

# Apple Crop Protection Priorities

The following areas have been identified by the WTFRC Apple Horticulture and Postharvest committee as the highest priorities for research needs in 2019.

## Insect pests

Top priority: Codling moth High priority: Wooly Apple Aphid, Brown Marmorated Stink Bug, Beneficial insects Medium priority: Leafrollers, Grape Mealybug & Spider Mites; Controlling OBLR & San Jose Scale organically Low priority: Apple Mealybug, Apple Maggot

### **Bacterial Diseases**

Top priority: Fire blight

#### **Fungal Diseases**

Medium priority: Powdery Mildew, Postharvest Rots (Sphaeropsis Rot, Bull's Eye Rot)

#### Soil Science

Medium priority: Soil health improvement (examples: Humic acid, compost, manure) Low priority: Apple Replant Disease

## Chemistry

Medium priority: Pesticide Residue Management