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36 **Abstract**

37 Spotted-wing drosophila (SWD), *Drosophila suzukii* Matsumura (Diptera: Drosophilidae), is an
38 invasive pest of thin-skinned fruits in the United States. Monitoring traps are an integral part of
39 SWD integrated pest management, allowing early detection and timely management of this pest.
40 An ideal monitoring trap should be easy to use, effective in capturing SWD, sensitive and
41 selective to male SWD which are easy to identify due to their spotted wings, and able to predict
42 fruit infestation from trap captures. Deli-cup-based liquid traps (grower standard), which make
43 in-situ observations difficult, were compared with red-panel sticky traps, both baited with
44 commercial lures (Scentry, Trécé Broad-Spectrum (BS), and Trécé High-Specificity (HS)),
45 across several US states in blueberries (lowbush, highbush, and rabbiteye), caneberries
46 (blackberry and raspberry), and cherry crops during 2018 and 2021. Results showed that red-
47 panel traps effectively captured SWD, were able to detect male SWD early in the season while
48 also being selective to male SWD all season-long, and linearly related male SWD trap captures
49 with fruit infestation. Although Scentry and Trécé BS lures were equally effective, Trécé BS and
50 Trécé HS were more selective for male SWD in red panel traps than liquid traps. In conclusion,
51 due to its ease of use with less processing time, red-panel trap is a promising tool for detecting
52 and identifying male SWD in-situ and for predicting fruit infestation. However, further research
53 is needed to refine the trap captures and fruit infestation relationship and elucidate the trap-lure
54 interactions in berry and cherry crops.

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56 **Keywords:** trapping system, commercial lures, broad-spectrum lure, high-specificity lure, fruit
57 infestation

58 *Drosophila suzukii* Matsumura (Diptera: Drosophilidae), also commonly known as spotted-wing
59 drosophila (SWD), is an invasive pest of many soft thin-skinned small fruits in the United States
60 (Tait et al. 2021). Initially found in the continental United States in 2008 (Hauser 2011), this
61 drosophilid species is particularly problematic due to the female's ability to infest ripening and
62 intact fruits with its serrated ovipositor (Atallah et al. 2014, Asplen et al. 2015, Tait et al. 2021).
63 In addition, due to its wide host-range and the ability to move back and forth between cultivated
64 crops and non-crop wild hosts (Lee et al. 2015, Urbaneja-Bernat et al. 2020), SWD survives
65 through the off-season making it a successful and significant pest of berry crops (Bal et al. 2017,
66 Ballman and Drummond 2017). This pest is estimated to have caused \$56.7 million in losses in
67 blueberries in the U.S., \$174.8 million in cherries (Bolda et al. 2010), \$39.8 million in
68 raspberries (Farnsworth et al. 2017), and Walsh et al. (2011) estimated that, assuming a 20%
69 yield loss across all SWD-susceptible fruits, damage from this pest could cause \$511 million in
70 economic losses. Calendar-based chemical control is the primary measure to suppress SWD
71 populations (Haviland and Beers 2012, Farnsworth et al. 2017, Iglesias and Liburd 2017, Hunter
72 and Sial 2019). These intensive insecticide applications have led to insecticide resistance in
73 SWD populations (Diepenbrock et al. 2016). Thus, integration of monitoring tools with effective
74 lures is important for early detection and timely management of this pest (Landolt et al. 2012,
75 Lee et al. 2013, Cha et al. 2018, Cloonan et al. 2019).

76 Previous studies on SWD have focused on the development of trapping designs that can
77 capture and retain more flies (Lee et al. 2012, 2013). However, handling the trap contents to
78 identify and count SWD becomes tedious when there is a high number of non-target drosophilids
79 with similar morphology as SWD (Lee et al. 2013). Moreover, it is nearly impossible to identify
80 SWD female from other drosophilids in-situ. In contrast, SWD males have spotted wings which

81 distinguish them from female drosophilids and other male drosophilids with no spotted wings.
82 The ease of identifying male SWD without significant training and equipment makes them ideal
83 for basing action thresholds on their counts. One such thresholds developed for wild blueberry in
84 Maine uses the cumulative average of male SWD. The cumulative average of male SWD is
85 based on three Red Solo ® cups baited with a mixture of yeast and sugar (Drummond et al.
86 2019). Growers can use the cumulative average male at a site to predict the probability of having
87 infestation the following week; for example, a cumulative average of 3.5 or 7 males results in a
88 10% or 25% chance of having infestation, respectively, the following week. Thus, further
89 research is needed to develop a trap that is sensitive and selective to SWD, especially to SWD
90 males. If focusing on thresholds based on numbers of males, sensitivity, and selectivity of traps
91 to SWD males early in the season should be prioritized.

92 Currently, a liquid trap (32-oz deli-cup) is most commonly used to monitor SWD in small
93 fruit crops (Tait et al. 2021). These traps have an attractant such as a fermenting bait solution or
94 lure pouch to attract SWD, such that attracted flies enter through small holes in the cup and are
95 retained in a drowning solution (soapy water) (Lee et al. 2012, Burrack et al. 2020, Tait et al.
96 2021). However, the liquid traps have some downsides, such as difficulty in making in-situ
97 counts due to the need to handle the drowning solution (Burrack et al. 2020). Therefore,
98 alternative trap types have recently gained some attention such as panel traps with a sticky
99 surface, where flies get attracted and captured in the sticky surface, making in-situ counting
100 easier (Kirkpatrick et al. 2017).

