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IS-5150-19	Climate change and the dairy sector in Israel and the US	Ag. Economics & Rural Devel. App. Duration: 2 years
	Fishman, R. Tel Aviv U * Frank, E. U Chicago Kimhi, A. Hebrew U	IL
IS-5154-19	Advanced framework for optimizing irrigation management and improving resource use efficiency	Agricultural Innovation & Engi App. Duration: 3 years
	Linker, R. Technion Kisekka, I. UC, Davis	CA
US-5157-19	Identification, characterization and testing of geographically conserved Babesia bovis vaccine antigen candidates	Animal Health App. Duration: 2 years
	Ueti, M.W. USDA, ARS Leszkowicz Mazuz, M. Isr. Vet. Inst.	WA
IS-5164-19	Mechanisms involved in pregnancy loss and maintenance of the corpus luteum during second month of gestation in lactating dairy cows	Animal Production App. Duration: 3 years
	Moallem, U. ARO, Min. Ag. Wiltbank, M.C. U Wisconsin	WI
US-5165-19	Utilization of fish processing waste enriched by fermentation in aquafeeds for fish of importance to Israel and USA	Animal Production App. Duration: 3 years
	Dabrowski, K. U Ohio St. Harpaz, S. ARO, Min. Ag. Jimenez-Flores, R. U Ohio St. Cnaani, A. ARO, Min. Ag.	OH OH
IS-5167-19	The role of the endocannabinoid system in regulating adipose tissue lipolysis and remodeling in postpartum dairy cows	Animal Production App. Duration: 3 years
	* Zachut, M. ARO, Min. Ag. Contreras, A. U Michigan St. * Tam, J. Hebrew U	MI
IS-5177-19	Cutting edge culture independent pipeline for detection of novel anti-fungal plant protection compounds in suppressive soils	Crop Health App. Duration: 2 years
	Cytryn, E. ARO, Min. Ag. Brady, S.F. U Rockefeller Frenkel, O. ARO, Min. Ag.	NY
US-5179-19	Elucidating the role of microbiome in host plant colonization and foraging of invasive fruit flies	Crop Health App. Duration: 3 years
	* Wong, A. U Florida Jurkevitch, E. Hebrew U Yuval, B. Hebrew U	FL

IS-5180-19	Developing synthetic sex ratio distorters for the genetic control of the Mediterranean fruit fly and the New World screwworm * Papathanos, P. Scott, M.J.	Hebrew U U NC State	NC	Crop Health App. Duration: 3 years
US-5182-19R 5070	The impacts and underlying mechanisms of carbon dioxide narcosis in bumble bees * Amsalem, E. * Levin, E. * Schilder, R.	U Penn State Tel Aviv U U Penn State	PA PA	Crop Health App. Duration: 3 years
IS-5183-19	New formulation for biopesticides based on single cell encapsulation via pickering emulsions * Mechrez, G. Shapiro-Ilan, D. * Ment, D.	ARO, Min. Ag. USDA, ARS ARO, Min. Ag.	GA	Crop Health App. Duration: 3 years
IS-5188-19C 4744	Genetic dissection of yield components in wheat using Pangenome and association study Distelfeld, A. Friebe, B. Sela, H. Poland, J.	U Haifa Kansas State U Tel Aviv U Kansas State U	KS KS	Crop Production App. Duration: 3 years
US-5191-19C 4916	Validation of candidate genes for a QTL responsible for water stress tolerance and their diversity in wheat Dubcovsky, J. Fahima, T.	UC, Davis U Haifa	CA	Crop Production App. Duration: 3 years
IS-5195-19R 5104	Developing new rooting enhancers and strategies for root regeneration from cuttings of pecan (Carya Illinoensis) mature root-stocks Sadot, E. Staiger, C.J. * Weinstain, R. Blancaflor, E.B. Rohla, C.	ARO, Min. Ag. U Purdue Tel Aviv U Noble Research Institute, LLC Noble Research Institute, LLC	IN OK OK	Crop Production App. Duration: 3 years
IS-5196-19	Genetic and physiological dissection of novel grain protein content QTLs from wild emmer wheat for nutritional improvement of wheat grains Krugman, T. Beckles, D.M. Bloom, A.J.	U Haifa UC, Davis UC, Davis	CA CA	Crop Production App. Duration: 3 years
US-5202-19	Elucidating and manipulating the CLAVATA-WUSCHEL circuit in cotton to understand meristem homeostasis in relation to fruit size and shape Ayre, B.G. Eshed-Williams, L. Van der Knaap, E.	U N. Texas Hebrew U U Georgia	TX GA	Crop Production App. Duration: 3 years

