

## Vermont Apple IPM Alert Lorraine P. Berkett May 14, 2008

**Stage of Bud:** Bloom on McIntosh at UVM Hort. Res. Center (HRC)

**Apple Scab Ascospore Maturity:** It is estimated that 50%-75% of the ascospores have matured. We are still in the high risk period for primary infections. As of May 13, no primary scab lesions were observed on non-sprayed McIntosh trees at the UVM HRC.

**Fire Blight**: Using the Maryblyt program to predict risk of infection with Skybit weather data, none of the monitored sites was predicted to have more than two of the four factors needed for infection for the next 5-6 days.

**Arthropod Management:** We are entering a very important time for arthropod management. Both Art Agnello and Peter Jentsch of Cornell University wrote very informative articles in the May 12, 2008 issue of *Scaffolds* that cover plum curculio, European apple sawfly, mites, obliquebanded leafroller, oriental fruit moth, white apple leafhopper and codling moth. I urge you to review the information at:

http://www.nysaes.cornell.edu/ent/scaffolds/2008/080512.html

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