

New Technologies: Calibration Calculators & Characterization Analysis Cloud Applications

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Why should we Calibrate/Characterize?



Label Requirements

Efficacy and Cost

Reduce Liability (Cost)

Protects Public Health with correct and defensible applications

Prevents resistance by delivering the proper application rate

Standard Calibration Math

- Flow Calibration Equation

- $PPM = [PPA \times \text{Speed (mph)} \times \text{Swath (Ft)}] \div 495$

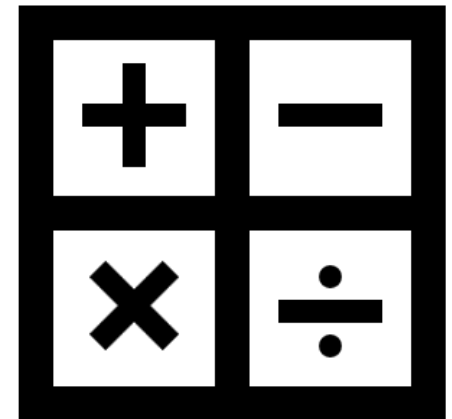
- 495 = 43,560 square feet/1 acre x 1 mile/5,280 feet x 60 minutes/1 hour

- Mix Ratio

- 1:1 or 1:2 or 2:1

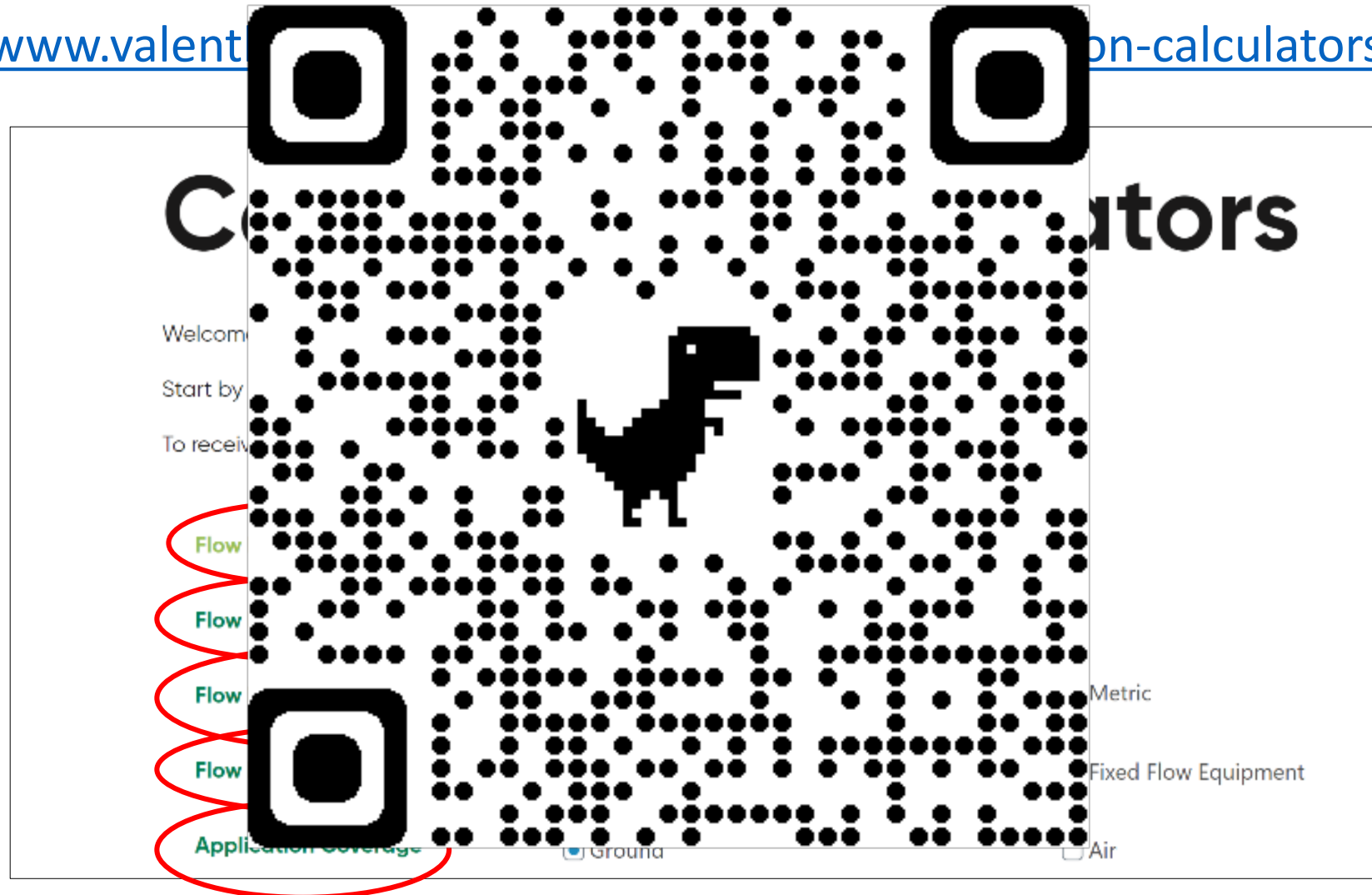
- Percent Mix

- Percent Mix = weight of dry product \div weight of water



Online Calibration Calculators

- <https://www.valent.com/calibration-calculators/>



Online Calibration Calculators



Application Rate - Pounds/Acre (lbs./ac): *

Pounds/Acre (lbs./ac)