101 In addition to ease of use, the SWD monitoring trap should also be informative for
102 relating captures with fruit infestation. Therefore, a trap should be sensitive and selective for
103 male SWD and be positively correlated to fruit infestation. However, the ability to attract male

104 SWD mainly lies in the olfaction and visual cues deployed by the trap and lure combination
105 (Burrack et al. 2020). Initially, fermenting bait solutions such as apple cider vinegar, wine, and a
106 mixture of yeast and sugar were used in a cup trap as both olfaction cues and a drowning solution
107 (Landolt et al. 2012a, Landolt et al. 2012b, Lee et al. 2013). However, four attractive
108 components were identified from the headspace of wine and vinegar (Cha et al. 2012, 2013,
109 2014, 2015, 2017) and incorporated into commercial synthetic lures (Cha et al. 2018). Generally,
110 these commercially available lures have replaced fermenting bait solutions (Cha et al. 2018,
111 Tonina et al. 2018). Currently, SWD monitoring traps, including the red panel traps, use
112 commercially available lures, such as Scentry[®] (Scentry from hereon; Scentry Biologicals, Inc.,
113 Billings, MT), Trécé Broad-Spectrum[®] (Trécé BS from hereon; Trécé Inc., Adair, OK), and
114 Trécé High-Specificity[®] (Trécé HS from hereon; Trécé Inc.), as olfaction cues (Burrack et al.
115 2015, Cha et al. 2018). Such commercial lures are based on a four-component blend comprised
116 of a mixture of acetic acid, ethanol, acetoin, and methionol (Cha et al. 2014) that was isolated
117 from the headspace of wine and vinegar (Landolt et al. 2012). Previous studies have showed that
118 traps with red color as visual cues were more attractive to SWD than other tested colors and the
119 red-panel traps attracted more male SWD than female SWD in berry crops (Kirkpatrick et al.
120 2018). In addition, the trap captures of male SWD in liquid traps with Scentry and Trécé lures
121 were correlated with low levels of fruit infestation in NY blueberries and raspberries increasing
122 the reliability of monitoring traps to detect SWD fruit infestation (Cha et al. 2018).

123 Our study aimed at comparing the red-panel traps with the grower's standard liquid trap
124 baited with different commercial lures (Scentry, Trécé BS, and Trécé HS) in several berry and
125 cherry crops throughout the US. Traps were evaluated for their 1) ability to detect male SWD

126 population during early season and season-long, and 2) selectivity to male SWD compared to
127 non-target captures, and 3) ability to relate male SWD captures with fruit infestation.

128 **Materials and Methods**

129 **Study sites and experimental design**

130 This study was conducted across multiple cropping systems (blueberry: *Vaccinium* spp.,
131 Ericaceae, blackberry, raspberry: *Rubus* spp., Rosaceae, and cherry: *Prunus avium*, Rosaceae) in
132 five US states (NC, NJ, OR, NY, and ME) in 2018 (total of 16 field sites) and 11 US states (NC,
133 NJ, NY, OR, ME, VA, MD, NH, MI, GA, and FL) in 2021 (total of 27 field sites) (Table 1). The
134 studies started two weeks before harvest, continued for four weeks during harvest, and ended two
135 weeks after harvest. Although we aimed at keeping our methods as consistent as possible across
136 states, the number of sites, treatments, replications, sampling frequency, start and end dates, and
137 fly counts (male SWD, female SWD, and/or other drosophilids) differed among states, crops,
138 and years due to differences in crop phenology, site size and availability, and other unforeseen
139 factors.

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141 **Trap designs**

142 Liquid traps were constructed with a 32-oz (~ 1 L) deli cup with equally spaced 12 entry holes
143 on the side of the cup (Kirkpatrick et al. 2017). The drowning solution was made by mixing
144 0.1% of unscented detergent soap (unscented Seventh Generation soap;
145 www.seventhgeneration.com, Burlington, VT, USA) in 210 ml of tap water. Red panel traps
146 were obtained from Trécé Inc and measure 14 × 25 cm² with sticky surfaces on both sides. In
147 contrast to traps used in 2021, , red panel traps used in 2018 study had reduced sticky surface
148 area around the edges of the trap (i.e. had no glue on 1-2 cm from edge to center). Both liquid

149 and red panel traps were hung 0.5-1 m above the ground using a twist tie and placed in the
150 middle of the canopy of the plant for all the crops except for lowbush blueberry where traps were
151 placed above the plant canopy. In liquid traps, lures were hung inside of the lid that goes on of
152 the cup and in red panel traps, lures were hung on the upper non-sticky surface, however in
153 2021-GA blueberry, lures were hung on the lower side of the trap. Trap contents were collected
154 weekly and the drowning solutions were replaced weekly, and lures were replaced every 4-5
155 weeks; the drowning solution of the liquid trap was collected in a 16-oz (473 ml) deli-cup and
156 labeled, and a transparent plastic wrap was wrapped around the red-panel traps, to facilitate
157 processing after collection from the field.

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159 **Lure types**

160 Lures used in both trapping designs (liquid and panel traps) contained the four-component blend
161 consisting of acetic acid, ethanol, acetoin and methionol (Cha et al. 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015,
162 2017) However, concentrations and ratios of the formulation and dispensing technology differed
163 among lures (undisclosed proprietary information). For instance, the Scentry lure comes as a
164 clear plastic pouch (9×7 cm²) with a yellowish formulation inside and volatiles are emitted from
165 all sides of the pouch. Similarly, the Trécé BS lure also comes as a plastic pouch (7×7 cm²);
166 however, the volatiles are emitted only from one side of the pouch that has the protective peel-
167 off layer. The side where volatiles are emitted from is red-colored, adding a visual cue to the
168 lure. In contrast, the Trécé HS lure comes as a red-colored case (9 cm²) with three separate
169 tablet-shaped compartments (2-cm diameter each) with the formulations inside and has a peel-off
170 cover on one side. Because of commercial availability, in 2018 only the Scentry lure was tested,
171 while all three lures were tested in 2021.

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173 **Sample processing**

174 Trap samples were brought back to the laboratory and the number of male and female SWD and
175 other drosophilids were counted under a dissecting microscope. Liquid trap samples were first
176 filtered through a 160-micron mesh cloth and were then transferred into a gridded Petri dish with
177 70% ethanol for counting. A transparent plastic sheet with a gridded or checkerboard pattern was
178 placed on the sticky trap to conveniently count the flies under the microscope.

