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My research is focussed on integrated pest management (IPM) within the fruit industries of, primarily, the Western Cape Province. I am particularly interested in the morphology and taxonomy, basic biology and ecology of major fruit pests and their natural enemies. This research forms the basis of more applied projects in our Department, which aim to enable fruit producers to grow pesticide-free fruit by using alternate, area-wide management strategies. Specific fields of interest include habitat

management in vineyards and biological control. My current projects include: morphology, taxonomy and ecology of moth pests; fruit fly taxonomy and ecology; taxonomy of white grubs in sugar cane (in collaboration with SASRI). Specific pests that interest me include: Linepithema humile, Anoplolepis spp., Crematogaster peringueyi, Planococcus ficus (and associated mealybug parasitoids), Anagyrus spp., Ceratitis capitata and C. rosa, Thaumatotibia leucotreta and other tortricid pests, Ectomyelois ceratoniae.

Affiliations

- Entomological Society of southern Africa (EntSoc)
- South African Society for Enology and Viticulture (SASEV)
- Assistant Editor for: African Entomology and
- Assistant Editor: South African Journal for Enology and Viticulture
- Member of the Integrated Pest Management (IPM) group, Western Cape.

Publications

SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS

- 1. MUDAVANHU, P., **ADDISON, P.**, PRINGLE, KL. 2011. Monitoring and action threshold determination for the obscure mealybug *Pseudococcus viburni* (Signoret) (Hemiptera: Pseudococcidae) using pheromone-baited traps. *Crop Protection* 30: 919 924.
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- 11. **ADDISON, P.** & SAMWAYS, M.J. 2000. A survey of ants (Hymenoptera: Formicidae) foraging in Western Cape vineyards of South Africa. *African Entomology* 8 (2): 251 260.

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POPULAR PUBLICATIONS

- 1. **ADDISON, P.** & MGOCHECKI, N. 2010. Improving ant management in vineyards: How damaging are they and when should they be controlled? *South African Fruit Journal* 9 (2):30 31
- 2. MANRAKHAN, A. & **ADDISON, P.** 2007. Monitoring Mediterranean fruit fly and Natal fruit fly in the Western Cape, South Africa. *South African Fruit Journal* 6 (3): 18 20.
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- 4. **ADDISON, P.** 2001. Ants foraging in vineyards in the Western Cape Province. *Wynboer* No 141: 95 98.
- 5. **UECKERMANN, P.** & HUGO, H., 1999. The importance of soil and bud analyses for vineyard and orchard pests in integrated pest management. *Wynboer Tegnies*, October, 49 –50.
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