Speed of the equipment - Miles/Hour (mph): *

Miles/Hour (mph)

Swath - Feet (ft): *

Feet (ft)

Flow Rate - Pounds/Minute (PPM):

Pounds/Minute (PPM)

Equation

$Flow\ Rate\ (Granular) = (Application\ Rate \times Speed\ of\ the\ equipment \times Swath) / 195$

Altitude - Feet (ft): *

Feet (ft)

Summary

Units of Measure: Imperial (US)

Type of Equipment: Helicopter

Type of Habitat:

Product:

Application Rate - Pounds/Acre (lbs./ac): 5

Speed of the equipment - Miles/Hour (mph): 70

Swath - Feet (ft): 70

Flow Rate - Pounds/Minute (PPM): 49.49

Altitude - Feet (ft): 50

$\% Mix = (Pounds\ of\ Product \div Pounds\ of\ Water) * 100$

Pounds (lbs.) of Product: *

Pounds (lbs.)

Ounces (oz.) of Product:

Ounces (oz.)

Gallons (gal) of Water: *

Gallons (gal)

Pounds (lbs.) of Water:

Pounds (lbs.)

% Mix:

Estimate Coverage (Acres/Minute)

Speed of equipment - Miles/Hour (mph): *

Miles/Hour (mph)

Coverage - Acres/Minute (APM):

Acres/Minute (APM)

Swath width of application (Feet (ft)): *

Feet (ft)

Total Acres Treated

Acres Per Minute (APM):

Acres/Minute (APM)

Total Acres (ac) Treated:

Acres (ac)

Minutes (min) Treated: *

Minutes (min)

Swath Analysis

- Goals
 - Achieve desired mean application rate
 - Achieve a CoV of <30
 - Ensure even distribution across the swath



Aerial Granular Flow Calibration

- Materials Needed

- Sprayer Equipment
- Product
- Timer
- Scale (accurate to the second decimal place)
- Catch Can/Tub/Bag



- Directions

- Collect material for one min.
- Weigh contents
- Adjust roller speed if needed or gate opening
- Repeat until 3 consistent measurements are achieved



Aerial Granular Swath Characterization



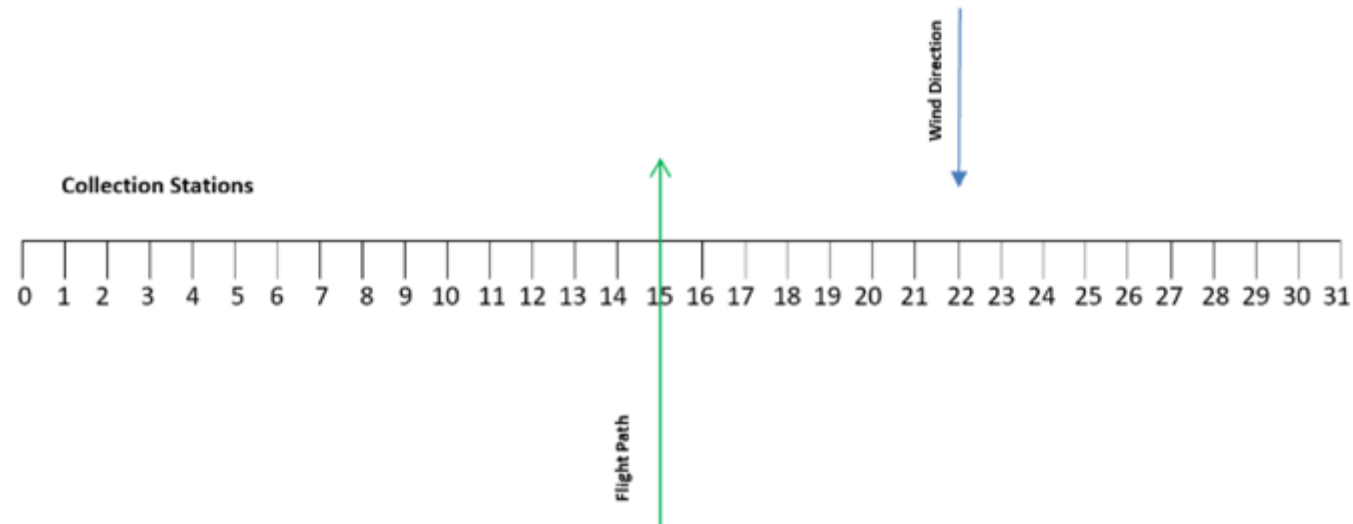
- Materials Needed
 - Application Equipment
 - Product
 - Scale
 - Catch Buckets/Tubs (26)
 - Tape Measure or Wheel
 - Cones or Flags (3) for flight line



