



# NEMATECH S<sup>®</sup> SP is a biological solution for the management of Thrips and sciarid flies.

PRODUCT SPECS		PRODUCT USES	
Active Agent	Steinernema feltiae	Thrips	Cutworm
Agent Type	Beneficial nematode	Sciarid flies	Leafminer

NEMATECH S<sup>o</sup> SP kills pest insects by invading their bodies through an entomopathogenic process.

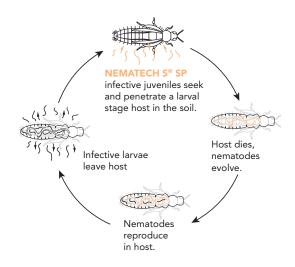
#### BIOLOGY

NEMATECH S<sup>®</sup> SP is a biological insecticide containing third stage infective juveniles (J3) of Steinernema feltiae (Isolate DDT-D2), a naturally occurring insect killing (entomopathogenic) nematode used to manage Thrips and Sciarid Flies (Fungus Gnats). The nematodes enter the insect's body to complete their life-cycle, killing the insect in the process.

#### MODE OF ACTION

The juvenile nematodes enter the insect's body while in the soil through natural openings such as spiracles. Once inside the insect body, the nematodes release symbiotic bacteria (ingested from the soil) which are lethal to the insect. The nematodes molt to the next stage, feed on the dead insect, multiply and move out to find new hosts to infect.

#### LIFECYCLE AND ACTION OF NEMATECH S<sup>®</sup> SP



## **ADVANTAGES OF NEMATECH S® SP**

- > Highly effective on the various stages of the Thrips lifecycle.
- Targets a wide range of insect pests. >
- > No resistance development to NEMATECH S<sup>®</sup> SP.
- > Safe to the environment, beneficial organisms and applicators.

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- > No REI and no PHI required.
- > NEMATECH S<sup>®</sup> SP is not parasitic to plants.
- > Easily carried in soil water.

## INTRODUCTION METHOD

NEMATECH S<sup>®</sup> SP may be applied as a soil drench using standard irrigation equipment or by any standard method used in pesticide application.

- > Mix the required amount of the water soluble product with water (15 - 20°C) and stir well to form a uniform suspension.
- > Apply using drip irrigation or standard high volume spray equipment at a minimum water rate of 1000L/Ha.
- Use a maximum pressure of 12 bars and spray nozzles of at least 0.5 mm.
- > All filters smaller than  $500\mu$  in diameter must be removed to avoid blockages.
- > Irrigate immediately after application in case of soil drench.
- > Use the entire package content.

RATE SCHEDULE	Rate/Ha*	Interval (days)	REI & PHI
Preventative	2.0bn	30	
Light/Medium Curative	2.0bn	7	
Heavy Curative	2.5bn	5-7	0
	When pest pop. reduces, revert to preventative.		

\* Infective juveniles/Ha

# BEST PRACTICE ADVICE

- Applications should be done early morning or late evening for maximum target reach, ensure continuous mixing during application.
- > Apply to wet media or soil.
- Avoid using **NEMATECH S<sup>®</sup> SP** with incompatible pesticides. >
- Simultaneous use of nematicides must be avoided.

STORAGE		PACKAGING		
Storage temp.	8-12°C	Beneficial Nematodes as packed		
Conditions	Dark and dry	Quantity	Pack Size	
Max storage time	2 weeks	250,000,000	1000ml	
Do not freeze. Store original unopened of IPM ADVICE	ontainer.	NEMATECH S		
Before introducing <b>NEMATECH S<sup>®</sup> SP</b> to your crop it is important that the plant is clean of negative chemical residues. Please consult the Dudutech SIDE EFFECT GUIDE on <b>dudutech.com</b> for compatible chemicals.				

If there are any questions about the product, please contact a Dudutech specialist in your area.

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