

#### UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

OFFICE OF CHEMICAL SAFETY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION

August 6, 2021

Matthew Brooks Director, Ag-Chem Consulting LLC Authorized Agent to AgBioChem, Inc. 12644 Chapel Road Clifton, VA 20124

Subject: Labeling Notification per Pesticide Registration Notice (PRN) 98-10 – to correct a typographical error in the active ingredient name. Product Name: Galltrol-A EPA Registration Number: 40230-1 Application Date: 06/08/2021 Action Code Case Number: 00305416

Dear Mr. Brooks:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is in receipt of your application for notification under Pesticide Registration Notice (PRN) 98-10 for the above referenced product. The Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division (BPPD) has conducted a review of this request for its applicability under PRN 98-10 and finds that the action requested falls within the scope of PRN 98-10.

The labeling submitted with this application has been stamped "Notification" and will be placed in our records. You must submit one (1) copy of the final printed labeling with the modifications.

Should you wish to add/retain a reference to your company's website on your label, then please be aware that the website becomes labeling under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) and is subject to review by the EPA. If the website is false or misleading, the product will be considered to be misbranded and sale or distribution of the product is unlawful under FIFRA section 12(a)(1)(E). 40 CFR § 156.10(a)(5) lists examples of statements the EPA may consider false or misleading. In addition, regardless of whether a website is referenced on your product's label, claims made on the website may not substantially differ from those claims approved through the registration process. Therefore, should the EPA find or if it is brought to our attention that a website contains false or misleading statements or claims substantially differing from the EPA-approved registration, the website will be referred to the EPA's Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance.

If you have any questions, please contact Andrew Queen by phone at 703-308-8135 or via email at queen.andrew@epa.gov.

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Sincerely,

DANIEL SCHOEFF Digitally signed by DANIEL SCHOEFF Date: 2021.08.06 15:01:39 -04'00'

Daniel Schoeff, Acting Senior Regulator Advisor Microbial Pesticides Branch Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division (7511P) Office of Pesticide Programs

# GALLTROL – A

### **BIOLOGICAL PREVENTION OF CROWN GALL DISEASE**

Bacterial inoculant which aids the control and prevention of crown gall on certain fruit, nut and ornamental nursery stock (including bare-root seedlings, liners and planting stock)

ACTIVE INGREDIENT: Agrobacterium radiobacter	(Strain <mark>K84</mark> )*99.00%
<b>OTHER INGREDIENTS:</b>	1.00%
TOTAL:	

\*1.2 x 10<sup>11</sup> c.f.u./plate (Equivalent to 1 liter of 1.2 x 10<sup>8</sup> cells per ml.)

Each culture plate is 150 mm (6 inches) in diameter and contains 50 ml. of agar culture medium and has a surface of 17,663 sq. mm. or 28 sq. in. containing not less than  $1.2 \times 10^{11}$  colony forming units of bacteria as a surface growth. Agar is not used – discard after removal of bacteria.

# Keep out of Reach of Children CAUTION – AVISO

FIRST AID		
	• Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15-20 minutes.	
If in Eyes:	<ul> <li>Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue rinsing.</li> <li>Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.</li> </ul>	
• Have the pro or going for	duct container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor	
information	emergencies, call the poison control center at 1-800-222-1222. For general on this product, contact the National Pesticide Information Center (NPIC) at 1- 8, Monday through Friday, 8AM to 12PM PST, or at http://npic.orst.edu.	

EPA Reg. No. 40230-1 EPA Est. No. 040230-CA-001 Net weight (a.i.): 0.35 oz. Lot No.

Not for sale or use after [120 days after the date of manufacture].

Manufactured in U.S.A. by AgBioChem, Inc. 3750 North 1020 East Provo UT 84604 (530) 586-1561 www.agbiochem.com NOTIFICATION 40230-1

The applicant has certified that no changes, other than those reported to the Agency have been made to the labeling. The Agency acknowledges this notification by letter dated:

08/06/2021

#### PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS

CAUTION. Causes moderate eye irritation. Avoid contact with eyes or clothing. Wear protective eyewear. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling and before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco or using the toilet.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE): Applicators and other handlers must wear

- Long-sleeved shirt and long pants
- Shoes plus socks
- Protective eyewear
- Waterproof gloves

Mixers/loaders and applicators must wear a minimum of a NIOSH-approved particulate filtering facepiece respirator with any N, R or P filter; OR a NIOSH-approved elastomeric particulate respirator with any N, R or P filter; OR a NIOSH-approved powered air-purifying respirator with an HE filter. (Repeated exposure to high concentrations of microbial proteins can cause allergic sensitization.)

Follow manufacturer's instructions for cleaning and maintaining PPE. If no such instructions for washables exist, use detergent and hot water. Keep and wash PPE separately from other laundry.

#### User Safety Recommendations

- User should remove clothing immediately if pesticide gets inside. Then wash thoroughly and put on clean clothing.
- User should remove PPE immediately after handling this product. Wash outside of gloves before removing. As soon as possible, wash thoroughly and change into clean clothing.

**Environmental Hazards:** For terrestrial uses; Do not apply directly to water, or to areas where surface water is present, or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Do not contaminate water when disposing of equipment washwater or rinsate.

#### **DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with the labeling.

Do not apply this product in a way that will contact workers or other persons, either directly or through drift. Only protected handlers may be in the area during application. For any requirements specific to your State or Tribe, consult the State or Tribal agency responsible for pesticide regulation.



