Aphid Monitoring

2022 Q&A





Larissa Collins, Entomology R&D Team Leader at Fera Science Ltd, provides an overview of our Aphid Monitoring Programme

How can we gate access for those growers, funding the traps but don't have traps on their land?

Sending results out – add additional people to the email lists for receipt of results. This will have to be requested by email by the person who has placed the order for the service. There is a facility for adding multiple email addresses to have results sent to when you place your order for the service.

We need to ensure that we have permission from results owner to send these to other people.

Doesn't give access to website

We are working on a solution to this. It may be possible to implement for this season.

Will researchers, project leaders and audiences working within the industry on specific sites still have to pay the £500 fee?

Other researchers wouldn't have access to new data – only to those paying for it. Historical data is available from AHDB.



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Will independent agronomists receive a real-time alert to this service?

Alerts still go out as usual – only available to those signed up service – no general alerts.

People paying for traps are people paying – can't allow everyone to sign up for alerts as essentially giving away their data.

Will Fera continue to keep this as a commercial service going forward or government funded in future?

We are open to changing things in the future should things change again.

Would Fera be selling the data, or would someone buy the data?

We ensure that we have people's permission to use their data in that way.

Very few are going to have their own traps – need to see the data

If growers want to share results with you that's fine, can't have a subscription service for the whole map. We are working on a solution to this. It may be possible to implement for this season with a charge for subscribers only.

Will a small group be able to view a data set over the year?

We will need everyone's permission to share data with you personally.

Can people not just tick relevant box?

Others will be happy, others won't.

Layers of accessibility need to be put in place by IT- which will take time.

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