Swath Analysis

- Methods

- Fly perpendicular over the buckets
 - Using operational speeds and altitude
- Collect material in buckets and weigh (3 replicates)
- Enter weight (grams) data into excel worksheet
- Download excel sheet into analysis program to determine application rate & swath



Aerial Granular Swath Characterization Tool



- https://valentbiosciences.shinyapps.io/Swath_Analysis_Excel/

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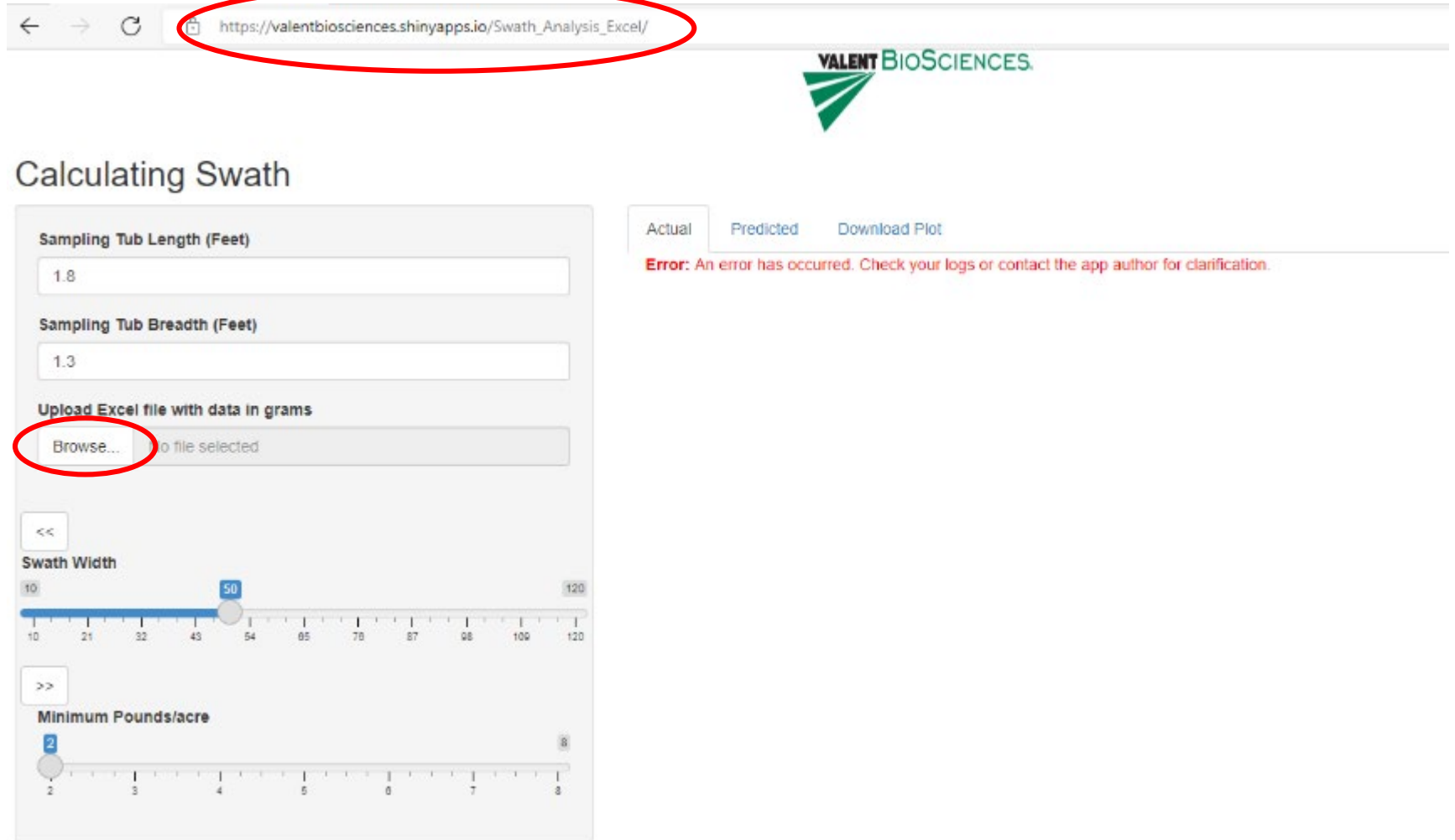
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Swath Analysis

	A	B
1	Feet	Deposit
2	0	0.008
3	3	0.013
4	6	0.049
5	9	0.043
6	12	0.109
7	15	0.114
8	18	0.072
9	21	0.064
0	24	0.069
1	27	0.112
2	30	0.095
3	33	0.103
4	36	0.109
5	39	0.099
6	42	0.152
7	45	0.223
8	48	0.233
9	51	0.307
0	54	0.234
1	57	0.180
2	60	0.117
3	63	0.065
4	66	0.066
5	69	0.071
6	72	0.075
7	75	0.151
8	78	0.000
9	81	0.000
0	84	0.000
1	87	0.000
2	90	0.000



