



## U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Office of Pesticide Programs  
Registration Division (7505C)  
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EPA Reg. Number:

74779-2

Date of Issuance:

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## NOTICE OF PESTICIDE:

☒ Registration  
☐ Reregistration  
(under FIFRA, as amended)

Term of Issuance:

Conditional

Name of Pesticide Product:

Bacastat Tree Injection

Name and Address of Registrant (include ZIP Code):

Rainbow Treecare Scientific Advancements  
2239 Edgewood Ave. South  
Minneapolis, MN 55426

Note: Changes in labeling differing in substance from that accepted in connection with this registration must be submitted to and accepted by the Registration Division prior to use of the label in commerce. In any correspondence on this product always refer to the above EPA registration number.

On the basis of information furnished by the registrant, the above named pesticide is hereby registered/reregistered under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act. Registration is in no way to be construed as an endorsement or recommendation of this product by the Agency. In order to protect health and the environment, the Administrator, on his motion, may at any time suspend or cancel the registration of a pesticide in accordance with the Act. The acceptance of any name in connection with the registration of a product under this Act is not to be construed as giving the registrant a right to exclusive use of the name or to its use if it has been covered by others.

This product is conditionally registered in accordance with FIFRA section 3(c)(7)(A) provided that you:

1. Submit and/or cite all data required for registration of your product under FIFRA Section 3(c)(5) when the agency requires all registrants of similar products to submit such data; and submit acceptable responses required for reregistration of your product under FIFRA Section 4.
2. Make the following label changes before you release the product for shipment:
  - a. Revise the EPA Registration Number to read, "EPA Reg. No. 74779-2."
  - b. Delete the phrase, "Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice" from its current location and add it as a third bullet in each of the sections (IF IN EYES and IF ON SKIN OR ON CLOTHING) of the First Aid box.

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Signature of Approving Official:

Mary L. Waller, Product Manager (21)  
Fungicide Branch, Registration Division (7505C)

Date:

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- c. Place restrictions language above and outside of the Agricultural use Requirements box.
- d. Delete *dust mask* from the PPE section
- e. Delete *protective eyewear* from the Agricultural Use Requirements
- f. Delete the phrase, "After the solution has emptied into the tree," in the second paragraph under Application Methods (page 4).
- g. In Mixing Instructions (page 4), bullet 3 add "fl" before oz and in bullet 5 delete, "Following the manufacturer's recommendations," and add (0.5 fl. oz.) after 15 milliliters.
- h. In Mixing Instructions (page 5), bullet 3 add "fl" before oz.
- i. At the end of the Pesticide Storage section (before Pesticide Disposal) add the phrase, "which is labeled with the product name and EPA registration number." to the end of the sentence.

3. Submit one copy of the revised final printed label for the record before you release the product for shipment.

If these conditions are not complied with, the registration will be subject to cancellation in accordance with FIFRA section 6(e). Your release for shipment of the product constitutes acceptance of these conditions.

Sincerely,



Mary L. Waller  
Product Manager (21)  
Fungicide Branch  
Registration Division (7505C)

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# Bacastat™ Tree Injection

**Bacastat™ Tree Injection** is a unique water soluble oxytetracycline formulation that is used for injection into non-crop bearing ornamental trees such as oak, elm, sycamore, and palm for suppression of bacterial diseases. Bacastat is tree friendly, as it contains no solvents.

Contents will treat 100 trunk diameter inches (DBH).

Active Ingredient	
Oxytetracycline Hydrochloride*	18.30%
Related compounds	0.17%
Other Ingredients	81.53%
Total	100.00%

\*Equivalent to 17% oxytetracycline

## KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN CAUTION

Si usted no entiende la etiqueta, busque a alguien para que se la explique a usted en detalle. (If you do not understand the label, find someone to explain it to you in detail.)

See Side/Back Panel for Additional Precautionary Statements, First Aid and Directions for Use

EPA Reg. No. 74779-E

EPA Est. No. 74779-MN-1

Net Contents: 58.8g (2.07 oz) (20 individual 2.94g or 0.104 oz packets)

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with COMMENTS  
In EPA Letter Dated:**

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Under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as amended, for the pesticide registered under EPA Reg. No.

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**FIRST AID:** Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.

### IF IN EYES

- Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15-20 minutes.
- Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye.

### IF ON SKIN OR CLOTHING

- Take off contaminated clothing.
- Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15-20 minutes.

Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor or going for treatment.

