

Vegetable Advisor

A TerraLink Technical Advisor

Agriplastics

Organix Ag™ Compostable Mulch Film

No, it is not just another plastic mulch film.

Organix Ag™ is a compostable mulch film suitable for a wide variety of agricultural applications. It is made with BASF Ecovio®, a GMO free biodegradable and compostable plastic that has been certified globally. It will fall apart in the soil without leaving any harmful residue, and at the end of the growing season Organix Ag™ can be plowed into the soil. Under appropriate temperature and humidity conditions, micro-organisms will turn Organix Ag™ into biomass, water and carbon dioxide, leaving no harmful residue. Not only are there cost savings, as there is no labor requirement to pull up mulch film that growers are used to normally, the environmental benefits are obvious.



Organix Ag™ has been field-tested, so producers can be assured it will perform under normal growing conditions and won't fall apart prematurely. Organix Ag™ has good stretch properties, is easy to perforate and can be used on conventional mulch-laying equipment.

Safety First

Spraying Safety Gear – We Have What You Need!

TerraLink is the place to go for safety gear, especially related to pesticide application. Come into the Abbotsford store on 464 Riverside Road, or the Delta store on 4119 – 40th Street, where you can shop our selection of respirators, spray suits, gloves, ear and eye protection.

Respirators & Cartridges:

We now supply the Honeywell brand of respirators. If you need a new respirator or need parts, you can upgrade by taking advantage of Honeywell's Respirator Exchange Program. For every old respirator of a different brand, TerraLink will take it back, and on behalf of our supplier, exchange it for a new Honeywell respirator of the same size. The old respirator must be in good working condition to qualify for the program.



We stock half-face masks, full face masks, dust masks, as well as cartridges and filters for all sizes.

Safety Apparel:

Spraysuits are stocked in all sizes. New this spring is a high-quality product that is resistant to chemicals, yet breathable. It has larger shoulders and armpits to provide more movement for you underneath. It also has no seams in the armpit and shoulder, to avoid the weak spots that are normally the places spraysuits might come apart.





We have all sizes of nitrile disposable chemical-resistant gloves, as well as a wide selection of sturdy workgloves.

Eyes & Ears:

TerraLink takes pride in stocking many different types and sizes of safety glasses and goggles. For the ears, we have earplugs and earmuffs, again to fit anyone. Just ask!

Pest Control

NEW! Vegol Crop Oil

Vegol Crop Oil is a new broad spectrum emulsifiable concentrate that serves as an insecticide, miticide and fungicide all in one. It can be used in both roles as a dormant season spray or as a growing season application. It is registered to control a wide variety of insects, mites, and scale insects in many crops, and will also suppress powdery mildew. Like other pesticidal oils, Vegol Crop Oil coats target pests, including eggs, suffocating them. It additionally acts as a repellent to insects (ovipositional and feeding deterrent). The active ingredient in Vegol Crop Oil is a non-GMO food-grade canola oil. It does not persist in the environment and has minimal impact on the environment. Vegol Crop Oil is registered to control aphids, mites, scale,

whiteflies and mealybugs on a very wide range of field vegetables.

Maximizing Production

Gibberellic Acid in Sweet Corn

GroSpurt GS-4 is a gibberellic acid plant growth regulator that is now available for use in a variety of field-grown vegetables, including sweet corn. Gibberellic acid has been used elsewhere in the world for various agricultural uses for decades. It behaves differently in each crop. In the Okanagan Valley, for example, cherry growers use this product every year without fail. It is used to increase fruit size, and no cherry grower lets a year go by without applying it. Blueberry growers in the Fraser Valley began using it last year to improve fruit set. In ornamental flowers, it is used to increase plant size, increase the number of flowers, increase bloom size and other effects. Again, in each plant species, the benefits are different.

GroSpurt™ GS-4

In sweet corn, GroSpurt is registered to increase yield and promote resistance to the effects of heat and drought. It is labeled to be applied at

the emergence of the V2 to V6 leaf stage, using a concentration of 20 – 50 ppm. This is equivalent to mixing 50 – 125 mL per 100 L water.

There is one thing to keep in mind when using gibberellic acid on sweet corn. Apparently, gibberellic acid may increase the effects of Group 27 herbicides. If you are growing varieties of sweet corn that are sensitive to Group 27 herbicides, there could be a risk of injury to the corn plants. Herbicides in Group 27 that are registered in sweet corn include Impact, Armezon and Callisto. Check with your seed supplier to confirm if you must be concerned with this combination.



Reduce, Re-use, Re-cycle

Pesticide Container Collection Program

TerraLink is participating in the CleanFARMS container collection program. This is part of the national industry association Crop Life Canada, which operates this program yearly to help reduce the amount of contaminated plastic that gets buried or burned. To be eligible, containers must be plastic, no bigger than 23 L in size. Empty your containers, triple rinse them and remove the caps and any loose label or plastic wrap material. Then they can be returned to our Abbotsford location.

