

Biological Seed Treatment

Soil and Plant Enhancer (SPE-120) with active ingredient Beauveria bassiana, is a natural, **symbiotic fungus** that lives in the **soil**, **roots**, **stems**, and **leaves**. SPE-120 grows with the plant!

Conventional seed treatments using neonicotinoids or other synthetic chemicals have a finite amount that can fit on the seed. They become less effective as the plant grows and are not compatible with nature.

SPE-120 blends food grade and certified organic products with Beauveria bassiana. Many certifiers have determined compliance with organic standards. Contact your certifier to add SPE-120 to your plan.

Observed Results

- Potatoes- Reports have shown over 20 bags/acre yield increase. With reducing rhizoctonia, the pickouts were reduced from 23% to 2%. Minimal damage from Colorado Potato Beetle vs. neighbor.
- Soybeans and corn-Increased resilience to flooding and drought
- Tomatoes sold into restaurants were noticeably more flavorful. Brix score measured 5 points higher than from non-treated plants. Outdoor plants had almost no insect damage.
- Trial in soybeans treated with SPE-120 in Pewamo soils yielded 9.6 bushels more than untreated beans. Soybean aphids and stink bugs were found on non-treated plots only.
- Leaf chlorophyll measured 4.2 points higher for treated plants. Plants were visibly taller and healthier.
- Another soybean trial, 20 miles separate, found numerous alternative pollinators in the field treated with SPE-120. This was not the case in untreated fields.
- Reports from High Plains growers: increased quality; increased yields relating to limited potato psyllid pressure.
- Organic corn trials- Increase of up to 20 bu/ac in Ohio and northeast Iowa

Customer Comments

- "Organic Sweet corn harvested in August had no ear worm" South Dakota grower
- "No loopers in our cabbage" South Dakota vegetable grower

Application Rates

For best results, apply as seed treatment or in the seed trench.

Beauveria bassiana is relatively light sensitive

Seed trench: Add from .75 to 1.25 oz/acre based on the row width and the size of seed pieces

Foliar feed:

Ground application – 0.5-2.0 oz/ acre for plant health

Aerial application – 0.25 oz-1.5 oz/ acre for plant health

Corn and sorghum
Cotton
Legumes: beans,
alfalfa and peanuts
Potatoes
Soybeans
Tomatoes
Vegetables and Fruit
Wheat and small
grains

SPE-120 with Beauveria bassiana is a **plant symbiont that** provides the plant with:

- Stimulation of immune system
- Physical blockage of pathogenic diseases
- Beneficial Plant biochemical interactions
- Uses pest insects as a dispersal mechanism
- Naturally occurs in soil but has been killed off by fungicides and tillage

Reports, trials and research indicate seeds treated with Soil Plant Enhancer (SPE-120) with Beauveria bassiana have shown improved performance against:

Potato psyllids

Leaf hoppers

Pea aphids

Green peach aphids

Leaf miner, Mites, white flies

Wheat midge

Spotted wing drosophila in raspberries

Grape colaspis

Wheat stem sawfly

Apple maggot

Onion maggot

Onion thrips

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Pecan weevil

Alfalfa weevil

Clover leaf weevil

Squash borer

Cabbage looper

Armyworm

Corn Ear worm

Pink boll worm

Variegated cutworm

Black cutworm

Webworm

European corn borer

Northern corn root worm beetle

Western corn root worm beetle

Japanese beetle

Colorado potato beetle

Wireworms

Corn: Fusarium, Goss's wilt, Anthracnose **Wheat:** Common rust, Fusarium, DON

Potatoes: Rhizoctonia , Anthracnose, Early blight

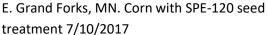
Rye: Ergot

Soybeans: Stem Canker, Stem Borer, Fusarium root

rot, Common rust, Anthracnose









Central Ohio Corn: SPE-120 treated (top) vs. untreated showed better root and stalk development



Northern MN Dry beans – left SPE-120 treated, right chemical treated, picture taken July 8, 2016



Potato and Vegetable Biological Seed Treatment

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Observed Results

Potatoes

- Reports in Colorado and Ohio had over 20 bags/acre yield increase.
- In Colorado, with reducing rhizoctonia, the pickouts were reduced from 23% to 2%.
- Minimal damage from Colorado Potato Beetle (CPB) in Ohio.
- Reports from High Plains growers: increased quality; increased yields relating to limited potato psyllid pressure.

Tomatoes

- Tomatoes treated with SPE-120 and sold into restaurants were noticeably more flavorful.
- Brix score measured 5 points higher than control tomatoes.
- Outdoor plants had limited insect damage.

Customer Comments

- "Organic Sweet corn harvested in August had no earworms" –
 South Dakota grower
- "No loopers in our cabbage" South Dakota vegetable grower
- "Cole crops had less cabbage loopers" Colorado vegetable grower
- "Colorado Potato Beetle (CPB) damage was insignificant after using SPE-120 and this was in a field where we had potatoes for 4 years"
 Ohio vegetable grower

Application Rates

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Potatoes:

Add .75 - 1.25 oz/ac of SPE-120 as a liquid pop-up or a seed treatment

Vegetable:

Apply 1.00-1.25 oz/ac to all seeds prior to planting in green house or outdoors

Transplants - apply 1 oz/ac to transplant water with optional compatible nutrients

Fruit Trees:

Apply direct to the ground as a spray or drip irrigation from 1.5-2 oz/acre

After first year, reduce by 50%

When seeds were not SPE-120 treated:

Ground, aerial or overhead irrigation application

Drip irrigation - this is the best option since the ingredient, beauveria bassiana is relatively light sensitive

Potatoes, tomatoes, onions, cole crops, dry beans, brassicas, strawberries, brambles, fruit trees, vineyards and more

SPE-120 with Beauveria bassiana is a **plant symbiont. Activity includes**:

- Stimulation of immune system
- Restricts plant pathogens from entering the plant.
- Interacts with plant to produce additive biochemicals
- Combines plant resistance to insect feeders for reducing population threat
- Naturally occurs in soil but has been killed off by fungicides and tillage

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Green peach aphids

Leaf miner, Mites, white flies

Wheat midge

Spotted wing drosophila in raspberries

Grape colaspis
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Alfalfa weevil

Clover leaf weevil

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Organic Fingerling Red, SPE-120 seed treatment at planting. Taken about 8 weeks before harvest, Dalhart, TX July 2017





Greens and Cole crops SPE-120 treated, picture taken July 2017