

FRUIT FLY NEWS

Prof. KENG HONG TAN



[Guest of Honour: Professor Keng Hong Tan](#)

Prof Keng Hong Tan ("Hong" as his friends called him), is the Guest of Honor of the Fruit Fly News (FFN#41_December 2020). He agreed to share with us his walk of life, which took him to many places in the world and enabled him to meet many fruit fly workers. He kindly agreed to share his experience and some of his personal photos. [Read more](#)

New Fruit Fly Projects



National Fruit Fly Strategy 2020–2025

The [National Fruit Fly Strategy 2020–2025](#) (NFFS) has been developed by the [National Fruit Fly Council](#) (the Council) to provide a framework for ongoing stakeholder cooperation to support a contemporary, viable, cost-effective and coordinated national approach to fruit fly management. [Read more](#)



Project F3 Fruit Fly Free



FruitFlyNet-II

FruitFlyNet-ii is a Strategic Project for Open Innovation funded by ENICBCMED/EU program. It involves 5 countries: Greece, Spain, Italy, Lebanon and Tunisia. The project aims to develop for the first time a fully automated e-monitoring, IPM spraying, e-solutions and environmental friendly control of the olive fruit fly and the Medfly. [Read more](#)



Fruit Flies In-silico
Prevention & Management

FF-IPM

Fruit Fly IPM-Horizon 2020

South Africa, Mozambique and Belgium started a new project funded by the World Trade Organization through their STDF programme. The objective is to develop a regionally harmonised framework for development and implementation of recognised Pest Free Areas (PFAs) and Areas of Low Pest Prevalence (ALPPs) for regulated fruit fly pests. [Read more](#)



Welcome to MEDNIP (Middle East Database for Non-Indigenous Pests)

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Started out as just being an information sharing platform for Israel, Jordan and the Palestinian Authority, MEDNIP database has developed into a fully functioning database, including information on invasive pests and subsequently on their plant hosts. [Read more](#)

The Fruit fly Integrated Pest Management project, funded by the European Commission, shows resilience and innovation during Covid-19 times. Despite the obstacles, FF-IPM's researchers managed to produce high-quality results and held virtual meetings and workshops. [Read more](#)



Bactrocera dorsalis (Ph. IPCS)

Past events



4th TEAM 2020 Symposium

The Fourth International Symposium of TEAM (Tephritid Workers of Europe, Africa and the Middle East) took place, in a new hybrid style, in La Grande Motte, France from 5 to 9 October 2020. [Read more](#)



10th TWWH 2020 Symposium

The tenth International Symposium of TWWH (Tephritid Workers of the Western Hemisphere), took place virtually in Bogota, Colombia from 2 to 6 November 2020. [Read more](#)

Coming events



class="auto-style4"11th ISFFEI Sydney 15-20 May 2022

Save the link, and save the date!
The [website](#) of the 11th International Symposium on Fruit Flies of Economic Importance is ready. For more information, contact the symposium chair [Polychronis Rempoulakis](#)



Tephritid workers of Asia, Australia and Oceania

2nd TAAO Symposium-Beijing-China

Will keep you posted as soon as a decision has been reached by the TAAO Steering Committee.

Report

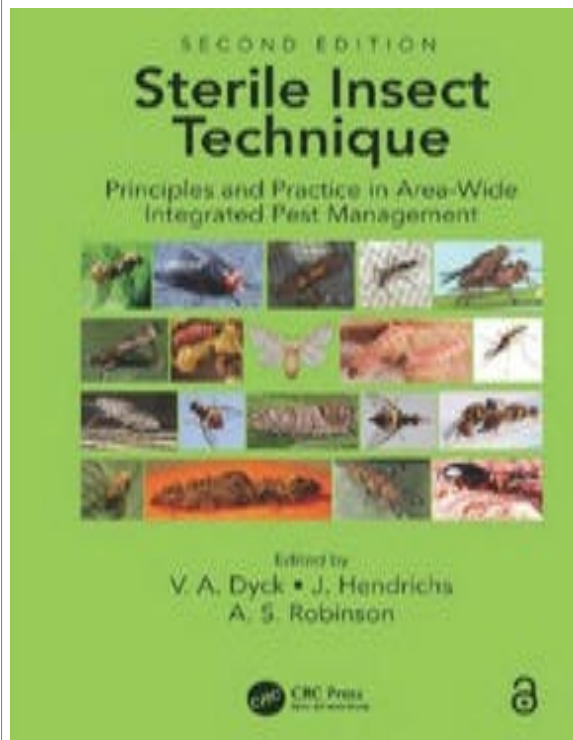


Introducing Medfly SIT to fruit growers – 'convincing the invincible' a personal perspective

