



Views of a Biocontrol Producers Association

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learn to live with nature not against it

IGOs and European Institutions all say we should green agriculture

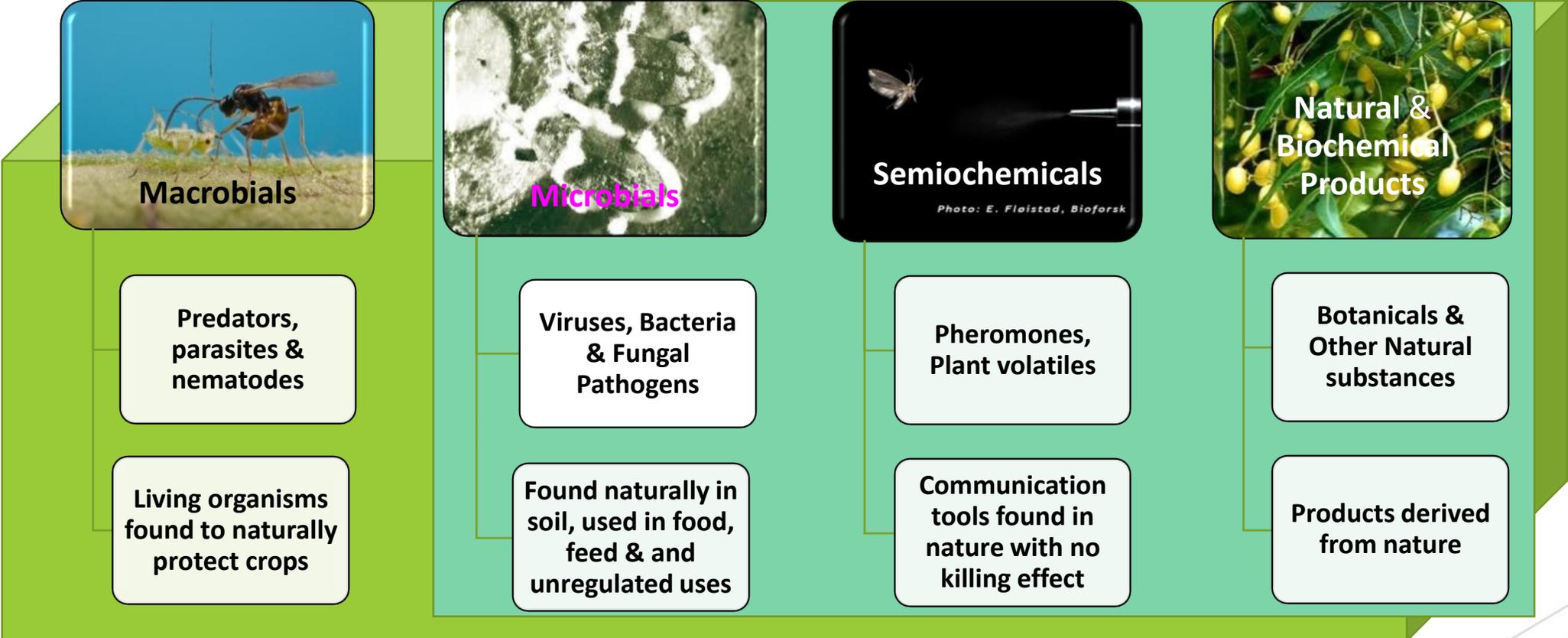
FAO, OECD and the EU all have greening initiatives. In Europe the SUD and the EU Sustainable Plant Protection 40 point implementation plan are but two of these

Farmers PPP tools

Farmers need tools to produce the food we need for our expanding world population and changing dietary needs
Biocontrol tools will add to food security



What “Non-chemical solutions” are currently available from the Biocontrol industry?



Usually regulated as PPPs
Not usually regulated as PPPs

Human health and our environment



Human health and our environment more and more are justifiably a focus of concern when approving and renewing PPPs

Biocontrol tools will still be tested rigorously

Conventional chemical PPPs

Synthetic chemistry active substances and products approved under 1107/2009 and renewed under AIR programmes are needed as tools in our farmers toolboxes as they pose a manageable risk



New PPP active substances



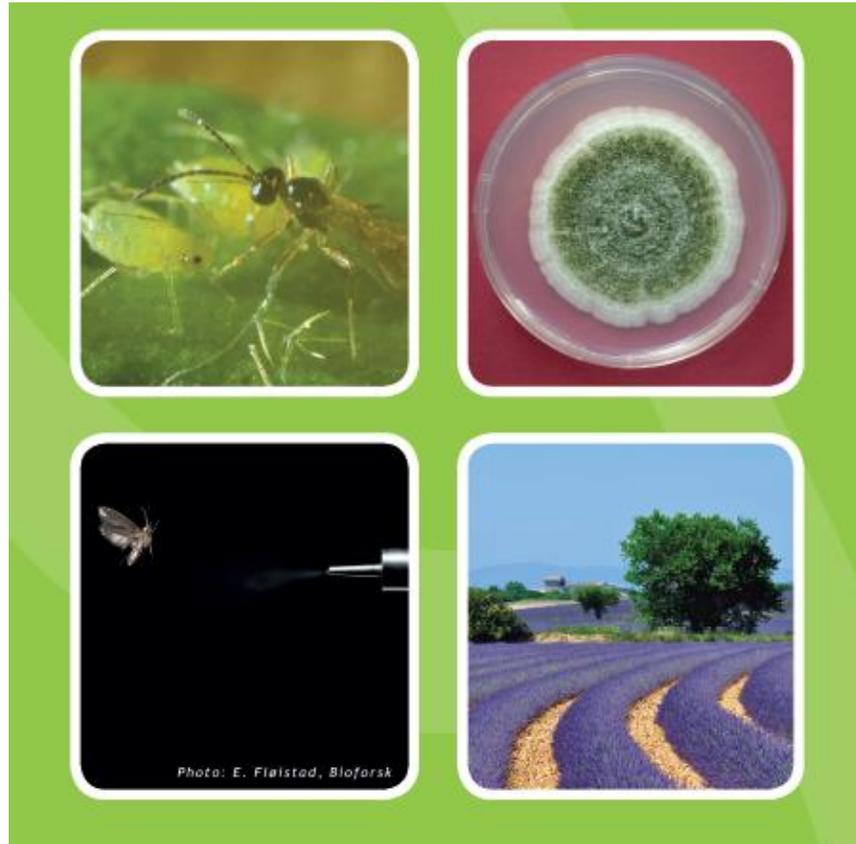
A majority of new PPP active substances being approved in the EU from today will be biological and a majority of these will pose low risk

