

suspended from the ceiling, and is not in contact with the floor of the device.

12. A device according to claim 9 in which the gap decreases from about 10 mm to about 2 mm.

13. A device according to claim 1 in which at least a small floor-to-ceiling gap is maintained over substantially all of the treated area.

14. A device according to claim 1 suitable for crawling insect control in which the gap decreases from about 10 mm to about 2 mm.

15. A device according to claim 1 in which the ceiling is convex.

16. A device according to claim 1 in which the ceiling is movable upon contact with the target pest.

17. A device according to claim 16 in which a compressible padding material is located between the interior and exterior surfaces of the ceiling adjacent to the movable surface.

18. A device according to claim 16 in which the treated portion is a light, deformable, movable structure that is suspended from the ceiling, and is not in contact with the floor of the device.

19. A device according to claim 1 which, in order to limit user exposure to the pest control agent further comprises, at both ends of the tunnel, a portion of the interior surface of the ceiling which is not treated with the pest control agent.

20. A device according to claim 1, wherein the portion of the interior surface of the tunnel ceiling is treated with the pest control agent such that the pest entering the device and encountering said decreasing gap receives upon contact with the treated surface a dose of the agent topically only on the pest's upper parts.

21. A device according to claim 1, wherein the tunnel is developed for localized pest-control placement within a human household.

22. A device according to claim 1, wherein the tunnel is developed for linking to form interconnected, modular tunnel structures.

23. A device according to claim 1, wherein the treated area is developed in the form of a replaceable refill body.

24. A device according to claim 23, wherein the tunnel comprises a section providing access to the interior of the tunnel for replacement of the refill body.

25. A device according to claim 1, wherein the pest control agent is applied to the treated area in the form of a film.

26. A device according to claim 1, wherein the pest control agent is applied to the treated area in a form selected from the group consisting of liquids, pastes, gels, and waxes.

27. A device according to claim 1, wherein the pest is dosed by direct contact between the pest control agent and the pest.

28. A device according to claim 1, wherein the gap decreases gradually in a direction along the length of the tunnel.

29. A device according to claim 1, wherein the pest control agent adheres to the tunnel ceiling and becomes flowable under a small shear stress provided directly by the pest's upper parts.

30. A device for control of crawling pests, the device comprising:

a tunnel for localized placement in a human household and into which a crawling pest may enter, the tunnel having a floor, a ceiling, and a gap between the floor and the ceiling; and

means for dosing a pest, the means for dosing being disposed adjacent the ceiling and treated with a suitable pest control agent, the means for dosing being developed so as to progressively restrict the size of the gap between the floor and the ceiling, such that a pest moving within the tunnel may encounter the means for dosing by crawling into a restricted portion of the gap and be dosed with the pest control agent topically on the pest's upper parts.

31. A device according to claim 30, wherein the pest control agent adheres to the tunnel ceiling and becomes flowable under a small shear stress provided directly by the pest's upper parts.

32. A device according to claim 30, wherein the tunnel is adapted for placement on horizontal and vertical surfaces.

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