

# **Green Productivity for Green, Inclusive Development: A Commitment Today for a Greener Tomorrow**

APO 3rd World Conference on Green Productivity  
APO Center of Excellence on Green Productivity: Milestone of APO movement

## **APO COE GP Models : Eco Agriculture**

**To strengthen bio-input for increasing the  
productivity of ecological agriculture**

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# The Technical Services of APO COE GP

- 2013 APO COE GP hosted a *Workshop* in Taipei and identify emerging areas where GP needs to be focused to support member countries' needs.
- Help the COE GP and the APO in designing GP activities that are relevant to the needs of member countries, focusing on the following 4 models to provide technical services:



# Why Going for Ecological (Organic) ?

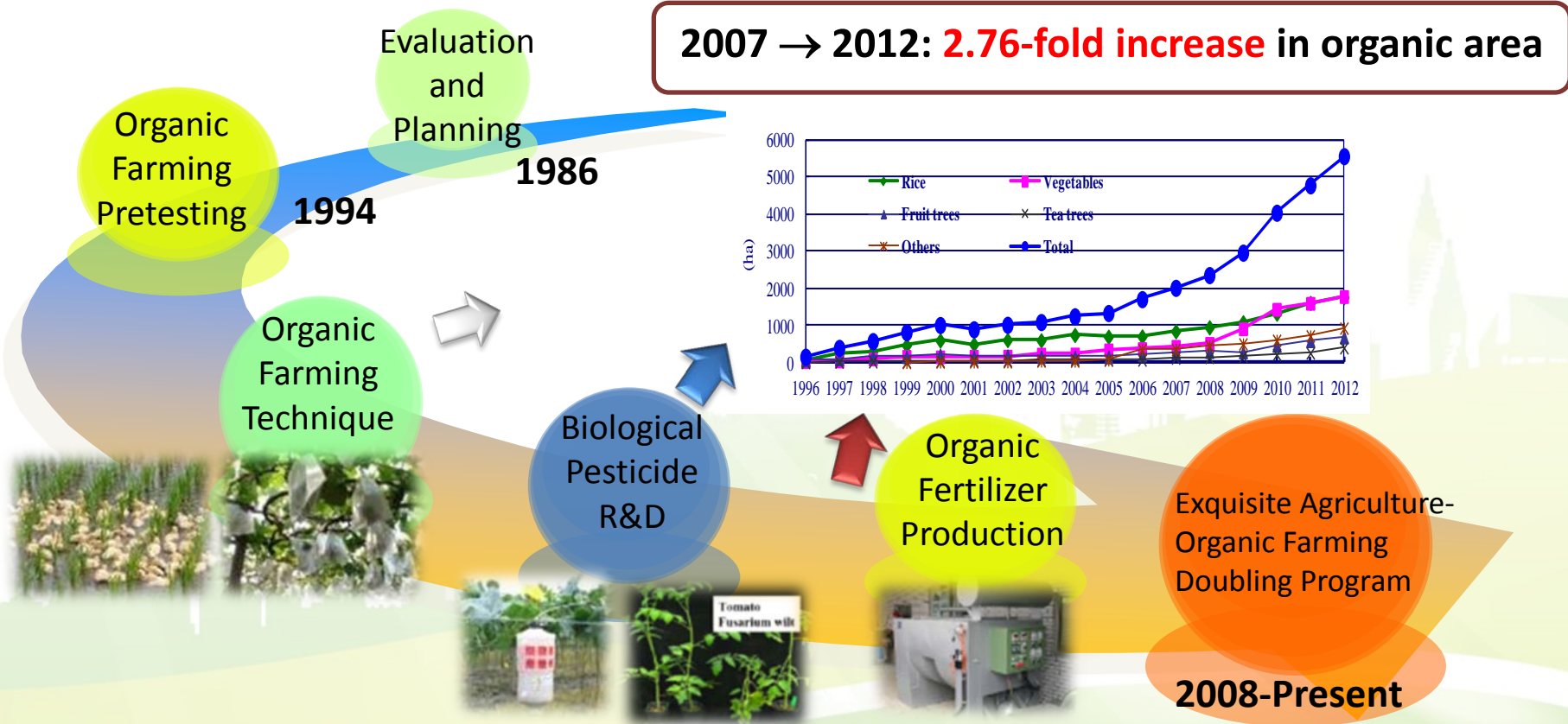
- **20th Century – Chemical Agriculture**
  - Degradation of the physical and chemical properties of soil
  - Eutrophication of nature water resource
  - Disturbance of ecological balance
  - Exhaustion of mineral resources of earth
- **Organic farming – Sustainable Agriculture**
  - Biological Materials - To exclude the use of chemicals
  - Biodiversity-health ecology
  - Resources recycling

# Difficulty of promoting organic agriculture

- Farmland soil become relatively poor due to long time intensive agriculture
- The excessive growth of the city and industries cause the agricultural environment heavily polluted.
- Production of organic agriculture relatively low in output.
- **Lack the safe agricultural materials.**
- Labor cost increase because the needs of hand-weeding and manpower for biological control, etc.
- The low-grade product is relatively high in proportion.
- Relative size of average production area is small.
- There is no ideal production system.

