

POLLEN FLOW IN THE ENVIRONMENT - DEVELOPMENT OF A RESEARCH PROGRAM.
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The USEPA Office of Research and Development seeks to provide to the agency and society the best information relating to the status of the environment and any related technology maintaining environmental quality. In this effort, a recent research workshop (Pollen Mediated Gene Flow in the Environment) was conducted to assess the level of knowledge and possible future research directions related to pollen flow of transgenic crops. In the development of future research directions, several questions are needed to focus the inquiry. What are the important technical issues? How should the selection or prioritization of research goals be developed? What are the best research questions for field scale experimentation? Thinking of potential uses of this research, can we assemble decision making aids for transgenic crop pollen effect evaluation?