

## Commercial Availability of Predatory Mites<sup>1</sup>

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**Figure 1.** Adult of *Neoseiulus californicus* (0.1 mm in length X 0.06 mm in width). Credits: E. Jovicich, UF/IFAS

Predatory mites such as *Neoseiulus californicus* McGregor (Fig. 1) and *Phytoseiulus persimilis* Athias-Henriot (Fig. 2) feed on important fruits and ornamental pests such as the twospotted spider mite (*Tetranychus urticae* Koch), broad mite (*Polyphagotarsonemus (Stenotarsonemus) latus* Banks), cyclamen mite (*Tarsonemus pallidus* L.), and other mite species. These predatory mites are associated with several agricultural cropping systems including strawberries, raspberries, roses, grapes,

citrus, ornamentals, and vegetables. Predatory mites have been used as an alternative to miticides on a variety of crops. Their commercial availability is crucial.



**Figure 2.** Adult of *Phytoseiulus persimilis* (0.2 mm in length X 0.08 mm in width). Credits: E. Jovicich, UF/IFAS

Listed below are suppliers of predatory mites with their names, addresses, and telephone and fax numbers included. Target pests must be identified correctly before selecting a control agent, and an

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assurance of vigor of the shipped predatory mites must be established before releasing the agents. For more information, visit [strawberry.ifas.ufl.edu/BerryTimes/BVTDec03.htm](http://strawberry.ifas.ufl.edu/BerryTimes/BVTDec03.htm).

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