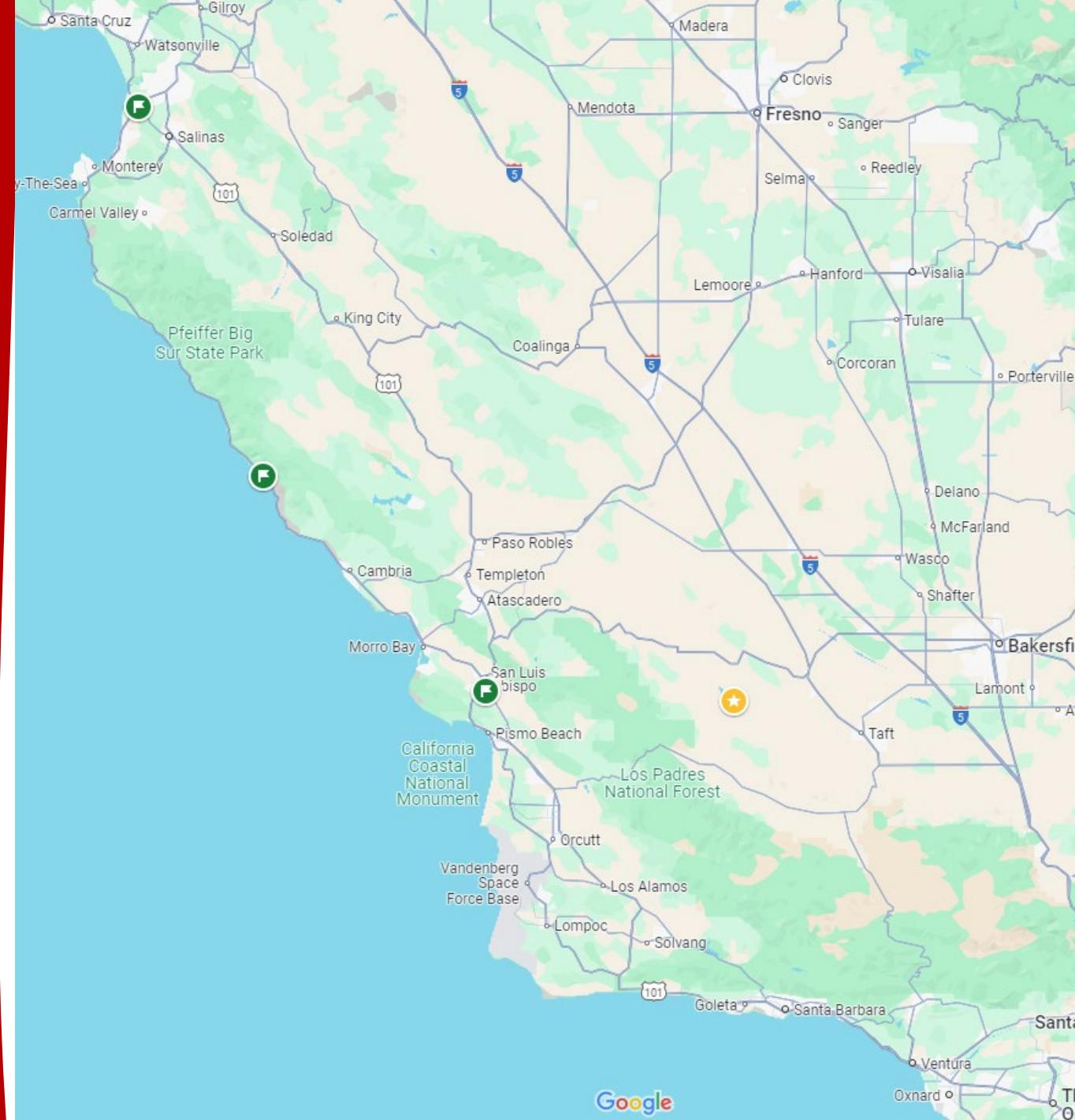


Figure 2. Two-spotted mites exposed to Oberon®. SM = Santa Maria. Bars represent mean \pm standard error. $p < 0.05$ compared to the susceptible population (Dunnett's test).