#### AGRICULTURAL USE REQUIREMENTS

Use this product only in accordance with its labeling and with the Worker Protection Standard, 40 CFR part 170. This standard contains requirements for the protection of agricultural workers on farms, forests, nurseries, and greenhouses, and handlers of agricultural pesticides. It contains requirements for training, decontamination, notification, and emergency assistance. It also contains specific instructions and exceptions pertaining to the statements on this label about personal protective equipment (PPE), notification to workers, and restricted-entry interval. The requirements in this box apply to uses of this product that are covered by the Worker Protection Standard.

Do not enter or allow worker entry into treated areas during the restricted entry interval (REI) of 4 hours.

PPE required for early entry to treated areas (that is permitted under the Worker Protection Standard and that involves contact with anything that has been treated, such as plants, soil, or water), is:

- Coveralls
- Waterproof gloves
- Shoes plus socks
- Protective eye wear

#### **Use Precautions**

- Keep GALLTROL-A refrigerated (35°- 40°F). Use as soon after receipt as possible. Do not use if frozen or allowed to get hot or dry.
- When preparing dip or spray suspensions of GALLTROL-A, use clean containers and nonchlorinated water free of copper, zinc or bactericidal materials to avoid loss of potency.
- GALLTROL-A bacteria may be inactivated by freezing or by exposure to high temperatures, sunlight and desiccation. Do not expose plates to sunlight. GALLTROL-A bacteria do not survive well from day to day in water. Mix fresh suspension of GALLTROL-A each day.
- Crown gall infections occur through fresh plant wounds. Dip or spray treated stock the same day that wounding (e.g., cutting, lifting, digging, root pruning, handling) or planting occurs.
- After application, do not wash or remove the bacterial suspension from plants. Pre-existing gall infection is not controlled by GALLTROL-A.

#### **APPLICATION DIRECTIONS**

For use only on the seeds, roots or stems of certain plants susceptible to crown gall infection:

Use Sites (Terrestrial and Greenhouse Non-food Crops)		
Non-Bearing Fruit and Nut Nursery Stock	Ornamental Nursery Stock	
almond, apple, apricot, blueberry, caneberries (blackberry, boysenberry, raspberry, youngberry), cherry, kiwifruit, nectarine, peach, pear, pecan, plum, prune, walnut	Euonymus, rose, weeping cherry, willow, poplar, clematis, etc.	

(Note: resistant strains of crown gall bacteria may be found.)

GALLTROL-A is used at the rate of bacteria from 1 plate per gallon of water (non-chlorinated). Remove the mass of bacteria from the agar surface by submerging plate in water and gently wiping with gloved hand. Mix bacteria with water in a clean bucket for dip or hand spray. Rinse the plate free of bacteria and use immediately. Discard plate and agar. Plants should be treated within 12 hours after each event causing new wounds. Wash roots clean and prune broken roots, if possible, before treating. Prepare new GALLTROL-A suspension whenever it becomes excessively dirty. Discard prepared solution after 24 hours. To spray, use small hand-operated sprayer producing coarse spray with large droplets.

**Germinating Seed Application** (Non-bearing Fruit and Nut Trees): Apply by dipping seed in GALLTROL-A immediately prior to planting in seed bed.

**Cutting Application:** Dip or hand spray clean basal ends in GALLTROL-A mix. Treat before and after cold storage, when possible.

**Root and Stem Application:** Bare-root stock should be dipped or thoroughly sprayed (saturated) with GALLTROL-A suspension to cover roots and stem up to bud or graft union. One gallon of GALLTROL-A mix may treat following numbers of trees of specified caliper size: 200 trees (a) <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>"-1"; 300 trees (a) 5/8"; 400 trees (a) <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>"; and 800 trees (a) <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>". Amount of GALLTROL-A mix required will vary depending on size of root ball and treatment method. Treat within 12 hours after lifting (digging) from nursery or causing any other wounding event, and on the same day as planting.

## STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage and disposal.

**<u>Pesticide Storage</u>**: Store GALLTROL-A containers closed in a plastic bag under refrigeration (35°- 40° F) until ready for use. Not for sale or use after [120 days after the date of manufacture]. GALLTROL-A bacteria may be inactivated by freezing or by exposure to high temperature, sunlight and desiccation. Do not expose plates to sunlight.

**<u>Pesticide Disposal</u>**: Waste resulting from the use of this product must be disposed of on-site or at an approved waste disposal facility.

**<u>Container Disposal</u>**: Securely wrap petri plates and packaging in newspaper and dispose of these in a sanitary landfill. Do not burn.

#### WARRANTY

NOTICE: To the extent consistent with applicable law, neither Manufacturer nor Seller make any warranty, express or implied, concerning the use, effects of, or results from use of this product, other than as indicated on this label. To the extent consistent with applicable law, buyer assumes all risks of use, storage and handling of this material not in strict accordance with directions contained on label. [The Following is a sticker that will be placed on the lid of each agar plate]

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#### Keep out of Reach of Children CAUTION/AVISO

DIRECTIONS FOR USE:

- 1. Remove the lid & submerge agar plate in container of non-chlorinated water, 1 gallon of water per plate.
- 2. While submerging plate in water, gently wipe off bacterial layer from agar surface with gloved hand. Do not break agar if to be used as a spray. Discard agar & plate.
- 3. If a slurry is made, agitate slurry suspension before adding to sprayer. Add water to a treatment volume of 1gallon water per plate.
- 4. Treat plants ASAP (maximum 12 hours) after wounding. Discard unused suspension after 24 hours.

#### **STORE IN REFRIGERATOR – DO NOT FREEZE**

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