### HOT LINE NUMBER

For 24 hour medical emergency assistance (human or animal), or chemical emergency assistance (spill, leak or accident). Call 1-877-272-6747

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**PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENT  
HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS**

**CAUTION:** Causes moderate eye irritation. Harmful if absorbed through skin. Avoid contact with eyes or clothing. Do not breathe mist. Prolonged or frequently repeated exposure may cause allergic reactions in some individuals. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling and before eating, drinking, chewing gum or using tobacco. Remove and wash contaminated clothing before reuse. This material is not to be used for medical veterinary or human purposes.

**Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**

Some materials that are chemical resistant to this product are listed below. If you want more options, follow the instructions for Category A on an EPA chemical resistant category selection chart.

Applicators and other handlers must wear:

- Long sleeved shirt
- Long pants
- Chemical-resistant gloves made of any waterproof material
- Shoes plus socks
- Dust mask

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

**Engineering Control Statements:**

When handlers use closed systems or enclosed cabs in a manner that meets the requirements listed in the Worker Protection Standard (WPS) for agricultural pesticides [40 CFR 170.240(d)(4-6)], the handler PPE requirements may be reduced or modified as specified in the WPS.

**User Safety Recommendations:**

Users must:

- Wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco or using the toilet.
- Remove clothing immediately if pesticide gets inside. Then wash thoroughly and put on clean clothing.

**Environmental Hazards**

Do not apply directly to water, to areas where surface water is present, or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Do not contaminate water when cleaning equipment or disposing of equipment wash water.

## DIRECTIONS FOR USE

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

### Restrictions

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 agency responsible for pesticide regulation. Do not apply this product through any type of irrigation system. Only use **Bacastat™ Tree Injection** on trees greater than 6" in diameter.

To be used on non-crop bearing ornamentals only.

### 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) and restricted entry interval. The requirements in this box apply to uses 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 12 hours.

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, wear:

- Coveralls over long-sleeved shirts and long pants
- Chemical-resistant gloves made of any waterproof material
- Shoes plus socks
- Protective eyewear

Resistance Management Statements **Bacastat™ Tree Injection** contains a Group 18 (fungicide/bactericide). Fungal isolates/bacterial strains with acquired resistance to Group 18 may eventually dominate the fungal/bacterial population if Group 18 fungicides/bactericides are used repeatedly in the same field or in successive years as the primary method of control for targeted species. This may result in partial or total loss of control of those species by **Bacastat™ Tree Injection** or other Group 18 products.

To delay fungicide/bactericide resistance consider:

- Avoiding the consecutive use of **Bacastat™ Tree Injection** or other target site of action Group 18 fungicides/bactericides that have a similar target site of action, on the same pathogens.
- Using tank-mixtures or premixes with fungicide/bactericides from different target site of action Groups as long as the involved products are all registered for the same use and are both effective at the tank mix or pre-pack rate on the pathogen(s) of concern. Do not use any product that has a prohibition on tank mixing and follow the more restrictive use directions.
- Basing fungicide/bactericide use on a comprehensive IPM program.
- Monitoring treated fungal/bacterial populations for loss of field efficacy.
- Contacting your local extension specialist, certified crop advisors, and/or manufacturer for fungicide/bactericide resistance management and/or IPM recommendations for specific crops and resistant pathogens.

### Bacterial Leaf Scorch

Apply once per growing season using a micro injection or macro infusion system. Make treatments after full leaf development in the spring and prior to July 1<sup>st</sup> for best effectiveness. Treatment with **Bacastat™ Tree Injection** suppresses scorch symptoms only in the year of treatment. Re-treatment is required each growing season for continued suppression of scorch symptoms. Using this product in combination with

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sound cultural treatments such as mulching, irrigation during periods of drought, and management of insect and disease pests is helpful in suppressing symptoms and delaying the onset of decline.

The Growth Regulator **Cambistat™** has been shown to be effective in suppressing Bacterial Leaf Scorch symptoms by increasing the drought tolerance and improving the vigor of infected oak trees.

#### **Lethal Palm Yellows**

Apply every 3 months for suppression of symptoms on palm trees. It is not recommended that this program be carried out indefinitely. A replanting program that utilizes native palms that are resistant to Lethal Yellows must accompany treatment.

### **Application Methods**

#### **Root Flare Injection**

**Bacastat™ Tree Injection** can be used with a variety of root-flare injection devices including small volume microinjection and high volume macro-infusion devices. For all injection devices, read carefully and follow all manufacturer use directions.

Most injection devices may require several minutes or more to empty into the tree, however, some may take longer to empty depending on the health of the treated tree and local weather conditions. After the solution has emptied into the tree, do not leave the injection devices unattended and promptly and safely remove them, according to the manufacturer's recommendations. Do not leave empty injection devices on trees. Follow the manufacturer's recommendations for proper cleaning and storage of the injection devices.

