



## What is Lab-Path?

- Lab-Path specializes in creating and implementing food safety programs for domestic and international manufacturers for fresh produce.
- Lab-Path's innovation is expressed in :
  - a. "Safety Suit" according to customer's needs
  - b. Scientific insight and laboratory tools
  - c. Designing and applying food safety programs for a third party

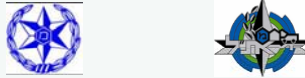


## Lab-Path Clients Come From all Sectors

**Exporters:** Lab-Path supervises fresh produce exported around the world, and is in direct contact with European retailers such as: **Tesco, Marks & Spencer, Sainsbury's, Waitrose and more.**



**Government:** Lab-Path supervises food products and fresh produce supplied to all Israeli Police stations.



**Retail Chains:** Lab-Path supervises all fresh produce supplied to Israel's largest retail chain (roughly 40% of Israeli growers).



## Our Path and Destination



Our health and quality assurance plans are designed to guarantee food safety by verifying that food products comply with any and all regulations specified.



## Challenges in the Market Place

- Multiple and constantly changing regulations
- Lack of cooperation between growers, manufacturers, buyers, retailers and authorities
- Lack of organized documented sampling plans
- Analytical services are often not in sync with the situation in the field
- Demand for traceability
- Consumer confidence



## We Connect the Missing Links



- 1. Sources of risk in the field** - raw materials, air, soil, water, potential pollutants sources, etc.
- 2. Testing** – diverse, precise, frequent and representative
- 3. Information processing** – integration between the various standards, implementing methodical updating of information
- 4. Findings and actions** – understanding, internalizing and finding solutions: creating a suitable monitoring program and implementing preventive actions that work
- 5. Optional** – labeling produce with our registered Stamp of Approval



## Standards for Testing and Approval

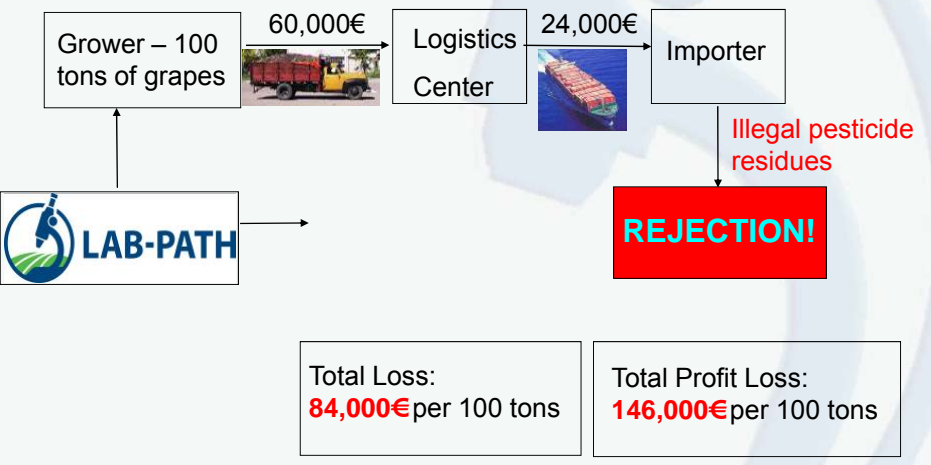


Lab Path works exclusively with analytical laboratories which comply with the most stringent standards:

- **ISO 17025** compliant
- **FAPAS** Ring Test approved
- Accredited and approved laboratory by **The Israeli Plant Protection and Inspection Services**




## Why Our Path is Unique



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graph LR; Grower["Grower - 100 tons of grapes"] -- "60,000€" --> Logistics["Logistics Center"]; Logistics -- "24,000€" --> Importer["Importer"]; Importer -- "Illegal pesticide residues" --> Rejection["REJECTION!"]; LabPath["LAB-PATH"] --> Grower; LabPath --> Importer;
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Total Loss: **84,000€** per 100 tons

