

**IMPLEMENTATION OF TWO DATA BASES ON  
BIOSAFETY OF BIOCONTROL AGENTS**

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Since 1994, two data bases are being developed at the National Research Center for Monitoring and Environmental Impact Assessment - (CNPMA/EMBRAPA), under a project entitled "Risk Analysis and Environmental Impact of the Use of the Biocontrol Agents". The first, "Who is Who on Risk Assessment of Biocontrol Agents" is an international data base and stores information on researchers, institutions and laboratories involved in such studies. It is presently available on the Internet for on-line search. Over 300 specialists from around the world are currently included in the data base. The second, "Risk Assessment of Biocontrol Agents", stores information collected from scientific papers about methodologies for risk assessment of the use of biocontrol agents. Over 100 papers have been processed and available for consultation at CNPMA/EMBRAPA's library. These data bases are being developed under a research project, conducted at CNPMA. The contribution of this work is to identify researchers and institutions that work with this issue and provide fast communication among them to foster exchange of experiences, and also to facilitate the selection of methodologies that could be used in different studies.