

Mode of Action Classification for Insecticides

Main Mode of Action Group Primary Site of Action	Chemical sub-group of Exemplifying Active Constituent	Active Constituents
1* Acetylcholinesterase inhibitors Nerve action	1A Carbamates*	Bendiocarb Carbaryl Carbofuran Carbosulfan Methiocarb Methomyl Oxamyl Pirimicarb Propoxur Thiodicarb
	1B Organophosphates*	Acephate Azamethiphos Azinphos methyl Cadusafos Chlorfenvinphos Chlorpyrifos Chlorpyrifos-methyl Diazinon Dichlorvos Dimethoate Ethion Fenamiphos Fenitrothion Fenthion Maldison (malathion) Methidathion Mevinphos Omethoate Phorate Phosmet

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		Pirimiphos-methyl Profenofos Prothiofos Temephos Terbufos Trichlorfon
2 GABA-gated chloride channel blockers Nerve action	2A Cyclodiene organochlorines	<i>No registered active constituents</i>
	2B Phenylpyrazoles (Fiproles)	Fipronil
3 Sodium channel modulators Nerve action	3A Pyrethroids Pyrethrins	Allethrin Alpha-cypermethrin Beta-cyfluthrin Bifenthrin Bioallethrin Bioresmethrin Cyfluthrin Cypermethrin Cyphenothrin Deltamethrin Esbiothrin Esfenvalerate Fenvalerate Flumethrin Gamma-cyhalothrin Imiprothrin Lambda-cyhalothrin Permethrin Prallethrin Pyrethrins Tau-fluvalinate Tetramethrin Transfluthrin Zeta-cypermethrin
	3B	<i>No registered active constituents in Australia</i>

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4 Nicotinic acetylcholine receptor (nAChR) competitive modulators Nerve action	4A Neonicotinoids	Acetamiprid Clothianidin Dinotefuran Imidacloprid Thiacloprid Thiamethoxam
	4B Nicotine	<i>No registered active constituents in Australia</i>
	4C Sulfoximine	Sulfoxaflor
5 Nicotinic Acetylcholine receptor allosteric modulators (nAChR) Nerve action	Spinosyns	Spinosad Spinetoram
6 Glutamate-gated Chloride (GluCl) channel allosteric modulators Nerve action	Avermectins Milbemycins	Abamectin Emamectin benzoate Milbemectin
7 Juvenile hormone mimics Growth regulation	7A Juvenile hormone analogues	Methoprene
	7B Fenoxycarb	Fenoxycarb
	7C Pyriproxyfen	Pyriproxyfen
8 Miscellaneous non-specific (multi-site) inhibitors	8A Alkyl halides	Methyl bromide
	8B Chloropicrin	Chloropicrin
	8C	

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	Fluorides	Sulfuryl fluoride
9 Chordotonal organ TRPV channel modulators Nerve action	9B Pyridine azomethine derivatives	Pymetrozine
	9D Pyropenes	Afidopyropen
10 Mite growth inhibitors Growth regulation	10A Clofentezine Hexythiazox	Clofentezine Hexythiazox
	10B Etoxazole	Etoxazole
11 Microbial disrupters of insect midgut membranes (includes transgenic crops expressing <i>Bacillus thuringiensis</i> toxins)	11A <i>Bacillus thuringiensis</i> and the insecticidal proteins they produce	<i>Bacillus thuringiensis</i> subsp. <i>israelensis</i> <i>B. thuringiensis</i> subsp. <i>aizawai</i> <i>B. thuringiensis</i> subsp. <i>kurstaki</i> <i>B. thuringiensis</i> subsp. <i>tenebrionis</i> <i>B. thuringiensis</i> crop proteins: Cry1Ac Cry2Ab Cry1F Vip3A
	11B <i>Bacillus sphaericus</i> and the insecticidal proteins they produce	<i>Bacillus sphaericus</i>
12 Inhibitors of mitochondrial ATP synthase Energy metabolism	12A Diafenthiuron	Diafenthiuron
	12B Organotin miticides	Fenbutatin oxide
	12C Propargite	Propargite
	12D Tetradifon	Tetradifon
13	Chlorfenapyr	Chlorfenapyr