← → ↻ https://valentbiosciences.shinyapps.io/Swath_Analysis_Excel/

VALENT BIOSCIENCES

Calculating Swath

Actual Predicted Download Plot

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Sampling Tub Length (Feet)
1.8

Sampling Tub Breadth (Feet)
1.3

Upload Excel file with data in grams
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Swath Width
10 50 120

Minimum Pounds/acre
2 8

Calculating Swath



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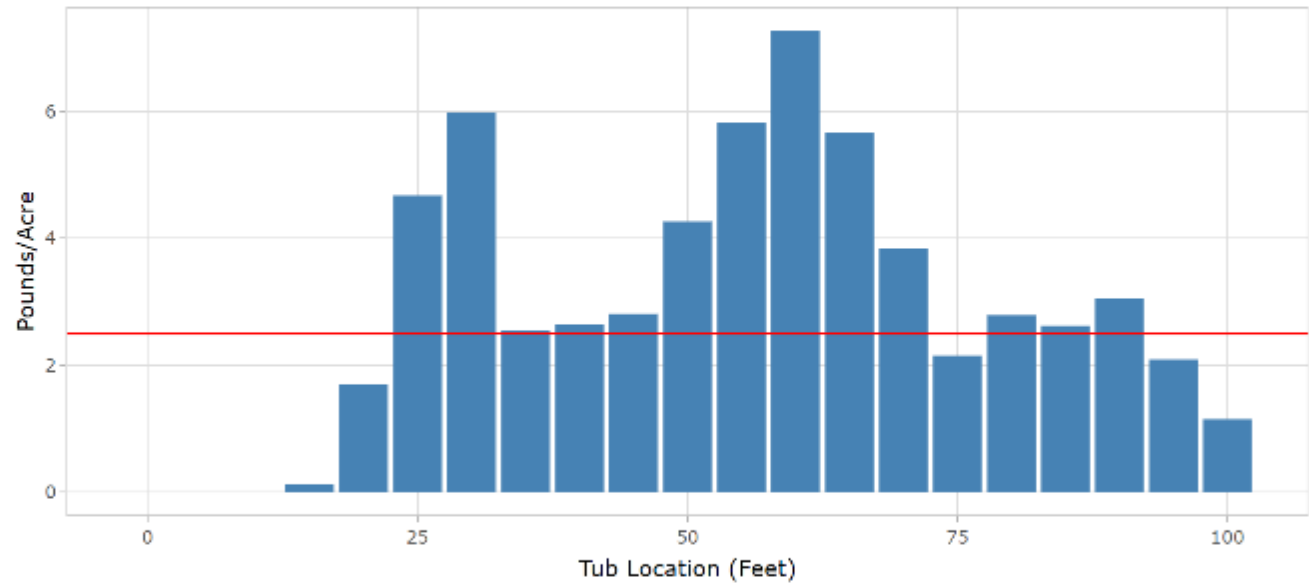
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Actual

