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**New Insecticide Requiem**® **Prime to be Distributed by Certis USA**

**COLUMBIA, MD**., **August 19, 2019 –** Growers who have come to rely on the consistent performance of Requiem® insecticide products to control sucking pests across several crops will now benefit from distribution of the latest product—Requiem® Prime—through [Certis USA](https://www.certisusa.com/), a leading manufacturer and distributor of biopesticide products.

Requiem® products, developed in the mid-2000s, have been distributed by [Bayer](https://www.bayer.com/), and have become an important tool for effective control of thrips, whiteflies, aphids and mites in citrus and other specialty crops. As part of an ongoing collaboration between the two companies, sales and distribution of Requiem® Prime will now move under the Certis USA umbrella of biopesticide products.

“Because of its low-risk status and the numerous benefits that growers receive from incorporating it with their overall control plan, Requiem® Prime is an ideal fit for the portfolio of biopesticides offered by Certis USA,” said Mike Allan, Certis USA Vice-President, North America.

“In addition to Requiem® Prime, the bio-nematicide [MeloCon® WG](https://www.certisusa.com/pest_management_products/bionematicide/melocon_biological_nematicide) is another biological product from Bayer that Certis USA is proud to distribute across the United States,” said Allan.

Certis USA will offer Requiem® Prime to customers in all US states (except NY) for all label uses.

Requiem® Prime is considered a low-risk insecticide because of its reduced toxicity to mammalian and non-target organisms. An emulsifiable concentrate formulation, Requiem® Prime insecticide is powered by a unique blend of terpenes originally discovered in an insecticidal plant. This active ingredient is attracted to the oily outer surfaces of target pests and works against all life-cycle stages.

Growers who use Requiem® Prime find great benefit in the product’s flexibility. The insecticide can be used in spray programs alone or in combination with other crop protection products improving the sustainability of agriculture. With flexible use-rates and application timing, producers are not hindered by long re-entry intervals or any pre-harvest interval.

Perhaps the greatest asset Requiem® Prime provides, though, is the value of its unique mode of action as an important tool for resistance management, making this biological insecticide a powerful ally alongside chemistries that may face resistance issues. Furthermore, biological solutions like Requiem® Prime help growers help manage the diverse residue requirements of the global food value chain.

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**About Certis USA**

Headquartered in Columbia, Maryland, Certis USA is a leading manufacturer and distributor of a broad line of biopesticide products for specialty agricultural and horticultural markets and the home and garden market. Certis USA products provide valuable solutions by meeting the challenges faced by today’s growers. For more information about Certis USA, visit [CertisUSA.com](http://certisusa.com/) and follow the company on [Facebook](http://www.facebook.com/certisusa) and [Twitter](https://twitter.com/certisusa).

**About Bayer**

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