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<p>Uncoupler of oxidative phosphorylation via disruption of the proton gradient Energy metabolism</p>		
<p>14 Nicotinic acetylcholine receptor channel blockers Nerve action</p>	Nereistoxin analogues	<i>No registered active constituents in Australia</i>
<p>15 Inhibitors of chitin biosynthesis, type 0 Growth regulation</p>	Benzoylureas	Bistrifluron Chlorfluazuron Diflubenzuron Flufenoxuron Hexaflumuron Lufenuron Novaluron Triflumuron
<p>16 Inhibitors of chitin biosynthesis, type 1 Growth regulation</p>	Buprofezin	Buprofezin
<p>17 Moulting disruptor, Dipteran Growth regulation</p>	Cyromazine	Cyromazine
<p>18 Ecdysone receptor agonists Growth regulation</p>	Diacylhydrazines	Methoxyfenozide Tebufenozide
<p>19 Octopamine receptor agonists</p>	Amitraz	Amitraz

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Nerve action		
20 Mitochondrial complex III electron transport inhibitors Energy metabolism	20A Hydramethylnon	Hydramethylnon
	20B	<i>No registered active constituents in Australia</i>
	20C	<i>No registered active constituents in Australia</i>
	20D Bifenazate	Bifenazate
21 Mitochondrial complex I electron transport inhibitors Energy metabolism	21A METI acaricides and insecticides	Fenpyroximate Pyridaben Tebufenpyrad
	21B Rotenone	Rotenone (Derris)
22 Voltage-dependent sodium channel blockers Nerve action	22A Oxadiazines	Indoxacarb
	22B Semicarbazones	Metaflumizone
23 Inhibitors of acetyl CoA carboxylase Lipid synthesis, growth regulation	Tetronic Tetramic acid derivatives	Spirotetramat
24 Mitochondrial complex IV electron transport inhibitors Energy metabolism	24A Phosphides	Phosphine Aluminium phosphide Magnesium phosphide
	24B Cyanides	<i>No registered active constituents in Australia</i>
25 Mitochondrial complex II electron transport	25A Beta-ketonitrile derivatives	<i>No registered active constituents in Australia</i>
	25B	<i>No registered active constituents in</i>

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inhibitors Energy metabolism	Carboxanilides	<i>Australia</i>
28 Ryanodine receptor modulators Nerve and muscle action	Diamides	Chlorantraniliprole Cyantraniliprole Cyclaniliprole Flubendiamide
29 Chordotonal organ modulators – undefined target site Nerve action	Flonicamid	Flonicamid
30 GABA-gated chloride channel allosteric modulators Nerve action	Meta-diamides Isoxazolines	Broflanilide
31 Baculoviruses Host-specific occluded pathogenic viruses (Midgut epithelial columnar cell membrane target site – undefined)	Granuloviruses (GVs)	<i>Cydia pomonella</i> granulosis virus strain V22
	Nucleopolyhedroviruses (NPVs)	Polyhedral occlusion bodies of the NPV of <i>Helicoverpa zea</i> or <i>H. armigera</i>
UN Compounds of unknown or uncertain mode of action ²	Azadirachtin	Azadirachtin
	<i>Beauveria bassiana</i>	<i>Beauveria bassiana</i>
	<i>Clitoria ternatea</i> extract	<i>Clitoria ternatea</i> extract
	Dicofol	Dicofol
	Lime sulphur	Lime sulphur
	Sulphur	Sulphur

*All members of the class may not be cross resistant


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² A compound with an unknown or controversial mode of action or an unknown mode of toxicity will be held in Group UN until evidence becomes available to enable that compound to be assigned to a more appropriate mode of action group

