ACIBENZOLAR-S-METHYL (288)

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EXPLANATION

Acibenzolar-S-methyl is a plant activator that stimulates the natural, inherent defence mechanisms of plants. Through this activation, control of *Erysiphe graminis* (powdery mildew of cereals) and *Mycosphaerella musci* (black Sigatoka of banana) is achieved. This activation also results in partial control of *Septoria* spp. (side effect only) and *Puccinia* spp. (side effect only) in cereals. At the 47th Session of the CCPR (2015), it was scheduled for the evaluation as a new compound by 2016 JMPR.

The Meeting received information on the metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl in lactating goats and laying hens, cotton, lettuce, sorghum, sunflower, rice, tomato, tobacco and wheat, follow crops, methods of residue analysis, freezer storage stability, GAP information, supervised residue trials on citrus (oranges, grapefruit and lemons), pome fruit (apples and pears), stone fruit (apricots and peaches), strawberries, bananas, kiwifruit, onions, Brassica vegetables (cabbage, broccoli and mustard greens), cucurbits (cucumbers, melons and squash), tomatoes, leafy vegetables (lettuce and spinach), celery, potatoes and wheat as well as a livestock transfer study (lactating cow).

Common name:	Acibenzolar-S-methyl
Chemical name:	
IUPAC:	S-methyl benzo[1,2,3]thiadiazole-7-carbothioate
CAS:	S-methyl 1,2,3-benzothiadiazole-7-carbothioate
Manufacturer's code numbers:	CGA245704
CAS number:	135158-54-2
CIPAC Code:	597
Molecular formula:	C ₈ H ₆ N ₂ OS ₂
Molecular mass:	210.3 g/mole
Structural formula.	O SCH ₃

IDENTITY

Specifications:

Specifications for acibenzolar-S-methyl have not been developed by the FAO.

Physical and chemical properties (pure acibenzolar-S-methyl 99.6%

Property	Result	Reference
Appearance	Odourless, white fine crystalline powder	Das 1994 0064
Melting point	$132.9 \pm 0.1 \ ^{\circ}\text{C}$	Das 1994 0063

Property	Result	Reference
Boiling point	<i>ca</i> . 267 °C	Das 1994 0176
Relative density	1.54 g/cm ³ at 22 °C	Füldner 1994 0070
Surface tension	The surface tension of pure acibenzolar-S-methyl in water was	Kuhne 2011 10047
	determined to be 70.7 mN/m at 20.5 °C (90% of saturation	
	concentration). Acibenzolar-S-methyl is not surface active.	
Dissociation constant	The active substance has no dissociation constant in an	Jäkel 1993 0074
	accessible pH range.	
Vapour pressure	4.6×10^{-4} Pa at 25 °C	Geoffroy 1994 0073
Volatility	Calculated Henry's law constant: 1.3×10^{-2} Pa m ³ /mol	Burkhard 1995 0129
Solubility in water	7.7 mg/L at 25 °C	Stulz 1993 0061
Solubility in organic	<i>n</i> -hexane 1.3 g/L	Stulz 1993 0060
solvents (at 25 °C)	methanol 4.2 g/L	
	<i>n</i> -octanol 5.4 g/L	
	ethyl acetate 25 g/L	
	acetone 28 g/L	
	toluene 36 g/L	
	dichloromethane 160 g/L	
Partition coefficient n-	$\log K_{ow} = 3.1$ at 25 °C	Stulz 1993 0062
octanol/water		
Hydrolysis under sterile	pH 5; DT ₅₀ : stable	Adam 1994 0050
conditions	pH 7; DT ₅₀ : 162 d	
	pH 9; DT ₅₀ : 19 h	
UV spectra	Molecular extinction coefficient (ϵ) at:	Müller 1995 0205
	253.2 nm 14700 L/mol/cm	
	287.6 nm 5400 L/mol/cm	
	323.8 nm 7200 L/mol/cm	
	No absorption maximum was observed between 400 and	
	750 nm.	
Photolysis	At a concentration of 1.91 mg/kg in acetate buffer (pH 5.12) the	Phaff 1996 0247
	half-life at 25 °C was 0.9 hours (12 h light/12 h dark).	
	No photolysis product > 10%	
Quantum yield	The quantum yield (in water) of direct photolysis was found to	Phaff 1996 0247
	be:	
	0.0356 at 289 nm	
	0.0208 at 327 nm	
	Calculated mean rate constants and half-lives were:	
	1.46/h and 0.47 hours at 289 nm	
	0.802/h and 0.86 hours at 327 nm	

Technical material (97.9%)

Property	Result	Reference
Appearance	Beige fine powder with a weak, burnt-like odour	Das 1995 0120
Surface tension	The surface tension (determined using the Wilhelmy plate method) of technical acibenzolar-S-methyl was in the range of 71.8–73.4 mN/m at 20 ± 0.2 °C (filtrates of 0.1 g/L suspensions)	Ryser 1995 0143

Acibenzolar-S-methyl is available in a water dispersible granule (WG) formulation.

Formulations	Active ingredient content
WG	500 g/kg

METABOLISM AND ENVIRONMENTAL FATE

The metabolite summary table provides a reference for the numbering scheme used in the current evaluation.

Degradation compounds from metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl in plants, animals and the environment:

Compound code (other names)	Chemical structure	Found in
CGA210007 1,2,3-Benzothiadiazole-7-carboxylic acid acibenzolar acid	OH S N	Plants: Wheat, tomato, tobacco, lettuce, rice Animals: Rat, hen, goat Environment: Water, soil
CGA323060 1,2,3-Benzothiadiazole-4-hydroxy-7- carboxylic acid 4-OH acibenzolar acid	OH OH OH	Plants: Tomato, tobacco, lettuce, rat
CGA324041 1,2,3-Benzothiadiazole-5-hydroxy-7- carboxylic acid 5-OH acibenzolar acid	HO OH	Plants: Wheat, tomato, tobacco, lettuce Animals: Goat, rat
SYN546642 1,2,3-Benzothiadiazole-6-hydroxy-7- carboxylic acid 6-OH acibenzolar acid	HO OH NNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNN	Environment: Soil
CGA243093 Benzo[1,2,3]thiadiazole-7-yl- methanol	OH	Plants: Lettuce, rat
CGA379019 3-Methanesulfinyl-benzoic acid	OH SCH ₃	Plants: Rice



The Meeting received studies on the metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl in plants (sunflower, sorghum, cotton, wheat, tomato, tobacco, lettuce and rice), laboratory animals (rats), as well as lactating goats and laying hens. The metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl in plants and animals was investigated using [¹⁴C-U-phenyl]-acibenzolar-S-methyl. The structural formula and the positions

of the ¹⁴C label are shown below. The studies on rats were evaluated by the WHO Core Assessment Group of the 2016 JMPR.



Figure 1 Label positions of acibenzolar-S-methyl: marked as * to indicate uniform labelling of the six carbons in the phenyl ring

The identification of residue components in the animal and plant metabolism studies was achieved using, where available, authentic standards of the compounds involved (Lettuce: CGA 210007, CGA 245704, CGA324041, CGA323060, CGA329834, CGA 337304, CGA379018, CGA379019, CGA379789; Wheat: CGA210007, CGA245704, CGA324041; Tomato: CGA21007, CGA254704, CGA324041, CGA323060; Tobacco: CGA21007, CGA254704, CGA324041, CGA323060; Rice: CGA 210007, CGA 245704, CGA324041, CGA323060, CGA329834, CGA 337304, CGA176315, CGA329832, CGA329833, CGA206485; Goat and chicken: CGA210007, CGA324041, MET2U) and in some cases, also by ¹H-NMR and MS-spectroscopy. Additional techniques such as hydrolysis, derivatization, and enzymatic degradation were used in many cases to aid in characterizing metabolites.

Plant metabolism

Acibenzolar-S-methyl is typically used for four different situations:

- as a seed treatment
- as a foliar application
- as a soil treatment for rice at transplanting
- as an application to the soil beneath a growing crop.

The Meeting received plant metabolism studies with acibenzolar-S-methyl on four different crop groups using seed, foliar and granular application treatments. The crops studied are representative of oilseeds (sunflower, sorghum and cotton—seed treatment application), cereals (wheat—foliar application; rice—granular application), fruiting vegetables (tomatoes—foliar application) and leafy crops (lettuce and tobacco—foliar application).

Seed treatments

Cotton

Findak (2009 50007) conducted a metabolism study with $[^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-S-methyl on <u>cotton</u> maintained outdoors. Cottonseeds were pre-coated with an SC blank formulation followed by application of $[^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-S-methyl to each seed at 0.0006 mg/seed (1× rate) or 0.001 mg/seed (1.7× rate) prior to planting. Treated seeds were planted in outdoor above-ground plots in a sandy loam soil (pH 7.6; 0.4% organic matter). Whole plant samples were collected 78 days after planting at BBCH 51 (25% maturity) and cottonseeds, fibres and stalks with leaves were collected at maturity, 190 days after planting at BBCH 89. Samples were homogenised; aliquots were combusted and radio-assayed by LSC to determine the TRR.

	TRR (mg equiv/kg)					
Commodity	0.0006 mg ai/seed (1×)	0.001 mg ai/seed (1.7×)				
Whole plant (25% maturity)	0.0006	0.0013				
Stalks (maturity)	0.0003	0.0003				
Fibres	0.0002	0.0002				
Seed	0.0002	0.0002				

Only low levels of radioactivity were detected in cotton commodities at harvest (Table 1). Table 1 TRRs in cotton commodities after growing cottonseed treated with [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl

The levels of radioactivity were too low to enable further characterisation and identification of metabolites.

Residues above the LOQ of typical analytical methods are not expected at harvest following seed treatment of cotton.

Sunflower

Quistad *et al.* (2011a 50167) studied the metabolism of $[{}^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-S-methyl in <u>sunflowers</u> grown in outdoor plots. Sunflower seeds (var 8N358CLDM) were pre-coated with WG formulation inerts followed by application of $[{}^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-S-methyl to each seed at a rate of 0.048 mg ai/seed. Treated seeds were planted in outdoor above-ground plots. The soil was a sandy loam soil (pH 6.9, 0.8% organic matter). Plants were grown to maturity and whole sunflower seeds harvested, 98 days after planting.

Harvested mature whole seeds (meat in shell) were homogenised. Analysis was by extraction (hexane) and combustion. TRR in seeds at harvest were 0.002 mg equiv/kg while those in seeds from the untreated control were < 0.001 mg equiv/kg. The levels of radioactivity were too low to enable characterisation and identification of metabolites.

Residues above the LOQ of typical analytical methods are not expected at harvest following seed treatment of sunflowers.

Sorghum

In a separate study, Quistad *et al.* (2011b 50168), investigated the metabolism of $[^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-Smethyl on outdoor grown <u>sorghum</u> following application as a seed treatment. Sorghum seeds (var NK300) were pre-coated with WG formulation inerts followed by application of $[^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-Smethyl to each seed at a rate of 0.0065 mg ai/seed. Treated seeds were planted in outdoor aboveground plots. Forage samples were collected at BBCH 85 (99 days after planting) and grain and stover at BBCH 99 (133 days from planting). The hulls were removed from the grain. Samples were homogenised; aliquots were extracted with hexane (grain only), and/or combusted, then radio-assayed to determine the TRR.

TRRs in forage were < 0.001 mg equiv/kg, stover 0.002 mg equiv/kg, and grain 0.001 mg equiv/kg. The levels of radioactivity were too low to enable characterisation and identification of metabolites. Commodities obtained from crops grown using untreated seed contained no detectable residue (< 0.001 mg equiv/kg).

Residues above the LOQ of typical analytical methods are not expected at harvest following seed treatment of sorghum.

Foliar applications

Tomato

Nicollier (1996a 0299) conducted a metabolism study with $[^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-S-methyl on tomato plants (variety Mont Favet) maintained indoors (greenhouse). Tomato plants (growth stage 69) were sprayed with a WG formulation of $[^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-S-methyl at a rate of 15.2 g ai/hL. The application

was repeated 14 and 28 days after the first application. The total amount applied was equivalent to the recommended rate of seven applications with 6.5 g ai/hL (273 g ai/ha, 3 plants/m²). Tomato fruit (one tomato including stalk per plant) and foliage samples (one branch with leaves per plant) were collected for analysis 0 days after the first application and 0, 7 and 30 days after the third application.

Tomato samples were washed with CH_3CN/H_2O (50:50, v/v) to determine the surface radioactivity. Washed tomatoes and foliage samples were homogenised under liquid nitrogen and extracted with CH_3CN/H_2O (80:20, v/v). The presence of conjugates was examined by treatment of the solvent extracts with cellulase (from *Aspergillus niger*), hydrolysis with 0.1 N NaOH (1 hour at room temperature) or 2 N NaOH (2 hours at 75 °C).

Total radioactive residues found at harvest were 0.312 mg equiv/kg (parent content: 0.003 mg/kg) in tomatoes and 0.719 mg equiv/kg in foliage (parent < LOD). The surface ¹⁴C on tomatoes decreased from 34.8% TRR (one hour after third application) to 1.4% TRR (one month after third application). The unextracted radioactivity at maturity was low accounting for 3.4% TRR in tomatoes and 7.4% TRR in foliage (Table 2).

Extractability of ¹⁴C residues with the solvent system (CH₃CN/H₂O) used was good at 97% (surface wash + extracted) of the TRR for tomato fruit at maturity.

Table 2 Distribution of ¹⁴C in tomato plants maintained indoors after foliar treatment with [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl (Nicollier 1996a 0299)

DAA	Sample	TRR	Acibenzolar-S-methyl	Surface wash	Extracted	Unextracted	Total
		(mg equiv/kg)	(mg/kg)	(%TRR)	(%TRR)	(%TRR)	(%TRR)
0 (1 h after 1 st)	Fruit	1.401	1.321	95.9	4.1	0.2	100.2
	Foliage	6.834	6.187	NA	99.6	0.4	100.0
0 (1 h after 3rd)	Fruit	0.759	0.256	34.8	64.2	2.3	101.3
	Foliage	3.486	2.589	NA	99.4	3.2	102.6
7 (after 3 rd)	Fruit	0.689	0.101	12.9	77.3	4.8	95.0
	Foliage	2.987	1.374	NA	83.2	5.5	88.7
30 (after 3 rd)	Fruit	0.312	0.003	1.4	95.6	3.4	100.4
$60 \text{ (after } 3^{\text{rd}}\text{)}$	Foliage	0.719	ND	NA	94.8	7.4	102.2

NA = not applicable

ND = not detected

ND – not detected

The TLC pattern of the extracted ¹⁴C from tomato fruit and foliage samples collected at maturity consisted of seven and eight fractions, respectively. Three metabolites could be characterised as 5-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA324041), 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060) and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007). 5-OH Acibenzolar acid (CGA324041) accounted for 6.5 and 1.5% TRR, 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060) for 0.4 and 6.1% TRR and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) for 8.1 and 19.2% TRR in fruit (sum of surface and penetrated) and foliage respectively.

The presence of conjugates was investigated. After treatment of the initial solvent extract of fruit with cellulase, the relative amount of 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060) and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) increased significantly from 0.4 to 8.2% TRR and from 8.1 to 34.2% TRR, respectively. Complete hydrolysis of TLC fractions I1a–I4 in favour of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) could be achieved after treatment with 2 N NaOH for two hours at increased temperature (75 °C). After this treatment, acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) accounted for 64.3% TRR (Table 3).

Nearly complete hydrolysis of TLC fractions I1a–I4 to 5-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA324041), 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060) and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) could also be achieved under mild conditions with 0.1 N NaOH (1 hour at room temperature). The remaining diffuse fraction I1b could be then cleaved quantitatively with cellulase to 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060). This

behaviour suggests that the TLC fractions I1a–I4 consists of sugar conjugates of 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060) and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007). 4-OH Acibenzolar acid (CGA323060) is bound as a glycoside and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) as an easy cleavable ester.

Table 3 Characterisation and identification of ¹⁴C in mature tomato fruit and foliage after foliar application with [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl (Nicollier 1996a 0299)

	Foliage	F	Fruit
		Extract	after cellulase +
			2 N NaOH (2 h at
			75 °C)
TRR (mg equiv/kg)	0.719	0.312	
		%TRR	
Extracted (CH_3CN/H_2O) + Surface wash	94.8	97.0	85.1
acibenzolar-S-methyl	ND	0.8	0.8
CGA210007	19.2	8.1	64.3
CGA324041	1.5	6.5	7.9
CGA323060	6.1	0.4	6.8
Fractions hydrolysable to CGA210007 and in small	66.3 (6 max 44.7%)	78.6 (6 max	ND
amounts to CGA324041 and CGA323060		49.4%)	
Unresolved	0.8	2.4	4.9
Origin	0.9	0.4	0.4
Unextracted	7.4	3.4	3.4
Total	102.3	100.4	88.5

NA = not applicable

ND = not detected

The metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl in tomatoes proceeds via hydrolysis of acibenzolar-S-methyl to acibenzolar acid (CGA210007). Subsequent oxidation of the phenyl ring leads to CGA324041 and 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060). CGA323060 and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) form conjugates, 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060) was conjugated as a glycoside and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) as an ester. The major component of the ¹⁴C residues in tomatoes following foliar application is acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) in both free and conjugated forms.

Lettuce

The metabolism of [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl in <u>lettuce</u> was studied by Kiffe (1998 0460). Applications of a WG formulation were made to two sets of plants at rates of 35 g ai/ha and 105 g ai/ha, equivalent to seasonal rates of 140 g ai/ha per season (1×) and 420 g ai/ha per season (3×). Spray volumes were equivalent to 500 L/ha. The first application was at the 7–9 leaf stage (BBCH 17–19) and subsequent applications at one week intervals. Plants were maintained indoors in a greenhouse. Surface washes were performed using CH₃CN/H₂O (50:50 v/v). Solvent extraction of ¹⁴C residues was performed on homogenised washed samples using CH₃CN/H₂O (80:20 v/v). For microwave extraction, the residues remaining in the solids after the initial solvent extraction were further extracted using 1-propanol/H₂O (80:20 v/v) under argon in a microwave oven (5 minutes 100 °C, 10 minutes 120 °C and 20 minutes 150 °C).

TRR in lettuce plants harvested one week after final application were 1.014 mg equiv/kg (1× rate) and 3.668 mg equiv/kg (3× rate) (Table 4). In these samples, parent acibenzolar-S-methyl residues were 0.167 and 0.708 mg/kg, respectively. The residue contained in surface rinses amounted to 20.2% (1×) and 23.0% (3×) of TRR, with penetrated residue (sum of extract after surface wash and unextracted radioactivity) amounting to 83.2% (1×) and 74.2% (3×) of the TRR found at harvest.

The solvent extracted ¹⁴C at harvest was 99.0% (1×) and 81.4% (3×) of the TRR. To investigate the presence of conjugates, the solvent extracts were sequentially treated with sodium hydroxide (0.1 N) and cellulase (from *Aspergillus niger*). For the 1× lettuce samples, hydrolysis led to an increase in acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) from 4.4 to 24.5% TRR and for 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060) from 1.0 to 20.0% TRR confirming the presence of conjugates.

	Lettuc	$e(1\times)$	Lettu	ce (3×)
		after 2 N NaOH + cellulase for 2 h at 75 °C		after 2 N NaOH + cellulase for 2 h at 75 °C
TRR (mg equiv/kg)	1.014		3.668	
		%TRR		
Surface wash	20.2		23.0	
acibenzolar-S-methyl	16.5		19.3	
CGA210007	0.6		0.6	
CGA324041	0.1		0.1	
CGA323060	0.1		0.1	
Unidentified fractions	2.3 (6 max 0.7)		2.7 (6 max 0.9)	
Extracted (Soxhlet)	78.8 (inc 6.6 MWE)	69.3	59.4	54.0
acibenzolar-S-methyl	0.4	ND	ND	ND
CGA210007	4.4	24.5	1.3	12.8
CGA324041	0.9	0.5	0.5	ND
CGA323060	1.0	20.0	0.8	22.3
CGA243093	0.7	4.7	ND	2.1
Unidentified fractions	61.6 (6 max 25.2)	18.4 (6 max 6.3)	47.8 (6 max 16.1)	10.8 (max 5.1)
Unresolved	9.8	1.2	6.0	6.0
Unextracted	4.6		14.9	
Total	103.4		97.2	

Table 4 Characterisation and identification of 14 C in lettuce leaves after four applications of $[{}^{14}$ C]acibenzolar-S-methyl to lettuce plants (Kiffe 1998 0460)

ND = not detected

MWE = microwave extract

For lettuce, metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl proceeds via hydrolysis of acibenzolar-Smethyl to acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) followed by ester conjugation with sugars. Subsequent oxidation of the phenyl ring led to 5-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA324041), benzo[1,2,3]thiadiazole-7yl-methanol (CGA243093) and to 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060), the latter forming sugar conjugates as O-glycosides.

Tobacco

Nicollier (1996b 0266) studied the uptake, penetration, distribution and degradation of $[{}^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-S-methyl in greenhouse grown tobacco plants (variety Xanthi). Nine week-old tobacco plants were sprayed three times with $[{}^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-S-methyl, formulated as water dispersible granules at a total rate of 170 g ai/ha. The first application (20 g ai/ha) was made at the 7-leaf stage to 12 tobacco plants, the second application (50 g ai/ha) 21 days later, on 10 tobacco plants, and the third application (100 g ai/ha) was made 34 days after the first application to the 10 tobacco plants. Two tobacco plants were harvested approximately 1 hour after the first application. Just before the second application, one old leaf and one new grown leaf per plant were collected (21 days after 1st application). One hour after the third application, two leaves per plant were collected. Mature leaves, sorted into lower and upper leaves, were collected 17, 27, 35, 45 and 52 days after the third application. Part of the collected leaves from the various harvest times were kept for the curing process. Mature tobacco leaves were cured at 23 °C and 60% humidity. Tobacco leaves were hung in the chamber from their bases. After two months, the stems and leaves became pliable, indicating the completion of the curing process.

Solvent extraction of ¹⁴C residues was performed on homogenised samples using CH₃CN/H₂O (80:20 v/v). For samples where the initial extracts contained < 90%TRR, the residues remaining after the solids after the initial solvent extraction were further extracted using microwave extraction with CH₃CN/H₂O (80:20 v/v) at 150 °C.

Translocation of the radioactivity into new grown leaves was low (Table 5). Residues found 21 days after the first application were 0.596 and 0.031 mg equiv/kg in treated and new grown leaves with parent contents of 0.053 mg/kg and 0.001 mg/kg, respectively. At maturity, TRRs in tobacco

plants were 1.388 mg equiv/kg in lower leaves, 0.434 mg equiv/kg in upper leaves and 0.022 mg equiv/kg in stems.

Parent acibenzolar-S-methyl accounted for 0.079 mg/kg, 0.026 mg/kg and 0.002 mg/kg in lower leaves, upper leaves and stems, respectively.

The ¹⁴C extraction efficiency of the solvent system used (CH₃CN/H₂O) was good with > 88% TRR recovered from leaves. The unextracted radioactivity (after cold and microwave extraction) accounted for 5.0 and 9.4% TRR in lower leaves (uncured and cured), and 4.5 and 7.3% TRR in upper leaves (uncured and cured), respectively.

Table 5 Distribution of ${}^{14}C$ in tobacco after foliar application with $[{}^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-S-methyl (Nicollier 1996b 0266)

DAA	0 (1 st	$21(1^{st})$		0 (3 rd		$10(3^{rd})$	17-45	$52(3^{rd})$	
(application	1 hr)			1 hr)			(3^{rd})		
number)									
Sample	Whole	New	Old	Whole	Leaves 3	Leaves 2	Lower	Upper	Stems
	tops	growth	leaves	tops	appl	appl	leaves	leaves	
TRR (mg	8.849	0.031	0.596	2.139	3.207	1.879	1.388	0.434	0.022
equiv/kg)									
Acibenzolar-	8.636	0.001	0.053	1.501	0.683	0.449	0.079	0.026	0.002
S-methyl									
(mg/kg)									
					%TRR				
Extracted	103.1	97.9	90.3	103.0	88.0	94.2	92.5	95.7	83.3
MWE	NA	NA	NA	0.5	3.6	1.5	1.7	2.5	3.2
Unextracted	0.3	3.5	6.3	1.6	10.9	3.5	5.0	4.5	21.2
Total	103.4	101.4	96.6	105.1	102.5	99.2	99.2	102.7	107.7

NA = not applicable

MWE = microwave extracted

The TLC pattern of the extracted ¹⁴C found in cured and uncured leaves consisted of approximately seven fractions. Parent acibenzolar-S-methyl was present in low amounts in tobacco leaves (max. 6.1% TRR) (Table 6). The presence of conjugates was investigated. A significant portion (70.4% TRR) of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) was released from lower leaves (uncured) by alkaline/enzyme treatment; the minor metabolites 5-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA324041) (2.7% TRR) and 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060) (4.8% TRR) were also characterised in these portions. The results obtained after alkaline/enzyme treatment show that majority of ¹⁴C is present in the form of ester conjugates of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) together with small amounts of sugar conjugates of 5-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA324041) and 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060). The results for upper leaves were like those for lower leaves, as were those for cured leaves. The proportion of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) recovered after cellulase treatment, cellulase/2 N NaOH 2 h 75 °C and 0.1 N NaOH 1 h RT was 22.1, 70.4 and 66.7% TRR respectively.

Table 6 Characterisation and identification after three applications of [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl to tobacco plants (Nicollier 1996b 0266)

	Lower leave	es (17–45 DAA)		
		after cellulase +	Upper leaves	Stems (52
		2 N NaOH for 2 h	(52 DAA)	DAA)
		at 75 °C		
TRR (mg equiv/kg)	1.388	1.388	0.434	0.022
		%TRR		
Extracted (Soxhlet)	93.4	84.5	97.1	83.1
acibenzolar-S-methyl	5.7	ND	6.1	11.2
CGA210007	9.0	70.4	6.4	24.3
CGA324041	1.7	2.7	0.9	nd
CGA323060	1.3	4.8	0.7	nd

Acibenzolar-S-methyl

	Lower leave	es (17–45 DAA)		
		after cellulase + 2 N NaOH for 2 h at 75 °C	Upper leaves (52 DAA)	Stems (52 DAA)
Fractions hydrolysable to CGA210007 and in small amounts to CGA324041 and CGA323060	74.0 (4 max 53.8%)	5.2 (2 max 3.6%)	80.8 (4 max 58.6%)	42.7 (3–4 max 25.2%)
Unresolved	0.9	1.4	1.2	3.2
Origin	0.8	ND	1.0	1.7
Microwave extracted	0.8	0.8	1.3	3.2
Unextracted	5.0	5.0	4.5	21.7
Total	99.2	90.3	102.9	108

ND = not detected

In summary, like results for tomato and wheat, the metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl in tobacco proceeds via hydrolysis of acibenzolar-S-methyl to acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) followed by ester conjugation with sugars. Subsequent oxidation of the phenyl ring led to 5-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA324041) and to 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060) followed by sugar conjugation as O-glycosides.

Wheat

Walser (1995a 0149) conducted a metabolism study with [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl on spring <u>wheat</u> (variety Besso) maintained either indoors (4-leaf stage) and outdoors (tillering). Wheat plants at the 4-leaf stage (indoor experiment) and at the end of tillering (field experiment) were sprayed with a WG formulation of [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl at a rate of 50 g ai/ha.

For the indoor experiment, plant (shoots) and soil samples (5 pots/interval) were collected for analysis 0, 1, 3, 7 and 14 days after application. Shoot samples were washed with CH_3CN and the washed shoots homogenised and extracted with CH_3CN .

TRR declined rapidly in wheat shoots through the 14 days after application. Acibenzolar-Smethyl was converted to acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) so that by 14 days after application acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) was present at much higher levels than parent compound (Table 7). The major component of the ¹⁴C residue by 14 days after application was unable to be extracted with the solvent system employed.

Table 7 Distribution of radioactivity in shoots of wheat plants maintained indoors after foliar treatment with [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl (Walser 1995a 0149)

		Surface wash (%TRR)		Washed plants (%TRR)		
DAA	TRR			Extra	act	Unextracted
	(mg equiv/kg)	Acibenzolar-S- methyl	CGA210007	Acibenzolar-S- methyl	CGA210007	
0	1.601	85.6	3.0	3.5	0.1	-
1	1.013	55.3	5.6	3.3	14.3	11.6
3	0.514	33.7	2.7	2.9	15.6	21.2
7	0.312	11.7	6.6	2.2	9.4	42.7
14	0.468	4.6	9.3	1.5	6.2	62.7

For the outdoor (field) experiment, approximately 20 shoots were collected for analysis after 0, 14 and 28 DAA. Mature whole plants were collected 75 DAA and separated into straw, husks and grains and at each sampling time three soil cores (5 cm \times 30 cm) were collected. Wheat samples were homogenised and extracted with CH₃CN/H₂O (80:20 v/v) followed by Soxhlet extraction using CH₃CN. Additional sub-samples of solvent extracts were treated with base to liberate conjugates and post-extraction solids (PES) were subjected to various treatments to liberate bound residues and conjugates and to characterise radioactivity associated with natural components.

TRRs in mature wheat grown under field conditions were 0.014 mg equiv/kg in grains, 0.233 mg equiv/kg in husks and 0.328 mg equiv/kg in straw (Table 8).

The ¹⁴C extraction efficiency at mature harvest using CH₃CN/H₂O was 30% for straw, 39% for husks and 41% for grain. The proportion of ¹⁴C unable to be extracted using CH₃CN/H₂O increased with time after application. After cold and Soxhlet extraction, the unextracted radioactivity accounted for 59.7% TRR in grains, 56.6% TRR in husks and 67.9% in straw at maturity.

Table 8 Distribution of radioactivity in wheat plants maintained outdoors after foliar treatment with [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl (Walser 1995a 0149)

DAA	Sample	TRR	Extracted (%TRR)		Unextracted (%TRR)	Total
		(mg equiv/kg)	Solvent extract	Soxhlet		(%TRR)
0	Shoot	1.847	98	NA	2.0	100.0
14	Shoot	0.290	86.8	1.9	13.0	101.7
28	Stalk	0.227	73.9	2.2	22.3	98.4
28	Ear	0.183	85.0	1.1	16.8	102.9
75	Straw	0.328	30.3	1.2	67.9	99.4
75	Husk	0.233	39.4	0.7	56.6	100.9
75	Grain	0.014	41.2	NA	94.4	102.9

NA = not applicable

Identification of ¹⁴C residues is summarized in Tables 9–11. The TLC metabolite pattern of the extracted ¹⁴C from wheat commodities consisted of six fractions. Parent acibenzolar-S-methyl was only detected on the day of application. The major component of the ¹⁴C identified was free acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) which represented 8.4–14.4% TRR in straw, husks and grain at harvest. The only other metabolite identified was 5-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA324041) but only at relatively low levels (1.7–3.7% TRR).

Table 9 Characterisation and identification of ¹⁴C residues in outdoor grown wheat plants (Walser 1995a 0149)

DAA	1 hour	14 days	28 days			75 days	
Commodity	Shoots	Shoots	Stalks	Ears	Straw	Husks	Grain
TRR (mg equiv/kg)	1.847	0.290	0.227	0.183	0.328	0.233	0.014
				%TRR			
Extracted	98.1	89.5	78.0	86.1	29.8	35.7	36.8
Origin	0	1.6	0	ND	ND	0	1.4
Fractions I ₁ –I ₄	ND	67.1	69.5	72.8	11.8	20.3	23
CGA324041	ND	2.6	1.2	2.1	1.7	1.9	3.7
CGA210007	3.4	15.4	4.1	7.1	14.4	12.1	8.4
ASM	92.8	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Unresolved	1.9	0.9	1.0	3.0	0.7	0.7	0.3
Soxhlet	NA	1.9	2.2	1.1	1.2	0.7	NA
Unextracted	2.0	13.0	22.3	16.8	67.9	56.6	59.7
Total	100.1	102.5	100.3	102.9	97.7	92.3	96.5

ND = not detected

NA = not analysed

ASM = acibenzolar-S-methyl

The presence of conjugates was investigated using hydrolysis and/or enzyme treatment (cellulase from *Aspergillus niger* and esterase from porcine liver) of the solvent extracts. Hydrolysis resulted in a significant increase in acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) detected in all samples. At maturity, acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) after hydrolysis represented 22.2–23.5% TRR (Table 10).

DAA	1 hour	14 days	28 0	lays		75 days	
Commodity	Shoots	Shoots	Stalks	Ears	Straw	Husks	Grain
TRR (mg equiv/kg)	1.847	0.290	0.227	0.183	0.328	0.233	0.014
				%TRR			
Extracted		79.9	70.5	83.4	28.8	34.2	36.3
Origin		0	1.2	2.2	0.3	0.3	1.0
Fractions I ₁ –I ₄		16.8	17.8 ^a	18.9 ^b	3.5	7.2	5.6
CGA324041		2.4	2.7	4.9	1.3	2.0	4.8
CGA210007		57.9	45.5	56.3	22.2	23.5	23.5
ASM	92.8	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Unresolved		0.9	1.1	1.3	0.3	0.5	1.4
Soxhlet		1.9	2.2	1.1	1.2	0.7	NA
Unextracted		13.0	22.3	16.8	67.9	56.6	59.7
Total		92.9	92.8	100.2	96.7	90.8	96.0

Table 10 Characterisation and identification of ¹⁴C residues in outdoor grown wheat plants, results following treatment with 0.1 N NaOH for one hour at room temperature (Walser 1995a 0149)

ND = not detected

NA = not analysed

ASM = acibenzolar-S-methyl

^a Following treatment with 6 N HCl is reduced by 6.8% TRR with a corresponding increase in CGA210007

^b Following treatment with 6 N HCl is reduced by 6.5% TRR with a corresponding increase in CGA210007

Sequential hydrolysis (husks, straw: boiling water; 10% NaOH reflux 16 h; CH_2Cl_2 ; grain: 0.05 N NaOH 6 h RT; 1 N HCl 17 h, reflux) of the ¹⁴C unextracted by solvent in straw, husks and grain released additional radioactivity that was characterised as acibenzolar acid (CGA210007). A large proportion of the ¹⁴C unextracted by the solvent system used was associated with natural products such as cellulose, lignin, protein, water soluble polysaccharides and starch; 36.2% TRR for straw, 29.1% TRR for husks and 21.1% TRR for grain (Table 11).

Table 11 Characterisation and identification of ¹⁴C in PES of wheat straw, husks and grain (Walser 1995a 0149)

	Straw	Husks	Grain
TRR (mg equiv/kg)	0.328	0.233	0.014
		%TRR	
Extracted (Soxhlet)	27.6	35.0	36.8
acibenzolar-S-methyl	-	-	-
CGA210007	14.4	12.1	8.4
CGA324041	1.7	1.9	3.7
Fractions hydrolysable to CGA210007	11.8 (5, max 4.3%)	20.3 (5 max 10%)	23.0 (5 max 16.7%)
Unresolved	0.7	0.7	0.3
Origin	—	_	1.4
Microwave extracted	1.2	0.7	NA
Unextracted	67.9	56.6	59.7
Water soluble polysaccharides	2.9	2.9	-
Cellulose	2.2	2.3	8.5
Lignin	31.1	23.9	
Starch			5.8
Protein			8.7
Not characterised			6.9
Fractions hydrolysable to CGA210007	23.1	17.4	15.8
Polar unknowns			13.1
Total	97.7	92.3	96.5

NA = not applicable

Radioactivity found in field soil was also investigated and was strongly adsorbed in the upper layer (0–5 cm). The ¹⁴C levels found in deeper layers were never higher than 0.001 mg/kg. TRR in the 0–5 cm layer decreased from 0.041 mg equiv/kg at 0 DAA to 0.013 mg equiv/kg at 75 DAA, of which 94.4% TRR remained unextracted after soil processing.

In summary, acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) free and conjugated is the major component of the ¹⁴C residue in wheat commodities following foliar application. A significant proportion of the ¹⁴C was incorporated into natural products.

Soil treatment at transplanting

Rice

Krause (1996 0370) studied the uptake, penetration, distribution and degradation of [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl in greenhouse grown <u>rice</u> plants. Three-week-old rice plants were treated in a seedling box at the 3-leaf stage (BBCH 13) with a granule formulation of [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl at a rate of 1 g ai/seedling box, equivalent to 200 g ai/ha. One day after application, rice plants together with soil were transplanted into containers filled with soil and flooded with water. Samples of water and plants were collected 11, 50 and 78 DAA and mature plants 119 DAA (118 days after transplantation). Solvent extraction of residues was performed on homogenised samples using CH₃CN/H₂O (80:20 v/v). The residues remaining in the solids after initial solvent extraction were further extracted using CH₃CN/H₂O (80:20 v/v) in a microwave oven (10 minutes 100 °C, 10 minutes 120 °C and 20 minutes 140 °C) = microwave extraction.

The ¹⁴C residues in paddy water were measured at various intervals after application (Figure 2). Residues in paddy water reached a maximum of 25% AR at 1–2 weeks after soil application and flooding, declining to 15% AR by 40 DAA. Thereafter the ¹⁴C residues in paddy water declined rapidly to reach 0.4% AR by 60 DAA. Acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) was the major metabolite present in paddy water representing 32.5% TRR at 11 DAA, 45.6% TRR at 50 DAA and 56.6% TRR at 78 DAA.



Figure 2 Temporal change in proportion of applied radioactivity in paddy water

One DAA, rice seedlings had taken up 1.3% AR, 2.0% AR by 11 DAA, 5.1% AR at 50 DAA, 7.2% AR at 78 DAA and 11.1% AR at harvest, 119 DAA. At maturity, 0.2% AR was in grain, 0.2% AR in husks and 10.7% AR in straw while 80.7% AR remained in the soil. Approximately 8% AR was not accounted for, presumably lost by volatilisation or transpiration.

The extraction efficiency for 14 C with the solvent system employed (CH₃CN/H₂O) was poor for rice commodities at harvest, at 6.4% TRR for grain, 33% TRR for husks and 41% TRR for straw (Tables 12 and 13). Unextracted 14 C in plant samples was high and represented 91.6, 59.2, 54.8 and 39.2% TRR in grain, soil, husks and straw, respectively. Acibenzolar-S-methyl was only detected in samples of leaves collected 1 DAA. The major metabolite identified in leaves collected 11–78 DAA was acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) at 6.7–11.1% TRR in leaves. Acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) was present at 1.7–10.2% TRR in rice commodities (grain, husks, straw) at harvest, 119 DAA.

Table 12 Characterisation and identification of ¹⁴C in leaves of rice plants treated with acibenzolar-Smethyl (Krause 1996 0370)

	Leaves (1 DAA)	Leaves (11 DAA)	Leaves (50 DAA)	Leaves (78 DAA)
TRR (mg equiv/kg)	14.754	22.257	1.286	0.425
		%TRR		
Extracted (Soxhlet)	97.9	69.9	62.3	50.0
acibenzolar-S-methyl	1.7	-	-	-
CGA210007	86.1	11.1	4.9	3.7
CGA379019		1.7	-	-
Unidentified fractions		55.1	54.8	43.6
Unresolved	10.2	1.8	2.6	2.7
Microwave extracted	NA	NA	9.8	17.3
acibenzolar-S-methyl			-	-
CGA210007			1.8	6.9
CGA379019			0.3	0.6
Unidentified fractions			6.8	7.5
Unresolved			1.0	2.2
Unextracted	2.1	30.4	30.7	32.0
Total	100.1	100.1	102.8	99.3

NA = not analysed

Table 13 Characterisation and identification of ¹⁴C in soil and rice commodities collected at plant maturity (119 DAA) (Krause 1996 0370)

	Grain	Husks	Straw	Soil
TRR (mg equiv/kg)	0.085	0.159	1.992	0.136
		%TRR		
Extracted (Soxhlet)	6.4	33.1	41.2	35.1
acibenzolar-S-methyl	-	-	-	_
CGA210007	1.7	1.4	3.1	17.8
CGA379019	0.6	3.7	1.0	_
Unidentified fractions	3.6	25.1	35.7	16.0
Unresolved	0.5	2.9	1.2	1.3
Microwave extracted	2.0	11.4	21.3	6.0
acibenzolar-S-methyl		-	-	-
CGA210007		2.3	7.1	1.2
CGA379019		-	-	_
Unidentified fractions		6.6	11.0	4.2
Unresolved		2.5	3.2	0.6
Unextracted	91.6	54.8	39.2	59.2
Total	100	99.3	101.5	100.3

The presence of conjugated residues in the solvent extracts was investigated. Following hydrolysis, the proportion of unidentified ¹⁴C decreased and there was a concomitant increase in the proportion of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) and to a lesser extent 3-methanesulfinyl-benzoic acid (CGA379019) (Tables 14 and 15). On hydrolysis acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) increased to account

for 56.2, 16.8 and 5.6% TRR in straw, husks and grain, respectively. 3-Methanesulfinyl-benzoic acid (CGA379019) was also significant at 8.8, 7.9 and 18.8% TRR in straw, husks and grain, respectively.

Table 14 Characterisation and identification of ¹⁴C in leaves of rice plants treated with acibenzolar-Smethyl after mild hydrolysis (0.1 N NaOH 1 h RT) or Mazerozym/cellulase treatment of solvent extracts (Krause 1996 0370)

	Leaves (1 DAA)	Leaves (11 DAA)	Leaves (50 DAA)	Leaves (78 DAA)
TRR (mg equiv/kg)	14.754	22.257	1.286	0.425
		%TRR		
Extracted (Soxhlet)	NA	69.6	62.3	50.2
acibenzolar-S-methyl		-	-	—
CGA210007		57.0	43.8	35.0
CGA379019		3.2	10.3	6.9
Unidentified fractions		7.2	1.5	4.4
Unresolved		2.2	6.7	3.9
Microwave extracted	NA	NA	9.8	17.3
acibenzolar-S-methyl			-	—
CGA210007			6.5	12.4
CGA379019			1.7	2.3
Unidentified fractions			0.5	1.3
Unresolved			1.1	1.3
Unextracted	NA	30.4	30.7	32.0
Total	NA	100.0	102.8	99.5

NA = not analysed

Table 15 Characterisation and identification of ¹⁴C in rice commodities collected at plant maturity (119 DAA) after mild hydrolysis (0.1 N NaOH 1 h RT) or Mazerozym/cellulase treatment of solvent extracts (Krause 1996 0370)

	Grain		Husks		Straw
			Mazerozym/ cellulase + 0.1 N NaOH 1 h RT		Mazerozym/ cellulase + 0.1 N NaOH 1 h RT
TRR (mg equiv/kg)	0.085	0.159		1.992	
			%TRR		
Extracted (Soxhlet)	6.5	33.1	32.5	41.1	41.2
acibenzolar-S-methyl	_	_	—	_	-
CGA210007	3.7	12.3	5.5	33.9	27.9
CGA379019	1.3	5.3	4.7	3.1	5.6
Unidentified fractions	0.9	11.4	18.9	2.2	4.8
Unresolved	0.6	4.1	3.4	1.9	2.9
Microwave extracted	2.0	11.4	11.4	21.3	21.3
acibenzolar-S-methyl		-		_	
CGA210007		2.7		14.2	
CGA379019		1.5		3.2	
Unidentified fractions		5.3		2.4	
Unresolved		1.8		1.5	
Unextracted	91.6	54.8	54.8	39.2	39.2
Total	100.1	99.3	98.7	101.6	101.7

As the unextracted ¹⁴C in plant samples (i.e. following cold and microwave extraction) was high, the PES were subject to harsh alkaline and acid conditions to assist further characterisation (1 N HCl 100 °C 14 h; 6 N HCl 100 °C 14 h; 0.1 N NaOH, room temperature 1 h; cellulase/Mazerozym treatment; cellulase/Mazerozym treatment and 0.1 N NaOH 1 h room temperature; pepsin). Following hydrolysis of PES under harsh alkaline and acid conditions, the unextracted residues remaining in grain were reduced from 91.6% TRR to 39.3% TRR. Small amounts of additional acidenzolar acid

(CGA21007) were liberated (1.8–8.1% TRR). CGA37019 was the major component liberated by the harsh treatment and accounted for 17.5% TRR in grain. Further investigation also revealed incorporation of ¹⁴C into natural products, 24.4% TRR for grain, 31.3% TRR for husks and 17.2% TRR for straw.

Table 16 Characterisation of	¹⁴ C in post	extraction s	olids of rice c	commodities	(Krause	1996 0370)
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	Grain (%TRR)	Husks (%TRR)	Straw (%TRR)
Solubilised on harsh hydrolysis	51.2	45.6	32.1
Unidentified fractions (II ₀ , II ₁ –II _{2a} , II _{11H})	3.5	1.2	1.7
CGA379019	17.5	1.1	2.5
CGA379789 (II ₄)			0.7
CGA324041 (II _{5a})		0.2	
CGA210007	1.9	1.8	8.1
CGA379018 (II _{7H})	3.8		0.1
Sugar ^c	9.3	—	—
Cellulose	3.3	14.4	1.0
Water-soluble polysaccharides	8.9 ^a	4.2	5.4
Protein	2.9	_	_
Lignin	-	12.6	10.8
Unresolved	0.1	10.1 ^b	1.8
Unextracted after harsh hydrolysis	39.3	3.1	0.5
Total	90.5	48.7	32.6

^a Hemicellulose fraction

^b Unresolved fraction contains 7.7% water phase material

^c Analysed as glucosazone

In summary, for rice, metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl proceeds via hydrolysis to acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) followed by ester conjugation with sugars. Subsequent oxidation and ring opening of the thiadiazole ring led to 3-methanesulfinyl-benzoic acid (CGA379019) which is likely bound to natural products.

The metabolism on lettuce, rice, tobacco, tomato, and wheat is consistent with less exhaustive studies reported in the literature on the translocation and uptake of acibenzolar-S-methyl employing unlabelled-parent compound. These studies supplement the information obtained in the metabolism studies utilising [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl and are reported for completeness.

Foliar

Following foliar application to <u>tomatoes</u> (Scarponi *et al.* 2001) or <u>pepper leaves</u> (Buonaurio *et al.* 2002), residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl in treated (basal) leaves decreased rapidly with interval after application. Translocation to untreated (apical) leaves was also rapid amounting, in tomato plants, to 30.5% of total amount of acibenzolar-S-methyl at 2 hours after application. Acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) was only detected in tomato leaves and only found in treated (basal) leaves suggesting on foliar application there is limited translocation of this metabolite. No investigation of possible conjugates was undertaken.

Soil

Following soil application, the translocation of residues from root system to above ground parts was rapid since residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) were detected within 1 h after treatment (Myresiotis *et al.* 2014). With increasing intervals after application, the residue levels of acibenzolar-S-methyl in tomato parts were gradually reduced, while the concentration of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) increased.

In conclusion, the metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl in plants has been investigated in representative crops of four crop groups: sunflower and cotton (oilseeds), wheat, sorghum and rice (cereals), tomatoes (fruiting vegetables), and lettuce and tobacco (leafy crops). The TRRs observed in oilseeds following seed treatment application were too low to permit characterisation and therefore the nature of residues in these crops was not investigated further.