by *Brian Barnes*

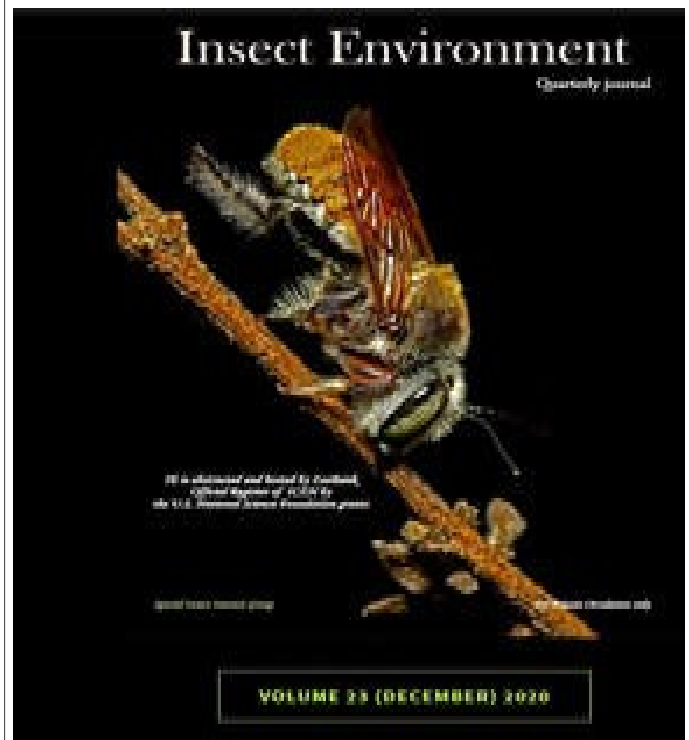
Lesson learned from the SIT programme for Medfly control in the Western Cape, South Africa, in the period 1997 - 2001. [Read more](#)

Announcements



SIT Book

[Sterile Insect Technique Principles and Practice in Area-Wide Integrated Pest Management. Edited By V. A. Dyck, J. Hendrichs, A. S. Robinson..](#)



Insect Environment

[Insect Environment is a quarterly journal to popularize insect study, conservation, and watching. Insect Environment subscription is free..](#)



icipe Jubilee

[icipe Golden Jubilee was celebrated on 20th November 2020 with highlights of achievements and video greetings from partners..](#)



Fruit Fly Webinar

[The Centre for Fruit Fly Biosecurity Innovation, has launched a monthly online seminar series on fruit flies..](#)



IYFV

[The UN General Assembly designated 2021 the International Year of Fruits and Vegetables \(IYFV\). FAO is the lead agency for celebrating..](#)



IPC-NL

[The January 2021 edition of the IPCS newsletter is out now: Insect Pest Control Newsletter No. 96, January 2021](#)

Fruit Fly Standards can Help Gain Market Access



6 January 2021

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Fruit flies present a major challenge to international trade, because if they are detected in fruits, trade may be stopped. That is why a set of International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPMs) on fruit flies has been developed and recently reorganized.

Recently, the Insect Pest Control Section (IPCS) has developed an animated infographic video explaining how these ISPMs can help gain market access. The video is available in the six UN official languages.

[En](#), [Ar](#), [Ch](#), [Fr](#), [Ru](#), [Es](#)



Tephritid Workers Newsflash

This is a new information service provided by [IPCS](#) to the large Tephritid workers community and members of [TWD](#) all over the world (see map on the left side). Newsflash purpose is to deliver notifications to your mail box to keep you updated with the latest news. You may wish to invite your colleagues and students to subscribe if they are not already on TWD/Fruit Fly News mailing-list. Subscribe and unsubscribe links are expected to be available in the coming days at the TWD [News](#). Check it later on!

IPCS continues working to improve the databases including the TWD and we take this opportunity to send our good wishes for the New Year 2021.

From Rui Cardoso, Walther Enkerlin & from [FFN](#) editors Abdeljelil Bakri, Pablo Liedo, Brian Barnes, Olivia Reynolds.

Obituary



Dr Amnon Freidberg

Tributes have been paid to Dr Amnon Freidberg, a world renowned and notorious tephritid taxonomist, who has passed away due to [COVID-19](#) on October 10, 2020.

We will sorely miss him.

[Read more about his life and work.](#)

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