# Phenology/Degree-Day and Climate Suitability Model Analysis – Studyt1, 2009, updates June 2016, July 2020

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Silver Y Moth

Autographa gamma L. (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae)

 Hosts: highly polyphagous (vegetables including garden pea, sugar beet, cabbage, cauliflower)
 Native to: Nearctic Region

 Goal: Develop a phenology model and temperature-based climate suitability model using available literature and weather data analysis
 Native to: Nearctic Region







Adult moth (photo by Julieta Brambila)

Caterpillar (photo by Tapio Kujala)

Pupa

## Thresholds, degree-days, events and climate suitability params used in Silver Y Moth model:

Parameter abbr.	Description	<u>degF</u>	<u>degC</u>	DDF	DDC
eggLDT	egg lower dev threshold	48.0	8.89	-	-
eggUDT	egg upper dev threshold	95.0	35.0	-	-
larvaeLDT	larvae lower dev threshold	48.0	8.89	-	-
larvaeUDT	larvae upper dev threshold	95.0	35.0	-	-
pupaeLDT	pupae lower dev threshold	48.0	8.89	-	-
pupaeUDT	pupae upper dev threshold	95.0	35.0	-	-
adultLDT	adult lower develpmental threshold	48.0	8.89	-	-
adultUDT	adult upper dev threshold	95.0	35.0	-	-
eggDD	duration of egg stage in DDs	-	-	96	53
larvaeDD	duration of larva stage in DDs	-	-	437	243
pupDD	duration of pupa stage in DDs	-	-	235	131
adultDD	duration of pre-OV plus time to 50% OV in DDs	-	-	232	129
OWlarvaeDD	DDs until OW larvae first pupation	-	-	65	36
eggEventDD	DDs into egg stage when hatching begins	-	-	96	53
larvaeEventDD	DDs until mid-larval deveopment	-	-	220	122
pupaeEventDD	DDs until mid-pupal development	-	-	118	65
adultEventDD	DDs until first catch in traps	-	-	59	33
coldstress_threshold	cold stress threshold	30.2	-1	-	-
coldstress_units_max1	cold stress degree day limit when most individuals die	-	-	675	375
coldstress_units_max2	cold stress degree day limit when all individuals die	-	-	6480	3600
heatstress_threshold	heat stress threshold	100.4	38.0	-	-
heatstress_units_max1	heat stress degree day limit when most individuals die	-	-	468	260
heatstress_units_max2	heat stress degree day limit when all individuals die	-	-	1080	600

distro_mean	average DDs to OW larvae first pupation	160
distro_var	variation in DDs to OW larvae first pupation	5000
xdist1	minimum DDs (°C) to OW larvae first pupation	36
xidst2	maximum DDs (°C) to OW larvae first pupation	231
distro_shape	shape of the distribution	normal

#### PHENOLOGY MODEL

Note values highlighted with yellow were added for forcing x-intercept or removed as non-linear

# 1. Source: Honěk, A., V. Jarošík, Z. Martinková, and I. Novák. 2002. Food induced variation of thermal constants of development and growth of *Autographa gamma* (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae) larvae. European Journal of Entomology. 99:241-252

- populations collected as adults flying in alfalfa fields in Prague, Czech Republic.

- reared larvae at three temperatures on numerous hosts, recording mortality and development time.

- solved for lower developmental thresholds ranging from 9.3 to 11.0C on the 11 hosts where larvae completed development.

# Larval Development

	Host (better than average diets)					
			<u>T. officinale</u>	A. retroflexus	<u>P sativa</u>	Avg
	Temp	<u>1/days</u>	<u>Days</u>			
	:	15 0.02219	36.4	56.9	41.9	45.1
	20	0.3 0.05111	. 17.4	24.4	16.9	19.6
	26	0.08219	10.3	14.5	11.7	12.2
Regression (use ave	erage of three diets; no fo	rcing)				
1/slope	195.3 slope	0.0051				
x intercept	10.5 intercept	-0.0540	1			
	R-sq	0.9989	1			



#### Regression each diet separately (w/forcing)

		Taraxacum officinale (common dandelion)				
		<u>Temp</u>	<u>1/days</u>	<u>Days</u>		
		8.612	0.0025	400.0		
		15	0.0275	36.4		
		20.3	0.0575	17.4		
		26.7	0.0971	10.3		
1/slope	190	slope	0.0053			
x intercept	8.889	intercept	-0.0468			
		R-sq	0.9888			





Results: For larvae reared on 3 plant diets, with no forcing x-intercept was 10.3C. Larval development using a forced x-intercept of 8.889C ranged from 190 to 269 DD, average 222 DD.

