

Application Techniques of Bio-botanical products to achieve effective pest control

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General Consideration for Pesticide Application



Use Protective Clothing

Apply pesticides during the cooler part of the day, such as the early morning or evening.

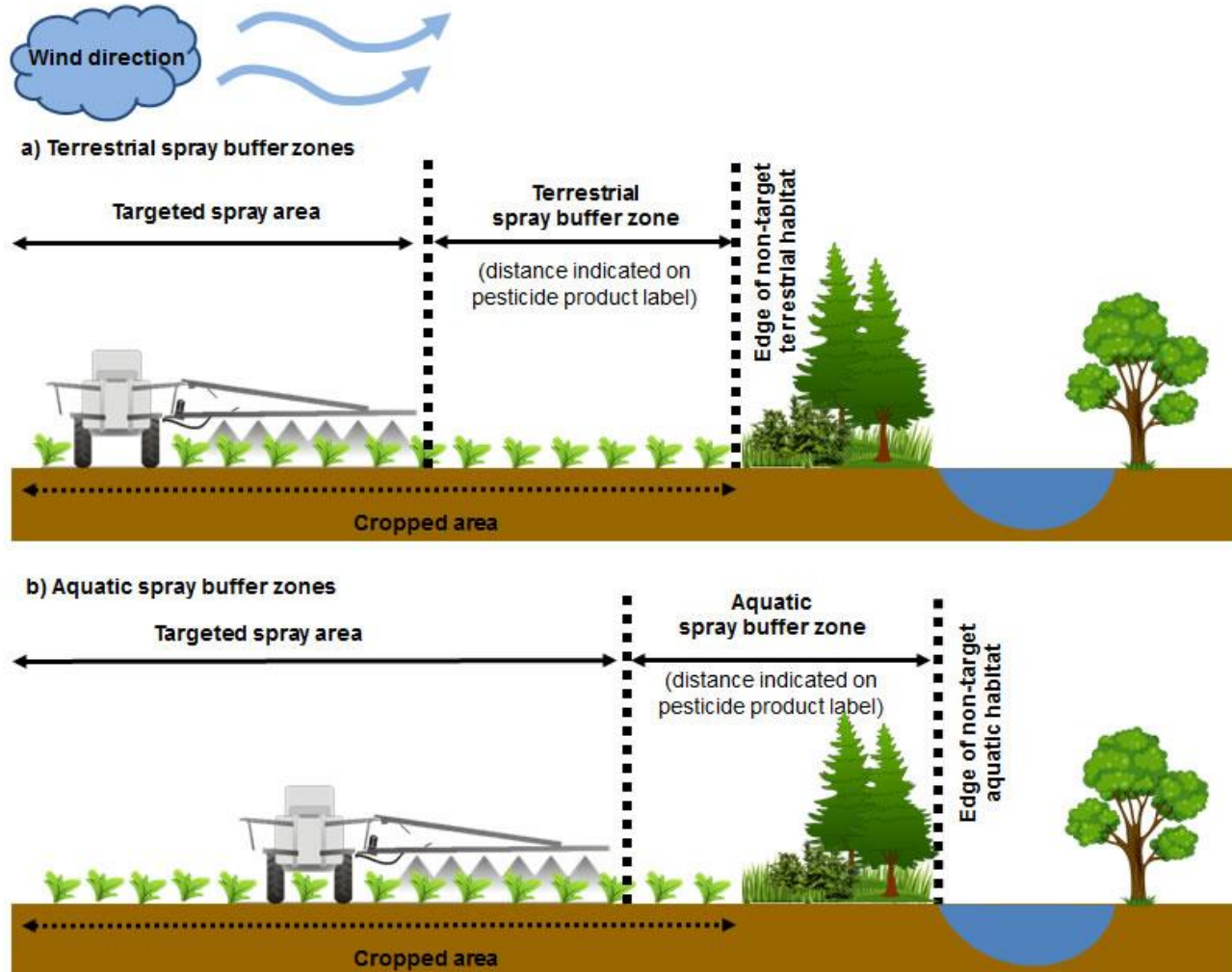


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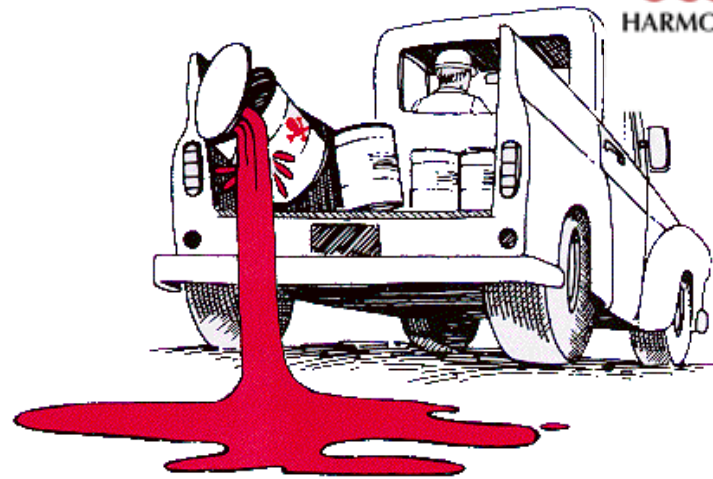


Be careful about Wind Speed and Direction. Do not spray against the wind direction. It will cause pesticide exposure and inhalation toxicity to the operator.