If the injection device does not completely empty within a few hours, depressurize the device and remove from the tree in an inverted position to avoid the solution leaking. When using a refillable injection device, empty the leftover solution into an enclosed chemical resistant container. After the leftover solution has been emptied from the injection device, triple rinse the device with water. Ensure that the rinsate is collected in an enclosed chemical resistant container. Wastes resulting from the use of this product may be disposed of on site or at an approved waste disposal facility.

#### **Micro-Injection (Small Volume Devices):**

#### **Mixing Instructions**

1. Measure the diameter of the tree at breast height (DBH).
2. Use 1 package of **Bacastat™ Tree Injection** for each 5" diameter (or 16" Circumference).
3. In a separate chemical resistant container, combine 45 ml (1.5 oz) of water for every 1 package of **Bacastat Tree Injection**. Place the package in the container unopened (the packaging will dissolve).
4. Seal the container and gently shake the solution until the **Bacastat™ Tree Injection** has dissolved and the contents are evenly distributed throughout the mixture. Mix only the desired amount of **Bacastat™ Tree Injection** that will be used for each application and use immediately after adding water.
5. Following the manufacturer's recommendations, dispense 15 milliliters of ready to use solution into each individual injection device. For best tree distribution use approximately 1 injection site for every 2 diameter inches (approximately 1 injection site every 6 inches) evenly spaced around the root-flares.

#### **Installation and Application using the Rainbow Treecare Scientific Advancement M3 injector:**

1. Examine the tree for the presence of root flare. If flares are not visible, excavate the root collar. Make Infusion sites 5-10 inches below the top of the root flare.
2. Thoroughly brush all dirt from the tree. A dirty root flare will dull the drill bit and increase **Bacastat** uptake time.

3. Lay the injectors around the tree to select injection sites. The application rate is 1 injection site for every 2 diameter inches (approximately 1 injection site every 6 inches) evenly spaced around the root-flares. Using a HIGH HELIX drill bit, Drill a 4.5 to 5 cm (1 1/4" or 3/16") hole at a downward angle into each selected buttress root flare above the soil line. Drill to a depth of 1 to 1.5 cm (3/8 to 1/2") into healthy xylem tissue.
4. Insert the injector tip into the hole and seat firmly with hand pressure.
5. Close the control valve.
6. Inject treatment liquid into the M3 injector reservoir through the black duckbill (filling) valve.
7. Inject air into the M3 injector reservoir through the filling valve. Do not inject more than 25 cc of air. If the tool used to pressurize the capsule passes all of the way through the duckbill, the duckbill will not be able to close, so there will not be any pressure in the capsule.
8. Open the control valve just to the point where the liquid starts to flow into the tree.
9. Check for leaks. If leaks are found close the valve, seat firmly into the tree and re-open the valve. If leaks persist the problem may be too shallow of a hole, close the valve, remove the injector and re-drill to a deeper depth.
10. Uptake usually occurs within minutes. When all of the treatment liquid is out of the injector, a wash solution of water can be injected into the M3 injector and it can be re-pressurized or the M3 injector can be closed and removed from the tree. Wash solutions are not compatible with all formulations. Check for compatibility prior to rinsing the M3 injector into the tree.
11. Remove the M3 injector from the tree and store properly for reuse.

### **Macro-Injection (Large Volume System):**

With this product, a 3-5 gallon hand pump reservoir is the recommended device along with the Rainbow Scientific Tee and Harness system.

### **Mixing Instructions**

1. Measure the diameter of the tree at breast height (DBH).
2. Use 1 package of **Bacastat™ Tree Injection** for each 5" diameter (or 16" Circumference).
3. In your hand pump reservoir, combine 750 ml (25.5 oz) of water for every 1 package of **Bacastat™ Tree Injection**. With large volume systems, more water can be utilized without a decrease in product effectiveness. Place the package in the container unopened (the packaging will dissolve).
4. Seal the container and gently shake the solution until the **Bacastat™ Tree Injection** has dissolved and the contents are evenly distributed throughout the mixture. Mix only the desired amount of **Bacastat™ Tree Injection** that will be used for each application and use immediately after adding water.

### **Installation and Application:**

1. Examine the tree for the presence of root flare. If flares are not visible, carefully remove soil from the base of the tree to uncover the top of the flare roots. Brush away loose soil. Very thoroughly – Dirty flares will dull the drill bit and increase uptake time. Make infusion sites 5-10 inches below the top of the root flare.
2. Drill holes through the bark, into sapwood, using a clean, sharp, HIGH HELIX drill bit. Drill perpendicular to the surface of the flare. Drill hole diameter needs to be adequate to allow insertion of injection tees and formation of airtight contact between active xylem and the delivery point of the injection tees. When using the Rainbow Scientific tees, use a 15/64-diameter drill bit. Follow manufacturer's instructions if other injection devices are used in the treatment.

