

USDA NIFA METHYL BROMIDE TRANSITION INTEGRATED GRANTS PROGRAM

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Introduction

The USDA has funded extramural research on methyl bromide transition since 2000. The current funding is provided under USDA NIFA's Integrated Research, Education, and Extension Competitive Grants Program (ICBP) on Methyl Bromide Transitions (MBT). The MBT Program supports the discovery and implementation of practical pest management alternatives to methyl bromide uses for which the United States is requesting critical use exemptions. The program is focused on integrated commercial or field scale research that targets short- to medium-term solutions and associated extension activity that will foster the adoption of these solutions, as well as a focused economic analysis of cost of successfully implementing the transition on a commercial scale. It is designed to address immediate needs, and the costs of transition that have resulted from the loss of availability of methyl bromide.

This talk will focus on discussing the recently awarded MBT grants, the MBT program for fiscal year (FY) 2013, and a summary of writing a successful proposal to the MBT Program.