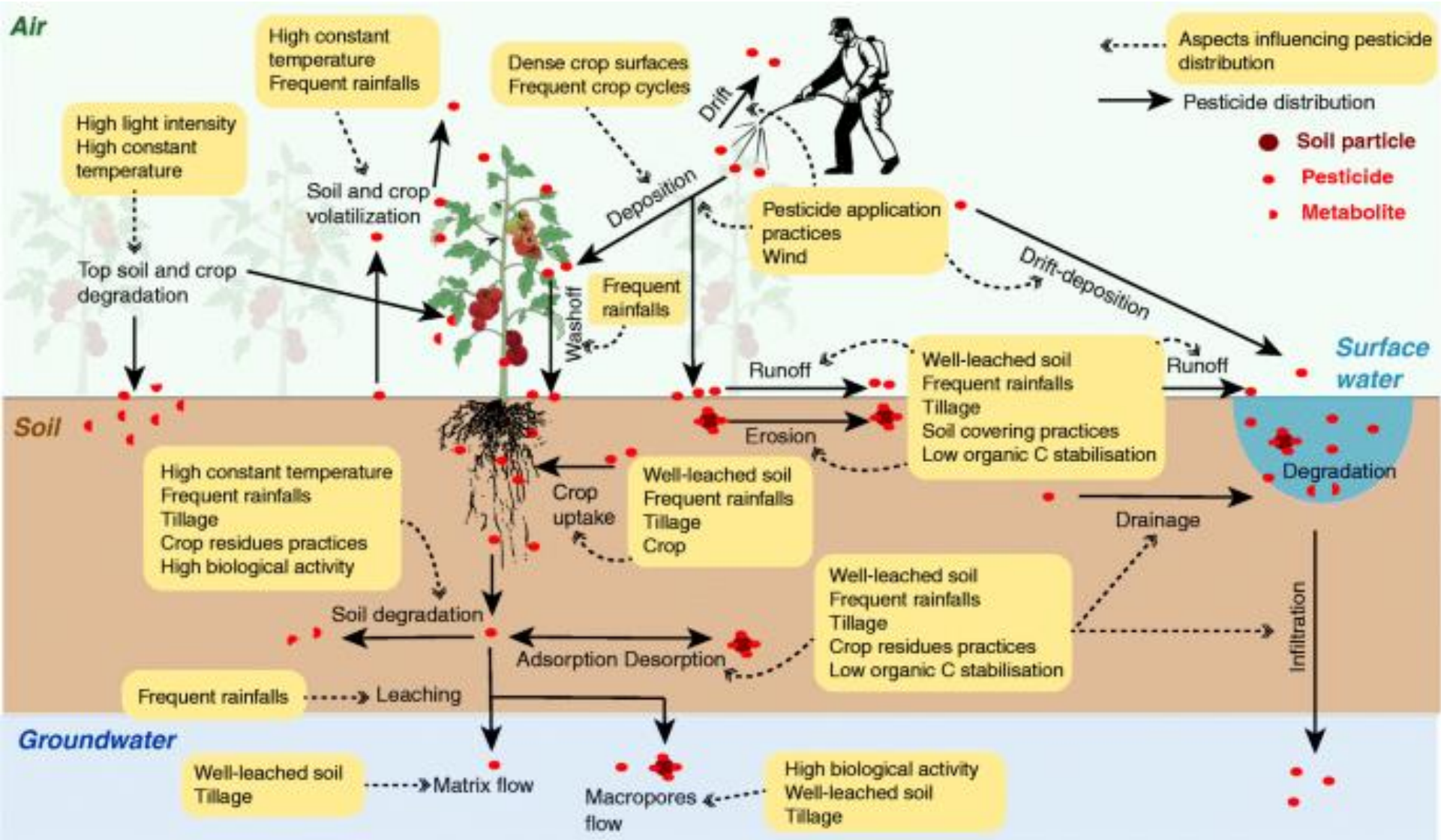
Precautions



Hazards due to Chemical Pesticides



Distribution of Pesticides in Environment



Bio-botanicals: A Safer Alternative



- Plant/microbial products possessing **insecticidal/pesticidal** as well as repellent properties have come up as a better **alternative** to **synthetics**.
- They are ecologically **safe**, **biodegradable** and easily available at **low cost**.
- Extensive use of synthetic pesticides has led to development of **resistance** in several pest species along with vast **destruction** of beneficial organisms.
- The concept of “**bio-pesticides**” refers to products obtained from natural sources such as **animals**, **plants**, and **microorganisms**, including "natural ingredient pesticides," "microorganism pesticides," and "biochemical pesticides” that can help reduce pest populations and increase food production.

Biopesticidal v/s Synthetic Chemical Pesticide Formulations

Synthetic Chemical Pesticide

Highly persistent and toxic

Contaminate the environment and hazardous to the users

Mammalian toxicity and phytotoxicity

Insects develop resistance, pest resurgence

Some chemicals are not available easily

Expensive, high equipment cost



Bio-botanical pesticide

Biodegradable

Eco-friendly formulations/products

Target specificity and safety to mammals

Biopesticides (Microbial, Biochemical or botanicals) have a number of components responsible for insecticidal activity, esp. botanicals, so the chances of pest developing resistance are minimised.