2. Hill, J.K. and A.G. Gatehouse. 1992. Effects of temperature and photoperiod on development and pre-reproductive period of the silver Y moth *Autographa gamma* (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae). Bull. Entomol. Res. 82:335-341.



Larval Development	Pupal Development					
<u>Temp C</u>	<u>1/days</u>	<u>Larval days</u>		<u>Temp C</u>	<u>1/days</u>	Pupal days
10.493	0.0025	400		9.053	0.0033	30
13	0.0195	51.2		13	0.0319	31.
16	0.0291	34.4		16	0.0529	18
19	0.0431	23.2		19	0.0758	13.
22	0.0474	21.1		22	0.0980	10
25	0.0641	15.6		25	0.1282	7
slope	0.0039			slope	0.0077	
Y-intercept	-0.0351			Y-intercept	-0.0684	
R-sq	0.9766			R-sq	0.9963	
X-intercept (-a/b)	8.889			X-intercept	8.889	
Dds (1/slope)	253.56			Dds (1/slope	129.99	
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Pre-oviposition time								
<u>Temp C</u>	<u>1/days</u>	<u>PreOV days</u>						
9.337	0.0050	200						
13		6.67						
16		6.49						
19	0.1642	6.09						
22	0.2070	4.83						
25	0.2500	4						
slope	0.0157							
Y-intercept	-0.1399							
R-sq	0.9987							
X-intercept	8.889							
Dds (1/slope	63.52							



### Female Longevity (from Table 2)



Results: Larval stage lower threshold (no forcing) was 7.66C. Forcing through an x-intercept of 8.889C, DD requirements were 254, 130, and 64 DD for larval, pupal and pre-OV stages.

3. Harakly, F. A. 1975. Biological studies on the loopers Autographa gamma (L.) and Cornutiplusia circumflexa (L.) (Lep., Noctuidae) infesting truck crops in Egypt. Z. Ang. Ent. 78:285-290.

Egg Development		Larval Develop	Larval Development			Prepupal Development		
<u>Temp. C</u>	<u>1/days</u>	<u>days eggs</u>	<u>Temp. C</u>	<u>1/days</u>	<u>days larvae</u>	<u>Temp. C</u>	<u>1/days</u>	<u>days prepupae</u>
10.6923	0.0111	90	8.383	0.0029	350	5.9	<mark>63 0.0833</mark>	12
18.6	0.2000	5	18.3	0.0345	29	18	3.6 0.3333	3
20	0.2381	4.2	19.5	0.0408	24.5	19	0.7 0.5556	1.8
23	0.2857	3.5	23	0.0637	15.7	24	1.7 1.0000	1
27.9	0.3333	3	28.1	0.0885	11.3		27 2.1818	0.46
slope	0.0192		slope	0.0044		slope	0.0806	
Y-intercept	-0.1703		Y-intercept	-0.0388		Y-intercept	-0.7168	
R-sq	0.9581		R-sq	0.9697		R-sq	0.6344	
X-intercept (-a/b)	8.8892		X-int. (-a/b)	8.8890		X-int. (-a/b)	8.8896	
Dds (1/slope)	52.2		Dds (1/slope)	229.4		Dds (1/slop	e) 12.4	

A. gamma larval development

(Harakly 1975) w/ forcing

10 12 14 16 18 20 22 24 26 28 30

Temp. C

f(x) = 0.0044x - 0.0388

 $R^2 = 0.9697$ 





		days larvae
<u>Temp. C</u>	<u>1/days</u>	<u>plus prepupae</u>
8	0.0027	372.3
18.6	0.0313	32
19.7	0.0380	26.3
24.7	0.0599	16.7
27	0.0850	11.8
slope	0.0040	
Y-intercept	-0.0360	
R-sq	0.9239	
X-intercept (-a/b)	8.8890	
Dds (1/slope)	246.9	

#### **Pupal Development**

0.1000

0.0800

0.0600

0.0400

0.0200

0.0000

<u>Temp. C</u>	<u>1/days</u>	<u>days pupae</u>	
10.6344	0.0102	98	
18.9	0.1111	9	
20.3	0.1149	8.7	
25.1	0.1515	6.6	
27	0.1754	5.7	
slope	0.0098		
Y-intercept	-0.0871		
R-sq	0.9822		
X-int. (-a/b)	8.8891		
Dds (1/slope)	102.1		

