RESPONSIVE DRIP IRRIGATION

THE WORLD'S FIRST AND ONLY PLANT-RESPONSIVE WATER DELIVERY SYSTEM

GrowStream

2019 COMPANY AND PRODUCT OVERVIEW

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Responsive Drip Irrigation (RDI) has developed a new method of water delivery that will completely reset the standard for irrigation systems. RDI is introducing GrowStream[™] the world's first *plantresponsive* irrigation system. Using technology based upon organic chemistry, GrowStream[™] is a "smart" subsurface irrigation tube that interacts and responds to chemical signals released by plants' roots. GrowStream[™] allows the plant to selfregulate its water delivery, resulting in unmatched plant performance, water savings, and money savings versus all existing forms of forced irrigation.

For over a decade, RDI has been quietly testing, refining, improving, and protecting its technology and product. This report provides an overview of RDI's history, extensive testing, and critical achievements- all leading to the launch of GrowStream[™] for the agriculture, greenhouse, nursery, retail, and landscape industries.

GrowStream[™] can use a range of water typesincluding wells, rivers, brackish water, tap water, and reclaimed/recycled water. It can also supply fertilizer and micronutrients directly to the plant roots. GrowStream[™] will lead to an unprecedented conversion of previously non-arable land for crop production to increase global food supply while drastically reducing the use of earth's most valuable resource: water.

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1 | INTRODUCING PLANT-RESPONSIVE TECHNOLOGY



When crops and plants need water and nutrients, they emit root exudates that allow them to uptake what they need from the surrounding soil.

The patented RDI system responds and interacts with these root exudates, allowing water and nutrients to be released out of the billions of "smart micropores" in the GrowStream™ tubing. When the plant is satisfied, it stops producing root exudatesand GrowStream™ stops releasing water.





Plant variety, stages of growth and development, and weather conditions like temperature, sunshine, rain, wind, humidity... all contribute to how much water and nutrients each plant root demands. Like an underground reservoir, GrowStream™ allows each and every plant to draw what it needs- dynamically, 24/7.

2 | RDI - COMPANY TIMELINE



3 | EARLY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT



Root intrusion is eliminated with RDI.

The millions of micropores along RDI's responsive tube release water on demand for the plants, eliminating root intrusion. No more emitters to clog. The roots grow near RDI's responsive tube, promoting a symbiotic relationship with the plant roots, eliminating excess water loss and run-off.

2008 began full scale R&D.

Hundreds of internal trials were performed to analyze the technology and its interaction with root exudates. Numerous plant species were tested in variable environmental conditions.



3 | EARLY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT - 2



Cabbage grown in crushed shell.

Soil conditions were very poor, with no existing nutrients. Test showed that RDI could effectively deliver both water and nutrients directly to the plant roots despite poor soil conditions.

Mixed plant variety and demand.

Trial tested RDI's responsiveness and ability to meet water/nutrient demand for a diverse group of ornamental plants with variable water needs ranging from xeriscape to water-thirsty plant species irrigated by a single tube/line.





Varied testing environments.

Trials were conducted in greenhouses, nurseries, and outdoor field trials. Test protocols required daily data collection of water usage, measurement of nutrients and additives, observations of plant growth, development and yield. These measurements were compiled and analyzed to optimize performance and establish best practices. Hundreds of plant varieties have been tested. All species thrived with GrowStream[™] while consistently using significantly less water and fertilizer while promoting plant health and higher yields.

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SAVES 30-50% vs CONVENTIONAL DRIP IRRIGATION AND REDEFINES THE STANDARD FOR WATER EFFICIENCY.

4 | TESTING IN COMMERCIAL AGRICULTURE



2017 | Organic Romaine Monterey County, CA

RDI conducted a trial with a commercial lettuce grower in Monterey County, CA to produce organic romaine hearts.

Grower established transplants with sprinkler applications and then switched to drip irrigation. RDI was able to show 29% water savings, and does not require sprinkler applications to establish plants. Grower also applied two equal applications of organic fertilizer as standard practice in Control Group 2 (CG2). RDI and another control group (CG1) received only the first application which was done preplant.

 Control Group 1
 RDI
 Control Group 2

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With less water and half the fertilizer, RDI plants grew larger and produced a higher quality yield than both control groups.

RDI shows superior growth and development vs. both CG1 and CG2 with less water and only half the fertilizer.

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INCREASES CROP JIELD BY REDUCING STRESS AND ALLOWING EACH AND EVERY PLANT TO SELF-REGULATE ITS WATER DELIVERY.

5 | TESTING IN COMMERCIAL LAWN AND LANDSCAPE



2018 | San Diego County, CA

RDI demonstration installed August 2018 with a commercial landscape contractor in San Diego, CA. GrowStream[™] can supply a mix of turf, xeriscape, and high water use plants- all in a single zone. Control group of leading subsurface drip was compared for plant performance and water usage.

GrowStream[™] irrigated plants were healthier, more vibrant, and showed a 54% long term water savings over control SDI.



Landscape design with Water Use Classification of Landscape Species. The sod section was split in half, and the planting section is mirrored.



Control Group used 81.5gal/day. RDI usage fluctuated daily, but averaged 37.7gal/day over the same time period. This represents RDI's long-term water savings of 54% versus the leading control group drip system.

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