179 Ripe berries were collected from the area within 5-10 m from where traps were placed. The
180 number of berries per sample varied between crops and states, 226 g berries in 2018-NJ-
181 Highbush30 berries in 2018-NC-Blackberry, 30-40 berries in 2018-NY-Raspberry, 100-250
182 berries in 2021-NY-Highbush, and 110-151 g berries in 2021-ME-Lowbush. Berries were taken
183 to the lab, incubated for one week under ambient conditions, and the number of larvae and pupae
184 were counted through the salt-extraction method (Shaw et al. 2019) .

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186 **Statistical analysis**

187 All data were analyzed in JMP Pro v.16, SAS Institute Inc, Cary, NC, USA. Data from 2018 and
188 2021 were analyzed separately for each crop (Table 1).

189 To determine the SWD capture during early season, only the data for first week of fly
190 captures were compared between traps in 2018, and among traps and lures in 2021 via non-
191 parametric test, Wilcoxon/Kruskal-Wallis Test. However, in 2018-raspberry, only three male
192 SWD were captured in the third week (7/16/2018) in liquid traps, so fourth week trap counts
193 were used for the statistics. In 2021-cherry, although red panel traps with Trécé BS captured one
194 male SWD in one of the OR sites in the fifth week, and two male SWD in sixth- and seventh-

195 week data, most of the male SWD occurred after the seventh week, so eighth week data were
196 used for the statistics. In 2021-blackberry, second week data were used for the statistics due to no
197 captures in the first week. Means of male and female SWD captures were compared using
198 Tukey-Kramer HSD at $\alpha=0.05$.

199 To determine the season long SWD capture rate, male and female SWD captures were pooled
200 over weeks and analyzed with a mixed model using trap as a fixed effect in 2018 and traps and
201 lures as fixed effects in 2021. Random effects were state, field, site, and replications. Data were
202 fit to several distribution models (Normal, Poisson, Negative binomial, and zero-inflated Poisson
203 and Negative binomial) and the best model was chosen based on least AICC value. In some
204 instances where neither of the above-mentioned models fit to the data, data were $\log(x+1)$
205 transformed. When there were significant differences between treatments, means were separated
206 with Tukey's Honestly Significant Difference (HSD) means separation test at $\alpha=0.05$. In
207 2021-blackberry and cherry, because of low fly captures, the effects of traps and lures on male
208 and female SWD captures were analyzed through a non-parametric test, Wilcoxon/Kruskal-
209 Wallis Test. In 2021, because there was no trap effect, male SWD captures in cherry and female
210 SWD captures in blueberry were pooled over trap and tested for the lure effect.

211 To determine the selectivity of traps and lures to SWD male and female, the proportions of male
212 and female SWD and non-SWD flies were derived by dividing the respective values with the
213 total drosophilids (sum of male SWD, female SWD, and non-SWD). Then, the proportions of
214 male and female SWD were regressed upon week in a linear model for highbush blueberry,
215 lowbush blueberry, and raspberry in 2018 (weeks:1-8) and blackberry, blueberry (highbush and
216 rabbiteye), cherry, and lowbush blueberry in 2021 (weeks:1-14). ANCOVA was used to compare
217 the intercepts and slopes between the lines of liquid and red panel traps with trap and week as

218 fixed effects, by crop in 2018 and by crop and lure in 2021. If the trap effect and interaction of
219 trap and week effects are not significant, then the intercepts and slopes are the same for both
220 traps respectively.

221 To determine the relationship between male SWD trap captures and fruit infestation, number of
222 SWD males in the trap, and the number of SWD immatures from fruits collected on the same
223 day/week of trap collection, were regressed in a linear model for highbush blueberry, blackberry,
224 and raspberry in 2018 and highbush and lowbush blueberry in 2021. To compare the coefficients
225 of regression model parameters between liquid and red panel traps, SWD immatures from fruit
226 samples were fitted in a linear model with trap (grouping variable) and trap captures (X-variable)
227 as fixed effects. Untransformed data are presented in the figures with mean \pm SE.

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229 **Results**

230 **SWD captures during early season**

231 In 2018, only the Scentry lure was tested. In lowbush (Figure 1a) and highbush (Figure
232 1b) blueberry, both liquid and red panel traps captured male and female SWD similarly, in the
233 first week of trap captures. In blackberry, liquid traps captured more male and female SWD than
234 red panel traps (Figure 1c, female: $\chi^2_1=6.14$, $p=0.01$; male: $\chi^2_1=5$, $p=0.02$). In raspberry, liquid
235 traps captured more male SWD than red panel traps and both liquid and red panel traps captured
236 similar female SWD (Figure 1d: $\chi^2_1=5.05$, $p=0.01$).

237 In 2021, red panel traps captured more male and female SWD than liquid traps in
238 lowbush blueberry (Figure 2a) when baited with the Scentry lure (female: $\chi^2_1=8.6$, $p=0.03$; male:
239 $\chi^2_1=10.9$, $p=0.01$), however trap catches were similar between liquid and red panel traps when
240 baited with the Trécé BS lure. In cherry (WA) (Figure 2b), liquid traps captured more female

241 SWD than red panel traps with both Scentry and Trécé BS lures (Scentry: $\chi^2_1=7.81$, $p=0.005$;
242 Trécé BS: $\chi^2_1=5.48$, $p=0.02$), whereas red panel traps captured more male SWD than liquid traps
243 when baited with the Trécé HS lure ($\chi^2_1=5.98$, $p=0.01$); male SWD captures were similar
244 between two traps with Scentry lures. In cherry (OR), although red panel traps captured male and
245 female SWD with the Scentry lure and only female SWD with the Trécé BS lure, there were no
246 trap counts from liquid traps to compare with. In blackberry (Figure 2d) and blueberry (Figure
247 2e), liquid and red panel traps captured male and female SWD similarly with Scentry, Trécé BS,
248 and Trécé HS lures.