#### Adult longevity

2.5000

2.0000

1.5000

1.0000

0.5000

0.0000

1/days

		days adult	Life history
<u>Temp. C</u>	<u>1/days</u>	<u>longevity</u>	Egg-to-death
9	0.0116	86.53	
19	0.0526	19	65
20.3	0.0694	14.4	53.6
25.1	0.1053	9.5	36.3
27	0.1420	7.0	27.5
slope	0.0068		
Y-intercept	-0.0605		
R-sq	0.9173		
X-int. (-a/b)	8.8891		
Dds (1/slope)	146.9		

A. gamma prepupal develop.

(Harakly 1975) w/ forcing

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10 12 14 16 18 20 22 24 26 28

Temp. C

f(x) = 0.0806x - 0.7168

 $R^2 = 0.6344$ 



Results: With forcing of x-intercept through 8.889C, DD requirements were 52, 229, 12, 247, 102, and 146 DD for eggs, larvae, pre-pupae, larvae+pre-pupae, pupae, and adult longevity.

4. Taha, M.A., H.A. Abd-El Wahab, H.I. Mahmoud and G. El S. Abd et Hamed. 2012. Effect of different temperature, thermal threshold units on development of silvery Y moth, *Autographa gamma*. Linn. J. Plant Prot. And Path., Mansoura Univ. 3:355-361

- Research conducted in Egypt (assume Cairo and Giza), larvae collected from artichoke fields, reared in constant temperature incubators. Larvae fed artichoke leaves.

- Used x-intercept method to solve for lower thresholds of 7.5, 10.8, 3.0, 8.8, and 9.4C for egg, larval, pupal, egg-to-adult, and full generation development, respectively. - Also solved for lower thresholds of 10.3 and 9.1C for female longevity and full life span, respectively.

Egg Development				Larval Develop	ment			Pupal Developn	nent	
<u>Temp. C</u>	<u>1/days</u>	<u>days eggs</u>		<u>Temp. C</u>	<u>1/days</u>	<u>days larvae</u>		<u>Temp. C</u>	<u>1/days</u>	<u>pupae</u>
9.6467	0.0111	90		9.0055	0.0025	400		11.2467	0.0101	99
20	0.2222	4.5		20	0.0396	25.26		20	0.0883	11.33
25	0.2857	3.5		25	0.0522	19.14		25	0.1105	9.05
30	0.4000	2.5		30	0.0828	12.08		30	0.1403	7.13
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Results: The forced x-intercept of 8.89C was in accord with Taha et al. (2012) who solved lower threshold values of 10.8, 8.8, 9.4, and 10.3C for larval, egg-to-adult, generation time, and female longevity, respectively. The resulting DD requirements were 53, 273, 145, 473, 525, and 115 DDC for eggs, larvae, pupae, egg-to-adult, generation time, and female longevity, respectively. The value at 30C for female longevity was dropped as unrealistically warm.

### 5. Dochkova, B. 1972. Some biological and ecological studies on *Autographa gamma* L. (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae). Rastenievdni nauki (Plant Science). 9(10): 141–149. (Reference used by Nappfast) [in Bulgarian]



Note: point at 30C dropped as outlier/likely above linear range of temperature response. A upper dev threshold of 35C therefore seems appropriate. Note: this result of 283 DD for larval development is high compared to most other sources; leave out of synthesis table.



#### 6. Duthie, D. J. 1983. The ecology of a migratory moth: Autographa gamma L. Ph.D. dissertation, Biology Department, Oxford Polytechnic.

- working with populations that had migrated to England (Oxford)

- estimated egg development at 4 days at 20C, so ca. 4 \* 20-8.889 =

- estimated female longevity at 12 days (range 9.3-12.2) at 20C, so ca. 12 \* 20-8.889 =

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(disregard this result as an outlier vs. other studies) (provided with sucrose solution)

- solved for an overall (larval+pupal devel.) Tlow of 9.3C; found reduced survival at 25C and failure to rear at higher temperatures, also

slower larval development at 25C than at 23C; the latter could then be considered "optimal" at least for larvae for this study

#### Larval Development

<u>Temp C</u>	<u>1/days</u>	<u>Larval days</u>	
8.94	7 0.0029	9 350	
12.	5 0.0176	5 56.9	
1	5 0.0244	41	
17.	5 0.0340	) 29.4	
2	0 0.0526	6 19	
2	3 0.0719	9 13.9	
2	5 0.0704	1 14.2	
slope	0.0046	6	
Y-intercept	-0.0408	3 X-int. (-a/b)	8.889
R-sq	0.9723	3 Dds (1/slope)	218.10