# Development of Organic Agriculture in R.O.C. (Taiwan)

- Enhancing Productivity While Reducing Chemical Input Application



# Safe agricultural Bio-materials

1. Breed the crop variety that suitable for organic agriculture
2. **Research and develop biological pesticide**
3. **Research and develop the biological fertilizer**
4. **Research and develop biological modifier of soil**
  - Utilization of modern biotechnology
  - Industrialization and **mass production**

# Five major difficulties for the expanding the market of bio product

- **Hard to protect intellectual property rights**
- **Application technology is not easy to be mastered**
- **The price of the product very often lacks competition on the market**
- The public does not know the idea of sustainable agriculture
- The benefit by using bio-materials is not obvious enough

# Policy Support

## Research & Development

- Introduce modern biotechnology
- Encourage the cooperation of different research field
- Increase production efficiency and reduce production cost.
- Screen adjuvant and emulsifier used for the formulation of bio-products
- Develop new formula which enable the bio-products have steady physical and chemical property
- Improve effective rate of utilization of biologic product

## Promoting the industry

- Bio-pesticide/fertilizer is one of the biological technical field most close to industrialization
- Induce capital input to form big enterprise gather the producing, supplying, selling and research developing together
- Regulating finance loan and coaching methods, to make the production of the biologic product scale up with benefit and to strengthen the competitiveness of its market

## Extension and Application

- Make the relevant, make the strict standard in use for chemical pesticide.
- Strengthen communication with consumers , also peasants.
- Set-up the specification of the biologic product definitely and check stipulating to guarantee the quality commercial products
- Educating peasants to know the function mechanism of biological pesticide / fertilizer and using the skill correctly, Impel effective and rational use



## **R.O.C. experience**

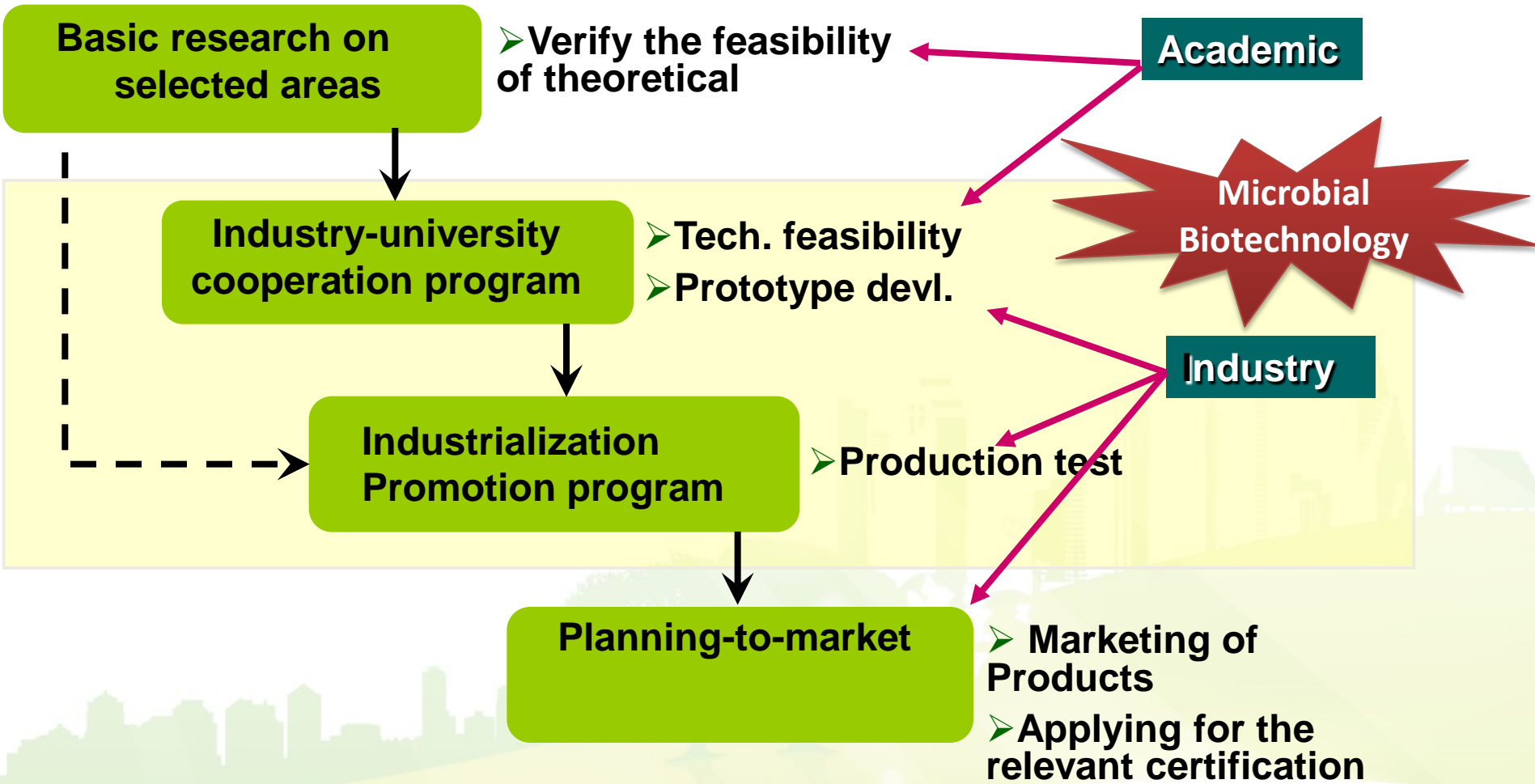
**Office of National Science and Technology  
Program/Agri. Bio-technology  
(1999-2008)**



**Office for Industrialization of Agricultural  
Biotechnology  
(2009-2013)**

**Agricultural Technology Research Institute  
(2014- )**

# Endeavour from Theoretic to Realistic



# Type of microbial pesticide

- Microbial insecticide:
  - Bacteria: *Bacillus Thuringiensis*
  - Fungi: *Metarhizium*, *Becewenia bassiana*, etc.
  - Virus: baculovirus, Nuclear polyhedrosis virus
- **Microorganism:** Plant disease control, and weed control.
- **Some fungi stimulate the plant to develop immunity to disease: to promote plants to grow and to improve crop quality**