Total Profit Loss: **146,000€** per 100 tons

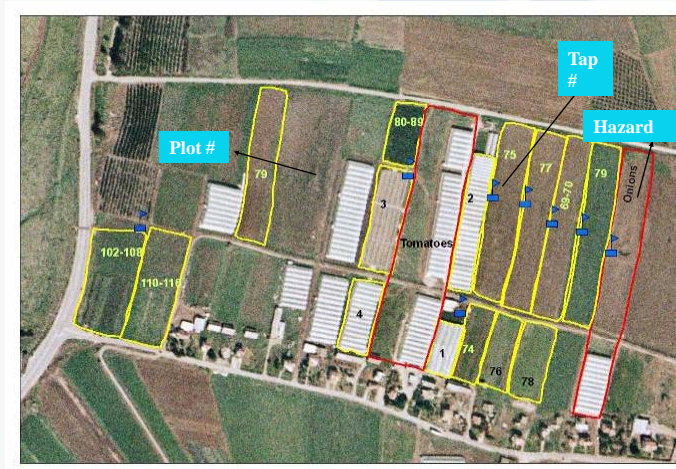


# We teach the man how to fish!

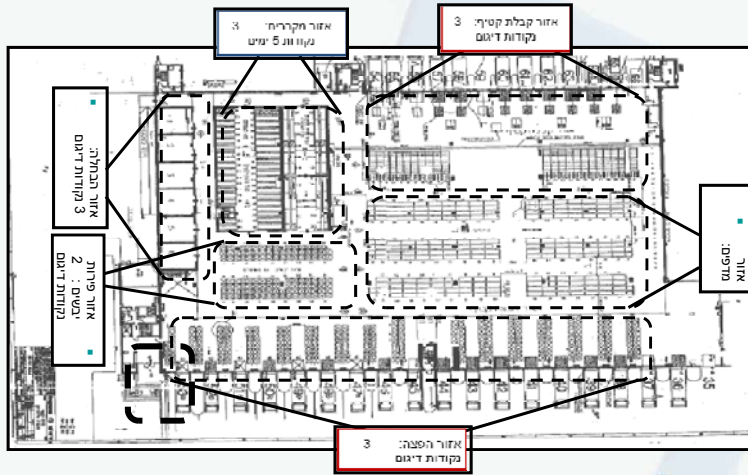
How the program works



## Characterization in Agriculture

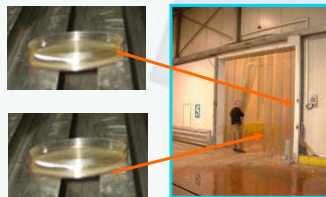
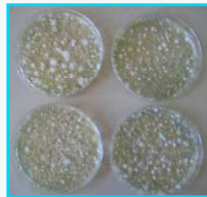


## Characterization of a Logistic Center

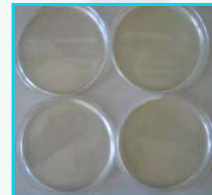
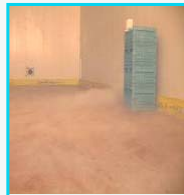


## Disinfecting a Contaminated Food Storage Refrigerator

pre-sanitization



post-sanitization



## Critical areas for potential contamination in apple packing house



## Safety program components:

- Lab Path Implements a safety programs designed for products marketed for the local and export market which consists of:
  - Composing of a pesticide manual to comply with local and export standards
  - Scheduling and sampling produce for pesticides and microbes in all varieties prior to harvest and throughout the entire supply chain (from field to fork).
  - Implementing methodical updating of information
  - Implementing Irregularity Procedures



## Pesticide Manuals for Grapes

- Pesticide manuals are composed together with exporter's quality assurance department according to:
  - Grape variety
  - Israeli standards
  - EU standards
  - specific destinations
  - customer specifications
  - data analysis from last season
- Manuals are passed on to all growers.
- Marketer and growers are updated regularly with regards to changing standards



### Pesticide Control Manual 2010 POMEGRANATES

תכשירי הדברה ברימון המותרים לשוק מקומי וליצוא 2010

טבלה מס' 1: תכשירים שאינם קוטלי עשבים, חלוקה לפי מדיקות ומחלות

הערות NOTES	MF	M	M	MF	MF	מדי	מדין	שם גנרי	שם דלתכשיר המסחרי	הפגע
CODE X	RUS	GBR	TESCO	ISRAEL	המנה	PHI	Rate	Generic name	Trade name	Target
פוגע באויבים טבעיים										
יעיל גם נגד עש האשכול, עש הקליפה ועש החרוב			0.02	0.02	0.02	27	0.03%	INDOXACARB	איונט	נחיל הרימון VIRACHOLA LIMA
אין לרסס יותר מ-2 ריסוסים בעונה							0.10%	FLUFENOXURON	קסקייד 100 תר	
יעיל גם נגד עש האשכול ועש החרוב			0.05	0.05	0.20	60	0.2%-0.15%		קסקייד 50 תר	
יעיל גם נגד עש האשכול ותריפסים			0.05	0.05	0.01	14	-0.02 0.025%	SPINETORAM	ספריטה XDM175	
יעיל גם נגד עש האשכול ותריפסים			0.02	0.02	0.05	21	0.06%	SPINOSAD	טריטר אולטרא	
טיפול מותר רק בזן ונדרפול, לאחר אישור לאה סלע בלבד.			0.02	0.02	0.30	ראה הערה	0.04%	METHOXYFENOSIDE	ראנר תר	
טיפול אחד בעונה בלבד.								LAMBADA CYHALOTHRIN	קריטה מקס (סמוא)	
טיפול אחד בעונה בלבד.			0.02	0.02	0.30	55	0.10%			