#### **Pupal Development**

<u>Temp C</u>	<u>1/days</u>	<u>Pupal days</u>	
9.976	0.0033	300	
12.5	0.0309	32.4	
15	0.0377	26.5	
17.5	0.0621	16.1	
20	0.0699	14.3	
23	0.0909	11	
25	0.1111	9	
slope	0.0067		
Y-intercept	-0.0594	X-intercept	8.889
R-sq	0.9837	Dds (1/slope)	149.63





Results: Use average DDC est. from the two temperatures adults are likely to encounter and both equal and long days: 54 Best to not use the constant temperature of 25C for adults, as they are nocturnal and can readily avoid temperatures that shorten their longevity.

#### Female longevity; 12:12 photoperiod (equal)

	<u>Temp C</u>	<u>1/days</u>	Longev. Days	DDC est.	Avg DDC est.
	8.8835	0.0067	150	<u>(T-Tlow)*days</u>	
	15	0.0417	24	147	123
	20	0.1111	9	100	
	25		4.4		
slope		0.0093			
Y-inte	rcept	-0.0823	X-int. (-a/b)	8.889	
R-sq		0.9407	Dds (1/slope)	107.98	



#### Female longevity; 16:8 photoperiod (long)

<u>Temp C</u>	<u>1/days</u>	Longev. Days	DDC est.	Avg DDC est.
9.304	0.0067	150	<u>(T-Tlow)*days</u>	
15	0.0365	27.4	167	149
20	0.0847	11.8	131	
25		4.6		
slope	0.0073			
Y-intercept	-0.0645	X-int. (-a/b)	8.889	
R-sq	0.9704	Dds (1/slope)	137.89	



Results: Use average DDC est. from the two temperatures adults are likely to encounter and both equal and long days: 136 Best to not use the constant temperature of 25C for adults, as they are nocturnal and can readily avoid temperatures that shorten their longevity.

Overall results: Reared at 6 temperatures, larval and pupal development required 218 and 150 DDC, respectively. At 2 of 3 temperatures, 54 and 136 DDC were estimated for Pre-OV and female longevity, respectively. At 20C, 44 DDC was estimated for egg development (short compared to all other studies available).

7. Comparison / synthesis of	above results		determined through subtraction, addition, or average of other studies represented in table							
							Female	Approx.	Egg-to-Egg assume 1 <sup>st</sup>	Full Gen. assume ca.
<u>Source</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Egg</u>	<u>Larvae</u>	<u>Pupae</u>	Egg-to-adult	Pre-OV	longevity	Mid-OV <sup>1</sup>	<u>ov</u>	<u>mid OV</u>
1. Honek et al. 2002	Czech Rep.		222							
2. Hill and Gatehouse 1992	England	53	254	130	437	64	199	133	500	570
3. Harakly 1975	Egypt	52	247	102	401	56	147	130	458	531
4. Taha et al 2012	Egypt	53	274	145	473	52	115	141	525	614
5. Dochkova 1972	Bulgaria	54		126						
6. Duthie 1983	England	53	218	150	421	54	136	119	475	540
Avg of observed (or detn. by ad	ld. or subtr.)	53	243	131	427	56	149	129	489	556

<sup>1</sup> Estimate mid or peak oviposition (for full generation time estimates) by adding pre-OV time to 40% of (female longevity – pre-OV). Note: the Pre-OV and adult longevity estimates are from non-migrating (laboratory reared) adults, and thus should be considered minimum periods.

#### 8. Evidence of springtime flight & Generation time DDs

#### 8a. Estimates based on above phenology results

Nominal migration time (assuming a minimum time between adult emergence and first capture in traps): ca. 3 days at 20C:	33	DDC
First spring flight (assuming that the oldest OW stage are new prepupae): prepupal (12 DD) + pupal devel + the nominal migration time:	176	DDC after Jan 1
First spring flight (assuming that the peak OW stage is mid-instar larvae): 0.5 x larval dev. + pupal + nominal migration time:	285	DDC after Jan 1
Peak spring flight (assuming that the peak OW stage is mid-instar larvae): 0.5 x larval dev. + pupal + ca. 50% female longevity:	327	DDC after Jan 1

#### 8b. Duthie (1983). In England (Oxford ca 50m NW of London)

- Both trapping data and overwintering success trials resulted in moths emerging or trapped by late May (use May 25)

