



Research to Practice® Viticulture commenced in late 1996 by a team of scientists and trainers. It was initially designed to facilitate practical training for grape growers and associated industry personnel in integrated pest management, with a view to improving levels of adoption and assisting with informed decision making.

Research to Practice® Viticulture has evolved to become a national 'flagship' program for the grape and wine industry covering a broad series of topics focussed primarily on sustainable economic growth along with sound natural resource management. It involves researchers and experts from many agencies and organisations across Australia.

Current workshops include:



Grapevine Nutrition

This workshop focuses on how to achieve best practice in nutrition management for wine grape production.

Integrated Pest Management

This workshop is designed to help test, modify and validate pest and disease management strategies for reduced chemical use, quality improvement and risk management. In addition to general information on IPM related topics, specific approaches to the management of major pest and disease problems in Australian viticulture are covered.

Spray Application

This workshop focuses on developing a plan and procedures for implementing a chemical spray program for the vineyard. Underpinning the plan are practical methods for improving the efficiency of spray application in the vineyard.

Water Management

Focuses on how to efficiently produce the end product without adversely affecting land and water resources.

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Winegrape Quality Management

This workshop focuses on how, through appropriate measurements and manipulation of the grapevine during its annual growth cycle, it is possible to influence the characteristics of grapes towards meeting specifications for the desired wine style.

Getting Started with Environmental Management in Viticulture

This workshop focuses on an introduction to environmental management and why it is important to the Australian wine industry to adopt sound environmental practices. .

To enable unlimited access to the Research to Practice® workshop series by the Australian grape and wine industry, The Australian Wine Research Institute is offering licences to training providers across the country. Organisations that are registered training organisations (RTOs) and others which satisfy AWRI's accreditation are eligible to deliver the Research to Practice® workshop materials.

A variety of organisations are currently licensed to deliver Viticulture Research to Practice® training including universities, TAFE colleges, wineries, viticulture consultants, wine industry organisations and departments of primary industry.

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