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### *Summary*

Dick is a professional entomologist with 30+ years experience in apiculture and tree fruit entomology. He has been keeping and studying honey bees since 1973. He started his entomology career as a consultant to the Nova Scotia tree fruit industry. Later he served as extension entomologist / apiculturist for the Nova Scotia government. Dick returned to the private sector in 2000 as President of Wildwood Labs Inc, a contract research firm based in Nova Scotia, Canada. His work at WLI involved international contract research and consulting, monitoring orchards for insect development and forecasting, house fly surveys and recommendations, and insect identification services to the general public, government and other organizations. The field and lab research included bees, orchard IPM, bioherbicides, and vegetable trials. As well, he provided bee health inspection services for the Canadian province of Prince Edward Island.

Dick is now working as an entomologist with Bayer CropScience. His role at BCS is to plan, coordinate and execute bee studies and to be an internal and external resource on bee health issues.

In addition, Dick taught entomology at Acadia University for three years, and is an adjunct professor at the university. His teaching experience includes many short courses, workshops, and seminars dealing with apiculture, entomology and IPM. Speaking engagements and training sessions related to apiculture have been delivered in most Canadian provinces, in numerous US states (including AZ, CA, NC, DC, VA, MT), as well as in Portugal, France, Corsica, Germany, The Netherlands, England, and Italy.

Dick is also working toward a Ph.D. from Wageningen University, The Netherlands. The title of his thesis is *Investigations of the Multi-factors Affecting Honey Bee Health*.

He was also coordinator for the International Apis Health Assessment Committee (IAHAC), a working committee of the Europe-based International Commission on Plant-Bee Relationships (ICP-BR) Bee Protection Group. Dick is currently co-supervising a Ph.D. student working on *Nosema*. Finally, he has written articles on choosing carbohydrates for feeding bees, how-to-monitor *Nosema*, and has authored or co-authored many other research papers and articles.