

SURVEY PROTOCOL FOR FRUIT FLIES

1. OBSERVATION SEASON

- Fruit fly observation throughout the year by means of different traps
- **Pheromone trap:** Methyl Eugenol (ME) and Cue lure(Cue L) (ready to use dispenser); 2 lit capacity plastic bottle trap; Malathion for knockdown; replace lure in every 15 days; weekly collection interval; handle ME and Cue L separately; dispose used lures by burrowing in soil
 - Fruit fly species concerned
 - *Bactrocera dorsalis* – ME
 - *Bactrocera cucurbitae*– Cue L
 - *Bactrocera zonata*– ME
 - *Bactrocera correcta*– ME
- **Protein bait trap:** MacPhail trap; Spinosad for knockdown; bait solution up to 1 cm at the bottom of trap; replace bait in every 15 days; weekly collection interval; attention should be made not to spill bait solution in the ground
 - Fruit fly species concerned
 - *Bactrocera dorsalis* (Hendel, 1912)
 - *Bactrocera cucurbitae* (Coquilett, 1899)
 - *Bactrocera zonata* (Saunders, 1841)
 - *Bactrocera correcta* (Bezzi, 1913)
 - *Bactrocera tsuneonis* (Miyake)
 - **Protein bait composition**
 - Ammonium carbonate – 1.6 gm
 - Borax powder – 40 gm
 - Sodium hydroxide – 2gm
 - Protein hydrolasate (Flavex) – 12.5 ml
 - Warm water – 2lit
 - Trapping density: 1 trap per hectare in each trapping mode depending upon the field topography.
 - Trap placement: Optimum height for placing pheromone and protein bait traps should be 1.5 to 2.0 m above the ground; distance between two traps should be at least 50 m apart.

2. SAMPLE TREE SELECTION FOR OBSERVATION

- Fruit bearing trees at the orchard should be selected.

3. NUMBER OF SAMPLE TREE FOR OBSERVATION

- Randomly select 2 fruit bearing trees in 10 orchards from each district; maintain weekly observation interval.

Use exclusion technique to collect soil emerged fruit flies within MacPhail protein trap-net (2.5-m length x 2.5-m breadth x 1.5-m height) from fruit drop area; place trap-net for 3 weeks at one spot; after that shift trap-net to another nearby location within the tree canopy to collect fruit flies.

4. PLANT PARTS USED FOR OBSERVATION

- Fruits

5. FREQUENCY OF OBSERVATION

- Pheromone trap: weekly collection interval
- Protein bait: weekly collection interval
- Trap-net: weekly collection interval

6. WAYS TO COLLECT FRUIT-FLY SPECIMENS

Fruit fly specimen collection from:

- Pheromone trap
- Protein bait
- Trap-net

7. WAYS TO PRESERVATION OF FRUIT FLY SPECIMENS

- Dry preservation of fruit fly samples
- Wet preservation of fruit fly samples
- Wet preservation of maggots with special warm water treatment

8. WAYS TO PACKING FRUIT FLY SPECIMENS

- Field to laboratory:

Collect fruit fly in inflated polythene bag (of 1.0 kg capacity) and knock down them in killing jar/ ethyl acetate/ CTC/ chloroform fume; pack the fruit fly specimens in plastic/ tin box along with collection data (collector's name, host name, location and date of collection, source of specimens as pheromone/ protein bait/ trap-net with respective code numbers).

- Laboratory to expert (national/ international):

- **Insect preparation:**

- Insect separation based on insect taxonomy (eg. Diptera, Tephritidae, *Bactrocera*,);
- Record of local insect museum code (eg. ED, Dip, Tephri, KTM, No.,).

- **Insect packing based on nature of insect preservation:**

For dry preserved insects: dry preserved insects should be placed inside the stout cardboard box with thermocol platform with deep placement of insect pin inside the thermocol; minute pouch filed with silica gel should be placed in one corner of the box without disturbing insect specimen; packing box cover must have sender and receiver's addresses; the box should be wrapped with suitable and durable material until it reaches to addressee; for scientific communication with legal approach, the insect packing box should go along with official permission paper from country of destination.

For wet preserved insects: wet preserved insects should be placed inside the screw capped 70% alcohol contained vials with collection data printed with pencil; wrap each vials with tissue paper to ensure their physical damage during transportation; for ensuring extra safety, the left over internal space inside the box should be filled up with thermocol specks; packing box cover must have sender and receiver's addresses; the box should be wrapped with suitable and durable material until it reaches to addressee; for scientific

communication with legal approach, the insect packing box should go along with official permission paper from country of destination.

9. METHODS OF FRUIT FLY MONITORING IN FIELD

- Monitoring of fruit fly in field should be performed by pheromone and protein bait traps, as mentioned earlier.

10. PLACE AND PERSON FOR SPECIMEN DIAGNOSIS

- National: Entomology Division, NARI, NARC, Khumaltar, Lalitpur;
Natural History Museum, Tribhuvan University,
Swayambhu, Kathmandu;
- International: British Museum (Natural History), London, UK;
CSIRO, Canberra, Australia;
East West University, Hawaii, USA;
Department of Entomology, Indian Agriculture Research
Institute, New Delhi;
Indian Institute of Horticulture Research, Hassergatta,
Banglore, India;
Central Institute for Sub-Tropical Horticulture Research,
Lucknow.

ANNEX

Table 1: Field Record sheet for Fruit flies

Name of Fruit fly Monitoring Area				Week/Month: From: _____ To: _____			
Trap No.	Location of trap	Date Insp.	Host	Lure Type	No of flies/ trap	Species identified	Date recharge

Table 2: General Pest Record

Reference Number	
Scientific name of pest <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Common Name• Species Name:• Family• Order:	
Life stage of pest	<input type="checkbox"/> Egg; <input type="checkbox"/> Larvae(maggot) ; <input type="checkbox"/> Pupae; <input type="checkbox"/> Adult
Scientific Name of host <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Variety • Common Name: • Species Name • Family	
Plant parts affected:	<input type="checkbox"/> Leaves; <input type="checkbox"/> Stem; <input type="checkbox"/> Roots; <input type="checkbox"/> Buds/Flowers; <input type="checkbox"/> Fruits; <input type="checkbox"/> Seed ; and <input type="checkbox"/> Whole plant
Stage of crop:	<input type="checkbox"/> Seedling stage; <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetative Growth stage; <input type="checkbox"/> Flowering stage; and <input type="checkbox"/> Fruiting stage
Locality <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Village• District	
Date of Collection	
Name of the Collector	
Date of Identification	
Name of the Identifier	
Date of Verification	
Name of the Verifier	

Table 3: Specimen Identification Report

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(Name & Address of Field Inspector)

Trap	Location	Name of fruit fly species identified	No of flies

Signature & Date:

Name of Reference Entomologist

Address for Communication:

Tel.:

Fax:

E-mail:

Table 4: Fruit fly Surveillance & Monitoring Report

1. Area involved:
2. Period of Reporting
3. No of traps inspected:
4. No of traps recorded with fruit flies:
5. Details of fruit flies detected

S.N.	Location	Fruit fly species detected	No of flies detected	Life stage detected

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6. Action taken on detection of fruit lies:

7. Signature & Date

8. Name

9. Designation of Officer