## Pesticide control menu in correlation to the growing field

### Chlorpyrifos

- Chlorpyrifos breaks down slowly in cases of low temperatures, low radiation and when grapes are grown in covered fields.
- Covered Fields: 40 harvest intervals
- Open fields: 28 harvest intervals
- This information is based on accumulated data



## Sampling and Inspection

- Reviewing spraying protocols prior to sampling
- Sampling from critical areas within inspected plot (e.g. adjacent plots with early and late varieties)
- Reviewing lab analyses according to local and export standards
- Recording and comparing lab analyses to field inspections and spraying protocols



## Customizing of Sampling Program

Taking into consideration the level of risk in each produce:

- Avocado – low risk – rarely sprayed
- Fresh cut herbs – high risk – leafy crops
- Table Grapes – high risk – many pests and disease
- Carrots – high risk – tendency to absorb pesticide residues from contaminated soil



## Processing Accumulated data into Knowledge

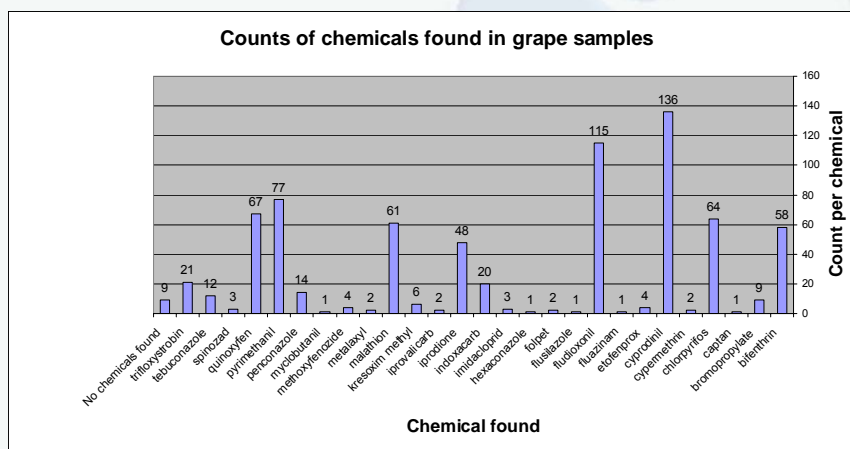
Knowledge is gained from collection of information into a database, which serves as a statistical tool. This knowledge is helpful in decision making.



תת מגדל+מס'	זן	חלקה	חומר	קפ שוק מ'	תוצאה	קידח	שם מסר	תקו י'	מי המת	פעם אחרונה שרוץ
20	אספ ארד	80	Bromopropylate-ה.ה	מקס' 2.0	>0.02	OK	נאורון	אסור	93	18/02/2009
20	אספ ארד	80	Chlorpyrifos-Ethyl-ה.ה	מקס' 1.0	>0.02	OK	דורסן	אסור	44	08/04/2009
20	אספ ארד	80	Cyprodinil-ה.ה	מקס' 2.0	0.144	OK	סויץ'	אסור	18	04/05/2009
20	אספ ארד	80	Fludioxonil-ה.ה	מקס' 1.0	0.031	OK	סויץ'	אסור	18	04/05/2009
20	אספ ארד	80	Kresoxim-methyl-ה.ה	מקס' 0.50	>0.02	OK	סטרובי	אסור	33	19/04/2009
20	אספ ארד	80	Quinoxifen-ה.ה	מקס' 0.50	>0.02	OK	אביר	אסור	22	30/04/2009
29	סביר	20	Chlorpyrifos-Ethyl-ה.ה	מקס' 1.0	>0.02	OK	דורסן	לא מופיע	0.5	
29	סביר	20	Indoxacarb-ה.ה	מקס' 1.0	0.060	OK	אוונט	לא מופיע	2	
29	סביר	20	Malathion-ה.ה	מקס' 2.0	>0.02	OK	מלתין	לא מופיע	0.02	
29	סביר	20	Metaxyl-ה.ה	מקס' 1.00	>0.02	OK	מילור	לא מופיע	2	
29	סביר	20	Penconazole-ה.ה	מקס' 0.20	>0.02	OK	אופיר	לא מופיע	0.2	28/03/2009
29	סביר	20	Quinoxifen-ה.ה	מקס' 0.50	0.204	OK	אביר	לא מופיע	1	
5	יעקובי	2	Bromopropylate-ה.ה	מקס' 2.0	>0.02	OK	נאורון	אסור	73	10/03/2009
5	יעקובי	2	Buprofezine-ה.ה	מקס' 0.1	0.040	OK	אפלורד	לא מופיע	1	
5	יעקובי	2	Chlorpyrifos-Ethyl-ה.ה	מקס' 1.0	0.028	OK	דורסן	לא מופיע	0.5	
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49	בן דב	2	Bromopropylate-ה.ה	מקס' 2.00	0.03	OK	נאורון	אסור	26	
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79	ענבי עזיון	4	Tebuconazole-ה.ה	מקס' 2.0	0.045	OK	פוליקור	לא מופיע	2	07/04/2009
79	עזיון	4	Bromopropylate-ה.ה	מקס' 2.0	>0.02	OK	נאורון	אסור	91	05/03/2009



