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Insecticide Dilemma:

"Old timers" recall the adage, "You can order any color car you want, as long as its black". Given limited options, selections were easily made. Today however, people prefer "options". Yet, a multitude of product availability can cause one's head to spin. To wit, the plethora of insecticidal products available to the general public.

Gone are the days of making specific insecticide recommendations to clientele. The best that one can do is recommend an active ingredient, provide a list of products that contain the specific active ingredient and send clients under way to search the many products on shelves at local retail outlets.

Another complicating factor is the marketing program of various manufacturers and the naming of their products. The same concentration of an active ingredient might be used in a line of products, each with a different name which specifies its use. But upon reading each product's label, the insect pests and use sites are identical thus there is no reason to buy two products when one will suffice.

The following list is based on products found at 11 retail outlets in the Manhattan area. Twenty seven manufacturers have utilized 36 active ingredients (of combinations thereof) to produce 132 products which are marketed as RTU (ready-to-use), hose-end, granular, dust, bait and EC (emulsifiable concentrate) formulations.

acephate

Ortho Isotox Insect Killer Ortho Systemic Insect Killer Concentrate Ortho Orthonex Insect and Disease Control Concentrate

azadiractin

Natural Guard Multi-Purpose Neem Insecticide

Bacillus thuringiensis

American Brand Thuricide ferti.lome Dipel Dust

bifenthrin

Ortho Home Defense Perimeter and Outdoor Insect Killer RTU

Ortho Rose and Flower RTU

Ortho Bug-B-Gon MAX Insect Killer for Lawns Granules

Scotts Lawn Pro Insect Control and Fertilizer Granules

carbaryl

Cornbelt Sevin 5% Dust

Eliminator 7 Dust

Eliminator Lawn Insect Killer Granules

ferti.lome Carbaryl Garden Spray

GardenTech Sevin RTU Bug Killer

GardenTech Sevin Hose-end

GardenTech Sevin 5 Dust

GardenTech Sevin Bug Killer Concentrate

Garden Tech 2% Granules

Ortho Bug-B-Gon Multipurpose Insect Killer Granules

carbaryl/malathion

Bonide Fruit Tree Spray

carbaryl/metaldehyde

Bonide No Escape Snail, Slug and Sowbug Bait

carbaryl/rotenone

Bonide Tomato/Potato Spray or Dust

cyfluthrin

Bayer Tempo SC Ultra

Schultz Insect Killer

Schultz Lawn and Garden Insect Killer Granules

cyfluthrin/imidacloprid

Bayer Advance Garden Power Force Multi Insect Killer Hose-end

Bayer Advance Garden Power Force Multi Insect Killer RTU

Bayer Advance Garden Power Force Multi Insect Killer Concentrate

Bayer Advance Rose and Flower Insect Killer RTU

deltamethrin

Bonide Delta Eight Insect Control

diatomaceous earth

Concern Diatomaceous Earth Crawling Insect Killer

diazinon

fertilome Rose Spray concentrate

Hi-Yield 5% Diazinon Insect Killer

Maxide Diazinon Killer Spray RTU

dicofol

Hi-Yield Kelthane Concentrate

dimethoate

ferti.lome Ornamental & Evergreen Spray Concentrate

Hi-Yield Cygon 2E Systemic Ornamental and Vegetable Insecticide Concentrate

ProTech X-ectue Systemic Insecticide Concentrate

disulfoton

Bayer Advance Garden 2-in-1 Rose and Flower Care

Bonide Systemic House Plant Insect Control

ferti.lome Systemic Insecticide Granules

ferti.lome Rose Food Granule

Hi-Yield Di-Syston Insecticidal Granules

endosulfan

ferti.lome Cutworm & Hornworm Killer Dust

Hi-Yield Thiodan

esfenvalerate

KGRO Multi-Purpose Insect Killer Concentrate

Ortho Bug-B-Gon Garden and Landscape Dust

Ortho Bug-B-Gon Garden and Landscape RTU

Ortho Bug-B-Gon MAX Lawn & Garden Insect Killer Hose-end

Ortho Bug-B-Gon MAX Lawn & Garden Insect Killer Concentrate

Ortho Bug-B-Gon Multi-Purpose Insect Killer Concentrate

Ortho Bug-B-Gon Multi-Purpose Insect Killer RTU

imidacloprid

Bayer Advance Lawn - Season Long Grub Control Hose-end

Bayer Advance Garden, Tree & Shrub Insect Control Concentrate

Scotts GrubEX Granules

iron phosphate

Garden Safe Snail & Slug Bait

Monterey Sluggo

lambda cyhalothrin

Spectracide Triazicide hose-end

Spectracide Triazicide Soil & Turf Insect Killer Concentrate

Spectracide Triazicide Soil & Turf Insect Killer Granules

Spectracide Triazicide .04 Granules

malathion

ferti.lome Fruit Tree Spray Concentrate

ferti.lome Mal-A-Cide

Gordons Malathion Concentrate

Green Thumb Malathion Insect Killer Concentrate

Hi-Yield Malathion

Ortho Malathion Plus Insect Spray EC

Schultz Malathion Concentrate

malathion/carbaryl

Bonide Fruit Tree Spray EC

malathion/methoxychlor

ferti.lome Bagworm and Tent Caterpillar Killer ferti.lome Triple Action

metaldehyde

Hi-Yield Snail and Slug Killer Pellets

Eliminator Snail & Slug Bait

KGRO Snail and Slug Killer

metaldehyde/carbaryl

Bonide No Escape Snail, Slug and Sowbug Bait ferti.lome Eliminate Snail, Slug and Bug Bait