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250 **Season-long SWD captures**

251 In 2018, liquid traps captured more female SWD than red-panel traps in lowbush
252 blueberry (Figure 3a: $F_{1,50}=6.98$, $p=0.01$), blackberry (Figure 3b: $F_{1,50}=6.98$, $p=0.01$), highbush
253 blueberry (Figure 3c: $F_{1,214}=51.62$, $p<0.0001$). In lowbush blueberry (Figure 3a) and blackberry
254 (Figure 3b), liquid and red panel traps captured similar male SWD, whereas in highbush
255 blueberry (Figure 3c) and raspberry (Figure 3d), liquid traps captured more male SWD than red
256 panel traps (highbush: $F_{1,662}=17.44$, $p<0.0001$; raspberry: $F_{1,80}=4.99$, $p=0.028$).

257 In 2021, there was a trap lure interaction in male and female SWD captures in lowbush
258 blueberry (trap×lure: female: $F_{1,87}=9.04$, $p=0.003$; male: $F_{1,88}=11.93$, $p=0.0009$), female SWD
259 captures in cherry (trap×lure: female: $F_{1,180}=23.28$, $p<0.0001$), and male SWD captures in
260 blueberry (trap×lure: male: $F_{2,1308}=5.5$, $p=0.004$). In lowbush blueberry, red panel traps captured
261 more male and female SWD than liquid traps with the Scentry lure (Tukey HSD, $\alpha=0.05$),
262 whereas the captures were similar between liquid and red panel traps with the Trécé BS lure
263 (Figure 4a). In cherry, liquid traps captured more female SWD than red panel traps with the

264 Scentry lure (Tukey HSD, $\alpha=0.05$), whereas all other captures between liquid and red panel traps
265 were similar with Scentry, Trécé BS, and Trécé HS lures (Figure 4b). Among lures, Scentry
266 captured more male SWD than Trécé BS and Trécé HS lures ($\chi^2_2=117.26$, $p<0.0001$). In
267 blackberry, liquid traps captured more female SWD than red panel traps with the Trécé BS lure
268 ($\chi^2_1=8.28$, $p<0.004$), whereas all other captures were similar between liquid and red panel traps
269 with the Scentry and Trécé BS lures (Figure 4c). In blueberry, red panel traps captured more
270 male and female SWD than liquid traps with the Scentry and Trécé BS lures (Tukey HSD,
271 $\alpha=0.05$), whereas trap captures were similar between liquid and red panel traps with the Trécé
272 HS lure (Figure 4d). Among lures, Scentry and Trécé BS lures equally captured more female
273 SWD than the Trécé HS lure (Tukey HSD, $\alpha=0.05$).

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275 **Selectivity to male SWD over week**

276 In 2018, in highbush blueberry, red panel traps had significantly higher selectivity
277 (intercept, 60.69 ± 23.77 %, $t\text{-ratio}=2.55$, $p=0.01$) than liquid traps during early week (ANCOVA:
278 $F=127.17$, $df=1$, $p<0.001$, Figure 5) and the selectivity of red panel traps remained similar over
279 the week (Slope, 2.77 ± 4.67 %, $t\text{-ratio}=0.59$, $p=0.56$). In lowbush blueberry, only liquid trap
280 captures were available, and the selectivity of liquid traps increased linearly from zero, at a rate
281 of 8.85 ± 2.79 % ($t\text{-ratio}=3.17$, $p=0.004$) increase each week (Figure 5). In raspberry, the
282 selectivity of both liquid and red panel traps increased linearly with similar intercepts
283 (ANCOVA: $F=2.3$, $df=1$, $p=0.13$) and slopes (ANCOVA: $F=0.34$, $df=1$, $p=0.56$) (Figure 5).

284 In 2021, in blackberry, the selectivity of red panel traps was significantly higher
285 (45.26 ± 6.63 , $t\text{-ratio}=6.83$, $p<0.0001$) than liquid traps during early week when baited with the
286 Trécé BS lure (ANCOVA: $F=88.08$, $df=1$, $p<0.0001$), The selectivity of red panel traps with the

287 Trécé BS lure decreased at a rate of -2.65 ± 1.07 % (t-ratio=-2.48, $p=0.02$) each week, however,
288 the selectivity of red panel traps was never below liquid traps throughout the season (Figure 6a).

289 In blueberry (Figure 6b), although liquid and red panel traps with the Scentry lure had
290 zero selectivity during the first week, ANCOVA showed red panel traps had higher selectivity
291 than liquid traps during early season ($F=16.69$, $df=1$, $p<0.0001$) and the selectivity of two traps
292 increased linearly with similar rates throughout the season ($F=3.57$, $df=1$, $p=0.06$). Whereas red
293 panel traps with the Trécé BS lure had significantly higher selectivity than liquid traps during
294 early season (ANCOVA: $F=65.51$, $df=1$, $p<0.0001$),) and the rate of increase of selectivity over
295 the season was significantly higher in red panel traps than liquid traps (ANCOVA: $F=5.88$, $df=1$,
296 $p=0.01$). Red panel traps with the Trécé HS lure showed no significant linear relationship
297 between selectivity and week, whereas liquid traps with the Trécé HS lure had a significant
298 increase in selectivity over the week (Slope, 4.22 ± 1.51 : t-ratio=2.79, $p=0.008$) from zero percent
299 in the first week ($p=0.39$).