- First and second trapping peaks mid-June to mid-Sept so compare gen time to DDs Jun 15-Sept 15

#### DDs from degreedays.net (only last 36 months available; Tlow=9C)

	Jan 1- May 25 Dds			Jan	<u>1- June 15 Dd</u>	s	Jan	Jan 1 - Dec 31 Dds Jun 15 – Sep			<u> 15 – Sept 15 D</u>	<u>pt 15 Dds</u>	
	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	
Oxford (EGUB)	183	245	194	341	278	372	1385	1233	1268	829	769	678	
High Wycombe	165	291	191	301	228	303	1256	1065	1064	782	701	596	
(03660)													
Avg (2 sites, 3 years):		212			304			1212			726		

Results: Average degree-days by end of May (approx first flight) is ca. 212 DDC; DD by Jur **Staget** Peak flight) avg of 304 DD; average mid-June to mid-Sept of 726 DDC vs lab study average generation time of ca. 556 DDC. Average DDC for entire year was 1212 DDC: 1212/556 = 2.2 gen/year; so max of 2 gen.s possible for Oxford, England

8c. Dochkova (1972). In Bulgaria, overwinters as late-instar larva or pupa, and has 3 full plus 1 partial generation per year

Compare 3+ a parial gens/yr with act	tual DDs using a	available data t	from DegreeDa	ays.net:			
Station	2018	2019	2020 Avg	Gen DDs	Est Gen/	yr Av	′g.
15549 Razgrad	2161	2200	2070	2144	556	3.9	
LBBG Burgas	2434	2535	2349	2439	556	4.4	
LBPD Plovdiv	2485	2514	2472	2490	556	4.5	4.2

Results: An average potential no. generations per year using full year data was ca. 4.2 gens/year. Considering climate change since 1972 and discounting early spring and late fall DD accumulations, the DD/gen estimate of 556 seems to be in good accord with results of this study.

8d. Harakly (1975). in Egypt , flight occurs all winter (Oct-May), with greatest intensity from Nov-Feb; absence of adults and larvae from May-Sept suggests northward migration

Results: This is in accord with other results that migrating adults could arrive in Northern latitudes beginning in April or May and continuing much later in the season.

**8e.** Moths of Northamptonshire (England) – Silver Y moth; http://www.northamptonshiremoths.org.uk/2441.htm (light trap based) Flight period from April to November, usually peaking in late summer



- With such an extensive record of flight, it appears that:

## Sheet1

1) Significant flight rare before end of May; May 25 looks like a good "first flight" average date to use at least for years with early/warm springs.

2) Difficult to determine a first generation flight peak, but Jun 21 would be a possibility

3) Also difficult to observe separate generational flight peaks, but can do a degree-day analysis from, say June 7 to later dates to predict local generation turnover.

#### DDs from degreedays.net (only last 36 months available) (Tlow = 9C):

_	Jan	1- May 25 DDs	<b>.</b> .	Jan	<u>1- Jun 21 Dds</u>		Jun 7 –	Aug 31 Dds		Jun 7 – (	Oct 15 Dds	
Northamptonshire	2018	2019	2020	2018	2019	2020	2018	2019	2020	2018	2019	2020
EGGW	175	169	208	360	294	360	797	695	606	1028	897	793
Birmingham (EGBB)	183	182	212	375	299	372	784	665	617	1007	872	823
Avg (2 sites, 3 years):		188			343			694			903	

Results: Keeping in mind that these flight data can possibly reflect both migration and local overwintering (southern states), a May 25 avg total of 188 DD and a Jun 21 avg total of 343 DD provide first and peak flight estimates for this section of England (ca. 50m N. of London, or Central England). It appears that an avg DD total of 694 DD between Jun 7 and Aug 31 and 903 DD between Jun 7 and Oct 15 allows for only a single full generation to develop, perhaps two maximum before the presumed return flight to the south in the fall.

## 8f. Summary of OW generation flight evidence:

	First flight	First flight	Peak flight
Source	<u>(ow prepupae)</u>	<u>(ow mid-larvae)</u>	<u>(ow mid-larvae)</u>
8a. Estimates based on phenology results	176	285	327
8b. Duthie 1983	212		304
8e. Moths of Northamptonshire	188		343
avg of 8b and 8e	200		324

Results: The degree-day analysis of trapping reports from Duthie (1983) and Moths of Northamptonshire (website) both tend to support assumptions that first moths arrive at times (avg 200 DD) similar to pupal development plus a nominal flight time (ca. 176 DD), and peak first gen. flight (ca. 324 DD) corresponds with ½ larval + pupal + ½ adult longevity (ca. 327 DD). We will use the average flight trapping data from the two reports from England (200 and 324 for first and peak flight, respectively).