# **Trichoderma Tv-R42 could induce the cucumber seedlings resistance to cucumber green mottle mosaic virus (CGMMV).**



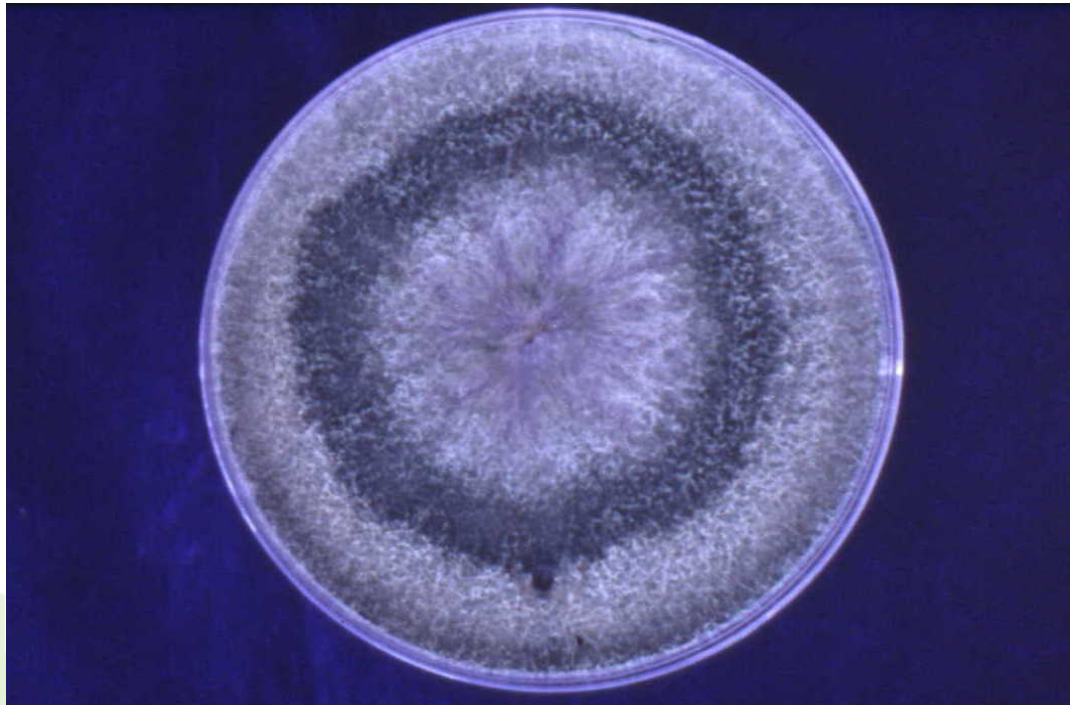
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Trichoderma

Reduce plant dwarf caused by CGMMV

## *Trichoderma* Tv-R42

produces volatile or nonvolatile antibiotics to  
restrain the growth of pathogen,



## *Trichoderma* Tv-R42

Enhance root growth of crops and makes the crop grow very healthily, therefore can resist many diseases



Control

Tv-R42



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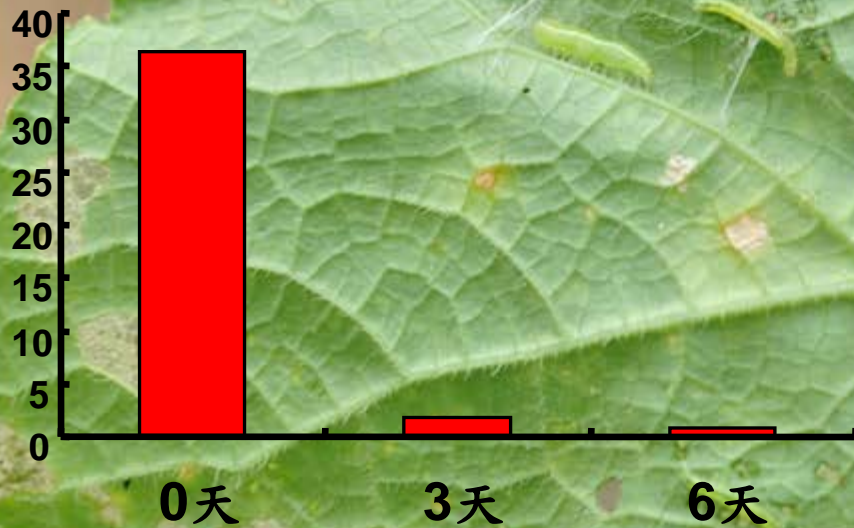
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# Bacillus Thuringiensis E-911