300 In cherry (Figure 6c), only red panel traps with Trécé BS and Trécé HS lures showed a
301 significant linear relationship between selectivity and week. Red panel traps with the Trécé BS
302 lure had selectivity below zero percent during the first week but increased linearly during the
303 later season at a rate of 2.07 ± 0.37 % (t-ratio=5.66, $p<0.0001$) each week. In red panel traps with
304 Trécé HS lure, the selectivity was high during the first week (Intercept: 22.22 ± 5.32 , t-ratio=4.18,
305 $p<0.0001$) and the selectivity remained similar throughout the week (Slope: -1.03 ± 0.86 , t-ratio=-
306 1.19, $p=0.24$).

307 In lowbush blueberry (Figure 6d), due to high variation, a significant linear relationship could
308 not be established for selectivity over week, however, numerically, red panel traps had higher
309 selectivity than liquid traps throughout the season.

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311 **Relation of fruit infestation with male SWD captures**

312 In 2018-highbush blueberry, only red panel traps in ‘Marucci In’ site in NJ showed a
313 significant linear relationship between male SWD captures and fruit infestation, where number
314 of immatures in fruits increased at a rate of 0.40 ± 0.00 (t-ratio= 56.25, $p=0.0003$) immatures for
315 each male SWD in red panel traps (Figure 7a). In blackberry (Site=Sandhills), only liquid traps
316 showed a significant linear relationship where number of immatures in fruits increased at a rate
317 of 0.54 ± 0.07 (t-ratio=8.00, $p<0.0001$) immatures for each male SWD (Figure 7b).

318 In raspberry (Site=Tomions), both liquid and red panel traps showed a significant linear
319 relationship. In liquid traps, SWD immatures increased linearly with male SWD captures at a
320 rate of 0.89 ± 0.36 (t-ratio=2.45, $p<0.02$) immatures for each male SWD. Whereas the linear
321 relationship was much stronger ($r^2=0.89$) in red panel traps than liquid traps ($r^2=0.2$), where
322 SWD immatures increased at a rate of 7.99 ± 0.58 (t-ratio=13.78, $p<0.0001$) immatures for each
323 male SWD. The intercept (ANCOVA-trap: $F=12.49$, $df=1$, $p=0.0009$) and slope (ANCOVA-
324 treatment*male SWD: $F=34.13$, $df=1$, $p<0.0001$) of lines of red panel traps were significantly
325 higher than liquid traps (Figure 7c). In 2021-highbush (Site=Gands) and lowbush blueberry
326 (Site=Mont.), there was no significant relationship between SWD immatures and male SWD
327 captures with either lure type (Figures 7d, e).

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329 **Discussion**

330 In this study, red panel traps performed similar to, and sometimes superior to, liquid traps
331 for their efficiency in capturing male SWD early, while being selective to male SWD season-
332 long in US berry and cherry crops. Moreover, an increase in male SWD captures in red panel and

333 liquid traps corresponded to increases in fruit infestation in highbush blueberry and raspberry,
334 and the red panel trap captures were more sensitive to fruit infestation than liquid traps in
335 raspberry.

336 Although red panel traps were more selective to male SWD than liquid traps, the
337 selectivity was variable between crop and lure type, as has been previously reported in liquid
338 traps (Cloonan et al. 2019). For example, during early weeks, red panel traps with the Scentry
339 lure had selectivity as high as 60% in highbush blueberry, whereas for the same trap-lure
340 combination, it was close to zero selectivity in blueberry (highbush and rabbiteye). During early
341 weeks, red panel traps with the Trécé BS lure had selectivity of 45% in blackberry, whereas the
342 same trap-lure combination in blueberry had selectivity close to zero during early weeks. The red
343 panel-Trécé HS lure combination had poor selectivity in blueberry whereas the same
344 combination in cherry had selectivity of 22% during early weeks. These results indicate the
345 selectivity to male SWD is crop and time-specific, and that combinations of red-panel traps with
346 Scentry or Trécé BS lures are more selective to male SWD in blueberry, red-panel-Trécé BS lure
347 combination in blackberry, and red-panel-Trécé HS lure combination in cherry.

348 Since the liquid and red-panel traps function differently, there was an interaction effect
349 between trap designs and lure types on SWD captures by crop type. The reason for differences in
350 capture rates might be because the amount of volatilization of the chemicals depends on the
351 material matrix of the lure, the placement of the lure (inside or outside of the trap), surface area
352 exposed, environmental conditions (temperature and humidity), and crop types (Jaffe et al. 2018,
353 Burrack et al. 2020). Therefore, further research is needed to determine the effect of biotic and
354 abiotic conditions in the trap-lure interactions to capture SWD in these crops.

355 The volatiles in the commercial lures are released in a constant rate throughout the season
356 with modern dispensing technology (Cha et al. 2013). Therefore, the increase in male SWD
357 captures as the season progresses does not necessarily mean that the ability of a lure to attract
358 male SWD increases over the season. The increase in selectivity over the week may instead be
359 due to an increase in overall SWD population in the berry field, and the lures were effective in
360 differentiating the population change.

361 In blackberry, although liquid trap captures predicted fruit infestation with fewer male
362 captures, the selectivity of liquid traps with either lure type was poor. Whereas red panel traps
363 with the Trécé BS lure was highly selective for male SWD season-long. However, a relationship
364 could not be established between red panel trap captures and fruit infestation in the current study.
365 Thus, further research is needed to fine-tune this relationship before red panel traps can fully be
366 used as part of an SWD monitoring program in blackberry.

367 Results from this study corroborate with previous studies showing a relationship between
368 male SWD captures in red panel traps and SWD fruit infestation in berry fields. In this study,
369 every two male SWD captures in red panel traps corresponded to one SWD immature in
370 blueberries and blackberries collected from a sampling area of 5-10 m. However, in raspberry,
371 every two male SWD captures in red panel traps corresponded to ~15 SWD immatures in berries
372 from a given sampling area. A significant linear relationship with intercept starting from zero %
373 means red panel traps did not capture male SWD when there was no fruit infestation, increasing
374 its reliability as a decision-making tool.