8g. Data from Italy to compare with flight phenology estimates:

Burgio, G. and Maini, S. (1994): Phenylacetaldehyde trapping of Ostrinia nubilalis (Hb.), Autographa gamma

(L-) and hoverflies: trap design efficacy. Boll. Ist. Ent. "G. Grandi" Univ. Bologna, 49, 1-14.

- A. gamma 1991 N. Italy trap peaks June 13 and July 25 Note: assume climate change has moved these dates 7 and 10 days earlier: June 6 and July 15.

# Dds from degreedays.net (only last 36 months available) (Tlow = 9C):

	Jan 1- J	un 6 DDs		Jan 1- Jul 15 DDs			
Bologna Italy	2018	2019	2020	2018	2019	2020	
LIPE	686	566	662	1247	1193	1226	
Parma (LIPX)	672	523	631	1235	1176	1171	
Avg (2 sites, 3 years):		623			1208		

Results: First peak flight is ca. 300 DD later than for England; which may indicate that: As moths are capable of long distance flight in just a few days, this species may arrive at roughly the same time throughout Europe from overwintering locations to the South. This might mean that a calendar date could be a better indicator of model initiation than DDs (i. e. use a calendar date biofix). However, we have insufficient data to derive such a biofix.

## As our presumptive model should be conservative (and not under-predict first flight), we with the model in the model. Note: still trying to obtain the original article to verify trapping start dates; it could be that they put up traps too late to pick up an earlier flight peak.

#### 9. Notes, comments from misc. sources

- Under short day photoperiods, pre-oviposition interval is increased (Hill and Gatehouse 1992)
- Overwinter as larvae, no true diapause, but slowed devel due to low food quality (Saito 2007, Honek 2002)
- Pupation is above-ground on host plants (Hill and Gatehouse 1992)
- (Light trap based) A. gamma flight time of day most abundant 6pm-midnight; some moths captured through 4am (Nowinszky et al 2007. Appl. Ecol. and Environ. Res. 5:103-107 Hungary)
- Able to migrate N or S around 500miles/night, start at dusk, flying all night (Chapman et al. 2008. Current Biology 18:514-518)
- like A. californica (alfafa looper), this species reported to be heavily impacted by parasitoids and viral diseases (Dochkova 1972, Venette et al. 2003)

#### **Phenology Model Summary:**

Model for uspest.org/dd/model	_app (single sine me	ethod, star	t date Jan. 1)
	Deg. C	Deg. F	
Lower devel. threshold	8.889	48	
Upper devel. threshold	35	95	
<u>Event</u>	DDC	DDF	Notes
First moths OW gen.	200	360	results from Duthie (1983) & Northamptonshire England
Peak flight OW gen.	324	582	results from Duthie (1983) & Northamptonshire England
Peak egghatch 1 <sup>st</sup> gen.	433	780	Peak flight+PreOV+egg devel.
First moths 1 <sup>st</sup> gen.	756	1,360	Frist OW moths + gen. Time
Peak flight 1 <sup>st</sup> gen.	879	1,583	Peak flight + gen. time
Peak egghatch 2 <sup>nd</sup> gen.	989	1,780	
Peak flight 2 <sup>nd</sup> gen.	1,435	2,583	
Peak egghatch 2 <sup>nd</sup> gen.	1,545	2,780	
Peak flight 3 <sup>rd</sup> gen.	2,100	3,781	
Peak flight 4 <sup>th</sup> gen.	2,656	4,781	

#### Event Ranges for Degree-Day lookup table Maps (same thresholds)

	DD	C	DD	F
<u>Event</u>	(begin)	<u>(end)</u>	(begin)	<u>(end)</u>
Pre-first moths	0	199	0	358
OW gen. Flight activity	200	511	360	919
1 <sup>st</sup> gen. Larval activity	309	755	557	1,358
1 <sup>st</sup> gen. Flight activity	756	1,066	1,360	1,919
2 <sup>nd</sup> gen. Flight activity	1,311	1,622	2,360	2,919
3 <sup>rd</sup> gen. Flight activity	1,867	2,178	3,360	3,920
4 <sup>th</sup> gen. Flight activity	2,423	2,733	4,361	4,920