The nature of residues in cereals, fruiting vegetables and leafy crops were shown to be similar and mainly comprised of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007). Other than on the day of application, parent acibenzolar-S-methyl occurred only at low levels and then only at short intervals after application. benzo[1,2,3]thiadiazole-7-yl-methanol Metabolites 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060), (CGA243093) and 5-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA324041) were also identified, albeit generally at low levels (i.e. < 10% TRR or < 0.05 mg/kg). 4-OH Acibenzolar acid (CGA323060) was more significant in lettuce where it occurred at similar levels to acibenzolar acid (CGA210007), or was the major component (20-22%). In rice grown in paddies and treated by granule application, 3-methanesulfinylbenzoic acid (CGA379019) was the most significant component of the residue (19%) in grain, whereas acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) was the most abundant component of the residue in husks and straw (17% and 56%, respectively).

Crop		Tomato	Tobacco	Lettuce		Wheat			Rice	
DALA		30	17–45	7	75	75	75	119	119	119
Matrix		Fruit	Leaf	Leaf	Grain	Husks	Straw	Grain	Husks	Straw
Acibenzolar-		0.8	6.1	16.9–19.3						
S-methyl										
Acibenzolar	Free	8.1	6.4–9.0	< 5	8.4	12.1	14.4	1.7	3.7	10.2
acid	Conj	56.2	61.4	11.5-20.1	15.1	11.4	7.8	2.0	11.3	37.9
	Bound				15.8	17.4	23.1	1.9	1.8	8.1
4-OH	Free			0.9–1.1						
acibenzolar	Conj			19-21.5						
acid										
3-	Free							0.6	3.7	5.3
methanesulfin	Conj							0.7	3.1	5.3
yl benzoic	Bound							17.5	1.1	2.5
acid										

Table 17 Residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl and its metabolites in various plant commodities

The metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl in crops proceeds via hydrolysis, hydroxylation and subsequent conjugation with plant material. The metabolites of acibenzolar-S-methyl in crops is shown in Figure 3.



Figure 3 Plant metabolites of acibenzolar-S-methyl

Animal metabolism

Laboratory animal studies

Metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl in rats was evaluated by the WHO Core Assessment Group of the 2016 JMPR.

Lactating goats

Rümbeli (1995 0183) studied the metabolism of $[^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-S-methyl in <u>lactating goats</u> (Gemsfarbige Gebirgsziege, 45–51 kg bw). Two goats were orally administered $[^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-S-methyl at 10 mg/dose, twice daily for a period of four consecutive days. Feed consumption during the dosing period was 1.7 kg/d for one goat and 1.4 kg/d for the other, with animals offered 0.6 kg concentrate, 1 kg maize cubes and 0.1 kg hay per day. The doses were equivalent to 11.9 ppm in the diet (0.36 mg/kg bw). Milk production averaged 1.9 and 2.4 kg/d for the two goats. During the treatment period, milk, urine, and faeces were collected daily from both goats. Approximately 6 hours after the final dose, the goats were sacrificed and tissues were collected. Samples were analysed within 6 months of collection.

Most the ¹⁴C residues were recovered in the excreta; 75.1% of the administered dose. Urine contained 63.5% of the administered dose while faeces contained 11.6%.

For tissues, ¹⁴C residues were highest in kidney, (0.283 mg equiv/kg), followed by the liver (0.041 mg equiv/kg) (Table 18). In general, levels of radioactivity were lowest in fat (0.002-0.003 mg equiv/kg) and muscle (0.003 mg equiv/kg).

Table 18 Distribution of ¹⁴C following administration of [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl for four days (Rümbeli 1995 0183)

	%AD	mg equiv/kg
Tissues		
Liver	0.047	0.041
Kidney	0.059	0.283
Perirenal fat	0.005	0.003
Omental fat	0.003	0.002
Leg muscle	0.019	0.003
Tenderloin	0.001	0.003
Milk	0.118	Mean 0.012 (range 0.009–0.086)
Excreta		
Faeces	11.6	
Urine	63.5	
Other		
GIT and contents	10.2	
Blood	0.096	0.032
Bile	0.003	0.128
Total	89.54	

Extraction with CH₃CN followed by CH₃CN:H₂O (80:20 v/v) extracted 89.1% TRR for liver, 98.3% TRR for kidney, 83.6% TRR for muscle, and 93.7% TRR for fat + skin (extraction of the residue remaining after an initial hexane extraction) and 99.3% TRR for milk (Table 19). Selected extracts were also subjected to hydrolysis using 6 N HCl at 100 °C to investigate the presence of conjugates.

Parent acibenzolar-S-methyl was not detected in any tissue or in milk. The major component of the ¹⁴C was acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) (37.2–89.8% TRR) together with its conjugates (2.3–22.1%TRR).

Table 19 Characterisation and identification of ¹⁴C residues in solvent extracts from goat milk, kidney and liver and excreta (Rümbeli 1995 0183)

	milk	kidney	liver	m	uscle	Urine	Faeces
					+ 6 N HCl		
					100 °C 16 h		
TRR (mg equiv/kg)	0.012	0.283	0.041	0.003	0.003		
				%TRR			
Analysed solvent extract	99.3	98.3	93.1 ^a	86.3	86.3	100	98.3
acibenzolar-S-methyl		_	—	—		_	0.8
CGA210007	70.3	89.8	77.9	37.2	64.6	96.8	68.9
CGA324041	—	-	-	-	-	-	1.6
Glycine conj of CGA210007 (Met	22.1	2.3	2.6	4.4	4.4	-	-
2U)							
Unidentified conj of CGA210007			1.4				
(L3)							
Unidentified conj of CGA210007			1.4				
(L5)							
unresolved	5	4.7	8.2	8.0	8.0	2.4	2.8
Origin	2.0	1.5	1.6	36.7	9.3	0.8	1.3
Unextracted	0.7	1.7	6.9	13.7	13.7	_	1.7

^a Includes CH₃OH/H₂O extract which accounted for 4% TRR

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The metabolites of acibenzolar-S-methyl in goats are shown in Figure 4. In goats acibenzolar-S-methyl is hydrolysed to acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) which is the major metabolite in excreta, milk and tissues. Acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) undergoes conjugation with glycine to [(benzo[1,2,3]thiadiazole-7-carbonyl)-amino]acetic acid (MET 2U) which was found in significant amounts in milk and in minor amounts in tissues. Acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) also undergoes conjugation with unidentified endocons present in liver and muscle which quantitatively released acibenzolar acid (CGA324041) which was eliminated via faeces.



Figure 4 Metabolites of acibenzolar-S-methyl identified in tissues and milk of lactating goats (Mu = muscle, L = liver, K = kidney).

Laying hen

Rümbeli (1996 0349) studied the metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl in <u>laying hens</u>. Leghorn LSL blanches hens (22 wks old, 1.50–1.59 kg bw) were dosed orally *via* capsules, once a day for four consecutive days, with [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl at doses equivalent to 19.1 ppm in the diet (1.41 mg/kg bw). Feed consumption was 116 g/d. Laying efficiency during the dosing period was 100%. Egg samples were collected twice a day; excreta samples were also collected twice daily. Eggs were separated into egg whites and yolks. Hens were sacrificed 6 hours after the final dose, and samples of skin with subcutaneous fat and peritoneal fat, thigh and breast muscle, kidneys, liver, and gastrointestinal tract and contents were collected. Eggs, tissues, and excreta were extracted and analysed within six months of sampling. Total radioactivity was determined by liquid scintillation counting. Characterisation and identification of metabolites was by 2D-TLC, HPLC and high voltage electrophoresis.

Recovery of the administered dose was 91.0% after the dosing period based on the eggs, tissues, and excreta with the majority found in the excreta (87.4% AD). Gizzard (2.37% AD), eggs (0.003% AD) and edible tissues (muscle, liver, fat, and skin; 0.047–0.12% AD) accounted for relatively minor amounts of the dose (Table 20). Radioactivity in eggs increased with duration of

dosing with concentrations in yolk higher than in white (at 4 days 0.006 mg equiv/kg in yolk and 0.001 mg equiv/kg in white). Mean TRR levels in edible tissues were 0.903 mg equiv/kg in kidney, 0.332 mg equiv/kg in liver, 0.013 mg equiv/kg in breast muscle, 0.013 mg equiv/kg in peritoneal fat, and 0.045 mg equiv/kg in skin plus subcutaneous fat.

Table 20 Recovery of administered dose in eggs, tissues, and excreta of laying hens following dosing for four consecutive days with [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl (Rümbeli 1996 0349)

Sample	% AD	Residue (mg equiv/kg)
Tissues		
Liver	0.124	0.332
Kidneys	0.095	0.903
Fat + skin	0.052	0.045 skin/sub cut 0.013 peritoneal
Lean meat	0.047	0.013 breast
Eggs	0.003	0.001 (white 0.001, yolk 0.002)
Excreta	87.45	
Other		
Cage wash/debris	0.88	
Gizzard	2.317	
Blood	0.048	0.138
Total	91.02	

Sequential extraction with CH₃CN followed by CH₃CN:H₂O (80:20 v/v) extracted 92.0% TRR for liver, 92.7% TRR for muscle, and 93.7% TRR for fat + skin (extraction of the residue remaining after an initial hexane extraction) and 82.9% TRR for egg white. Free acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) was the major component of the ¹⁴C residues in all tissues and eggs (50.0–77.7% TRR) and was also present in small amounts in conjugated forms (3.6–9.4% TRR) (Table 21). Parent compound was not detected in any tissue or in eggs.

Table 21 Characterisation and distribution of ¹⁴C residues in eggs and tissues from laying hens dosed with [¹⁴C]-acibenzolar-S-methyl (mean values) (Rümbeli 1996 0349)

	Egg v	white	Liven	Musala	Strin and Eat
		+ hydrolysis	Liver	Muscle	Skin and Fat
TRR (mg equiv/kg)	0.001	0.001	0.332	0.013	0.038
			%TRR		
Extract	82.9		92.0	92.7	93.7
acibenzolar-S-methyl	_	_	_	-	-
CGA210007	50.0	68.1	77.2	73.2	76.8
CGA210007 (\delta) conjugate of					2.6
ornithine (EX1)		_			2.0
CGA210007 (δ) conjugate of α -	_	_	3.6	67	6.8
benzoyl-ornithine (EX9a)	_	_	5.0	0.7	0.8
Unresolved/unidentified	19.0 (7)	4.7	5.1	8.7	8.0
Origin	14.0	10.1	6.1	4.1	2.6
Unextracted	17.1	17.1	8.0	7.3	3.2

For egg white the seven unidentified metabolites converted to CGA210007 on hydrolysis in 6 N HCl at 100 °C for 16 h.

The extraction of excreta with CH₃CN followed by CH₃CN:H₂O was nearly quantitative at 96.4%. The metabolites identified in excreta were EX1 (17.8%), EX2 (12.6%), EX3 (2.1%), EX4 (4.8%), EX5 (6.2%), EX6 (4.0%), EX7 (2.9%), EX8a (1.0%), EX8b (11.0%), EX9a (6.7%), EX9b (2.8%), EX9c (0.9%), CGA210007 (18.7%) and acibenzolar-S-methyl (1.6%). EX1 was identified as the CGA210007 (δ) conjugate of ornithine, EX8a was identified as the bis-CGA 210007 (α , ε) conjugate of lysine, EX8b was identified as the bis-CGA210007 (α , δ) conjugate of ornithine and EX9a was identified as the CGA210007 (δ) conjugate of α -benzoyl-ornithine.

The metabolites of acibenzolar-S-methyl identified in hens are shown in Figure 5. Metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl proceeded via hydrolysis to form acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) as the major metabolite in excreta, eggs and tissues. Followed by conjugation of acibenzolar acid with

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ornithine and elimination via excreta, conjugation of acibenzolar acid with α -benzoyl-ornithine also occurred with this compound found in minor amounts in tissues and excreta. Several other conjugates were found in excreta; bis-conjugation of acibenzolar acid with ornithine and lysine and probably conjugation with other amino acids.



Figure 5 Metabolites of acibenzolar-S-methyl identified in tissues and eggs of laying hens (Mu = muscle, L = liver, SF = skin/fat, EW = egg white).

The nature of residues in goats and hens were shown to be similar and consisted mainly of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) and its conjugates. In the goat, acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) underwent hydroxylation to give 5-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA324041) which was observed at a level of 1.6% AD in faeces.

Parent acibenzolar-S-methyl was only observed in excreta at levels of 1.6% and 20.6% AD in hens and goats, respectively. The metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl in livestock proceeds via hydrolysis, hydroxylation and subsequent conjugation. The metabolic profile in goats and hens was substantially equivalent to that seen in the rat. The proposed metabolites of acibenzolar-S-methyl in animals are shown in Figure 6.



Figure 6 Metabolites of acibenzolar-S-methyl identified in livestock tissues, eggs and milk

ENVIRONMENTAL FATE

The FAO Manual on the Submission and Evaluation of Pesticide Residues Data for the Estimation of Maximum Residue Levels in Food and Feed (2009) explains the data requirements for studies of environmental fate. The focus should be on those aspects that are most relevant to MRL setting. For acibenzolar-S-methyl, supervised residue trials data are available for numerous crops. Aerobic degradation in soil is relevant, as well as the normal requirements for hydrolysis, photolysis and rotational crop studies.

The Meeting received information on soil aerobic metabolism, hydrolysis and photolysis properties of acibenzolar-S-methyl. Studies were also received on the behaviour of $[^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-S-methyl in a confined rotational crop situation.

Acibenzolar-S-methyl residues are not persistent in soils and it is unlikely that acibenzolar-Smethyl residues in soils resulting from recommended uses make a significant contribution to the residues in succeeding crops.

Route of degradation in soil

Aerobic degradation in soil

Several studies have investigated the aerobic degradation of [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl in soil.

Miner (2012 10086) studied the rate and route of degradation of [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl in four different soils: UK 18 Acres sandy loam, Gardner, ND (USA) sandy loam, Swiss Collombey

sandy loam and Swiss Gartenacker silt loam (Table 22). [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied at a nominal dose rate of 0.147 mg/kg dry weight soil, equivalent to a single field application rate of 112 g ai/ha (assuming an incorporation depth of 5 cm and a bulk density of 1.5 g/cm^3). The soils were incubated under aerobic conditions in the laboratory and maintained at a soil moisture of pF2 and dark conditions at 20 °C for up to 189 days. At various intervals after application, samples were extracted and analysed for parent compound, degradation products and unextracted residues. Extractions included 0.01 M CaCl₂ followed by CH₃CN/0.05 M sodium hexametaphosphate (SHMP) (80:20 v/v) twice, followed by a single extraction with CH₃CN/0.5 M formic acid (aqueous) (70:30 v/v) at 60 °C for 2 hours. Any volatile radioactivity was continuously flushed from the vessels and volatile collection traps were radio-assayed.

The mean recovery from all soils was 98% AR. The amount of extracted ¹⁴C in 18 Acres and Gardner soil samples decreased from 95–102%AR at 0 DAA to 19–21%AR by 189 DAA. In the Collombey and Gartenacker soils, the amount of extracted ¹⁴C decreased, from 94–98% at 0 DAA to 24–41%AR at 125 DAA. At all sampling intervals and with all soils, the %AR extracted using CaCl₂ was \leq 48%AR. In 18 Acres, Gardner, Collombey and Gartenacker soils, acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) was then major soil degradate and reached a maximum of 95% AR in the period 4 hours to 2 DAA and then declined.

Subsequent ring hydroxylation of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) (ortho to the carboxyl group) led to the formation of the other major soil degradate, 6-OH acibenzolar acid (SYN546642). 6-OH Acibenzolar acid (SYN546642) first appeared at 1 or 2 DAA for 18 Acres, Collombey and Gartenacker soils, and at 14 DAA for Gardner soil. Levels of 6-OH acibenzolar acid (SYN546642) increased to a maximum of 40%AR at 92 DAA in the Gartenacker soil then declined to 24%AR at 125 DAA. For the Collombey soil 6-OH acibenzolar acid (SYN546642) was still increasing at 125 DAA. A slight decrease in %AR was observed for 18 Acres and Gardner soils from their maximum %AR when the collection time was extended to 189 DAA.

In addition, a discrete unknown metabolite was also observed in 18 Acres and Gardner soils, which did not exceed 2% of applied activity.

Mineralisation was significant. Carbon dioxide was a major degradation product in all soils, reaching a maximum 55, 62, 50 and 46% AR by the end of the incubation for 18 Acres, Gardner, Collombey and Gartenacker soils, respectively.

Unextracted residues (bound residues) increased slowly, reaching a maximum of 34, 34, and 27%AR at 58 DAA and 22%AR at 92 DAA, for 18 Acres, Gardner, Gartenacker and Collombey soils, respectively and thereafter remained at these levels or declined slightly. Organic matter fractionation (OMF) was conducted on bound residues > 10%AR for selected soils samples. Fractionation demonstrated ¹⁴C was associated with predominantly the humin fraction and to a lesser extent with the humic and fulvic acid fractions.

Name	18 Acres	Gardner	Collombey	Gartenacker
Particle size (% w/w):				
Clay (< 2 μm)	13	15	3	11
Silt (50–2 µm)	32	15	40	55
Sand (2000–50 µm)	55	70	57	34
Texture (USDA)	Sandy Loam	Sandy Loam	Sandy Loam	Silt Loam
pH (water) 1:1 (soil to water weight	6.5	7.6	7.6	7.6
ratio)				
pH (water) 1:2.5 (soil to water	6.5	7.6	7.7	7.6
weight ratio)				
pH (0.01 M CaCl ₂) 1:1	6.1	7.3	7.4	7.3
pH (0.01 M CaCl ₂) 1:2.5	6.1	7.3	7.4	7.4
Organic matter ^a (%)	4.1	4.4	5.4	3.4
Organic carbon ^a (%)	2.4	2.6	3.1	2.0
CEC (meq/100 g soil)	15.8	17.4	10.8	8.6
Moisture at pF2.0 (0.1 bar, w/w %)	26.6	35.6	27.1	41.4

Table 22 Properties of soils used in the aerobic degradation study of Miner (2012 10086)

Name	18 Acres	Gardner	Collombey	Gartenacker					
Particle size (% w/w):									
Moisture at pF2.5 (0.33 bar, w/w %)	21.1	21.5	24.9	27.0					
Microbial Biomass by Fumigant Method (mg carbon/100 g soil)									
Prior to Initial	NA	NA	NA	25.64					
Initial (start of study)	42.82	13.89	32.04	26.01					
Final (end of study)	39.95	14.01	31.28	23.31					

NA = not applicable

CEC = cation exchange capacity

AEC = anion exchange capacity.

^a Organic carbon (OC) % = organic matter (OM) %/1.724.

The total recoveries and distribution of radioactivity from each soil are shown in detail in Figure 7.

Acibenzolar-S-methyl was rapidly degraded in all four soils, with no parent present in any soil after 7 days. In all soils, hydrolysis of the parent ester was the predominant route of degradation yielding acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) (the primary degradate). Acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) was further oxidized to a hydroxylated phenyl product, 6-OH acibenzolar acid (SYN546642), which was also a significant degradate in all soils (Figure 7). In all soils, mineralization was a major route of degradation; CO_2 accounted for 46–62%AR, while OMF of bound residues demonstrated up to 18%AR associated with the humin fraction, and up to 7 and 11%AR with humic and fulvic acid fractions, respectively.

18 Acres sandy loam















Figure 7 Temporal evolution of ¹⁴C residues in four soils

The degradation rate (DT₅₀) of the parent was determined using non-linear regression and a single first order kinetic model. SFO kinetics describes the degradation of acibenzolar-S-methyl well with a Chi-square (χ^2) value less than 14 in all cases and r² values were > 0.86. The results are presented in Table 23.

Soil		Calculated Kinet	ic Values (SFO)	for Parent wi	th Associate	d Statistics	
	Number of data	DT ₅₀ (days)	DT ₉₀ (days)	K	χ^2	r ²	Prob > t
	points used						
	(Sampling						
	Interval Range						
	DAA)						
18 Acres	6 (0–1 days)	0.19	0.63	0.46	2.65	0.863	0.4814
Gardner	8 (0–2 days)	0.38	1.3	0.45	7.68	0.981	0.00022
Collombey	8 (0–2 days)	0.19	0.64	0.47	13.65	0.976	0.0025
Gartenacker	6 (0–1 days)	0.073	0.24	0.20	8.58	0.986	0.0017

Table 23 DT₅₀ and DT₉₀ values for acibenzolar-S-methyl in various soils (Miner 2012 10086)

Note: Values from harsh extracts were excluded in parent half-life calculations.

SFO: single first order kinetics (non-linear method) calculated using CAKE version 1.3 (Release) running on R version 2.12.2 (25/02/2011).

DT₅₀: Calculated degradation half-life of parent.

K: rate constant.

 χ^2 : chi-square statistical value.

r²: linear regression coefficient.

Prob > t: statistical probability value related to a statistical t-test.

The SFO (non-linear) half-life range for acibenzolar-S-methyl was approximately 0.1-0.4 days.

Rate of aerobic degradation in soil

Kind (2011 10062) presented the kinetic evaluation of the degradation rate of acibenzolar-S-methyl and its metabolites in aerobic laboratory studies with twelve soils; the data from Miner (2012 10086) were refit by Mackenzie (2012 10099). Kinetic models were applied in a stepwise approach as proposed by FOCUS (2006). Model fits were evaluated with χ^2 -tests and a visual assessment. The estimation of model parameters was evaluated by a *t*-test (FOCUS, 2006). Some soil incubations were conducted at reference conditions of 20 °C, moisture at pF2. All other trials were normalised to these reference conditions.

The analysis resulted in an estimated DT_{50} for acidenzolar-S-methyl of 0.131 days (geometric mean, n = 8, maximum: 0.441 days). An overview of the results is given in Table 24 below.

Table 24	4 DT ₅₀	and	DT ₉₀	values	obtained	by	modelling	of the	e aerobic	degradation	of	acibenzolar	:-S-
methyl i	n soil						_			-			

Soil	Kinetics showing best fit	χ^2	DT ₅₀ (days)	DT ₉₀ (days)	Normalisation factor (fmoist × ftemp)	Normalised DT ₅₀ (days)	Normalised DT ₉₀ (days)	Reference
Loam (Les	SFO	8.52	0.190	0.631	0.818 × 1 ª	0.155	0.516	Kind 2011
Loamy sand (Collombey)	SFO	1.58	0.204	0.679	0.768 × 1 ª	0.157	0.521	Kind 2011
Sand (Speyer 2.1)	SFO	0.56	0.516	1.72	0.855 × 1 ª	0.441	1.471	Kind 2011
Sandy loam (Weide)	SFO	0.8	0.368	1.22	0.673 × 1 ª	0.248	0.821	Kind 2011
Silty loam (Gartenacker 1)	SFO	1.08	0.263	0.874	0.699 × 1 ª	0.184	0.611	Kind 2011
Silty loam (Gartenacker 2)	SFO	2.97	0.544	1.81	0.431 × 1 ª	0.234	0.780	Kind 2011
Silty loam (Gartenacker 3)	SFO	5.11	0.981	3.26	0.699 × 0.388	0.266	0.883	Kind 2011
Silty loam (Gartenacker 4)	SFO	3.93	0.260	0.862	0.699 × 1 ª	0.182	0.603	Kind 2011
Silty loam (Gartenacker)	SFO	1.49	0.031	0.102	b	0.031	0.102	McKenzie 2012
Geon	netric mean (Gartena	cker $n = 5$)			0.145	0.482	
Sandy loam (18 Acres)	SFO	0.31	0.037	0.122	b	0.037	0.122	McKenzie 2012
Sandy loam (Gardner)	SFO	5.92	0.109	0.361	b	0.109	0.361	McKenzie 2012
Sandy loam (Collombey)	SFO	6.23	0.057	0.189	b	0.057	0.189	McKenzie 2012
Ov	erall geome	tric mean	n(n=8)			0.131	0.436	

 $^{\rm a}$ Studies were conducted at 20 $^{\circ}{\rm C}$

^b Studies were conducted at 20 °C and moisture pF2

The degradate acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) was found in all studies and trials enabling an estimation of soil DT_{50} to be undertaken. The analysis resulted in a DT_{50} for acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) of 19.0 days (geometric mean, n = 8, maximum: 90.6 days). An overview of the results is given in Table 25 below.

Soil	Kinetics showing	χ^2	DT ₅₀ (davs)	DT ₉₀ (days)	Normalisation factor	Normalised DT ₅₀ (days)	Normalised DT ₉₀ (days)	Reference
	best fit		(,,,,,,,,,,,,	(,,	(fmoist × ftemp)	2-30(, ,	2 - 90 (5)	
Loam (Les Evouettes)	SFO	7.01	20.6	68.5	0.818 × 1 ª	16.9	56.0	Kind 2011
Loamy sand (Collombey)	SFO	8.94	20.3	67.3	0.768×1^{a}	15.6	51.7	Kind 2011
Sand (Speyer 2.1)	SFO	1.69	106	353	0.855 × 1 ª	90.6	302	Kind 2011
Sandy loam (Weide)	SFO	4.24	19.5	64.8	0.673 × 1 ^a	13.1	43.6	Kind 2011
Silty loam (Gartenacker 1)	SFO	7.34	24.1	80.2	0.699 × 1 ^a	16.8	56.1	Kind 2011
Silty loam (Gartenacker 2)	SFO	9.46	108	359	0.431 × 1 ª	46.5	155	Kind 2011
Silty loam (Gartenacker 3)	SFO	7.57	76.3	253	0.699 × 0.388	20.7	68.5	Kind 2011
Silty loam (Gartenacker 4)	SFO	11.7	12.1	40.2	0.699 × 1 ^a	8.46	28.1	Kind 2011
Silty loam (Gartenacker)	SFO	6.78	9.43	31.3	b	9.43	31.3	McKenzie 2012
Geon	netric mean ((Gartenac	ker, $n = 5$)			16.7	55.4	
Sandy loam (18 Acres)	SFO	4.15	4.09	13.6	b	4.09	13.6	McKenzie 2012
Sandy loam (Gardner)	SFO	6.11	27.2	90.5	b	27.2	90.5	McKenzie 2012
Sandy loam (Collombey)	SFO	7.84	29.0	96.3	b	29.0	96.3	McKenzie 2012
	Over	all geome	etric mean (1	n = 8)		19.0	63.2	

Table 25 DT_{50} and DT_{90} values obtained by modelling of the aerobic degradation of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) in soil

^a Studies were conducted at 20 °C

^b Studies were conducted at 20 °C and moisture pF2

The degradate 6-OH acibenzolar acid (SYN546642) was only identified in one study (McKenzie 2012). An acceptable fit could not be determined in one of the soils, nevertheless all the results are presented in Table 26 below.

Table 26 DT_{50} and DT_{90} values obtained by modelling of the aerobic degradation of 6-OH acibenzolar acid (SYN546642) in soil

Soil	Kinetics showing best fit	χ²	DT ₅₀ (days)	DT ₉₀ (days)	Normalisation factor (fmoist × ftemp)	Normalised DT ₅₀ (days)	Normalised DT ₉₀ (days)	Reference
Sandy loam (18 Acres)	SFO	17.4	259	862	b	259	862	McKenzie 2012
Sandy loam (Gardner)	SFO ^a	13.0	1000	> 1000	b	1000	> 1000	McKenzie 2012
Sandy loam (Collombey)	SFO	13.1	378	> 1000	b	378	> 1000	McKenzie 2012
Silty loam l (Gartenacker)	SFO	17.9	130	431	b	130	431	McKenzie 2012

 $^{\rm a}$ Fit visually and statistically not acceptable, conservative DT_{50} of 1000 days assumed

^b Studies were conducted at 20 °C and moisture pF2

The rate and route of degradation of acibenzolar-S-methyl was also studied in three soils from Brazil (Brandelli 1999 10028). The test substance, $[^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied to the soils at a concentration of 0.45 kg ai/ha. The temperature was 20 °C and the soils held at 40% of the maximum water-holding capacity (MWHC).

The recovered radioactivity ranged from 86.2 to 100.1%AR of the applied dose for the three soils, Typic hapludox, Cumulic humaquept and Rhodic hapludox, respectively. After 120 days incubation, the evolution of ¹⁴CO₂ reached 31.8%AR in Typic hapludox, 26.4%AR in Cumulic humaquept and 29.3%AR in Rhodic hapludox soils. No other volatile components were found.

Over the 120 days incubation, the extracted radioactivity decreased steadily from 89.7 to 18.5%AR, 86.8 to 29.5%AR and 89.6 to 18.2%AR in Typic hapludox, Cumulic humaquept and Rhodic. hapludox soils, respectively.

The unextracted radioactivity increased up to 56 DAA in Typic hapludox soil, reaching 47.3%AR, and decreased thereafter to 38.6%AR at 120 DAA. In Cumulic humaquept soil, the unextracted radioactivity increased over the 120-day study duration, reaching 41.9%AR by 120 DAA. In Rhodic hapludox soil, the unextracted radioactivity increased up to 70 DAA, reaching 54.7%AR, and decreased thereafter to 43.7%AR after 120 days.

The decrease in concentration of parent acibenzolar-S-methyl over time was fitted to a first-order kinetic model. The calculated first-order parameters for acibenzolar-S-methyl in these soils are presented in Table 27 below.

Table 27 DT_{50} and DT_{90} values obtained by modelling of acibenzolar-S-methyl degradation in three Brazilian soils

Soil	Calculated kinetic values (SFO) for acibenzolar-S-methyl						
	DT ₅₀ (days)	DT ₉₀ (days)	K				
Typic hapludox	2.1	7.0	0.326349				
Cumulic humaquept	1.7	5.6	0.411892				
Rhodic hapludox	1.6	5.2	0.439401				

K: rate constant.

Aqueous hydrolysis

Adam (1994 0050) studied the hydrolytic stability of $[^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-S-methyl at 24, 50 and 75 °C for 30 days in dark, sterile, aqueous buffered solutions at pH 1, 5, 7, 9 and 13. The rate of hydrolysis increased with temperature and, with exception of pH 1, also with pH (Table 28). At pH 5, parent acibenzolar-S-methyl exhibited the greatest stability against hydrolysis. The only hydrolysis product observed at all pH conditions was acibenzolar acid (CGA210007), which itself was stable against further hydrolysis.

pH	Temperature (°C)							
	20 ^a	24	50	75				
1	58 days	45 days	19 days	7 days				
5	3.8 years	> 99 days	44 days	6 days				
7	162 days	76 days	44 hours	4 hours				
9	19 hours	10 hours	47 minutes	6 minutes				
13	< 5 min	< 5 min	ND	ND				

Table 28 Half-lives of hydrolysis for acibenzolar-S-methyl

^a Calculated based on Arrhenius parameters

Acibenzolar-S-methyl undergoes rapid hydrolysis under basic conditions (pH 9 and 13) at moderate temperatures (ca. 20-24 °C).

Soil photolysis

A laboratory study on the photolysis or photodegradation of acibenzolar-S-methyl in <u>soil</u> was conducted (Adam 1995 0226). The photolysis of $[^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-S-methyl in wet and dry soil under light and dark test conditions was studied.

Light was shown to enhance the slow degradation of acibenzolar-S-methyl on dry soil. Light may also significantly enhance degradation of the main product (acibenzolar acid CGA210007) which is rapidly formed on wet soil. Under the conditions employed, bound residues were found to be the main final degradation products.

 $[^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-S-methyl (> 96% purity) was applied in acetonitrile to 2 mm thick soil layers (silt loam from Les Evouettes: 54.3% silt, 31.8% sand, 13.9% clay, 2.1% OC, pH 7.3, 58.3% FC) at 75% FC (wet soil, 22.2 ppm) or air dried for 1 week (dry soil, 19.8 ppm). Soil layers were kept in the dark or exposed to Xenon arc lamp (Hanau Suntest unit) for 30 days, with intermittent dark/light periods of 12 hours each (spectral cut-off at 290 nm; 35 W/m² at 300–400 nm and soil layer level), at 24 °C. Volatiles were trapped in ethylene glycol, sulphuric acid and NaOH. Duplicate samples of wet soil were removed at 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 168, 360 and 720 hours after treatment and single samples of dry soil at 0, 2, 4, 168, 360 and 720 hours after treatment. Samples were extracted with acetone/water (80:20, v/v) and extracts were analysed by TLC and HPLC. Bound residues were determined by combustion.

The results obtained were related to days Florida summer sunlight equivalents (FSSE), i.e., summer sunlight at latitude 30°N and additionally to summer sunlight at latitude 40°N.

In wet soil, acibenzolar-S-methyl was rapidly hydrolysed in both dark and light conditions to acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) which was more rapidly degraded in the light with bound residues also greater in the irradiated samples (up to 61%AR) (Table 29). In dry soil in the dark, acibenzolar-S-methyl was slowly hydrolysed (80% remaining after 30 days) to acibenzolar acid (CGA210007). Degradation was enhanced in light (46.8% remaining after 30 days), where only small amounts of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) (4.7%) were detected and considerable bound residues were formed (up to 20.2%).

Condi	tion	% of applied radioactivity (mean of 2 replicates for wet soil)									
HA	Т	Light					Dark				
		Recovere	Acibenzolar-	CGA210007	Bound	CO_2	Recovered	Acibenzolar-	CGA210007	Bound	CO ₂
		d	S-methyl					S-methyl			
Wet	0	103.5	92.2	9.5	1.9	1	90.5	66.6	22.1	1.8	-
	4	92.4	11.5	68.6	12.4	-	99.2	10.2	85.4	3.6	-
	720	75.4	_	4.4	61.0	3.6	92.6	-	55.2	32.8	2.0
Dry	0	97.4	96.3	-	1.1	-	97.4	96.3	-	1.1	-
	4	93.5	76.4	5.1	12.0	-	95.5	85.2	7.3	2.9	-
	720	72.8	46.8	4.7	20.2	1.1	98.1	80.0	10.4	7.8	—

Table 29 Photodegradation of acibenzolar-S-methyl in wet and dry soil

N.B. three unknown photoproducts were detected, each ${<}\,4\%$

HAT = Hours after treatment

Light may enhance the slow degradation of acibenzolar-S-methyl on dry soil. It may also significantly enhance degradation of its main degradate (CGA210007) which is rapidly formed in wet soil.

Confined rotational crop studies

A confined rotational crop study was conducted on a clay soil (6.6% sand, 35.7% silt, 57.7% clay; pH 6.6; 3.0% organic matter; 42.2 meq/100 g CEC) treated with $[^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-S-methyl at 50 g ai/ha

(Walser 1995b 0148). Radish (var Rex), lettuce (var Lattuga Iceberg), winter wheat (var Sardona) and corn (var Deca 250) were sown into the soil at 30, 113, 141 and 337 days after the soil application (DAA). The treated boxes were maintained in a screened enclosure. Lettuce was sampled at 50% maturity and at full maturity (61 and 82 days), radish was sampled at 180 days, wheat samples were taken at 180, 370 and 414 DAA and corn was sampled at 50% and full maturity (404 and 498 DAA).

The uptake of radioactivity in rotational crops following soil application of $[^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-S-methyl was very low for lettuce, winter wheat, corn and radish: all residue levels in the crops were found to be equal or below 0.001 mg equiv/kg. No attempts were made to extract plant samples because of the negligible residues.

In the four rotational crop plots a decrease of the radioactivity levels in the 0–5 cm soil layer was noticed from lettuce planting time (30 DAA) to corn harvest (498 DAA), namely from 0.040 mg equiv/kg to 0.014 mg equiv/kg. Unextracted radioactivity in soil samples for the same time intervals varied from 0.035 mg equiv/kg (86.4% TRR) to 0.013 mg equiv/kg (90.9% TRR). The ¹⁴C-levels in the underlying soil layers at harvest of corn were low, ranging from 0.008 mg equiv/kg for the 5–10 cm soil layer to 0.006 mg equiv/kg for the 10–20 cm soil layer and 0.004 mg equiv/kg for the 20–30 cm layer.

Kennedy (1998, 0481) conducted a confined rotational crop study on a sandy loam soil (60% sand, 29% silt, 11% clay; pH 7.7; 0.7% organic matter; 6.9 meq/100 g CEC) treated with [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl at 421 g ai/ha. Radish (var Cherry Belle), winter wheat (var Yecora Rojo) and mustard (var Florida Broadleaf) were sown into the soil at 30, 60 and 210 days after the soil application (DAA). The treated boxes were maintained in a screened enclosure.

TRR in crops planted 30 days after bare soil treatment were low, ranging from 0.013 to 0.107 mg equiv/kg. TRRs in crops planted 60 days after bare soil treatment were similar ranging from 0.013 to 0.157 mg equiv/kg. TRRs in crops planted 210 days after bare soil treatment were lower, ranging from 0.004 to 0.026 mg equiv/kg.

Soil samples taken post application contained radioactivity levels of 0.171, 0.203 and 0.092 mg equiv/kg for the containers used for plantings at 30, 60 and 210 days after application, respectively. Soil residues generally decreased over the duration of the study, with corresponding soil TRR values of 0.109, 0.079 and 0.080 mg equiv/kg at the time of planting and 0.031, 0.044 and 0.133 mg equiv/kg at the time of cereal harvest.

Extracted residues in all harvested crops ranged from 9.6% TRR (mature wheat grain, 60 days PBI) to 82.2% TRR (25% maturity wheat forage, 210 days PBI). After conventional extraction, selected samples were treated with cellulase plus NaOH to investigate conjugation. Metabolites in these extracts were identified by co-chromatography with known reference compounds. The results showed that the metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl in rotated crops was similar for all crop types and proceeded by hydrolysis of the S-methyl ester leading to formation of the major metabolite, acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) which existed as polar conjugates that could be cleaved by treatment with cellulase plus NaOH. Subsequent hydroxylation of the phenyl ring gave metabolites 5-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA324041) and 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060). Comparison with primary metabolism studies shows that the pathway in rotational crops is consistent with that in primary crops.

The characterisation of extracted soil samples showed that the major degradate observed at the 30, 60 and 210 day PBI planting occasion was acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) with minor amounts of acibenzolar-S-methyl and 6-OH acibenzolar acid (SYN546642) (Table 30). At the cereal harvest interval for the 30, 60 and 210 day PBI containers, the extracted soil samples showed that the major degradates were acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) and 6-OH acibenzolar acid (SYN546642). The major soil metabolite 6-OH acibenzolar acid (SYN546642) was not found in any of the crop samples which indicates that it is not taken up by rotational crops.

Metabolite fraction	Mustard	Radish	Radish	25%	50%	Mature	Mature
	leaves	leaves	roots	mature	mature	wheat	wheat grain
				wheat	wheat	straw	
30 day PBI							
TRR (mg equiv/kg)	0.027	0.021	0.013	0.107	0.044	0.059	0.029
			%TRR				•
A-1	28.3	17.4	32.1	9.6	10.2	9.5	5.8
A-2				8.6	11.2	12.0	3.4
В	5.7	1.3	3.4	3.8			
С	4.5	5.2	2.4	13.8	10.5	5.9	1.4
CGA324041/CGA323060	2.3	7.0	2.1	7.9	8.7	4.3	3.3
Е	2.2		0.9	4.1	4.4	8.9	1.8
F	—	-	_	4.7	4.0	_	1.5
CGA210007	4.8	1.3	1.7	6.8	3.5	1.7	1.6
Н	_	-	_	_	-	_	-
Ι	_	1.4	_	_	-	_	8.2
J	_	_	—	—	-	-	
acibenzolar-S-methyl	0.3	0.4	1.9	1.0	3.1	2.9	3.5
Unresolved	2.4	4.8	1.9	1.0	3.1	2.9	3.5
60 day PBI							
TRR (mg equiv/kg)	0.040	0.028	0.013	0.157	0.051	0.083	0.032
			%TRR		_	_	_
A-1	20.2	10.7	28.7	9.5	21.5	5.1	2.9
A-2	12.0	9.5	4.6	7.0	_	6.0	2.3
В	—	1.9		3.9	2.7	12.9	
С	7.6	8.0	2.3	14.8	11.5	7.0	0.7
CGA324041/CGA323060	-		4.2	15.9	10.2	3.9	0.8
E	3.3		1.7	1.4	_	3.1	0.4
F	—	_	_	5.6	3.5	_	-
CGA210007	4.0	1.2	1.9	10.5	2.9	1.5	0.4
Н	1.3	0.9	0.9	—	_	_	-
Ι	2.3	2.8	2.6	-	_	_	0.5
J	_	_	-	_	1.0	_	
acibenzolar-S-methyl	0.3	0.7	0.2	0.1	0.2	1.5	1.0
Unresolved	4.8	6.2	2.7	7.4	2.1	1.5	1.0
210 day PBI							
TRR (mg equiv/kg)	0.013	0.007	0.004	0.026	0.021	0.021	0.008
			%TRR				
A-1	54.1			18.2	30.3	8.1	
A-2				16.3		5.2	
В	1.9				2.4	7.1	
С	3.4			6.1	12.3	3.7	
CGA324041/CGA323060	5.3			14.3	11.6	2.0	
Е	1.7			7.1	9.6	3.6	
F	_			5.8	4.4	_	
CGA210007	3.1			6.7	5.7	2.2	
Н	_			_	_	0.6	
1	_			_	_	_	
J					_	_	
acibenzolar-S-methyl	0.1			0.3	0.3	0.2	
Unresolved	3.3			5.6	2.9	3.5	

Table 30 Characterisation and identification of ${}^{14}C$ in rotational crops following application of $[{}^{14}C]$ acibenzolar-S-methyl to soil.

The results show that the metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl in rotated crops was similar for all crop types and proceeded by hydrolysis of the S-methyl ester to give the major metabolite acibenzolar acid (CGA210007). Subsequent hydroxylation of the phenyl ring gave metabolites 5-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA324041) and 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060). Comparison with primary crop metabolism studies shows that the pathway in rotational crops is consistent with that in primary

crops. The major soil metabolite 6-OH acibenzolar acid (SYN546642) was not found in any of the crop samples.

Environmental fate summary

Acibenzolar-S-methyl is rapidly degraded in soil under aerobic conditions with half-lives ranging from 0.03 to 0.44 days. Two major degradates that exceeded 10% of applied radioactivity and were identified, acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) and 6-OH acibenzolar acid (SYN546642). Acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) reached maximum proportions of 92–95% of applied radioactivity at one to two days after application, thereafter declining with an average half-life of 19 days (range 4.1–90.6 days). 6-OH Acibenzolar acid (SYN546642) increased as a proportion of the applied radioactivity with time reaching a maximum of 22–39% at 14 to 125 days after application.

Acibenzolar-S-methyl is stable in sterile aqueous solutions at pH 5 and 7 but rapidly hydrolysed to acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) at pH 9 and above. Once formed acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) is stable to hydrolysis.

Only very low levels of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues are taken up by plants from soil following applications to soil. A confined rotational crop study conducted with radish, lettuce, wheat and corn where soil was treated at 50 g ai/ha with planting at various intervals after application resulted in TRRs that were ≤ 0.001 mg equiv/kg at harvest 180 to 498 days after application. Residues are not anticipated in follow crops. An additional study where acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied to soil at an exaggerated rate (412 g ai/ha) enabled the degradation and metabolism in follow crops to be examined. The degradation/metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl was similar for the crop studied (radish, wheat and mustard) and proceeded by hydrolysis of the S-methyl ester to give the major metabolite acibenzolar acid (CGA210007). Subsequent hydroxylation of the phenyl ring gave metabolites 5-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA324041) and 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060). The major soil metabolite 6-OH acibenzolar acid (SYN546642) was not found in any of the crop samples.

METHODS OF RESIDUE ANALYSIS

Analytical methods

The Meeting received descriptions and validation data for analytical methods for residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl and metabolites in animal and plant matrices. The methods are suitable for analysis of acibenzolar-S-methyl and metabolites in plant and animal matrices.

Principle of the method

Most of the methods developed to quantify residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl, acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) and metabolites hydrolysable to acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) in plant and animal commodities. These analytes are quantified in acibenzolar-S-methyl equivalents. The methods all involve homogenisation and base hydrolysis (1 N NaOH, typically 60–65 °C) followed by extraction of the hydrolysed samples with an organic/aqueous solvent mixture, typically CH₃OH. The main differences between methods involve clean-up conditions, instrumentation for quantification (HPLC-UV, HPLC-ECD, LC-MS/MS), and scale. In addition to the methods summarized for quantification of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in crops, a method is described for the determination of 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA303060) in lettuce and spinach. Acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) were used as reference materials for fortification and method validation.

Residue analytical method REM172.02 (Formica 1993 0038) and modifications: Residue Analytical Method REM172.11 (Formica 1995a 0175, 1996a 0297, Walser 1998a 0550); Residue Analytical Method AG-671/AG-671A (Hayworth 1998a 0464, 1998b 0486, Hughes 1998 0485, Grunenwald 1998 78570)

In summary, crop samples are homogenised in water and hydrolysed with 1 N NaOH at 60 °C to convert acibenzolar-S-methyl and conjugates of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) to acibenzolar acid. After cooling, samples are extracted with methanol and CaCl₂. The sample solution is filtered and

subjected to clean-up/partition with water, saturated NaCl solution and 1 N HCl. The analyte is further extracted (2×) with a mixture of hexane and *tert*-butyl methyl ether (solvent mixture A; 7:3 v/v). The organic phase is then filtered and subjected to additional clean-up partitioning (2×) with 1 N NaOH, phosphoric acid (85%) and solvent mixture A. The combined organic phases are reduced to dryness and subjected to final clean-up by silica cartridge prior to final determination by HPLC (column 1: anion exchange; column 2: C_{18} , 5 µm particle size) coupled with UV detection (235 nm). A calibration curve is constructed using solutions containing acibenzolar acid (CGA210007). For calculation of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) residues as acibenzolar-S-methyl equivalents a molecular weight conversion factor of 1.17 is used.

Recovery and repeatability data for the determination of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in crops are presented in Table 31. The average recoveries values for acibenzolar-S-methyl ranged from 75 to 107%. The validated LOQ was 0.02 mg/kg for cereal grain and 0.05 mg/kg for cereal plant, cereal straw and tobacco leaves. The %RSD for acibenzolar-S-methyl at different fortification levels in different matrices ranged from 3.3–17.5%. No interfering peaks were detected in the samples analysed. The linearity of the detector response covered a working range of 0.2 to 4 ng acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) (injected) for cereals and 0.002 to 0.16 μ g/mL (n = 4; r² > 0.99) for tobacco leaves.