## Pesticides used in grapes - 2008



\*Out of ~300 field samples



## Pomegranates - 0 Rejections in Europe

- Full cooperation with growers, including transparency and traceability.
- Harvest agenda is provided by the exporter to Lab Path for pre harvest sampling
- Spray records are checked before harvest (positive release)
- Analysis in GCMS+LCMS for all plots and varieties
- Sampling by Lab-Path agronomist: prior picking, during harvest, during and after sorting and from cool chambers

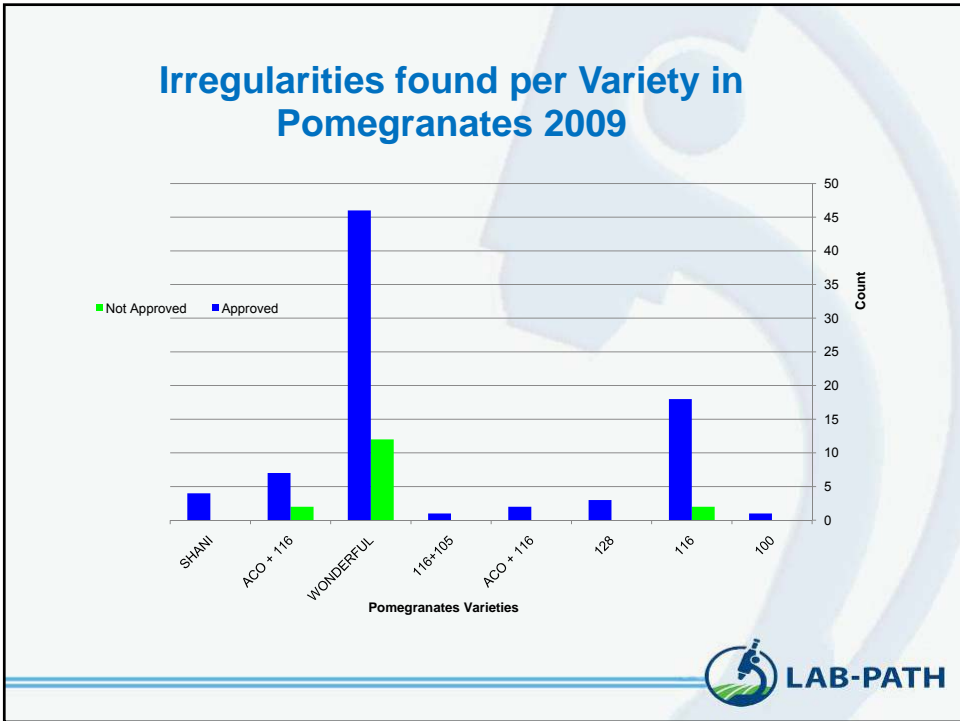
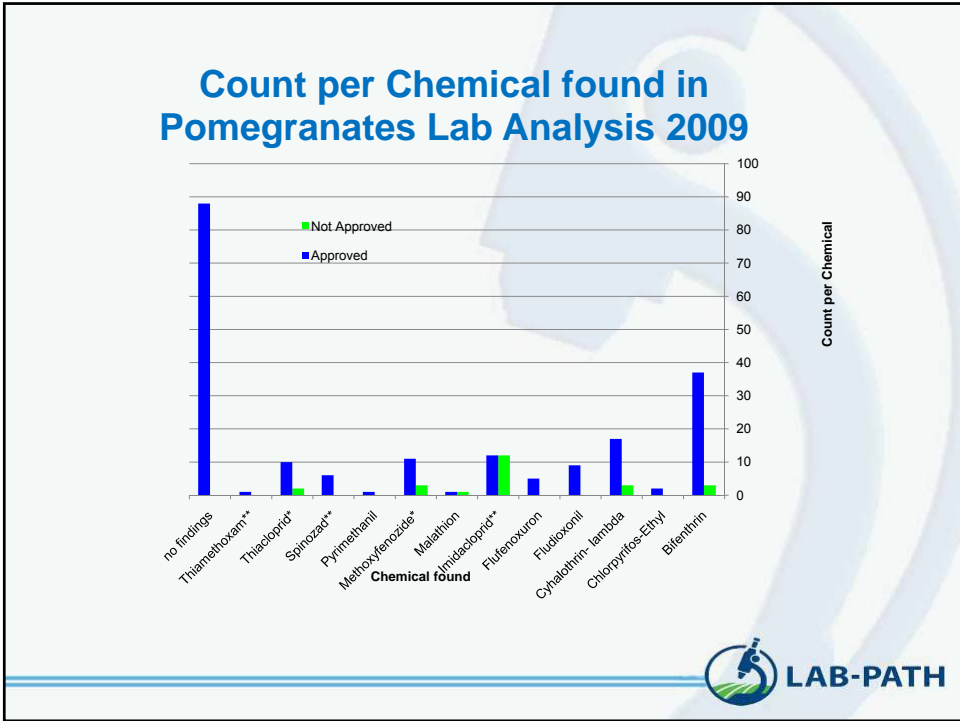


