ANNEX 10: Irradiation Treatment for *Grapholita molesta*

**Scope of the treatment**

This treatment applies to the irradiation of fruits and vegetables at 232 Gy minimum absorbed dose to prevent the emergence of adults of *Grapholita molesta* at the stated efficacy. This treatment should be applied in accordance with the requirements outlined in ISPM 18:2003.

**Treatment description**

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<th>Name of treatment</th>
<th>Irradiation treatment for <em>Grapholita molesta</em></th>
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<td>Active ingredient</td>
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<td>Target pest</td>
<td><em>Grapholita molesta</em> (Busck) (Lepidoptera: Tortricidae)</td>
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<td>Target regulated articles</td>
<td>All fruits and vegetables that are hosts of <em>Grapholita molesta</em>.</td>
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<td>Treatment schedule</td>
<td>Minimum absorbed dose of 232 Gy to prevent the emergence of adults of <em>Grapholita molesta</em>. Efficacy and confidence level of the treatment is $ED_{99.9949}$ at the 95% confidence level. Treatment should be applied in accordance with the requirements of ISPM 18:2003. This irradiation treatment should not be applied to fruit and vegetables stored in modified atmospheres.</td>
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**Other relevant information**

Since irradiation may not result in outright mortality, inspectors may encounter live, but non-viable *Grapholita molesta* (larvae and/or pupae) during the inspection process. This does not imply a failure of the treatment.

The Technical Panel on Phytosanitary Treatments based its evaluation of this treatment on the research work undertaken by Hallman (2004) that determined the efficacy of irradiation as a treatment for this pest in *Malus domestica*.

Extrapolation of treatment efficacy to all fruits and vegetables was based on knowledge and experience that radiation dosimetry systems measure the actual radiation dose absorbed by the target pest independent of host commodity, and evidence from research studies on a variety of pests and commodities. These include studies on the following pests and hosts: *Anastrepha ludens* (*Citrus paradisi* and *Mangifera indica*), *A. suspensa* (*Averrhoa carambola*, *Citrus paradisi* and *Mangifera indica*), *Bactrocera tryoni* (*Citrus sinensis*, *Lycopersicon lycopersicum*, *Malus domestica*, *Mangifera indica*, *Persea americana* and *Prunus avium*), *Cydia pomonella* (*Malus domestica* and artificial diet) and *Grapholita molesta* (*Malus domestica* and artificial diet) (Bustos *et al.*, 2004; Gould & von Windeghuth, 1991; Hallman, 2004, Hallman & Martinez, 2001; Jessup *et al.*, 1992; Mansour, 2003; von Windeghuth, 1986; von Windeghuth & Ismail, 1987). It is recognised, however, that treatment efficacy has not been tested for all potential fruit and vegetable hosts of the target pest. If evidence becomes available to show that the extrapolation of the treatment to cover all hosts of this pest is incorrect, then the treatment will be reviewed.
References


