WP 5.1 - SAFE EUROPEAN FRUIT FROM A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT

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OBJECTIVES

- 1. To develop a Crop Identification System (CIS) for adjusting the pesticide application equipmement to the target characteristics as an integral component of a novel pesticide application system.
- 2. To develop a Crop Health Sensor (CHS) for the on field identification of the tree health status as an integral component of a novel pesticide application system.
- 3. To develop an Environmentally Dependent Application System (EDAS) for adjusting the pesticed application equipement according to the environmental circumstances an integral component of a novel pesticide application system.
- 4. To coordinate the development of the CIS, CHS and EDAS, validate their effects and integrate them into novel system.
- 5. To develop a model for the prediction of nutrient demand rates of orchards needed for top quality fruit.
- 6. To develop site-specific, highly efficient fertilizer application methods to achieve top quality fruit and minimized nutrient losses.
- 7. To optimize tree nutrition in organic fruit production to achieve top quality fruit while increasing the efficient use of nutrients and improving tree performance.

TASKS

- Task 5.1.1 Development of a Crop Identification System (CIS) to adjust spray application to the target characteristics.
- Task 5.1.2 Development of a Crop Health Sensor (CHS) for identification of tree health status determining pesticide application.
- Task 5.1.3 Development of Environmentally Dependent Application System (EDAS) for adjusting the spraying equipment according to the environmental circumstances.
- Task 5.1.4 Evaluation of the effects of the crop adapted spray applications techniques.
- Task 5.1.5 Development of a model for the prediction of nutrient demand rates.
- Task 5.1.6 Development of site-specific fertilizer application methods for minimized nutrient loss.
- Task 5.1.7 Optimizing tree nutrition in organic fruit production to achieve top quality fruit while increasing the efficient use of nutrients and improving tree performance