375 In our current study, although fruit infestation increased with increasing male SWD trap
376 captures, a numerical expression of this relationship could not be established in all the tested
377 crops. One reason for this poor relationship might be that there were not enough fruits collected

378 from the field, or that the infestation was too low to be visible in some crop sites. Thus, further
379 research is needed to refine the trap captures and fruit infestation relationship to use red panel
380 traps as monitoring and decision-making tool. Overall, since red panel traps are superior to liquid
381 traps in terms of handling of the drowning solution with reduced processing time, red-panel traps
382 seem to be an efficient monitoring tool in blueberry, due to its ease of installing and making in-
383 situ counts and make control decisions. Future work should continue to fine-tune the use of these
384 red panel traps with the available commercial lures to establish a clear relationship between male
385 SWD capture and fruit infestation for each crop type.

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549 **Table 1.** Information about the SWD trap comparison study conducted in several states and sites
 550 with a variable number of treatments and replications during fruiting season of various crops in
 551 2018 and 2021.

State	Crop	Sites	Treatments	Replicates	Dates (sampling frequency)
2018					
NC	Blackberry	1	4	5	21 Jun–27 Jul (6)
NJ	Blueberry ¹	4	4	4	13 Jun–25 Jul (6)
NJ	Blueberry ¹	6	2	5	13 Jun–18 Aug (10)
OR	Blueberry ¹	1	4	5	28 Jun–8 Aug (7)
NY	Summer Raspberry	1	2	10	2 Jul–15 Aug (6)
ME	Wild Blueberry	3	5	3	3 Aug–5 Sep (5)
2021					
VA	Blackberry	1	4	3	28 Jun–30 Aug (12)
OR	Cherry	2	1	3	13 May–28 Jul (11)
WA	Cherry	1	6	5	28 Sep–3 Nov (6)
NH	Blueberry ¹	1	5	4	24 Jun–29 Jul (6)
MD	Blueberry ¹	2	4	3	27 May–12 Aug (12)
NJ	Blueberry ¹	1	3	5	31 May–3 Aug (10)
MI	Blueberry ¹	9	6	1	14 Jun–17 Aug (8)
OR	Blueberry ¹	1	4	4	15 Jul–11 Aug (4)
NY	Blueberry ¹	4	6	4	8 Jun–31 Aug (13)
GA	Blueberry ²	3	8	4	27 May–22 Jul (8)
FL	Blueberry ³	1	4	4	23 Mar–29 Apr (6)
ME	Wild Blueberry	1	6	4	15 Jul–17 Aug (6)

¹Northern Highbush, ²Rabbiteye, ³Southern Highbush

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554 **Figure Captions**

555 **Fig. 1.** Trap captures of male and female SWD (mean±SE) during early week on liquid and red
556 panel traps with Scentry lure in a) lowbush blueberry, b) highbush blueberry, c) blackberry, and
557 d) raspberry fields in 2018. Asterisk signs indicate significant difference (Tukey-Kramer,
558 $\alpha=0.05$).

559
560 **Fig. 2.** Trap captures of male and female SWD (mean±SE) during early week on liquid and red
561 panel traps with Scentry, Trécé BS, and Trécé HS lures in a) lowbush blueberry, b) cherry, c)
562 blackberry, and d) highbush and rabbiteye blueberry fields in 2021. Asterisk signs indicate
563 significant difference (Tukey-Kramer, $\alpha=0.05$).

564
565 **Fig. 3.** Season-long trap captures of male and female SWD (mean±SE) on liquid and red-panel
566 traps baited with Scentry lure in a) lowbush blueberry, b) blackberry, c) highbush blueberry, and
567 d) raspberry fields in in2018. Asterisk signs indicate significant difference (Tukey-HSD,
568 $\alpha=0.05$).

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570 **Fig. 4.** Season-long trap captures of male and female SWD (mean±SE) on liquid and red-panel
571 traps baited with Scentry, Trécé BS, and Trécé HS lures in a) lowbush blueberry, b) cherry, c)
572 blackberry, and d) blueberry fields in 2021.inAsterisk signs indicate significant difference
573 (Tukey-HSD/Tukey-Kramer, $\alpha=0.05$.) Horizontal lines represent pooled result and the lines
574 with different letters are significantly different (Tukey-HSD, $\alpha=0.05$).

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576 **Fig. 5.** Linear relationship of % male SWD captures relative to total *Drosophila* captured
577 (selectivity) in liquid and red-panel traps with Scentry lure over 1-8 weeks in a) highbush

578 blueberry, b) lowbush blueberry, and c) raspberry fields in 2018. Asterisk signs indicate the
579 regression line(s) are significant.

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581 **Fig. 6.** Linear relationship of % male SWD captures relative to total *Drosophila* captured
582 (selectivity) in liquid and red-panel traps with Scentry, Trécé BS, and Trécé HS lures over 1-14
583 weeks in a) blackberry, b) blueberry, c) cherry, and d) lowbush blueberry fields in 2021. Asterisk
584 signs indicate the regression line(s) are significant.

