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Ontario Tomato Research Institute (OTRI) Research Proposal and Reporting Guidelines

The following guidelines were developed to provide clarity regarding details required for the submission of research proposals and reports.

Please note: Our research policy is to pay no more than 25% overhead on approved projects over \$5,000.

PROPOSAL GUIDELINES

Proposals should be submitted by January 10, be limited to 3 pages, and include the following:

- Project Title
- Start And Completion Date
- Project Term Length (# Of Years Requested)
- Research Agency/Location
- Lead and Key Investigators
- Introduction
- Objective
- Research Plan/Measurables
- Anticipated Benefits/Outcome
- Amount of Funding Requested/Year

Please submit proposals via email to Angela Reimneitz at angela@opvg.org

PROJECT REPORT GUIDELINES

There is no limit on the number of pages for a full report, however an Executive Summary is expected if your report exceeds 5 pages.

Reports should be submitted by November 15 of each year and include the following:

- Project Title
- Research Agency/location
- Lead and Key Investigators
- Objective
- Materials and Methodology
- Results/Conclusions

The logo features a large, stylized letter 'V' in a gold color. The text 'Ontario Processing Vegetable Growers' is written in a dark blue, sans-serif font, with 'Ontario Processing' on the top line and 'Vegetable Growers' on the bottom line, centered over the 'V'.

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If requested, presentations must be limited to 10 minutes.

RESEARCH PRIORITIES

Identified priority areas for research proposals include:

- Agronomic/Water/Nutrient Management
- Germplasm and Variety Development
- Insect and Invertebrate Management
- Pathogen Management
- Weed Control and Management
- Investigations/Benefits of Adopting New Technology

The following have been identified as issues and areas of special interest to OTRI:

- Investigation into flume dirt -Methods of measuring and/or removing associated pathogens or diseases and potential uses for the material.
- Bacterial disease mitigation, resistance/control options for different areas
- Nematodes/nematicides and the effect on soil borne diseases (testing thresholds in different areas).
- Soil Management.
- Nitrogen field trial of multiple varieties to determine yield response.
- Weed Control.
- Investigation into autonomous solutions to reduce labour requirements.
- Phytophthora/pythium - chemical control strategies and implications of crop rotations and soil health on disease incidence
- Rag/Pigweed Resistance and Control