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Organic Pest Management in Strawberries and Caneberries: Available Materials from Biosafe Systems

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BioSafe Systems

- Established in 1996
- Based in East Hartford, CT
- Environmentally Responsible Plant Pest Control Products
- Domestic & International Sales





Markets



Agriculture



Aquatics



Animal Health



Home & Garden



Sanitation



Turf

Greenhouse / Nursery

Post Harvest/Food Safety

Integrated Pest Management (IPM)



Organic/Biorational Chemical Control

When chemical methods have to be employed, there is growing interest in use of organic/Biorational based chemsitries in Strawberry and Caneberry Pest management.

Features of Organic/Biorational based Pest control Products-

- Natural (Not synthetic) in origin
- •Non-residual in nature
- •Can be safely integrated with other methods in the IPM program

Safe to workers and environment

BioSafe Systems Product Line

• **Peroxycompounds**: (Bactericide/Fungicide)

OxiDate 2.0- Organic Bactericide/Fungicide TerraClean 5.0-Organic Soil Bactericide/Fungicide

- Azadirachtin: (Botanical Insecticide)
 AzaGuard-Organic Insect Growth Regulator/Insecticide
- Ammonium Nonanoate: (Herbicide)

AXXE-Organic Herbicide

What are Peroxycompounds (POC)?

Hydrogen Peroxide (H₂O₂):

Powerful Oxidizer

•2H2O2 = 2H2O (water) + O2 (oxygen)

•Oxidation Potential: - 1.8

Hydrogen Peroxide (HP)

Peroxy Acetic Acid (PAA)

 H_3C

Peracetic Acid (PAA):

•Produced by mixing H2O2 and Acetic Acid

•More stable than H2O2

•During degradation, releases OH (hydroxyl radicals) – Very powerful oxidizers

 $(OP \sim 2.8) H_2O_2 = OH + OH$

Mode of Action

• Forms free hydoxyl radicals which oxidize thiol groups in enzymes and proteins of the target cell.

•Leads to increased cell permeability and collapse.

•Risk for fungicide resistance – Not present/unidentified.

BioSafe Systems POC's



OxiDate 2.0 Broad Spectrum Bactericide/Fungicide

Use in curative and preventative programs to ensure complete disease control. Approved for use on over 150 varieties of fruits, vegetables and nuts.

- EPA Registered
- Zero-Hour REI (Four-Hour in CA) & Zero-Days to Harvest
- Exempt from Pesticide Residue
- No Mutational Resistance
- OMRI Listed for Organic Production









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OxiDate 2.0-Application Program

Application Type	Rate (per application)	Spray Interval and volume	Application Timing
Curative	1.0% v/v (1:100)	5-7 days; 30-100 GPA	At early signs of disease
Preventative	0.50-0.25% v/v (1:200-1:400)	5-7 days; 30-100 GPA	When weather conditions are congenial for disease development
Tank-mix/ Rotation with Conventionals/ Biologicals	0.5-1.0% v/v (1:200-1:100)	7-14 days; 30-100 GPA	When disease pressure is high and/or for diseases that require residual chemistries



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OxiDate 2.0 Broad Spectrum Bactericide/Fungicide

Evaluation of OxiDate 2.0 for Control of Powdery Mildew in Strawberries, 2012

Researcher: UCCE, CA Crop: Strawberry Disease: Powdery Mildew (*Sphaerotheca macularis*) Trial Location: Santa Maria, CA





2 Treatments:

Trt # 1-

1:100 OxiDate 2.0 + 0.125% yucca surfactant as a stand alone.

Trt# 2-

1:200 OxiDate 2.0 + Procure (6.0 fl. oz) followed by 1:200 OxiDate 2.0 + Pristine (18.5 fl. oz)

Applications:

Spray interval- 7-13 days

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- Total # of applications- 5 (May 23-June 27, 2012)
- Spray Volume: 100 GPA

8 other treatments Included



OxiDate 2.0 and Strawberry Average Yield

Uninfected Infected



OxiDate 2.0 Broad Spectrum Bactericide/Fungicide

Evaluation of OxiDate 2.0 for Control of Botrytis Fruit in Annual Strawberry, 2012

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Researchers:Univ. of Florida, Wimauma, FL Crop: Strawberry Diseases: Botrytis Fruit Rot; (*Botrytis cinerea*); Strawberry Leak; (*Rhizopus* and *Mucor* spp) Trial Location: Research Site, Wimauma, FL



OxiDate 2.0 Botrytis Fruit Rot in Strawberry, 2012

Treatment:

1:100 OxiDate 2.0 + 0.125% nonionic surfactant (Kinetic).

Applications:

- Spray interval- 7-28 days
- Total # of applications- 5 (Dec. 28, 2011-March 09, 2012)
- Spray Volume: 100 GPA

20 other treatments included



OxiDate 2.0 and Botrytis Fruit Rot

Pre-Harvest Botrytis Incidence



OxiDate 2.0 and Botrytis Fruit Rot Post-Harvest Botrytis Fruit Rot and Rhizopus Leak Incidence



OxiDate 2.0 and Botrytis Fruit Rot Total Marketable Yield



TerraClean 5.0 Broad Spectrum Bactericide/Fungicide

Penetrates soil and control pathogens such as *Pythium*, *Phytophthora*, *Fusarium*, *Verticillium* and *Rhizoctonia* on contact.