## Conclusions in Pomegranates



1. Lambda cyhalothrin- One spray only
2. Methoxyfenozide- One spray only
3. Thiacloprid, Bifenthrin- max. 2 application a season.
4. Most MRL are at LOD. Pesticide residues (0.01-0.02 ppm) are found after more than 100 days.

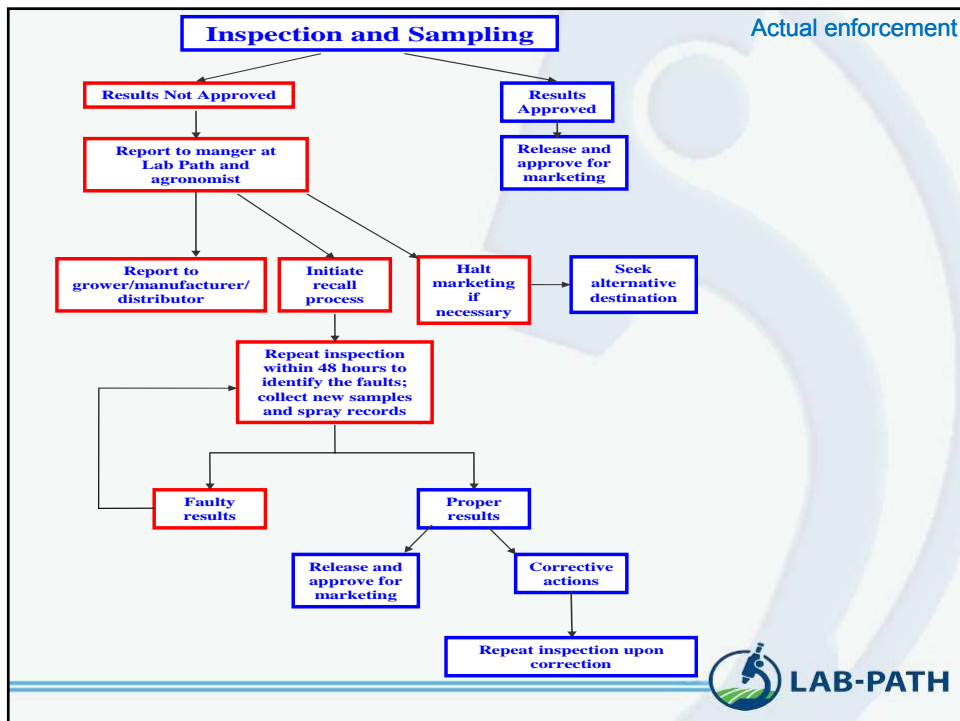




## Actual enforcement

Implementing irregularity procedures:

- Residues of forbidden pesticides
- Residue exceedances above MRL



## Added Values

By practicing frequent and adequate inspection

- Farmer's education for good agricultural practice
- Limiting the use of pesticides cuts down on costs and is environment friendly to soil and water
- Encouraging the use of integrated pest management on the farm



**Thank you for taking a stroll  
down our path**