Predicted

Download Plot



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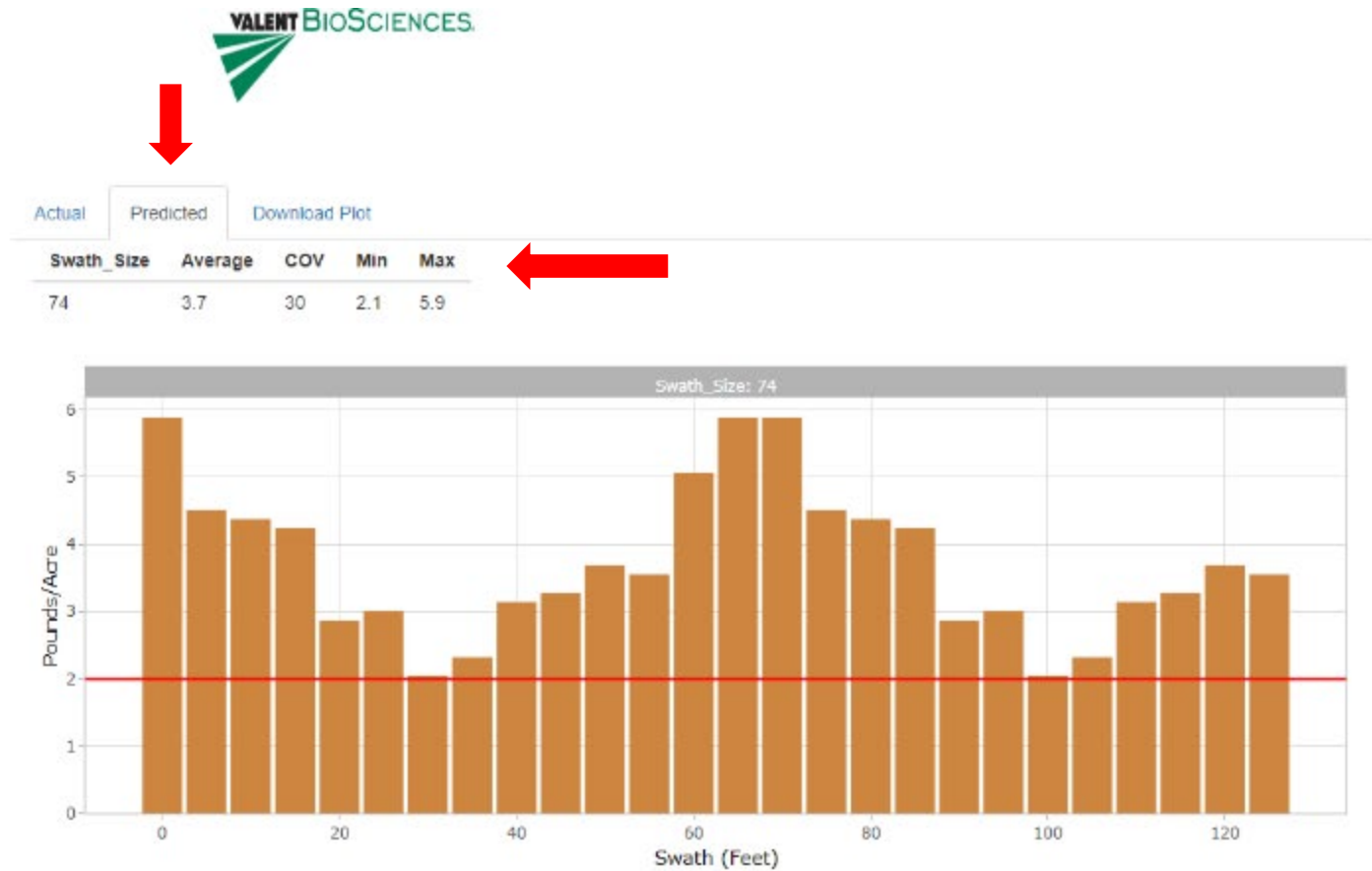
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