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Active constituent	Current Group	Active constituent	Current Group
Abamectin	6	Fenthion	1B
Acephate	1B	Fenvalerate	3A
Acetamiprid	4A	Fipronil	2B
Afidopyropen	9D	Flonicamid	29
Allethrin	3A	Flubendiamide	28
Alpha-cypermethrin	3A	Flufenoxuron	15
Aluminium phosphide	24A	Flumethrin	3A
Amitraz	19	Gamma-cyhalothrin	3A
Azadirachtin	UN	Hexaflumuron	15
Azamethiphos	1B	Hexythiazox	10A
Azinphos methyl	1B	Hydramethylnon	20A
<i>Bacillus thuringiensis aizawai</i>	11	Imidacloprid	4A
<i>Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis</i>	11	Imiprothrin	3A
<i>Bacillus thuringiensis kurstaki</i>	11	Indoxacarb	22A
<i>Bacillus sphaericus</i>	11	Lambda-cyhalothrin	3A
<i>Bacillus thuringiensis tenebrionis</i>	11	Lufenuron	15
<i>Beauveria bassiana</i>	UN	Magnesium phosphide	24A
Bendiocarb	1A	Maldison (malathion)	1B
Beta-cyfluthrin	3A	Metaflumizone	22B
Bifenazate	20	Methidathion	1B
Bifenthrin	3A	Methiocarb	1A
Bioallethrin	3A	Methomyl	1A

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Bioresmethrin	3A	Methoprene	7A
Bistrifluron	15	Methoxyfenozide	18
Broflanilide	30	Methyl bromide	8A
Buprofezin	16	Mevinphos	1B
Cadusafos	1B	Milbemectin	6
Carbaryl	1A	Oxamyl	1A
Carbofuran	1A	Omethoate	1B
Carbosulfan	1A	Permethrin	3A
Chlorantraniliprole	28	Phorate	1B
Chlorfenvinphos	1B	Phosmet	1B
Chlorfluazuron	15	Phosphine	24A
Chlorfenapyr	13	Polyhedral occlusion bodies of the NPV of <i>Helicoverpa zea</i> or <i>H. armigera</i>	31
Chloropicrin	8B	Pirimicarb	1A
Chlorpyrifos	1B	Pirimiphos-methyl	1B
Chlorpyrifos-methyl	1B	Prallethrin	3A
<i>Clitoria ternatea</i> extract	UN	Profenofos	1B
Clofentezine	10A	Propargite	12C
Clothianidin	4A	Propoxur	1A
Cyantraniliprole	28	Prothiofos	1B
Cyclaniliprole	28	Pymetrozine	9B
<i>Cydia pomonella</i> granulosis virus strain V22	31	Pyrethrins	3A
Cyfluthrin	3A	Pyridaben	21A
Cypermethrin	3A	Pyriproxyfen	7C
Cyromazine	17	Spinosad	5

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Deltamethrin	3A	Spinetoram	5
Diafenthiuron	12A	Spirotetramat	23
Diazinon	1B	Sulfoxaflor	4C
Dichlorvos	1B	Tau-fluvalinate	3A
Dicofol	UN	Tebufenozide	18
Diflubenzuron	15	Tebufenpyrad	21A
Dimethoate	1B	Temephos	1B
Dinotefuran	4A	Terbufos	1B
Emamectin benzoate	6	Tetradifon	12D
Esbiothrin	3A	Tetramethrin	3A
Ethion	1B	Thiacloprid	4A
Etoxazole	10B	Thiamethoxam	4A
Esfenvalerate	3A	Thiodicarb	1A
Fenamiphos	1B	Transfluthrin	3A
Fenbutatin oxide	12B	Trichlorfon	1B
Fenitrothion	1B	Triflumuron	15
Fenoxycarb	7B	Zeta-cypermethrin	3A
Fenpyroximate	21A		

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