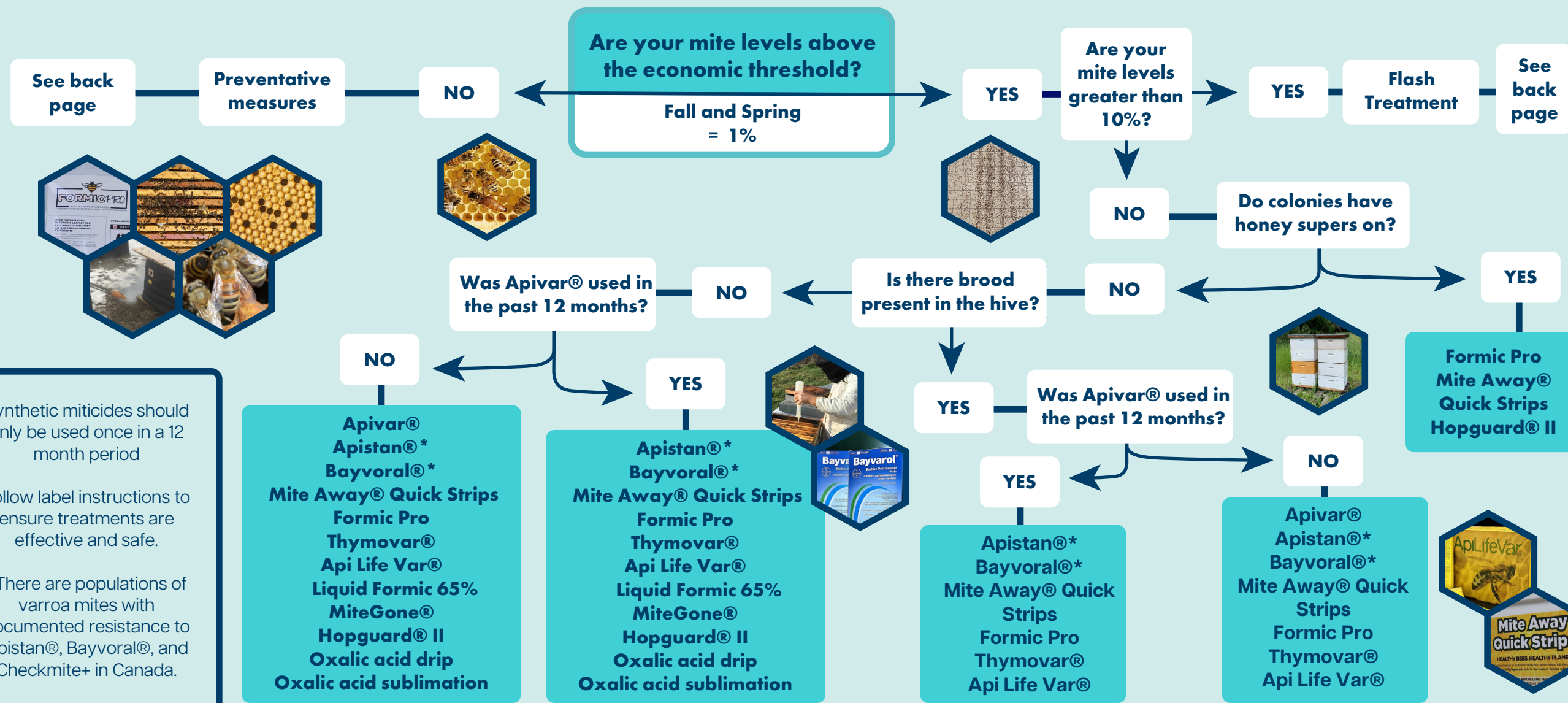




DECISION TREE





PREVENTIVE MEASURES

*Do not solely rely on these preventative measures to control varroa mites.
Incorporate these techniques into your Integrated Pest Management strategy*

What is a Flash Treatment?

A miticide that acts to kill varroa mites in a short period of time.

Slow release treatments, such as Apivar, are most effective when varroa infestation levels are below 10%. Above 10%, the efficacy is reduced and levels after treatment may still be above the economic threshold.

Therefore a FLASH treatment is recommended for colonies with infestation levels above 10%, instead of a slow release treatment.

- Examples:
- Liquid Formic 65%
 - Oxalic acid drip
 - Oxalic acid sublimation

Application of a flash treatment prior to using a slow release treatment (ie. Apivar®) will reduce the mite loads in a colony to a level at which the slow release miticide can work effectively. It is important to monitor BEFORE and AFTER treatment to justify any further miticide application.