Matrix	Fortification level	Average recovery	Range of	%RSD	Number of
	(mg/kg)	(%)	recoveries (%)		recoveries (n)
REM172.02					
Wheat grain	0.02	95	90–98	3.7	5
	0.04	91	86–98	5.1	5
	0.2	88	84–94	4.1	5
Wheat plant	0.05	92	75–107	17.5	3
	0.1	91	80–97	10.2	3
	0.5	94	90–98	4.3	3
Wheat straw	0.05	89	78–98	8.2	5
	0.1	84	76–93	7.8	5
	0.5	85	80–93	6.7	5
Barley grain	0.02	97	97–97	0.0	2
	0.04	93	92–93	0.8	2
	0.2	90	89–91	1.6	2
Barley plant	0.05	100	100	-	1
	0.5	93	93	-	1
Barley straw	0.05	95	95	-	1
-	0.1	91	91	-	1
	0.5	90	90	_	1
Tobacco leaves	0.05	89	80–94	8.8	3
(untreated, dried)	0.1	98	95-101	3.3	3
	0.15	87	87	-	1
	0.75	80	80	-	1
REM172.11					
Banana peel	0.02	85	78–96	11.1	3
-	0.2	92	89–94	2.7	3
Banana pulp	0.02	91	76–98	8.1	8
	0.2	94	82-102	7.6	8
Tomato	0.02	99	92-102	5.9	3
	0.2	89	88-89	0.7	3
Cucumber	0.02	99	96-104	4.7	3
	0.2	91	90–93	1.7	3
Mango	0.02	84	81–92	5.9	5
_	0.2	87	78–95	7.6	5
AG-671/AG-671A					
Tobacco leaves	0.02	82	70–106	17.3	5
(green leaf)	0.10	81	74–92	12.2	3

Table 31 Recovery data obtained during validation of REM172 and AG-671, fortification was with acibenzolar-S-methyl (REM172.02 Formica 1993 0038, Enriquez 1998 0461; REM172.11 Formica 1996a 0297, Walser 1998a 0550)
Matrix	Fortification level	Average recovery	Range of	%RSD	Number of
	(mg/kg)	(%)	recoveries (%)		recoveries (n)
	0.20	87	87	-	1
	0.5	84	76–91	8.8	4
	1.0	86	86	-	1
	1.5	90	89–91	-	2
	3.0	90	90	-	1
Tobacco leaves	0.02	101	93–108	-	2
(dried leaf)	0.5	85	85	-	1
	2.0	89	89	_	1
	4.0	76	76	-	1
	5.0	78	78	-	1
	20	86	86	-	1
Lettuce	0.02	94	84–117	14.3	13
(open leaf or head)	0.1	90	81–93	4.7	8
	0.2	81	81	_	1
	0.5	92	91–93	1.0	4
	1.0	97	97	_	1
	1.5	84	84	-	1
Spinach	0.02	85	73–99	10.3	8
	0.1	92	84–95	5.7	4
	0.5	100	100-100	_	2
	1.5	91	91	-	1
Celery	0.02	88	72–98	13.4	9
	0.1	91	82–95	5.3	6
	0.5	97	97–97	_	2
Tomato	0.02	91	81–96	5.5	4
	0.1	94	94	_	1
	0.2	80	71-87	10.2	3
	0.5	87	73–99	15.1	3
	1.0	88	83–97	6.9	4
Pepper	0.02	96	83-118	16.6	6
(sweet or chilli)	0.2	91	79–97	8.0	6
	1.0	84	80–95	6.8	6

The reproducibility of the method REM172.11 was confirmed by means of an independent laboratory validation (ILV). The ILV was conducted at two separate laboratories by two different analysts and the associated recovery and repeatability data obtained by ILV are presented in Table 32. No interfering peaks were detected in the samples analysed. The linearity of the detector response covered a working range of 0.004 to 0.08 μ g/mL (equivalent to 0.2 to 20 ng CGA210007 injected; linear curve).

Table 32 Recovery data obtained during ILV validation of REM172.11 (Formica 1995a 0175, Walser 1998a 0550) fortification with acibenzolar-S-methyl

Matrix	Fortification level	Individual	Range of	Mean recovery	RSD (%)
	(mg/kg)	recoveries (%)	recoveries (%)	(%)	
Banana peel	0.02	102, 114, 109	102–114	108	5.6
	0.2	98, 98, 101	98-101	99	1.7
Banana pulp	0.02	89, 86, 94	86–94	90	4.5
	0.2	96, 92, 92	92–96	93	2.5
Tomato	0.02	112, 95, 95	95-112	101	9.7
	0.2	72, 96, 88	72–96	85	14.3
Cucumber	0.02	95, 102, 83	83-102	93	10.3
	0.2	91, 95, 93	91–95	93	2.2
Mango	0.02	99, 76, 85, 85, 85	85-99	86	9.6
	0.2	96, 67, 91, 97, 87	67–97	88	13.9

The reproducibility of method AG-671 was also confirmed by means of an independent laboratory validation (ILV) (Hughes 1998 0485). The associated recovery and repeatability data

obtained by ILV are presented in Table 33. No interfering peaks were detected in the samples analysed. The linearity of the HPLC-UV detector was tested using standard solutions. Standards of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) at seven different concentrations over a range 0.35 to 25 ng injected were analysed and the response plotted against amount. Straight lines were obtained with a typical r^2 of > 0.999 obtained for acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) (common moiety target of AG-671).

Table 33 Recovery data obtained during ILV validation of AG-671-fotification with acibenzolar-S-methyl

Matrix	Fortification level	Recovery (%)		RSD (%)	Number of
	(mg/kg)	Mean	Range		recoveries (n)
Tobacco (dried leaf)	0.02	94.8	88.6-101	9.3	2
Second attempt data	5.0	78.0	77.6–78.4	0.7	2
Spinach	0.02	93.5	92.5–94.5	1.5	2
First attempt data	1.0	82.9	80.6-85.2	3.9	2
Tomato paste ^a	0.02	91.1	87.6–94.5	5.4	2
Second attempt data	2.0	76.0	69.2-82.7	12.6	2

^a Tomato paste was used in place of tomato RAC

Residue Analytical Method GRM051.01A (Gemrot 2011a 10056) and Residue Analytical Method GRM051.01B (amendment to GRM051.01A, Gemrot 2011b 10043, Class & Bacher 2012 10098)

Residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl (and any metabolites hydrolysable to acibenzolar acid (CGA210007)) are hydrolysed to produce the common moiety acibenzolar acid (CGA210007). Samples are hydrolysed in NaOH (0.1 M) at 65–70 °C, except for tobacco, where a higher temperature is used (97 °C). The hydrolysed samples are extracted by shaking with methanol, and an aliquot of the filtered extract mixed with NaOH (0.01 M) for SPE clean-up. After purification on an OASIS MAX cartridge, the column eluates are evaporated to remove the solvents and then diluted with formic acid (0.2%). Final determination is by HPLC with triple-quadrupole mass-spectrometric detection (LC-MS/MS).

Residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) are determined as acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) and calculated as acibenzolar-S-methyl equivalents (conversion factor: 1.17).

The LC-MS/MS method monitors two separate ion transitions for the purposes of analyte quantification (m/z $181 \rightarrow 97$) and confirmation (m/z $181 \rightarrow 65$). Recovery and repeatability data for the determination of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in crops are presented in Table 34. Average recoveries ranged from 79 to 103%. The LOQ was 0.01 mg/kg for all crops investigated. The %RSDs ranged from 0.5 to 13.

Table 34 Recovery of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in crops using method GRM051.01—fortification with acibenzolar-S-methyl

Matrix	Fortification level	Average	Range recoveries	%RSD	Number of
	(mg/kg)	Recovery (%)	(%)		recoveries (n)
Quantification m/z 181 \rightarrow 97					
Tobacco leaves (dried)	0.01	103	90-110	8	5
	10	83	78–86	4	5
	Overall	93	78–110	13	10
Tomato	0.01	83	75–89	6	5
	1	101	91-104	5	5
	Overall	92	75–104	11	10
Apple	0.01	85	83-88	2	5
	0.5	92	92–94	1	5
	Overall	89	83–94	5	10
Banana peel	0.01	87	84–93	4	5
	0.1	98	97–100	1	5
	Overall	93	84–100	7	10

Matrix	Fortification level	Average	Range recoveries	%RSD	Number of
	(mg/kg)	Recovery (%)	(%)		recoveries (n)
Quantification m/z 181 $\rightarrow 97$					
Banana pulp	0.01	97	94_98	2	5
Dununu puip	0.01	103	98–106	3	5
	Overall	100	94-106	4	10
Hazelnut	0.01	93	89-99	5	5
	0.10	100	98–103	2	5
	Overall	97	89–103	5	10
Spinach	0.01	79	77-81	2	5
1	0.5	91	89–93	2	5
	Overall	85	77–93	8	10
Peach	0.01	86	83-91	4	5
	0.5	92	91–92	0.5	5
	Overall	89	83-92	4	10
Confirmation m/z 181 $\rightarrow 65$					
Tobacco leaves (dried)	0.01	85	76-100	13	5
· · · · ·	10	85	79–93	6	5
	Overall	85	76-100	10	10
Tomato	0.01	85	82-87	2	5
	1	100	93–104	4	5
	Overall	93	82-104	10	10
Apple	0.01	89	86–91	3	5
	0.5	93	91–94	1	5
	Overall	91	86–94	3	10
Banana peel	0.01	92	90–95	2	5
	0.1	99	97–101	2	5
	Overall	95	90-101	4	10
Banana pulp	0.01	98	96-100	2	5
	0.1	102	98-104	2	5
	Overall	100	96-104	3	10
Hazelnut	0.01	95	89–99	4	5
	0.10	101	99–103	2	5
	Overall	98	89–103	4	10
Spinach	0.01	81	77–83	3	5
	0.5	91	88–93	2	5
	Overall	86	77–93	7	10
Peach	0.01	86	83-90	3	5
	0.5	82	90–93	1	5
	Overall	89	83–93	4	10

The reproducibility of the method GRM051.01was confirmed by means of an independent laboratory validation (ILV). The associated recovery and repeatability data obtained by ILV are presented in Table 35 (Class & Bacher 2012 10098).

No significant interferences (> 30% LOQ) arising from the matrices, labware, reagents or solvents have been observed at the retention time of interest for CGA210007, except in hazelnuts [ILV data only] where an apparent residue was observed in the control sample at approximately 0.004 mg/kg, but only in the secondary LC-MS/MS transition. Because the primary transition was unaffected by any interference, the specificity of the method is considered acceptable.

The linearity of the LC-MS/MS detector was tested using standard solutions and matrix matched standard solutions. Linearity was tested in both solvent mixtures used and for both MS/MS transitions. Standards at five different concentrations (1.0 to 30 ng/mL) were injected and the response plotted against concentration. Straight lines with r^2 of >0.999 were obtained for acibenzolar-S-methyl.

Matrix	Fortification level	Number of	Mean recovery	RSD (%)	Recovery range (%)
	(mg/kg)	recoveries (n)	(%)		
Quantification m/z					
$181 \rightarrow 97$					
Spinach	0.01	5	100	12	86-120
	0.5	5	96	4	92-103
	Overall	10	98	9	86-120
Hazelnut	0.01	5	92	9	81-102
	0.1	5	86	11	75–97
	Overall	10	89	10	75-102
Tobacco leaves	0.01	5	89	10	76–98
(dried)	10	5	76	7	70-83
	Overall	10	82	12	70–98
Confirmation m/z					
$181 \rightarrow 65$					
Spinach	0.01	5	101	13	88-121
	0.5	5	95	5	90-102
	Overall	10	98	10	88-121
Hazelnut ^a	0.01	5	101	14	88-122
	0.1	5	80	9	72-88
	Overall	10	90	17	72–122
Tobacco leaves	0.01	5	88	9	80–98
(dried)	10	5	78	5	74–83
	Overall	10	83	10	74–98

Table 35 Recovery of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in crops—ILV validation data for method GRM051.01—fortification with acibenzolar-S-methyl

^a After correction for apparent residue in control (0.0037 mg/kg)

Residue Analytical Method KB items 30588 and 30589 (Anonymous 2012a 10325, 2012b 10326, 2012c 10327)

This method is particularly designed for determination of residues in kiwi fruits and kiwi fruit leaves. The method is based on GRM051.01A. Quantification of residues is by use of an internal standard (fluroxypyr).

Residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl (and any metabolites hydrolysable to acibenzolar acid (CGA210007)) are hydrolysed to produce the common moiety acibenzolar acid (CGA210007). A sample aliquot is weighed into an extraction tube. After addition of fluroxypyr at a known concentration, water and 1 N NaOH are added to the sample and hydrolysis performed in a heating block at 70 ± 5 °C for 30 minutes. The hydrolysed sample is extracted by shaking with methanol. An aliquot of the centrifuged extract is neutralized by addition of 2 N HCl and sodium chloride and an aqueous sodium chloride solution (30%) are added. Liquid-liquid partition is performed once into ethyl acetate. The organic phase is separated and reduced to dryness by a gentle stream of nitrogen. The residue is re-dissolved in CH₃CN/H₂O (50:50 v/v) and the sample is transferred to a 20 mg Hybrid / 50 mg C₁₈ dSPE tube. Ammonia (0.2%) is added, the tube is centrifuged and residues determined by LC-MS/MS. The LC-MS/MS method monitors two separate ion transitions for the purposes of analyte quantification: acibenzolar acid (CGA210007): Transition for quantification: m/z = 179 \rightarrow 107, transition for confirmation: m/z = 179 \rightarrow 135. Fluroxypyr: Transition for quantification: m/z = 255 \rightarrow 197.

Recovery and repeatability data for the determination of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in crops are presented in Table 36.

The average recoveries for kiwi fruit were 103-105% for the fortification level of 0.02 and 0.2 mg/kg. The LOQ was 0.02 mg/kg. The %RSDs of acibenzolar-S-methyl recoveries for kiwi fruit 13 and 20 respectively. No significant interferences (> 30% LOQ) arising from the matrices, labware, reagents or solvents have been observed at the retention time of interest for CGA210007. The linearity of the LC-MS/MS detector response was demonstrated using standard solutions of

CGA210007 in control matrix at seven concentration levels in the range of 0.1-0.1 ng/mL. A regression with a quadratic fit with 1/x weighting is used for calibration.

Table 36 Recovery of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in kiwifruit—Analyte quantification (m/z = 179 \rightarrow 57), Method KB

Matrix	Analyte	Fortification level (mg/kg)	Number of recoveries (n)	Recovery (%)	RSD (%)
Vissifasit	Acibenzolar-S-methyl	0.02	9 9	103 105	13 20
Kiwiiruit	Fluroxypyr (internal	0.02	9	98	16
	standard)	0.2	9	98	15

Residue Analytical Method GRM051.05A (Lin 2011 50229, Willard 2012a 50026, 2012b

50017)

This method is particularly designed for determination of residues in citrus and processed fractions of citrus, cucumber, cabbage, spinach, tomato and onion bulb. The method is a modification of GRM051.01A and GRM051.01B.

Crop samples

Residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl (and any metabolites hydrolysable to acibenzolar acid (CGA210007)) are hydrolysed to produce the common moiety acibenzolar acid (CGA210007). Samples are adjusted to volume with water considering the natural moisture of the crop. Hydrolysis was performed with NaOH (1 N) at 65–70 °C. The hydrolysed samples are extracted by shaking with methanol. An aliquot of the centrifuged extract is neutralized by addition of 0.4 N HCl and the organic solvent is evaporated.

Crop oil samples

A sample aliquot is transferred into a separating funnel and diluted with hexane. Liquid-liquid partition is performed three times using a mixture of 0.1 N NaOH/CH₃CN (50:50, v/v). The aqueous phases are combined and adjusted to volume. After evaporation of the organic solvent from a sample aliquot, residues are hydrolysed at 65–70 °C. The cooled extract is neutralized by addition of 0.4 N HCl.

SPE clean-up

After purification on an OASIS HLB cartridge, the column eluates are adjusted to volume with aqueous acetic acid (0.4%). Final determination is performed by LC-MS/MS. Residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl and CGA210007 are determined as stated for GRM051.01A. The LC-MS/MS method monitors two separate ion transitions in negative mode for the purposes of analyte quantification (m/z = $179 \rightarrow 57$) and confirmation (m/z = $179 \rightarrow 107$).

Recovery and repeatability data for the determination of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in crops are presented in Table 37 for the primary transition only. The mean recoveries for orange whole fruit and processed fractions, cucumber, cabbage, spinach, tomato and onion bulb were in the acceptable range of 70–120% for the fortification level of 0.01 mg/kg and 70–110% for the fortification level of 1.0 mg/kg. The RSDs of acibenzolar-S-methyl recoveries for orange whole fruit and processed fractions, cucumber, cabbage, spinach, tomato and onion bulb were all below 20% for fortification level of 0.01 mg/kg and 10% for the fortification level of 1.0 mg/kg. The LOQ was 0.01 mg/kg for all matrices. No significant interferences (> 30% LOQ) arising from the matrices, labware, reagents or solvents have been observed at the retention time of interest for acibenzolar acid (CGA210007). The linearity of the LC-MS/MS detector response was demonstrated using standard solutions of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) in 0.4% acetic acid/CH₃CN (70:30, v/v) at seven concentration levels in the range of 0.05–20 ng/mL. A linear regression with a least square fit (1/x weighting) was used and a correlation coefficient of r = 0.9999 was obtained.

Matrix	Fortification level (mg/kg)	Number of	Recovery	(%)	RSD (%)
		recoveries (n)	Range	Mean	
Orange (whole fruit)	0.01	3	87.4-89.3	88.4	1.1
	1.0	3	99.6-101	101	0.83
	Overall	6	87.4-101	94.5	7.1
Orange (dried pulp)	0.01	3	75.5-87.4	81.7	7.3
	1.0	3	88.6-94.6	90.8	3.7
	Overall	6	75.5–94.6	86.2	7.7
Orange (juice)	0.01	3	99.1-109	103	5.6
	1.0	3	94.6-99.3	96.3	2.7
	Overall	6	94.6-109	99.4	5.2
Orange (oil)	0.01	3	80.0-83.4	82.1	2.3
	1.0	3	76.9-87.8	83.4	6.9
	Overall	6	76.9-87.8	82.7	4.7
Cucumber (fruit)	0.01	3	87.0-93.7	91.4	4.2
	1.0	3	93.8–99.5	96.2	3.1
	Overall	6	87.0-99.5	93.8	4.3
Cabbage (head)	0.01	3	91.5-101	97.1	5.2
	1.0	3	91.3-97.7	95.5	3.8
	Overall	6	91.3-101	96.3	4.2
Spinach (leaves)	0.01	3	89.1-93.7	91.3	2.5
	1.0	3	96.6-98.2	97.2	0.9
	Overall	6	89.1-98.2	94.3	3.8
Tomato (fruit)	0.01	3	95.7-104	99.1	4.8
	1.0	3	92.6-107	99.7	7.1
	Overall	6	92.6-107	99.4	5.4
Onion (dry bulb)	0.01	3	84.0-96.8	92.3	7.8
	1.0	3	80.9-97.1	91.5	10
	Overall	6	80.9-97.1	91.9	8.1

Table 37 Recovery of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in crop and processed fractions for method GRM051.05—Analyte quantification (m/z = $179 \rightarrow 57$) Fortification with acibenzolar-S-methyl

Residue Analytical Method POPIT MET.003.Rev01 (Roncato et al. 2003 10305)

The principle of analytical method POPIT MET.003.Rev01 is based on analytical method REM172.11. This method is particularly designed for determination of total residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl and all metabolites that can be converted to acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) in tomato fruit and potato tubers.

An aliquot of the pre-homogenized sample is mixed with 2 N NaOH and heated at 55–60 °C for 30 minutes. After cooling to room temperature, $CaCl_2$ and methanol are added. The suspension is shaken for 30 minutes. After centrifugation, an aliquot of the clear extract is diluted with water and saturated NaCl and acidified by addition of 1 N HCl. Liquid-liquid partition is performed twice into hexane/methyl-t-butyl ether (7:3). The combined organic phases were partitioned into 1 N NaOH. The alkaline aqueous phase is acidified with phosphoric acid and partitioned three times into hexane/methyl-t-butyl ether (7:3). The combined organic phases are evaporated to dryness by a gentle stream of air. Residues are re-dissolved with sulphuric acid in *n*-propanol (2 mol/L) and the sample is derivatised by heating to approximately 85 °C for 30 minutes. After addition of water and internal standard solution (acibenzolar-acid-methyl ester), the determination of residues was performed by GC-ECD.

Recovery and repeatability data for the determination of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in crops are presented in Table 38. The mean recoveries for tomato and potato were in the acceptable range of 70–120% for the fortification level of 0.1 mg/kg and 70–110% for the fortification level of 1.0 mg/kg. The RSDs of acibenzolar-S-methyl recoveries for tomato and potato were all \leq 20% for fortification level of 0.1 mg/kg and \leq 10% for the fortification level of 1.0 mg/kg. The LOQ was 0.1 mg/kg for tomato and potato. No significant interferences (> 30% LOQ) arising from the matrices, labware, reagents or solvents have been observed at the retention time of interest for acibenzolar-acid

n-propyl ester. The linearity of the GC-ECD response was demonstrated using standard solutions of acibenzolar-acid *n*-propyl ester at six concentration levels in the range of 0.01 to 0.32 μ g/mL. A potential regression was used with correlation coefficients (r) in the range of 0.9956 to 0.9991.

Table 38 Recovery of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in tomato and potato using method POPIT MET.003

Matrix	Fortification	Number of recoveries (n)	Recovery (%)		RSD (%)
	level		Range Mean		
	(mg/kg)		C C		
Tomato (fruit)	0.1	72, 70, 92, 85, 87, 98, 74, 88,	70–98	82	11
		74, 83			
	1.0	87, 105, 100, 86	86-105	95	10
Potato (tuber)	0.1	77, 99, 93, 94, 90, 103, 99	77–103	94	9.1
	1.0	80, 76, 80, 87	76-87	81	5.7

Residue Analytical Method POPIT MET.081.Rev11 (Maslowski et al. 2010 10303)

This method is particularly designed for determination of acibenzolar-S-methyl and all metabolites that can be converted to acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) in melons, beans, cotton, soya beans, lemons, citrus (fruit and juice), wheat, coffee, papaya (pulp and whole fruit), corn and rice with a LOQ of 0.01 mg/kg.

An aliquot of the pre-homogenized sample is mixed with water and 1 N NaOH and the sample is shaken for 10 minutes on a mechanical shaker. Afterwards, hydrolysis is performed by heating to approximately 60–70 °C for 30 minutes. After cooling to room temperature, methanol is added and the sample is shaken for 30 minutes. After centrifugation, an aliquot of the clear extract is diluted with water and saturated NaCl solution.

Lemon only—The sample is extracted with toluene and hexane and the organic phases are discarded.

<u>All matrices</u>—1 N HCl is added and residues are liquid-liquid partitioned three to four times into toluene. The combined organic phases are reduced to dryness by a gentle stream of air. Residues are re-dissolved in CH_3CN/H_2O (50:50) and filtered. Final determination is performed by LC-MS/MS.

The LC-MS/MS method monitors two separate ion transitions in negative mode for the purposes of analyte quantification in rice (m/z = $179 \rightarrow 57$, m/z = $179 \rightarrow 107$ confirmation)) and one ion transition in melons, beans, cotton, soya beans, lemons, citrus (fruit and juice), wheat, coffee, papaya (pulp and whole fruit) and corn (m/z = $179 \rightarrow 107$).

Recovery and repeatability data for the determination of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in crops are presented in Table 39. The mean recoveries for acibenzolar-S-methyl from melons, beans, cotton, soya beans, lemons, citrus (fruit and juice), wheat, coffee, papaya (pulp and whole fruit), corn and rice were in the acceptable range of 70–120%. Recovery efficiencies of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) were generally lower but still in the acceptable ranges except for citrus juice, coffee beans, lemon fruit, soya beans, beans and melons where the mean recoveries on fortification at 0.01 mg/kg were less than 70%. Acceptable recoveries for acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) were also not achieved for lemons fortified at 0.1 mg/kg. Generally, the accuracy of the method has been demonstrated. The RSDs of acibenzolar recoveries for acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) in melons, beans, cotton, soya beans, lemons, citrus (fruit and juice), wheat, coffee, papaya (pulp and whole fruit), corn and rice were all \leq 30% for fortification level of 0.01 mg/kg and \leq 20% for the fortification level of 0.1 mg/kg. The LOQ was 0.01 mg/kg for acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) in cotton, wheat, papaya (pulp and whole fruit), corn and rice and 0.1 mg/kg for beans, citrus fruit and juice, coffee, melon, soya beans. Acceptable recoveries were not obtained for lemon fruit.

No significant interferences (> 30% LOQ) arising from the matrices, labware, reagents or solvents have been observed at the retention time of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007). The linearity of

the LC-MS/MS detector response was demonstrated using standard solutions of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) in CH_3CN/H_2O (50:50, v/v) at six concentration levels in the range of 0.05–1.7 ng/mL. For quantification, a linear regression with a least square fit was used, with correlation coefficients (r) in the range of 0.9980 to 0.9999.

Table 39 Recovery of residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) in various crops for method POPIT MET.081

Matrix	Analyte	Fortification level	Number of	Recovery	y (%)	RSD (%)
	2	(mg/kg)	recoveries (n)	Range	Mean	
		0.01	10	94–120	105	6.6
Melon (whole	Acibenzolar-S-methyl	0.1	6	99–104	102	1.8
		1.0	5	74–84	79	4.5
fruit)		0.01	8	61–74	66	7.2
	CGA210007	0.1	6	70-84	78	6.8
		1.0	5	68–78	72	6.0
		0.01	8	102-110	106	2.5
	Acibenzolar-S-methyl	0.1	6	101-107	105	3.0
	, j	1.0	6	82-86	84	1.8
Beans (beans)		0.01	7	62-67	64	3.2
	CGA210007	0.1	5	86-100	93	6.0
		1.0	6	72–90	81	7.3
		0.01	8	104-108	106	1.7
	Acibenzolar-S-methyl	0.1	6	99–105	102	2.0
	, j	1.0	6	83–96	89	5.2
Cottonseed		0.01	7	77–90	85	5.3
	CGA210007	0.1	6	77–90	85	6.1
		1.0	6	84-97	88	5.2
		0.01	8	70–92	78	9.2
	Acibenzolar-S-methyl	0.1	6	79-82	80	1.5
Sova bean	j -	1.0	6	77-87	81	5.1
(beans)		0.01	8	45-56	50	7.0
(ocuns)	CGA210007	0.1	6	68-80	73	5.8
		1.0	6	70-77	75	3.0
		0.01	8	83-109	98	10
Lemon (whole	Acibenzolar-S-methyl	0.1	6	72–107	87	15
fruit)		0.01	8	45-56	50	7.4
	CGA210007	0.1	6	55-61	58	3.4
		0.01	7	100-119	108	7.1
	Acibenzolar-S-methyl	0.1	6	91–119	107	8.8
Citrus (whole		2.0	6	79–90	85	5.0
fruit)		0.01	7	59-85	73	12
	CGA210007	0.1	6	67-87	79	11
	0.011210000	2.0	6	73–105	87	15
		0.01	9	78–100	91	10
	Acibenzolar-S-methyl	0.1	6	91–106	99	5.7
Wheat (grain)		0.01	7	62-83	72	9.1
	CGA210007	0.1	6	90-109	99	7.4
		0.01	8	75–90	82	7.5
	Acibenzolar-S-methyl	0.1	6	70–98	83	15
Coffee (beans)		0.01	8	46-70	60	14
	CGA210007	0.1	6	66-84	72	10
		0.01	8	90-100	95	3.6
	Acibenzolar-S-methyl	0.1	6	69-87	80	8.0
Citrus (juice)	~~~~	0.01	8	55-65	60	5.8
	CGA210007	0.1	6	66–77	71	5.7
		0.01	8	76–90	83	4.7
	Acibenzolar-S-methyl	0.1	6	85-96	90	4.4
Papaya (pulp)		0.01	7	73-88	78	7.0
	CGA210007	0.1	5	73-80	76	3.6
Papaya (whole		0.01	8	76–89	84	5.4
fruit)	Acibenzolar-S-methyl	0.1	6	80-87	84	3.3

Matrix	Analyte	Fortification level	Number of	Recovery	y (%)	RSD (%)
		(mg/kg)	recoveries (n)	Range	Mean	
	66 1210007	0.01	8	64–76	70	5.8
	CGA210007	0.1	5	70–77	74	3.7
	A sile and solar S mother	0.01	8	84–95	90	4.2
Com (main)	Acibenzolar-S-methyl	0.1	6	85–90	88	2.4
Corn (grain)	CGA210007	0.01	8	64-88	78	10
		0.1	6	72–88	82	6.8
		0.01	8	79–92	84	4.9
	Acibenzolar-S-methyl	0.1	6	86–93	89	2.8
Diag (amain)		0.2	6	87-101	93	5.7
Rice (grain)		0.01	8	60-81	72	12
	CGA210007	0.1	6	76–95	84	8.9
		0.2	6	86–95	90	4.4

Extractability of residues—radiovalidation

Validation of the extractability and accountability of analytical method REM172.02 for tobacco leaves and wheat, of REM172.11 for tomatoes and AG-671 for tobacco, lettuce and tomato treated with [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl was performed. The methods employ 1 N NaOH at 60 °C for the hydrolysis step and methanol for the extraction. These results are presented in Tables 40.

There was generally good agreement between the results from the metabolism study (sum of acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) free and conjugated) with the results from the different analytical methods.

Table 40 Radiovalidation data for [¹⁴C]-acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in tobacco leaves and wheat— REM172.02 (Formica 1995b 0154 1995c 0155) and tomato—REM172.11 (Formica 1996a 0297) and for tobacco, head lettuce and tomato AG671/AG-671A (Hayworth 1998b 0486)

	TRR (mg	Residue extracted	Residue	Measured	Metabolism	Accountability
Matrix	equiv/kg)	(mg equiv/kg)	extracted	residue	study (mg/kg)	(%)
			(%TRR)	(mg/kg)		
REM172.02						
Tobacco leaves	1.39	1.27	91	0.92	1.05 ^b	88
(lower leaves,		1.24	89	0.88		84
uncured)						
Tobacco leaves	11.6	10.6	91	7.45	7.68 °	97
(lower leaves,		10.8	93	7.70		100
cured)						
Wheat grain ^a	0.014	0.011	75	—	0.003 ^d	-
		0.010	72	—		-
Wheat straw	0.33	0.18	56	0.12	0.16 ^e	75
		0.18	56	0.12		75
Wheat husks	0.23	0.14	58	0.093	0.11 ^f	85
		0.13	57	0.081		74
REM172.11						
Tomato	0.20 ⁱ	0.184	90	0.136	0.13 ^h	105
		0.183	90	0.143		110
AG-671/AG-671A						
Tobacco	1.39	1.50	108	1.09	1.05 ^b	104
(lower leaves,	1.39	1.54	111	1.04		100
uncured)	1.39	1.48	106	1.05		100
Head lettuce	0.96	0.86	90	0.33	0.4 ^g	83
(with wrapper	0.96	0.85	88	0.30		75
leaves)	0.96	0.78	82	0.27		68
Tomato	0.31	0.29	92	0.18	0.2 ^h	90
	0.31	0.32	103	0.21		104
	0.31	0.32	102	0.22		111

Measured residue = sum of acibenzolar-S-methyl and free and conjugated acibenzolar acid using the analytical method

^a The accountability was not performed for wheat grain as the expected residue is below the LOQ

^b Tobacco, sum of acibenzolar-S-methyl, CGA210007 free and conjugated was 75.6% TRR

^c Tobacco cured, sum of acibenzolar-S-methyl, CGA210007 free and conjugated was 66.2% TRR

^d Wheat grain, sum of acibenzolar-S-methyl, CGA210007 free and conjugated was 24.2% TRR

 $^{\rm e}$ Wheat straw, sum of acibenzolar-S-methyl, CGA210007 free and conjugated was 49.3% TRR

 $^{\rm f}$ Wheat husks, sum of acibenzolar-S-methyl, CGA210007 free and conjugated was 49.8% TRR

^gHead lettuce, sum of acibenzolar-S-methyl, CGA210007 free and conjugated was 41.6% TRR

^h Tomato, sum of acibenzolar-S-methyl, CGA210007 free and conjugated was 65.1 % TRR

ⁱ Different aliquot and analysis of sample in tomato metabolism report with TRR 0.31 mg equiv/kg.

Procedural recoveries for method REM172.02 were 77% for uncured and 83% for cured tobacco leaves fortified at 1 mg/kg and 98 and 80% for wheat straw fortified at 0.05 and 0.5 mg/kg respectively. Procedural recoveries for REM172.11 were 93 and 90% for tomatoes fortified at 0.02 and 0.2 mg/kg respectively.

Residue Analytical Method REM172.14 (Walser 1999a 0609, 1999b 0572)

Analytical method REM172.14 has been developed for the determination of 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060) (metabolite of acibenzolar-S-methyl) residues in lettuce and spinach.

Homogenised crop samples are extracted with a mixture of $CH_3CN/H_2O/0.1$ M HCl (80:19:1 v/v) for 1 hour at room temperature and filtered to remove plant material. An aliquot of the filtered extract is reduced under pressure, redissolved in acetate buffer (pH 4.65) and treated with cellulase to cleave conjugates of 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060). After cellulase cleavage, 1 N HCl is added and the extract is applied to the SPE cartridge (RP ₁₈) for clean-up prior to final determination by HPLC (column 1: Spherisorb 80-5 SAX, 5 µm particle size; column 2: Nucleosil 100-5, C₁₈, 5 µm particle size) coupled with UV detection (252 nm).

Recovery and repeatability data for the determination of 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060) residues in crops are presented in Table 41. Recoveries ranged from 75–107%. The LOQ was 0.02 mg/kg for both lettuce and spinach. The individual relative standard deviations (RSDs) were below 20%.

Matrix	Fortification	Individual	Range of	Mean recovery	RSD (%)
	level (mg/kg)	recoveries (%)	recoveries (%)	(%)	
Lettuce	0.02	93, 104, 107, 104,	86-107	99	9.0
		86			
	0.2	96, 99, 101, 90, 99	90-101	97	4.4
Spinach	0.02	75, 79, 75, 75, 79	75–79	77	2.8
	0.2	83, 83, 81, 85, 86	81-86	84	2.3

Table 41 Recovery data obtained for 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060) residues in crops during validation of REM172.14 (Walser 1999a 0609)

The reproducibility of the method was confirmed by means of an independent laboratory validation (ILV). The ILV was conducted at two separate laboratories by two different analysts and the associated recovery and repeatability data obtained by ILV are presented in Table 42.

Table 42 Recovery of 4-OH acibenzolar acid (CGA323060) residues in crops using method REM172.14—ILV validation data (Walser 1999b 0572)

Matrix	Fortification	Individual	Range of	Mean recovery	RSD (%)
	level (mg/kg)	recoveries (%)	recoveries (%)	(%)	
Lettuce (heads)	0.02	93, 91, 105, 108,	91-111	102	8.9
		111			
	0.2	100, 98, 100, 102,	94-102	99	3.1
		94			
Spinach	0.02	83, 71, 62, 63, 73	62-83	70	12.2
	0.2	74, 69, 76, 72, 69	69–76	72	4.3

Acibenzolar-S-methyl

No interfering peaks were detected in the samples analysed. The linearity of the detector response covered a working range of 0.008 to 0.08 μ g/mL (equivalent to 1.6 to 16 ng CGA323060 injected; linear curve).

Residues in food and feedstuffs of animal origin

Residue Analytical Method REM172.11—Milk (Formica 1995a 0175)

Analytical method REM172.11 has been developed for the determination of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in milk.

Milk samples are hydrolysed with 1 N NaOH at 60 °C to convert acibenzolar-S-methyl to acibenzolar acid (CGA210007). After cooling, samples are extracted with methanol and CaCl₂. The sample solution is filtered and subjected to acid clean-up/partition with water, saturated NaCl solution and 1 N HCl. The analyte is extracted (twice) with a mixture of hexane and *tert*-butyl methyl ether (7:3 v/v) prior to final determination by HPLC (column 1: anion exchange; column 2: C_{18} reversed phase) coupled with UV detection (235 nm). For calculation of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) residues as acibenzolar-S-methyl equivalents a molecular weight conversion factor of 1.17 is used.

Recovery and repeatability data for the determination of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in milk are presented in Table 43. Average recovery values were 85 and 95% for the two fortification levels studied while the %RSD were 0.6 and 6.1. The LOQ was 0.005 mg/L for milk. No interfering peaks were detected in the samples analysed. The linearity of the detector response covered a working range of 0.004 to 0.08 μ g/mL (equivalent to 0.2 to 4 ng CGA210007 injected; linear curve).

Table 43 Recovery of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in milk using method REM172.11—Primary validation data. Fortification with acibenzolar-S-methyl

Matrix	Fortification level	Individual	Range of	Mean Recovery	RSD (%)
	(mg/L)	recoveries (%)	recoveries (%)	(%)	
Milk	0.005	91, 82, 82	82–91	85	6.1
	0.05	96, 95, 95	95–96	95	0.6

The reproducibility of the method was confirmed by means of an independent laboratory validation (ILV). The ILV was conducted at two separate laboratories by two different analysts and the associated recovery and repeatability data obtained by ILV are presented in Table 44.

Table 44 Recovery of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in milk using method REM172.11—ILV validation data. Fortification with acibenzolar-S-methyl (Formica 1995a 0175)

Matrix	Fortification	Individual recoveries	Range of	Mean Recovery	RSD (%)
	level (mg/L)	(%)	recoveries (%)	(%)	
Milk	0.005	103, 95, 94, 95, 95, 95	94–103	96	3.5
	0.05	97, 93, 95, 98, 92, 92	92–98	95	2.7

Residue Analytical Method REM172.12–Tissues and eggs (Formica 1995d 0199, Walser 1998c 0466)

Analytical method REM172.12 has been developed for the determination of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in tissues and eggs.

Meat, liver, kidney and eggs

Samples are hydrolysed at 60 °C with 2 N NaOH solution in the case of egg samples or methanolic 2 N NaOH for meat, liver and kidney samples to convert acibenzolar-S-methyl to acibenzolar acid (CGA210007). Saturated NaCl solution, HCl (32%) and a mixture of *n*-hexane and *tert*-butyl methyl ether (solvent mixture A; 7:3 v/v) are added and the extract is shaken prior to separation by centrifugation. The extract solution is then subjected to sequential clean-up by alkaline/acid partition using 1 N NaOH, solvent mixture A and phosphoric acid (85%) prior to final determination by HPLC (column 1: Nucleosil SB, 5 µm particle size; column 2: C_{18} , 5 µm particle size) coupled with UV

detection (235 nm). For calculation of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) residues as acibenzolar-Smethyl equivalents, a molecular weight conversion factor of 1.17 is used.

Fat

Samples are extracted with a mixture of *n*-hexane/CH₃CN (60:40 v/v) and the CH₃CN phase is filtered through glass wool. The *n*-hexane phase is extracted (twice) with CH₃CN and the CH₃CN extracts are combined and reduced to dryness. The residue is redissolved in methanol and hydrolysed with 2 N NaOH at 60 °C to convert acibenzolar-S-methyl to CGA 210007. Saturated NaCl solution, HCl (32%) and a mixture of *n*-hexane and *tert*-butyl methyl ether (solvent mixture A; 7:3 v/v) are added and the extract is shaken for 25 minutes and reduced to dryness prior to final determination by HPLC (column 1: Nucleosil SB, 5 μ m particle size; column 2: C₁₈, 5 μ m particle size) coupled with UV detection (235 nm). For calculation of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) residues as acibenzolar-S-methyl equivalents, a molecular weight conversion factor of 1.17 is used.

Recovery and repeatability data for the determination of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in tissues are presented in Table 45. Mean recovery values were in the range of 70–110%. The individual relative standard deviations (RSDs) were below 20%. The validated LOQ was 0.02 mg/kg for meat, eggs, fat, liver and kidney. No interfering peaks were detected in the samples analysed. The linearity of the detector response covered a working range of 0.004 to 0.08 μ g/mL (equivalent to 0.2 to 6.4 ng CGA210007 injected). Straight lines were obtained with a typical r² value of 0.9998 were obtained for CGA210007 (common moiety target of REM172.12).

Matrix	Fortification level	Individual	Range of	Mean Recovery	RSD (%)
	(mg/kg)	recoveries (%)	recoveries (%)	(%)	
Meat	0.02	85, 87, 79, 77, 82,	77-87	82	4.4
		80, 85, 79			
	0.2	88, 84, 83, 85, 83,	83-88	85	1.9
		84, 85, 84			
Eggs	0.02	88, 90, 93	88–93	90	2.8
	0.2	82, 87, 87	82-87	85	3.4
Fat	0.02	62, 92, 67, 77, 82,	62-107	81	17.2
		82, 107, 82			
	0.2	100, 101, 104, 76,	76-104	93	9.5
		92, 92, 93, 88			
Liver	0.02	87, 102, 87, 87,	87-102	91	5.7
		87, 92, 93, 92			
	0.2	89, 90, 90, 89, 93,	88–93	90	1.6
		90, 90, 88			
Kidney	0.02	94, 75, 85, 86, 94,	75–94	89	7.6
		94, 94, 90			
	0.2	87, 85, 88, 85, 86,	84-88	86	1.7
		84, 88, 86			

Table 45 Recovery of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in tissues and eggs using method REM172.12— Primary validation data. Fortification with acibenzolar-S-methyl

The reproducibility of the method was confirmed by means of an independent laboratory validation (ILV). The ILV was conducted at two separate laboratories by two different analysts and the associated recovery and repeatability data obtained by ILV are presented in Table 46.

Table 46 Recovery of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in tissues and eggs using method REM172.12—ILV validation data. Fortification with acibenzolar-S-methyl

Matrix	Fortification	Individual	Range of	Mean Recovery	RSD (%)
	level (mg/kg)	recoveries (%)	recoveries (%)	(%)	
Meat	0.02	96, 94, 94	94–96	95	1.2
	0.2	80, 84, 85	80-85	83	3.2
Eggs	0.02	77, 95, 86	77–95	86	10.5
	0.2	89, 89, 89	89–89	89	0.0
Fat	0.02	80, 95, 95, 91, 91	80–95	90	6.8

Matrix	Fortification	Individual	Range of	Mean Recovery	RSD (%)
	level (mg/kg)	recoveries (%)	recoveries (%)	(%)	
Liver	0.02	88, 102, 102, 93, 84	84-102	94	8.7
Kidney	0.02	76, 96, 77, 80, 93	76–96	84	11.1

Applicability of multi-residue methods

Methods have been reported in the scientific literature for the analysis of acibenzolar-S-methyl in food, including multi-residue screens (Banerjee *et al.* 2012, Christia *et al.* 2015, Eitzer *et al.* 2014, Fillâtre *et al.* 2010, González-Curbelo *et al.* 2014, Ishibashi *et al.* 2015, Kwon *et al.* 2011, Kwon *et al.* 2012, López *et al.* 2014, Okihashi *et al.* 2007, Pang *et al.* 2009, Pérez-Ortega *et al.* 2016, Pihlström *et al.* 2007). As these methods do not include a hydrolysis step, the analyte measured is parent compound.

The published DFG S19 multi-residue method was found to be not acceptable for the determination of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in crops as the parent compound did not chromatograph under the described gas chromatography conditions.

Moreover, methods for the determination of acibenzolar-S-methyl analysing per some residue definitions established by regulators must include acibenzolar acid (CGA210007), and therefore a hydrolysis step is required. Common multi-residue methods listed above do not allow the inclusion of a hydrolysis step and therefore are not applicable to the determination of acibenzolar-S-methyl in products of plant or animal origin.

Stability of residues in stored analytical samples

The freezer storage stability of acibenzolar-S-methyl in homogenised plant, animal tissues, milk and eggs samples fortified with acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) was studied.

Stability of residues in analytical sample extracts

Gemrot (2011b 10043) studied the stability of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) (expressed as acibenzolar-S-methyl equivalents) in final extracts stored between 0 and 9 °C for a range of crop matrices (dry tobacco leaves, tomatoes, apples, bananas (peel and pulp), hazelnuts, spinach and peaches) fortified at a nominal concentration of 0.01 mg/kg. After the initial analysis, samples were reanalysed after periods in storage (16 days for dry tobacco leaves, 8 days for peaches, 10 days for tomatoes, 14 days for hazelnuts and 9 days for apples, bananas (peel and pulp) and spinach). Samples were analysed per the validated analytical method GRM051.01A. Recovery results determined were generally like those obtained during the initial analyses. It is concluded that acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) is stable in sample extracts for periods of 8 to 16 days when stored at 0-9 °C.

Storage residues in stored plant products

Formica (1996b 0248) studied the freezer storage stability of acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) in wheat commodities. Samples of wheat grain were fortified separately with acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) at a concentration of 0.5 mg/kg and stored frozen at -18 °C. Samples were taken for analysis at intervals up to 24 months. Samples were analysed per the validated analytical method REM172.02.

No decrease in residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl or acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) were observed in wheat grain stored frozen for up to 24 months (2 years). The recoveries of acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) after frozen storage at -18 °C are summarized in Tables 47 and 48.

Table 47 Stability of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in wheat grain during frozen storage

Storage period (months)	Procedural recoveries (%)	Residues (mg/kg)	Mean % remaining ^a
0		0.45, 0.45, 0.43, 0.49	100

1	87, 88	0.43, 0.44	96
2	89, 95	0.44, 0.39	91
4	88, 91	0.47, 0.43	99
8	84, 83	0.44, 0.43	96
12	84, 87	0.41, 0.40	89
18	80, 80	0.36, 0.41	85
24	86, 88	0.38, 0.44	90

^a% remaining = $100 \times$ (Residue at storage period *x*)/(Residue at storage period 0)

Table 48 Stability of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) residues in wheat grain during frozen storage

Storage period (months)	Procedural recoveries	Residues (mg/kg)	Mean % remaining ^a
	(%)		
0		0.47, 0.46, 0.48, 0.45	100
1	87, 88	0.46, 0.48	101
2	89, 95	0.46, 0.46	99
4	88, 91	0.44, 0.49	100
8	84, 83	0.44, 0.49	100
12	84, 87	0.44, 0.46	97
18	80, 80	0.43, 0.42	91
24	86, 88	0.48, 0.43	98

N.B. Control and procedural recovery values are the same as those reported in Table 47.

^a% remaining = $100 \times$ (Residue at storage period *x*)/(Residue at storage period 0)

Walser (1999c 0569) studied the stability of acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) in homogenised banana samples stored frozen at -18 °C. Samples of whole banana fruits were fortified with acibenzolar-S-methyl at a concentration of 1.0 mg/kg and stored frozen at -18 °C. Samples were taken for analysis at intervals up to 24 months. Samples were analysed per the validated analytical method REM172.11.

No decrease in acibenzolar-S-methyl residues were observed in whole banana fruits stored frozen for up to 24 months (2 years). The recoveries of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues after frozen storage at -18 °C are summarized in Table 49.