- •EPA Registered
- Zero-Hour REI
- · Easily Apply through drip tape for control of soil borne pathogens
- · Apply at planting and during growing season to treat root zone
- Oxygenates root zone







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TerraClean 5.0-Application Program

Application Type	Rate (per application)	Application Timing
Drip	1.0-2.0 Gal/A	At planting/transplanting followed by application post- plant at 1-2 week interval up to 6-8 applications as needed



TerraClean 5.0 Broad Spectrum Bactericide/Fungicide

Evaluation of TerraClean 5.0 for control of Phytophthora Crown Rot in Strawberries, 2010-11

Researcher: Univ. of Florida, Wimauma, FL. Crop: Strawberry (*Fragaria* x *ananassa*) var. 'Florida Radiance' Disease: Crown Rot (*Phytophthora cactorum*) Trial Location: University of Florida, GCREC Bi@Safe Systems



TerraClean 5.0 *Phytophthora* Crown Rot in Strawberry, 2011

Treatments and Application

TerraClean 5.0 @1.0 and 2.0 Gal/A # of applications-3 First application as post-planting drip at 14 DAP using 2 Gal/A followed by two applications at 38 and 52 DAP using 1 gal/A

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TerraClean 5.0 *Phytophthora* Crown Rot in Strawberry, 2011



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TerraClean 5.0 *Phytophthora* Crown Rot in Strawberry, 2011





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TerraClean 5.0 Broad Spectrum Bactericide/Fungicide

Evaluation of TerraClean 5.0 for Charcoal Rot Control in Strawberries, 2012

Researcher: Univ. of Florida, Wimauma, FL. Crop: Strawberry (*Fragaria* x *ananassa*) var. 'Strawberry Festival' Disease: Charcoal Rot (*Macrophomina phaseolina*) Trial Location: University of Florida, GCREC

TerraClean 5.0 Charcoal Rot in Strawberry, 2012



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1. Trt.1: TerraClean 5.0- 2 Gal/A (1 Application) followed by TerraClean 5.0- 1 Gal/A (5 Applications)

 Trt.2: TerraClean 5.0- 1-2 Gal/A + B. subtilis based Biological Fungicide-4.0 qt/A (6 applications)

Treatments and Application

Total 6 applications from Oct. 30, 2011-Mar.2, 2012

Products injected into drip irrigation in the last 25% of total water applied



TerraClean 5.0 Charcoal Rot in Strawberry, 2012



TerraClean 5.0 Charcoal Rot in Strawberry, 2012





AzaGuard

- Botanical Insecticide/Nematicide
- 3.0% Azadirachtin EC Formulation
- OMRI Approved
- Effective on a Variety of Insect Pests
- Indoor and Outdoor Uses (Field and Packing Houses)



Environmentally Safe



Insect Pests				
Aphids	Beetles	Worms (Bud, Cut, Army)		
Fungus Gnats	Leaf Hoppers	Leaf Miners		
Lepidopterans	Loopers	Mushroom flies		
Saw Flies	Thrips	Whiteflies		

Nematodes				
Root-Knot	Dagger	Golden		

And more...

Azadirachtin-Mode of Action

• First Isolated in 1968

• Considered most bioactive ingredient in Neem

• Acts mainly as an insect growth regulator, anti-feedant and ovi-position (egg-laying) deterrent properties

AzaGuard Botanical Insecticide/Nematicide



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AzaGuard for Lygus Bug Control in Strawberries, 2012

Researcher: UCCE, CA Crop: Strawberries Insect Pest: Lygus Bugs (*Lygus hesperus*) Trial Location: Commercial Farm

AzaGuard Lygus Bug Control in Strawberries, 2012

Treatments and Application

AzaGuard- 8.0 and 16.0 fl.oz per 100 gallons

Applications once a week Total 3 applications Spray to run off

2 other insecticide

formulations evaluated in the trial



AzaGuard Lygus Bug Control in Strawberries, 2012



AzaGuard Botanical Insecticide/Nematicide

IR-4 Trial with AzaGuard for Western Flower Thrip Control, 2012

Researcher: Michigan State University Crop: Marigold; *Tagetes patula* L. 'Yellow Bonanza' Insect Pest: Western Flower Thrips; *Frankliniella occidentalis* (*Pergande*) Trial Location: Commercial Greenhouse







AzaGuard Western Flower Thrips Control, 2012

Treatments and Application

AzaGuard- 16.0 fl.oz per 100 gallons

Applications once a week Total 4 applications (06/06/12-06/26/12) Spray on foliage to run off

8 other insecticide

formulations evaluated in the trial



AzaGuard on Western Flower Thrips Control, 2012







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New Biorational Herbicide from BiosafeSystems

(OMRI Approved for use in Non-Food Crops)

Bi@Safe Systems...



- Non –selective herbicide for Ag., commercial and residential use
- A.I. Ammonium Nonanoate- 40.0% (35% Pelargonic Acid)

- A contact spray control or burn down of annual and perennial weeds and grasses, moss and liverworts.
- Mode of Action: Disrupts plant tissue through cell wall penetration, resulting in cease of plant growth and brown necrosis.
- Non-volatile and water soluble

Bi@Safe Systems...



- Application Rates- 3.0%-15.0% v/v
- 6.0%-10.0% v/v commonly used
- Spray Volume- 30-125 Gallons per Acre
- 45-75 GPA commonly used
 - Rate and spray volume depend on weed species, height, leaf shape and weed density.

- Use method- Vegetative burn down, directed and shielded spray, preemergence spray and dormant/postharvest sprays.
- Broad number of crop and non-crop groups.
- No aquatic applications



AXXE Weed Control, USDA-ARS-2011-12

% Total Weed Control





% Broadleaf Weed Control



% Grass Weed Control





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