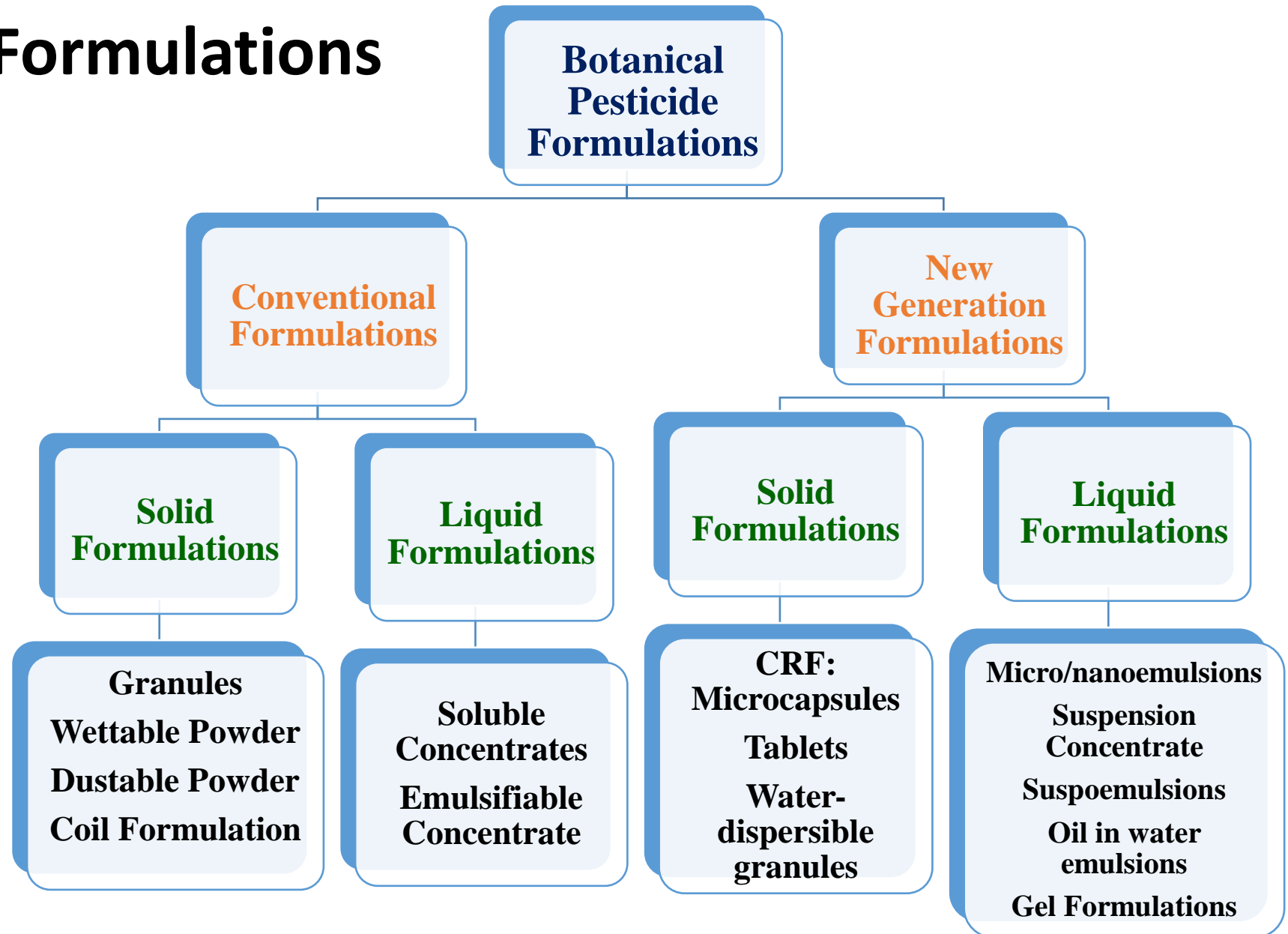
Easy and locally available ingredients

Low cost and economic feasibility

Challenges in Bio-botanical pesticide application

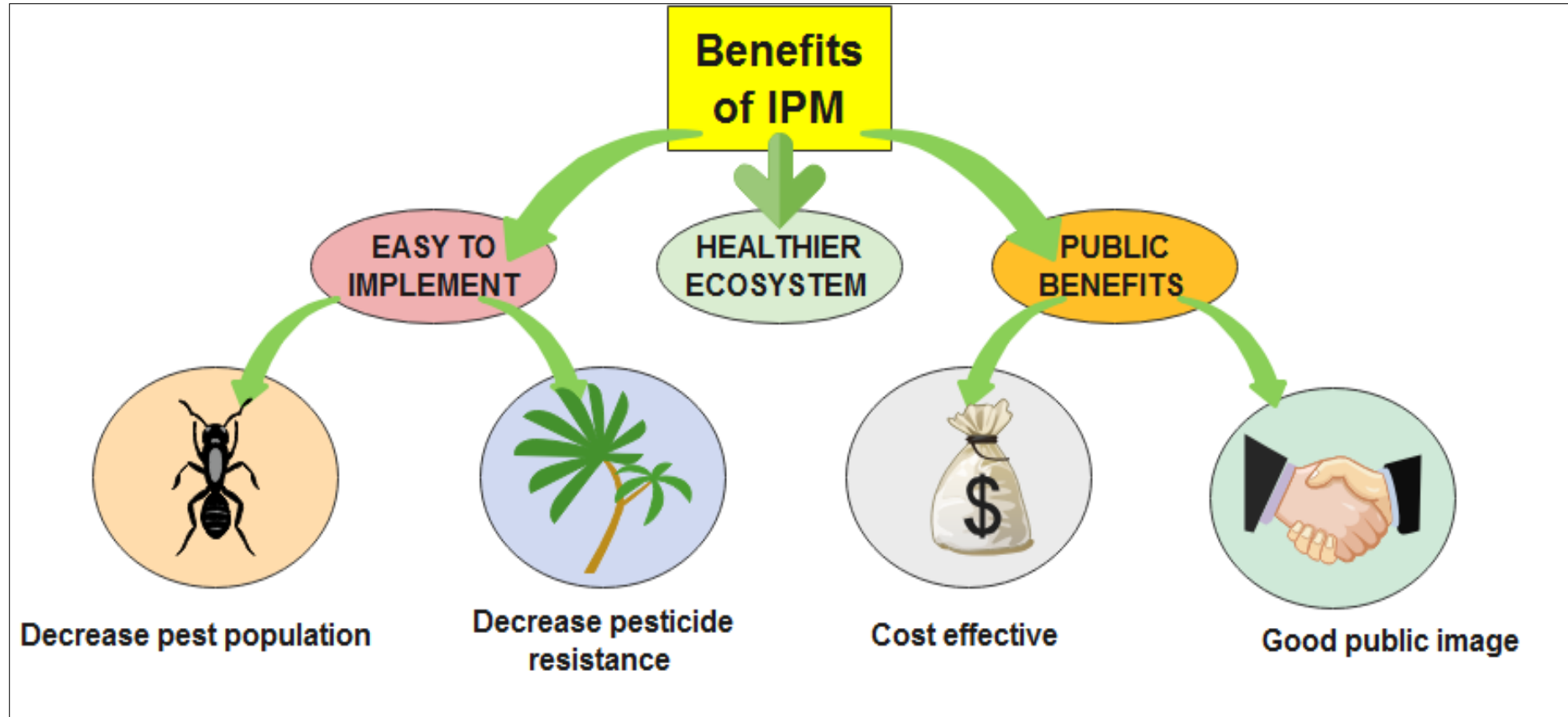
- Biological Agents slow in action, 4-6 days
- Unstable under UV rays of sun light Encapsulation
- Insects with sucking mouth parts like aphids and scale insects are difficult to control with bacterial biological control.
- High specificity: which may require an exact identification of the pest/pathogen and the use of multiple products to be used; although this can also be an advantage in that the biopesticide is less likely to harm species other than the target
- Often slow speed of action (thus making them unsuitable if a pest outbreak is an immediate threat to a crop)
- Often variable efficacy due to the influences of various biotic and abiotic factors (since biopesticides are usually living organisms, which bring about pest/pathogen control by multiplying within the target insect pest/pathogen)

Biopesticidal Formulations



CONCLUSIONS:-

- Bio/botanical because of their availability, effectiveness and biodegradability, can be used as a safe alternative to synthetic chemical pesticides for household as well as crop pest control.
- Depending on the life cycle of target pests, different types of formulations can be developed.
- Bio/botanical synergists can be identified which can enhance the efficacy for promotion of these products for the safety of environment & human kind.
- All the strategies can be utilized for effective control of pest management.



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