IR-4 Food-Use Research

IR-4 FOOD-USE RESEARCH - Year 2001 Research Program.

The 2001 research program is in full swing. IR-4 is conducting 107 residue studies supported by 588 field trials compared with a target of 575 trials. As you can see, this target has been exceeded by only 13 trials, which was the result of one add-on sunflower study supported by the ND Sunflower Association and AVG post harvest studies funded, in part, by Biopesticide funds. This number (588) is considerably lower then last year’s number which is to help ensure meeting the 30 month time-line for 1999 studies and provide support for performance studies.

INDUSTRY MEETINGS WITH IR-4 DURING THE 2nd QUARTER 2001:

The Study Directors, as well as the Research and Registration managers have been making their annual tour to cooperative registrants again this year. These technical meetings help bring registrants up-to-date on IR-4’s progress as well as provide an exchange of minor-use needs and what new chemistries companies are developing. These meetings help IR-4 prepare for the Food-Use Workshop that will be held this September, which initiates preparation of our research plan for 2002. Over the past few months IR-4 met with Aventis, BASF (American Cyanamid was bought by BASF last summer), Dow AgroSciences, DuPont, FMC, Makhteshim-Agan, Monsanto, Syngenta (Novartis and Zeneca joined last Fall), Tomen Agro, and Valent. Many of the companies shared information on new products that may show promise for research in 2002. The Food-Use Workshop should provide the debut of many new compounds with a great deal of promise for minor crop growers.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR. . . . . . .
Food-Use Workshop - September 11-13, 2001 - Fort Collins, Colorado
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