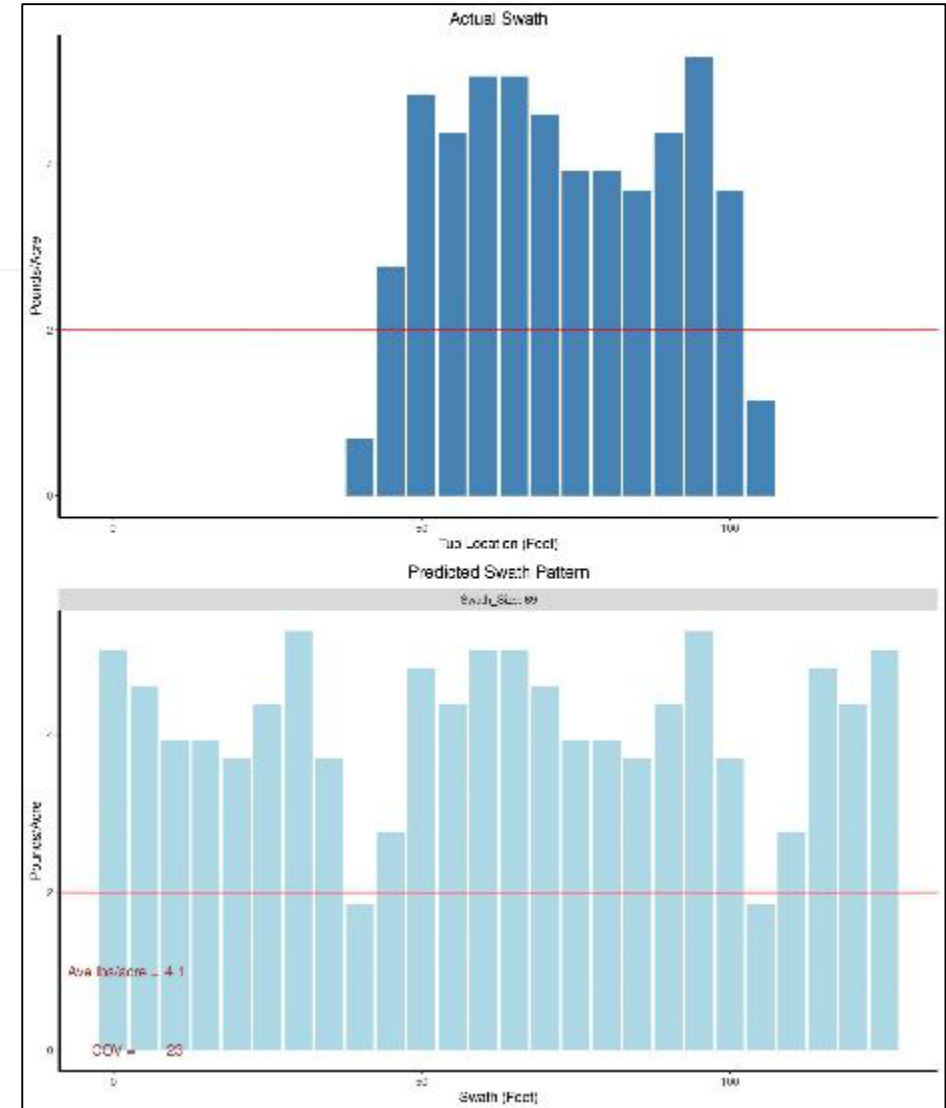
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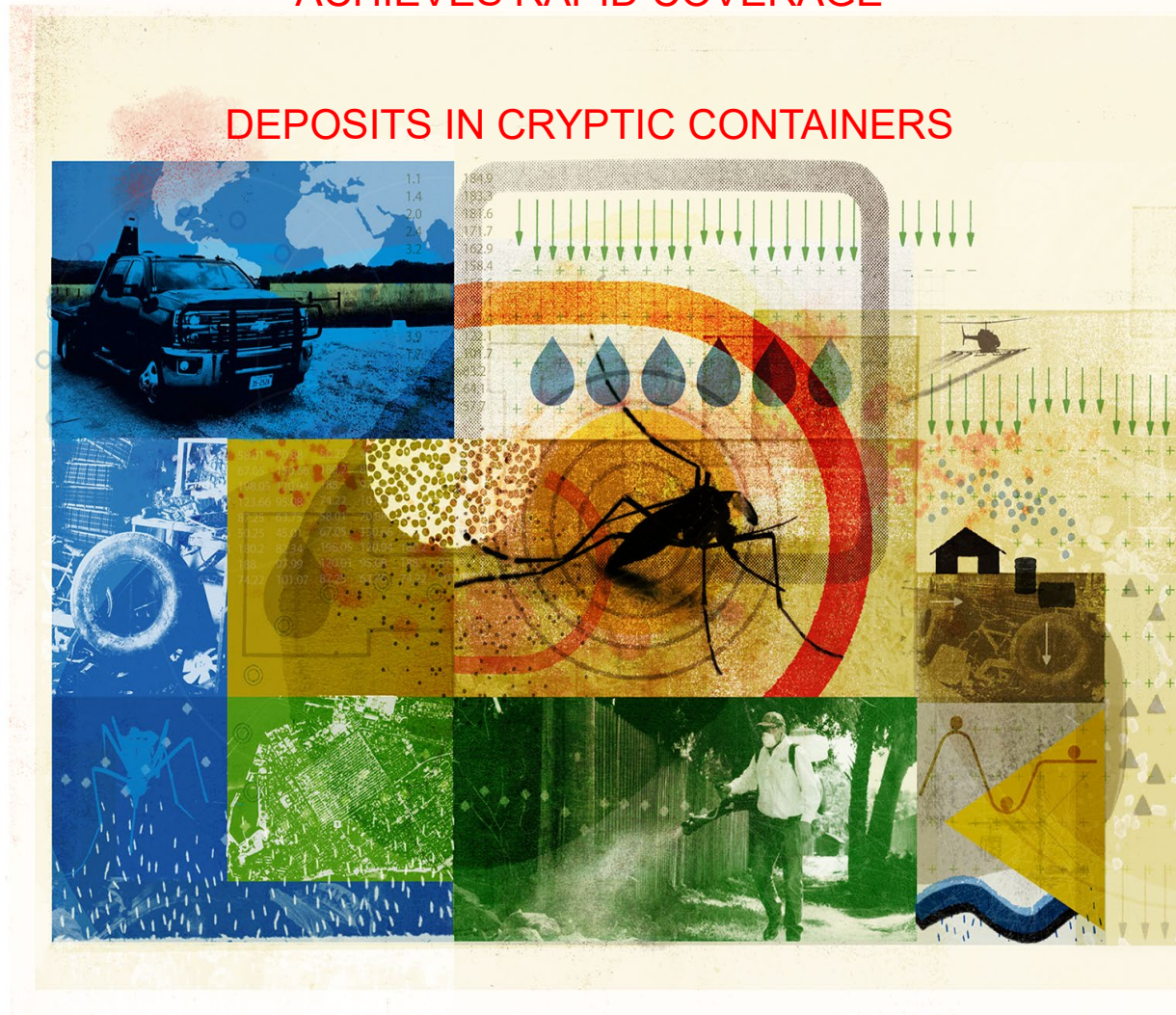


