



Making your Pesticide Needs a High Priority

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The IR-4 Mission

To support the registration of pest management tools for specialty crops.

Publicly funded program that conducts research and submits petitions to EPA.

- NIFA
- Hatch
- USDA/ARS





Specialty Crops

High value – Low acreage <300,000 acres

Most Food Crops:

Fruits Vegetables

Nuts Herbs & Spices

Ornamental Horticulture Crops:

Floral Nursery
Landscape
Christmas Trees





IR-4 Factoids

Established 1963

Data has supported almost 50% of current food use tolerances

Also has programs for

- Biopesticides
- Ornamental Horticulture
- Public Health

Leadership role in global harmonization of registrations





Partnerships

Land Grant System/SAES

- Funding in kind: offices, research farms, infrastructure, admin. support
- Expertise

Crop Protection Industry

- test substance & standards
- direct funding for special projects

Growers/Grower Groups

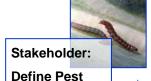
- Commodity Liaison Committee

US EPA





The IR-4 Regulatory Clearance Process



Define Pest Problem

Identify Pest
Management
Solution
Request
Assistance
from IR-4

The Process Starts with Requests

Submitted from:

- Growers.
- Grower Groups,
- State/Federal Research & Extension Personnel

Request Reviewed by Manufacturer

Stakeholder nominations

> Requests Prioritized

Top Priority
Researched
That Year
Second
Priorities
Researched as
Money Allows



Field and Lab Research

- •Measure Residue levels in Crop/Crop Group
- •Top Priorities completed in 30 months



Manufacturer
Adds Crop/Use
to the Product
Label

Tolerance Established by

Package Submitted to EPA





Active Participation of Stakeholders

Your voice is important as NER is small:

- Geographically
- Average farm size

Provide input on important projects:

- New products
- Problem pests and/or control gaps

Tell us what you need:

Submit pest management request (PCR)
 Last PCR accepted August 15, 2012





The IR-4 Process

Projects prioritized at IR-4 Food Use Workshop

- A Priority all research started in coming year
 - Project falls under the 30 month timeline
- B Priority projects started as \$\$ allows
 - No strict adherence to 30 month timeline
- C Priority will not be researched w/o outside support
- Not nominated: D = 1st yr; E = 2nd yr; F = 3rd yr
 - Projects removed from active consideration after
 3 years

30 month timeline – time from start of project to submission to the US EPA





The IR-4 Research Priorities

Priority considerations:

- Products for specific pest management problems
- Products for specific crop protection gaps
- Fit into IPM program
- Reduced risk products

Must have some documentation that they work and do not harm the crop

Performance studies must receive A Priority at the Food Use Workshop





Nominations Process

Project must be nominated or it will not be discussed at IR-4 Food Use Workshop

List of projects for nomination posted August 17, 2012 (http://ir4.rugers.edu) Ends August 30

Nominations can be submitted:

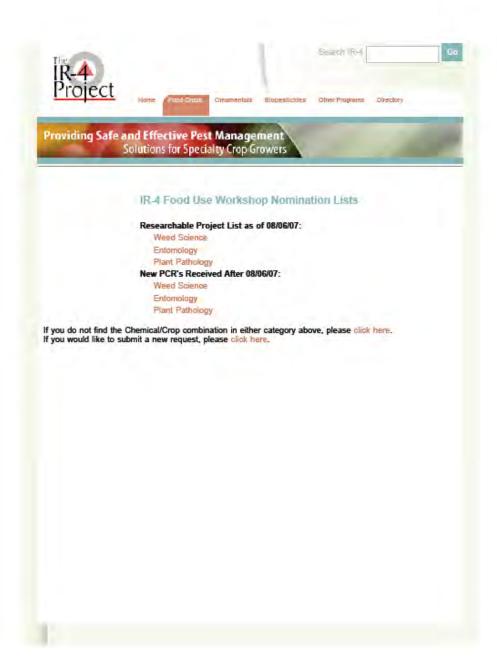
- On the website
- Through State Liaison Representative
- Or call Regional Field Coordinator



First Nominations Page

Select discipline

New requests are added as they come in and can be nominated at a later date







Discipline Page

Arranged by Crop Group (1-20)

- 1. Root & tuber veg.
- 4. Brassica veg.
- 9. Cucurbits
- 11. Pome fruit
- 12. Stone Fruit
- 13-07Berry and Small Fruit
- 19. Herbs
- 20. Oil seed

Miscellaneous

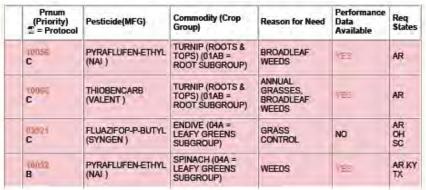
Scroll to Crop Group of Interest

Check A, B or C column



IR-4 Food Use Workshop Weed Science New PCR Nomination List.

Please enter y	your name and affiliation below.
Name:	
Affiliation:	
button at the	nstructions: a project simply click in the small checkbox in the first column, and then click on the "Submit" wery bottom of the list - you must click "Submit" to register your nominations; if a project has nominated, the row will be shaded and there will be no checkbox in which to click - this project sed at the workshop.
	ontinue to change as new PCRs are received during the nomination process until August 15th, or receipt of new PCRs at IR-4 HQ.
You can nomi want.	inate projects in this list anytime through August 17th; you can return here as many times as you
	th the list of nominated projects in this discipline will be posted on this website - please print the t the workshop.
Click on PR#	to see more detail about the project.









Provide Guidance on Priorities

- Nominated projects posted on IR-4 website in early September
- Communicate your top priorities to someone who can champion that need at the IR-4 Food Use Workshop
 - NE Regional Field Coordinator
 - State Liaison Representatives
- Join conference call to discuss northeast priorities (first week in September)
- Support your local researchers for product efficacy and phytotoxicity data for PCR's





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