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AICL History

- 2011: **ICL** (Israel Chemicals Ltd.) purchased Scotts Professional Division.
- Name changed from Scotts Professional to Everris.
- In 2015 the name Everris was changed to ICL Specialty Fertilizers (ICLSF) for marketing purposes.







Who is ICL?







- Basic producers of P, K, Mg, acids and specialty chemicals.
- Commitment to sustainability.







ICL Specialty Fertilizers is a global leader in plant nutrition

- Manufacture and develop water soluble, and controlled release fertilizers.
- Our main markets are greenhouse, nursery and specialty agriculture.





Brands

Premium Straights







Water Soluble Fertilizers

Peters® **Professional**



pHLow®

Controlled Release Fertilizers









WSF - Best Management Practices

- Water test
- Know your water alkalinity
- Do in-house pH and EC testing



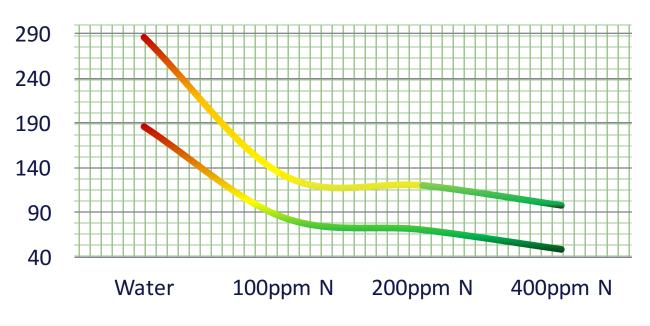
- Express your ideas and needs to fertilizer manufacturers
- Ask what is new



Changes - WSF

- Lower rates
- Products that do more than provide plant nutrition

Alkalinity correction using Peters Excel pHLow[®] 21-7-7 **Acid Hammer**





Changes - CRF

- Increased interest in CRF for greenhouse production and agriculture
- Part of nutrition program as base feed
- Movement to make "smart plants"
 - Post production nutrition
 - Delayed release



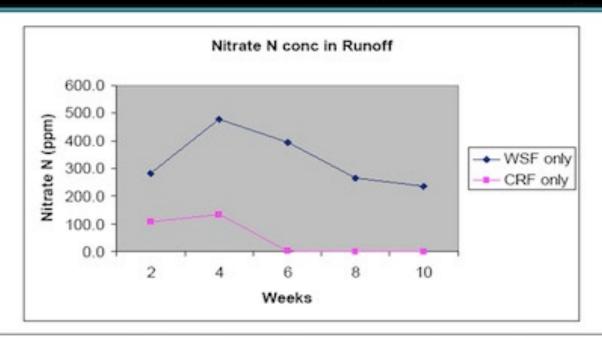
Why use CRF?

- Want nutrients left for post production
- Less wasted nutrient
- Reduce nutrient runoff
- Reduce fertilizer cost
- Reduce labour
- Lower EC
- Nutrients constantly available



Over Irrigation/Excessive Rainfall

Environment



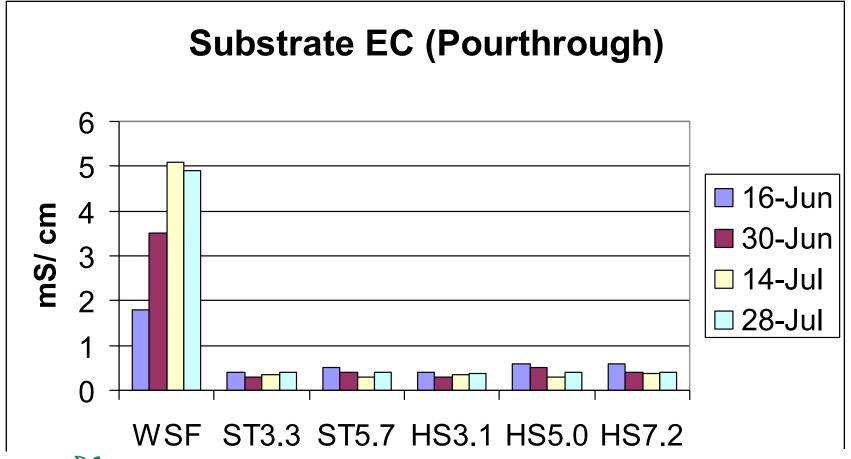
Measurement of Nitrate N in run-off from containers fed with 250 ppm N via drip compared to 100% CRF.

(Bridgen & Mattson, Cornell Long Island Research Center 2008)



University research clearly shows the SAFETY & Environmental benefits!

Geranium Substrate E.C. – Osmocote Plus maintained a much lower and uniform EC compared to WSF = Very Safe & Less Stress!





Treatment

2009 – Krug @ UNH



Ways to use CRF

- Combination fertilizer programs
 - Use a low-to-medium rate of CRF along with reduced ppm applications of WSF (as needed).





Ways to use CRF

- Producing wide variety of crops
 - Use one concentration of WSF on all crops and supplement with CRF on heavy feeders.





Ways to use CRF

- Continuous, base-feed, during production
 - CRF is actively releasing nutrients when you can't apply water soluble fertilizer
 - During cool, wet or cloudy weather
 - Busy shipping times





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- A controlled release fertilizer for short term, high quality crops in small containers.
- 100% polymer coated, complete, NPK and micronutrients mini prill
- Longevity: 2-3 or 5-6 months @ 21° C.
- Lower P / High K analysis for compact growth.
- Excellent for propagation and production.
- Very safe, even at higher label rates.



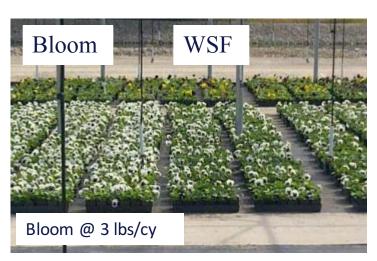


Perennial Propagation





Osmocote Bloom Trials



 More blooms, reduction in production time and a significant savings in the total fertilizer cost.





E-Max RELEASE TECHNOLOGY

 A new, reacted polymer coating developed by ICLSF that ensures reliable, consistent and safe release

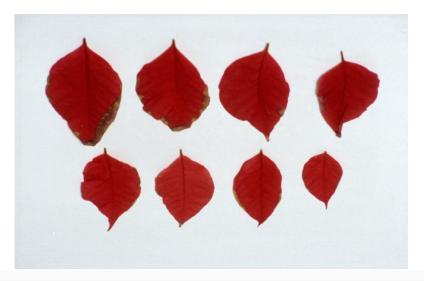




Controlled Release Calcium

CsmocoteCalMag









Best Nutrient Management Practices

Goal: using fertilizers as efficiently and effectively as possible to achieve <u>high quality growth</u> and <u>profitable return on investment</u> with minimal environmental impact.

Future Best Management practices need to...

- 1. Maximize economic return.
- 2. Increase production efficiency matched to today's cropping systems.
- 3. Minimize environmental impact.



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