DDRP OW Parameters:			DDC	Notes	
	distro_mean	average DDs to OW larvae first pupation	160	Base on first OW flight minus (nominal migration time plus pupal devel. time)	
	distro_var	variation in DDs to OW larvae first pupation	5000		
	xdist1	minimum DDs (°C) to OW larvae first pupation	36	Based on peak OW flight minus (nominal migration time plus pupal devel. time)	
	xidst2	maximum DDs (°C) to OW larvae first pupation	231	Based on very young OW larvae present	
	distro shape	shape of the distribution	normal		

### **CLIMATE SUITABILITY MODEL**

Note: no previous climatic suitability modeling studies. Venette et al. (2003) is the only known risk assment for CONUS.

Venette, R. C., E. E. Davis, H. Heisler, and M. Larson. 2003. Mini risk assessment silver Y moth, *Autographa gamma* (L.) [Lepidoptera: Noctuidae]. Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, US Department of Agriculture.

- Assessed risk based on matching biomes between native range and CONUS

- This map looks very different than risk based on the CLIMEX and DDRP climatic suitability analysis

1. Ecological Suitability. Rating: High. Autographa gamma is found throughout the Palearctic. This region largely has a dry or temperate climate (CAB 2003). The currently reported global distribution of *A. gamma* suggests that the pest may be most closely associated with deserts and xeric shrublands; montane grasslands [not in the US]; and temperate broadleaf and mixed forests. Consequently, we estimate that approximately 48% of the continental US would be suitable for *A. gamma* (Fig. 2). See Appendix A for a more complete description of this analysis. In suitable areas, *A. gamma* should sustain populations by reproducing locally and overwintering successfully. However, *A. gamma* is a highly mobile pest, capable of both northerly and southerly migrations (Hill and Gatehouse 1992). If this pest migrated as far in the US as it does in Europe and Asia, all potential hosts would be in jeopardy of attack during particular times of the year.



Figure 2. Predicted distribution of A. gamma in the continental US.

# Sources of data for CLIMEX model fitting

# 1. Duthie, D. J. 1983. The ecology of a migratory moth: Autographa gamma L. Ph.D. dissertation, Biology Department, Oxford Polytechnic

- Presented a map of the geographic limit to OW survival

- Concluded that survival probability of moths north of 48N is appreciably lower than in southern regions of Europe and Mediterranean

- The southern limit in the map indicates that immigration from diminished southern pops in Jul-Aug would contribute little to northern pops during that time

- Reported significant reductions in survival of larvae and adults at temps >23C, and adult survival is lower at temps <15C



2. Locality records from GBIF in its native range (2 June 2020; GBIF Occurrence Download https://doi.org/10.15468/dl.hje3bv) - Records did not have information on whether population was seasonal or permanent

#### Sheet1 other data from the coldest and hottest parts of the species' distribut

### 3. Additional references for locality records or other data from the coldest and hottest parts of the species' distribution

<u>Region</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Source</u>	Description
Middle East	Iran	Zahiri & Fibiger (2008) SHILAP Rev. de Lepidopt.	Plate 26 depicts occurrence records throughout Iran
	Saudi Arabia	El-Hag et al. (1991) Crop Protection	Gassim region
	Israel	Yathom & Rivnay (1968) Z. Angew. Entomol.	Occurrence records for Israel
	Iraq	Younis et al. (1988) Mesopotamia J. of Agriculture	30 km S of Mosul
	United Arab Emirates	Gillett (2007) Tribulus	Al Muwaiji
	Pakistan	Shakira et al. (2011) Fuuast J. Biol.	Sindh and Azad Kashmir
Africa	Ethiopia	Kravchenko et al. 2015. Zootaxa	Distributed throughout Ethiopia except for tropical lowlands
	Libya	Yahiya (2014) Middle East J. Agric. Res.	Al-Jabal Al-Khdar
	Algeria	Soldan & Spitzer (1983) Acta Soc. Entom. Bohem.	Mitidja Basin
		Samira et al. (2020) Zootaxa	Theniet El Had National Park
	Egypt	Rouma (2018) J. Plant Prot. and Path., Mansoura Univ.	Distributed throughout all of Egypt
Europe	Belinux countries	Tornianen et al. (2018) Ecol. Entomol.	Overwinters
	Germany	Tornianen et al. (2018) Ecol. Entomol.	Overwinters
	Czechia	Novak (1968, 1972) - see Saulich et al. (2017)	Overwinters
	Finland	Kaisila (1962) Acta Entomologica Fennica	Small resident population reportedly overwinters
	United Kingdom	Duthie (1983) PhD dissertation	Species not known to overwinter in southern UK
Asia	Japan	Saito (2007) Appl. Entomol. Zool.	May overwinter on host plants under snow

# 4. Torniainen, J. and L. Mikonranta. The origins of northern European *Autographa gamma* individuals evaluated using hydrogen stable isotopes. Ecological Entomogy 43:699-702.

