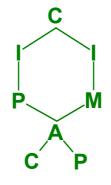


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This is to inform you that Dow AgroSciences is planning to organize a collaborative trial on a method for spinosad.

Principle. The Spinosyn Factor A and Factor D content is determined by reversed phase HPLC using a YMC ODS-AQ S-5 μ m, 120Å, 4.6×150 mm column (or other C18 equivalent column that will provide adequate resolution between the two factors of interest) with methanol/acetonitrile/water/acetic acid mobile phase. The compound is detected with a UV detector at 250 nm and quantification is done by internal standardization with dibutyl phthalate as internal standard.

Scope. It is intended to analyze 8 samples consisting of two lots of technical and three lots of SC and GR formulations. Samples, internal standard, and analytical standards will be supplied.

Time schedule. The collaborative trial is intended to be carried out during January – February 2005. (shipment January 2005).

Those who wish to participate should contact the organizer by December 12, 2004.

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