Drill hole depth must be adequate to deliver the product into active xylem tissue. Make the depth approximately 1 inch past the bark. Drill at slow speeds and do not unnecessarily spin the bit in the hole.

For best tree distribution use 1 injection site for every 2 diameter inches (approximately 1 injection site every 6 inches) evenly spaced around the root-flares.

3. Check each tee to be sure it is not plugged and replace badly damaged tees. Firmly insert tees by hand. Attach tubing from the solution reservoir to feed into the harness in 2 locations, on opposite sides of the tree.
4. Pull out 2 tees on opposite sides of the tree. Prime the pump if it is not self-priming. Turn on the pump and bleed the air out of the line. With all air out of harness, re-insert the 2 tees and check for leaks. Adjust the pressure to 15-20 psi. Lightly tap any leaking tees.
5. During the infusion, monitor tees for leaks. Maintain pressure at 15-20 psi.
6. Turn off the pump when air is drawn into the harness. Remove tees from the tree. Flush holes with water to assist with wound closure. Replace soil and sod around the base of the tree. It is not necessary to treat drill holes with wound paint or other sealing compounds.

### **STORAGE AND DISPOSAL**

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

**Pesticide Storage:** Keep tightly closed and sealed. Product is moisture, temperature and light sensitive. Product is hygroscopic so protect from moisture. Store in a cool (<77°F, 25°C), dry place away from heat and open flames with minimum exposure to the atmosphere. Avoid extremes in temperature. If the injection device does not completely empty within a few hours, depressurize the device and remove from the tree in an inverted position to avoid the solution leaking. When using a refillable injection device, empty the leftover solution into an enclosed chemical resistant container.

**Pesticide Disposal:** After the leftover solution has been emptied from the injection device, triple rinse the device with water. Ensure that the rinsate is collected in an enclosed chemical resistant container. Wastes resulting from the use of this product may be disposed of on site or at an approved waste disposal facility.

**Container Disposal:** Completely empty product into application equipment. Then dispose of bag in a sanitary landfill, by incineration, or if allowed by State and local authorities by burning. If burned, stay out of smoke.

### **CONDITIONS OF SALE AND LIMITATION OF WARRANTY AND LIABILITY**

**Notice:** Read the entire Directions for Use and Conditions of Sale and Limitation of Warranty and Liability before buying or using this product. If the terms are not acceptable, return the product at once, unopened, and the purchase price will be refunded.

The Directions for Use of this product must be followed carefully. It is impossible to eliminate all risks inherently associated with the use of this product. Tree injury, ineffectiveness or other unintended consequences may result because of such factors as manner of use or application, weather or tree conditions, presence of other materials or other influencing factors in the use of the product, which are beyond the control of RAINBOW TREECARE SCIENTIFIC ADVANCEMENTS or seller. To the extent consistent with applicable law, all such risks shall be assumed by Buyer and User, and Buyer and User agree to hold RAINBOW TREECARE SCIENTIFIC ADVANCEMENTS and seller harmless for any claims relating to such factors.

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#### **OPTIONAL MARKETING CLAIMS**

**Aids in the suppression [control] of Ash Yellows**

**Aids in the suppression [control] of Bacterial Leaf Scorch (&) (Phloem Necrosis) of Elm**

**Aids in the suppression [control] of Bacterial Leaf Scorch of Oak**

**Aids in the suppression [control] of Palm Lethal yellows**

**Aids in the suppression [control] of Bacterial Blight of flowering crabapple (hawthorn)**

**Aids in the suppression [control] of Bacterial canker of hickory [horsechestnut], [maple], [mimosa], [oak], [walnut]**

**Aids in the suppression [control] of Fire Blight of ornamental [apple] [cherry] [crabapple] [hawthorn] [mountain ash] [pear]**

**Aids in the suppression [control] of Vascular Yellows of ash (elm)**

**Aids in the suppression [control] of fungal and bacterial pathogens systemically**

**For seasonal suppression [control] of certain diseases of ornamental trees**

**Suppresses [controls] certain diseases of ornamental trees**

**Committed to advancing the science of tree care.**

**Committed to bringing tools inside protocols that get predictable results for the arborist practitioner.**

**Contents [117.6g] [176.4g] will treat [200] [300] trunk diameter inches (DBH).**