- Used stable isotope analysis to infer the origins of summer migrants in Finland
- Found clear differences between origins of spring and autumn generations; the spring gen had a more southern origin
- The autumn gen probably originated from central Europe (Benelux countries, Germany, parts of France)



**Fig. 2.** Estimated origin of spring generation *Autographa gamma* caught in Finland. The assignment is based on comparison of hydrogen stable isotopes of annual precipitation ( $\delta^2 H_p$ ) and adult wing material ( $\delta^2 H_w$ ). Red, high probability of origin; blue, low probability of origin. [Colour figure can be viewed at wileyonlinelibrary.com].

# 5. Saulich, A., I. Sokolova, and D. Musolin. 2017. Seasonal cycles of noctuid moths of the Bubfamily Plusiinae (Lepidoptera, Noctuidae) of the Palaearctic: Diversity and environmental control. Entomological Review 97:143-157.

- Provides a good review of previous work on the climatic tolerances of A. gamma
- Species can overwinter in Hokkaido, Japan, after entering a "diapause-like prolongation of larval duration" (see Saito 2007, Appl. Entomol. Zool)
- In the studies on Japan pops, 1.4% of 660 tested larvae survived at 0C for 4 months
- Survival of Hokkaido pops may be facilitated by snow cover, which reduces the effects of below-zero temps
- Experimental assessment of larval cold tolerance showed their supercooling temp is as low as -22C (studies by Novak, 1968, 1972)
- Eggs and pupae have a rather high cold tolerance (up to -30.0°C and -12.0°C, respectively)
- At least in Europe prolonged overwintering is limited by the absence of dedicated energy reserves
- Northernmost pops that survive winters are small; large increases in abundance when migrants arrive

#### 6. CLIMEX model (this study; see white paper for more details)

- Used locality data from GBIF and literature to help with model fitting (see below)
- Areas with an El > 20 were considered to be suitable for long-term persistence
- Conversely, areas with an EI < 20 may support only temporary establishment during the growing season after migration events
- The locations of areas with EI > 20 vs. EI < 20 are mostly consistent with reports of the species' permanent vs. temporary distribution
- However the species is not known to overwinter Denmark and southern Sweden (which had El > 20)
- Unclear whether this is an overprediction, because Kaisila (1962) Acta Entomol. Fennica reports an OW population in Finland
- Also Saito (2007) reports OW larvae in Hokkaido, Japan, as noted above

#### Final CLIMEX parameters

Moisture	Index				
SM0	SM1		SM2	SM3	3
	0.05	0.1		1	2
Tempera	ture Index				
DV0	DV1		DV2	DV3	
	8.9	15		23	35
Cold Str	ess				
TTCS	THC	S			
	-1	-0.0015			
Heat Str	ess				
TTHS	THH	S			
	38	0.0015			
Dry Stre	SS				
SMDS	HDS				
	0.05	-0.0001			
Wet Stre	SS				
SMWS	HWS	5			
	2.5	0.002			
Degree- PDD	days per G	eneration			
	556				



#### CLIMEX results for CONUS

CLIMEX Cold Stress (CONUS)



CLIMEX Heat Stress (CONUS)

Sheet1



#### CLIMEX Ecoclimatic Index (EI)



Map where EI = 0 is unsuitable, EI < 20 = low suit., EI > 20 = high suit.



## 7. DDRP climate suitability model (this study)

Sheet1

- Developed in accordance with CLIMEX model results

- Analysis used daily downscaled 1961-1990 normals to match time scale of CLIMEX

- Value for cold stress limit2 is difficult to assign because the species can migrate all the way to Greenland; used highest possible cold stress value for CONUS (=3600)

- Areas under moderate stress exclusion by cold stress (cold stress > limit1) represent zones for temporary establishment after annual migrations

- Some areas in the desert Southwest may be too hot for long-term establishment (heat stress > limit 2)

- Given evidence that species may overwinter in Finland and Hokkaido, Japan, then cold stress parameters may be too stringent