Kanemite

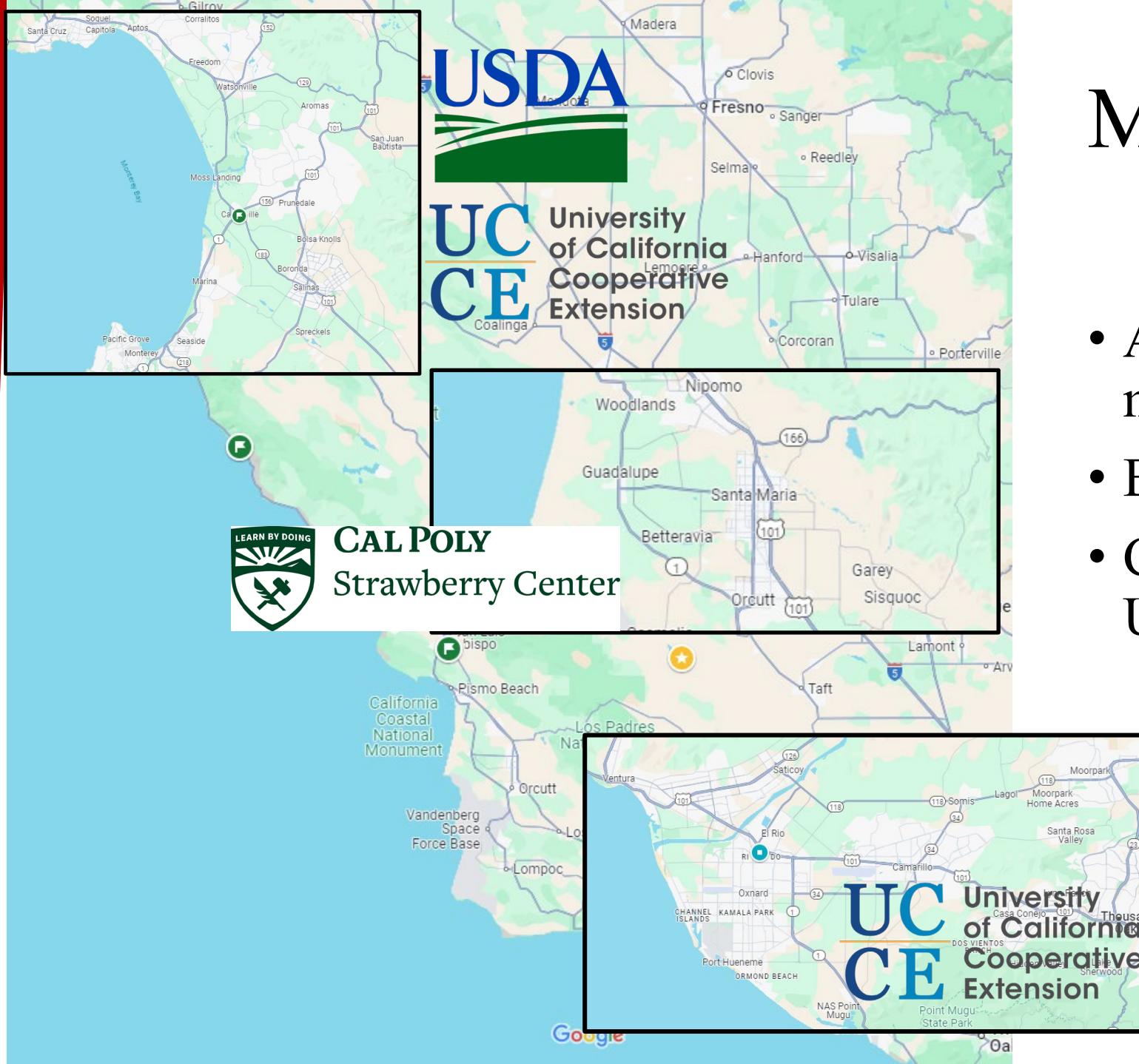




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- Expanding testing footprint





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- Continual screening of new organic and conventional products
- Lab testing for chemical compatibility with persimilis