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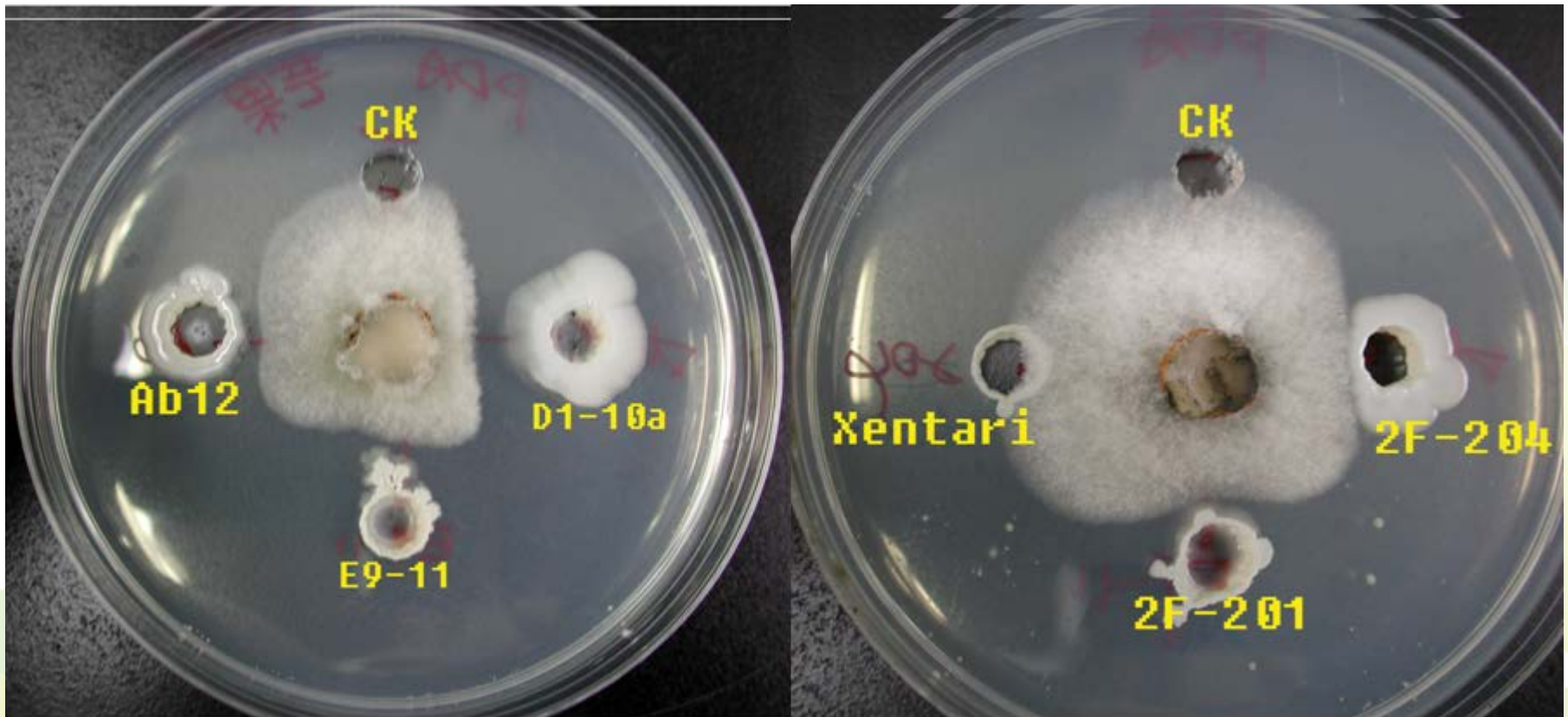


Control of Melon borer by E911





# Growth inhibition of plant pathogen by different B.T.



*Colletotrichum gloeosporioides* Penz. (芒果炭疽病)

# Entophyte bacteria, *Bacillus mycooides* isolates 136-24-01 and 136-24-02



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# *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens*

## **Ba-BPD1**

1. Produce cellulase, protease, lipase, amylase
2. Have phosphate-solubilizing, fibrinolytic ability
2. High yield of iturin and surfactin
3. Inhibit the growth of *Erwinia chrysanthemi* ; *Erwinia carotovora* subsp. *Carotovora* (*Bateria*)
4. Inhibit the growth of *Botrytis elliptica* and *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *Lycopersici* (*Fungi*)