Storage period	Procedural	Residue (mg/kg)	Mean % remaining ^a
(months)	recoveries (%)		
0		0.90, 0.87, 0.90, 0.86	100
1	90, 90	0.87, 0.82	96
2	88, 89	0.86, 0.90	99
4	90, 89	0.83, 0.90	98
8	93, 104	1.02, 0.90	109
24	106, 105	0.97, 0.90	106

Table 49 Stability of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in banana during frozen storage

^a % remaining = $100 \times$ (Residue at storage period *x*)/(Residue at storage period 0)

In a freezer storage stability study, Hayworth (1999a 0716) spiked samples of tobacco, lettuce, tomato, wheat, cabbage, squash and turnip as well as the processed commodity tomato paste. Samples were fortified separately with acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) at a concentration of 1.0 mg/kg and stored frozen at -18 °C. Samples were taken for analysis at regular intervals throughout the duration of frozen storage (ca. 20–23 months). Samples were analysed per the validated analytical method AG-671.

There was no observable decrease in residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl or acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) in all commodities stored frozen for at least 20 months. The recoveries of acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) residues after frozen storage at -18 °C are summarized in Tables 50 and 51.

Acibenzolar-S-methyl

Storage period (months)	Procedural recoveries (%)	Residue (mg/kg)	Mean % remaining ^a
Burley (green) tobacco	Tioecaular lecoveries (70)	Residue (ing/kg)	Weat / Fernanning
Burley (green) tobaceo	72 80	0.782 0.801	100
0	/2, 80 65, 77	0.783, 0.801	100
2.3	03, 77	0.098, 0.072	<u> </u>
8.0	82, 82	NK, 0.831	105
13.1	81,82	0.841, 0.834	106
22.9	92, 93	0.915, 0.897	114
Flue-cured tobacco			1
0	77, 64	0.797, 0.800	100
3.5	79, 73	0.741, 0.739	93
8.4	71, 72	0.785, 0.713	94
14.2	77, 81	0.753, 0.734	93
22.8	88, 88	0.747, 0.741	99
Leaf lettuce			
0	86, 90	0.859, 0.854, 0.865	100
2.5	88, 81	0.852, 0.892	91
8.6	81, 85	0.750, 0.814	78
13.8	89, 90	0.645, 0.689	112
21.8	89, 90	0.827. 1.104	92
Tomato fruit			,
0	84 85 86	0.847 0.899 0.913	100
2.2	01,80	0.025 0.895	103
<u> </u>	01.89	0.925, 0.895	103
0.5	91,88	0.941, 0.909	104
13.3	0/, 8/	0.794, 0.908	90
22.3	NR, 97	0.909, 0.918	103
Tomato paste			100
0	93, 86, 88	0.946, 0.972, 0.975	100
2.7	84, 93	0.869, 0.899	92
8.2	95, 85	0.706, 0.871	82
12.9	80, 82	0.808, 0.903	89
22.3	93, 107	0.918, 0.877	93
Wheat grain			
0	80, 79, 88	0.923, 0.765, NR	100
2.7	64, 67	0.700, 0.575	76
7.8	63, 58	0.604, 0.669	75
13.4	59, 86	0.795, 0.785	94
21.9	69, 86	0.620, NR	73
Wheat straw	,	,	1
0	78, 71, 84	0.856, 0.880, 0.733	100
27	77.80	0.827.0736	95
79	90.80	0.813.0.790	97
13.4	79.88	0.789.0.633	86
21.5	77,81	0.814 0.842	101
Cabbage	//, 81	0.014, 0.042	101
Cabbage	<u>92 91 90</u>	0 877 0 880 0 827	100
1.0	101.04	0.070 1.115	100
1.9	101, 90	0.970, 0.020	121
1.2	72, 71	0.8/9, 0.939	103
13.2	//, /0	0.720, 0.735	84
21.1	93,95	0.8/4, 0.916	104
Squash	<u> </u>		
0	80, 87, 87	0.862, 0.808, 0.797	100
2.0	101, 105	0.951, 1.025	120
6.3	77, 70	0.800, 0.726	93
13.4	68, 74	0.729, 0.585	80
20.3	95, 92	0.832, 0.844	102
Turnip roots			
0	84, 87, 90	0.886, 0.829, 0.823	100
2.0	102, 100	0.958, 0.953	113
7.1	92, 93	0.844, 0.932	105

Table 50 Stability of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in various commodities during frozen storage acibenzolar-S-methyl

Storage period (months)	Procedural recoveries (%)	Residue (mg/kg)	Mean % remaining ^a
12.6	68, 78	0.711, 0.689	83
20.4	93, 94	0.879, 0.860	103

NR = data not reported due to problems during sample purification

^a % remaining = $100 \times$ (Residue at storage period *x*)/(Residue at storage period 0)

Table 51 Stability of acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) residues in various commodities during frozen storage

Storage period (months)	Procedural recoveries (%)	Residue (mg/kg)	Mean % remaining ^a
Burley (green) tobacco			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
0	73, 71	0.654, 0.726	100
2.5	68, 61	0.696, 0.736	104
8.6	75, NR	0.691, 0.587	93
13.1	62, 85	0.782, 0.584	99
22.9	78, 88	0.927, 0.892	132
Flue-cured tobacco			•
0	68, 77	0.732, 0.749	100
3.7	83, 85	0.836, 0.816	112
9.0	70, 74	0.754, 0.839	108
14.3	67, 81	0.866, 0.540	95
22.8	81, 76	0.866, 0.764	110
Leaf lettuce			•
0	83, 85, 84	0.887, 0.896, 0.925	100
2.5	82, 87	0.865, 0.569	79
8.6	83, 82	0.799, 0.851	91
13.7	63, 69	0.613, 0.725	74
21.8	81, 87	0.845, 0.759	89
Tomato fruit			
0	82, 90, 93	0.881, 0.954, 0.875	100
2.2	92, 87	0.714, 0.872	88
8.3	84, 75	0.894, 0.879	98
12.9	70, 75	0.477, 0.570	58
22.3	83, 90	0.883, NR	98
Tomato paste			
0	78, 87, 86	0.850, 0.884, 0.875	100
2.5	97, 103	0.959, 0.955	110
8.2	91, 81	0.937, 0.881	105
12.9	69, 69	0.759, 0.705	84
22.3	89, 90	0.875, 0.901	102
Wheat grain			
0	64, 81, NR	0.739, 0.839, 0.718	100
2.7	67, 69	0.760, 0.707	96
7.8	72, 71	0.771, 0.751	99
13.2	78, 68	0.869, 0.792	109
22.2	NR 75	0.649, 0.730	90
Wheat straw		1	
0	94, 101, 113	0.982, 1.219, 0.990	100
2.7	74, 80	0.778, 0.960	82
7.9	80, 78	0.816, 0.721	72
13.3	82, 77	0.863, 0.868	81
21.5	86, 71	0.808, 0.798	75
Cabbage		1	
0	78, 89, 88	0.844, 0.894, 0.886	100
1.9	97, 99	0.960, 0.878	105
7.2	84, 88	0.901, 0.909	103
12.9	79, 82	0.845, 0.712	89
21.1	88, 86	0.855, 0.855	98
Squash	- <i>c</i> - <i>c c c c c c c c c c</i>		
0	76, 82, 86	0.651, 0.861, 0.881	100
2.0	102, 108	1.087, 1.054	134

Storage period (months)	Procedural recoveries (%)	Residue (mg/kg)	Mean % remaining ^a
6.3	69, 67	0.737, 0.718	91
13.3	63, 65	0.753, 0.648	88
20.4	85, 87	0.911, 0.931	115
Turnip roots			
0	77, 80, 82	0.856, 0.823, 0.876	100
2.0	90, 102	0.995, 0.940	114
7.1	86, 96	0.932, 0.972	112
12.6	83, 76	0.692, 0.699	82
20.4	88, 86	0.911, 0.898	106

NR = data not reported due to problems during sample purification

^a % remaining = $100 \times$ (Residue at storage period *x*)/(Residue at storage period 0)

Stability of residues in stored animal products

In a freezer storage stability study (Walser 1998d 0465), samples of bovine muscle, liver, kidney, fat, milk and blood were fortified with acibenzolar-S-methyl at a concentration of 0.2 mg/kg in tissues, 0.05 mg/kg in milk and 0.5 mg/kg in blood (Table 52). Samples were stored at -20 °C for a period of 4.5 months, which covered the sample storage time in the transfer study. Samples were analysed using several analytical methods: REM172.11 for milk, REM172.12 for tissues (meat, fat, liver and kidney) and REM172.13 for blood samples. The LOQ of the methods was 0.005 mg/kg for milk; 0.02 mg/kg for tissues and fat and 0.05 mg/L for blood.

Table 52 Stability of acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in various animal commodities during frozen storage

Substrate	Fortification level (mg/kg)	Storage period (days)	Residue (mg/kg)	Average % remaining ^a
Muscle	0.20	87	0.131, 0.151, 0.160, 0.137, 0.158	74
Liver	0.20	124	0.102, 0.104, 0.102, 0.0803, 0.122	51
Kidney	0.20	131	0.178, 0.133, 0.168, 0.141, 0.107	73
Fat	0.20	129	0.174, 0.179, 0.176, 0.171, 0.170	87
Milk	0.05	115	0.0395, 0.0481, 0.04, 0.0355,	82
			0.0415	
Blood	0.50	136	0.434, 0.372, 0.434, 0.471, 0.508	89

^a% remaining = 100× (Residue/(Fortification level))

Introduction to use patterns

Acibenzolar-S-methyl is used for the control of *Erysiphe graminis* (powdery mildew of cereals) and *Mycosphaerella musci* (black Sigatoka of banana) in a variety of crops and in partial control of *Septoria* spp. (side effect only) and *Puccinia* spp. (side effect only) in cereals.

Table 53 Selected registered uses of acibenzolar-S-methyl

Crop	Country	Metho d	GS	Rate (g ai/ha)	Water (L/ha)	No.	Interval (days)	PHI (days)
Apple	Italy	F		75–100 [7.5 g ai/hL]		6	5–14	7
Banana	France	F		40		6	40	2
Banana	Guatemala (Belize, Honduras, Costa Rica, Panama)	F		40	15–30 air	_	35-40	no restrictio n
Beans	Beans Brazil		Start beginning vegetative developmen	12.5	200–300 grd 20–40 air	3	14	14

Crop	Country	Metho	GS	Rate (g ai/ha)	Water	No.	Interval (days)	PHI (days)
		u	t		(L/IIa)		(uays)	(uays)
Brassica (Cole) crops Group 5	USA	F	Begin 7–10 days after thinning	17.5–35, max 140 g ai/ha/yr	≥ 187 grd ≥ 93.5 air		7	7
Cabbage	Indonesia	F	1 st application 7–14 days after planting	[2.5 g ai/hL]			7	n/s
Cacao	Brazil	F		[150 g ai/hL]	30– 50 mL/pla nt	3/year	60	_
Chili	Indonesia	F	1 st application at flowering	[1.25 g ai/hL]			3-4	n/s
Citrus	USA	S		17.5–112, max 112 g ai/ha/spra y, max 448 g ai/year		12	30	0
Citrus	USA	Chem		17.5–112, max 112 g ai/ha/spra y, max 448 g ai/year		12	30	0
Citrus seedlings	Brazil	F	Start as seedlings	[40 g ai/hL]	30– 50 mL/pla nt	4/year	45	_
Cotton	Brazil	F	Start beginning vegetative developmen t	7.5–12.5	200–300 grd 20–40 air	8	7	21
Cucurbits crop Group 9	USA	F		17.5–70, max 280 g ai/ha/yr	\geq 187 grd \geq 93.5 air		7	0
Hazelnut	Italy	F	From budding and during vegetative developmen t	25 [2.5 g ai/hL]		4	21–28	28
Herbs	France	F		12.5		3	-	10
Kiwifruit	Italy (emergenc y)	F		50–100 In case of application at 14 day interval use 50– 75 g ai/ha [5–10 g ai/hL]		6	14–21	90
Kiwifruit	NZ	F	Apply to actively growing plants	100 [10 g ai/hL]		4	21	DO NOT apply between flowerin g and harvest
Kiwifruit	NZ	S	Apply to actively growing plants	100		4	21	14 (if applied after flowerin g, avoid drift onto crop canopy and fruit)

Crop	Country	Metho d	GS	Rate (g ai/ha)	Water (L/ha)	No.	Interval (days)	PHI (davs)
Lettuce	USA	F		26.2–35 max 332 g ai/ha/yr	$\geq 187 \text{ grd}$ > 93.5 air	4	7–10	7
Lettuce, broad-leaved endives, curly endive, rocket (all field)	France	F	After BBCH18 (8 leaves)	17.5		2		10
Low growing berry subgroup 13- 07G including strawberry	USA	F	Do not apply within 5 days of transplantin g	17.5–26.2 max 210 g ai/ha/yr			7–14	0
Melon	Brazil	F	Start beginning vegetative developmen t	12.5	300–500	4	7	1
Onion	Brazil	F	Start as seedlings	12.5	500	5	7–14	14
Onion crop Group 3-07A	USA	F	Begin after thinning or after 3–4 leaf stage	26.2–35 max 140 g ai/ha/yr	\geq 187 grd \geq 46.75 air		7–10	7
Peach	Italy	F		50–75 [5 g ai/hL]		5	7–14	7
Pear	Italy	F	From pre- flowering	75–100 [7.5 g ai/hL]		6	5–7 pre- flowerin g 14–28 fruiting	14
Peppers (non- Bell/chili/hot)	USA	F	Apply 26.2 g ai/ha within 1 week of transplantin g or emergence, apply > 11.5 g ai/ ha early season rising to 26.2 g ai/ha end of season.	11.5–26.2 max 210 g ai/ha/yr	≥ 187 grd ≥ 93.5 air	8	7	14
Peppers and other fruiting vegetables except tomato	USA	F	Apply 26.2 g ai/ha within 1 week of transplantin g, apply 17.5 g ai/ha 7 days after 1 st spray. Apply 11.5 g ai/ha until plans begin to bloom. Do not apply once plants begin to bloom	11.5–26.2 max 210 g ai/ha/yr	≥ 187 grd ≥ 93.5 air	8	7	14

Crop	Country	Metho	GS	Rate (g ai/ha)	Water	No.	Interval (days)	PHI (days)
Pome	USA	F	Do not		(L/IId)		(days)	(days)
			apply prior to thinning or within 5 days transplantin g	17.5–112, max 112 g ai/ha/spra y, max 448 g ai/year			7	60
Pome	USA	S		0.0168–0.49 g ai/tree, max 112 g ai/ha				0
Pome	USA	P2C		12.7 g ai/L				60
Potato	Brazil	F	Start beginning vegetative developmen t	12.5	300-500	6	7	14
Potato	Indonesia	F	1 st application 21 days after planting	[1.25– 2.5 g ai/hL]			7	n/s
Spinach	France	F		12.5		3	-	10
Spinach	USA	F	Begin at 1 st to 2 nd true leaf or after thinning. Do not apply to young seedlings	17.5–26.2 max 332 g ai/ha/yr		3 consecuti ve	7–10	7
Tomato	Brazil	F	Staked tomatoes, when reach 1 st wire. Ground tomatoes when 30 days old	[2.5 g ai/hL]	500-1000	10	5–7	5
Tomato	Indonesia	F	1 st application 7–14 days after planting	[2.5 g ai/hL]			3-4	n/s
Tomato	Italy	F		12.5–25 [1.25– 2.5 g aj/hL]		4	7–10	3
Tomato	USA	F	Begin 1 week after transplantin g or emergence, apply > 11.5 g ai/ ha early season rising to 26.2 g ai/ha end of season.	11.6-26.2	≥ 187 grd ≥ 93.5 air	8	7	14
Tomato, field	France	F	5005011.	25		6	7	3
Tomato/peppe rs transplant	USA	DS		0.00625– 0.025 g ai/cell	\geq 187 grd \geq 93.5 air	8	7	14
Watermelon	Brazil	F	Start beginning vegetative	12.5	500	4	7–14	1

Crop	Country	Metho d	GS	Rate (g ai/ha)	Water (L/ha)	No.	Interval (days)	PHI (days)
			developmen t					
Wheat	Brazil	F	Start beginning vegetative developmen	12.5	150 grd 20–40 air	3	14	21

USA PBI: for fruiting vegetables, Brassica (cole) crops, cucurbits, lettuce, spinach, onion (dry bulb group) and shallot—0 days. All other crops for food or feed—30 days.

F = foliar, S = soil, Chem = chemigation, DS = drip system, P2C = paint to cuts

US Onion group 3-07A = Daylily, bulb; fritillaria, bulb; garlic, bulb; garlic, great-headed, bulb; garlic, serpent, bulb; lily, bulb; onion, bulb; onion, Chinese, bulb; onion, pearl; onion, potato, bulb; shallot, bulb; cultivars, varieties, and/or hybrids of these.

US Brassica (cole) crops Group 5 = Broccoli (Brassica oleracea var. botrytis), Broccoli, Chinese (gai lon) (Brassica alboglabra), Broccoli raab (rapini) (Brassica campestris), Brussels sprouts (Brassica oleracea var. gemmifera), Cabbage (Brassica oleracea), Cabbage, Chinese (bok choy) (Brassica chinensis), Cabbage, Chinese (napa) (Brassica pekinensis), Cabbage, Chinese mustard (gai choy) (Brassica campestris), Cauliflower (Brassica oleracea var. botrytis), Cavalo broccolo (Brassica oleracea var. botrytis), Collards (Brassica oleracea var. acephala), Kale (Brassica oleracea var. acephala), Kohlrabi (Brassica oleracea var. gongylodes), Mizuna (Brassica rapa Japonica Group), Mustard greens (Brassica juncea), Mustard spinach (Brassica rapa Perviridis Group), Rape greens (Brassica napus)

US Low growing berry subgroup 13-07G = Bearberry; bilberry; blueberry, lowbush; cloudberry; cranberry; lingonberry; muntries; partridgeberry; strawberry; cultivars, varieties, and/or hybrids of these.

RESULTS OF SUPERVISED RESIDUE TRIALS ON CROPS

The Meeting received information on supervised field trials for acibenzolar-S-methyl on the following crops or crop groups:

Crop	Table No.
Citrus fruit (orange, grapefruit, lemon)	Table 54
Pome fruit (apple, pear)	Table 55
Stone fruit (peach, apricot)	Table 56
Strawberries	Table 57
Banana	Table 58
Kiwi fruit	Table 59
Onion	Table 60
Brassica vegetables (cabbage, broccoli)	Table 61–62
Fruiting vegetables, cucurbits (cucumber, melon, squash)	Table 63–65
Tomato	Table 66
Leafy vegetables (lettuce, spinach, mustard greens)	Table 67–69
Potato	Table 70
Wheat	Table 71

Trials were generally well documented with laboratory and field reports. Laboratory reports included method validation with procedural recoveries from spiking at residue levels like those occurring in samples from the supervised trials. Dates of analyses or duration of residue sample storage were also provided. Although trials included control plots, no control data are recorded in the tables except where residues in control samples exceeded the LOQ. Control samples are indicated in

the summary tables with a "c". Unless stated otherwise, residue data are recorded unadjusted for recovery.

Residues and application rates have generally been rounded to two significant figures or, for residues near the LOQ, to one significant figure. Residue values from the trials conducted per maximum GAP have been used for the estimation of maximum residue levels. Those results included in the evaluation are underlined.

Conditions of the supervised residue trials were generally well reported in detailed field reports. Trial designs used non-replicated plots. Field reports provided data on the sprayers used, plot size, field sample size and sampling date.

Where duplicate field samples from an un-replicated plot were taken at each sampling time and were analysed separately, the mean of the two analytical results was taken as the best estimate of the residues in the plot and only the means are recorded in the tables. Similarly, where samples were collected from replicate plots the mean result is reported (see general consideration JMPR 2010).

Citrus fruit

Willard (2012a 50026) conducted 23 trials in the USA on <u>citrus</u> (12 orange; 6 grapefruit; 5 lemon) during 2010/11. Acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied four times as a WG formulation. Four applications were made as a soil-drenching application under the canopy and within the dripline of the canopy in the range of 89–118 g ai/ha and a PHI of zero days. In two of the orange trials a second plot was established with elevated application rate (ca. 560 g ai/ha) to obtain fruit samples for processing. Samples of whole fruit were analysed for residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl according to the validated method GRM051.05A. Procedural recoveries were acceptable: orange: mean = 98.7%, RSD = 3.7% (n = 6 in 0.01–1.0 mg/kg spiking range); grapefruit: mean = 97.3%, (n = 2 in 0.01–1 mg/kg spiking range); lemon: mean = 104%, RSD = 8.2% (n = 4 in 0.01–1 mg/kg spiking range). Samples from the trials were stored for a maximum of 339 days (11.1 months).

Table	54	Residues	in	citrus	following	soil-drench	application	using	а	WG	formulation,	Willard
(2012a	a 50	026) (repl	icat	e samp	oles from tr	eated plots).						

Location, year, variety	No.	Rate	Spray	GS	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg) ^a
CITRUS		(kg	volume	(BBCH)			
		ai/ha)	(L/ha)				
ORANGE							
Groveland Florida USA	4 (29	113	1149	75	0	fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
(2010) Navel ^b	33 31)	114	1229	77			<u>(< 0.01</u>)
Last 17 Dec		114	1180	81			
		112	1108	89			
Groveland Florida USA	4 (29	112	1132	75	0	fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
(2010) Hamlin ^b	33 31)	113	1218	79			(< 0.01)
Last 17 Dec		112	1160	81			
		112	1107	89			
Winter Garden Florida USA	4 (28	112	1893	81	0	fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
(2010) Hamlin	32 30)	111	1919	81			<u>(< 0.01</u>)
		112	1878	85			
		113	1879	88			
Chuluota, FL, USA (2010)	4 (28	114	2623	75	0	fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
Hamlin	27 27)	112	2569	78			<u>(< 0.01</u>)
		114	2611	79			
		112	2573	83			
Oviedo, FL, USA (2010)	4 (28	114	4107	75	0	Fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
Navel	27 27)	112	4055	78	3		(< 0.01)
		113	4078	79	7		< 0.01
		114	4111	83	9		< 0.01
					14		0.01
							< 0.01
Clermont FL, USA (2010)	4 (27	113	3303	75	0	Fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
Mid-sweet ^b	28 27)	114	3312	78			<u>(< 0.01</u>)
Last 16 Nov		112	3258	79			
		111	3222	83			

Location, year, variety	No.	Rate	Spray	GS	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg) ^a
CITRUS		(kg	volume	(BBCH)			
C_1 (ELUCA (2010)	4 (07	ai/ha)	(L/ha)	75	0	E '4	< 0.01 < 0.01
Hamlin ^b	4 (27	110	2663	75 78	0	Fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
Last 16 Nov	2027)	114	2615	79			(0.01)
		112	2580	83			
Clermont FL, USA (2010)	4 (28	115	1916	74	0	Fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
Mid-sweet Last 16 Dec	32 30)	113	1882	/9 83			<u>(< 0.01</u>)
Last 10 Dec		112	1900	87			
Raymondville, TX, USA	4 (29	113	972	78	0	Fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
(2010) N-33	31 32)	114	969	79			<u>(< 0.01</u>)
		115	974	83 89			
Fresno, CA, USA (2010)	4 (29	114	1123	72	0	Fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
Navel	31 30)	112	1118	73	-		<u>(< 0.01</u>)
		112	1122	85			
Orland CA USA (2010)	4 (20	113	1172	89	0	Emit	< 0.01 < 0.01
Satsuma	4 (30	112	1872	90d 60d	3	Fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
Sutsunia	50 20)	112	1888	30d	7		< 0.01
		112	1877	Ready	10		< 0.01
				harv	14		< 0.01
Porterville CA USA (2010)	4 (30	112	1828	75	0	Fruit	< 0.01
Atwood	30 27)	112	1968	75	0	Truit	(< 0.01)
		113	2037	85			· <u>····</u> /
		112	1975	89			
LEMON	4 (29	115	2625	70	0	Emit	< 0.01 < 0.01
Clermont FL, USA (2010) Bearss	4 (28	115	3635	72 79	0	Fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
Dea135	55 50)	113	3602	83			<u>(< 0.01</u>)
		115	3637	85			
Porterville, CA, USA (2010)	4 (30	112	1831	75	0	Fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
Pryor	30 27)	112	1963	75 85			<u>(< 0.01</u>)
		112	1900	83 89			
Madera, CA, USA (2010)	4 (30	112	1027	73	0	Fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
Limco 8A Lisbon	31 30)	113	1035	75			<u>(< 0.01</u>)
		114	1045	81			
Lindsay CA USA (2010)	4 (30	113	2012	75	0	Fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
Lisbon	30 30)	112	2230	75	Ū	TTure	(≤ 0.01)
	,	112	2178	87			
	4 (20	114	2330	89			0.01 0.01
Arroyo Grande, CA, USA (2011) Eureka	4 (30	112	1169 1174	79	03	Fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
(2011) Luicka	52 27)	112	1207	81	7		$\frac{(< 0.01)}{< 0.01}$
		113	1179	85	10		< 0.01
					14		< 0.01
							< 0.01
Clermont FL_USA (2010)	4 (31	113	210/	75	0	Fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
Rav	30 29)	111	2154	79	3	TTun	(< 0.01)
Last 16 Nov		112	2168	81	7		< 0.01
		111	2156	83	9		< 0.01
					14		< 0.01
Clermont FL USA (2010)	4 (29	113	991	73	0	Fruit	< 0.01
White	33 31)	88.7	759	75	0	11411	<u>(< 0.01</u>)
Last 17 Dec	, í	112	989	81			
	4 (20	113	993	89	0	<u>г '</u>	<0.01 < 0.01
Alturas, FL, US (2010) White	4 (28 33 30)	114	1226	75 77	U	Fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 (< 0.01)

Location, year, variety	No.	Rate	Spray	GS	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg) ^a
CITRUS		(kg	volume	(BBCH)			
		ai/ha)	(L/ha)				
		112	1158	81			
		112	1054	89			
Raymondville, TX, USA	4 (29	113	979	78	0	Fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
(2010) Rio Red	31 32)	114	970	79			<u>(< 0.01</u>)
		114	966	83			
		118	985	89			
Porterville, CA, USA (2010)	4 (28	116	1994	75	0	Fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
Mellogold	31 28)	112	2010	77			<u>(< 0.01</u>)
_		112	1948	81			
		112	2158	89			
Sanger, CA, US (2010)	4 (32	112	1354	76	0	Fruit	< 0.01 0.01 <u>(< 0.01</u>)
Marsh White	28 29)	113	1389	78			
		112	1358	81			
		112	1355	89			

^a Figures in brackets are means of results for replicate samples

^b Trials not considered independent, application dates are the same

Pome fruits

Apples

Sixteen trials were conducted in Europe on <u>apples</u> with six applications of a WG formulation in the range of 90–123 g ai/ha and a PHI of seven days. Four of the trials in 2002 were conducted with five applications of a WG formulation, two of which included samples taken at a PHI of 7 days. Fruit samples were taken immediately after last application (0 DALA) and at intervals up to 35 DALA. Samples of whole fruit were analysed for residues derived from acibenzolar-S-methyl per methods AGRI 061 (a modification of method REM 172.11) or GRM051.01A. Procedural recoveries were acceptable. Samples from the trials were stored for a maximum of 12 months (378 days).

Pears

<u>Pear trees</u> were treated with acibenzolar-S-methyl in eight residue trials with a WG formulation across Europe. The trials were conducted over two growing seasons and were carried out in two countries (Italy, Greece) with climates typical of Europe.

Table 55 Residues in pome fruit following foliar application of acibenzolar-S-methyl as a WG formulation (Apple: Valli & Baravelli 2003a 10070, Amic 2010ab 10020, 10019, 2011ab 10040 10039; Pear: Sack 2000ab 0725 0726, Kuhne 2001abcdef 0782 0781 0780 0779 0777 0775)

Location, year, variety	No	Rate	Water	GS	DALA	Sample	Residues
							(mg/kg)
POME FRUIT	(int)	(kg	(L/ha)	(BBCH)			
		ai/ha)					
APPLE							
Solarolo, Ravenna, Italy	5 (16	98	1177	75	-0	fruit	< 0.01
(2002) Pink Lady	12 14	100	1208	76	0		0.76
	14)	99	1184	78	7		0.16
		101	1211	79	14		0.08
		101	1209	81	21		< 0.01
Isola Della Scala, Verona,	5 (13	97	1166	77	-0	fruit	0.08
Italy (2002) Pink Lady	14 15	99	1188	78-80	0		1.4
	15)	101	1210	82	7		0.17
		97	1164	83	14		0.09
		99	1188	84-85	21		0.02
Belfióre Zervio, Verona,	5 (15	99	1188	77	0	fruit	0.59
Italy (2002) Granny Smith	13 14	101	1210	78	15		0.09
	14)	100	1203	81			
		99	1190	83-84			

Location, year, variety	No	Rate	Water	GS	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg)
POME FRUIT	(int)	(kg ai/ha)	(L/ha)	(BBCH)			
		96	1151	84-86			
Baricella, Bologna, Italy	5 (14	97	1159	73	0	fruit	0.77
(2002) Pink Lady	14 14	98	1173	75–77	14		0.06
	14)	100	1200	79–80			
		100	1205	80			
		99	1189	86			
Obernai, Alsace, France	6 (4 6	91	996	81-85	0	Fruit	0.08
(2009) Pink Lady	564)	105	1153	81-85	7		< 0.01
		97	1057	81-85	14		< 0.01
		101	1105	83-85	21		< 0.01
		104	1038	85 85	55		< 0.01
Corzé Maine et Loire	6 (5 5	105	1150	76.78	0	Fruit	0.01
Pays de Loire France	5 5 5)	98	1074	76_78	7	Fruit	0.03
(2009) Braeburn	555)	101	1112	76-78	14		< 0.01
(2003) Diacouni		97	1067	77-79	21		< 0.01
		101	1115	77–78	35		< 0.01
		104	1139	79-81			
Fuilla, Pyrénées-	6 (5 5	103	1134	77–78	0	Fruit	0.08
Orientales, Languedoc-	5 5 5)	102	1123	79	7		0.01
Roussillon, France (2009)		100	1102	79	14		0.01
Golden		99	1093	79	21		0.01
		99	1085	81	35		< 0.01
		105	1150	84	-		
Malalbergo, Emilia	6 (5 4	94	944	72–74	0	Fruit	0.05
Romagna, Bologna, Italy	655)	99	994	74-75	14		0.01
(2009) Imperatore		98	979	/9	14		< 0.01
		98 102	9//	80	21		< 0.01
		102	998	82_84	55		< 0.01
Blumber, Brandenburg,	6 (4 6	90	904	74	0	Fruit	0.06
Germany (2010) Elstar	4 6 5)	95	954	74	7	11010	< 0.01
5 (/	95	954	74-75	14		< 0.01
		101	1014	74–75	21		< 0.01
		102	1018	75	35		< 0.01
		97	966	75–79			
Ensingen, Baden-	6 (5 5	98	1081	75	0	Fruit	0.06
Württemberg, Germany	556)	103	1133	75	7		< 0.01
(2010) Gloster		104	1139	76-77	14		< 0.01
		105	1150	//-/8	21		< 0.01
		103	1130	70.86	35		< 0.01
Innenheim Alsace	6(4.6	100	1022	77	0	Fruit	0.03
France (2010) Braeburn	446	100	1405	77	7	11411	< 0.01
Tunce (2010) Bracoulli	,	103	1339	81	14		< 0.01
		103	1331	81	21		< 0.01
		105	1364	85	35		< 0.01
		106	1372	83-85			
St Hilaire St Mesmin,	6 (5 5	104	1036	75	0	Fruit	0.03
Loiret France (2010)	555)	99	994	75	7		< 0.01
Golden		97	967	75	14		< 0.01
		98	982	76	21		< 0.01
		99 105	985 1054	// 78	55		< 0.01
Les Rosiers sur Loire	6(56	103	11004	72_73	0	Fruit	0 16 0 17 (0 17)
Pays de la Loire France	4 5 5)	96	1051	72-73	7	11410	0.03002(0.03)
(2010) Tentation		103	1136	72-73	14		< 0.01
Duplicate analyses		104	1139	74–75	21		< 0.01
1 5		99	1086	75–76	35		< 0.01
		103	1136	75–76			
Hollern, Niedersachsen,	6 (5 5	109	1307	77	0	Fruit	0.04
Germany (2010) Golden	564)	103	1232	78	7		< 0.01

Location, year, variety	No	Rate	Water	GS	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg)
POME FRUIT	(int)	(kg ai/ha)	(L/ha)	(BBCH)			
Delicious		98	1173	78–79	14		< 0.01
		94	1133	81-83	21		< 0.01
		96 122	1147	83	35		< 0.01
Dagas Languadaa	6 (5 5	123	1480	83-85	0	Emit	0.10
Roussillon France (2010)	5(3)	99	988	71-72	0 7	rruit	< 0.01
Fuji	555)	101	1010	73	14		< 0.01
5		100	998	73–74	21		< 0.01
		100	999	75	35		< 0.01
		101	1014	85	0	F '4	0.02
San Pietro in Casale, Emilia Romagna Italy	0 (0 4 5 5 5)	101	1308	72-75 74-75	0	Fruit	0.03
(2010) Stavman	555)	101	1313	75–76	14		< 0.01
		98	1270	76-81	21		< 0.01
		102	1329	79–82	34		< 0.01
	<i></i>	100	1304	82-85			<u> </u>
Malalbergo, Emilia	6 (6 4	96 102	964 1010	71-72	0 7	Fruit	0.02 < 0.01
Imperatore	555)	102	1275	72 - 73 73 - 77	14		< 0.01
imperatore		100	1201	77–79	21		< 0.01
		102	1223	79-81	35		< 0.01
		103	1236	83			
Calatorao, Zaragoza,	6 (5 6	97 07	1161	74–75	0	Fruit	0.06
Spain (2010) Fuji cione	455)	97	1101	75 76 77	1/		< 0.01
00		99	1188	76–77	21		< 0.01
		102	1227	76–78	35		< 0.01
		98	1177	79–81			
Salillas de Jalon,	6 (5 6	98	1176	74–75	0	Fruit	0.04
Zaragoza, Spain (2010)	455)	98	1170	75	7		< 0.01
Fuji cione 12		98 95	1134	75–70 76–77	21		< 0.01
		108	1292	76–78	35		< 0.01
		103	1233	81-83			
Meauzac, Midi Pyrénées,	6 (5 5	101	1108	75–79	0	Fruit	0.06
France (2010) Pink Lady	556)	107	1181	75-79	7		0.01
		102	1122	/5-81 75-83	14 21		< 0.01
		95	1047	75-85	35		< 0.01
		102	1122	85			
PEAR							
Monestirolo (FE) Italy	4 (14	100	1500	75	0	Fruit	0.05
(1999) Abate Fetel	14 14)	100	1500	76 77	7		< 0.02
		100	1500	77_78	14 21		< 0.02
		100	1500	11 10	21		< 0.02
					28		< 0.02
Stretti di Erachlea (VE)	4 (12	100	1000	74	0	Fruit	0.05
Italy (1999) S. Maria ^a	11 13)	100	1000	74–75	7		< 0.02
Last spray 15 Jul 1999 Replicate samples		100	1000	/5 77 70	14 21		< 0.02
Replicate samples		100	1000		28		(< 0.02)
					-		< 0.02
Stretti di Erachlea (VE)	8 (6 6	100	1000	65	0	Fruit	0.05
Italy (1999) S. Maria ^a	6 37	100	1000	69	7		< 0.02
Last spray 15 Jul 1999	12 11	100	1000	69–71 71	14 21		< 0.02
Replicate samples	13)	100	1000	74	21		< 0.02 < 0.02 (< 0.02)
		100	1000	74–75			< 0.02
		100	1000	75			
	0.17 -	100	1000	77–79			
Tyrnavos, larisa, Greece	8 (5 7	97	1158	61	0	Fruit	0.06

Location, year, variety	No	Rate	Water	GS	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg)
POME FRUIT	(int)	(kg ai/ha)	(L/ha)	(BBCH)			
(2000) Kristali ^a	7 83	97	1160	63	7		< 0.02
Last spray 28 Aug 2000	13 14	96	1157	64	14		< 0.02
Replicate samples	14)	97	1159	65	21		< 0.02 < 0.02
		97	1359	72–73	28		(< 0.02)
		97	1358	74			< 0.02
		97	1356	77			
		97	1359	79			
Tyrnavos, larisa, Greece	8 (5 7	97	1158	61	0	Fruit	0.03
(2000) Kristali ^a	7 83	97	1160	63	7		< 0.02
Last spray 28 Aug 2000	13 14	97	1157	64	14		< 0.02
Replicate samples	14)	97	1159	65	21		< 0.02 < 0.02
		97	1256	72–73	28		(< 0.02)
		97	1359	74			< 0.02
		97	1357	77			
	0 (5 (97	1358	/9			0.00
Monestirolo (FE) Italy	8 (5 6	100	1500	59-61	21	Fruit	< 0.02 < 0.02
(2000) Abate Fetel	5 76	100	1500	62–64			(< 0.02)
Last spray 10 Aug 2000	12 12	100	1500	65-67			
Replicate samples	10)	100	1500	69			
		100	1500	76			
		100	1500	/6-//			
		100	1500	70.81			
Manageting 1- (EE) Ide las	9 (5 (100	1500	/9-81	0	Email	0.09
(2000) Conference	8(30	100	1500	01 61 62	07	Fruit	0.08
Last spray 3 Aug 2000	3 /0 12 12	100	1500	65	14		< 0.02
Panlicate samples	12 12	100	1500	67	21		< 0.02
Replicate samples	10)	100	1500	75 77	21		< 0.02 < 0.02
		100	1500	76_77	20		(< 0.02)
		100	1500	77			< 0.02
		100	1500	77-79			
Stretti di Erachlea (VE)	8 (6 6	100	1000	65	21	Fruit	< 0.02 < 0.02
Italy (2000) Abate Fetel	6 72	100	1000	67	21	11010	(< 0.02)
Last spray 16 Aug 2000	11 14	100	1000	69–71			(*0.02)
Replicate samples	9)	100	1200	71			
1 1	- /	100	1200	75-77			
		100	1300	77–79			
		100	1300	81			
		100	1300	81			
Stretti di Erachlea (VE)	8 (6 6	100	1200	65	21	Fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
Italy (2000) Conference	6 44	100	1200	67			(< 0.01)
last spray 18 Jul 2000	11 11	100	1200	69–71			
Replicate samples	11)	100	1200	71			
_		100	1200	72–74			
		100	1200	72–75			
		100	1200	75–77			
		100	1200	77–79			

^a Trials not considered independent, variety and application dates are the same

Stone fruit

Acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied five times as a WG formulation. All trials were conducted with five applications at nominal 75 g ai/ha and a PHI of seven days. In the decline trials, <u>peach</u> fruit samples were taken immediately before and after the last application (0 DALA) and at nominal intervals of 3, 7 and 14 days after last application. In the harvest trials, fruit samples were taken 7 days after last application. Apricot samples were taken immediately after the last application (0 DALA) and at 3, 7, 10 and 14 DALA. Peach samples were analysed for residues derived from acibenzolar-S-methyl per the validated method AGRI 066, identical to method REM172.02. Apricot samples were analysed for residues derived from acibenzolar-S-methyl per the validated method

GRM051.01B. Procedural recoveries were acceptable. Samples from the trials were stored for a maximum of 11 months (347 days).

Table 56 Residues in stone fruit following foliar application of a WG formulation of acibenzolar-Smethyl (Valli & Baravelli 2003b 0849, Baravelli 20034 0848)

Location, year, variety	N	Rate	Volume	GS	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg)
STONE FRUIT	(int)	ka ai/ha	I /ha	(BBCH)			
PEACH		kg al/lla	L/IId	(DDCII)			
Barbiano di Cotignola	5 (10	7/	1100	72	0	Fruit	0.06
Bavenna Italy (2002)	10 10	74	1190	72	-0	Tun	1.05
Favette	11)	74	1181	74	4		0.26
ruyene	11)	73	1167	78	7		0.05
		75	1198	83	14		0.03
Minerbio, Bologna, Italy	5 (11	76	1218	73	-0	fruit	< 0.01
(2002) Padana	11 10	74	1176	74	0		0.77
	12)	73	1172	75	2		0.14
		79	1270	79	7		0.09
		75	1197	81	14		< 0.01
S Giorgio di Cesena,	5 (11	73	1174	73	7	fruit	0.05
Forli-Cesena, Italy	10 11	72	1151	75			
(2002) Rich Lady	11)	73	1174	77			
		72	1154	79–81			
	- /10	/4	1190	85	_	2	0.0 7
Isola della Scala,	5 (12	74	1189	72	1	fruit	0.05
Verona, Italy (2002)	12 11	74	1192	74			
Franca	11)	70	1228	/6 79			
		/0 71	1218	/8			
Parhiana di Catignala	5 (11	79	1155	01-03 72	0	fmit	< 0.01
Bardiano di Cougnola, Bayenna Italy (2003)	3 (11 11 11	78 74	1255	72	-0	Iruit	< 0.01 0.86
Rich Lady	12)	75	1206	73 74	3		0.80
Kieli Lady	12)	76	1200	75	7		0.10
		79	1259	81	14		< 0.01
Minerbio, Bologna, Italy	5 (12	75	1197	72	-0	fruit	0.02
(2003) Red Moon	10 11	76	1210	73	0		0.74
	10)	72	1147	74	3		0.12
		74	1180	75-76	7		0.02
		76	1207	84	14		< 0.01
Maria Codifiume, Ferra,	5 (12	78	1242	72	7	fruit	0.02
Italy (2003) Glohaven	10 11	70	1124	74			
	12)	76	1217	75			
		70	1118	75–76			
		76	1209	84			
Sarna di Faenza,	5 (11	74	1479	73	7	fruit	0.02
Ravenna, Italy (2003)	12 10	/4	1479	74			
Simphony	11)	69 74	13//	/6 79			
		74 77	14/5	/8 70.81			
APRICOT		11	1341	/9-01			
Valencia Comunidad	5(77	76	1059	75	0	Fruit	0.27
Valenciana Spain	7.6	78	1088	76	3	Trait	0.06.0.06.0.05
(2013) Mitger de	, 0)	75	1045	77	7		(0.06)
Castelló		73	1015	79	10		0.13
Last 3 June		77	1075	81	14		0.11
-652309							0.06
38.924457							
Valencia, Comunidad	5 (7 6	75	1048	75	0	Fruit	0.11
Valenciana Spain (2013)	8 6)	80	1122	76	3		0.14
Tadeo		80	1121	77	7		0.08
Last 17 June		69	961	78	10		0.06
-0.39460181		74	1036	81	14		0.06
39.9401585							

Location, year, variety	Ν	Rate	Volume	GS	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg)
	(int)						
STONE FRUIT		kg ai/ha	L/ha	(BBCH)			
Ferrara, Emilia	5 (7 7	79	1051	75–77	0	Fruit	0.09
Romagna, Italy (2013)	77)	77	1031	75–77	3		0.07
Portici		73	979	77	7		0.04
Last 20 June		103	1376	78–79	11		0.05
		77	1020	79-81	14		0.04
Bologna, Emilia	5 (7 7	72	961	73–75	0	Fruit	0.13
Romagna, Italy (2013)	77)	75	1000	74–77	3		0.08
Precoce D'Imola		76	1013	75–77	7		0.06
Last 11 Jun		75	994	77-81	10		0.07
		76	1007	81-83	14		0.05

Strawberry

Ten trial were conducted in the USA on <u>strawberries</u> where acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied eight to nine times as a WG formulation at 24.8–29.2 g ai/ha. Samples of strawberry fruit were analysed for residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl per the validated method AG-671A. Procedural recoveries were acceptable. Samples from the trials were stored for a maximum of 314 days (10.3 months).

Table 57 Residues in strawberries following foliar application of acibenzolar-S-methyl as a WG formulation (replicate analytical samples) (Thompson 2010 50155)

Location, year, variety	No	Rate	Spray volum e	Growth stage at	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg)
STRAWBERRIES	(int)	kg ai/ha	L/ha	application			
Marion NY, USA	8	26	285	1 st leaves	0	fruit	0.02 0.03 (0.03)
(2008) Allstar	(8	26	286	3 rd trifoliate			
· · ·	67	26	283	4-5 trifolate			
	77	26	284	1 st bud			
	7	25	280	3–5 buds/plant			
	8)	25	279	Fruit 12.5 mm dia			
		25	280	Fruit 25 mm dia			
		26	282	Mature berries			
Arlington WI,	8	26	248	Vegetative	0	fruit	0.04 0.02 (0.03)
USA (2008) Kent	(6	26	267	Vegetative-bud			
	67	26	280	Early bloom			
	67	28	269	Bloom			
	7	27	279	Bloom			
	6)	26	272	Fruiting			
	-	27	285	Fruiting			
		27	280	Fruiting			
Clinton NC, USA	8	26	321	Bloom	0	fruit	0.05 0.04 (0.05)
(2008) Chandler	(7	25	313	Early fruit			
	66	25	332	Fruiting			
	77	26	322	Fruiting			
	6	26	325	Fruiting			
	7)	26	324	Fruiting			
		26	326	Fruiting			
		26	327	Fruiting			
Wimauma FL,	8	27	383	Fruiting	0	Fruit	0.07 0.06 (<u>0.07</u>)
USA (2008)	(7	26	367	Fruiting			
Festival	87	27	380	Fruiting			
	77	27	389	Fruiting			
	6	27	384	Fruiting			
	8)	28	390	Fruiting			
		27	385	Fruiting			
		27	381	Fruiting			
Parlier CA, USA	8	27	291	Vegetative	0	Fruit	0.06 0.06 (0.06)
(2008) Seascape	(7	26	286	Vegetative	3		0.04 0.04 0.04 0.04
	78	27	289	Bloom-Fruiting	7	1	(0.04)

Location, year, variety	No	Rate	Spray volum e	Growth stage at	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg)
STRAWBERRIES	(int)	kg ai/ha	L/ha	application			
	69 6 6)	27 27 28 27 27	273 288 281 281 295	Bloom-Fruiting Bloom-Fruiting Fruiting Fruiting Fruiting Fruiting	10 14		$\begin{array}{c} 0.02\ 0.02\ (0.02) \\ <\ 0.02\ <\ 0.02\ (<\ 0.02) \\ <\ 0.02\ <\ 0.02\ <\ 0.02 \\ <\ 0.02\ <\ 0.02 \\ <\ 0.02\ (<\ 0.02) \end{array}$
Aurora OR, USA (2008) Totem	9 (7 76 76 69 7)	26 26 28 27 27 27 26 27 27	276 275 443 433 437 436 425 427 430	Late dormant 5% bloom 30% bloom 50% bloom Grn fruit 6% bloom left Grn fruit Green-pink fruit Fruiting 5% ripe Fruiting	0	Fruit	0.04 0.04 0.04 0.04 (<u>0.04</u>)
Salinas CA, USA (2008) Albion last spray 19 Nov 2008	8 (7 77 78 8 6)	27 27 26 26 26 26 26 26 26	255 282 295 362 459 448 512 554	Flowering-fruiting Flowering-fruiting Flowering-fruiting Flowering-fruiting Flowering-fruiting Flowering-fruiting Flowering-fruiting Fruit colouring	0 ª	Fruit	0.08 0.05 (<u>0.06</u>)
Salinas CA, USA (2008) Albion last spray 24 Sept 2008	8 (6 67 88 6 6 6)	25 27 26 26 27 27 27 27 26	287 389 517 478 459 473 468 531	Flowering-fruiting Flowering-fruiting Flowering-fruiting Flowering-fruiting Flowering-fruiting Fruiting Flowering-fruiting Fruit ripening	0 b	Fruit	0.08 0.09 (<u>0.08</u>)
L'Acadie QB, Canada (2008) Seascape	8 (7 7 7 6 7 7 7)	27 26 27 26 25 26 26 26 27	360 351 356 349 348 341 3532 364	65 65 65 65 65 65 85 85	0	Fruit	0.02 0.02 (<u>0.02</u>)
Harrow ON, Canada (2008) Honeoye	8 (7 7 7 8 6 6 7)	27 28 28 27 26 28 26 29	313 324 316 312 294 316 297 333	New leaves New leaves-some flowers Some flowers Flowering Flowering-fruit set Maturing fruit Maturing fruit Maturing fruit	0	Fruit	0.02 0.02 (<u>0.02</u>)

^a In this Salinas, CA trial, red fruit was noticeably smaller in the treated plots than in the untreated plot.

