

Chemical Factsheet

Thiacloprid

General Information

- Product Names:
 - **Calypso** (Bayer)
- Chemical Class: Chloronicotinoid Insecticide
- Uses: On the agricultural crops cotton and pome fruits for control of a variety of sucking insects. The primary target pests for thiacloprid on cotton are aphids and whiteflies; Psylla, codling moth and plum Curculio are the primary pests on pome fruits.
- Alternatives: [Organic agriculture](#)
- Beyond Pesticides rating:

Health and Environmental Effects

See citations at end of document.

- Cancer: Likely (1)
- Endocrine Disruption: Not documented
- Reproductive Effects: Not documented
- Neurotoxicity: Yes (1)
- Kidney/Liver Damage: Yes (2)
- Sensitizer/ Irritant: Not documented
- Birth/Developmental: Yes (1)
- Detected in Groundwater: Not documented
- Potential Leacher: Yes (1)
- Toxic to Birds: Not documented
- Toxic to Fish/Aquatic Organisms: Not documented
- Toxic to Bees: Not documented

Residential Uses as Found in the ManageSafe™ Database

- [Bed Bugs](#)

Additional Information

- Regulatory Status:
 - [EPA Conditional Registration Issued 9/2006](#)
- Supporting information:
 - PAN Pesticides Database: [Thiacloprid](#) (Pesticide Action Network)
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