

Varroa resistant colony

Spike in mite drop:

- **CAUSE:** varroa build up during strong summer flow
- **TRIGGER:** available brood cells reduce uncapper bees focus on fewer cells
- multiple foundress mites in a cell
- more mites on bees (which fall off)
- pre-winter hygienic behaviour ("Stores secure": T Schiffer)

P = Chewed out infected pupae (white bee parts - exoskeleton) found on varroa board

Un = Uncapping of pupae evident during inspections (interrupting varroa reproduction)

