

Canadian research grants for alternative pest control methods:

The Canadian government has made an investment into research on alternative pest control and reduced risk pesticides. The funding is \$2.7 million Canadian (US \$2.7 million) and will support 39 research projects under Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada's Pesticide Risk Reduction Program over a three year period. Funds will go to university, government, provincial and private researchers. The move "clearly highlights the government's commitment to innovation in agriculture and, more specifically, helping to provide solutions to farmers' needs", says CropLife Canada's executive vice-president, Peter MacLeod.