Ortho Bug-Geta Snail and Bug Killer

methoxychlor/malathion

ferti.lome Bagworm and Tent Caterpillar Killer

neem

ferti.lome Triple Action Plus

nicotine

Bonide Tobacco Dust

Nosema locustae

Planet Natural Semaspore Grasshopper Bait

oil (Horticultural)

Bonide All-Season Spray Oil

Ortho Volck Oil Spray

Sunspray Ultra-fine Year-Round Pesticidal Oil

permethrin

Bonide Eight Garden Dust

Bonide Eight Insecticide Concentrate Garden and Lawn

Bonide Eight Insecticide Concentrate Vegetable, Fruit and Flower

Bonide Borer-Miner Killer

Bonide Total Pest Control Concentrate (Outdoor Formula)

Cutter Bug-Free Backyard Hose-end

Do It Best Multi-Purpose garden Insect Killer Concentrate

Do It Best Multi-Purpose Garden Pest Dust

Eliminator Ant, Flea, Tick & Mosquito Killer Concentrate

Eliminator Ant, Flea and Tick Killer Granules

Green Thumb Multi Purpose Insect Killer concentrate

Hi-Yield 38Plus Turf, Tree & Ornamental Insect Control Concentrate

Hi-Yield Garden, Pet and Livestock Insect Control Concentrate

Hi-Yield Garden, Pet and Liverstock Dust

Hi-Yield Kill-A-Bug II Lawn Granules

KGRO Insect Killer Granules

KGRO Multi-Purpose Insect Killer (hose end, RTU)

Ortho Basic Solutions Lawn & Garden Insect Killer Concentrate (also hose end)

Ortho Basic Solutions Lawn & Garden Insect Killer Granules

Ortho Bug-B-Gon Garden and Landscape

Ortho Bug-B-Gon Multi-Purpose Garden Dust

Ortho Bug-B-Gon Multi-Purpose Insect Killer hose End

Ortho Mosquito-B-Gon Tree, Shrub & Lawn Spray hose-end

Schultz Mosquito Control Hose-end

Schultz Fungicide Plus Concentrate

Schultz Triple Action Formula Fungicide

Terro Outdoor Ant Killer Granules

pyrethrin

Concern Multi-Purpose Insect Killer

ferti.lome Triple Action Plus RTU

Green Thumb Rose and Flower Insect Killer RTU

Green Thumb Tomato and Vegetable Spray RTU

KGRO Tomato and Vegetable Insect Killer RTU

Schultz Expert Gardener House Plants and Gardens Insect Spray

Schultz Expert Gardener Insect Spray

Schultz Fruit & Vegetable Insect Spray RTU

Schultz Rose and Flower Insect Spray RTU

rotenone

Hi-Yield Rotenone Insecticide

rotenone/carbaryl

Bonide Tomato/Potato Spray or Dust

rotenone/pyrethrin

Bonide Rotenone/Pyrethrum Concentrate

rotenone/sulfur

ferti.lome Rose, Flower & Vegetable Dust

soap

Concern Insect Killing Soap

Safer House Plant Insect Killing Soap concentrate

Safer House Plant Insect Killing Soap With Seaweed concentrate

Safer Insecticide Killing Soap With Seaweed RTU

Safer Insecticide Killing Soap Concentrate

Safer Insecticide Multi-Purpose Soap Insect Killer Concentrate

spinosid

ferti.lome Borer, Bagworm, Leafminer and Tent Caterpillar Spray concentrate

sulfur

ferti.lome Dusting Sulfur

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Weekly Report from the Kansas State University

Insect Diagnostic Laboratory:

The following samples were submitted to the Insect Diagnostic Laboratory from April 28 to May 5, 2004:

- 4-28-2004, Shawnee County: Yellow ants in field.
- 4-29-2004, Atchinson County: Yellow ants in field.
- 4-29-2004, Lyon County: Ash Plant Bugs in trees.
- 4-30-2004, Cheyenne County: Crane Fly in building.
- 5-3-2004, Riley County: Sawfly Larvae in Gooseberry.
- 5-3-2004, Miami County: European Sawfly Larvae in Pine.
- 5-3-2004, Riley County: Pseudoscorpion in home.
- 5-5-2004, Harvey County: Winged Termites in home.
- 5-5-2004, Riley County: Odorous House Ants in home.

If there any questions regarding these samples or about the identification of any arthropod please contact the Insect Diagnostician at 785-532-4739 or at bbrown@oznet.ksu.edu.

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Sincerely,

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