

CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2002 PROJECT SUMMARY

Name(s) **Project Number** Carley G. Millian 22648 **Project Title** Cry1AB in Corn **Abstract Objectives/Goals** To find out if Cry1AB can be found in different corn samples. Also to see how it can be detected. Methods/Materials #1- You go get different corn samples, blend them up separatly in a food processer, and add the correct buffer volume which is at a 1g to 1L ratio. Then you stir it up, put it in a testing cup, and put a test strip #2- Take the positive control (Caterpillar Killer) and dilute it with a 1-19 1-1000. Put them into the testing cups and put a test strip in Results Negative- Stater Bros. (yellow), Stater Bros. (white), Baby Corn, Suprantation, Vons (white), Birds Eye(frozen), Organic corn(frozen), Arrowhead Cornmeal, Mother#s cornmeal. Positive- Alber#s cornmeal, Caterpillar Killer(positive control) -1000 (light line) 1-10 (very strong line) 1-100 (pretty strong line) **Conclusions/Discussion** Well after I had seven negative corn results I thought something might be wrong. So, I went and got Caterpillar Killer which contain 1.76% Bt protein as a positive control. That tested positive so I knew that there wasn#t something wrong with the kil. Then Alber#s cornmeal tested positive, but to make sure that it wasn#t just something weird in cornmeal that made the red line I had to find a negative control. I went to Mother#s Market and got Arrowhead and Mother#s cornmeal. They both tested negative so I knew that Alber#s was really positive. Summary Statement of the corn I eat could contain this genetically engineered protein. Help Received UCI/CMHS Science Fair Grant