Regulation of low-risk PPPs

If an active substance poses a low risk to the environment and human health it should be fast tracked to the market as per the mfR of EP and not be delayed by increasing scrutiny as with other PPPs



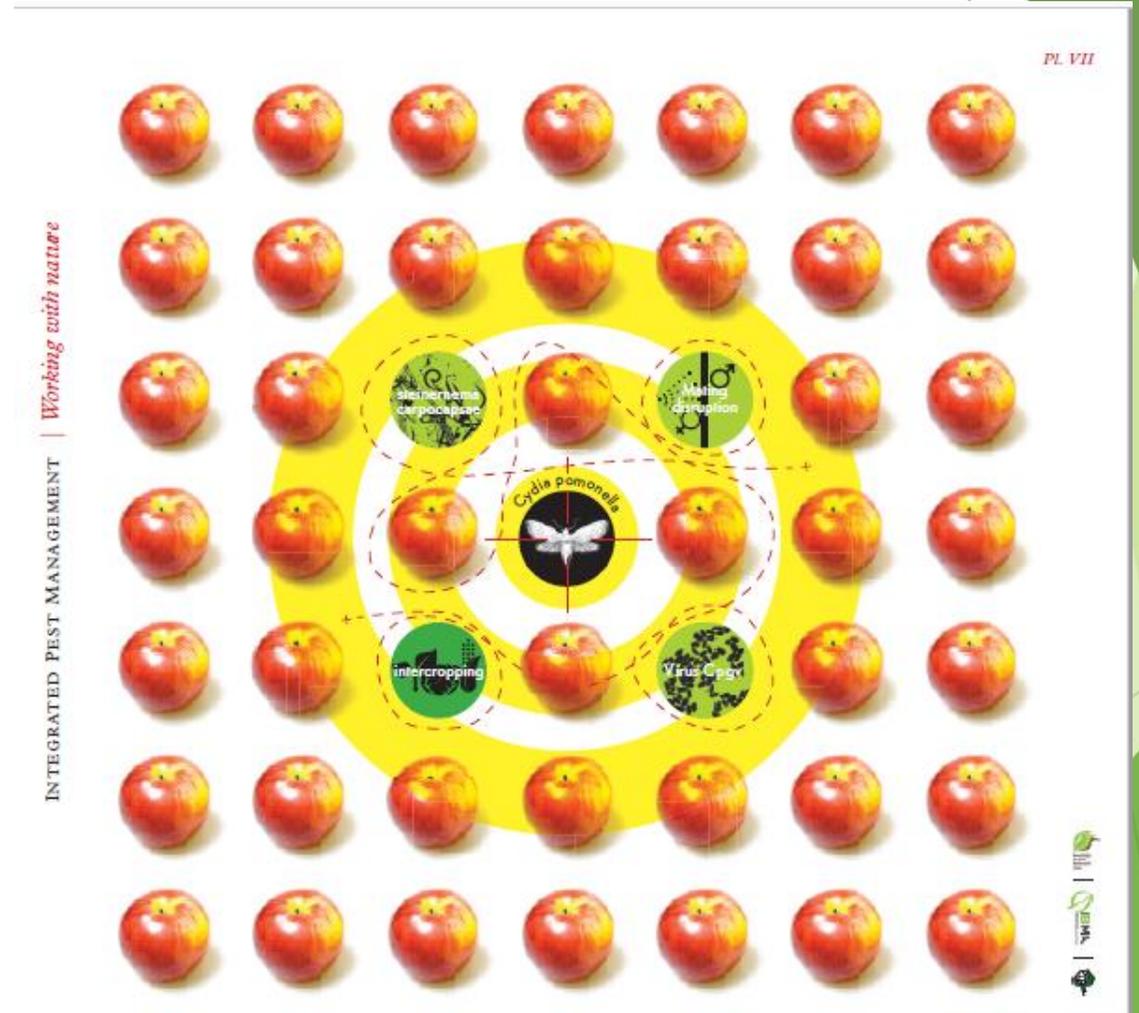
Resistance and Biological PPPs



Biological tools most often have complex modes of action. They are less prone to resistance development and a key part of preventing or delaying onset of resistance for other PPPs. Resistance is further exacerbated by reducing the number of tools a farmer can use.

Specificity of biological PPPs

Many biological products are extremely specific i.e. to a single species and therefore by nature pose a low or negligible risk to our environment including human health



IBMA promote holistic biocontrol based agriculture



- Prevention of pest & disease explosion
- Use of all available tools
- Minimise risk to human health and the environment

Only through use of true IPM

IPM is necessary to ensure a robust holistic control of pests and diseases of today and tomorrow

Concluding remarks

If policymakers around our world including in Europe are in agreement and favour of greening agriculture using IPM as the standard practice and bringing more low-risk biological products to the market – what are we waiting for?



***Thank you for the
opportunity for participating***

