

Integrated Pest Management (IPM) - Updated Considerations from the Entomological Practice¹

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Old realisations

- Pesticide/ antibiotics overuse generates resistance.
- Human population explosion
- Natural resource limitations
- Vector borne diseases kill more humans than weapons in wars.
- (*Past priorities; human holistic entomo-ecological perspective -> SCHOLL 2009*)

New – changing challenges in a changing world, e.g.

- Availability and generation of information is easier than ever before.
- The more one knows about a subject, the easier it is. NOW

Since 2017

- Bed bugs do not transmit diseases – they are a luxury problem.
- Impairment of real estate through arthropods
- holistic concepts (parasitic mites, invasive polygynic ants, pigeon ticks,
- individuals with fear of parasites
- *sustainability of chemicals, pharmaceuticals (honorary)*

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- the human population explosion is cancelled (ROSLING et al. 2018)
- Re-define e.g. „enough“, „necessary“, ...

The old and new question is whose interests are worth it to allow oneself to be exploited. Responsibility of professional smart alecks is to share their treasures.

Conclusion, Consequences, priorities; human holistic entomo-ecological perspective

- Update knowledge permanently
- Translate science into lay person language and share.
- Merge old intuitive low-tech knowledge into new technology
- Revival of alternatives to chemicals – simplicity (e.g. modification of attitude, behavior, structure; barriers, traps; unity of timing, location and action; self help – potentials and limitations; intuition)
- Stand in for limitation of waste of limited resources, and for smart use.

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