^b In this Salinas CA trial, fruit was small and stunted in the treated plots compared to the untreated plot. In this trial, medium to large green fruit was absent from the treated plots, and the berries were stunted and red but were about one-eighth to one-quarter the size of commercially acceptable fruit.

Tank adjuvants: Marion NY, LI700; Arlington WI Herbimax; Clinton NC none; Wimauma FL none; Parlier CA Induce for last three sprays; Aurora OR Prime oil last 7 sprays; Salinas CA R-11; L'Acadie QC Agral 90; Harrow ON Agro 90.

Banana

Trials in bananas were conducted in South America and Malaysia.

Supervised trials in Central America

Acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied four to eight times to bagged and unbagged <u>banana</u> bunches, either as a WG formulation, in the 1995 trials, or as a SC formulation in the 1998 and 2000/2001 trials. Fourteen trials were conducted per the Guatemala GAP, with the numbers of applications only restricted by the vegetation period and an application interval of 35 days, at a nominal rate of 40 g ai/ha. In two of the 1998 trials a second plot was established with eight applications at an elevated rate of nominal 80 g ai/ha. Fruit samples were taken immediately after last application, when the spray deposit has dried and at up to 10 DALA. Samples of whole fruit were separated into peel and pulp, which were analysed separately for residues per method REM 172.11 (modified). Recoveries were acceptable.

Supervised trials in Malaysia

In trials conducted in Malaysia, acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied six times to bagged and unbagged <u>banana</u> bunches, as a WG formulation. Fruit samples were taken immediately after last application, when the spray deposit has dried and at two and seven DALA. Samples of whole fruit were separated into peel and pulp, which were analysed separately for residues per method REM 172.11 (modified).

Table 58 Residues in banana following foliar application of acibenzolar-S-methyl (Formica 1996c 0301, Anon 1996 0340, Formica 1996d 0315, Walser 1999defghijklmn 0588 0589 0590 0591 0592 0593 0594 0595 0596 0597 0598, Kuhne 2001gh 0769 0770)

Location, year, variety	N	Rate		GS	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg)
BANANA		kg ai/ha	L/ha	application			
Finca Ombu, Pococi,	7	50	22	Before flowering	0	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
Costa Rica (1995) Gran	(21	49	22	until harvest		Pulp	(< 0.02)
Naine	21	51	22			Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
	21	52	23		2	Fruit (bgd)	(< 0.02)
	21	47	21			Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
	21	52	23			Peel	(< 0.02)
	21)	52	23		7	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
	ĺ ĺ					Pulp	(< 0.02)
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
					0	Fruit (unbgd)	0.02 0.04 0.02 (<u>0.03</u>)
						Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
						Peel	<u>(< 0.02</u>)
					2	Fruit (unbgd)	0.03 0.06 0.02 (0.04)
						Pulp	0.02 0.03 0.02 (0.02)
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
					7	Fruit (unbgd)	(< 0.02)
						Pulp	0.03 0.05 0.02 (0.03)
						Peel	0.03 0.03 0.02 (0.03)
							< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							0.04 0.04 0.02 (0.03)
San Rafael, Pococi,	8	34	19	Mature fresh	0	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
Costa Rica (1998)	(28	37	20	green		Pulp	(< 0.02)
Cavendish	28	38	24			Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
last spray 24 Nov 1998	28	43	23		7	Fruit (bgd)	(< 0.02)
10 18 N	29	45	24			Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
83 48 W	27	48	25			Peel	(< 0.02)
SC formulation	28	43	25				< 0.02 < 0.02
	28)	41	22				(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02

Location, year, variety	N	Rate		GS	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg)
BANANA		kg ai/ha	L/ha	application			
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
					0		(< 0.02)
					0	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Pulp	(< 0.02)
					7	Fruit (unbod)	< 0.02 < 0.02
					/	Puln	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Peel	(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
		111	20	Matana fua l	0	E	(< 0.02)
		73	30 20	Mature Iresn	0	Fruit (bga)	< 0.02 < 0.02
		73	20	green		Peel	< 0.02)
		80	21			1001	(< 0.02)
		83	22				< 0.02 < 0.02
		78	22				(< 0.02)
		88	26				
		88	23				
					0	Empit (mal - 1)	< 0.02 < 0.02
					0	Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							0.02 0.04 (0.03)
Cariari, Pococi, Costa	8	47	26	Mature fresh	0	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
Rica (1998) Grand	(28	45	25	green		Pulp	(< 0.02)
Naine	28	40	25		_	Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
last spray 24 Nov 1998	28	44	23		1	Fruit (bgd)	(< 0.02)
10 21 N 82 42 W	29	42	22			Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
05 42 W	27	47	23 25			Peel	(< 0.02)
Se formulation	28)	41	21				(< 0.02)
	_=;						< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
					0	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Pulp	(< 0.02)
					7	Fruit (unbod)	< 0.02 < 0.02
					,	Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Peel	(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
Roxana, Pococi, Costa	8	34	18	Mature fresh	0	Fruit (bod)	< 0.02 < 0.02
Rica (1998) Valerv	(28	50	28	green		Pulp	(< 0.02)
Last spray 24 Nov 98	28	34	21	0		Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
10 18 N	28	43	23		1	Fruit (bgd)	(< 0.02)
83 40 W	29	42	22			Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
SC formulation	27	40	22		2	Peel	(< 0.02)
	28	45 20	26 21		3	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
	20)	37	21			ruip Peel	< 0.02) < 0.02 < 0.02
					7	Fruit (hod)	(< 0.02)
						Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02

Location, year, variety	N	Rate		GS	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg)
BANANA		kg ai/ha	L/ha	application			
						Peel	(< 0.02)
					10	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Pulp	(< 0.02)
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
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							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
					0	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Pulp	<u>(< 0.02</u>)
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
					1	Fruit (unbgd)	<u>(< 0.02</u>)
						Pulp	0.02 0.02 (0.02)
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
					3	Fruit (unbgd)	(< 0.02)
						Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
					7	Peel	(< 0.02)
					/	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Pulp	(< 0.02)
					10	Feel Erwit (unbad)	< 0.02 < 0.02
					10	Puln	< 0.02)
						Peel	(< 0.02)
						1 001	< 0.02 < 0.02
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Appinta El Trimeta	0	<u>/1</u>	22	Moture fresh	0	Emit (had)	(> 0.02)
Equador (1009)	0	41 45	23 25	mature fresh	U	Fruit (bga)	< 0.02 < 0.02
Cavendish	29	43 53	30	green		I uip Peel	< 0.02)
Last spray 2 Dec 98	26	55	29		7	Fruit (bod)	(< 0.02)
2 18 S	28	39	22		,	Puln	< 0.02 < 0.02
79 18 W	28	38	22			Peel	(< 0.02)
SC formulation	29	38	22				< 0.02 < 0.02
	28)	41	23				(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
					0	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Pulp	<u>(< 0.02</u>)
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
					7	Fruit (unbgd)	<u>(< 0.02)</u>

Location, year, variety	Ν	Rate		GS	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg)
BANANA		kg ai/ha	L/ha	application			
						Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Peel	(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							< 0.02)
							(< 0.02)
		74	21	Mature fresh	0	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
		82	23	green		Pulp	(< 0.02)
		93	26			Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
		70	20				(< 0.02)
		81 84	23 24				< 0.02 < 0.02
		83	24				(< 0.02)
		78	22				
					0	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Pulp	(< 0.02)
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
Lorenzo de Garaveoa	8	50	28	Mature fresh	0	Fruit (bod)	< 0.02 < 0.02
Simon Bolivar, Ecuador	(28	42	24	green		Pulp	(< 0.02)
(1998) Cavendish	29	43	24	5		Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
Last spray 2 Dec 98	26	46	26		1	Fruit (bgd)	(< 0.02)
23S	28	38	22			Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
80 20 N	28	41	24		2	Peel	(< 0.02)
SC formulation	29	45	26		3	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
	28)	41	25			Puip Peel	(< 0.02) < 0.02 < 0.02
					7	Fruit (bgd)	(< 0.02)
						Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Peel	(< 0.02)
					10	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Pulp	(< 0.02)
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
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							< 0.02)
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
					0	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
					1	Fruit (unbgd)	(< 0.02)
						Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Peel	(< 0.02)
					3	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Pulp	(< 0.02)
					7	Peel Emit (unbad)	< 0.02 < 0.02
					/	Puln	< 0.02) < 0.02 < 0.02
						Peel	(< 0.02)

Location, year, variety	Ν	Rate		GS	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg)
BANANA		kg ai/ha	L/ha	application		· · · ·	
				**	10	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Pulp	(< 0.02)
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
1.0	0	20			0		(< 0.02)
Lorenzo de Garaycoa,	8	39	22	Mature fresh	0	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
(1998) Cavendish	(28	48	27	green		Pulp	(< 0.02)
Last spray 2 Dec 98	29	40	20		1	Fruit (bod)	< 0.02 < 0.02
2.3 S	28	41	23		1	Puln	< 0.02 < 0.02
80 19 N	28	42	24			Peel	(< 0.02)
SC formulation	29	43	24		3	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
	28)	38	22			Pulp	(< 0.02)
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
					7	Fruit (bgd)	(< 0.02)
						Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
					10	Peel Emit (had)	(< 0.02)
					10	Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Peel	< 0.02)
						1 001	(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
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							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
					0	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Pulp	(≤ 0.02)
					1	Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
					1	Fruit (unbgd)	(≤ 0.02)
						Puip Deel	< 0.02 < 0.02
					3	Fruit (unbod)	< 0.02)
					5	Pulp	(< 0.02)
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
					7	Fruit (unbgd)	(< 0.02)
						Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Peel	(< 0.02)
					10	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Pulp	(< 0.02)
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
					1		(< 0.02)

Location, year, variety	Ν	Rate		GS	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg)
BANANA		kg ai/ha	L/ha	application			
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
El Reposo, Cienága,	8	35	17	Mature fresh	0	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
Colombia (1998) Valery	(28	42	22	green		Pulp	(< 0.02)
last spray 4 Nov	28	44	23		_	Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
10 16 S	28	37	19		1	Fruit (bgd)	(< 0.02)
74 10 W	28	43	22			Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
SC formulation	29	43	23			Peel	(< 0.02)
	28	44	23				< 0.02 < 0.02
	27)	43	22				(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
					0	Emit (aut al)	(< 0.02)
					0	Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Pael	(< 0.02)
					7	Feel Erwit (unbad)	< 0.02 < 0.02
					/	Puln	(< 0.02)
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
						1 661	< 0.02
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							< 0.02 > 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
Riofrio Cienága	8	36	19	Mature fresh	0	Fruit (bød)	< 0.02 < 0.02
Colombia (1998) Grand	(28	44	23	green	Ŭ	Pulp	(< 0.02)
Naine	28	37	19	Breen		Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
last sprav 4 Nov	28	43	23		7	Fruit (bgd)	(< 0.02)
10 07 S	28	40	21			Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
74 18 W	29	42	22			Peel	(< 0.02)
SC formulation	28	41	22				< 0.02 < 0.02
	27)	44	23				(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
					0	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Pulp	<u>(< 0.02</u>)
					_	Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
					7	Fruit (unbgd)	<u>(< 0.02</u>)
						Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Peel	(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
0 1 1 1 1 1	0	20	24			E '// 1	(< 0.02)
Cuidad Hidalgo,	8	39 42	24 27	Mature fresh	U	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
Suchiate, Mexico	(29	42	27	green	1	Pulp	(< 0.02)
Location, year, variety	Ν	Rate		GS	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg)
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BANANA		kg ai/ha	L/ha	application			
(1998) Grand Naine	29	43	30			Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
SC formulation	26	38	24		7	Fruit (bgd)	(< 0.02)
	26	38	24			Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
	28	43	25			Peel	(< 0.02)
	28	43	28				< 0.02 < 0.02
	28)	30	20				(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							< 0.02)
							(< 0.02)
					0	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Pulp	(< 0.02)
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
					7	Fruit (unbgd)	<u>(< 0.02</u>)
						Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Peel	(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							(< 0.02)
Tiquisate, Tiquisate.	8	35	22	Mature fresh	0	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
Guatemala (1998)	(28	37	23	green	Ť	Pulp	(< 0.02)
Grand Naine	29	39	24	C		Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
Last spray 8 Jan 99	27	34	21		1	Fruit (bgd)	(< 0.02)
91 25 W	28	41	25			Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
14 10 N	28	37	23			Peel	(< 0.02)
SC formulation	28	39	24		3	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
	30)	37	23			Pulp	(< 0.02)
					7	Fruit (bod)	< 0.02 < 0.02
					/	Pulp	(< 0.02)
						Peel	(< 0.02)
					10	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Pulp	(< 0.02)
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
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							< 0.02 < 0.02
						P	(< 0.02)
					0	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
						ruip Deel	(> 0.02)
					1	Fruit (unbod)	< 0.02 < 0.02 (< 0.02)
					1	Puln	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Peel	(< 0.02)
					3	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Pulp	(< 0.02)
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
					7	Fruit (unbgd)	(< 0.02)
						Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Peel	(< 0.02)

Location, year, variety	Ν	Rate		GS	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg)
BANANA		kg ai/ha	L/ha	application			
					10	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Pulp	(< 0.02)
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
	0	25	22	Matura frash	0	Emit (had)	(< 0.02)
	$(2)^{\circ}$	24	22	mature fresh	0	Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
	(20	34 30	21	green		Pulp Peel	(< 0.02)
	29	30	24		7	Fruit (bad)	< 0.02 < 0.02
	27	42	24		/	Puln	< 0.02
	28	46	25			Peel	(< 0.02)
	28	41	25			1 001	< 0.02 < 0.02
	30)	36	22				(< 0.02)
	20)	20					< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
					0	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Pulp	(< 0.02)
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02
					7	Fruit (unbgd)	(< 0.02)
						Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02
						Peel	(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02
		40	20	D (1	0		(< 0.02)
Rivière Lézarde, Central	4	40	28	Pre-flower	0	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02
Region, Martinique	(36	40	25	Pre-harvest		Pulp	< 0.02
(2000) Grand Nain last	35	40	25 25	Pre-narvest	2	Peel Emuit (had)	< 0.02
SC formulation	37)	40	25	Mature	3	Fruit (bga)	< 0.02
SC formulation						Pulp Peel	< 0.02
					7	Fruit (bod)	< 0.02
					/	Puln	< 0.02
						Peel	< 0.02
					0	Fruit (unbod)	< 0.02
					Š	Puln	< 0.02
						Peel	< 0.02
					3	Fruit (unbed)	< 0.02
					-	Pulp	< 0.02
						Peel	< 0.02
					7	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02
						Pulp	< 0.02
						Peel	< 0.02
Le Francois, South	4	40	30	Pre-flower	0	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02
Region, Martinique	(36	40	25	Pre-harvest		Pulp	< 0.02
(2000) Grand Nain last	35	40	25	Pre-harvest		Peel	< 0.02
spray 15 Jan 2001	37)	40	25	Mature	3	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02

Location, year, variety	Ν	Rate		GS	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg)
BANANA		kg ai/ha	L/ha	application			
SC formulation						Pulp	< 0.02
					7	Peel	< 0.02
					/	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02
						Pulp Peel	< 0.02
					0	Fruit (unbod)	< 0.02
					Ŭ	Pulp	< 0.02
						Peel	< 0.02
					3	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02
						Pulp	< 0.02
					_	Peel	< 0.02
					1	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02
						Peel	< 0.02
Rembaur, Negeri	6	50	23	39-61	0	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
Sembilan, Malaysia	(21	50	23	39–61	Ť	Pulp	(< 0.02)
(1995) Cavendish last	21	50	23	51-71		Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
spray 19 Dec	21	50	23	51-71	2	Fruit (bgd)	(< 0.02)
	21	50	23	71–75		Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
	21)	50	23	97–98	7	Peel	(< 0.02)
					/	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
						r uip Peel	< 0.02 (< 0.02)
						1 001	0.02 (< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							$< 0.02 < 0.02 \ 0.02$
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
					0	Fruit (unbod)	0.07 0.04 0.03 (0.05)
					Ť	Pulp	< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
						Peel	(< 0.02)
					2	Fruit (unbgd)	0.13 0.06 0.05 (0.08)
						Pulp	0.07 0.02 0.04 (0.05)
					7	Peel	$0.05\ 0.04 < 0.02$
					/	Fruit (unbgd)	< 0.02 (0.03)
						Pulp Peel	$0.11\ 0.03\ 0.00\ (0.07)$ $0.04\ 0.03\ 0.03\ (0.03)$
						1 001	$0.02\ 0.02 < 0.02$
							< 0.02 (0.02)
							0.07 0.04 0.04 (0.05)
Johor Baharu, Rembau,	6	50	23	51–59	0	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
Malaysia (1995)	(28	50	23	60–69		Pulp	(< 0.02)
Cavendish last spray 23	19	50	23	70-71	2	Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
Dec	23	50 50	23	/3-/9	2	Fruit (bgd)	(< 0.02)
	20	50	23	83_87		r uip Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
	23)	50	25	05 07	7	Fruit (bgd)	< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
						Pulp	(< 0.02)
						Peel	< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
							< 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
							< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
							(< 0.02)
					0	Fruit (unbgd)	0.05 0.02 0.04 (0.04)
						Pulp	$0.02 < 0.02 \ 0.02$

Location, year, variety	Ν	Rate		GS	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg)
BANANA		kg ai/ha	L/ha	application			
						Peel	(0.02)
					2	Fruit (unbgd)	0.09 0.03 0.06 (0.06)
						Pulp	0.04 0.02 0.03 (0.03)
						Peel	$0.02 < 0.02 \ 0.02$
					7	Fruit (unbgd)	(0.02)
						Pulp	0.07 0.03 0.04 (0.05)
						Peel	0.04 0.02 0.02 (0.03)
							0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
							(0.02)
							0.07 0.03 0.03 (0.04)

Residues in whole fruit were calculated based on weight of pulp and peel and residues in pulp and peel.

Adjuvants: Tiquisate, Guatemala, Orchex spray oil; Suchiate Mexico Pemex Citrolina spray oil; Simon Bolivar Ecuador Aceite Agricola spray oil; El Triunfo Ecuador Aceite Agricola spray oil; Pococi Costa Rica Mobil Prorex spray oil; Cienaga Columbia Banole (Total) spray oil; Martinique Texaco Emulsified spray oil; Malaysia mineral oil or none

Kiwi fruit

Trials on kiwifruit conducted in Europe and New Zealand were made available.

Supervised trials in France, Italy, Portugal and Spain (Europe)

Eight trials were conducted in Europe during 2013 using a WG formulation. Eight applications in the range of 91–111 g ai/ha were made, with spray intervals of 10–18 days and a PHI at harvest of 59–64 days. In all trials, a second plot was established where acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied eight times by spray drench application or fertigation to soil at a nominal rate of 100 g ai/ha and a PHI of zero days. Samples of kiwifruits were taken immediately after the last application and at nominally 10, 20, 40 and 60 DALA. Samples of whole fruit were separated into peel and pulp, which were analysed separately for residues per method GRM051.01B. Procedural recoveries were acceptable. Samples from the trials were stored for less than 11 months from sampling to analysis.

Supervised trials in New Zealand

In New Zealand trials acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied four times by spray application as a WG formulation. All trials were conducted by foliar application at the critical use rate of 100 g ai/ha and at an elevated rate of 200 g ai/ha in a second plot. In a third and fourth plot of each trial, acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied four times by soil application at rates of 100 and 200 g ai/ha. In the eight trials performed in 2011, all applications were done post-blossom, whereas in the six trials performed in 2012, all applications were done pre-blossom until up to 15% blossom opening. Samples of whole kiwifruits were taken at four to five sampling intervals in the range of 13 to 191 DALA with the latest sampling at normal commercial harvest. Samples of whole fruit were analysed for residues per method KB item 30880 that is based on method GRM051.01A. Procedural recoveries were acceptable. Samples from the trials were stored for up to 7.7 months (233 days) from sampling to analysis.

Table 59 Residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl in kiwifruit following foliar or soil applications (Amic 2014 10563, Haller 2012 10300, Munro 2013 10544)

Crop (Variety) KIWIFRUIT	Ν	Application Rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume	GS	DALA	Matrix	Residue (mg/kg) ^a
		fatte (g al fat)	(L/ha)				

Crop (Variety) KIWIFRUIT	N	Application Rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	GS	DALA	Matrix	Residue (mg/kg) ^a
Picassent, Valencia, Spain (2013) Green Lay	8 (13 13 14 14 14 13 14)	109 Foliar 100 Foliar 101 Foliar 93 Foliar 101 Foliar 105 Foliar 93 Foliar 101 Foliar	1634 1497 1519 1394 1511 1579 1397 1508	59 67 71 72 73 74 75 78	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 10 \\ 10 \\ 10 \\ 21 \\ 21 \\ 21$	Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 1.13\\ 0.03\\ 0.20\\ 0.85\\ 0.02\\ 0.10\\ 0.47\\ 0.05\\ 0.09\\ 0.26\\ 0.02\\ 0.05\\ 0.16\\ 0.01\\ 0.03\\ \end{array}$
	8 (8 22 15 14 14 14 12)	100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil	10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine	74 75 77 79 81 85 88 89	0	Peel Pulp Whole fruit	0.02 < 0.01 0.01
Carlet, Valencia, Spain (2013) Hayward	8 (13 13 14 14 14 13 14)	93 foliar 97 foliar 100 foliar 96 foliar 106 foliar 106 foliar 99 foliar 100 foliar	1389 1450 1503 1446 1441 1585 1491 1500	61 69 71 72 73 74 75 78	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 10 \\ 10 \\ 10 \\ 21 \\ 21 \\ 21 \\ 42 \\ 42 \\ 42 \\ 42 \\ 44 \\ 64 \\ 64 \\ 64$	Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.99\\ 0.02\\ 0.12\\ 0.57\\ 0.02\\ 0.07\\ 0.18\\ 0.02\\ 0.04\\ 0.27\\ 0.02\\ 0.04\\ 0.21\\ 0.02\\ 0.03\\ \end{array}$
	8 (15 15 15 14 14 14 12)	100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil	10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine	74 75 77 79 81 85 88 89	0	Peel Pulp Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
Valença do Minho, Ganfei, Portugal (2013) Hayward	8 (14 14 14 15 13 13 15)	99 foliar 96 foliar 99 foliar 94 foliar 91 foliar 95 foliar 97 foliar 96 foliar	1482 1437 1489 1411 1366 1431 1451 1438	70–72 73–74 75–76 76–77 78–79 79–80 80–81 82–83	0 0 9 9 9 21 21 21 21 43 43 43 61 61 61	Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 2.10\\ 0.07\\ 0.34\\ 1.33\\ 0.06\\ 0.23\\ 1.18\\ 0.08\\ 0.24\\ 0.84\\ 0.04\\ 0.14\\ 0.73\\ 0.04\\ 0.12\\ \end{array}$

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	8 (15 14 14 14 15 14 13)	100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil	10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine	77-80 81-82 83-84 85-86 85-86 86-87 87-88 88-89	0	Peel Pulp Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
Amares, Enre Douro E Minho, Portugal (2013) Hayward	8 (14 14 14 15 13 13 15)	99 foliar 101 foliar 96 foliar 100 foliar 95 foliar 100 foliar 101 foliar 92 foliar	1485 1522 1436 1500 1420 1511 1501 1382	70–71 71–72 72–73 73–74 75–76 79–80 78–79 80–81	$ \begin{array}{c} 0\\ 0\\ 9\\ 9\\ 21\\ 21\\ 21\\ 43\\ 43\\ 43\\ 61\\ 61\\ 61\\ 61 \end{array} $	Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 1.54\\ 0.06\\ 0.30\\ 1.56\\ 0.10\\ 0.31\\ 1.39\\ 0.07\\ 0.27\\ 0.76\\ 0.05\\ 0.15\\ 0.76\\ 0.08\\ 0.17\end{array}$
	8 (15 14 14 14 15 14 13)	100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil	10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine	77–78 80–81 82–83 84–85 85–86 86–87 87–88 88–89	0	Peel Pulp Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
Veneto, Verona, Italy (2013) Summer 3373	8 (14 14 14 14 14 14 14)	101 foliar 106 foliar 102 foliar 98 foliar 111 foliar 103 foliar 92 foliar	1514 1589 1493 1529 1475 1668 1546 1375	63–65 65–66 65–69 67–69 71–72 74 75–77 77–78	$\begin{array}{c} 0\\ 0\\ 0\\ 10\\ 10\\ 10\\ 21\\ 21\\ 21\\ 42\\ 42\\ 42\\ 42\\ 59\\ 59\\ 59\\ 59\\ 59\end{array}$	Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.44\\ 0.02\\ 0.07\\ 0.19\\ 0.02\\ 0.04\\ 0.12\\ 0.01\\ 0.03\\ 0.14\\ 0.01\\ 0.03\\ 0.10\\ < 0.01\\ 0.02\\ \end{array}$
	8 (14 14 14 14 13 15 13)	100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil	10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine	72 76 77 77–78 77–78 81–82 85–86 89	0	Peel Pulp Whole fruit	0.01 < 0.01 0.01

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Emilia Romagna, Bologna, Italy (2013) Hayward	8 (14 14 16 12 14 14 15)	102 foliar 105 foliar 100 foliar 101 foliar 100 foliar 103 foliar 109 foliar 97 foliar	1532 1568 1504 1518 1504 1550 1636 1454	69 72–73 74–75 76–77 77–78 79–81 81–83 82–84	$\begin{array}{c} 0\\ 0\\ 0\\ 10\\ 10\\ 10\\ 21\\ 21\\ 21\\ 42\\ 42\\ 42\\ 42\\ 59\\ 59\\ 59\\ 59\\ 59\end{array}$	Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.26\\ 0.01\\ 0.02\\ 0.16\\ 0.01\\ 0.04\\ 0.17\\ 0.02\\ 0.04\\ 0.10\\ 0.01\\ 0.03\\ 0.05\\ < 0.01\\ 0.01\\ \end{array}$
	8 (13 15 14 14 14 13 15)	100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil	10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine	77–78 79–81 81–83 82–84 84–85 85–86 86–87 89	0	Peel Pulp Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
Tarn et Garonne, Midi–Pyrénées, France (2013) Howard	8 (18 10 11 14 14 15 14)	95 foliar 101 foliar 98 foliar 101 foliar 101 foliar 99 foliar 101 foliar 92 foliar	1431 1511 1470 1521 1515 1489 1508 1375	65–69 71 73–74 74 75–77 77 78 79	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 10 \\ 10 \\ 10 \\ 20 \\ 20 \\ 20$	Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 1.45\\ 0.05\\ 0.25\\ 0.50\\ 0.02\\ 0.09\\ 0.95\\ 0.03\\ 0.13\\ 0.49\\ 0.02\\ 0.07\\ 0.48\\ 0.02\\ 0.07\\ 0.48\\ 0.02\\ 0.07\\ \end{array}$
	8 (14 14 14 14 14 14 14 14 14)	100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil	10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine	75 77–78 78 79 79–80 79 79–81 87–89	0	Peel Pulp Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
Latina, Lazio, Italy (2013) Hayward	8 (14 15 13 14 13 15 14)	106 foliar 100 foliar 99 foliar 102 foliar 95 foliar 100 foliar 104 foliar 101 foliar	1859 1505 1481 1526 1425 1496 1558 1514	71–72 72–73 72–73 73–74 74–75 77 78 79	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 11 \\ 11 \\ 11 \\ 21 \\ 21 \\ 21 \\ 42 \\ 42$	Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit Peel Pulp Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 1.66\\ 0.07\\ 0.41\\ 2.12\\ 0.09\\ 0.37\\ 2.51\\ 0.11\\ 0.40\\ < 0.01\\ < 0.01\\ < 0.01\\ < 0.01\\ 0.65\\ 0.05\\ 0.16\end{array}$

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	8 (14 14 14 14 14 14 14 14 14)	100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil	10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine 10/vine	75 78 79 79 81 83 89	0	Peel Pulp Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
Whangarata Rd, Tuakau, South Auckland NZ (2011) Hort 16A Last foliar 14 Feb 12 -37.26714 174.96310	4 (21 19 20)	99 foliar 100 foliar 99 foliar 100 foliar	745 1004 996 1003	42 days post fruit set Fruit 60 mm Fruit 65 mm Fruit 70 mm	13 71 100 120 133	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.64 0.24, 0.26 (0.25) 0.13 0.13 0.10
	4 (21 19 20)	201 foliar 199 foliar 199 foliar 199 foliar	755 1001 1001 1000	42 days post fruit set Fruit 60 mm Fruit 65 mm Fruit 70 mm	13 71 100 120 133	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	1.41 0.38 0.33, 0.33 (0.33) 0.27 0.20
	4 (21 19 20)	99 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 Soil	215 232 236 222	42 days post fruit set Fruit 60 mm Fruit 65 mm Fruit 70 mm	13 71 100 120 133	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.02 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \end{array}$
	4 (21 19 20)	199 soil 199 soil 200 soil 199 Soil	215 232 236 222	Fruit 60 mm Fruit 65 mm Fruit 70 mm 42 days post fruit set	13 71 100 120 133	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.02 \\ 0.02 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \end{array}$
Whangarata Rd, Tuakau, South Auckland NZ (2011) Hayward Last spray 14 Feb 12 -37.26540 174.96217	4 (21 19 20)	99 foliar 99 foliar 100 foliar 99 foliar	743 995 1003 1003	10 days post fruit set Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm	13 71 100 120 133	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.51 0.19 0.15 0.13 0.15
	4 (21 19 20)	199 foliar 200 foliar 198 foliar 200 foliar	746 1003 995 1000	10 days post fruit set Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm	13 71 100 120 133	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	1.81 0.64 0.59, 0.55 (0.57) 0.58 0.36

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	4 (21 19 20)	99 soil 100 soil 100 soil 100 soil	215 232 236 222	10 days post fruit set Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm	13 71 100 120 133	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ 0.01 \end{array}$
	4 (21 19 20)	199 soil 199 soil 200 soil 199 soil	215 232 236 222	Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm 10 days post fruit set	13 71 100 120 133	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.02, 0.02(0.02)\\ < 0.01\\ < 0.01\\ < 0.01\\ < 0.01\\ < 0.01\end{array}$
Bruntwood Dr, Tauranga, Bay of Plenty NZ (2011) Gold 3 Last foliar 29 Feb 12 -37.66900	4 (21 21 20)	100 foliar 99 foliar 99 foliar 99 foliar	991 994 997 989	Fruit 50mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 70 mm	14 70 100 121	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.18 0.23 0.09 0.04
176.03279	4 (21 21 20)	197 foliar 196 foliar 198 foliar 198 foliar	988 986 992 992	Fruit 50mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 70 mm	14 70 100 121	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.53 0.41, 0.38 (0.40) 0.19 0.14
	4 (21 21 20)	99 soil 99 soil 99 soil 99 Soil	216 217 220 223	Fruit 50mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 70 mm	14 70 100 121	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
	4 (21 21 20)	198 soil 199 soil 200 soil 199 Soil	216 217 220 223	Fruit 50mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 70 mm	14 70 100 121	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
Knyvett Rd, Kati Kati, Bay of Plenty NZ (2011) Green 14 Last foliar 29 Feb 12 -37.64170	4 (21 21 20)	100 foliar 99 foliar 98 foliar 99 foliar	1003 991 988 997	Fruit 50mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 70 mm	14 70 100 121	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.22 0.13 0.08 0.06
175.94740	4 (21 21 20)	200 foliar 199 foliar 197 foliar 199 foliar	1005 998 991 1000	Fruit 50mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 70 mm	14 70 100 121	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.39 0.26, 0.18 (0.22) 0.17 0.10

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	4 (21 21 20)	99 soil 99 soil 99 soil 99 soil	216 217 220 223	Fruit 50mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 70 mm	14 70 100 121	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
	4 (21 21 20)	198 soil 199 soil 200 soil 199 soil	216 217 220 223	Fruit 50mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 70 mm	14 70 100 121	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
Belk Rd, Tauranga, Bay of Plenty NZ (2011) Hort 16A Gold	4 (18 19 20)	99 foliar 99 foliar 100 foliar 99 foliar	1482 1491 1500 1482	74 75 76 77	16 68 99 127	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.07, 0.08 (0.08) 0.03 0.02 0.02
Last foliar 15 Feb 12 -37.785267 176.094250	4 (18 19 20)	198 foliar 198 foliar 198 foliar 196 foliar	1491 1491 1491 1473	74 75 76 77	16 68 99 127	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.12 0.04, 0.05 (0.05) 0.04 0.03
	4 (18 19 20)	99 soil 99 soil 99 soil 99 soil	299 299 299 299 299	74 75 76 77	16 68 99 127	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.02 < 0.01 0.01 < 0.01
	4 (18 19 20)	199 soil 199 soil 199 soil 199 soil	299 299 299 299	74 75 76 77	16 68 99 127	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
Griffin Rd, Tauranga, Bay of Plenty NZ (2011) Hort 16A Gold	4 (18 19 21)	99 foliar 100 foliar 98 foliar 98 foliar	1491 1500 1473 1473	74 75 76 77	16 68 99 127	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.07 \\ 0.04 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \end{array}$
Last foliar 15 Feb 12 -37.775433 176.081900	4 (18 19 21)	198 foliar 199 foliar 195 foliar 196 foliar	1491 1500 1464 1473	74 75 76 77	16 68 99 127	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.09 0.07, 0.06 (0.07) 0.03 0.01
	4 (18 19 21)	99 soil 99 soil 99 soil 99 Soil	299 299 299 299 299	74 75 76 77	16 68 99 127	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
	4 (18 19 21)	199 soil 199 soil 199 soil 199 Soil	299 299 299 299 299	74 75 76 77	16 68 99 127	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
Melville Rd, Tauranga, Bay of Plenty NZ (2011) Hayward	4 (18 19 21)	98 foliar 98 foliar 97 foliar 97 foliar	1473 1473 1464 1464	74 75 76 77	16 68 99 127	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.12 0.10 0.04 0.05
Last foliar 15 Feb 12 -37.778433 176.093833	4 (18 19 21)	195 foliar 196 foliar 196 foliar 195 foliar	1464 1473 1473 1464	74 75 76 77	16 68 99 127	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.36 0.21, 0.19 (0.20) 0.04 0.08
	4 (18 19 21)	99 soil 99 soil 99 soil 99 soil	299 299 299 299 299	74 75 76 77	16 68 99 127	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01

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	4 (18 19 21)	199 soil 199 soil 199 soil 199 soil	299 299 299 299 299	74 75 76 77	16 68 99 127	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
Belk Rd, Tauranga, Bay of Plenty NZ (2011) Hayward Last foliar 15 Feb	4 (18 19 21)	99 foliar 99 foliar 98 foliar 100 foliar	1491 1491 1473 1500	74 75 76 77	16 68 99 127	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.15 0.14 0.05 0.04
12 -37.784533 176.093283	4 (18 19 21)	199 foliar 198 foliar 196 foliar 197 foliar	1500 1491 1473 1482	74 75 76 77	16 68 99 127	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.42 0.12, 0.11 (0.12) 0.05 0.04
	4 (18 19 21)	99 soil 99 soil 99 soil 99 soil	299 299 299 299	74 75 76 77	16 68 99 127	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
	4 (18 19 21)	199 soil 199 soil 199 soil 199 soil	299 299 299 299	74 75 76 77	16 68 99 127	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
Whangarata Rd, Tuakau NZ (2012) Hort 16A last foliar 14 Oct 12	4 (9 10 9)	100 (foliar) 100 (foliar) 100 (foliar) 100 (foliar)	1000 1000 1000 1000	10% at 10 cm extn 5–7 mm flower buds 10 mm flower buds 15% open bloom	29 43 58 100 191	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.14 \\ 0.05 \\ 0.02 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \end{array}$
	4 (9 10 9	200 (foliar) 200 (foliar) 200 (foliar) 200 (foliar)	1000 1000 1000 1000	10% at 10 cm extn 5–7 mm flower buds 10 mm flower buds 15% open bloom	29 43 58 100 191	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.34 0.12 0.03 0.02 0.01
	4 (9 10 9	100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil)	300 300 300 300	10% at 10 cm extn 5–7 mm flower buds 10 mm flower buds 15% open bloom	29 43 58 100 191	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
	4 (9 10 9	200 (soil) 200 (soil) 200 (soil) 200 (soil)	300 300 300 300	10% at 10 cm extn 5–7 mm flower buds 10 mm flower buds 15% open bloom	29 43 58 100 191	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	

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	8 (21 21 21 21 21 21 21 21 22)	100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil)	300 300 300 300 300 300 300 300	15 mm fruit size Fruit 40 mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm mature fruit mature fruit	Prior 1 st application 14	Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01
Whangarata Rd, Tuakau NZ (2012) Hayward Last foliar 12 Nov 12	4 (10 12 26)	100 (foliar) 100 (foliar) 100 (foliar) 100 (foliar)	1000 1000 1000 1000	5–10 cm extn 20 cm extn 10 mm flower buds 1% open bloom	29 42 56 100 183	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.10\\ 0.07\\ 0.03\\ 0.01\\ < 0.01, < 0.01\\ (< 0.01) \end{array}$
		200 (foliar) 200 (foliar) 200 (foliar) 200 (foliar)	1000 1000 1000 1000	5–10 cm extn 20 cm extn 10 mm flower buds 1% open bloom	29 42 56 100 183	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.41 \\ 0.05 \\ 0.03 \\ 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \end{array}$
	4 (10 12 26)	100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil)	300 300 300 300	5–10 cm extn 20 cm extn 10 mm flower buds 1% open bloom	29 42 56 100 183	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.11 \\ 0.02 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \end{array}$
		200 (soil) 200 (soil) 200 (soil) 200 (soil)	300 300 300 300	5–10 cm extn 20 cm extn 10 mm flower buds 1% open bloom	29 42 56 100 183	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.33 0.02 0.01, 0.01 (0.01) < 0.01 < 0.01
	6 (26 21 21 21 21)	100 (foliar) 100 (foliar) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil)	1000 1000 300 300 300 300	10 mm flower buds 1% open bloom fruit set Fruit 40 mm Fruit 50 mm Fruit 60 mm	-0 (pre-1 st soil) 28 42 57 99	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.86 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \end{array}$

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	8 (21 21 21 21 21 21 21 22 20)	100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil)	300 300 300 300 300 300 300 300	fruit set Fruit 40 mm Fruit 50 mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm Full size fruit mature fruit mature fruit	-0 (pre-1 st soil) 15	Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.43 < 0.01
Bruntwood Rd, Omokoroa NZ (2012) G3 Last foliar 26 Oct 13	4 (12 9 9)	100 (foliar) 100 (foliar) 100 (foliar) 100 (foliar)	1000 1000 1000 1000	10–12 cm extn 15 cm extn 20 cm extn 30 cm extn	29 42 56 100 188	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.37 \\ 0.04 \\ 0.02 \\ 0.02 \\ < 0.01 \end{array}$
	4 (12 9 9)	200 (foliar) 200 (foliar) 200 (foliar) 200 (foliar)	1000 1000 1000 1000	10–12 cm extn 15 cm extn 20 cm extn 30 cm extn	29 42 56 100 188	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.82 0.13 0.12, 0.11 (0.12) 0.03 < 0.01
	4 (12 9 9)	100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil)	300 300 300 300	10–12 cm extn 15 cm extn 20 cm extn 30 cm extn	29 42 56 100 188	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.11 \\ 0.02 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \end{array}$
	4 (12 9 9)	200 (soil) 200 (soil) 200 (soil) 200 (soil)	300 300 300 300	10–12 cm extn 15 cm extn 20 cm extn 30 cm extn	29 42 56 100 188	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.10\\ 0.02\\ < 0.01\\ < 0.01, < 0.01\\ (< 0.01)\\ < 0.01\end{array}$
	5 (37 21 21 21)	100 (foliar) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil)	1000 300 300 300 300	20 cm extn fruit set Fruit 40 mm Fruit 50 mm Fruit 60 mm	-0 (pre-1 st soil) 28 42 55 97	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.13 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \end{array}$
	8 (21 21 21 21 21 20 23)	100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil)	300 300 300 300 300 300 300 300	fruit set Fruit 40 mm Fruit 50 mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 70 mm Full size fruit mature fruit mature fruit	-0 (pre-1 st soil) 12	Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.05 < 0.01
Knyvett Rd, Kati Kati NZ (2012) G14 Last foliar 7 Nov 12	4 (12 9 21)	100 (foliar) 100 (foliar) 100 (foliar) 100 (foliar)	1000 1000 1000 1000	5-10 cm extn 15 cm extn 20 cm extn 3% flowering	29 42 56 100 176	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.07\\ 0.01\\ < 0.01\\ < 0.01\\ < 0.01\\ < 0.01 \end{array}$

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	4 (12 9 21)	200 (foliar) 200 (foliar) 200 (foliar) 200 (foliar)	1000 1000 1000 1000	5–10 cm extn 15 cm extn 20 cm extn 3% flowering	29 42 56 100 176	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.29 0.06, 0.07 (0.07) 0.02 0.03 0.03
	4 (12 9 21)	100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil)	300 300 300 300	5–10 cm extn 15 cm extn 20 cm extn 3% flowering	29 42 56 100 176	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
	4 (12 9 21)	200 (soil) 200 (soil) 200 (soil) 200 (soil)	300 300 300 300	5–10 cm extn 15 cm extn 20 cm extn 3% flowering	29 42 56 100 176	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
	6 (21 16 21 21)	100 (foliar) 100 (foliar) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil)	1000 1000 300 300 300 300	20 cm extn 3% flowering fruit set Fruit 25 mm Fruit 50 mm Fruit 60 mm	-0 (pre-1 st soil) 28 42 55 98	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.44 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \end{array}$
	8 (21 21 21 21 21 20 23)	100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil)	300 300 300 300 300 300 300 300	fruit set Fruit 25 mm Fruit 50 mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm Fruit 60 mm mature fruit	-0 (pre-1 st soil) 12	Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01, < 0.01 <u>(< 0.01</u>)
Melville Rd, Tauriko, Tauranga NZ (2012) Hort 16A Last foliar 18 Oct	3 (19 16)	100 (foliar) 100 (foliar) 100 (foliar)	1500 1500 1500	Shoots Shoots pre-flower	28 42 56 100 172	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.11 \\ 0.02 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \end{array}$
12	3 (19 16)	200 (foliar) 200 (foliar) 200 (foliar)	1500 1500 1500	Shoots Shoots pre-flower	28 42 56 100 172	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	0.12 0.04 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
	3 (19 16)	100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil)	300 300 300	Shoots Shoots pre-flower	28 42 56 100 172	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01

Crop (Variety) KIWIFRUIT	Ν	Application Rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	GS	DALA	Matrix	Residue (mg/kg) ^a
	3 (19 16)	200 (soil) 200 (soil) 200 (soil)	300 300 300	Shoots Shoots pre-flower	28 42 56 100 172	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
	5 (33 13 16 26)	100 (foliar) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil)	1500 300 300 300 300 300	pre-flower fruit fruit fruit fruit	28 42 56 100	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01, < 0.01 (< 0.01) < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
	8 (13 16 26 17 12 25 19)	100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil)	300 300 300 300 300 300 300 300	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit fruit	-0 (pre-1 st soil) 14	Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01, < 0.01 <u>(< 0.01</u>)
Melville Rd, Tauriko, Tauranga, NZ (2012) Hayward Last foliar 15 Nov	4 (16 13 15)	100 (foliar) 100 (foliar) 100 (foliar) 100 (foliar)	1500 1500 1500 1500	Shoots Shoots Flower Bud pre-flower	28 42 56 100 148	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.15 \\ 0.02 \\ 0.02 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \end{array}$
12	4 (16 13 15)	200 (foliar) 200 (foliar) 200 (foliar) 200 (foliar)	1500 1500 1500 1500	Shoots Shoots Flower Bud pre-flower	28 42 56 100 148	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.64, 0.70(0.67)\\ 0.05\\ 0.02\\ 0.02\\ < 0.01 \end{array}$
	4 (16 13 15)	100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil)	300 300 300 300	Shoots Shoots Flower Bud pre-flower	28 42 56 100 148	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
	4 (16 13 15)	200 (soil) 200 (soil) 200 (soil) 200 (soil)	300 300 300 300	Shoots Shoots Flower Bud pre-flower	28 42 56 100 148	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
	5 (34 19 17 12)	100 (foliar) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil)	1500 300 300 300 300	pre-flower fruit fruit fruit fruit fruit	28 42 56 100	Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit Whole fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.15 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \\ < 0.01 \end{array}$
	8 (19 17 12 22 19 14 22)	100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil) 100 (soil)	300 300 300 300 300 300 300 300	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit fruit	-0 (pre-1 st soil) 14	Whole fruit Whole fruit	< 0.01 < 0.01, < 0.01 <u>(< 0.01</u>)

^a Residue in whole fruit calculated as follows: (Total amount (mg) Kiwi peel + Kiwi pulp)/(total weight (kg) fruit) In the calculation of residues in whole fruit, individual residues of < 0.01 mg/kg have been assigned a value of 0.01 mg/kg, except where peel and pulp contained residues < 0.01 mg/kg, in which case the overall residue is also < 0.01 mg/kg.

Onions

Eleven supervised trials on <u>onions</u> were carried out in the USA. Acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied as four foliar applications at 33.6–38.1 g ai/ha as a WG formulation. Samples of onion bulb were collected from the treated plots 7 ± 1 DALA. For decline trials/plots additional samples were collected at 3, 10 and 14 DALA. No adjuvants were used in the 2005 trials. Duplicate samples were collected from plots for the 2005 and 2010 trials. Samples of onion bulbs were analysed for residues per the validated methods AG-671A for the 2005/06 trials and GRM051.05A for the 2010/11 trials. Procedural recoveries were acceptable. Samples from the trials were stored for a maximum of 463 days (15.2 months).