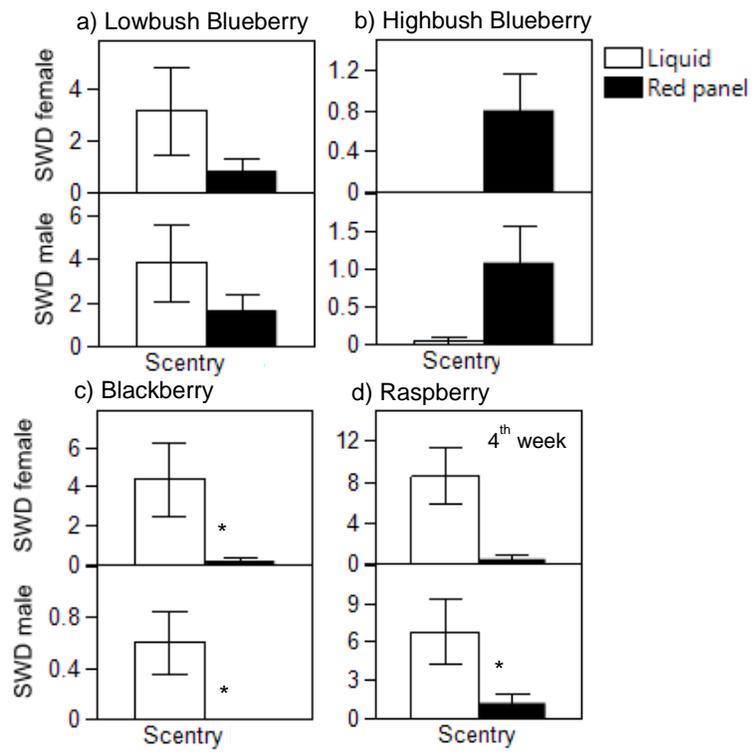
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586 **Fig. 7.** Linear relationship of SWD immatures in fruits with SWD male in liquid and red panel
587 traps with Scentry and Trécé BS lures collected from the same field sites in a) highbush
588 blueberry, b) blackberry, and c) raspberry fields in 2018, and in d) highbush blueberry and e)
589 lowbush blueberry in 2021. Asterisk signs indicate the regression line(s) are significant.

