Spear®-Lep is Vestaron’s revolutionary bioinsecticide for tree nuts, fruits, vegetables and other high-value field and orchard crops. Targeting lepidopteran pests such as loopers, worms and caterpillars, field trials with Spear-Lep show performance that is equal or superior to conventional insecticides. With no known resistance or cross-resistance, Spear-Lep works as a standalone, or in rotation with conventional insecticides as an excellent IPM and resistance management tool.

A NEW AND RELIABLE TOOL FOR NUT GROWERS

- Bioinsecticide based on a naturally occurring peptide
- Highly specific for lepidopterans with very low risk to beneficials
- Control that equals or surpasses conventional options
- Vital new tool for sustainable pest management
- New IRAC group 32 supporting resistance management
- Spear-Lep is effective when tank-mixed with its synergist, Bacillus thuringiensis (Btk)
- Excellent environmental and worker safety profile
- Zero-day PHI, 4-hour REI, MRL exempt
- Mode of entry - ingestion
- Mode of action - disruption of the nicotinic acetylcholine receptor
- Low risk of phytotoxicity
- Registered in all 50 states

FOR USE ON TREE NUTS

- ALMOND
- HAZELNUT
- PISTACHIO
- WALNUT

FOR USE ON OTHER CROPS

- APPLE
- BLUEBERRY
- CHERRY
- CRANBERRY
- GRAPE
- HOPS
- PEAR
- POTATO
- STONE FRUIT
- STRAWBERRY
- TOMATO
- VEGETABLES

Vestaron is The Peptide Company dedicated to improving the safety, efficacy, and sustainability of crop protection through migration from synthetic pesticides to biological peptides. Initially, Vestaron is focused on a class of peptides that kills insect pests efficiently, but is safe for humans, birds, fish, pollinators, and the environment. As part of this, the company has developed a proprietary platform for peptide optimization and fermentation-based peptide production that will allow development of a wide variety of effective crop protection solutions. Vestaron brands are emPOWERed by Peptides – providing new technology with a unique mode of action in a biological solution with performance equivalent to synthetic options, creating the opportunity to incorporate a new IRAC Group 32 into rotation recommendations for resistance management.
Leprotec® is Vestaron’s Btk bioinsecticide that is the ideal partner for use with Spear-Lep. When ingested together, the Btk proteins perforate the insect mid-gut allowing the Spear peptide to access the target receptor in the nervous system, killing the pest.

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