

Double Nickel 55°

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A biological fungicide for the suppression of powdery and downy mildew on table grapes and powdery mildew on cucurbits. Ideal in IPM, zero residue and resistance management programs.

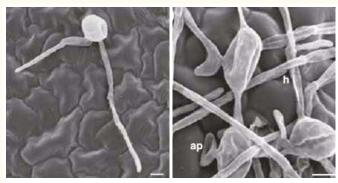
Why use *Double Nickel 55®*?

Features	Benefits	
Broad spectrum biofungicide containing the active ingredient <i>Bacillus amyloliquefaciens</i> isolate D747 supplied by Certis USA	Well researched product of high quality delivering consistent results	
Bacteria based active ingredient	Ideal resistance management option for IPM programs	
Multiple modes of action	Good efficacy and low risk of resistance build-up. Ideal resistance management option in IPM program with conventional chemicals	
OMRI listed	Suitable for use in organic production	
No Maximum Residue Limit (MRL)	Helps growers meet demands of export markets in terms of minimal/zero residue pest management programs	
Stable formulation with 2 year shelf life at room temperature	Limited risk of expiring stock and more consistent results	

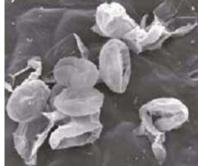
Mode of Action:

1. Production of antimicrobial metabolites

Double Nickel 55° is capable of producing a number of antimicrobial metabolites such as Iturin and Surfactin which inhibit growth of fungi and bacteria.



Healthy, untreated conidia and hyphae of powdery mildew of cucurbits.





Shrinkage and loss of turgor of powdery mildew conidia after being treated with *Bacillus* lipopeptide extracts. (Images repro. from Romero *et al.*, 2007. J app. Micro.)

Trial data:

Double Nickel 55® management of powdery mildew on table grapes

Cultivar = Sugraone Location = Paarl



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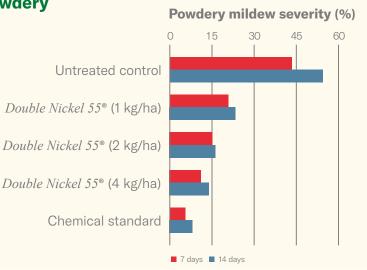
3 applications at 7 day intervals as a full cover spray (1000 L/ha).

Evaluation at 14 days after application 3.

Evaluations based on leaf disease severity ratings.

Double Nickel 55® management of powdery mildew on cucurbits

Cultivar = Patty Pan - Sunny Delight Location = Phillipi

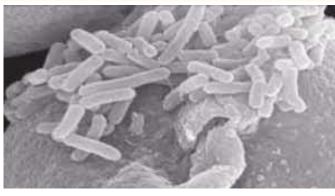


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6 applications at 7 day intervals (500 L/ha). Evaluation at 7 and 14 days after last application. Evaluations based on leaf disease severity (%).

2. Competition for space and nutrients

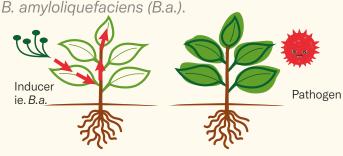
Double Nickel 55® colonises plant surfaces, occupying space and using up nutrient sources at potential infection sites thus making it difficult for pathogens to get established.



Colonisation of kiwifruit by *B.a.* D-747 (spray application). **Source:** G. Balestra *et al. L'Informatore Agrario* 22: 50-53.

3. Induced Systemic Resistance (ISR)

Double Nickel 55® can help activate a plants natural defence mechanisms through ISR. ISR is a state of enhanced immunity to infection demonstrated by plants following an injury or presence of inducer organisms like



In response, plants produce substances (represented by red arrows) which, over time, evoke resistance and make it less susceptible to pathogens.

Application instructions:

Crop	Method	Dose rate
Table grapes	Full cover foliar spray	1–2 kg/ha. Apply every 7 days with min. 3 applications. Apply as soon as disease is noticed or, preferably as a preventative measure. Please refer to the registered label for further details.
Cucurbits	Full cover foliar spray	

- Double Nickel 55® is compatible with most fertilisers, adjuvants and pesticides but if uncertain check with your Andermatt Biospecialist before making tank mixes.
- Avoid the use of silicone spreaders (spreader-stickers and oil based products are preferred).
- Avoid extreme pH (between 6-8 is optimal).

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