

# Sex Pheromone of the Brazilian Apple Leafroller, *Bonagota cranaodes* Meyrick (Lepidoptera, Tortricidae)

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Sex Pheromone, (3*E*,5*Z*)-3,5-dodecadienyl Acetate, *Bonagota cranaodes*,  
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The female sex pheromone of *Bonagota* (= *Phthteochroa*) *cranaodes* (Meyrick) is a blend of (*E*,*Z*)-3,5-dodecadienyl acetate (*E*3,*Z*5–12:Ac) and (*Z*)-9-hexadecenyl acetate (*Z*9–16:Ac) according to analysis of pheromone – gland extracts and field trapping in apple orchards. This is the first time that *E*3,*Z*5–12:Ac has been identified as a lepidopteran sex pheromone. Traps baited with 100 µg *E*3,*Z*5–12:Ac were attractive over 15 weeks in the field and were as effective as traps baited with virgin females. Addition of *Z*9–16:Ac to *E*3,*Z*5–12:Ac at ratio of 1:10 had a significantly increase of male moths. The addition of the *Z*,*E* and *Z*,*Z* isomers to rubber septa baited with *E*3,*Z*5–12:Ac did not modify *B. cranaodes* male attraction, but 10% of *EE* enhanced trap catch.