

# GROWERTALKS

## GT in Brief

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### Paladin to be Distributed by Certis in Europe

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Arkema and Certis have entered into an exclusive joint development and distribution agreement in Europe for Paladin, a new pre-plant fumigant for modern and sustainable soil pest control.

Developed by Arkema's R&D teams, Paladin is a new and effective soil fumigant based on dimethyldisulfide (DMDS), for worldwide substitution of old fumigants, which are being gradually withdrawn due to ozone depletion or regulatory restrictions. DMDS has already been registered as a soil fumigant in the USA and Israel in 2010, and in Morocco in 2011. Europe is another key target for registration of Paladin.

Under the agreement, Certis will be Arkema's exclusive partner for the development, registration and distribution of Paladin in Europe. Arkema will initiate the EU approval process of DMDS by submitting a regulatory application by the end of 2012.

In the meantime, should Paladin be authorized by way of derogation by national authorities on some European markets, Certis Europe and Arkema are ready to supply these specific needs. **GT**