# *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens*

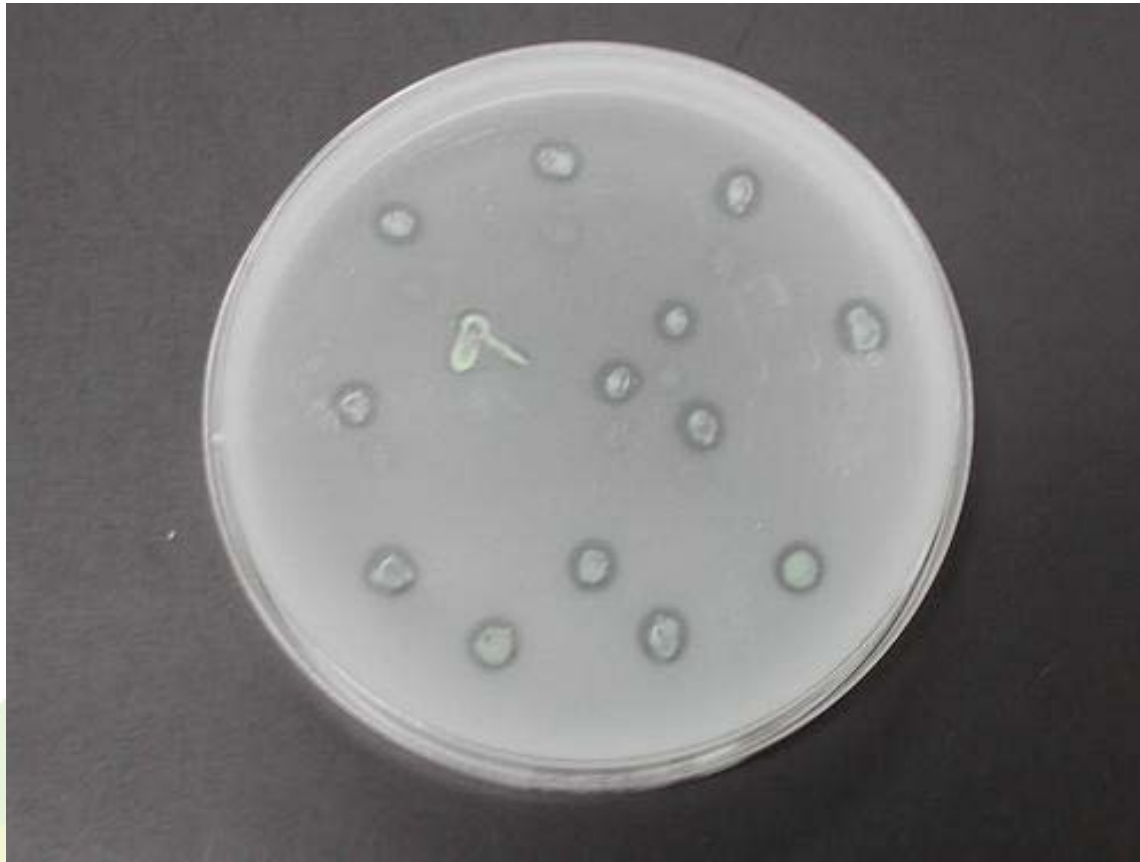
## Ba-BPD1



# Bio-fertilizer

- Microbial fertilizer
  - Phosphate solubilizing microorganism
  - Potassium solubilizing microorganism
  - Nitrogen fixing microorganism
  - Beneficial microorganism from Rhizosphere
  - Photosynthetic bacteria
- Organic fertilizer
  - Organic decomposing microorganism
  - Agricultural waste

# Phosphate solubilizing microorganism





# Phosphate solubilizing microorganism

1. *Bacillus spp.*

*B. megatherium ; B. cereus ; B. pumilus*

2. *Pseudomonas spp.*

*P. fluorescens ; P. putida*

3. *Thiobacillus thiooxidans* )

4. *Aspergillus spp.* ) ; *Penicillium spp.*

# Nitrogen fixing microorganism



[http://highscope.ch.ntu.edu.tw/  
wordpress/?p=6762](http://highscope.ch.ntu.edu.tw/wordpress/?p=6762)

# Mycorrhizal fungi



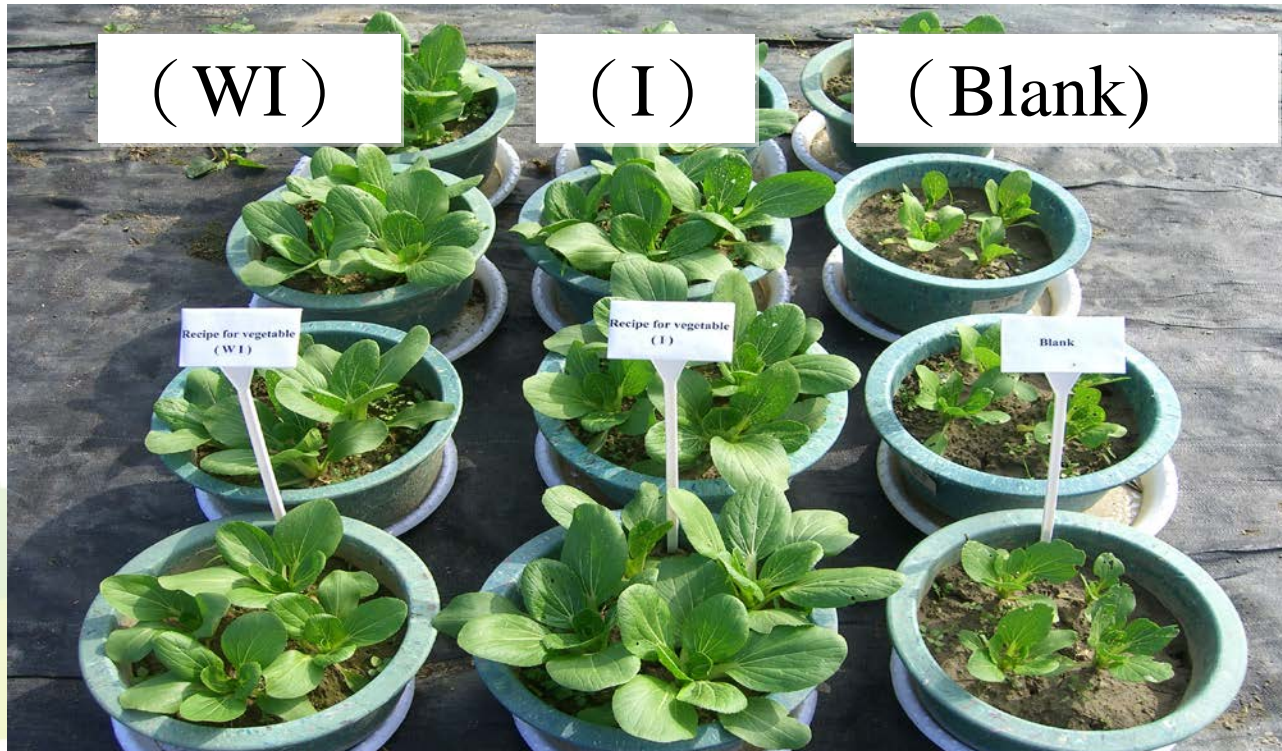
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[Biologyjunction.com](http://Biologyjunction.com) 、 [Studyblue.com](http://Studyblue.com)

# Photosynthetic bacteria

- Rhodospirillaceae 、 Chromatiaceae 、 Chlorobiaceae 、 Chlorolexaceae
- Multi-functions: Nitrogen fixation 、 Dehydrogenation 、 Carbon fixation 、 Sulfur oxidation
- Play an important role in the Carbon, nitrogen, and sulfur cycle, in the nature environment
- An important agricultural biotechnology research object in the 21st century

# Cabbage treated with liquid organic fertilizer

- (WI) Organic without microbial fermentation liquid
- (I) Organic with microbial fermentation liquid
- (Blank) Non-treatment



# Organic decomposing microorganism

# Production of multifunction ligninolytic enzymes with Agricultural wastes by white rot fungi.

**(Manganese peroxidase, Lignin peroxidase, Laccase)**

(A) Semi solid phase fermentor  
(40 L).



