SUMMARY - POSTER PRESENTATION 1- CIPAC SYMPOSIUM IMPORTANCE AND ACTIVITIES OF THE ABNT STUDY COMMISSION OF PESTICIDES

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Among the ABNT committees, the Commission for the Study of Pesticides (CE 10:103.02) has been active continuously since the seventies, aims to establish specifications and standard procedures for regulation and quality assessment of pesticides used in Brazil. Its scope is the normalization of agrochemical products in regard to terminology, requirements and test methods and generalities. Its main motto is to internalize the FAO Pesticides Specifications and CIPAC Methods; also encompass current international classification for the chemical industry, International Standard Industry Classification (ISIC), United Nations (UN).

Currently there are 29 standards for pesticides in force, among which stand out: Pesticides and related products - Validation of analytical methods Pesticides and related products - technical products and formulations - Terminology

Pesticides - Evaluation of physical and chemical compatibility

Pesticides and related products - storage, handling and management in warehouses, depots and laboratories.

To separately, standardize the methodologies for the quality control of various formulations of Disinfesting Agents used in Brazil, the Study Commission of Methodologies for Disinfesting Agents (CE 10:103.03) was installed in December 2005. There are currently four existing standards for disinfectants, among which are:

Disinfestants - Terminology

Disinfestants - Determination of suspensibility