



# Isagro USA to Market Vestaron Corporation's Spear<sup>®</sup>-T Biological Insecticide in Greenhouse Vegetables

News Release

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*Morrisville, NC – (June 15, 2017)* – Isagro USA, Inc. (Isagro) has signed an agreement to market Vestaron Corporation's (Vestaron) Spear<sup>®</sup>-T biological insecticide for use on greenhouse vegetables in the United States.



Under the terms of the agreement, Isagro will immediately begin marketing Spear-T in the USA as an effective and environmentally conscious choice for the control of the greenhouse vegetable industry's toughest pests - thrips, whiteflies and spider mites.

"Building a dynamic portfolio of biological and organic crop protection in addition to plant beneficial nutrient products has been our priority for several years in the United States," according to John Paul Du Pre, Executive Chairman of Isagro USA

Spear-T has proven to be highly effective on target pests, and by nature of its design is non-toxic to honeybees, fish, birds, humans and other mammals. Field trials of Spear-T demonstrate results that are equivalent or superior to many conventional control insecticides.

John Paul Du Pre added "Spear-T is a biological insecticide that delivers a novel biocontrol solution in a quality formulation for a high degree of consistency and targeted whitefly, thrips and spider mite control. Spear-T is a perfect fit with the Isagro biosolutions portfolio of crop protection and nutrient products."

The product's active ingredient utilizes a new mode of action to control insects, making Spear-T an excellent fit in a chemical resistance and/or integrated pest management program. It also has a four-hour re-entry interval (REI) and zero-day post-harvest interval (PHI) to maximize grower flexibility.

"We are pleased to be teaming with Isagro to bring this product to greenhouse, vegetable growers," said Vestaron CEO/President, John Sorenson. "Isagro impressed us with its biosolutions portfolio and Spear-T fits well with their strategy."

## About Vestaron Corporation

Vestaron is a privately-held biotechnology company that specializes in the development of effective bioinsecticides derived from naturally-occurring peptides. More information at [www.vestaron.com](http://www.vestaron.com).

## About Isagro USA

Isagro USA, Inc. is headquartered in Morrisville, NC (Research Triangle Park) and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Isagro S.p.A., based in Milan, Italy. Isagro S.p.A. is a global discoverer, manufacturer, formulator and marketer of crop protection products with a portfolio based on proprietary molecules coming from its own R&D unit. Besides its presence in the U.S. Isagro holds subsidiaries in some key markets and serves customers in approximately 80 countries. For more information, visit [www.isagro-usa.com](http://www.isagro-usa.com) and [www.isagro.com](http://www.isagro.com).

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