(B) The growth of white rot  
fungus TFRI707 after  
inoculation and incubation at  
35°C for 18 days in the 40 L  
semi solid phase fermentor.



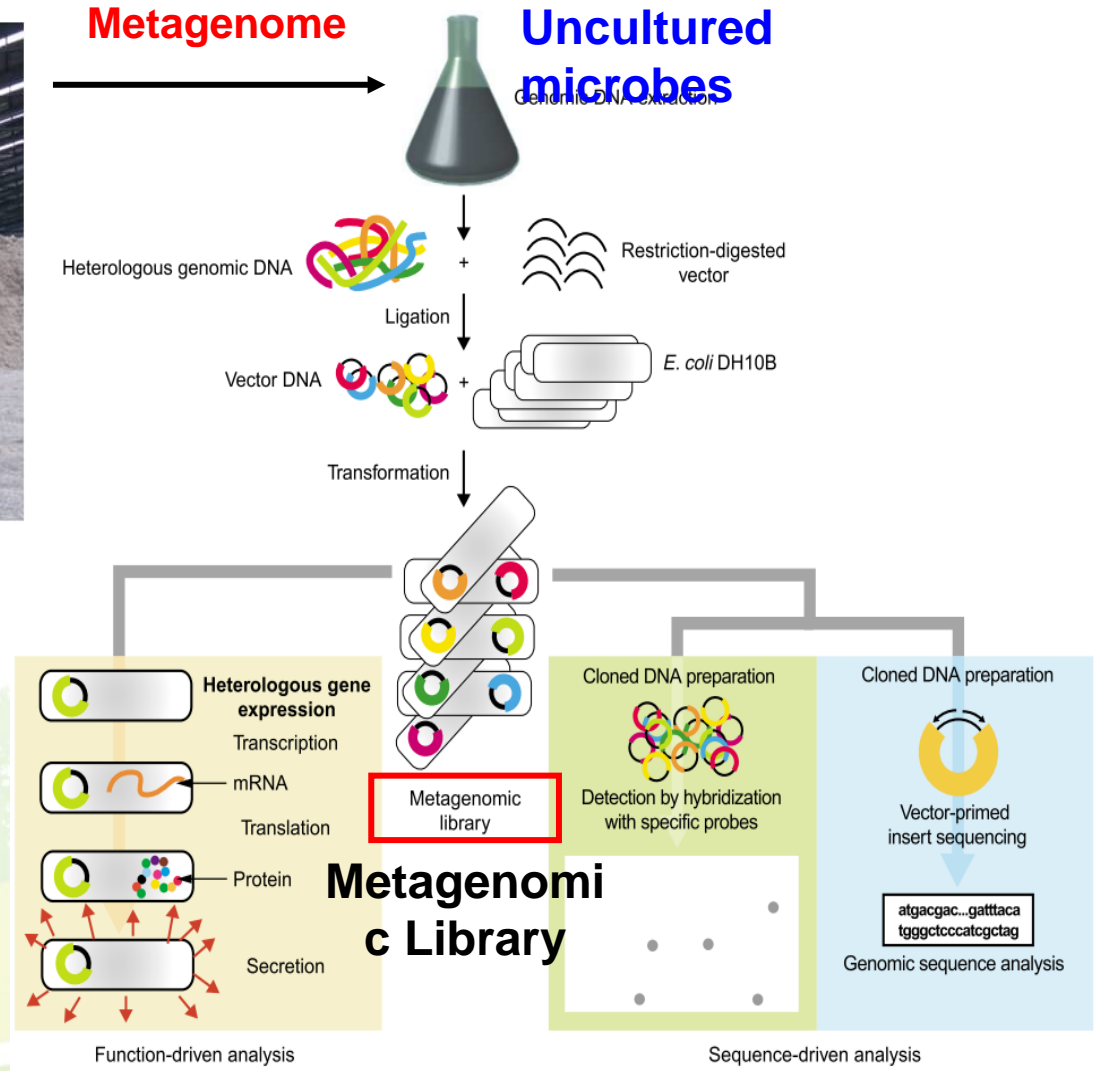
# Equipments for Rapid production of organic fertilizer from agricultural waste





# Application of metagenomic technology

(Cited from Dr.Chang (2010))

