Plant Pest Modeling and Risk Mapping

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Seeking: collaborative partnerships

- Models and tools have been used to solve many problems
- Create an innovative ecosystem to address new challenges in agriculture
- Provide decision-makers with accessible quantitative tools and data-driven models



Introduction: what we do

- Multidisciplinary team tackling complex problems through basic/applied research, data analytics, and predictive modeling & simulation
- **Develop analytical models**, decision support systems, and statistical algorithms

e.g., stochastic, spatially-explicit, agent-based, epidemiological, Bayesian, economic, spatiotemporal risk modeling frameworks, etc.

 Enhance mitigation strategies to maximize pest and disease control at multiple scales

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Overview: models & methods

We strive to *address pressing issues* in understanding how to prevent plant pathogens and pests from destroying commercially and **economically significant agricultural and ecological resources**.

Monitoring, Detection & Eradication at multiple scales:

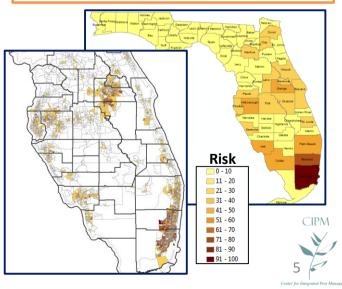
- Predicting points of introduction of exotic pests
- Risk-based models for guiding survey strategies
- Analyzing and refining management approaches
- Simulating pest/disease dynamics



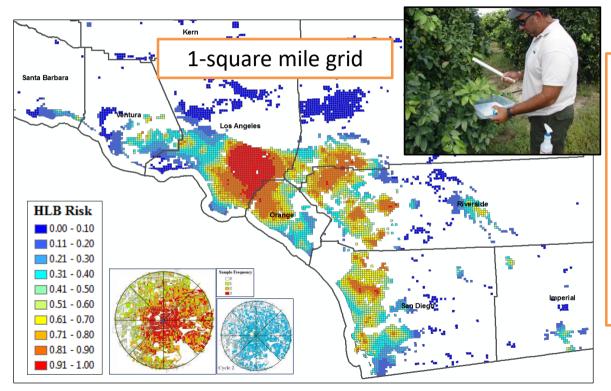
Introduction risk at multiple scales



Early Warning System for plant, animal & human diseases and pests



Targeted surveillance strategies



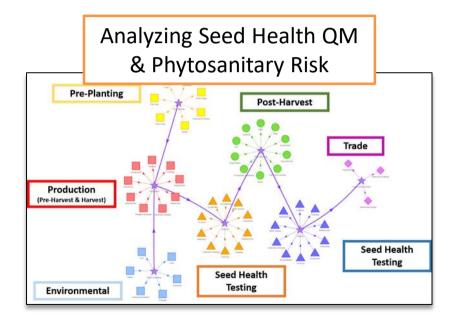
State-wide Survey Designs

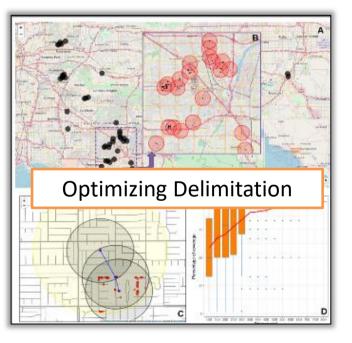
Numerous risk factors affect pest/disease progression dynamic

Deploy manpower efficiently and effectively for early detection and mitigation



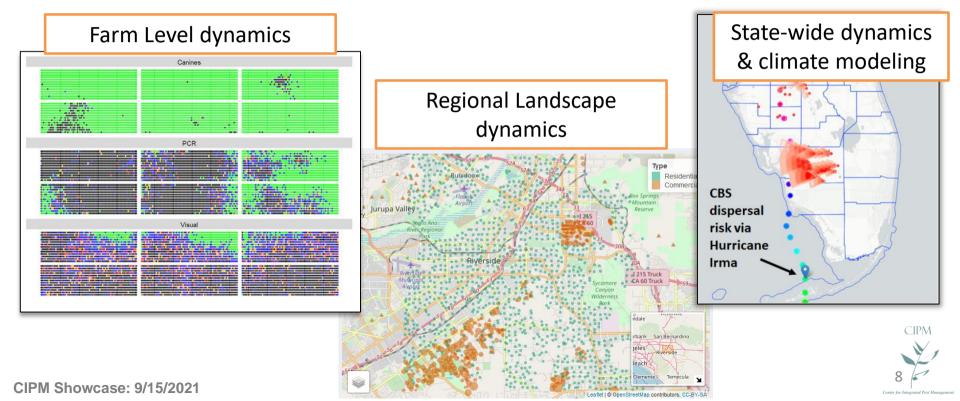
Management program evaluation







Simulation modeling for spread & mitigation



Additional information

FORT PERCE

MISSION

EPIDEMIOLOGY

Simulating pest and disease dynamics

robust quantitative analyses.

EPI-MODELS

TOOLS

Pathology (STPP) Unit at the USDA-ARS, U.S. Horticultural Laboratory in Fort Pierce, FL.

Optimizing pest and disease management via epidemiological studies, risk-based modeling and simulation, and data analytics

ANALYSES

Epidemiology and Modeling

This website serves as a repository for the research, analyses, and tools generated by the Subtropical Plant

PUBLICATIONS

TEAM

Models, Tools, Dashboards and Statistical Analyses

https://agriskmodels.com



- Risk assessments and decision support and guiding management approaches via tools for enhancing management programs and rapid response!
 - Pest/Disease Introduction Risk-Based Survey
 - Phytosanitary Risk
 - ... and more!



DATA

ANALYTICS

Tackling big datasets to uncover patterns.

trends, and new insights to enhance decision-making and modeling.



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Conclusions & Next Steps

- Innovative and proactive management strategies that have been deployed across a number of severe pathosystems of economic importance
- Create and extend plant pest/disease modeling and risk mapping frameworks to solve new problems and challenges
- Aim to build partnerships to supply decision-makers with the best quantitative models and tools

