Insect control products approved for use by organic growers, OMRI^a (Organic Materials Review Institute)

Note, most materials are allowed with restrictions: not permitted until attempts have been made to prevent pest infestations from developing by use of cultural, mechanical, and physical controls.

Generic category on OMRI list	General mode of action	Target pest	Representative Product Name
Pheromones	Insect behavior disruptant (mating disruption)	Moths of certain species only	Isomate-C Plus (codling moth) CheckMate OFM (oriental fruit moth)
Virus sprays	Insect pathogen (viruses)	Caterpillars of certain species only	Cyd-X, Virosoft CP4 (codling moth)GemStar (corn earworm)Spod-X (beet armyworm)
Biopesticides	Insect pathogen (viruses)	Caterpillars of certain species only	Carpovirusine (codling moth)
	Insect pathogen (Nosema; protozoan)	Grasshoppers	Semaspore Bait
	Insect pathogen (bacterium)	Broad spectrum ^b	Grandevo (Chromobacterium subtsugae)
Biological controls	Insect pathogen (nematodes)	Soil pests	Grub Guard
Bacillus thuringiensis *	Insect pathogen (bacterium);	Caterpillars of all	Javelin WG; Deliver
	midgut membrane disruptor	species	XenTari DF; Agree
Microbial products (also Bacillus thuringiensis)	Insect pathogen (bacterium); midgut membrane disruptor	Caterpillars of all species	• DiPel DF
Microbial pesticides	Insect pathogen (fungus)	Whiteflies, aphids,	PFR-97 (Isaria fumosorosea)
·		thrips, mites	NoFly (Paecilomyces fumosoroseus)
Biological organisms	Insect pathogen (bacterium)	Caterpillars & others	Venerate (Burkholderia spp.)
Spinosad	Microbially derived nerve poison	Caterpillars, thrips, certain beetles	Entrust Monterey Garden Insect Spray
Soap – pesticide	Smothering agent (salts of	Aphids and other soft-	• M-Pede
• •	fatty acids)	bodied insects	Safer's Insecticidal Soap
Oils, petroleum-based,	Smothering agent (from	Leafhoppers, mites,	Saf-T-Side
narrow range	petroleum)	whiteflies	Organic JMS Stylet Oil
			TriTek (mineral oil)
Summer oils			PureSpray Green (mineral oil)
Oils, non-synthetic	Smothering agent (from	Eggs, mites, aphids,	Vegol (canola oil)
sources	plants)	whiteflies	SeaCide (cottonseed oil)
Botanical pesticides		Broad spectrum ^b	Organocide (sesame oil) Ecotec (rosemary & peppermint oils) Ecotrol (rosemary & peppermint oils)
Plant pesticides	1	Mites, aphids, thrips	GrasRoots (cinnamon oil)
Neem extract and	Botanical repellent (adults) &	Broad spectrum ^b	Aza-Direct; Azatrol; Ecozin
derivatives	insect growth regulator	Broad spectrum	Neemix; Triact; Trilogy
Azadirachta indica (=neem)	(immatures)	b	NeemAzad
"Pyrethrum"	Botanical nerve poison (pyrethrins)	Broad spectrum ^b	Pyganic Crop Protection EC
Garlic	Botanical chemical repellent	Aphids, beetles, caterpillars	BioRepel Garlic Barrier
Limonene	Botanical nerve poison	Ant, flea, roach	Orange Guard Ornamental Plants
Kaolin, also Mined	Physical repellent (particle	Beetles, leafhoppers,	Surround
minerals, unprocessed	films)	grasshoppers, thrips	
Diatomaceous earth	Disrupt water balance (abrasive dehydrating agent)	Broad spectrum ^b , soft-bodied pests	DE-cide Nature's Cutting Edge
Potassium silicate,	Replenishes plant's innate	Mites, aphids,	Sil-Matrix
aqueous	resistance	whiteflies	
Sucrose octanoate esters	Penetrate and burn holes in exoskeleton	Aphids, mites, caterpillars, thrips	SucraShield
Ferric phosphate	Stomach poison; damages digestive tissue of slugs	Slugs	• Sluggo
Sulfur, elemental	(unknown)	Some mites	Dusting Sulfur Fungicide-Insecticide
Lime sulfur and/or	(unknown)	Scale insects	Rex Lime Sulfur Solution
Calcium polysulfide	(,		Brandt Lime Sulfur Tetrasul 4s5
Sticky traps and barriers	Entrapment	Whitefly, aphids,	Tanglefoot Tangle-Trap
		thrips	

^a OMRI: http://www.omri.org

^b Broad spectrum usually includes sucking pests such as aphids, leafhoppers, and thrips as well as chewing pests such as beetles and caterpillars.

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