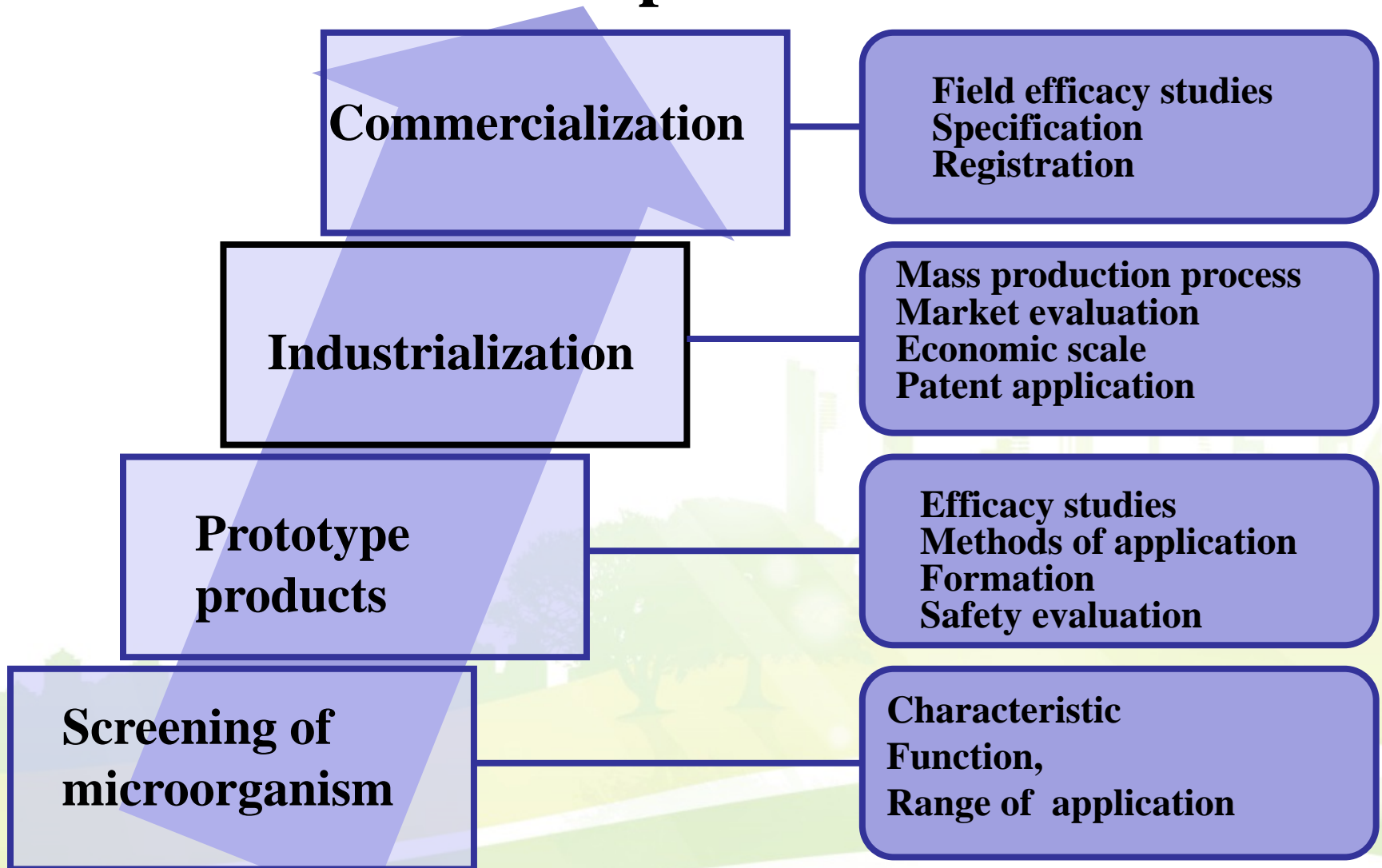


# Industry related to agricultural bio-materials

- **Microbial pesticides**
- **Bio-fertilizer**
  - Microbial fertilizer
  - Organic fertilizer
- **Agricultural waste treatment** – re-utilization
- Microorganism or relevant products as feed additives
- **Fermentation technology**
- **Bioreactor** for secondary metabolites



# The development chain of microbial product



# The cluster of producers in R.O.C. (Taiwan)

## Companies



## Biopesticides

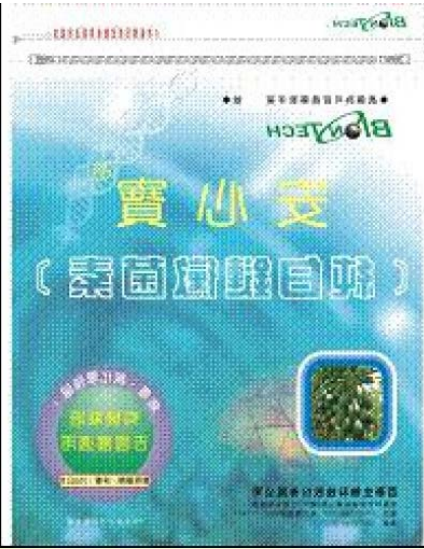
- *Bacillus spp.*
- *Bacillus thuringiensis*, Bt
- *Trichoderma spp.*
- *Streptomyces spp.*
- *Beauveria bassiana*
- *Metarhizium anisopliae*
- Azadirachtin, garlic
- Nicotine, Pyrethrum
- Rotenone, Sabadilla
- Vertrine, Saponins
- Pheromones, Hormones...



## Crops

- Rice
- Fruits
- Leafy vegetables
- Berries
- Tea
- Orchids





# Bio-products (Taiwan)



# **Guideline of recommending commercial materials to be used in organic agriculture**

(Promulgated 2010/12/1)

# **Mission of visit of COE GP to Thailand**

## **July 27 to August 02, 2014**

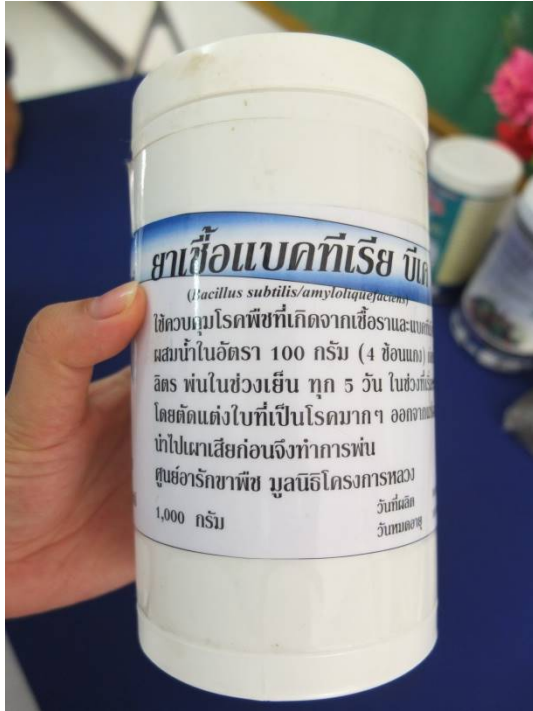
**To build opportunities to:**

- **Share experience, contribute to the green growth**
- **Promote innovation and sustainable development**
- **Enhance green productivity and competitiveness jointly**