Table 60 Residues	of acibenzolar-S-methyl	following foliar	application to	onions (Thompson	2008
467403, Willard 201	2b 50017)					

Crop (Variety) ONION	N (int)	Rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage	DALA	Crop Part	Residue (mg/kg)
Holtville, CA USA (2005) Ebano	4 (6 8 7)	36 36 36 35	325 323 321 315	small bulbs Bulb Bulb Bulb	7 (0)	Dry Bulb	< 0.05, < 0.05 (< 0.05)
Five Points CA USA (2005)–	4 (7 7 7)	34 36 35 38	372 391 381 410	Bulb 7.5–10 cm dia Bulbs present Bulbs present Bulbs present—drying down	3 (0) 7 (0) 10 (0) 14 (0)	Dry Bulb Dry Bulb Dry Bulb Dry Bulb	< 0.05, < 0.05 (< 0.05) < 0.05, < 0.05 (< 0.05) < 0.05, < 0.05 (< 0.05) < 0.05, < 0.05 (< 0.05) < 0.05, < 0.05 (< 0.05) < 0.05 (< 0.05) < 0.05 (< 0.05) < 0.05 (< 0.05) < 0.05 (< 0.05) < 0.05 (< 0.05) < 0.05 (< 0.05) < 0.05 (< 0.05) < 0.05 (< 0.05) < 0.05 (< 0.05) < 0.05 (< 0.05) < 0.05 (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.05) (< 0.0
Fort Collins CO USA (2005) Vantage	4 (7 7 7)	36 35 37 35	240 240 246 236	Bulbing Bulbing Bulbing—Plant tipped over Bulb	7 (+3)	Dry Bulb	< 0.05, < 0.05 (< 0.05)
Parma ID USA (2005) Vaquero	4 (7 6 7)	35 35 36 36	458 467 471 473	Maturing Maturing Maturing maturing	8 (0)	Dry Bulb	< 0.05, < 0.05 (< 0.05)
Laingsburg MI USA (2005) Millennium	4 (7 8 7)	35 36 35 34	366 385 377 358	Vegetative Vegetative Vegetative vegetative—drying down	7 (+14)	Dry Bulb	0.06, 0.05 (<u>0.06</u>)
Freeville NY USA (2005) Millennium	4 (7 7 7)	35 37 36 35	189 199 194 187	8 true leaves–9 true leaves 9 true leaves 9 true leaves 9 true leaves	7 (+4)	Dry Bulb	< 0.05, < 0.05 (< 0.05)
Aurora OR USA (2005) Gunnison	4 (7 7 7)	36 36 36 37	275 278 276 283	vegetative—Bulb 5 cm dia vegetative—Bulb 7.5 cm dia vegetative—Bulb 7.5 cm dia vegetative—Bulb 7.5 cm dia	6 (+4)	Dry Bulb	< 0.05, < 0.05 (< 0.05)
Weslaco TX USA (2005) Cirrus	4 (8 7 6)	36 35 35 36	189 305 304 309	Bulb 5 cm dia Bulb 5 cm dia 5–7.5 cm roots 7.5–10 cm dia roots	6 (0)	Dry Bulb	< 0.05, < 0.05 (< 0.05)
Kerman CA USA (2011) Stockton Early Yellow	4 (7 7 7)	35 foliar 35 foliar 35 foliar 35 foliar	184 184 186 186	48 49 49 49	7 10 14	Dry Bulb Dry Bulb Dry Bulb	

Crop (Variety) ONION	N (int)	Rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage	DALA	Crop Part	Residue (mg/kg)
	4 (7 7 7)	35 foliar 35 foliar 35 foliar 35 foliar (+ Agridex at 0.5– 0.625%)	185 186 187 187	48 49 49 49	7	Dry Bulb	< 0.01, < 0.01 (< 0.01)
	4 (7 7 7)	35 soil 35 soil 35 soil 35 soil	1403 1402 1396 1408	48 49 49 49	7 10 14	Dry Bulb Dry Bulb Dry Bulb	< 0.01, < 0.01 (< 0.01) < 0.01 < 0.01
King City, CA USA (2010) Varsity last 9 Feb 10	4 (7 7 7)	36 foliar 36 foliar 36 foliar 36 foliar	339 334 337 330	47 47 47 49	7 10 14	Dry Bulb Dry Bulb Dry Bulb	0.01, 0.01 (0.01) <u>0.02</u> < 0.01
	4 (7 7 7)	35 foliar 35 foliar 36 foliar 34 foliar (+ Dyne- Amic at 0.375%)	329 327 337 321	47 47 47 49	7	Dry Bulb	0.02, 0.02 (0.02)
	4 (7 7 7)	37 soil 36 soil 36 soil 35 soil	1463 1433 1423 1411	47 47 47 49	7 10 14	Dry Bulb Dry Bulb Dry Bulb	< 0.01, < 0.01 (< 0.01) < 0.01 < 0.01
King City CA USA (2010) Redwing Last 10 Jan 10	4 (7 7 7)	35 foliar 35 foliar 34 foliar 35 foliar	306 331 331 340	85 47 49 49	7 10 14	Dry Bulb Dry Bulb Dry Bulb	< 0.01, < 0.01 (< 0.01) < 0.01 < 0.01
	4 (7 7 7)	36 foliar 36 foliar 35 foliar 36 foliar (+ Pro 90 at 0.50%)	308 331 334 342	85 47 49 49	7	Dry Bulb	< 0.01, 0.01 (<u>0.01</u>)
	4 (7 7 7)	36 soil 35 soil 35 soil 35 soil	1917 1914 1951 1906	85 47 49 49	7 10 14	Dry Bulb Dry Bulb Dry Bulb	< 0.01, < 0.01 (< 0.01) < 0.01 0.018
Ephrata, WA USA (2011) Colorado #6	4 (7 7 7)	36 foliar 36 foliar 35 foliar 35 foliar	191 189 187 186	45 46 47 48	7 10 14	Dry Bulb Dry Bulb Dry Bulb	< 0.01, < 0.01 (< 0.01) < 0.01 < 0.01
	4 (7 7 7)	35 foliar 35 foliar 35 foliar 35 foliar (+ Slither at 0.03%)	186 186 186 189	45 46 47 48	7	Dry Bulb	< 0.01, < 0.01 (< 0.01)
	4 (7 7 7)	35 soil 35 soil 35 soil 35 soil	1880 1866 1885 1889	45 46 47 48	7 10 14	Dry Bulb Dry Bulb Dry Bulb	< 0.01, < 0.01 (< 0.01) < 0.01 < 0.01

Values in parentheses = mean of results

In four of the trials the samples were harvested and allowed to dry for 3 to 14 days before collecting samples. Drying is the local practice in these areas.

Brassica vegetables

Supervised trials were conducted in the USA on <u>Brassica</u> vegetables (cabbage and broccoli). Acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied as four foliar applications of a WG formulation at about 53 g ai/ha. In the three cabbage trials performed in 2010, a second plot was conducted with addition of an additive to the tank-mix (Helfire, Preference, Agridex) and a third plot where the four applications were as soil drenches. At all trial sites samples of cabbage and broccoli were collected from the treated plots at day seven after application, and immediately after application for trials performed in 1997/98. For decline trials/plots additional samples were collected at nominally 1, 3, 5, 10 and 14 DALA. Samples were analysed for residues per methods AG-671A for the 1997/98 trials and GRM051.05A for the 2010 trials. Procedural recoveries were acceptable. Samples from the trials were stored for a maximum of 636 days (21 months).

Table 61 Residues of ac	ibenzolar-S-methyl	following	foliar application	to cabbage (Eudy	1999 0660)
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Location CABBAGE	N (int)	Rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	GS	DALA	Sample	Residue (mg/kg)
Fresno CA USA (1997) Copenhagen	4 (7 7 7)	53 53 53 53	187 187 187 187 187	vegetative—heading heading heading—Immature head heading	0 7 7 7	Head Head w/o wrapper Wrapper leaves Head	0.59, 0.58 (0.59) 0.09, 0.10 (0.10) 0.45, 0.64 (0.55) 0.45, 0.57 (<u>0.51</u>)
Indian River FL USA (1997) Bravo	4 (7 9 5)	53 53 53 53 53	570 570 570 570 570	25–28 cm HT 25–28 cm HT 28–30 cm HT 28–30 cm HT	0 7 7 7	Head Head w/o wrapper Wrapper leaves Head	0.36, 0.65 (0.51) 0.20, 0.31 (0.26) 0.29, 0.24 (0.27) 0.19, 0.22 (<u>0.21</u>)
San Patricio TX USA (1997) Gensis	4 (7 7 7)	53 53 53 53	234 234 234 234 234	Small heads Small heads Small heads Medium heads	0 7 7 7	Head Head w/o wrapper Wrapper leaves Head	0.34, 0.28 (0.31) 0.20, 0.21 (0.21) 0.23, 0.14 (0.19) 0.28, 0.36 (<u>0.32</u>)
Sampson NC USA (1997) Early Jersey Wakefield	4 (8 7 7)	53 53 53 53	187 187 187 187	8–12 leaf stage 14–15 leaf stage 14–15 leaf stage 15–20 leaf stage	0 7 7 7	Head Head w/o wrapper Wrapper leaves Head	0.46, 0.53 (0.50) 0.12, 0.11 (0.12) 0.15, 0.13 (0.14) 0.14, 0.12 (<u>0.13</u>)
Walworth WI USA (1997) Vantage Point	4 (7 7 8))	53 53 53 53 53	234 243 243 243	15 cm. head 18 cm head 20 cm head 23 cm head	0 7 7 7	Head Head w/o wrapper Wrapper leaves Head	0.29, 0.35 (0.32) 0.11, 0.12 (0.12) 0.13, 0.13 (0.13) 0.06, 0.09 (<u>0.08)</u>
Wayne NY USA (1997) Heads Up	4 (7 7 7)	53 53 53 53	187 187 187 187	10–13 cm head 10–15 cm. head 15–20 cm head 15–20 cm. head	0 1 3 5 7 7 7 7	Head Head Head Head Head w/o wrapper Wrapper leaves Head	$\begin{array}{c} 0.36, 0.29(0.33)\\ 0.25, 0.32(0.29)\\ 0.39, 0.37(0.38)\\ 0.21, 0.21(0.21)\\ 0.16, 0.20(0.18)\\ 0.40, 0.40(0.40)\\ 0.27, 0.35(\underline{0.31}) \end{array}$
North Rose NY USA (2010) Constellation	4 (7 7 7)	54 foliar 54 foliar 55 foliar 54 foliar	283 282 289 282	BBCH 43 BBCH 45 BBCH 47 BBCH 49	7 10 14	Head Head Head	0.38, 0.26 (<u>0.32</u>) 0.36 0.29

Location CABBAGE	N (int)	Rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	GS	DALA	Sample	Residue (mg/kg)
	4 (7 7 7)	54 foliar 55 foliar 54 foliar 54 foliar (+ Agridex at 1.0%)	286 283 288 283	BBCH 45 BBCH 47 BBCH 49 BBCH 43	7	Head	0.60, 0.56 (<u>0.58</u>)
	4 (7 7 7)	53 soil 52 soil 54 soil 51 soil	985 961 989 981	BBCH 43 BBCH 45 BBCH 47 BBCH 49	7 10 14	Head Head Head	0.27, 0.26 (0.27) 0.21 0.24
Bagley IA USA (2010) Copenhagen	4 (7 7 7)	54 foliar 58 foliar 56 foliar 53 foliar	25 144 94 132	BBCH 12 BBCH 19 BBCH 19 BBCH 85	6 9 12	Head Head Head	0.14, 0.17 (<u>0.16</u>) 0.14 0.17
	4 (7 7 7)	53 foliar 55 foliar 58 foliar 51 foliar (+ Helfire at 0.25%)	213 137 97 128	BBCH 12 BBCH 19 BBCH 19 BBCH 85	6	Head	0.19, 0.18 (0.19)
	4 (7 7 7)	52 soil 51 soil 50 soil 51 soil	1820 1798 1757 1786	BBCH 12 BBCH 19 BBCH 19 BBCH 85	6 9 12	Head Head Head	
Fitchburg WI USA (2010) Stonehead	4 (7 7 7)	54 foliar 54 foliar 52 foliar 53 foliar	238 237 232 225	BBCH 47–51 BBCH 51 7.5–13 cm heads 11–14 cm dia head	7 10 14	Head Head Head	0.32, 0.30 (<u>0.31</u>) 0.29 0.30
	4 (7 7 7)	55 foliar 55 foliar 53 foliar 54 foliar (+ Preference at 0.25%)	241 241 234 231	BBCH 47–51 BBCH 51 7.5–13 cm heads 11–14 cm dia head	7	Head	0.38, 0.39 (0.39)
	4 (7 7 7)	56 soil 53 soil 52 soil 51 soil	987 1012 1080 1105	BBCH 47–51 BBCH 51 7.5–13 cm heads 11–14 cm dia head	7 10 14	Head Head Head	0.15, 0.13 (0.14) 0.14 0.20

Table 62 Residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl following foliar application to broccoli (Eudy 1999 0660) (replicate samples)

Crop (Variety) BROCCOLI	N (int)	Application Rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DALA	Crop Part	Residue (mg/kg)
Fresno CA USA (1997) Decicco	4 (7 7 7)	53 53 53 53	47 47 47 47	Vegetative Vegetative/heading Heading Heading/immature	0 7	Inflorescence Inflorescence	0.53 0.64 (0.58) 0.34 0.28 (<u>0.31</u>)
San Patricio TX USA (1997) Southern Comet Vegetables	4 (7 7 5)	53 53 53 53	234 234 234 234	Small heads large heads large heads large heads	0 7	Inflorescence Inflorescence	0.49, 0.60 (0.55) 0.60, 0.32 (<u>0.46</u>)

Crop (Variety) BROCCOLI	N (int)	Application Rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DALA	Crop Part	Residue (mg/kg)
San Luis Obispo CA USA (1997) Marathon	4 (7 6 7)	53 53 53 53	234 234 234 234 234	Pre-Head Pre-Head Early head Early head	0 1 3 5 7 9	Inflorescence Inflorescence Inflorescence Inflorescence Inflorescence Inflorescence	$\begin{array}{c} 0.47,0.41(0.44)\\ 0.51,0.60(0.56)\\ 0.95,0.88(0.92)\\ 1.08,1.41(1.25)\\ 0.63,0.60(\underline{0.62})\\ 0.39,0.53(0.46) \end{array}$
Santa Barbara CA USA (1997) Arcadia	4 (6 8 7)	53 53 53 53	234 234 234 234	Pre-Head Heading Heading Head sizing	0 7	Inflorescence Inflorescence	0.43, 0.50 (0.47) 0.52, 0.42 (<u>0.47</u>)
Yuma AZ USA (1998) HMX 7144	4 (7 5 9)	53 53 53 53	281 281 281 281	Head development Head development maturing-mature mature-immature	0 7	Inflorescence Inflorescence	0.47, 0.42 (0.45) 0.58, 0.51 (0.55)
Linn OR USA (1997) Gem Hybrid	4 (7 6 8)	53 53 53 53	271 271 262 281	Pre-Heading heading–2.5 cm diam 1.2–7.5 cm. diam 5.1–15.2 cm diam	0 7	Inflorescence Inflorescence	0.25, 0.25 (0.25) 0.17, 0.22 (0.20)

Fruiting vegetables, Cucurbits

Supervised trials on cucurbits were conducted in the USA.

In trials on <u>cucumber</u>, acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied as eight foliar applications at 68.1– 72.3 g ai/ha as a WG formulation. In the three trials performed in 2010 a second plot was conducted with addition of an additive to the tank-mix (Agridex, Scanner, Induce) and a third plot applications were made as a soil drench. At all trial sites samples of cucumber were collected from the treated plots immediately after application, when the spray deposit has dried. For decline trials/plots additional samples were collected at nominal 3, 7 and 10 days after the last application (DALA). Samples of cucumbers were analysed for residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl per the validated methods AG-671A for the 1998 trials and GRM051.05A for the 2010 trials. Procedural recoveries were acceptable. Samples from the trials were stored for a maximum of 353 days (11.6 months).

Table 63 Residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl following foliar application to cucumber (Timothy 1999 4782, Willard 2012b 50017)

Crop (Variety) CUCUMBER	N (int)	Application rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DAL A	Crop Part	Residue (mg/kg)
Madera CA USA (1998) Dasher II	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	94 94 94 94 94 94 94 94	2 leaves-4 leaves 2 leaves-5 leaves 8 leaves-12 leaves Early bloom-small fruit Early bloom-small fruit Blooming-5 cm fruit Blooming-15 cm fruit Blooming-mature fruit	0	Fruit	0.07, 0.07 (<u>0.07</u>)
Indian River FL USA (1998) Straight Eight	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19	Seedling 2 leaves–6 leaves Pre-bloom Blooming fruit set fruit set fruit set fruit set fruit set	0	Fruit	0.12, 0.18 (<u>0.15</u>)

Crop (Variety) CUCUMBER	N (int)	Application rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DAL A	Crop Part	Residue (mg/kg)
Hidalgo TX USA (1998) Poinsett	8 (7 7 8 7 7 7 7)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	168 159 168 168 168 168 168 168 159	Vegetative Vegetative Vining fruiting–Vining fruiting–Vining fruiting Early senescencing Senescencing	0	Fruit	0.12, 0.14 (<u>0.13</u>)
Sampson NC USA (1998) Poinsett 76	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	94 94 94 94 94 94 94 94	Seedling 2 leaves–3 leaves 4 leaves–5 leaves Early Running Running 5.1–10 cm fruit Fruiting Fruiting	0	Fruit	0.13, 0.11 (<u>0.12</u>)
Barnwell SC USA (1998) Poinsett 76	8 (8 7 8 7 7 8 8)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	187 187 187 187 187 187 187 187	Vegetative Vegetative Early bloom Blooming Blooming–5.1 cm fruit Blooming–12.7 cm fruit mature fruit	0	Fruit	0.15, 0.13 (<u>0.14)</u>
Ottawa MI USA (1998) Marketmore	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	206 196 224 224 224 224 215 224	1 leaf–3 leaves 4 leaves–7 leaves First Bloom mid bloom–fruiting mid bloom–fruiting Blooming–fruiting Blooming–fruiting mature fruit	0 1 3 7 10	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.33, 0.43 \ (0.38) \\ 0.33, 0.32 \ (0.33) \\ 0.53, 0.43 \ \underline{(0.48)} \\ 0.44, 0.46 \ (0.45) \\ 0.14, 0.14 \ (0.14) \end{array}$
Walworth WI USA (1998) Marketmore 86	8 (7 7 8 5 7 5 7)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	159 159 159 159 159 159 159 150 159	Vegetative Starting to vine Blooming Blooming Blooming_fruiting Blooming_fruiting Blooming_large fruit	0	Fruit	0.16, 0.19 (<u>0.18</u>)
Tulare CA USA (1998) Dasher II	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	140 131 131 131 131 131 131 131 140	2 leaves–4 leaves 6 leaves–8 leaves 10 leaves–12 leaves 20 leaves Blooming Blooming 15–20 cm fruit mature fruit	0	Fruit	0.14, 0.19 (<u>0.17</u>)
Seven Springs NC USA (2010) Lancer 152	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 foliar 70 foliar 71 foliar 68 foliar 71 foliar 71 foliar 69 foliar 69 foliar	138 148 148 143 156 161 167 164	BBCH 13 BBCH 14 BBCH 18 BBCH 23 BBCH 53 BBCH 74 BBCH 81 BBCH 89	0 3 6 9	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	0.52, 0.60 (<u>0.56)</u> 0.45 0.53 0.52

Crop (Variety) CUCUMBER	N (int)	Application rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DAL A	Crop Part	Residue (mg/kg)
	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	71 foliar 70 foliar 72 foliar 71 foliar 72 foliar 70 foliar 70 foliar 69 foliar (+Agridex at 0.29%)	140 148 151 148 157 159 168 164	BBCH 13 BBCH 14 BBCH 18 BBCH 23 BBCH 53 BBCH 74 BBCH 81 BBCH 89	0	Fruit	0.77, 0.76 (0.77)
	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 soil 71 soil 70 soil 70 soil 71 soil 69 soil 72 soil 71 soil	1100 1069 1080 1101 1091 1044 1058 1057	BBCH 13 BBCH 14 BBCH18 BBCH 23 BBCH 53 BBCH 74 BBCH 81 BBCH 89	0 3 6 9	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	0.46, 0.56 (0.51) 0.31 0.40 0.47
Elko SC USA (2010) Marketmore 76	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 foliar 70 foliar 70 foliar 70 foliar 70 soil 71 foliar 70 foliar 70 foliar	208 209 214 211 210 212 218 214	BBCH 14 BBCH 17 Vegetative Bloom to Fruit 2.5 cm Bloom to Fruit 5 cm Bloom to Fruit 10 cm Bloom to Mature Fruit Bloom to Mature Fruit	0 3 7 9	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	0.21, 0.21 (0.21) 0.23 0.095 0.13
	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 foliar 71 foliar 70 foliar 70 foliar 70 foliar 70 foliar 70 foliar (+ Scanner at 0.24– 0.26%)	207 211 213 211 210 212 218 213	BBCH 14 BBCH 17 Vegetative Bloom to Fruit 2.5 cm Bloom to Fruit 5 cm Bloom to Fruit 10 cm Bloom to Mature Fruit Bloom to Mature Fruit	0	Fruit	0.23, 0.32 (0.28)
	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 soil 70 soil 70 soil 70 soil 71 soil 70 soil 70 soil 70 soil	989 981 965 988 1013 998 978 970	BBCH 14 BBCH 17 Vegetative Bloom to Fruit 2.5 cm Bloom to Fruit 5 cm Bloom to Fruit 10 cm Bloom to Mature Fruit Bloom to Mature Fruit	0 3 7 9	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	0.30, 0.19 (0.25) 0.29 0.20 0.12
Athens GA USA (2010) Poinsett	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 foliar 69 foliar 70 foliar 70 foliar 69 foliar 70 foliar 70 foliar 69 foliar	337 326 275 264 262 269 272 290	BBCH 11 BBCH 12–13 BBCH 15–17 BBCH 22 BBCH 68 BBCH 71–72 BBCH 78–79 BBCH 79	0 3 7 10	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	0.32, 0.26 (0.29) 0.42 0.46 0.42

Crop (Variety) CUCUMBER	N (int)	Application rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DAL A	Crop Part	Residue (mg/kg)
	$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		336 327 276 262 261 271 274 294	BBCH 11 BBCH 12–13 BBCH 15–17 BBCH 22 BBCH 68 BBCH 71–72 BBCH 78–79 BBCH 79	0	Fruit	0.21, 0.27 (0.24)
	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 soil 69 soil 69 soil 69 soil 69 soil 70 soil 70 soil	1075 1084 1127 1073 1085 1086 1107 1091	BBCH 11 BBCH 12–13 BBCH 15–17 BBCH 22 BBCH 68 BBCH 71–72 BBCH 78–79 BBCH 79	0 3 7 10	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	0.19, 0.20 (0.20) 0.22 0.27 0.21

Adjuvant added, crop oil: Madera CA Kinetic; Indian River FL Kinetic; Hidalgo TX LI-700; Sampson NC EXCEL 2000; Barnwell SC Freeway; Ottawa MI Silwet L-77; Walworth WI Kinetic; Tulare CA Kinetic

Trials on melons were conducted in the USA where eight foliar applications of acibenzolar-Smethyl were applied at 61.8–73.4 g ai/ha as WG formulation. All trials included a plot on cantaloupe melon and in four trials, three performed in 2010 and one performed in 2011, a second plot was conducted on a different variety (Honeydew melon) either in parallel or with a temporary shift. Samples of melon were collected from the treated plots immediately after application, when the spray deposit has dried. For decline trials/plots additional samples were collected at nominal 1, 3, 5, 7 and 10 DALA. Samples of melons were analysed for residues per methods AG-671A for the 1998/99 trials and GRM051.05A for the 2010/11 trials. Procedural recoveries were acceptable. Samples from the trials were stored for a maximum of 470 days (15.5 months).

Table 64 Residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl following foliar application to melon (Timothy 1999 4782, Willard 2012b 50017, Willard 2012c 50020)

Crop (Variety) MELON	N (int)	Applicatio n rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DAL A	Crop Part	Residue (mg/kg)
Imperial CA USA (1999) Cantaloupe— Im-Pac	8 (8 5 7 8 7 7 8)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	187 187 187 187 187 187 187 187	Blooming Blooming-fruiting Bedtop canopy full bloom full bloom Full net on fruit Fruit to colour Full slip	0 1 3 7 10	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	0.15, 0.15 (<u>0.15</u>) 0.11, 0.17 (0.14) 0.13, 0.13 (0.13) 0.13, 0.12 (0.13) 0.13, 0.12 (0.13)
Tift GA USA (1999) Cantaloupe— Edisto 47	8 (6 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	159 168 140 168 159 168 168 168 178	Early vegetative Early bloom Blooming Blooming–Fruit developing Blooming–10 cm fruit Blooming–14 cm fruit Fruit to full size Fruit to full size	0	Fruit	0.71, 0.95 (<u>0.83</u>)

Crop (Variety) MELON	N (int)	Applicatio n rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DAL A	Crop Part	Residue (mg/kg)
Hamilton IN USA (1998) Cantaloupe— Burpee Hybrid	8 (7 7 6 8 6 5 6)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28	Vegetative Vining Very Early Flower Flower fruit set fruit set Full fruit mature fruit	0	Fruit	0.27, 0.22 (<u>0.25</u>)
Hidalgo TX USA (1998) Cantaloupe— Mission Hybrid	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 62	150 150 159 150 150 150 141 159	Early vegetative flowering–Vining Vining–Early Fruit Vining–fruiting Vining–fruiting Vining–fruiting Vining–fruiting Vining–fruiting	0	Fruit	0.33, 0.28 (<u>0.31</u>)
Yuma AZ USA (1998) Cantaloupe— Mission	8 (7 8 8 6 9 5 7)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	187 187 187 187 187 187 187 187 187	25 cm vines 36 cm vines 47 cm vines 56 cm vines 76 cm vines 135 cm vines 127 cm vines	0	Fruit	0.33, 0.33 (<u>0.33</u>)
Tulare CA USA (1998) Cantaloupe— Hale's Best Jumbo	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	131 131 131 131 131 140 131 131	5 cm fruit 7.5 cm fruit 10 cm fruit 10–13 cm fruit 15–18 cm fruit 15–18 cm fruit 15–18 cm fruit 15–18 cm fruit mature fruit	0	Fruit	0.35, 0.35 (<u>0.35</u>)
Raymondville TX USA (2010) Cantaloupe— Earli-Star ^a Last 29 Jul	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	72 72 71 72 72 72 72 73	190 192 188 190 190 190 194	BBCH 65 BBCH 66 BBCH 69 BBCH 71 BBCH 82 BBCH 85 BBCH 88	0 1 3 5 7 9	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.54, 0.48(0.51)\\ 0.46, 0.53(0.50)\\ 0.50, 0.45(0.48)\\ 0.49, 0.49(0.49)\\ 0.47, 0.58(0.53)\\ 0.40, 0.43(0.42) \end{array}$
Raymondville TX USA (2010) Honeydew melon—Earli- Dew ^a Last 29 Jul	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	72 72 72 72 72 73 73	190 191 191 190 191 193 194	BBCH 65 BBCH 66 BBCH 69 BBCH 71 BBCH 82 BBCH 85 BBCH 88	0 1 3 5 7 9	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.78, 0.90(0.84)\\ 0.74, 0.81(0.78)\\ 0.60, 0.62(0.61)\\ 0.66, 0.59(0.63)\\ 0.65, 0.74(0.70)\\ 0.95, 1.00(\underline{0.98}) \end{array}$
Hughson CA USA (2010) Cantaloupe— Hale's Best Jumbo ^a Last 23 Sept	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 68	281 281 279 280 281 280 280 280 273	BBCH 65 BBCH 69 BBCH 71 BBCH 73 BBCH 77 BBCH 79 BBCH 85 BBCH 89	0 1 3 5 8 10	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.38, 0.48 \ (0.43) \\ 0.45, 0.37 \ (0.41) \\ 0.57, 0.42 \ (0.50) \\ 0.50, 0.47 \ (0.49) \\ 0.59, 0.45 \ (0.52) \\ 0.59, 0.60 \ (\underline{0.60}) \end{array}$

Crop (Variety) MELON	N (int)	Applicatio n rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DAL A	Crop Part	Residue (mg/kg)
Hughson CA USA (2010) Honeydew melon—Green Flesh ^a Last 23 Sept	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 69 70 70 70 70 70 69	282 276 278 279 278 280 280 280 278	BBCH 73 BBCH 73 BBCH 75 BBCH 77 BBCH 79 BBCH 81 BBCH 85 BBCH 89	0 1 3 5 8 10	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	0.21, 0.25 (0.23) 0.16, 0.23 (0.20) 0.21, 0.26 (0.24) 0.096, 0.12 (0.11) 0.16, 0.17 (0.17) 0.14, 0.19 (0.17)
Kerman CA USA (2010) Cantaloupe— Durango ^a Last 15 Oct	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	282 281 281 282 281 281 280 279	BBCH 71 BBCH 71 BBCH 73 BBCH 79 BBCH 79 BBCH 79 BBCH 87 BBCH 87	0 1 3 5 7 10	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.50, 0.54 (0.52) \\ 0.45, 0.50 (0.48) \\ 0.57, 0.63 (0.60) \\ 0.45, 0.65 (0.55) \\ 0.61, 0.64 (\underline{0.63}) \\ 0.58, 0.46 (0.52) \end{array}$
Kerman CA USA (2010) Honeydew melon—Green Flesh ^a Last 15 Oct	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	280 281 280 282 281 283 279 280	BBCH 81 BBCH 81 BBCH 79 BBCH 79 BBCH 79 BBCH 87 BBCH 87	0 1 3 5 7 10	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.25, 0.37(0.31)\\ 0.23, 0.38(0.31)\\ 0.35, 0.38(0.37)\\ 0.36, 0.41(0.39)\\ 0.36, 0.33(0.35)\\ 0.47, 0.49(0.48) \end{array}$
Elko SC USA (2011) Cantaloupe— Ariel	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	227 236 228 229 227 228 230 225	BBCH 61 BBCH 62 BBCH 66 BBCH 69 BBCH 71 BBCH 71 BBCH 72 BBCH 83	0 1 3 5 6 9	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.31, 0.16 \ (0.24) \\ 0.19, 0.33 \ (\underline{0.26}) \\ 0.20, 0.18 \ (0.19) \\ 0.18, 0.23 \ (0.21) \\ 0.15, 0.26 \ (0.21) \\ 0.16, 0.16 \ (0.16) \end{array}$
Fitchburg WI USA (2011) Cantaloupe— Aphrodite	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	71 70 70 71 70 72 69	274 273 273 267 271 269 290 281	BBCH 61 BBCH 63 BBCH 65 BBCH 65–77 BBCH 75 BBCH 75 BBCH 80 BBCH 81–88	0 1 3 5 7 11	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.73, 0.53 (0.63)\\ 0.64, 0.57 (0.61)\\ 0.87\\ 0.64\\ 0.74\\ 0.84\end{array}$
Raymondville TX USA (2011) Cantaloupe— Earli-Star ^A Last 13 Jun	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	73 71 72 71 71 71 71 72 71	194 189 192 189 188 188 188 192 189	BBCH 68 BBCH 69 BBCH 71 BBCH 71 BBCH 71 BBCH 72 BBCH 73 BBCH 86	0 1 3 5 7 9	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	0.14, 0.22 (0.18) 0.21, 0.16 (0.19) 0.11, 0.17 (0.14) 0.14, 0.15 (0.15) 0.14, 0.15 (0.15) 0.13, 0.12 (0.13)
Raymondville TX USA (2011) Honeydew melon—Earli- Dew ^a Last 13 Jun	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	71 73 72 72 71 71 71 72 71	194 190 192 189 188 188 188 191 189	BBCH 71 BBCH 68 BBCH 69 BBCH 69 BBCH 71 BBCH 72 BBCH 73 BBCH 86	0 1 3 5 7 9	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.28, 0.30 \ (0.29) \\ 0.29, 0.32 \ (\underline{0.31}) \\ 0.30, 0.28 \ (0.29) \\ 0.27, 0.22 \ (0.25) \\ 0.27, 0.26 \ (0.27) \\ 0.24, 0.20 \ (0.22) \end{array}$

Adjuvant added, crop oil: Tifton GA Kinetic; Hidalgo TX LI-700; Yuma AZ Kinetic; Tulare CA Kinetic; Imperial CA Kinetic;

^a Trials not considered independent, different variety but same spray dates and harvest times

Trials on <u>summer squash</u> were conducted in the USA where eight foliar applications of acibenzolar-S-methyl were applied at 70 g ai/ha as WG formulation. Samples of squash were collected from the treated plots immediately after application, when the spray deposit has dried. For decline trial/plot additional samples were collected at nominal 1, 3, 5, 7 and 10 DALA. Samples of squash were analysed for residues per method AG-671A. Procedural recoveries were acceptable. Samples from the trials were stored for a maximum of 470 days (15.5 months).

Table 65 Residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl following foliar application to summer squash (Timothy 1999 4782)

Crop (Variety) SQUASH	N (int)	Application rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DAL A	Crop Part	Residue (mg/kg)
Tifton GA USA (1998) Dixie	8 (6 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	187 178 187 187 178 196 187 187	Early vegetative Early vegetative Vegetative Fruiting Fruiting fruiting fruiting Late fruiting		Fruit	0.14 0.12 (<u>0.13</u>)
Indian River FL USA (1998) Black Beauty	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19	Seedling 2 leaves–6 leaves Pre-bloom Blooming fruit set fruit set fruit set fruit set fruit set	0	Fruit	0.03 0.05 (<u>0.04</u>)
Ottawa MI USA (1998) Yellow Straight Neck	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	206 215 206 196 215 224 224 224	1 true leaf 2–3 leaves 4–7 leaves 7–11 leaves Early bloom/fruit Mature fruit Mature fruit Mature fruit	0	Fruit	0.18
Tulare CA USA (1998) Ambasador	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70	140 131 131 131 131 131 131 131 140	4 leaf stage 8 leaf stage 14 leaf stage 18 leaf stage Bloom Developing fruit Developing fruit Mature fruit	0 1 3 7 10	Fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.07 \ 0.06 \ (0.06) \\ 0.13 \ 0.11 \ (0.12) \\ 0.15 \ 0.13 \ (\underline{0.14}) \\ 0.06 \ 0.05 \ (0.06) \\ 0.02 \ 0.03 \ (0.02) \end{array}$

Adjuvant added, crop oil: Tifton GA Kinetic; Indian River FL Kinetic; Ottawa MI Silwet L-77; Tulare CA Kinetic;

Fruiting vegetables, other than Cucurbits

Trials on tomatoes were conducted in Europe where acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied as five to six foliar applications at 25 g ai/ha as a WG formulation. For decline trials, fruit samples were taken immediately after the last application and at 3, 7, 14 and 21 DALA. In some trials fruits were also sampled immediately before the last application (-0 days). Samples of whole fruit were analysed for residues per method REM 172.11. For studies performed in 1997 or later, the method was modified by omission of the silica gel clean-up. Procedural recoveries were acceptable. Samples from the trials were stored for a maximum of 12 months (378 days).

Table 66 Residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl following foliar application to tomato (replicate analyses) (Formica 1995fg 0222 0223, Walser 1998defghijklm 0508 0509 0534 0536 0535 0521 0524 0525 0523 0522 Walser 1999o 0634, Sack 1999abcd 0644 0640 0643 0642)

Crop (Variety) TOMATO	N (int)	Application rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DALA	Crop Part	Residue (mg/kg)
Les Barges, Vouvry, Switzerland (1995) Selhardy F1	6 (11 10 11 10 11)	25 25 25 25 25 25 25	1500 1500 1500 1500 1500 1500	BBCH 50 BBCH 62 BBCH 65 BBCH 66 BBCH 68–80 BBCH 81	0 2 4 7 14	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	0.07 0.06 <u>0.05</u> 0.04 0.04
Fully, Switzerland (1995) Paola	6 (13 11 11 10 10)	25 25 25 25 25 25 25	1500 1500 1500 1500 1500 1500	BBCH 61 BBCH 62 BBCH 65 BBCH 67 BBCH 68 BBCH 81–82	0 2 4 7 14	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	0.05 0.05 0.04 <u>0.06</u> 0.05
Nocera Inferiore, Italy (1997) San Marzano	6 (7 7 7 7 7)	25 25 25 25 25 25 25	800 800 1000 1100 1200 1200	BBCH 70 BBCH 70–72 BBCH 70–76 BBCH 70–78 BBCH 72–80 BBCH 76–82	-0 0 3 8 15 22	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	0.05 0.05 0.05 <u>0.09</u> 0.07 0.07
Giorgi Piacentino, Piacenza, Italy (1997) 98063	6 (7 7 7 7 7)	25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25	600 600 600 600 600 600	BBCH 61 BBCH 64–66 BBCH 71 BBCH 72 BBCH 72–73 BBCH 81–82	$ \begin{array}{r} -0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \\ 7 \\ 14 \\ 21 \end{array} $	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.04, 0.04 (0.04)\\ 0.06, 0.06 (0.06)\\ 0.06, 0.05 (0.06)\\ 0.05, 0.05 (0.05)\\ 0.08, 0.09 (0.09)\\ 0.11, 0.09 (\underline{0.10}) \end{array}$
Chemin des Landes, Tierce France (1997) Promo ^a	6 (7 7 7 7)	25 25 25 25 25 25	400 400 400 400 400	BBCH 71–72 BBCH 72 BBCH 73 BBCH 74 BBCH 75–807	-0 0 3 7 14 21	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	0.03 0.03 0.03 0.03 0.03 <u>0.03</u>
ChemindesLandes,Tierce,France(1997)Promo aprocessing	5 (7 6 8 7)	25 25 25 25 25 25	400 400 400 400 400	BBCH 71 BBCH 72 BBCH 72 BBCH 72 BBCH 74 BBCH 75–807	3	Fruit	0.03
Chatillon le Roi, France (1997) Promo ^a Last 2 Sept	6 (6 7 7 7 8)	25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25	400 400 400 400 400 400	BBCH 71 BBCH 72 BBCH 73 BBCH 74–75 BBCH 76 BBCH 76–77	-0 0 3 7 14 21	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	0.04 0.06 0.06 <u>0.06</u> <u>0.07</u> 0.06
Chatillon le Roi, France (1997) Promo ^a processing	6 (7 7 7 7 7)	25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25	400 400 400 400 400 400	BBCH 72 BBCH 72–73 BBCH 74–75 BBCH 76 BBCH 76–77 BBCH 77	3	Fruit	0.06, 0.07 (0.07)
Le Terras, Mus, France (1997) Promo ^a	6 (8 7 6 7 7)	25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25	400 400 400 400 400 400	BBCH 605 BBCH 607 BBCH 701 BBCH 801 BBCH 801 BBCH 805	-0 0 3 7 14 21	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	0.08 0.12 0.11 <u>0.13</u> 0.13 0.12

Crop (Variety) TOMATO	N (int)	Application rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DALA	Crop Part	Residue (mg/kg)
Le Terras, Mus, France (1997) Promo Processing ^a	6 (6 7 7 7 7)	25 25 25 25 25 25 25	400 400 400 400 400 400	BBCH 701 BBCH 801 BBCH 801 BBCH 805 BBCH 807 BBCH 809	3	Fruit	0.08, 0.08 (0.08)
Figairasse, Marsillargues, France (1997) Promo ^a	6 (6 7 7 8 6)	25 25 25 25 25 25 25	400 400 400 400 400 400	BBCH 69 BBCH 71 BBCH 73 BBCH 74 BBCH 81 BBCH 84	-0 0 3 7 14 21	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	0.04 0.04 0.05 0.04 <u>0.06</u> 0.05
Figairasse, Marsillargues, France (1997) Promo ^a processing	6 (7 8 6 7 7)	25 25 25 25 25 25 25	400 400 400 400 400 400	BBCH 73 BBCH 74 BBCH 81 BBCH 84 BBCH 84 BBCH 86	3	Fruit	0.05
Nocera Inferiore SA Italy (1998) S. Marzano	6 (7 7 7 7 7) + Cu	25 25 25 25 25 25 25	800 800 800 850 900 900	BBCH 62 BBCH 65 BBCH 67 BBCH 70 BBCH 72–76 BBCH 82	0 3 7 14 21	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	0.08 0.07 0.08 <u>0.15</u> 0.09
	6 (7 7 7 7 7)	25 25 25 25 25 25 25	800 800 800 850 900 900	BBCH 62 BBCH 65 BBCH 67 BBCH 70 BBCH 72–76 BBCH 82	3	Fruit	0.07, 0.07 (0.07)
Lombardelli Giancarlo, Italy (1998) 98063	6 (7 7 7 7 7) +Cu	25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25	1000 1000 1000 1000 1000 1000	BBCH 63 BBCH 64 BBCH 66 BBCH 71 BBCH 81 BBCH 82	0 3 7 14 21	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	0.09 0.10 0.10 <u>0.14</u> 0.11
	6 (7 7 7 7 7)	25 25 25 25 25 25 25	1000 1000 1000 1000 1000 1000	BBCH 63 BBCH 64 BBCH 66 BBCH 71 BBCH 81 BBCH 82	3	Fruit	0.09, 0.08 (0.09)
Gartenacker, Vouvry Switzerland (1998) Selhardy Replicate plot	6 (7 7 7 7 8)	25 25 25 25 25 25 25	2000 2000 2000 2000 2000 2000 2000	BBCH 63 BBCH 64 BBCH 65 BBCH 66 BBCH 71 BBCH 80	0 3 7 14 21	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	$\begin{array}{c} 0.05 \ 0.04 \ (0.04) \\ 0.05 \ 0.04 \ (\underline{0.04}) \\ 0.05 \ 0.03 \ (0.04) \\ 0.03 \ 0.03 \ (0.03) \\ 0.03 \ 0.03 \ (0.03) \end{array}$
Polidendri, Domokos, Greece (1998) Heinz 1999 Diff farm same times	6 (7 7 7 7 7)	25 25 25 25 25 25 25	993 990 990 987 983 987	BBCH 63 BBCH 63 BBCH 64 BBCH 64 BBCH 73 BBCH 83	0 3 7 14 21	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	0.12 0.10 0.10 <u>0.12</u> 0.12

Crop (Variety) TOMATO	N (int)	Application rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DALA	Crop Part	Residue (mg/kg)
Polidendri, Domokos Greece (1998) Oval Red Diff farm same times	6 (7 7 7 7 7)	25 25 25 25 25 25 25	990 987 990 990 990 987	BBCH 63 BBCH 63 BBCH 64 BBCH 64 BBCH 73 BBCH 83	0 3 7 14 21	Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit Fruit	0.07 0.07 0.09 0.07 <u>0.10</u>

^a Trials not considered independent, same variety, spray dates and harvest times

Leafy vegetables

Trials on leafy vegetables were conducted in the USA.

Four foliar applications of acibenzolar-S-methyl at 35 g ai/ha as a WG formulation. In two decline trials, samples were taken immediately after the last application and at 1, 3, 7 and 14 DALA. In the ten harvest trials samples were taken 5 or 7 DALA. Samples of leaves and heads with or without wrapper leaves were analysed for residues per method AG 671. Procedural recoveries were acceptable. Samples from the trials were stored for a maximum of 14.6 months (447 days).

Table 6	57 Residues	of	acibenzola	r-S-methyl	following	foliar	application	to	lettuce	(Hayworth	1999
0672) (replicate and	alys	es)								

Crop (Variety) LETTUCE	N (int)	Rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DALA	Crop Part	Residue (mg/kg)
Head lettuce							
Fresno, California USA (1996) Great Lakes 659	4 (7 7 7)	35 35 35 35	234 234 234 234 234	Immature Plants Immature Plants Immature Plants Small heads	0 1 3 7 7 7 7 14	Head + Wrapper Leaves Head + Wrapper Leaves Head + Wrapper Leaves Head Head + Wrapper Leaves Wrapper Leaves Head + Wrapper Leaves	$\begin{array}{c} 0.36,0.44(0.40)\\ 0.15,0.11,0.10,0.11\\ (0.12)\\ 0.18,0.19,0.10,0.07\\ (0.14)\\ 0.02,0.02(0.02)\\ 0.08,0.08(\underline{0.08})\\ 0.27,0.28,0.32(0.29)\\ 0.03,0.05(0.04)\\ \end{array}$
Lake, Florida (1996) Great Lakes	4 (7 7 7)	35 35 35 35	357 367 386 376	Head initiation Heading Heading mature heads	5 5 5	Head Head + Wrapper Leaves Wrapper Leaves	0.07, 0.06 (0.06) 0.10, 0.09 (<u>0.10</u>) 0.56, 0.39 (0.47)
Monterey California USA (1996) Detroit Last 6/6	4 (7 7 7)	35 35 35 35	280 281 278 283	Head formation Head formation Head formation mature	7 7 7	Head Head + Wrapper Leaves Wrapper Leaves	0.02, 0.02 (0.02) 0.05, 0.07 (<u>0.06</u>) 0.16, 0.18, 0.19 (0.18)
Monterey California USA (1996) Patriot Last 13/6	4 (7 7 7)	35 35 35 35	281 282 282 280	Maturation Head formation Head formation mature	7 7 7	Head Head + Wrapper Leaves Wrapper Leaves	0.03, 0.02 (0.02) 0.03, 0.04 (<u>0.04</u>) 0.16, 0.14 (0.15)
Yuma Arizona USA (1996) Winter Haven	4 (7 7 7)	35 35 35 35	281 187 187 187	Heading Heading Head mature	7 7 7	Head Head + Wrapper Leaves Wrapper Leaves	0.05, 0.04 (0.04) 0.04, 0.04 (<u>0.04</u>) 0.15, 0.30 (0.22)

Crop (Variety) LETTUCE	N (int)	Rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DALA	Crop Part	Residue (mg/kg)
Columbia, New York USA (1996) Iceberg (Green) Crispino MTO	4 (7 7 7)	35 35 35 35	327 327 327 327 327	Heads forming Heads forming Heads forming mature	7 7 7	Head Head + Wrapper Leaves Wrapper Leaves	0.02, 0.02, 0.02, 0.01 (0.02) 0.04, 0.06 (<u>0.05</u>) 0.22, 0.22 (0.22)
Leaf lettuce							
Fresno, California USA (1996) Waldmanns green	4 (7 7 7)	35 35 35 35	234 234 234 234	Immature Plants Immature Plants Immature Plants mature plants	0 1 3 7 14	Leaves Leaves Leaves Leaves Leaves	$\begin{array}{c} 0.52\\ 0.27,0.26\;(0.26)\\ 0.15,0.16\;(0.16)\\ 0.10,0.10\;(\underline{0.10})\\ 0.02,0.02\;(0.02)\end{array}$
Indian River, Florida USA (1996) Black Seeded Simpson	4 (7 7 7)	35 35 35 35	567 567 567 567	303 303 303 307	7	Leaves	0.15, 0.14 (<u>0.14</u>)
Monterey California USA (1996) Waldmanns green	4 (7 7 7)	35 35 35 35	280 281 278 282	Rosette Stage Rosette Stage Mature mature	7	Leaves	0.07, 0.04 (<u>0.06</u>)
San Luis Obispo California USA (1996) Esmerelda	4 (7 7 7)	35 35 35 35	315 307 308 306	Immature leaves Immature leaves Immature leaves mature leaves	7	Leaves	0.11, 0.18 (<u>0.14</u>)
Yuma Arizona USA (1996) Romain Green Towers	4 (7 7 7)	35 35 35 35	374 374 374 374	Immature leaves 8–10 leaves Immature leaves mature leaves	7	Leaves	0.18, 0.18 (<u>0.18</u>)
Columbia, New York USA (1996) Black Seeded Simpson	4 (7 7 7)	35 35 35 35	327 327 327 327 327	Leaf extension Leaf extension Leaf extension Marketable	7	Leaves	0.04, 0.04 (<u>0.04</u>)

Spinach

Trials on spinach were conducted in Europe and the USA.