BacDrop™ Analysis Tool



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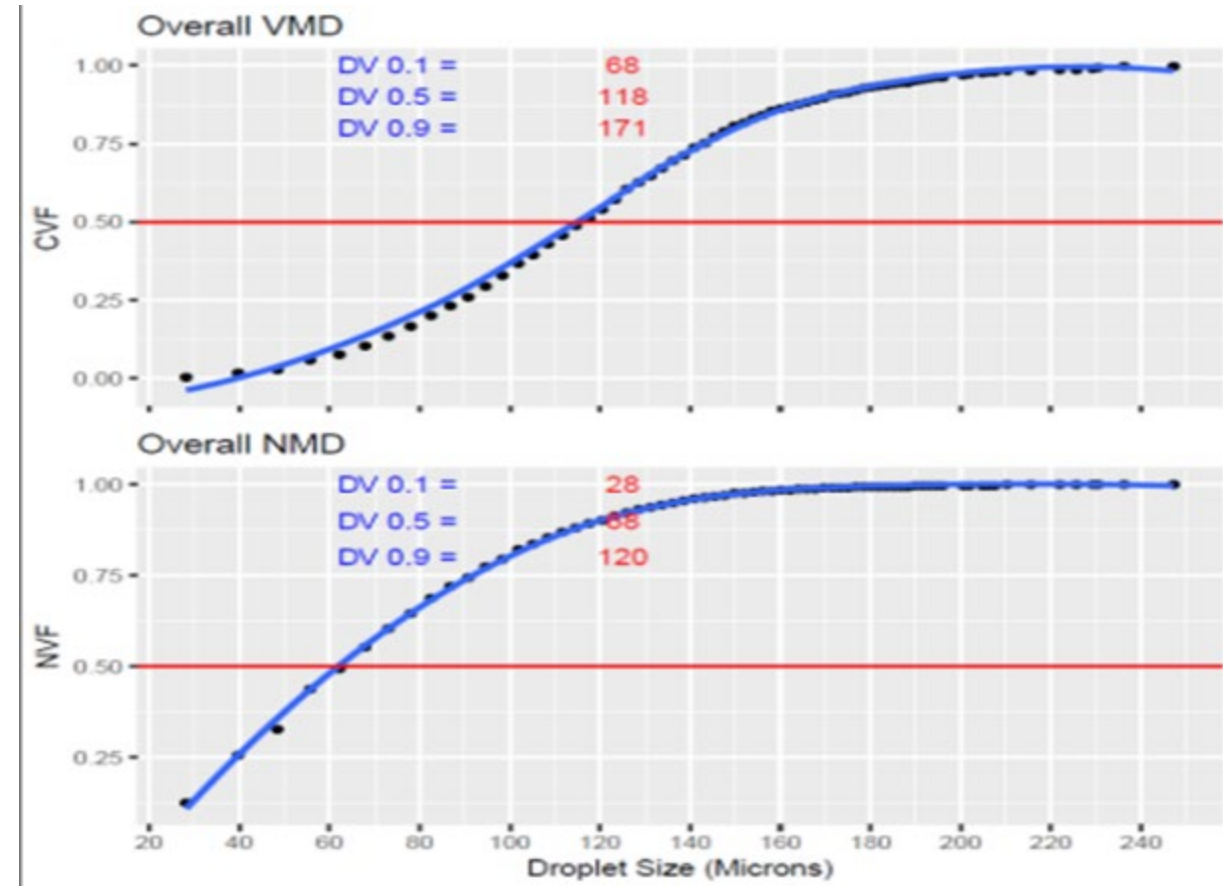


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Extremely Fine	30 - 60	Cold Fogger / Air Blast (Micronair AU 5000 with EX6353 set at 55°)
Very Fine	61 – 105	
Fine	106 - 235	

