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- **Introduction**

Welcome to the third issue of eConnection, a free Newsletter developed in conjunction with the new IRAC website. eConnection is distributed by email and past issues are available on the eConnection page of the IRAC website under the menu heading "About IRAC". [More »](#)

- **Feedback**

eConnection continues to be well received and IRAC International has decided to make it a key tool in communicating the activities of IRAC and Insecticide Resistance Management. Information will be backed up with articles and further details on the IRAC website. If you have a colleague who would be interested in the IRAC eConnection and website please forward this link to them so they can subscribe free of charge at: <http://www.irc-online.org/about/econnection.asp>

- **Send us your News**

If you have Resistance Management information that you think should appear in eConnection or on the IRAC website contact us with details. Email_aporter@intraspin.com

The Website

- **"Review and Analysis of Website Traffic**

This recent review reported the IRAC website as having 45 public and 56 member pages with a database of 130 documents. The IRAC site was ranked 1st by Google in May for a number of key words and terms such as "Insecticide Resistance", "Insecticide Resistance Management" and IRAC. It was reported that there were 2500 User Sessions in May giving an average of 80 per day. The site was visited by 44 countries with the US the biggest user [More »](#)

- **"New Poster from the IRAC Regulatory Team"**
This poster provides an overview of the recent and ongoing activities of the IRAC Regulatory Team. It highlights areas such as representation on EUREPGAP, EPPO Panel work, development of Susceptibility Test Methods and support to the development of a CropLife International policy on Regulation of Resistance Management. The poster was developed for the recent ECPA Mediterranean Conference and can be viewed on the website. [More »](#)

International News

- **IRAC International Spring Meeting**
The IRAC International Spring Meeting, held on April 27-28th, 2004 at CropLife International, Brussels, was well attended and highly successful. Updates were given by the Functional Teams (Regulatory, Education/Communication) and Project Teams (Vectors, Codling Moth, CFC Project and Neonicotinoids) as well as from the IRAC Country Groups. The Chairmen of IRAC Spain and IRAC Brazil attended the meeting and IRAC US participated by phone. On the second day the group was updated on the activities of IRAG-UK followed by an interactive session with CropLife International. The meeting minutes can be reviewed on the website by IRAC Members. [More »](#)
- **Teleconferences**
IRAC International held one of their regular Conference Calls on June 23rd, 2004. Topics discussed and actions identified can be reviewed on the website by IRAC Members. Next Teleconference is scheduled for September 10th, 2004 [More »](#)
- **Mode of Action Classification Scheme**
IRAC has developed a definitive Mode of Action Classification Scheme for Insecticides that has been used for a number of years as a key to the prevention and management of resistance.

Reviewed and re-issued annually, the scheme provides a guide to the selection of insecticides or acaricides in an effective and sustainable insecticide or acaricide resistance management (IRM) strategy. The next revised and updated version of the scheme (v3.4) will be issued in September/October 2004. [More](#)

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Conferences & Symposia

- **XXII ICE, Brisbane, Australia - 15-21 August 2000** [More »](#)
- **2nd EWSN Whitefly Symposium, Croatia - 5-9th October 2004** [More »](#)

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