Supervised trials in Europe were conducted in France, Italy and Switzerland. Three foliar applications of a WG formulation containing 40 g acibenzolar-S-methyl/kg of product in combination with 400 g metalaxyl M/kg. Five trials were conducted with three applications at 10 g ai/ha and a nominal PHI of ten days. Three additional trials were conducted with three applications at 14 g ai/ha. In four decline trials, samples were taken immediately after the last application and at 3, 7, 10 and 14 DALA. In the four harvest trials samples were taken 10–13 days after last application. Spinach leaves samples were analysed for residues per method REM 172.11. Procedural recoveries were acceptable. Samples from the trials were stored for a maximum of 12.7 months (385 days).

Supervised trials in the USA

Acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied four times as a WG formulation. Nine trials were conducted with four applications at 35 g ai/ha and a nominal PHI of seven days. In the three trials performed in 2010/11 a second plot was conducted with addition of an additive to the tank-mix (Herbimax, Induce) and a third plot was conducted by four soil drench applications. In the one decline trial, samples were taken immediately after the last application and at 1, 3, 7 and 14 DALA. In the five harvest trials samples were taken 7 days after the last application. Spinach leaves samples were analysed for residues per method AG 671 for the 1996 trials and GRM051.05A for the 2010/11 trials. Procedural recoveries were acceptable. Samples from the trials were stored for a maximum of 14 months (430 days).

Table 68 Residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl following foliar application to spinach in Europe (Sack 2000cdefgh 0740 0719 0741 0723 0742 0724 Sack 2001ab 0753 0752) (replicate samples) and the USA (replicate analyses) (Willard 2012b 50017, Hayworth 1998c 0487)

Crop (Variety) SPINACH	N	Application rate (g	Spray volume	Growth Stage at Application	DALA	Residue (mg/kg)
	(int)	ai/ha)	(L/ha)			
Serravalle a Po (MN) Italy (1999) Lorelay	3 (9 11)	14 14 14	100 1000 1000	BBCH 16–18 BBCH 41–43 BBCH 44–45	0 3 7 10 14	0.27 0.18 0.18 0.09, 0.12 (<u>0.11</u>) 0.07
Camisano Vic Vi. Italy (1999) San Verdo (SG6153)	3 (10 10)	14 14 14	1000 1000 1000	BBCH 12–14 BBCH 13–19 BBCH 19–46	0 3 7 10 14	0.31 0.24 0.13 0.13, 0.11 (<u>0.12</u>) 0.08
Sannicandro di Bari, Italy (1999) Riccio America	3 (11 10)	14 14 14	1000 1000 1000	BBCH 19 BBCH 41 BBCH 45–49	10	0.19, 0.13 (<u>0.16</u>)
Les Barges, Vouvry, Switzerland (1999) Monnopa ^a	3 (10 10)	10 10 10	800 800 800	BBCH 14 BBCH 15 BBCH 10	0 3 7 10 14	$\begin{array}{c} 0.19\\ 0.10\\ 0.06\\ 0.04, 0.04\ (0.04)\\ 0.03\end{array}$
Last 7 Jun	3 (10 10)	14 14 14	800 800 800	BBCH 14 BBCH 15 BBCH 45	0 3 7 10 14	0.34 0.15 0.08 0.05, 0.07 (<u>0.06</u>) 0.04
Les Barges, Vouvry, Switzerland (1999) Chica F1	3 (11 10)	10 10 10	800 800 800	BBCH 12 BBCH 15 BBCH 41	0 3 7 10 14	0.34 0.12 0.05 0.04, 0.03 (<u>0.04</u>) 0.02
Last 27 Aug	3 (11 10)	14 14 14	800 800 800	BBCH 12 BBCH 15 BBCH 41	0 3 7 10 14	$\begin{array}{r} 0.45\\ 0.20\\ 0.07\\ 0.05, 0.03\ (0.04)\\ 0.03\end{array}$
Les Barges, Vouvry, Switzerland	3 (10 10)	10 10 10	800 800 800	BBCH 13 BBCH 14 BBCH 44	10	0.03, 0.04 (0.04)
(1999) Monnopa ^a Last 7 Jun	3 (10 10)	14 14 14	800 800 800	BBCH 13 BBCH 14 BBCH 44	10	0.06, 0.05 (0.06)

Crop (Variety) SPINACH	Ν	Application rate (g	Spray volume	Growth Stage at Application	DALA	Residue (mg/kg)
	(int)	ai/ha)	(L/ha)			
Jalons, France (1999) Santana	3 (10 10)	10 9 10	393 374 381	BBCH 10 BBCH 14 BBCH 22	10	0.06, 0.05 (<u>0.06</u>)
	3 (10 10)	14 14 14	399 387 387	BBCH 10 BBCH 14 BBCH 22	10	0.08, < 0.01, 0.06, < 0.01 (0.04)
Mauguio, France (1999) Nordane	3 (14 11)	11 11 10	427 431 420	BBCH 12–14 BBCH 14–15 BBCH 18–19	13	0.14, 0.13 (0.14)
	3 (14 11)	15 15 15	418 424 431	BBCH 12–14 BBCH 14–15 BBCH 18–19	13	0.18, 0.17 (<u>0.18</u>)
Fresno, California USA (1996) Polka	4 (7 7 7)	35 35 35 35 35	234 234 234 234	Immature Plants Immature Plants Immature Plants mature plants	0 1 3 7 14	1.25, 1.21 (1.23) 0.72, 0.72 (0.72) 0.48, 0.52 (0.50) 0.26, 0.27 (<u>0.26</u>) 0.12, 0.17 (0.14)
Boulder, Colorado, USA (1996) Melody	4 (7 7 7)	35 35 35 35 35	188 188 187 187	Vegetative Vegetative Vegetative Vegetative–Fully Extended	7	0.11, 0.14 (<u>0.12</u>)
Montgomery, Virginia USA (1996) Bloomsdale Long Standing	4 (7 7 7)	35 35 35 35	210 210 210 210	6 cm diameter 10–13 cm diameter 13–15 cm diameter 15–20 cm diameter	7	0.23, 0.26 (<u>0.24</u>)
Hunterdon, New Jersey, USA (1996) Tyee (F1)	4 (7 7 7)	35 35 35 35	205 208 206 206	Young Medium Mature Mature	7	0.23, 0.19 (<u>0.21</u>)
San Luis Obispo, California USA (1996) SC ^b Space F1	4 (7 7 7)	35 35 35 35 35	315 307 308 306	Immature leaves Immature leaves Immature leaves Mature leaves	7	0.42, 0.54 (<u>0.48</u>)
San Patricio, Texas, USA (1997) Cascade	4 (7 7 7)	35 35 35 35	234 234 234 234	Vegetative Vegetative Vegetative Vegetative	7	0.33, 0.25 (<u>0.29</u>)
Elko, South Carolina, USA (2011) Bloomsdale	4 (7 7 7)	35 foliar 35 foliar 35 foliar 35 foliar	204 201 203 200	BBCH 14 BBCH 14 BBCH 15 BBCH 19	7 10 14	0.15, 0.17 (0.16) 0.08 0.06
Long Standing)	4 (7 7 7)	35 foliar 35 foliar 35 foliar 35 foliar (+ Herbimax at 1.0%)	204 201 204 202	BBCH 14 BBCH 14 BBCH 15 BBCH 19	7	0.18, 0.18 (<u>0.18</u>)
	4 (7 7 7)	35 soil 35 soil 35 soil 35 soil	950 948 960 946	BBCH 14 BBCH 14 BBCH 15 BBCH 19	7 10 14	0.04, 0.04 (0.04) 0.03 0.02

Crop (Variety) SPINACH	Ν	Application rate (g	Spray volume	Growth Stage at Application	DALA	Residue (mg/kg)
	(int)	ai/ha)	(L/ha)			
Athens, Georgia USA (2011) Bloomsdale	4 (7 7 7)	35 foliar 35 foliar 34 foliar 35 foliar	270 270 272 268	BBCH 41–42 BBCH 42–43 BBCH 43–44 BBCH 45–46	7 10 14	0.26, 0.26 (0.26) 0.13 0.06
Long Standing	4 (7 7 7)	35 foliar 35 foliar 35 foliar 35 foliar (+ Induce at 0.13%)	270 267 272 268	BBCH 41–42 BBCH 42–43 BBCH 43–44 BBCH 45–46	7	0.27, 0.30 (<u>0.29</u>)
	4 (7 7 7)	35 soil 35 soil 34 soil 35 soil	1008 1019 1039 1006	BBCH 41–42 BBCH 42–43 BBCH 43–44 BBCH 45–46	7 10 14	0.30, 0.35 (0.33) 0.24 0.14
Chula, Georgia, USA (2010) Bloomsdale Long Standing	4 (7 7 7)	35 foliar 35 foliar 35 foliar 35 foliar	244 231 235 222	BBCH 15 BBCH 16 BBCH 18 BBCH 19	7 10 14	0.27, 0.27 (0.27) 0.26 0.25
	4 (7 7 7)	35 foliar 35 foliar 35 foliar 35 foliar (+ Induce at 0.125%)	241 230 236 222	BBCH 15 BBCH 16 BBCH 18 BBCH 19	7	0.34, 0.32 (<u>0.33</u>)
	4 (7 7 7)	35 soil 34 soil 35 soil 35 soil	1205 1047 1073 1062	BBCH 15 BBCH 16 BBCH 18 BBCH 19	7 10 14	0.06, 0.06 (0.06) 0.07 0.04

Mustard greens

Supervised trials were conducted in the USA on <u>mustard greens</u>. Acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied as four foliar applications of a WG formulation at about 53 g ai/ha. At all trial sites samples of mustard green were collected from the treated plots at day seven after application, and immediately after application for trials performed in 1997/98. For decline trials/plots additional samples were collected at nominally 1, 3, 5, 10 and 14 DALA. Samples were analysed for residues per methods AG-671A for the 1997/98 trials and GRM051.05A for the 2010 trials. Procedural recoveries were acceptable. Samples from the trials were stored for a maximum of 636 days (21 months).

Table 69 Residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl following foliar application to mustard greens (Eudy 1999 0660)

Crop (Variety) MUSTARD GREENS	N (int)	Application Rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DALA	Crop Part	Residue (mg/kg)
Fresno CA USA (1998) Florida Broadleaf	4 (7 7 7)	53 53 53 53	94 94 94 94	Seedling Vegetative growth vegetative–bolting bolting	0 7	Leaves Leaves	2.24, 3.08 (2.66) 0.59, 0.74 (0.67)
San Patricio TX USA (1997) Florida Broadleaf	4 (6 7 9)	53 53 53 53	187 187 187 187	Vegetative Vegetative Vegetative vegetative	0 1 3 5 7 9	Leaves Leaves Leaves Leaves Leaves Leaves	$\begin{array}{c} 1.80, 1.85 \ (1.83) \\ 1.03, 0.83 \ (0.93) \\ 0.13, 0.32 \ (0.23) \\ 0.27, 0.19 \ (0.23) \\ 0.14, 0.18 \ (0.16) \\ 0.08, 0.13 \ (0.11) \end{array}$

Crop (Variety) MUSTARD GREENS	N (int)	Application Rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DALA	Crop Part	Residue (mg/kg)
Tift GA USA (1997) Southern Giant Curled	4 (6 6 7)	53 53 53 53	271 271 252 299	Rapid Growth Vegetative Rapid Growth Rapid Growth	0 7	Leaves Leaves	3.41, 2.59 (3.00) 0.53, 0.64 (0.59)
St Landry Parish LA USA (1997) Florida Broadleaf	4 (7 7 7)	53 53 53 53	196 206 215 271	Vegetative Vegetative Vegetative vegetative	0 7	Leaves Leaves	2.55, 1.96 (2.26) 0.26, 0.32 (0.29)
Clinton IL USA (1997) Florida Broadleaf	4 (7 7 6)	53 53 53 53	196 196 215 215	Vegetative Vegetative Vegetative vegetative	0 7	Leaves Leaves	3.02, 1.82 (2.42) 0.71, 0.80 (0.76)

Potatoes

Trials were conducted on potatoes in Brazil, Germany and Indonesia.

Supervised trials in Brazil

Eight foliar applications of acibenzolar-S-methyl as a WG formulation were made to <u>potatoes</u> at 18.8 g ai/ha or 37.5 g ai/ha. Samples of potato tubers were collected from the treated plots immediately after the last application, when the spray deposit had dried, and at 3, 7, 14 and 21 DALA. Samples were analysed for residues per the analytical method POPIT MET.003 with an LOQ of 0.1 mg/kg.

Supervised trials in Germany (Europe)

Acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied as eight foliar applications as a WG formulation. Samples of potato tubers were collected from the treated plots immediately after the last application, when the spray deposit had dried, and at 3, 7 ± 1 and 13 DALA. Samples were analysed for residues using analytical method REM 172.11 (modified) with an LOQ of 0.02 mg/kg.

Supervised trial in Indonesia

One trial was conducted in Indonesia in which acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied either at a rate of 12.5 g ai/ha or at a rate of 25 g ai/ha. Each rate was applied in two different plots each, either eight or sixteen times as a WP formulation. Samples of potato tubers were collected 14 DALA. Potato tuber samples were analysed for residues per the validated analytical method REM 172.11 (modified) with an LOQ of 0.02 mg/kg.

Storage of samples

Samples from the trials were stored for a maximum of 410 days (13.5 months).

Table 70 Residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl following foliar application to potatoes in Brazil, Germany and Indonesia (replicate analyses) (Smith 1999ab 0626 0627, Salvi 2001 0768, Roncato *et al.* 2003 10014)

Crop (Variety) POTATO	N (int)	Application Rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DALA	Crop part	Residue (mg/kg)
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Crop (Variety) POTATO	N (int)	Application Rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DALA	Crop part	Residue (mg/kg)
Engenheiro Coelho– SP, Brazil (2000) Asterix	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19	$ \begin{array}{r} 400 \\ 400 \\ 400 \\ 400 \\ 400 \\ 400 \\ 400 \\ 400 \\ 400 \\ 400 \end{array} $	BBCH 17 BBCH 19 BBCH 51 BBCH 68 BBCH 75 BBCH 80 BBCH 85 BBCH 92	0 3 7 14 21	Tuber Tuber Tuber Tuber Tuber	< 0.10 < 0.10 < 0.10 < 0.10 < 0.10 < 0.10
	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	38 38 38 38 38 38 38 38 38 38	400 400 400 400 400 400 400 400	BBCH 17 BBCH 19 BBCH 51 BBCH 68 BBCH 75 BBCH 80 BBCH 85 BBCH 92	0 3 7 14 21	Tuber Tuber Tuber Tuber Tuber	< 0.10 < 0.10 < 0.10 < 0.10 < 0.10
Palmeira PR, Brazil (2001) Monalisa	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 6)	19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19	400 400 400 400 400 400 400 400	BBCH 33–34 BBCH 33–36 BBCH 51–53 BBCH 54–55 BBCH 62–65 BBCH 66–68 BBCH 75–78 BBCH 78–81	0 3 8 14 21	Tuber Tuber Tuber Tuber Tuber	< 0.10 < 0.10 < 0.10 < 0.10 < 0.10
	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 6)	38 38 38 38 38 38 38 38 38 38	400 400 400 400 400 400 400 400	BBCH 33–34 BBCH 33–36 BBCH 51–53 BBCH 54–55 BBCH 62–65 BBCH 66–68 BBCH 75–78 BBCH 78–81	0 3 8 14 21	Tuber Tuber Tuber Tuber Tuber	< 0.10 < 0.10 < 0.10 < 0.10 < 0.10
Águas da Prata SP, Brazil (2001) Monalisa	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19	$ \begin{array}{r} 400 \\ 400 \\ 400 \\ 400 \\ 400 \\ 400 \\ 400 \\ 400 \\ 400 \\ 400 \\ \end{array} $	BBCH 51 BBCH 52 BBCH 57 BBCH 61 BBCH 69 BBCH 70–79 BBCH 79–92 BBCH 93	0 3 7 14 21	Tuber Tuber Tuber Tuber Tuber	< 0.10 < 0.10 < 0.10 < 0.10 < 0.10
	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	38 38 38 38 38 38 38 38 38 38	400 400 400 400 400 400 400 400 400	BBCH 51 BBCH 52 BBCH 57 BBCH 61 BBCH 69 BBCH 70–79 BBCH 79–92 BBCH 93	0 3 7 14 21	Tuber Tuber Tuber Tuber Tuber	< 0.10 < 0.10 < 0.10 < 0.10 < 0.10
See, Germany (1998) Selma	6 (6 7 7 7 7)	30 30 30 30 30 30 30	400 400 400 400 400 400 400	BBCH 65 BBCH 69 BBCH 75 BBCH 81 BBCH 85 BBCH 91	0 3 7 13	Tuber Tuber Tuber Tuber	< 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02 < 0.02
Ursleben, Germany (1998) Secura	6 (7 7 7 8 7))	30 30 30 30 30 30 30	400 400 400 400 400 400 400	BBCH 33–35 BBCH 35 BBCH 35–51 BBCH 35–51 BBCH 46–48 BBCH 48–49	0 3 6 13	Tuber Tuber Tuber Tuber	0.03 0.04 0.02 0.02

Crop (Variety) POTATO	N (int)	Application Rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DALA	Crop part	Residue (mg/kg)
Lembang, West Java, Indonesia (2000) Granola	16 (3 4 3 4 3 4 3 4 3 4 3 4 3 4 3 4 3 4 3)	12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 1	500 500 500 500 500 500 500 500 500 500	BBCH 301 BBCH 303 BBCH 305 BBCH 307 BBCH 309 BBCH 402 BBCH 404 BBCH 404 BBCH 406 BBCH 535 BBCH 635 BBCH 705 BBCH 725 BBCH 801 BBCH 805 BBCH 901 BBCH 903	14	Tuber	0.04, 0.04, 0.03 (0.04)
	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12	500 500 500 500 500 500 500 500	BBCH 301 BBCH 305 BBCH 309 BBCH 404 BBCH 535 BBCH 705 BBCH 801 BBCH 903	14	Tuber	< 0.02, < 0.02 ^a , < 0.02 <u>(< 0.02</u>)
	16 (3 4 3 4 3 4 3 4 3 4 3 4 3 4 3)	25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 2	500 500 500 500 500 500 500 500 500 500	BBCH 301 BBCH 303 BBCH 305 BBCH 307 BBCH 309 BBCH 402 BBCH 402 BBCH 404 BBCH 404 BBCH 535 BBCH 635 BBCH 705 BBCH 705 BBCH 725 BBCH 801 BBCH 805 BBCH 901 BBCH 903	14	Tuber	0.07, 0.06, 0.05 (0.06)
	8 (7 7 7 7 7 7 7)	25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25	500 500 500 500 500 500 500	BBCH 301 BBCH 305 BBCH 309 BBCH 404 BBCH 535 BBCH 705 BBCH 801 BBCH 901	14	Tuber	< 0.02, < 0.02 ^a , < 0.02 ^a <u>(< 0.02</u>)

^a In the report, these values are calculated as 0.02 mg/kg by applying the correction factor from CGA210007 to express residues as acibenzolar-S-methyl. However, since the measured residues of CGA231007 were below the LOQ (< 0.02 mg/kg) it is not considered correct to convert them to positive residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl.
Cereal grains

Wheat

Trials on wheat were conducted in Argentina and Brazil.

For supervised trials on wheat conducted in Argentina acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied as a single foliar spray at 50 g ai/ha of a WG formulation. Samples of wheat grain were collected from the treated plots at normal commercial harvest in the range of 53–65 days after application. Samples were analysed for residues per the analytical method POPIT MET.081 rev.04 with an LOQ of 0.01 mg/kg. Samples from the trials were stored for a maximum of 517 days (17 months).

For the Brazilian trials, acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied three times as a WG formulation. Three foliar applications were made at 12.5 g ai/ha at an interval of 14 days. Samples of wheat grain were collected from the treated plots at 7, 14 and 21 DALA. Samples were analysed for residues per the validated analytical method POPIT MET.081 rev.11 with an LOQ of 0.01 mg/kg. Samples from the trials were stored for a maximum of 153 days (5 months).

Table 71 Residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl following foliar application to wheat in Argentina and Brazil (replicate samples) (de Gois 2008 10602, Casallanovo 2010 10036)

Crop (Variety) WHEAT	N (int)	Application Rate (g ai/ha)	Spray volume (L/ha)	Growth Stage at Application	DALA	Crop Part	Residue (mg/kg)
Bragado, Buenos Aires, Argentina (2006) Don Mario Onix	1	50	150	BBCH 39	53	Grain	0.07, 0.05 (0.06)
Miramar, Buenos Aires, Argentina (2006) Baguette 21	1	50	150	BBCH 39	65	Grain	0.02, 0.02 (0.02)
Pergamino, Buenos Aires, Argentina (2006) Guapo	1	50	150	BBCH 39	55	Grain	< 0.01, < 0.01 (< 0.01)
Engenheiro Coelho SP, Brazil (2009) IAC 370	3 (14 14)	12 12 12	150 150 150	BBCH 75–77 BBCH 83–85 BBCH 87–89	7 14 21	Grain Grain Grain	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01
Bandeirantes PR, Brazil (2009) CD 114	3 (14 14)	12 12 12	150 150 150	BBCH 75 BBCH 85 BBCH 87–89	7 14 21	Grain Grain Grain	0.04 0.04 0.04
Carambeí, PR, Brazil (2009) Safira	3 (14 14)	12 12 12	150 150 150	BBCH 61–65 BBCH 75–77 BBCH 81–83	7 14 21	Grain Grain Grain	0.07 0.05 0.03
Itaberá SP, Brazil (2009) BRS 208	3 (14 14)	12 12 12	150 150 150	BBCH 71–73 BBCH 75–77 BBCH 83–85	7 14 21	Grain Grain Grain	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01

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Fate on processing

Effects on the nature of the residues during processing

Adam (1999 0629) conducted a high-temperature aqueous hydrolysis study to determine the nature of any acibenzolar-S-methyl-derived residues under conditions representative of commercial processing: pasteurisation, baking, boiling, brewing, and sterilisation.

[¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl was incubated in aqueous buffer solutions at a nominal concentration of 2.8 mg/L under three sets of conditions, each designed to simulate an appropriate

process: 90 °C (pH 4, 20 minutes) to simulate pasteurisation, 100 °C (pH 5, 60 minutes), to simulate boiling, baking and brewing, and 120 °C (pH 6, 20 minutes) to simulate sterilisation.

Sterilised test solutions were heated to the appropriate temperature for the corresponding time and then allowed to cool before analysis. Total recovered radioactivity was measured for each test solution. Radioactive components were characterised by fractionation and co-chromatography with authenticated reference compounds using TLC and bio-imaging and/or HPLC. Control samples were prepared for each buffer and maintained at ambient temperature for 1 hour.

After incubation, total recoveries of applied radioactivity ranged from 99.9% to 103.5% for all samples. Acibenzolar-S-methyl was shown to be hydrolytically stable under representative processing conditions of 90 °C (pH 4, 20 minutes) and 100 °C (pH 5, 60 minutes). Mean amounts of acibenzolar-S-methyl remaining after incubation were 102.4% and 93.9%, respectively. No significant breakdown or reaction products were formed under these conditions.

Acibenzolar-S-methyl was shown to degrade under conditions of 120 °C (pH 6, 20 minutes). The mean amount of acibenzolar-S-methyl remaining after incubation was 51.4%. The hydrolysis product and known metabolite CGA210007 was found with mean values of applied radioactivity after incubation of 50.5%.

No other metabolites were found under any of the test conditions.

Table 72 Degradation on acibenzolar-S-methyl under conditions that simulate commercial processing

Test System (Compound)	(% AR)								
	pH 4, 90 °	°C, 20 min	pH 5, 100	pH 5, 100 °C, 60 min pH 6, 12					
	(pasteur	risation)	(boiling, bak	ing, brewing)	(sterilisation)				
acibenzolar-S-methyl)	102.2 102.6		93.9 93.9		54.1 48.8				
CGA210007	1.3	1.1	5.7	6.4	48.5	52.5			

Oranges

<u>Oranges</u> from two trials that employed an exaggerated application rate as a soil drench were used for a processing study (Willard 2012a 50026).

The oranges were batch tub washed for 5 minutes. The washed oranges were transferred to the modified abrasive peeler for scarifying. Approximately 2.31 kg of oranges per batch were abraded for approximately 45 seconds to scarify the flavedo for oil recovery. The scarified fruit was weighed and retained for juice processing.

The collected oil-water emulsion was screened using an approximately 180 μ m screen to separate any flavedo fragments from the oil-water emulsion. The scarified flavedo (+screen) was set aside for later addition to the shredded peel. The first run oil-water emulsion (-screen) was processed through the cream separator and centrifuge to separate the oil. The free oil was removed. The residual emulsion was then frozen overnight, thawed, centrifuged, and the oil removed. This oil was added to the free oil.

An aliquot of the scarified oranges was weighed and transferred to a juice extractor to recover the juice from the peel. The juice and peel recovered were weighed and Brix taken on the fresh juice. The collected juice was transferred to the pulper finisher and screened using an approximately 1.19 mm screen to remove vesicular membranes, seeds, segment membranes, and peel fragments from the juice. The collected rag and seeds were set aside for later addition to the shredded peel. A representative sample of the fresh juice was removed.

The peel from the juice extractor was shredded and was combined with the scarified flavedo from the scarification process and rag and seeds from the juice finisher extraction process to generate wet peel. Lime (approximately 95% CaO) was added to the wet peel and mixed for 17 minutes. If the pH was less than 8.0, additional lime and water was added and the peel was mixed again for an additional 15 minutes. The limed peel was pressed and the expressed liquid weighed, checked for pH and Brix.

The wet peel pulp was dried to below 10% moisture. The dried pulp was milled using a hammermill. A representative sample of the dried pulp was removed.

Table 73 Acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in orange and processed commodities with corresponding processing factors

Location, year, variety	No.	Rate	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg)	PF
ORANGE	(int)	(kg				
		ai/ha)				
Chuluota, FL, USA	4 (28 27	567	0	Fruit pre-processing	0.018 0.014	
(2010) Hamlin	27)	566		Pulp (dried)	(0.016)	4.5
(198 kg)		564		Juice	0.072	< 0.625
		559		Oil	< 0.01	< 0.625
				Fruit (field)	< 0.01	
					0.017 0.017	
					(0.017)	
Fresno, CA, USA	4 (29 31	560	0	Fruit pre-processing	< 0.01 < 0.01	
(2010) Navel	30)	558		Pulp (dried)	< 0.01	> 1.1
(197 kg)		560		Juice	0.011	-
		563		Oil	< 0.01	-
				Fruit (field)	< 0.01	
				, í	< 0.01	

Pears

A small-scale processing study was also carried out on <u>pears</u> harvested after foliar application (Kühne 2001f 0775).

Juice

Fruit were washed manually with cold water. Washed fruit were sliced and mashed fruit pressed with a juice press (1-2 MPa) to produce raw juice. Insoluble components in the raw juice were separated and the resulting natural turbid juice was pasteurized with a plat pasteurizer (85 °C, 2 min). The wet pomace was retained for processing into dry pomace.

Purée

Fruit with stalk removed were manually washed under cold water, and the washed fruit cut into halves, placed in a saucepan and covered with water. The contents were bought to the boil and cooked until the fruit was passable through a sieve (dry matter approximately 16.5% at this stage). When ready the fruit was sieved, and sugar added and the pH adjusted to 3.0–4.5 by addition of citric and ascorbic acids. Tins were filled with purée, closed and pasteurized (95 °C, 20 min).

Dry pomace

The wet pomace (after pressing of juice) was dried at 65 °C until a moisture content of less than 10% was achieved.

No residues above the method LOQ were detected in pears at harvest. Processing did result in residues above LOQ in pomace dry indicating concentration in this commodity. Based on results between the LOD and LOQ. Residues are reduced (PF < 1) for washed fruit, juice and purée and increased (PF > 1.2) in the case of pomace, wet and dry.

Table 74 Acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in pear and processed commodities with corresponding processing factors (Kühne 2001f 0775)

Location, year, variety	No.	Rate	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg)	PF
PEAR		(kg ai/ha)				

Location, year, variety	No.	Rate	DALA	Sample	Residues (mg/kg)	PF
PEAR		(kg ai/ha)				
Stretti di Erachlea (VE)	8 (6	100	21	Fruit pre-processing	< 0.01	
Italy (2000) Conference	66	100		Fruit, washed	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01	
4 batches, each 2-3.6 kg	44	100		Juice unpasteurized	< 0.01	
_	11	100		Juice pasteurized	< 0.01 < 0.01	
	11	100		Pomace, wet	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01	
	11)	100		Pomace, dry	< 0.01	
		100			< 0.01 < 0.01	
		100			0.01 0.012 0.013 0.011	
				Fruit pre-processing	< 0.01	
				Fruit, washed	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01	
				Residue after	< 0.01	
				filtration	< 0.01 < 0.01	
				Purée	< 0.01 < 0.01 < 0.01	
					< 0.01	

The apparent PFs for pomace dry were 2.0, 3.2, 3.4 and 3.0 if the < LOQ residue value of 0.0039 mg/kg for fruit pre-processing is used in calculations.

Tomatoes

In a series of studies (Walser 1998egk 0509 0536 0525 Walser 1999p 0587) the distribution of residues on processing <u>tomatoes</u> following foliar application were studied.

In the two trials in Italy, during 1997, a WG formulation of acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied to tomatoes. Six applications were made to tomato plants at a rate of 25 g ai/ha, separated by an interval of nominally 7 days. At normal commercial harvest, 3 days after the final application, samples of treated and untreated tomato fruits were harvested and transported to the processing facility.

For the preparation of <u>washed tomato fruit</u>, the calyxes were first removed. The fruit were then washed by gentle movement in standing water for approximately 2 minutes. After draining, the tomatoes were cut into pieces with a knife to produce washed tomato fruit.

For the preparation of <u>peeled tomato fruit</u>, the calyxes were first removed. The fruit were then transferred to a vessel containing lukewarm water which after a few minutes enabled the peel to be carefully removed. After peeling, the tomatoes were cut into pieces with a knife to produce peeled tomato fruit.

For the juicing process, the calyxes were first removed. The fruit were then washed by gentle movement in standing water for approximately 2 minutes. After draining, the tomatoes were cut into pieces with a knife. The cut fruit were heated in water (100 mL per kg of fruit) to a temperature of 98–100 °C for 5 minutes to blanch them and halt enzymatic reactions. After blanching, the remaining pulp was passed through a sieve to yield separated juice and wet pomace. Sodium chloride (0.5 to 0.7% by weight relative to the amount of juice) was added to the raw juice. The juice was then pasteurised in cans by heating to 91 °C to produce pasteurised juice.

For the preparation of <u>concentrate pulp/paste</u>, the calyxes were first removed. The fruit were then washed by gentle movement in standing water for approximately 2 minutes. After draining, the tomatoes were cut into pieces with a knife. The cut fruit were heated in water (100 mL per kg of fruit) to a temperature of 98–100 °C for 4 minutes to blanch them and halt enzymatic reactions. After blanching, the remaining pulp was passed through a strainer to yield separated juice and wet pomace. The juice was concentrated to 45 to 31% dry weight by centrifugation and drying. The paste was then pasteurised by transfer into cans and heating to 92 °C to produce concentrated paste.

For the preparation of <u>canned tomato fruit</u>, the calyxes were first removed. The fruit were then transferred to a vessel containing lukewarm water which after a few minutes enabled the peel to be carefully removed. After peeling, the tomatoes were filled into cans and topped up with tomato juice. The cans containing the fruit were then pasteurised by heating to 93 °C to produce canned fruit.

Acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in washed fruit, peeled fruit, canned fruit and juice were like the level in the RAC before processing (0.06 mg/kg). Acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in washed fruit were 0.06 mg/kg, in peeled fruit 0.05 mg/kg, in juice 0.06 mg/kg and in canned fruit 0.05 mg/kg. Acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in concentrated paste/pulp were 0.20 mg/kg. The results and processing factors for processed samples are presented in Table 75.

Trials were also conducted in France in which a WG formulation of acibenzolar-S-methyl was applied to tomatoes. Six applications were made to tomato plants at a rate of 25 g ai/ha, separated by an interval of nominally 7 days. At normal commercial harvest, 3 days after the final application, samples of treated and untreated tomato fruits were harvested and transported to the processing facility.

For the juicing process, the green parts or any bruised fruit were removed. The fruit were then crushed before transfer to an automatic sieve for removal of juice from skin/seeds. Cooking salt was added to the raw juice (7 g/kg). The raw juice was then pasteurised by transfer into glass bottles and heating to 115 °C for 2 minutes to produce pasteurised juice.

For the <u>preparation of concentrate (purée</u>) the green parts or any bruised fruit were removed. The tomatoes were then cut into pieces and placed in a heated saucepan to reduce. When enough liquid phase was available, the brix degree was measured until it reached 11%. The contents were then transferred to an automatic sieve for removal of juice from skin/seeds. Cooking salt was added to the raw purée (4 g/kg). The raw purée was then pasteurised by transfer into glass bottles and heating to 115 °C for 2 minutes to produce purée.

For the preparation of <u>preserved fruit</u>, the green parts or any bruised fruit were removed. The fruit were then transferred to a vessel containing boiling water for thirty seconds to enable the peel to be carefully removed. Cooking salt and citric acid were added to previously-prepared tomato juice. The peeled tomatoes and juice were then placed into glass jars to simulate commercial canning (two thirds tomatoes to one third juice). The jars of peeled fruit and juice were then pasteurised by heating to 115 °C for 2 minutes to produce preserved fruit.

For the preparation of <u>ketchup (sauce)</u> the green parts or any bruised fruit were removed. The tomatoes were then cut into pieces and placed in a heated saucepan to reduce. When enough liquid phase was available, the brix degree was measured until it reached 11%. The contents were then transferred to an automatic sieve for removal of juice from skin/seeds and the raw ketchup was put back into the saucepan for a second reduction. The brix degree was measured until it reached 14%. The amount of puree obtained was weighed and then further ingredients added to produce a ketchup recipe; puree 72%, brown sugar 19%, cider vinegar 7% and salt 2%, all by weight. All ingredients were blended by whisking at elevated temperature. The raw ketchup was then pasteurised by transfer into glass bottles and heating to 115 °C for 2 minutes to produce ketchup.

Table 75 Acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in tomato and processed commodities with corresponding Processing factors

Country, Year, Trial	Commodity	Initial residue	Processed residue	PF
		acibenzolar-S-methyl	acibenzolar-S-methyl	
		(mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	
Italy 1997 2043/97	Tomato RAC	0.06	-	=
	Washed fruit		0.06	1.0
	Peeled fruit		0.05	0.83
	Juice		0.06	1.0
	Concentrated paste		0.20	3.33
	Canned fruit		0.05	0.83
Italy 1997 2043/97	Tomato RAC	0.06	-	-
	Washed fruit		0.04	0.67
	Peeled fruit		0.03	0.50
	Juice		0.04	0.067
	Concentrated paste		0.07	1.17
	Canned fruit		0.03	0.50

Country, Year, Trial	Commodity	Initial residue	Processed residue	PF
		acibenzolar-S-methyl	acibenzolar-S-methyl	
		(mg/kg)	(mg/kg)	
N France 1997 2360/97	Tomato RAC	0.04	_	l
	Juice		0.03	0.75
	Purée		0.07	1.75
	Ketchup		0.07	1.75
	Preserved fruit		0.02	0.50
S France 1997 2364/97	Tomato RAC	0.05	_	l
	Juice		0.04	0.80
	Purée		0.10	2.0
	Ketchup		0.10	2.0
	Preserved fruit		0.04	0.80

Processing factor = residue in processed commodity (mg/kg) / residue in RAC (mg/kg)

Table 76 Acibenzolar-S-methyl processing factors obtained from tomato processing studies

Commodity		Processing factors							
Commodity	Study 1	Study 2	Study 3	Study 4	Mean				
Washed fruit	1.0	0.67	-	—	0.84				
Peeled fruit	0.83	0.50	-	—	0.67				
Tomato juice	1.0	0.67	0.75	0.80	0.81				
Preserved fruit (canned)	0.83	0.50	0.50*	0.80*	0.66				
Purée (paste) / concentrate	3.33	1.17	1.75	2.0	2.1				
Ketchup	-	-	1.75	2.0	1.9				

Livestock feeding studies

Dairy cow feeding study

The transfer of acibenzolar-S-methyl metabolites from feed to tissues and milk of dairy cows was studied by Walser (1998c 0465). Acibenzolar-S-methyl was administered orally to three groups of three Holstein cattle (3 yrs old; 451-612 kg bw) by gelatine capsule for 28 days. Mean daily feed consumption for the dose groups during the exposure period were 20.8–21.4 kg DM (hay, ad libitum and 16.4 kg/day feed). Mean daily milk yields for the dose groups during the exposure period were 21.1 to 23.6 kg/cow/day. Based on mean daily feed consumption, the exposure was equivalent to 0.25 (1×), 1.27 (5×) and 2.48 (10×) ppm in the feed or 5.3, 26.5 and 53 mg acibenzolar-S-methyl/cow/day. Milk was collected twice daily (am and pm sampling pooled) at nine intervals through the 28 days of dosing. Muscle (tenderloin, round steak, diaphragm), liver, kidney and fat (peri-renal, omental) samples were collected at sacrifice 20–22.2 hours after the last dose. The maximum frozen storage intervals were 49 days for milk while the maximum storage intervals for tissues were 97, 110, 35 and 90 days for liver, kidney, muscle and fat, respectively. Samples were analysed using several analytical methods: REM172.11 for milk, REM172.12 for tissues (muscle, fat, liver and kidney) and REM172.13 for blood samples.

The LOQ of the methods was 0.005 mg/kg for milk; 0.02 mg/kg for tissues and fat and 0.05 mg/kg for blood.

The methods were validated by fortification of samples of muscle, liver, kidney, fat, blood and milk spiked with known amounts of acibenzolar-S-methyl and carried through the procedure with the treated samples as recovery experiments. Recovery values for acibenzolar-S-methyl in milk and cow tissues ranged from 77% to 95% with relative standard deviations of 4% to 18%, indicating acceptability of the methods used in this study (Table 77).

Table 77 Recovery values for acibenzolar-S-methyl in milk and cattle tissues

Fortification level	Recovery (%)

(mg/kg)	Muscle	Fat	Liver	Kidney	Blood	Milk (8–26	Milk (0–5 days)
						days)	
0.02	86, 71, 74,	104, 89	92	99, 96	-	-	-
	78						
0.20	83, 70, 79	94, 94, 94	89	93	_	_	-
0.005	-	-	-	-	96,	91, 86, 83, 82,	51, 53, 58, 55
					95	101, 102, 94	
0.050	-	-	-	-	97	87, 85, 83, 86,	91, 91, 83
						87, 81	
Mean	77	95		94	93	82	
% RSD	8	6		4	_	18	

Even at the highest 10^{\times} dose level equivalent to 2.48 ppm, no residues of acibenzolar-Smethyl equivalents at or above the LOQ of 0.005 mg/kg were found in any of the milk samples; nor above the LOQ of 0.02 mg/kg in the liver, kidney, muscle and fat samples (Table 78).

Table 78 Residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl metabolites in milk and tissues of lactating cows

Sample	Dose group (ppm)	Residues
		(mg/kg)
Milk (0 pre-dose, 2, 5, 8, 11, 15, 19, 22, 26am,	0.25	< 0.005
26pm)	1.27	< 0.005
	2.48	< 0.005
Tenderloin muscle	0.25	< 0.02
	1.27	< 0.02
	2.48	< 0.02
Round steak muscle	0.25	< 0.02
	1.27	< 0.02
	2.48	< 0.02
Diaphragm muscle	0.25	< 0.02
	1.27	< 0.02
	2.48	< 0.02
Perirenal fat	0.25	< 0.02
	1.27	< 0.02
	2.48	< 0.02
Omental fat	0.25	< 0.02
	1.27	< 0.02
	2.48	< 0.02
Liver	0.25	< 0.02
	1.27	< 0.02
	2.48	< 0.02
	0.25	< 0.02
Kidney	1.27	< 0.02
	2.48	< 0.02

APPRAISAL

Acibenzolar-S-methyl is a plant activator that stimulates the natural, inherent defence mechanisms of plants. Through this activation, control of *Erysiphe graminis* (powdery mildew of cereals) and *Mycosphaerella musci* (Black Sigatoka of banana) is achieved. This activation also results in partial control of *Septoria* spp. (side effect only) and *Puccinia* spp. (side effect only) in cereals. At the 47th Session of the CCPR (2015), it was scheduled for the evaluation as a new compound by the 2016 JMPR.

The Meeting received information on the metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl in lactating goats and laying hens, cotton, lettuce, sorghum, sunflower, rice, tomato, tobacco and wheat, as well as follow crops, methods of residue analysis, freezer storage stability, GAP information, supervised residue trials on citrus fruit (orange, grapefruit, lemon), pome fruit (apples, pears), stone fruit (apricot, peach), strawberries, bananas, kiwifruit, onions, brassica vegetables (cabbage, broccoli, mustard

greens), cucurbits (cucumbers, melons, squash), tomatoes, leafy vegetables (lettuce, spinach), celery, potatoes and wheat as well as a livestock transfer study (lactating cow).

Acibenzolar-S-methyl is S-methyl 1,2,3-benzothiadiazole-7-carbothioate



Metabolites referred to in the appraisal were addressed by their company codes:



Studies on the metabolism in plants and livestock and environmental fate all utilized [¹⁴C-U-phenyl]-acibenzolar-S-methyl.

Plant metabolism

Acibenzolar-S-methyl is typically used for four different situations:

- as a seed treatment
- as a foliar application
- as a soil treatment for rice at transplanting
- application to the soil beneath a growing crop

The Meeting received plant metabolism studies with acibenzolar-S-methyl following seed treatment (sunflower, cotton, sorghum), foliar applications to lettuce, tobacco, tomato and wheat and soil treatment at transplanting rice.

Seed treatment

Residues in commodities at harvest of crops of <u>cotton</u>, <u>sorghum</u> and <u>sunflower</u> grown from seeds that were treated with [¹⁴C]-acibenzolar-S-methyl prior to planting (0.0006-0.001 mg ai/seed cotton; 0.0065 mg ai/seed sorghum; 0.048 mg ai/seed sunflower), were low at 0.002-0.006 mg equiv/kg for cotton plants, stalks, fibre and seed, < 0.001-0.002 mg equiv/kg for sorghum forage, stover and grain and 0.002 mg equiv/kg for sunflower seeds.

Foliar application

Tomato

The metabolism of $[^{14}C]$ -acibenzolar-S-methyl in <u>tomato plants</u> grown outdoors following three foliar sprays at 15 g ai/hL at 14 day intervals.

TRR found at harvest were 0.312 mg equiv/kg in tomato fruit (30 days after last application) and 0.72 mg equiv/kg in foliage (60 DALA). The ¹⁴C recovered in surface washes of fruit decreased from 35% TRR (one hour after third application) to 1.4% TRR (one month after third application).

Extractability of 14 C residues with the solvent system (CH₃CN/H₂O) used was 97% of the TRR for tomato fruit at maturity, 30 DALA.

The metabolites identified in tomato fruit and foliage primarily resulted from initial hydrolysis of acibenzolar-S-methyl to give acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) followed by oxidation to give various metabolites hydroxylated at the phenyl ring. Acibenzolar-S-methyl was detected in foliage and fruit samples on the day of application and for up to a further 30 days, albeit at very low levels. At harvest, acibenzolar-S-methyl accounted for 0.8% TRR in fruit, free acibenzolar acid accounted for 8.1% TRR and conjugates of acibenzolar acid liberated by cellulase/mild base hydrolysis of the solvent extracts accounted for a further 56% TRR.

Lettuce

The metabolism of $[^{14}C]$ -acibenzolar-S-methyl in <u>lettuce plants</u> grown outdoors following three foliar sprays at 35 g ai/hL (1 ×) at 7 day intervals. An additional set of plants were treated at 105 g ai/ha (3 ×). The first applications were made at the 7-9 leaf stage (BBCH 17-19).

TRR in lettuce plants harvested one week after final application were 1.0 mg equiv/kg (1 × rate) and 3.7 mg equiv/kg (3 × rate). In these samples, parent acibenzolar-S-methyl residues were 0.17 and 0.71 mg/kg, respectively. Surface rinses contained 20% (1 ×) and 23% (3 ×) of TRR, with penetrated residue amounting to 83% (1 ×) and 74% (3 ×) of the TRR (7 DALA).

Solvent (CH₃CN/H₂O) extracted $\ge 81\%$ of the TRR. Acibenzolar-S-methyl accounted for 17-19% TRR while free acibenzolar acid represented $\le 5\%$ TRR. The solvent extracts were sequentially treated with 0.1N NaOH/cellulase to investigate the presence of conjugates. Based on the increase in acibenzolar acid on hydrolysis, conjugates of acibenzolar acid represented 12-20%TRR. The only other metabolite(s) present at levels >10% TRR were conjugates of 4-OH acibenzolar acid which represented 19-22% TRR. In contrast, free 4-OH acibenzolar acid only represented 0.9-1.1% TRR.

Tobacco

The metabolic fate of $[^{14}C]$ -acibenzolar-S-methyl in <u>tobacco plants</u> maintained outdoors was examined following three foliar sprays, starting when plants were at the seven leaf stage, of 20, 50 and 100 g ai/ha with intervals of 21 and 34 days.

Translocation of the radioactivity into new grown leaves was low. Residues found 21 days after the first application were 0.60 and 0.031 mg equiv/kg in treated and new grown leaves respectively. At maturity, TRRs in tobacco plants were 1.4 mg equiv/kg in lower leaves, 0.43 mg eq./kg in upper leaves and 0.022 mg equiv/kg in stems.