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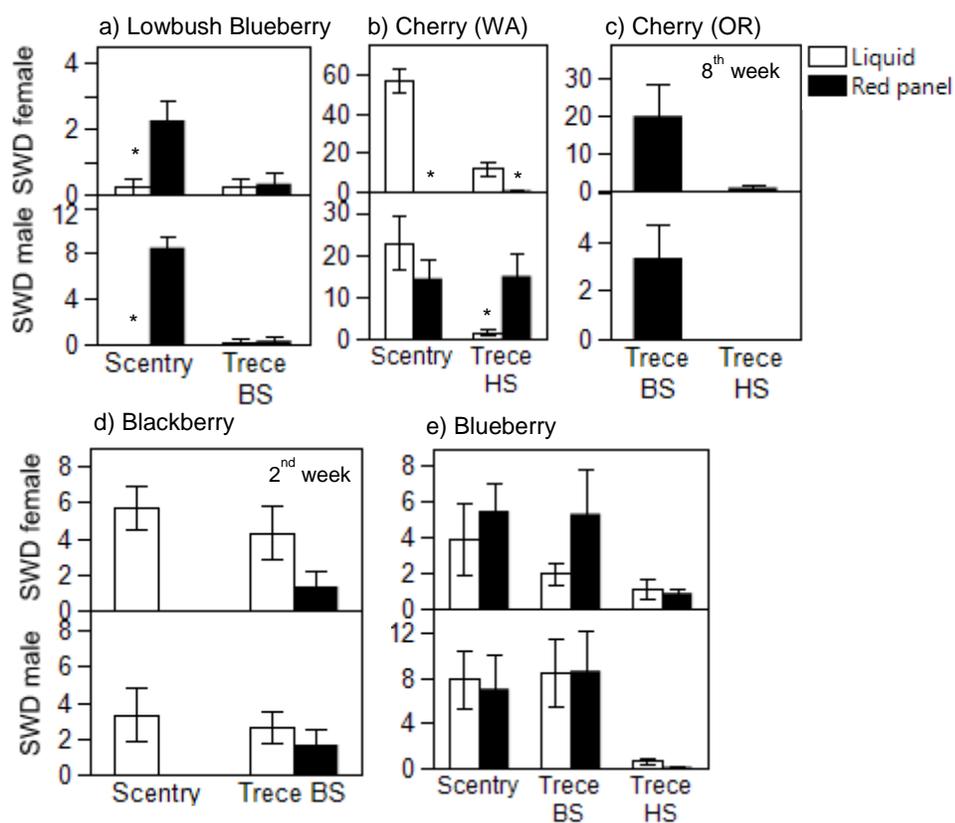
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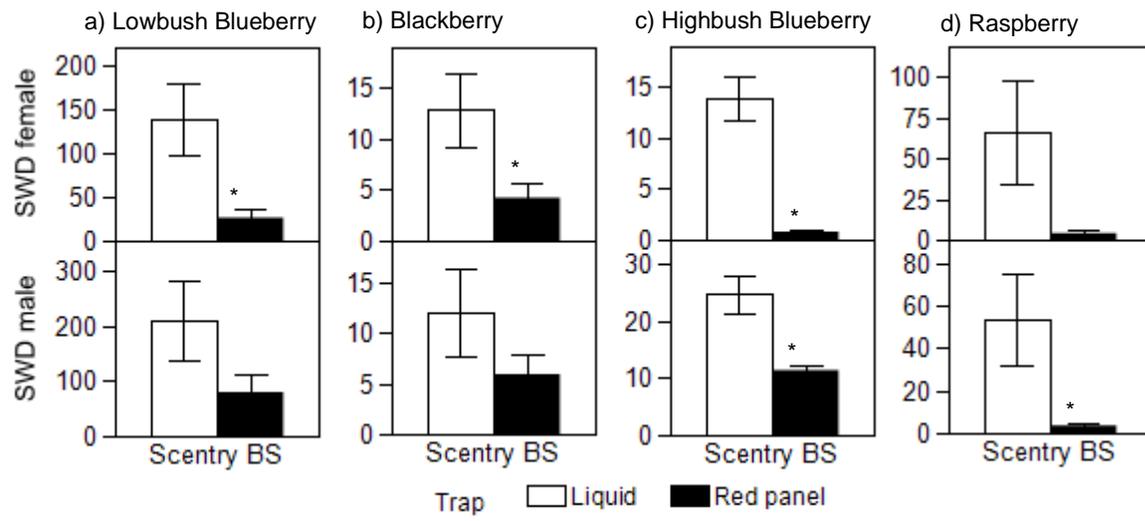
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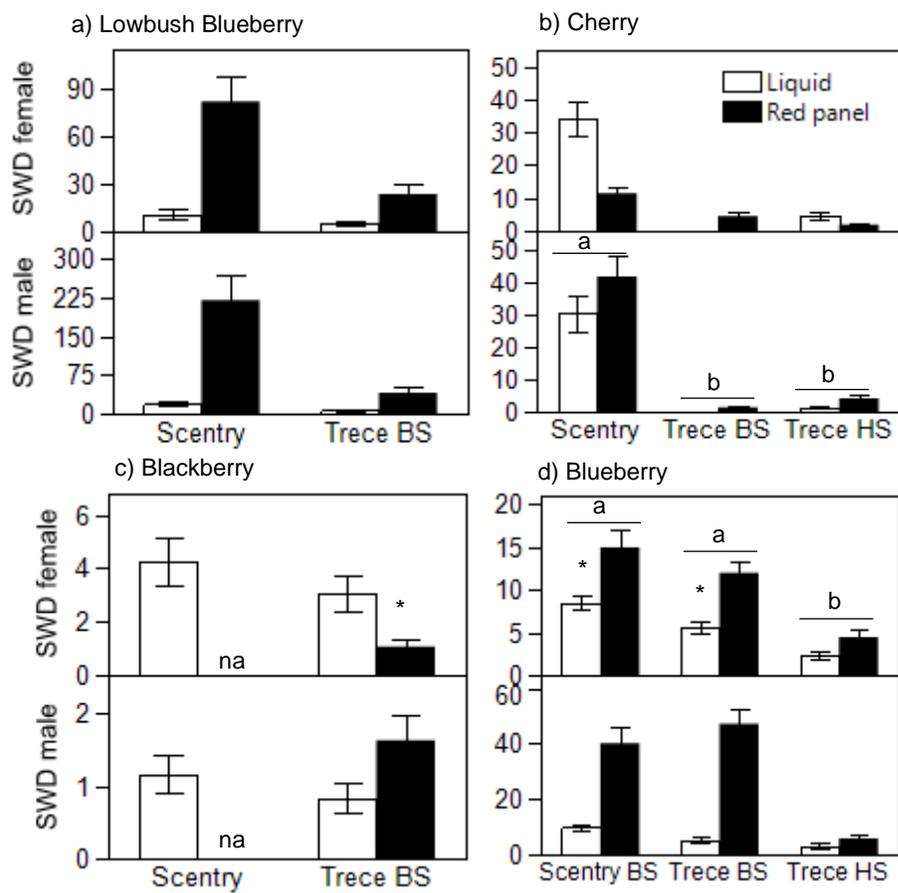
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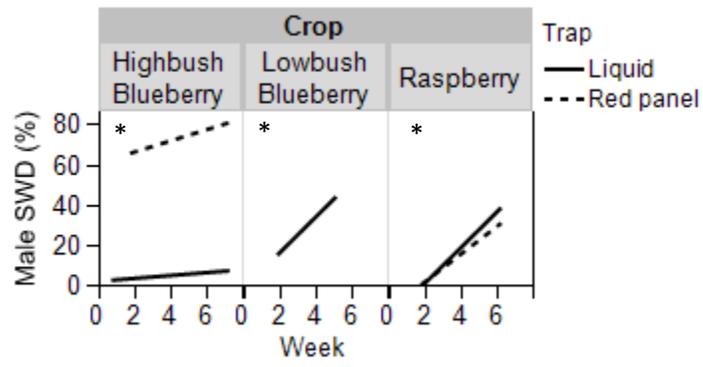
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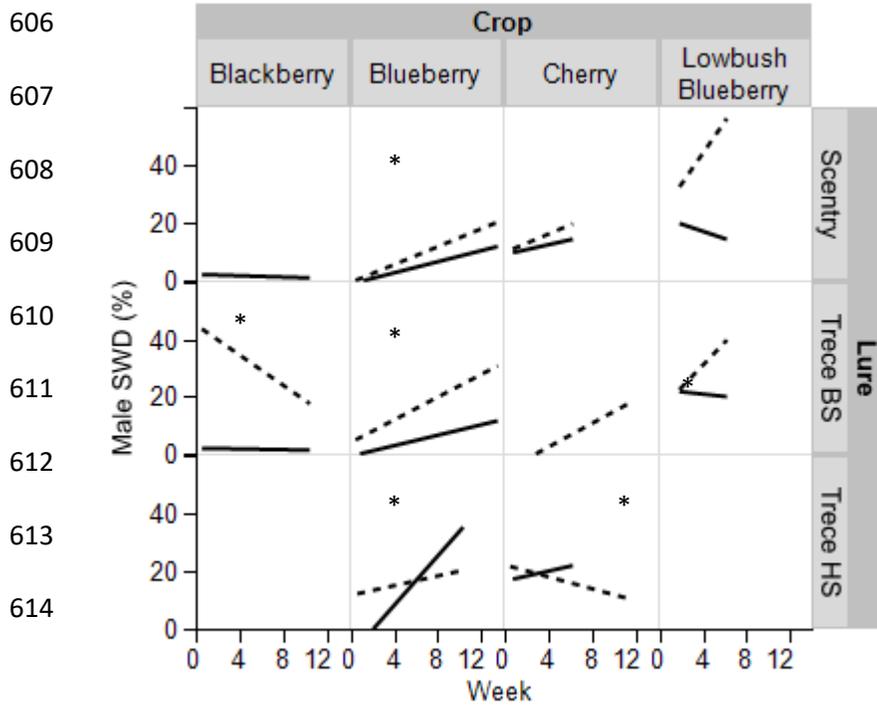
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a) 2018 - Highbush Blueberry

b) 2018- Blackberry

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