# Sites visited

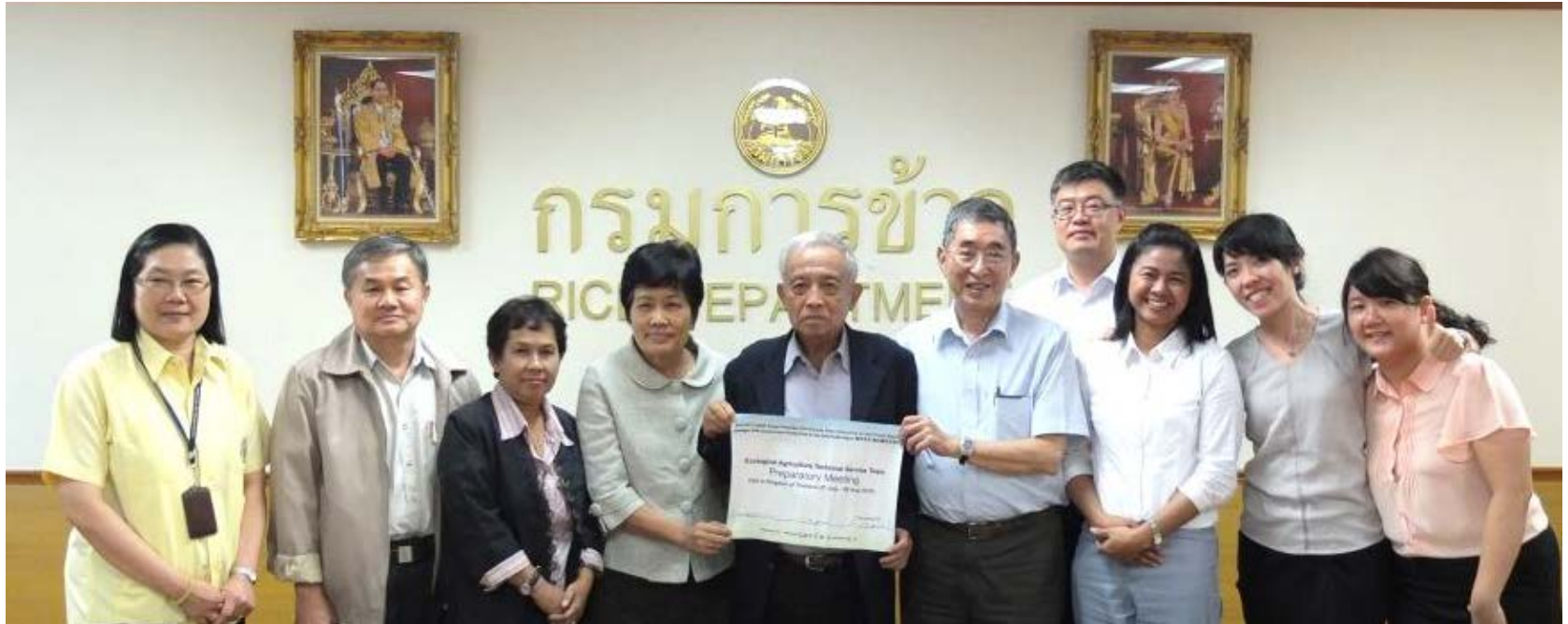
- Thailand Productivity Institute (FTPI)
- Minister of Agriculture and Cooperatives (MOAC)
- Green Net Cooperation
- Royal Project Foundation (RPF)
- Royal Agricultural Station Pang Da
- Thai-Sino trade and Investment information center
- J.I.M.Organic Products Business
- Known-you Seed (Thailand CO.,LTD)



## Bio-products (Thailand)



## Wholesale Market



**Minister of Agriculture and Cooperatives (MOAC)**  
**Rice Department**  
**Land Development Department**

# Royal Agricultural Station Pang Da

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# Follow-up for the visit

- A two days colloquium on Green Agricultural Practices for Sustainable Productivity will be held in Bangkok on December 2nd to 3rd, 2014
- One day in Chiang Mai: A colloquium on the production and application of bio-materials
- Participants : Government authority, experts, industry, managers and farmers of organic farm, etc.

# Objective

- To share the experiences and knowledge
- To exchange technical information and expertise
- To hold a series of activities and to stimulate developers and industry to promote GP, ecological farming technologies.
- To facilitate technical upgrading of engineers through exchange of technologies and services on a mutually beneficial basis.
- To explore opportunities for cooperation
- To host bilateral study mission for further technical and management exchange

# *Paradigm Shift towards Green Productivity for Asia-Pacific Region*

Thank you







**Current  
Position:**

Council  
Member  
Chinese  
Sustainable  
Agriculture  
Association  
(Taiwan)

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University of Rhode Island, USA -1971-Ph.D –Agricultural  
Chemistry

McGill University, Canada -1967 - M.Sc -Plant Physiology

National Chung-Hsing University, Taiwan, R.O.C. BS

### **Working Experience**

**Chief Operation Officer**

**Office for Industrialization Promotion of Agricultural  
Biotechnology. Jan. 2009 to Dec. 2010**

**Chief Operation Officer,**

**National Science and Technology Program for Agricultural  
Biotechnology, Jan. 2002 to Dec. 2008**

**Director**

**Taiwan Agricultural Chemicals and Toxic Substances Research  
Institute. Jan. 1985 to Jan. 2005**