



2nd Ag Innovations Conference: Microbial Control

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• Active Ingredient: Beauveria bassiana

strain-ANT-03-20.0% w/w

- Contains a minimum of 10 Billion CFU (Conidia)/gram
- Shelf Life: 6 months from the date of manufacture at 40-85 °F
 Up to 12 months at 35 °F
- Formulated with UV Protectant
- EPA Registration #: 89600-2
- EPA Est. No: 89600-CAN-001



Beauveria bassiana: How does it work?



- Infection via enzymatic activity and mechanical pressure
- Infection via contact and ingestion
- Pathogenicity for all development stages including eggs, nymphs and diapausing insects

To date, no resistance to B. bassiana has been observed !













Application Rates and Methods

- 1.0–3.0 lbs./acre for most crops*
- Conventional ground apps: At least 50 Gallons of solution/A. Ensure thorough coverage of plant foliage but not to run off
- Spray Interval: 5-7 days as needed
- Pre-Harvest Interval (PHI): 0 (Zero) Days
- Can be applied by air
- Compatible with other biocontrol agents and some conventional chemistries



Organic Compatibility List

• <u>Adjuvants</u> •	<u>Fungicides</u>
Non-Ionic Silicone	OxiDate 2.0: 1 DBA/4AA*
	Bacillus strains: 7 DBA/DAA
• Insecticides	Streptomyces
Azadirachtin	Copper Hydroxide
Neem Oil	Potassium Bicarbonate: Low rates
Bt	Extract Reynoutria sachalinensis
Spinosad	Sulfur 80%: 4 DBA/DAA
Pyrethrins	Dusting Sulfur: 4 DBA/DAA

BioSafe Systems

*DBA=Days Before Application, DAA=Days After Application

BioCeres[®]WP Insects and Crops on Current Label

- ✓ Aphids
- ✓ Bud Weevil
- ✓ European Corn Borer
- ✓ Plant Bugs
- ✓ Thrips
- ✓ Whiteflies
- ✓ Spotted Wing Drosophila
- ✓ Striped Cucumber Beetle

- Forage Crops, Berries
- Leafy and Bulb Vegetables
- Cereal Grains, Citrus
- Cucurbits, Grapes
- Fruiting Vegetables
- Greenhouse Vegetables and Ornamentals
- Shade and Ornamental Trees
- Herbs and Spices
- Root and Tuber Vegetables
- Legumes, Strawberry
- Pome Fruit (Apples, Pears etc.)
- Stone Fruits
- Tree Nuts and Pistachios
- Tropical and Sub-Tropical Fruit



Efficacy studies (>75%)

Phytotoxicity







Competitive product

BioCeres: non-toxic to plants



Impact on Yield and Number of Fruits





Percent (%) Control of Thrips with BioCeres WP







Percent (%) Control of June Beetle Larvae with BioCeres G

Cumulative (%) Mortality by BioCeres WP on Adult Tarnished plant Bug In-Field Caged Celery and Lettuce



Tank Mix Program



- Complimentary Modes of Action
- Impacts All Life Stages
- Effective approach for Whiteflies, Aphids, Thrips, Mites, etc...
- 1 LB BioCeres WP + 8 10 OZ AzaGuard per 100 GALS



 Solution Preparation: Slowly add BioCeres WP while agitating then add AzaGuard



AzaGuard®

- Botanical Insecticide/Nematicide
- Active Ingredient: Azadirachtin 3% EC
- Other Constituents: Azadirachtins B K, Salanin,
 Nimbin, Melantriol
- 4 hr REI
- Built in surfactant





BioCeresWP + AzaGuard



Control of Lygus Bugs with *Beauveria bassiana* and Azadirachtin (AzaGuard) on strawberry. Data taken from: Surendra, D. K. 2016. Managing strawberry pests with chemical pesticides and non-chemical alternatives. International Journal of Fruit Science. Vol. 16, No. S1, 129-141.



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