The main pests reported, and measures of prevention and control in alfalfa crops from SC Agroind Berezeni, Vaslui

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Culture of alfalfa is well known in our country with a tradition of over a century and a half. It is grown in most agricultural areas except for saline or highly acidic soils and ensure the highest quality material also constitutes the raw material for preparation of feed grains and other items necessary for different categories of animals. One of the technological links of particular importance in the technology for proper cultivation of alfalfa seed and feed is the combat pathogens and pests, in some years may even compromise the culture. In the SC. Agroind Berezeni which has an area of 3,000 ha, in crop year 2008-2009 were followed for the main pests that can harm alfalfa crops grown for seed and feed. Among them: Phytodecta formicata Brug (alfalfa defoliators), Subcoccinella 24 punctata(24-spot ladybird), Hypera variabilis Herbst.(Alfalfa leaf bug), Sitona spp., Otiorrhynchus ligustici L (Alfalfa snout beetle).