

News Release

Velifer Bioinsecticide/Miticide Approved for New Application Methods and Crops

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, NC, March 14, 2024 — BASF has received new label registration for Velifer[®] Bioinsecticide/Miticide which allows greenhouse growers to use the product in soil-directed sprays, dips, and drench applications for greater flexibility in integrated pest management programs. This expanded label also includes new crops: nut trees, vines, brambles, and bushberries.

Velifer Bioinsecticide/Miticide is a proprietary strain of *Beauveria bassiana* that provides selective management of mites, thrips, aphids, mealybugs, and whiteflies through direct contact in commercial greenhouse operations. It is compatible with beneficials like predatory mites and bugs, parasitoids, and greenhouse pollinators like *Bombus spp*. Additionally, its enhanced plant safety profile does not injure or build residue in production.

"We have been eagerly anticipating the new Velifer Bioinsecticide/Miticide name, and this expanded label is great news for growers," said Liz Dunbar, BASF Product Manager for Greenhouse and Nursery. "The dip and drench applications offer more ways to make applications in propagation and on the bench to manage difficult pests."

BASF will continue to steward the labels for the Velifer Fungal Contact Insecticide/Miticide and new Velifer Bioinsecticide/Miticide product names in the market through the transition to new material.

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