WALS BacDrop™ Analysis



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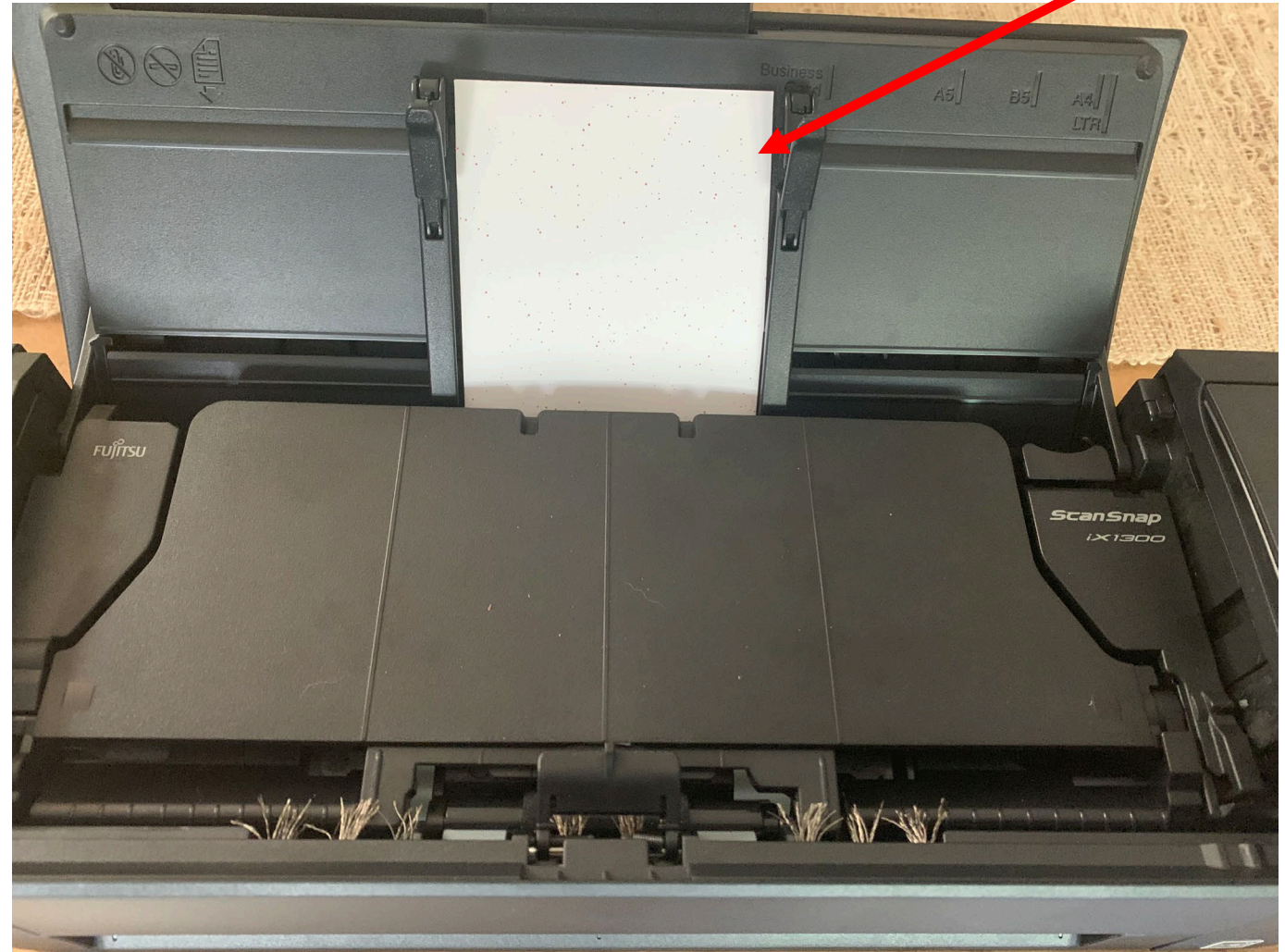
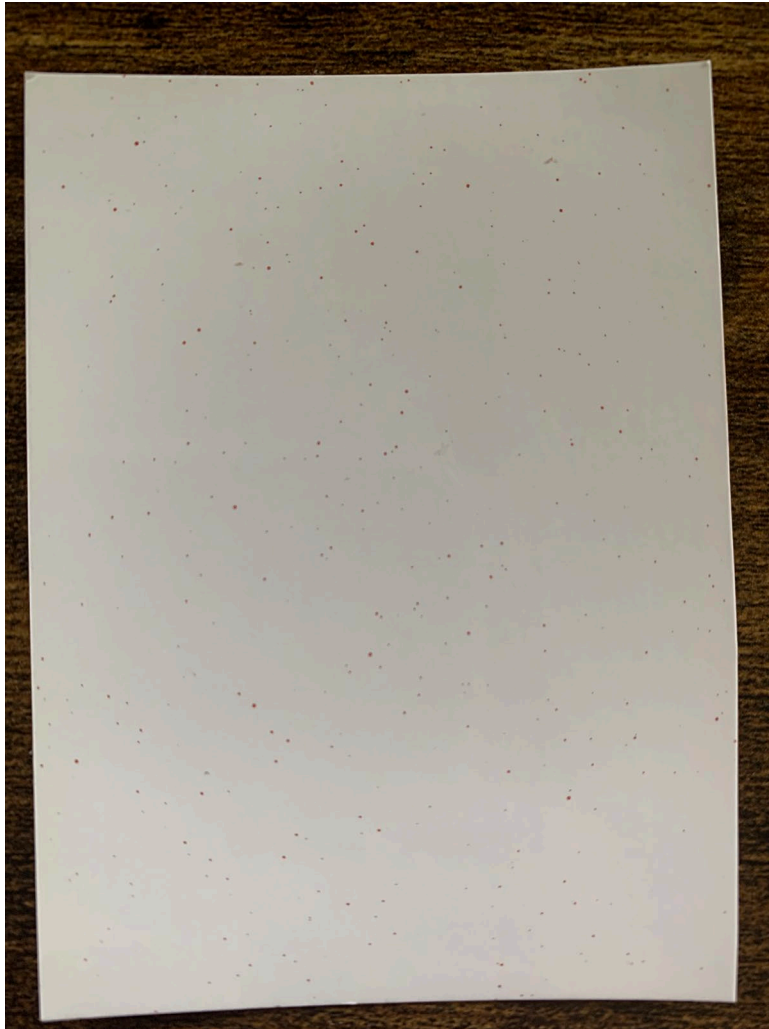
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- [BacDrop - A tool for calculating Larvicide Droplet Parameters \(shinyapps.io\)](https://shinyapps.io)

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