Solvent (CH₃CN/H₂O) extracted \ge 88% of the TRR present in leaf samples collected 0 to 52 DALA.

Parent acibenzolar-S-methyl was present in low amounts in tobacco leaves 17–52 DALA (max. 6.1% TRR) with free acibenzolar acid present at 6.4–9.0% TRR. The major component of the ¹⁴C residue was conjugates of acibenzolar acid which liberate acibenzolar acid on cellulase/0.1N NaOH treatment, accounting for a further 61% TRR.

Wheat

The metabolism of $[{}^{14}C]$ -acibenzolar-S-methyl in <u>wheat</u> grown outdoors was studied following application to plants at the end of tillering at 50 g ai/ha. Total radioactive residues in shoots on the day of application were 1.8 mg equiv/kg, declining to 0.29 mg equiv/kg after 14 days. At harvest, 75 days after application, levels of ${}^{14}C$ in grain, husks and straw were 0.014, 0.23 and 0.33 mg eq/kg respectively.

Solvent (CH₃CN/H₂O) extracted \geq 87% of the TRR present in immature plant parts (shoots) collected 0–14 days after application. Extraction of ¹⁴C present at harvest (75 days after application) was low at 41% for grain, 39% for husks and 30% for straw.

Apart from on the day of application, acibenzolar-S-methyl was not detected in any of the samples. The metabolites identified primarily resulted from initial hydrolysis of acibenzolar-S-methyl to form acibenzolar acid followed by oxidation of the phenyl ring to give a range of hydroxy acibenzolar acid metabolites. Acibenzolar acid, and metabolites hydroxylated at the phenyl ring, can form conjugates with natural compounds such as sugars or bind to cell components such as proteins. Free acibenzolar acid accounted for 8.4, 12 and 14% TRR in grain, husks and straw respectively. Based on the increase in acibenzolar acid after mild base hydrolysis of the solvent extracts, conjugates of acibenzolar acid accounted for 15, 11 and 7.8% TRR for grain, husks and straw respectively.

The majority of the ¹⁴C present in the solids after the initial solvent extraction (PES) were associated with natural products, 21% TRR for grain, 29% for husks and 36% TRR for straw; especially starch, protein, lignin and cellulose. The severe conditions utilized for further examination of ¹⁴C residues in PES liberated additional acibenzolar acid, presumably bound to various natural components. The additional liberated acibenzolar acid accounted for a further 16, 17 and 23%TRR for grain, husks and straw respectively.

Soil treatment at transplanting

Rice

The metabolism of $[{}^{14}C]$ -acibenzolar-S-methyl in greenhouse grown rice plants was studied following application to soil of a granular formulation to three-week old rice plants one day prior to transplanting at a rate equivalent to 200 g ai/ha. Plants with soil were transplanted into containers and flooded with water. Mature plants were harvested 119 days after application.

Residues in paddy water reached a maximum of 25% AR at 1–2 weeks after soil application and flooding, declining to 15% AR by 40 days after application (DAA). Thereafter the ¹⁴C residues in paddy water declined rapidly to reach 0.4% AR by 60 DAA. Free acibenzolar acid was the major metabolite/degradate present in paddy water representing 32% TRR at 11 DAA and 57% TRR at 78 DAA.

One DAA, rice seedlings had taken up 1.3% AR, rising to 11.1% AR at maturity (harvest 119 DAA). At maturity, 0.2% AR was located in grain, 0.2% AR in husks and 11% AR in straw while 81% AR remained in the soil. Solvent (CH₃CN/H₂O) extracted only 6.4% TRR for grain, 33% TRR for husks and 41% TRR for straw. Parent acibenzolar-S-methyl was only detected in samples of leaves collected 1 DAA. The major metabolite identified in leaves collected 11-78 DAA was free acibenzolar acid at 6.7-11% TRR in leaves and at 1.7–10% TRR in rice commodities (grain, husks, straw) at harvest, 119 DAA.

The presence of conjugated residues in the solvent extracts was investigated. Following hydrolysis the proportion of unidentified ¹⁴C decreased and there was a concomitant increase in the proportion of acibenzolar acid and to a lesser extent 3-methanesulfinyl benzoic acid. Based on the hydrolysis results, conjugated acibenzolar acid accounted for 38, 11 and 2.0% TRR in straw, husks and grain, respectively. Conjugates of 3-methanesulfinyl benzoic acid accounted for 5.3, 3.1 and 0.7% TRR in straw, husks and grain, respectively.

As the unextracted ¹⁴C in plant samples was high, the PES were subject to harsh alkaline and acid conditions to assist further characterisation. Following hydrolysis of PES under harsh alkaline

and acid conditions, the unextracted residues remaining in grain were reduced from 92% TRR to 39% TRR. While small amounts of additional acibenzolar acid were liberated (1.8–8.1% TRR), 3-methanesulfinyl benzoic acid was the major component released by the harsh treatment and accounted for 18% TRR in grain. Further investigation also revealed incorporation of ¹⁴C into natural products, 24% TRR for grain, 31% TRR for husks and 17% TRR for straw.

In summary, the metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl by plants is well understood. Primary metabolic pathways of acibenzolar-S-methyl in plants included: 1) hydrolysis of the S-methyl group to form acibenzolar acid; 2) oxidation at the phenyl ring to form a range of hydoxy derivatives including 4-OH acibenzolar acid; 3) opening of the thiadiazole ring to form 3-methanesulfinyl benzoic acid; and 4) formation of conjugates, principally with sugars.

Crop		Tomato	Tobacco	Lettuce	Wheat			Rice		
DALA		30	17-45	7	75	75	75	119	119	119
Matrix		Fruit	Leaf	Leaf	Grain	Husks	Straw	Grain	Husks	Straw
Acibenzolar-S- methyl		0.8	6.1	16.9-19.3						
Acibenzolar	Free	8.1	6.4-9.0	<5	8.4	12.1	14.4	1.7	3.7	10.2
acid	Conj	56.2	61.4	11.5-20.1	15.1	11.4	7.8	2.0	11.3	37.9
	Bound				15.8	17.4	23.1	1.9	1.8	8.1
4-OH	Free			0.9-1.1						
acibenzolar acid	Conj			19-21.5						
3-	Free							0.6	3.7	5.3
methanesulfinyl	Conj							0.7	3.1	5.3
benzoic acid	Bound							17.5	1.1	2.5

With the exception of 3-methanesulfinyl benzoic acid (CGA379019), all plant metabolites were also identified in the rat metabolism though the conjugate partners may differ.

Animal metabolism

The plant metabolism studies show that livestock are unlikely to be exposed to parent acibenzolar-Smethyl. Rather, animals will be exposed to a range of metabolites that are mostly comprised of free and conjugated acibenzolar acid. Metabolism studies were made available to the Meeting that utilized dosing lactating goats and laying hens with acibenzolar-S-methyl. As acibenzolar-S-methyl is rapidly hydrolysed to acibenzolar acid, and conjugates of acibenzolar acid are readily cleaved to produce acibenzolar acid, the use of acibenzolar-S-methyl in the livestock metabolism studies is acceptable.

Lactating goats were orally dosed once daily for four consecutive days with [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl at a dose equivalent to 12 ppm in the feed. The majority of the ¹⁴C residues was recovered in the excreta (urine 64%AD, faeces 12% AD). For tissues, ¹⁴C residues were highest in kidney, (0.28 mg equiv/kg), followed by liver (0.041 mg equiv/kg) with muscle (0.003 mg equiv/kg) and fat (0.002–0.003 mg equiv/kg) containing very low residues. TRR in milk reached 0.12 mg equivalents/kg before the end of dosing. Solvent (CH₃CN and CH₃CN/H₂O) extracted >86% of the TRR in milk and tissues. No intact acibenzolar-S-methyl was detected in tissues or milk. The majority of the residues were present as free (33–90% TRR) and soluble conjugated forms (2.3–22% TRR) of acibenzolar acid. Significant additional acibenzolar acid was released from muscle (27% TRR) when harsh extraction conditions were used on radioactivity in solids remaining after solvent extraction.

<u>Laying hens</u> were orally dosed once a day for four consecutive days with [¹⁴C]-acibenzolar-Smethyl at a dose equivalent to 19 ppm in the feed. The majority of the ¹⁴C residues was recovered in the excreta (87% AD). Radioactivity in eggs reached 0.001 mg equiv/kg, with average concentrations of 0.002 mg equiv/kg for yolk and 0.001 mg equiv/kg for egg whites. Mean levels of TRR were 0.90 mg equiv/kg in kidney, 0.33 mg equiv/kg in liver, 0.013 mg equiv/kg in breast muscle, 0.013 mg equiv/kg in peritoneal fat, and 0.045 mg equiv/kg in skin plus subcutaneous fat. Solvent (CH₃CN and CH₃CN/H₂O) extracted >82% of the TRR in eggs and tissues. No intact acibenzolar-S-methyl was detected in tissues or eggs. Free acibenzolar acid accounted for the majority of the residue (50–77% TRR) with significant amounts of acibenzolar acid released from conjugates in egg white (18% TRR) when harsh extraction conditions were used.

In summary, the metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl in goats and laying hens is similar to metabolism in laboratory animals with acibenzolar acid (free and conjugated) the major component of the residue.

Environmental fate

The Meeting received information on soil aerobic metabolism, aqueous photolysis and aqueous hydrolysis properties of $[^{14}C]$ -acibenzolar-S-methyl. Studies were also received on the behaviour of $[^{14}C]$ -acibenzolar-S-methyl in a rotational crop situation.

The degradation of acibenzolar-S-methyl in soil maintained under <u>aerobic</u> conditions was rapid with acibenzolar acid and 6-OH acibenzolar acid, the major degradation products formed. While parent acibenzolar-S-methyl was degraded quickly in soils, the degradates formed are moderately to highly persistent. In the laboratory studies, soil DT_{50} values for parent acibenzolar-S-methyl ranged from 0.031 to 2.1 days while for acibenzolar acid DT_{50} values ranged from 4.1 to 91 days and for 6-OH acibenzolar acid 130 to >1000 days.

Acibenzolar-S-methyl was stable to <u>hydrolysis</u> in aqueous solutions at pH 5 and 7 but undergoes rapid hydrolysis at pH 9 and above suggesting hydrolysis plays a negligible role in its degradation under environmental conditions. The main hydrolysis degradate was acibenzolar acid which was stable at all pH values.

The <u>soil photolysis</u> of acibenzolar-S-methyl in dry and wet soils was investigated. Light enhanced the degradation of acibenzolar-S-methyl on both wet and dry soils. Acibenzolar acid was essentially stable on dry soils but moderately degraded in the irradiated wet soils. No other metabolites were reported to reach levels above 5% AR. Hydrolysis of acibenzolar-S-methyl to form acibenzolar acid was more rapid on wet compared to dry soils.

In a <u>confined rotational crops</u> study with lettuce, radish, maize and wheat, a plot of clay soil was treated with [¹⁴C]-acibenzolar-S-methyl at the equivalent of 50 g ai/ha and crops sown 30, 113, 141 and 337 days after the soil application. Lettuce was sampled at 50% maturity and at full maturity (61 and 82 DAA), radish was sampled at 180 DAA, wheat samples were taken at 180, 370 and 414 DAA and maize was sampled at 50% and full maturity (404 and 498 DAA). The uptake of radioactivity in rotational crops was very low for lettuce, winter wheat, maize and radish: all residue levels in the crops were ≤ 0.001 mg equiv/kg.

In a separate confined rotational crop study a sandy loam soil was treated with [¹⁴C]acibenzolar-S-methyl at the equivalent of 421 g ai/ha and radish, wheat and mustard sown at 30, 60 and 210 days after application. The metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl in rotated crops was similar for all crop types and proceeded by hydrolysis of the S-methyl ester leading to formation of the major metabolite, acibenzolar acid which existed as polar conjugates that could be cleaved by treatment with cellulase plus NaOH. Subsequent hydroxylation of the phenyl ring gave metabolites 5-OH acibenzolar acid and 4-OH acibenzolar acid. Comparison with primary metabolism studies shows that the pathway in rotational crops is consistent with that in primary crops.

The major degradates in soil were acibenzolar acid and 6-OH acibenzolar acid, however, no 6-OH acibenzolar acid was detected in crops.

In summary, acibenzolar-S-methyl related residues in soil are unlikely to be observed at significant levels in rotational crops following application at maximum permitted seasonal rates of up to 332 g ai/ha for non-permanent crops.

Methods of Analysis

Methods have been reported in the scientific literature for the analysis of acibenzolar-S-methyl in food, including multi-residue methods. These literature methods do not involve a hydrolysis step and the residue measured is therefore parent compound (acibenzolar-S-methyl).

The metabolism of acibenzolar-S-methyl in crops results in a complex mixture of metabolites, most of which produce acibenzolar acid on base hydrolysis. Any non-metabolized parent acibenzolar-S-methyl that might be present would be converted to acibenzolar acid upon base hydrolysis. Consequently most of the methods developed to quantify acibenzolar-S-methyl residues in supervised trials on animal and plant commodities involve hydrolytic conversion of parent compound and metabolites to acibenzolar acid. This analyte is quantified and expressed in acibenzolar-S-methyl equivalents. LOQs are typically 0.01 mg/kg.

The common moiety methods all involve homogenisation and base hydrolysis (1N NaOH, typically 60–65 °C) followed by extraction of the hydrolysed samples with an organic/aqueous solvent mixture, typically CH₃OH. The main differences between methods involve clean-up conditions, instrumentation for quantification (HPLC-UV, HPLC-ECD, LC-MS/MS), and scale. Acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid are used as reference materials for fortification and method validation. In addition, radiovalidation studies demonstrated the acceptability of the extraction and hydrolysis used in the common moiety method as measured residues accounted for 75–110% of the residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid (free and conjugated) identified in metabolism studies.

The methods involving hydrolysis are suitable for analysis of acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid (free and conjugated) in plant and animal matrices.

Multi-residue methods are currently not validated for the sum of acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid (free and conjugated).

A method was also made available for the analysis of 4-OH acibenzolar acid in lettuce and spinach. Following extraction with acidified acetonitrile:water, soluble conjugates were cleaved using cellulase and residues quantified using HPLC-UV (252 nm). The LOQ was 0.02 mg/kg.

Stability of pesticide residues in stored analytical samples

The Meeting received information on the stability of acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid in various matrices on freezer storage (-18 °C).

The periods of demonstrated stability cover the frozen storage intervals used in the residue studies on crops.

Residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl when measured by the common moiety method were stable in dry commodities (wheat grain) for 24 months and in high water commodities (cabbage, squash, lettuce, tomatoes, and turnip roots) and tobacco for 21 months. Residues were stable in banana for 24 months. Residues were stable in dry commodities (wheat grain) for 24 months and in high water commodities (cabbage, squash, lettuce, tomatoes, and turnip roots) and tobacco for 21 months.

The stability of acibenzolar-S-methyl in animal commodities was studied in the lactating cow residue transfer study with fortified samples stored for the same intervals as experimental samples. Acibenzolar-S-methyl, measured using the common moiety method, was stable in muscle for 87 days, kidney for 131 days, fat for 129 days and milk for 115 days. In liver, the amount remaining after 124 days was 51% of the spike concentration.

Definition of the residue

Following application of acibenzolar-S-methyl to crops the parent compound was generally only detected at short intervals after application and other than on the day of application, only as a relatively minor component of the ¹⁴C residue in the case of lettuce (17–19% TRR); tomato (0.8% TRR) and tobacco (6.1% TRR). For the other crops investigated where the interval between application and sampling was longer, parent compound was not detected (cotton, rice, sorghum, sunflower and wheat).

In crops where levels of ¹⁴C were sufficiently high to allow identification of metabolites, the major component of the ¹⁴C could generally be attributed to acibenzolar acid free+conjugated+bound: wheat grain 8.4+15+16% TRR; wheat husks 12+11+17% TRR; wheat straw 14+7.8+23% TRR;

tomato fruit 8.1+56.2+0% TRR; tobacco leaf 9.0+61+0; lettuce <5+20+0% TRR; rice grain 1.7+2.0+1.9% TRR; rice husks 3.7+11+1.8% TRR and rice straw 10+38+8.1% TRR. The other components that exceeded 10% TRR were 4-OH acibenzolar acid free+conjugated in lettuce leaf (1.1+22% TRR) and 3-methanesulfinyl-benzoic acid free+conjugated+bound in rice grain (0.6+0.7+18% TRR) and rice straw (5.3+5.3+2.5% TRR).

Residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid (free and conjugated) are unlikely to occur at significant levels in rotational (follow) crops.

There is no obvious single compound for use as a suitable marker for compliance. It is noted that the majority of the residue in crops is present as conjugates of acibenzolar acid that can easily be converted to acibenzolar acid on base hydrolysis. Acibenzolar-S-methyl is also converted to acibenzolar acid on base hydrolysis. As such a common moiety residue definition would allow residues to be monitored in all crops and derived commodities. Validated analytical methods are available for the determination of acibenzolar-S-methyl together with free and conjugated acibenzolar acid in crop matrices.

The Meeting decided the residue definition for compliance with MRLs in plants should be the sum of acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid, free and conjugated, expressed as acibenzolar-S-methyl.

In deciding which additional compounds should be included in the residue definition for risk assessment the Meeting considered the toxicological properties and likely occurrence of the candidates: acibenzolar acid (free and conjugated), 4-OH acibenzolar acid (free and conjugated) and 3-methylsulfinyl benzoic acid (free and conjugated). The toxicological properties of the various metabolites were considered. Acibenzolar acid has similar potency to the parent compound, while 4-OH acibenzolar acid (free and conjugated) is the major residue in most plant commodities and should be included in the residue definition for risk assessment. The 4-OH acibenzolar acid metabolite (free and conjugated) was only significant in leafy vegetables (lettuce) where it occurred at half the level of the sum of parent compound and acibenzolar acid (free and conjugated). The Meeting agreed an adjustment factor of 1.5 could be applied to residues in leafy vegetables measured according to the residue definition for compliance to convert residues to the equivalent sum of acibenzolar-S-methyl, acibenzolar acid (free and conjugated) and 4-OH acibenzolar acid (free and conjugated). The Meeting agreed residues of 4-OH acibenzolar acid (free and conjugated) should be included in the residue definition for compliance to convert residues to the equivalent sum of acibenzolar-S-methyl, acibenzolar acid (free and conjugated) and 4-OH acibenzolar acid (free and conjugated). The Meeting agreed residues of 4-OH acibenzolar acid (free and conjugated) should be included in the residue definition for dietary risk assessment.

The metabolite 3-methanesulfinyl benzoic acid was only detected in rice and then only at low levels. No information was available on the toxicity of 3-methanesulfinyl benzoic acid. The Meeting agreed that as rice is not among the uses currently under consideration, residues of 3-methanesulfinyl benzoic acid are not expected and the compound does not need to be considered further. If uses on rice are considered in the future, a dietary risk assessment comparing exposures against the Cramer class TTC values should be conducted.

The Meeting decided the residue definition for dietary risk assessment in plants should be: *the sum of acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid, (free and conjugated) and 4-OH acibenzolar acid (free and conjugated), expressed as acibenzolar-S-methyl*

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In lactating goats no intact acibenzolar-S-methyl was detected in tissues or milk. The majority of the residues were present as free (33–90% TRR) and conjugated forms (2.3–22% TRR) of acibenzolar acid. In laying hens no intact acibenzolar-S-methyl was detected in tissues or eggs. Free acibenzolar acid accounted for the majority of the residue (50–77% TRR) with conjugates of acibenzolar acid only present at significant proportion of ¹⁴C in egg white (18% TRR).

Analytical methods are available that determine residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid, free and conjugated.

Based on the above, the Meeting decided the residue definition for animal commodities for compliance with MRLs and dietary risk assessment should be as follows:

sum of acibenzolar-S-methyl and acibenzolar acid, free and conjugated, expressed as acibenzolar-S-methyl

There is insufficient data to characterise whether the sum of residues in the residue definition (sum of acibenzolar-S-methyl and free and conjugated acibenzolar acid) is fat soluble. Total radioactive residues in muscle compared to fat and egg white compared to egg yolk suggest the residues, measured according to the residue definition might be higher in fat however, the data are inconclusive. The log K_{ow} for acibenzolar-S-methyl is 3.1 and the log K_{ow} values of acibenzolar acid and its conjugates are expected to be lower, suggesting the residue does not preferentially partition into fatty matrices.

On the weight of evidence, the Meeting decided the residue is not *fat soluble*.

Results of supervised residue trials on crops

Supervised residue trial data were available for acibenzolar-S-methyl on citrus (oranges, grapefruit, lemons), pome fruit (apples, pears), stone fruit (peaches, apricots), strawberries, bananas, kiwifruit, brassica vegetables (cabbage, broccoli, mustard greens), leafy vegetables (head lettuce, leaf lettuce, spinach, celery), cucurbits (cucumber, melon, squash), tomatoes, potatoes, and wheat.

The residue definition for exposure assessment includes 4-OH acibenzolar acid (free and conjugated). As residues of 4-OH acibenzolar acid (free and conjugated) are only expected in leafy crops and these residues were not measured in field trials, an adjustment factor of 1.5 (see above) was used to convert residues measured using the compliance definition to that for dietary risk assessment. The Meeting considered the factor would only be applied to the highest residues of leafy vegetables to estimate the relevant STMR and HR values required for dietary risk assessment.

Citrus fruits

The Meeting received supervised residue trial data for acibenzolar-S-methyl on citrus fruit from the USA. The critical GAP for citrus in the USA is applications to soil under trees at 112 g ai/ha with a PHI of 0 days. The maximum rate per year is 448 g ai/ha. In trials approximating critical GAP in the USA residues in <u>citrus fruit</u> were:

Oranges: (n = 10) < 0.01 (9), 0.01 mg/kg Lemons: (n = 5) < 0.01 (5) mg/kg Grapefruit: (n = 6): < 0.01 (6) mg/kg.

The Meeting noted that residues following soil application to citrus are generally \leq LOQ and decided to combine the data for oranges, lemons and grapefruit to estimate a group maximum residue level. The Meeting recommended a maximum residue level, STMR and HR of 0.015, 0.01 and 0.01 mg/kg respectively for citrus fruit.

Pome fruits – apples and pears

In Italy acibenzolar-S-methyl is approved for use on apples and pears. cGAP in Italy for apples is applications at 100 g ai/ha at 5–14 day intervals and a PHI of 7 days. In trials conducted in EU member states approximating critical GAP in Italy residues in <u>apples</u> were: (n = 16) < 0.01 (11), 0.01 (2), 0.03, 0.16, 0.17 mg/kg. The Meeting recommended maximum residue level, STMR and HR of 0.3, 0.01 and 0.17 mg/kg respectively for apples.

cGAP in Italy for <u>pears</u> is applications at 100 g ai/ha at intervals of 5–7 days (pre-flowering) and 14–28 days (fruiting) with a PHI of 14 days. In trials conducted in EU member states approximating critical GAP in Italy residues in pears were: (n = 4) < 0.02 (4) mg/kg. The Meeting

considered four trials insufficient to estimate a maximum residue level for pears and as the GAPs for apples and pears were different, and did not consider extrapolation of the data on apples to pears.

Peaches

Supervised residue trial data for acibenzolar-S-methyl on peaches and apricots were made available. cGAP in Italy is applications at 75 g ai/ha at intervals of 7–14 days with a PHI of 7 days.

In trials conducted in the EU approximating critical GAP in Italy residues in <u>peaches</u> were (n = 7): 0.02, 0.02, 0.02, 0.05, 0.05, 0.05 and 0.09 mg/kg.

In trials conducted in the EU approximating critical GAP in Italy residues in <u>apricots</u> were (n = 4): 0.05, 0.07, 0.08, 0.13 mg/kg.

A Mann-Whitney U-test suggest the residues in apricots and peaches are from similar populations and the Meeting decided to combine the data to estimate a maximum residue level for the Codex sub-group peaches.

Residues in eleven trials on apricots and peaches were (n = 11): 0.02, 0.02, 0.02, 0.05, 0.05, 0.05, 0.05, 0.05, 0.07, 0.08, 0.09, 0.13 mg/kg.

The Meeting recommended a maximum residue level, STMR and HR of 0.2, 0.05 and 0.13 mg/kg respectively for the sub-group peaches (includes apricots and nectarines).

Low growing berries, including strawberries

The Meeting received supervised residue trial data for acibenzolar-S-methyl on strawberries. Critical GAP in the USA on low growing berries including strawberries (USA subgroup 13-07G) is applications at 26 g ai/ha with a PHI of 0 days. The maximum rate per year is 210 g ai/ha. In trials approximating critical GAP in the USA residues in <u>strawberries</u> were: (n = 10) 0.02, 0.02, 0.03, 0.03, 0.04, 0.05, 0.06, 0.06, 0.07, 0.08 mg/kg.

The Meeting noted residues for strawberries can be extrapolated to Codex Subgroup 004E, low growing berries and recommended a maximum residue level, STMR and HR of 0.15, 0.045 and 0.08 mg/kg respectively.

Banana

The Meeting received supervised residue trial data for acibenzolar-S-methyl on banana from Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Guatemala, France (Martinique), Malaysia and Mexico. GAP in Guatemala is applications at up to 40 g ai/ha at 30-40 day intervals with a PHI of 0 days. In trials approximating critical GAP in Guatemala residues in unbagged <u>bananas</u> were: (n = 15): < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.03, 0.04, 0.05 mg/kg. The Meeting recommended a maximum residue level of 0.06 mg/kg.

Residues in the edible portion (pulp) were: < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02, < 0.02,

The Meeting noted that residues in bagged bananas from 15 trials were all < 0.02 mg/kg for both whole fruit and pulp.

Kiwifruit

Acibenzolar-S-methyl is approved in Italy and NZ for use on kiwifruit.

cGAP in Italy is a foliar application at 6×75 g ai/ha with a 14 day interval or 6×100 g ai/ha with a 21 day interval and a PHI of 90 days. No trials matched cGAP of Italy.

cGAP in NZ is foliar or soil applications to actively growing plants at 4×100 g ai/ha (10 g ai/hL). Foliar sprays are not to be applied between flowering and harvest while the PHI for soil application is 14 days. The foliar application at flowering does not lead to residues in fruit at harvest.

In fourteen trials conducted in NZ that matched the GAP for soil application, residues were: $(n = 14) \le 0.01$ (11) 0.01, 0.02, 0.02 mg/kg. The Meeting recommended a maximum residue level, STMR and HR of 0.03, 0.01 and 0.02 mg/kg respectively for kiwifruit.

Bulb onions

The Meeting received supervised residue trial data for acibenzolar-S-methyl on onions. cGAP in the USA for the US onion crop group 3-07A is applications at 35 g ai/ha at 7 – 10 day intervals with a PHI of 7 days. The maximum rate per year is 140 g ai/ha. In twelve trials that approximated critical GAP, residues were (n = 12): < 0.01, < 0.01, 0.01, 0.02, < 0.05 (7), 0.06 mg/kg. The Meeting recommended a maximum residue level, STMR and HR of 0.15, 0.05 and 0.06 mg/kg respectively for onions, bulb.

The Meeting noted residues on bulb onions can be extrapolated to garlic and shallots and also recommended a maximum residue level, STMR and HR of 0.15, 0.05 and 0.06 mg/kg respectively for garlic and shallots.

Brassica vegetables

Supervised residue trial data for acibenzolar-S-methyl on Brassica vegetables were available. cGAP in the USA for Brassica (cole) crops (USA group 5) is applications at 35 g ai/ha at intervals of 7 days with a PHI of 7 days. The maximum rate per year is 140 g ai/ha.

In trials conducted in the USA on cabbages the application rate (53 g ai/ha) was higher than the current GAP (35 g ai/ha) and the Meeting agreed to utilize the proportionality approach to estimate residues matching cGAP. Unscaled residues for cabbage heads with wrapper leaves were (n = 9): 0.08, 0.13, 0.19, 0.21, 0.31, 0.32, 0.39, 0.51, 0.58 mg/kg.

After scaling using a scaling factor of 0.66 (35/53), the following residues in cabbages were obtained: 0.05, 0.09, 0.13, 0.14, 0.20, 0.21, 0.26, 0.34, 0.38 mg/kg.

In trials conducted in the USA on broccoli the application rate was higher (53 g ai/ha) than the current GAP in the USA (35 g ai/ha) and the Meeting agreed to apply proportionality in assessing the data. Unscaled residues were (n = 6): 0.20, 0.31, 0.46, 0.47, 0.55, 0.62 mg/kg.

The scaling of residues (scaling factor 53/35 = 0.66) in broccoli to match cGAP results in the following: 0.13, 0.20, 0.30, 0.31, 0.36, 0.41 mg/kg.

GAP in the USA for Brassica vegetables and a group maximum residue level recommendation may be possible based on the data for cabbages and broccoli. The medians for the two datasets differed by less than a factor of five and the Meeting decided to recommend a group maximum residue level. In deciding which datasets to use for the recommendation, as a Mann-Whitney U-test indicated the populations were not different, it was decided to combine the datasets. The combined dataset is (n = 15): 0.05, 0.09, 0.13, 0.13, 0.14, 0.20, 0.20, 0.21, 0.26, 0.30, 0.31, 0.34, 0.36, 0.38, 0.41 mg/kg.

The Meeting recommended a maximum residue level, STMR and HR of 0.7, 0.315 (= 1.5 \times 0.21) and 0.62 (= 1.5 \times 0.41) mg/kg respectively for Brassica (cole or cabbage) vegetables, Head cabbages, Flowerhead brassicas.

Fruiting vegetables, Cucurbits

Supervised residue trial data for acibenzolar-S-methyl on cucurbit vegetables were available. cGAP in the USA for cucurbits (crop group 9) is applications at 35 g ai/ha at intervals of 7 days with a PHI of 0 days. The maximum rate per year is 280 g ai/ha.

In trials conducted in the USA on field grown cucumbers, melons and summer squash the application rate (68 to 71 g ai/ha) was higher than the current GAP (35 g ai/ha) and the Meeting agreed to utilize the proportionality approach (scaling factor 0.48 to 0.51) to estimate residues matching cGAP. Unscaled residues for cucumbers were (n = 11): 0.07, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15, 0.17, 0.18, 0.28, 0.46, 0.48, 0.77 mg/kg.

After scaling the following residues in cucumbers were obtained: 0.04, 0.06, 0.07, 0.07, 0.08, 0.09, 0.09, 0.14, 0.23, 0.24, 0.39 mg/kg.

For melons, unscaled residues were (n = 12): 0.15, 0.25, 0.26, 0.31, 0.31, 0.33, 0.35, 0.60, 0.63, 0.83, 0.87, 0.98 mg/kg.

Scaled residues were: 0.08, 0.13, 0.13, 0.15, 0.16, 0.17, 0.18, 0.31, 0.32, 0.42, 0.44, 0.47 mg/kg.

For summer squash, unscaled residues were (n = 4): 0.04, 0.13, 0.14, 0.18 mg/kg.

Scaled residues in summer squash were: 0.02, 0.07, 0.07, 0.09 mg/kg.

GAP in the USA is for cucurbit vegetables and a group maximum residue level recommendation may be possible based on the data for cucumber, melons and summer squash. The medians for the three datasets differed by less than a factor of five and the Meeting decided to recommend a group maximum residue level. In deciding which datasets to use for the recommendation, as a Kruskal-Wallis H-test indicated the data were not from the same population it was decided to use the dataset with the highest residues, melons, to estimate a maximum residue level for the group.

Using the melon dataset (0.08, 0.13, 0.13, 0.15, 0.16, <u>0.17, 0.18</u>, 0.31, 0.32, 0.42, 0.44, 0.47 mg/kg), the Meeting recommended a maximum residue level, STMR and HR of 0.8, 0.175 and 0.47 mg/kg respectively for fruiting vegetables cucurbits.

Tomato

Supervised residue trial data for acibenzolar-S-methyl on field grown tomato were available. GAP in the USA is applications at 26 g ai/ha at intervals of 7 days with a PHI of 14 days. No trials matched USA cGAP.

GAP in France is applications at 6×25 g ai/ha at intervals of 7days with a PHI of 3 days. In trials conducted in the EU approximating critical GAP in France residues in tomatoes were (n = 13): 0.04, 0.05, 0.06, 0.06, 0.07, 0.09, 0.10, 0.10, 0.12, 0.13, 0.14, 0.15 mg/kg.

The Meeting recommended a maximum residue level, STMR and HR of 0.3, 0.09 and 0.15 mg/kg respectively for tomatoes.

Lettuce

Supervised residue trial data for acibenzolar-S-methyl on lettuce were available. GAP in the USA is applications at 4×35 g ai/ha at intervals of 7-10 days with a PHI of 7 days. The maximum rate per year is 332 g ai/ha. In trials conducted in the US approximating critical GAP residues in <u>lettuce</u> were:

Head lettuce (n = 6): 0.04, 0.04, <u>0.05</u>, 0.06, 0.08, 0.10 mg/kg.

Leaf lettuce (n = 6): 0.04, 0.06, 0.10, 0.14, 0.14, 0.18 mg/kg.

The Meeting recommended a maximum residue level, STMR and HR of 0.2, 0.0825 (= 1.5 $\times 0.055$) and 0.15 (= 1.5 $\times 0.10$) mg/kg respectively for head lettuce.

The Meeting recommended a maximum residue level, STMR and HR of 0.4, 0.18 (= 1.5×0.12) and 0.27 (= 1.5×0.18) mg/kg respectively for leaf lettuce.

Spinach

Supervised residue trial data for acibenzolar-S-methyl on spinach were available.

GAP in France is applications at 3×12.5 g ai/ha with a PHI of 10 days. In trials conducted in the EU approximating critical GAP in France residues in <u>spinach</u> were (n = 7): 0.04, 0.06, 0.06, 0.11, 0.12, 0.16, 0.18 mg/kg.

Critical GAP in the USA is applications at 4×26 g ai/ha at intervals of 7-10 days with a PHI of 7 days. The maximum rate per year is 332 g ai/ha.

In trials conducted in the USA on spinach the application rate was higher (35 g ai/ha) than the current GAP and the Meeting agreed to utilize the proportionality approach (scaling factor 26/35 = 0.74) to estimate residues matching cGAP. The following scaled residues in spinach matched cGAP

Unscaled residues for spinach were: 0.12, 0.18, 0.21, 0.24, 0.26, 0.29, 0.29, 0.33, 0.48 mg/kg.

After scaling the following residues in spinach were obtained (n = 9): 0.09, 0.13, 0.16, 0.18, 0.19, 0.22, 0.22, 0.25, 0.36 mg/kg.

The Meeting noted residues matching cGAP were higher in the dataset from the US than France and decided to use these residue data to estimate a maximum residue level for spinach.

The Meeting recommended a maximum residue level, STMR and HR of 0.6, 0.285 (= 1.5×0.19) and 0.54 (= 1.5×0.36) mg/kg respectively for spinach.

Brassica leafy vegetables

Supervised residue trial data for acibenzolar-S-methyl on mustard greens were available. GAP in the USA for Brassica (cole) crops (USA group 5) is applications at 35 g ai/ha at intervals of 7 days with a PHI of 7 days. The maximum rate per year is 140 g ai/ha.

In trials conducted in the USA on mustard greens the application rate (53 g ai/ha) was higher than the current GAP and the Meeting agreed to utilize the proportionality approach (scaling factor 35/53 = 0.66) to estimate residues matching cGAP. Unscaled residues were: 0.16, 0.29, 0.59, 0.67, 0.76 mg/kg. The following scaled residues in mustard greens matched cGAP (n = 5): 0.11, 0.19, <u>0.39</u>, 0.44, 0.50 mg/kg

The Meeting recommended a maximum residue level, STMR and HR of 1, 0.585 ($= 1.5 \times 0.39$) and 0.795 ($= 1.5 \times 0.53$) (highest individual sample) mg/kg respectively for mustard greens. As the use pattern includes all Brassica leafy vegetables, the meeting agreed to extrapolate the recommendations to all Brassica leafy vegetables (VL 0054).

Potato

Supervised residue trial data for acibenzolar-S-methyl on <u>potato</u> were available. GAP in Brazil is 6×12.5 g ai/ha at intervals of 7days with a PHI of 14 days. None of the trials matched cGAP (number of sprays, application rate) for Brazil.

Wheat

Supervised residue trial data for acibenzolar-S-methyl on wheat were available. Critical GAP in Brazil is 3×12.5 g ai/ha at intervals of 14 days with a PHI of 21 days. In trials conducted in the Argentina and Brazil approximating critical GAP in Brazil residues in wheat grain were (n = 4): < 0.01, < 0.01, 0.03 and 0.04 mg/kg. The Meeting considered the number of trials insufficient for the estimation of a maximum residue limit.

Fate of residues during processing

The Meeting received information on the fate of incurred residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl during the processing of oranges, pears and tomatoes. A study of the nature of the residue of acibenzolar-S-methyl under simulated processing conditions (pasteurization 20 minutes at 90 °C, pH 4, baking/brewing/boiling 60 minutes at 100 °C, pH 5, sterilization 20 minutes at 120 °C, pH 6) showed acibenzolar-S-methyl, if present, is hydrolytically stable under processing conditions representative of pasteurisation and baking/boiling/brewing; a significant degradation of the parent compound into acibenzolar acid (CGA210007) occurred under sterilisation conditions. A hydrolysis study demonstrated that acibenzolar acid (CGA210007), once formed, is stable to hydrolysis.

Summary of relevant processing factors calculated for the sum of acibenzolar-S-methyl and free and conjugated acibenzolar acid is provided below.

	Processed Fraction	Processing Factor	Best estimate PF	RAC STMR or median	$STMR \times PF = STMR - P$
Oranges	Dried pulp Juice Oil	4.5 < 0.625 < 0.625	4.5 < 0.625 < 0.625	< 0.01	<0.045 <0.0062 <0.0062
Pome fruit ^A	Dried pomace	2.0 3.0 3.2 3.4	3.1	< 0.01	< 0.031
Tomato	Peeled fruit Juice Preserved fruit Purée Ketchup	0.83 0.50 0.67 0.75 0.80 1.0 0.5 0.5 0.8 0.83 1.17 1.75 2.0 3.33 1.75 2.0	0.67 0.78 0.66 1.88 1.89	0.09	0.060 0.070 0.059 0.169 0.170

^A Pfs are based on results for pear and are indicative only as the residue in the RAC used to calculate the PF was between LOD and LOQ.

The HR-P for peeled tomato fruit is $0.15 \text{ mg/kg} \times 0.67 = 0.10 \text{ mg/kg}$ and for preserved (canned) tomato fruit is $0.15 \text{ mg/kg} \times 0.66 = 0.099 \text{ mg/kg}$.

Residues in animal commodities

Farm animal feeding studies

The Meeting received information on the residue levels in tissues and milk of dairy cows dosed with acibenzolar-S-methyl at the equivalent of 0.25, 1.27 and 2.48 ppm in the feed for 28 consecutive days.

Residues in milk were < 0.005 mg/kg and tissues < 0.02 mg/kg for the 2.48 ppm dose group for all samples.

A laying hens transfer study was not available.

Estimation of livestock dietary burdens

Dietary burden calculations for beef cattle and dairy cattle and poultry are provided below. The dietary burdens were estimated using the OECD diets listed in Appendix IX of the 2016 edition of the FAO Manual.

Potential cattle feed items include: cabbage wrapper leaves, kale, apple pomace and citrus pulp.

Summary	v of livestock	dietary	burden	(ppm	acibenzolar-	-S-methv	l eau	ivalents	of dry	v matter	diet)
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	US-Canada		EU		Australia		Japan	
	Max	Mean	Max	mean	max	Mean	max	Mean
Beef cattle	0.005	0.005	0.71	0.53	0.01	0.01	-	-
Dairy cattle	0.005	0.005	0.72	0.53	1.4 ^{AB}	1.0 ^{CD}	-	-
Broilers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Layers	-	-	0.18 ^E	0.13 ^F	-	-	-	-

^A Highest maximum beef or dairy cattle dietary burden suitable for MRL estimates for mammalian meat

^B Highest maximum dairy cattle dietary burden suitable for MRL estimates for mammalian milk

^C Highest mean beef or dairy cattle dietary burden suitable for STMR estimates for mammalian meat.

^D Highest mean dairy cattle dietary burden suitable for STMR estimates for milk.

^E Highest maximum poultry dietary burden suitable for MRL estimates for poultry meat and eggs

^F Highest mean poultry dietary burden suitable for STMR estimates for poultry meat and eggs

Animal commodity maximum residue levels

No residues were detected in milk and tissues of lactating dairy cows dosed at 2.5 ppm in the diet, 1.8 times the maximum livestock dietary burden. The storage stability of residues in liver was poor with 51% remaining after the freezer storage period of 124 days. However, the Meeting noted that as

residues were not present in liver in animals dosed at 1.8 times the maximum livestock dietary burden, even if residues had declined by 50% on storage, no residues are expected to have been present in liver.

The Meeting estimated the following maximum residue levels: milk 0.01* mg/kg; meat (mammalian except marine mammals) 0.02* mg/kg, mammalian fat (except milk fat) 0.02* mg/kg and edible offal 0.02* mg/kg. The Meeting estimated the following STMR and HR values: mammalian meat 0 mg/kg; mammalian fat 0 mg/kg; mammalian edible offal 0 mg/kg and milk 0 mg/kg.

Although a laying hens transfer study was not available, in a metabolism study where hens were dosed at the equivalent of 19.1 ppm in the diet for four days residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl and free and conjugated acibenzolar acid were < 0.01 mg/kg in eggs, 0.29 mg/kg in liver, 0.01 mg/kg in muscle and 0.03 mg/kg in skin/fat.

At the maximum dietary burden for poultry (0.18 ppm), no residues above the LOQ for analytical methods are expected in eggs (< $0.01 \times 0.14/19.1 = < 0.00007 \text{ mg/kg}$), liver (0.002 mg/kg), muscle (0.00007 mg/kg) and skin/fat (0.0002 mg/kg). The Meeting estimated the following maximum residue levels for poultry commodities: poultry meat 0.02* mg/kg; poultry edible offal 0.02* mg/kg, poultry fat 0.02* mg/kg and eggs 0.02* mg/kg. The Meeting estimated the following STMR and HR values: poultry meat 0 mg/kg; poultry fat 0 mg/kg; poultry edible offal 0 mg/kg and eggs 0 mg/kg.

RECOMMENDATIONS FURTHER WORK OR INFORMATION

On the basis of the data obtained from supervised residue trials the Meeting concluded that the residue levels listed in Annex 1 are suitable for establishing maximum residue limits and for IEDI and IESTI assessment.

Definition of the residue for compliance with MRL for animal and plant commodities and for dietary risk assessment for animal commodities: Sum of acibenzolar-S-methyl and 1,2,3-benzothiadiazole-7-carboxylic acid (acibenzolar acid) (free and conjugates), expressed as acibenzolar-S-methyl

Definition of residue (for dietary risk assessment for plants): Sum of acibenzolar-S-methyl and 1,2,3-benzothiadiazole-7-carboxylic acid (acibenzolar acid), (free and conjugated) and 1,2,3-benzothiadiazole-4-hydroxy-7-carboxylic acid (4-OH acibenzolar acid) (free and conjugated), expressed as acibenzolar-S-methyl

CCN	Commodity	ty Recommended Maximum residue level (mg/kg)			HR or HR-P mg/kg
		1100	Tievieus		
FP 0226	Apple	0.3		0.01	0.17
FI 0327	Banana	0.06		0.02	0.03
VB 0040	Brassica (cole or cabbage) vegetables,	0.7		0.315	0.62
	Head cabbages, Flowerhead brassicas				
VL 0054	Brassica leafy vegetables	1		0.585	0.795
FC 0001	Citrus fruits	0.015		0.01	0.01
MO 0105	Edible offal (Mammalian)	0.02 *		0	0
PE 0112	Eggs	0.02 *		0	0
VC 0045	Fruiting vegetables, Cucurbits	0.8		0.175	0.47
VA 0381	Garlic	0.15		0.05	0.06
FI 0341	Kiwifruit	0.03		0.01	0.02
VL 0482	Lettuce, Head	0.2		0.0825	0.15
VL 0483	Lettuce, Leaf	0.4		0.18	0.27
	Low growing berries (including	0.15		0.045	0.08
	strawberries)				
MF 0100	Mammalian fats (except milk fats)	0.02 *		0	0

The residue is not fat soluble.

CCN	Commodity	Recom	mended	STMR or	HR or
		Maximum r	esidue level	STMR-P	HR-P
		(mg	/kg)	mg/kg	mg/kg
		New	Previous		
MM 0095	Meat (from mammals other than marine	0.02 *		0	0
	mammals)				
ML 0106	Milks	0.01 *		0	0
VA 0385	Onion, Bulb	0.15		0.05	0.06
FS 0247	Peaches (including nectarines and	0.2		0.05	0.13
	apricots)				
PF 0111	Poultry fats	0.02 *		0	0
PM 0110	Poultry meat	0.02 *		0	0
PO 0111	Poultry, Edible offal of	0.02 *		0	0
VA 0388	Shallot	0.15		0.05	0.06
VL 0502	Spinach	0.6		0.285	0.54
VO 0448	Tomato	0.3		0.09	0.15
AB 0226	Apple pomace dry			0.031	
	Cabbage wrapper leaves (as animal feed)			0.21 ^A	0.41 ^A
AB 0048	Citrus pulp, dry			0.045	
	Kale (as animal feed)			0.39 ^A	0.053 ^A
JF 0048	Tomato juice			0.0702	
MW 0448	Tomato purée			0.169	
	Tomato canned			0.059	0.10

^A sum of residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl and free and conjugated acibenzolar acid only, cabbage wrapper leaves based on values for brassica (cole or cabbage) vegetables.

DIETARY RISK ASSESSMENT

Long-term dietary exposure

The 2016 JMPR established an Acceptable Daily Intake (ADI) of 0–0.08 mg/kg bw for acibenzolar-S-methyl.

The evaluation of acibenzolar-S-methyl resulted in recommendations for MRLs and STMR values for raw and processed commodities. Where data on consumption were available for the listed food commodities, dietary intakes were calculated for the 17 GEMS/Food Consumption Cluster Diets. The results are shown in Annex 3.

The IEDIs in the seventeen Cluster Diets, based on the estimated STMRs were 0-1% of the maximum ADI (0.08 mg/kg bw). The Meeting concluded that the long-term dietary exposure to residues of acibenzolar-S-methyl from uses that have been considered by the JMPR is unlikely to present a public health concern.

Short-term dietary exposure

The 2016 JMPR established an Acute Reference Dose (ARfD) of 0.5 mg/kg bw for acibenzolar-Smethyl. The IESTI of acibenzolar-S-methyl for the commodities for which STMR, HR and maximum residue levels were estimated by the current Meeting are shown in Annex 4. The IESTI represented 0-10% of the ARfD (0-9% general population, 0-10% children 8 months–6 years old).

The Meeting concluded that the short-term dietary exposure to residues of acibenzolar-Smethyl resulting from uses that have been considered by the JMPR is unlikely to present a public health concern.

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