

Prevent disease-causing pathogens with a naturally occurring soil fungus that is antagonistic to plant pathogenic fungi such as Pythium and Rhizoctonia to aid in control of damping-off and root rot.



Ideal for use in organic production or as part of a conventional IPM program



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# **HOW IT WORKS**

*Gliocladium virens* strain GL-21 is a naturally occurring soil fungus that is antagonistic to plant pathogenic fungi such as *Pythium* and *Rhizoctonia*. SoilGard<sup>®</sup> contains spores that attack and fight harmful pathogens to prevent fungal diseases in the soil such as those that cause damping off and root rot pathogens that can impact and inhibit early root development in crops.

- When SoilGard is initially applied, it produces gliotoxin which clears the immediate soil of pathogens.
- G. virens attacks and prevents future disease by penetrating and consuming contents of pathogenic fungi it contacts.
- The aggressive strain grows quickly and out-competes pathogenic fungi for nutrients and living space in the soil.
- Eventually, SoilGard<sup>®</sup> 12G occupies so much of the acreage around a plant's root zone that it prevents or delays the reestablishment of the disease-causing fungi.

# **HOW TO APPLY**

Mix spores in granular form with soil or other growth media a day before or at the same time as seeding, planting, or transplanting. The product can also be diluted with water and applied directly to soil or root area of plants. For best results, store in a cool dry place (preferably refrigerated).

### TIMING

SoilGard® 12G acts as a preventative treatment and will protect non-infected plants, it may not cure already infected plants. Where possible, allow the treated soil or media to incubate for 1 day prior to planting to achieve the best results. Do not use other soil fungicides at the time of incorporation. Later addition of fungicides is acceptable, but usually unnecessary.

## **TRIAL DATA**

Field demonstration comparing one and two in-season application timings of SoilGard to control Rhizoctonia and other soil-borne pathogens on watermelon (*Citrullus lanatus*).







## ACTIVE INGREDIENT Gliocladium virens strain GL-21

#### **KEY DISEASES**

(See label for full list) Fusarium Pythium Rhizoctonia Roots rots

#### **KEY CROPS**

(See label for full list) Greenhouse Leafy & Fruiting Vegetables Melons Ornamentals Strawberries Tobacco Turf

#### APPLICATION RATES

(See label for full list) Open field

- 0.5-2 lbs./100 gal of water before or at transplant
- 2-10 lbs./100 gal of water after transplant or at planting

#### **Turf and Ornamental**

• 1-1.5 lbs./cubic yard of soil



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