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*LepIntercept: An identification resource for intercepted Lepidoptera larvae*

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*Selected images from LepIntercept*

USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service’s Identification Technology Program (ITP) is pleased to announce the release of *LepIntercept: an identification resource for intercepted Lepidoptera larvae*. This web-based tool is specifically designed to be used by identifiers working at U.S. ports of entry. However, the information contained in the tool’s fact sheets and keys will also be valuable to any lepidopterist working with larvae and/or exotic pests.

*LepIntercept* includes detailed fact sheets with information on taxonomy, host/origin, recorded distribution, and a comprehensive larval diagnosis and identification authority discussion. More than 300 high-quality photographs and setal map drawings illustrate diagnostic characters for every species. The tool also includes an interactive identification key covering frequently intercepted Lepidoptera larvae, the first complete
dichotomous key treating all Lepidoptera larvae included in the National Identification Service authority database, and other dichotomous keys treating difficult to identify groups of major pests such as *Helicoverpa*, *Diatraea*, *Spodoptera*, and Tortricidae.

Attached to this email is an announcement containing an overview of ITP’s new release for PPQ and its partners. Please feel free to forward this email and/or the attachment to your colleagues.

*LepIntercept* can be accessed at: http://idtools.org/id/leps/lepintercept

You also might be interested in viewing ITP’s other Lepidoptera tools: *Microlepidoptera on Solanaceae* and *TortAI*

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**Antkey** (http://antkey.org/)

Welcome. Antkey is a community resource for the identification of invasive, introduced and commonly intercepted ant species from across the globe. You can register for an account to contribute to the site, visit the forum to discuss topics related to introduced ants and site development, and visit the blog for the latest updates.

**Lucid Key** identify specimens

**Taxa** explore species pages

**Checklists** browse species lists

**Media** search for images

**Videos** watch video clips of ants

**Glossary** learn morphological terms

**Literature** find relevant literature

**Community** discuss & contribute