
IR-4 BIOPESTICIDE PROGRAM

Proposals 2001

Five (5) early stage biopesticide proposals and sixty (60) advanced stage biopesticide proposals were received at IR-4 Headquarters. Proposals are currently being reviewed by the New Technology Team reviewers, the IR-4 Field Regional Coordinators and the IR-4 external reviewers. A final selection of proposals for IR-4 funding will be made in February 2001. All persons who submitted proposals will be

notified of the status of funding recommendations for their proposals by March 2001.

We appreciate the keen interest shown by top scientists throughout the United States in IR-4's Biopesticide Program and look forward to completion of the review process.

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58 Biopesticide Clearances in 2000

In 2000, IR-4 data were used to support the following new biopesticide clearances (registrations):

- cinnamaldehyde for mite/powdery mildew control on 39 new crops
- chitosan (ELEXA™4) for powdery mildew control on grapes, strawberries and roses
- harpin protein (Messenger) on apples and grapes for disease control
- Milsana™ for powdery mildew control on ornamentals

EPA also approved an expanded and revised Experiment Use Permit for lysophosphatidylethanolamine on 13 fruit crops to promote ripening and extend storage shelf life.

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