

Oxitec's Friendly[™] Platform for Proven and Sustainable Pest Management

Oxitec's Friendly™ Technology – Safe, Biological, Effective

Friendly[™] pests carry two introduced genes that deliver unparalleled pest management performance



Non-toxic and safe

Harmless to predators and other species

Male-only releases Insects do not harm people or crops

Traceable in the field

Marker detectable with special filters

Self-limiting in environment

Gene cannot persist beyond a few generations

Friendly[™] Genes

Scalable Production

Biological Mode-of-Action

Positive Impact for Communities & Agriculture









Powerful Dual Performance Benefits of Friendly[™] Technology

Friendly[™] products deliver two modes of action – rapid suppression of target pest populations, and/or introgression of insecticide susceptibility alleles into target wild pest populations for adding or preserving value in other major crop protection products, like Bt crops.

Highly Effective Suppression Outperforms Pesticides

TARGET PEST REDUCTION



Dilution of Insecticide Resistance Offers Protection of Bt Crops



Performance Scientifically Proven

- 100+ peer-reviewed publications
- Globally respected leader in arthropod biotechnology

Demonstrated Real-World Effectiveness

- Best-in-class vector suppression in city-wide and farm-scale deployments
- Repeated success in field pilot demonstrations in multiple countries

Multiple Biosafety Approvals

Deployments and pilot demonstrations conducted under approvals in the Americas, Africa, Europe, Asia and Australia

Friendly[™] Technology Can Be Applied to Diverse Pests and End-Markets

Applicable to a diverse range of important pests with a set of key traits





Flies

Beetles

Moths



- Reproduces by mating
- Amenable to artificial production
- Life cycle a few months or less

Set to deliver value to multiple markets

HEALTH	AGRICULTURE		LIVESTOCK
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Malaria	Corn	Fruits	Cattle
Dengue, Zika, Yellow Fever, Chikungunya	Soybeans	Vegetables	Poultry
• Chikungunya	Cotton		Digs
Nuisance Biters	Sugarcane	Iree nuts	Figs

Oxitec's Friendly™ Technology: Pipeline of Current Programs



Cattle Tick Program

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Oxitec's Proposed Solution to the World's Most Damaging Livestock Tick

Asian blue tick (Rhipicephalus (Boophilus) microplus)

- 1. Disease transmission
- 2. Farmer losses
- 3. Acaricide resistance
- 4. Invasiveness

Disease

 Transmits pathogens of bovine babesiosis and anaplasmosis, which cause emaciation and death in cattle.

Farmer losses

- Nearly US\$1 billion in dairy yield losses globally.
- In Brazil alone estimated >US\$3 billion annual losses.

Resistance

- Increasing resistance to acaricides used in cattle dips.
- Acaricide resistance makes it difficult to control and threatens reinvasion.

RHIPICEPHALUS MICROPLUS IS WIDELY DISTRIBUTED AND CAPABLE OF SPREADING FURTHER

Anticipated Oxitec Cattle Tick Future Benefits:

Reduce pest populations, to enable preventative tick management



Reduce reliance on existing tools, for greater sustainability



Provide safe, non-toxic and targeted tick management without harmful side-effects



Reduces resistance in pest population for potentially synergistic use with acaricides

The Oxitec *R. microplus* Feasibility Project – Scope and Objectives

DEVELOPING THE TOOLS



- DNA delivery methods validated
- Tissue-biased genetic components to implement the self-limiting system identified and undergoing validation

VALIDATING FUTURE IMPACT AND IMPLEMENTATION



Modelling ongoing to simulate future deployment scenarios of applications of the selflimiting R. microplus

PROVING THE PRINCIPLE

 Parasitic phase of male adult ticks and mating behaviour characterized
Whole-animal POC study ongoing



TRANSITION TO FULL DEVELOPMENT

- Cattle management practices characterized in relevant geographies, to inform Target Product Profile
- Future beneficiary groups in relevant geographies identified



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