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## Welcome!

**W**elcome to another installment of 2BMonthly and thanks to all of our subscribers for making 2BM the most widely read newsletter focused on the biocontrol and biostimulant industries.

This month's issue includes several interesting items including CAL-DPR registration for Certis/Neudorff's new non-selective bioherbicide, a new approach in the battle against citrus greening, and a study out of Virginia Tech that assigns more than \$12 billion in economic benefits to developing nations that take an IPM approach (including biocontrols).

If you have a news item or story idea you'd like to share, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at [info@2bmonthly.com](mailto:info@2bmonthly.com)!

~2BMonthly Editorial Team

## Trending Now

**Manus Bio Inc. and STK Bio-Ag Technologies enter a collaboration agreement.**

*Read more on page 1.*

**Homeplate bioherbicide receives CAL-DPR registration for control a variety of weeds on conventional and organic acreage.**

*Read more on page 2.*

**Sym-Agro's Cinnerate gains approval for control of disease, aphids, and other pests in greenhouse vegetable production.**

*Read more on page 3.*

**Elemental Enzymes obtains a patent for a natural peptide solution for citrus greening.**

*Read more on page 4.*

## Executives Speak:

**BioProtection Global President Nicolás Cock Duque gives an update on association activities including new partnerships and collaborations.**

*Read more on pages 4-5.*

**Kevin Helash, newly appointed CEO of Marrone Bio Innovations, provides his perspectives on the bio-industry and future of MBI**

*Read more on pages 5-6.*

## Mergers, Acquisitions and Partnerships

**M**anus Bio Inc., based in Massachusetts, USA, and Israel's STK Bio-Ag Technologies entered a collaboration agreement to develop and commercialize a series of natural plant-based active ingredients as new biopesticide products. The companies report that the first active ingredient in development through the collaboration has demonstrated potent efficacy for multiple classes of insect pests that commonly impact fruit, vegetable, and row crops. A major challenge has been to produce at the scale and economics required for deployment as a commercial crop protection solution. Manus Bio is using its advanced bio-fermentation platform and industrial manufacturing capabilities to develop a robust production process to supply this and other ingredients. STK will apply its expertise in advanced plant science and bio-ag solutions to enable the development and commercialization of these new cutting-edge botanical-based solutions worldwide. Manus Bio will be the exclusive supplier to STK for this first key ingredient as they work together to commercialize this proprietary and patented STK product.

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