IS-5205-19	A general platform for designing synthetic operons for production of biofuels and other foreign pathways in algal chloroplasts	Crop Production App. Duration: 3 years
	Yacoby, I. Tel Aviv U Barkan, A. U Oregon	OR
IS-5209-19	Integrated wastewater treatment process for recovering high-quality irrigation water and nutrients	Environ/Water/Ren. Res. App. Duration: 3 years
	Bernstein, R. Ben Gurion U * Shihong, L. U Vanderbilt * Nir, O. Ben Gurion U	TN
IS-5212-19R	Root exudates and rhizosphere nutrient transport: Improving plant nutrient-uptake models	Environ/Water/Ren. Res. App. Duration: 3 years
5128	* Schwartz, N. Hebrew U Neumann, R.B. U Washington	WA
IS-5218-19	Spatiotemporal decision support systems for recognizing variability and managing precision irrigation	Environ/Water/Ren. Res. App. Duration: 3 years
	Ben-Gal, A. ARO, Min. Ag. O'Shaughnessy, S. USDA, ARS Cohen, Y. ARO, Min. Ag. Colaizzi, P. USDA, ARS * Moorhead, J.E. USDA, ARS Yasuor, H. ARO, Min. Ag. Hansen, N. U Brigham Young Hopkins, B. U Brigham Young Heaton, M. U Brigham Young Kerry, R. U Brigham Young Jensen, R.R. U Brigham Young	TX TX TX TX UT UT UT UT UT
IS-5221-19	Integrated solution systems development for precision fertilizer management	Environ/Water/Ren. Res. App. Duration: 3 years
	Litaor, M. MIGAL R&D Ippolito, J. U Colorado St. Shir, O. MIGAL R&D Liran, O. MIGAL R&D Reichman, O. MIGAL R&D Khosla, R. Kansas State U Whitley, D.L. U Colorado St.	CO KS CO
US-5222-19	Application of metagenomic approaches to examine the virome in recycled waters for safe and sustainable reuse in irrigation	Food Product App. Duration: 3 years
	Betancourt, W.Q. U Arizona BarOr, I. Sheba - Tel Hashomer * Zuckerman, N.S. Sheba - Tel Hashomer Bright, K.R. U Arizona	AZ AZ

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<p>IS-5223-19C 4125</p>	<p>Enhancement of tomato flavor by upregulating the mono- and sesquiterpene biosynthetic pathways using genes from wild tomato relatives Lewinsohn, E. ARO, Min. Ag. Dudareva, N. U Purdue Sitrit, Y. Ben Gurion U Schaffer, A. ARO, Min. Ag.</p>	<p>Food Product App. Duration: 3 years IN</p>
<p>US-5231-20CR 4986 5152</p>	<p>Sustainable agriculture: The case of macroalgal-based circular economy Zilberman, D. UC, Berkeley Palatnik, R. Yezreel Valley College * Golberg, A. Tel Aviv U</p>	<p>Ag. Economics & Rural Devel. App. Duration: 3 years CA</p>
<p>US-5236-20</p>	<p>Open field agrivoltaics with an innovative spectral beam splitting solar collector * Hernandez, R. U NC State * Vitoshkin, H. ARO, Min. Ag. Kribus, A. Tel Aviv U Mittelman, G. ARO, Min. Ag.</p>	<p>Agricultural Innovation & Engi App. Duration: 3 years NC</p>
<p>IS-5241-20</p>	<p>Beta-glucans as growth promoters and antibiotic alternatives in poultry Schwartz, B. Hebrew U Vetvicka, V. U Louisville Rozenboim, I. Hebrew U</p>	<p>Animal Health App. Duration: 3 years KY</p>
<p>IS-5242-20</p>	<p>Development of <i>Salmonella</i> sensing-based antibacterials for use in poultry * Mills, E. Hebrew U * Petersen, E.M. U E Tenn State</p>	<p>Animal Health App. Duration: 3 years TN</p>
<p>IS-5248-20</p>	<p>EGF/EGFR signaling in the southern flounder male reproductive system and its role in regulating sperm motility and fertility * Aizen, Y. Ruppin Academic Center Thomas, P. U Texas at Austin</p>	<p>Animal Production App. Duration: 3 years TX</p>
<p>IS-5255-20</p>	<p>Benefits of <i>Moringa oleifera</i>, an antioxidant rich feed, on improving ruminants production efficiency and product quality Cohen-Zinder, M. ARO, Min. Ag. Raskin, I. U Rutgers Shabtay, A. ARO, Min. Ag.</p>	<p>Animal Production App. Duration: 3 years NJ</p>
<p>IS-5257-20CF 4899</p>	<p>Feasibility Study: Using <i>in vitro</i> embryo production and gene editing to study embryology in sheep Gershon, E. ARO, Min. Ag. Ealy, A. Virginia Tech</p>	<p>Animal Production App. Duration: 1 year VA</p>
<p>IS-5261-20C 4937</p>	<p>The role of Botrytis necrosis-inducing proteins as plant immunogens, and their potential use in plant protection Sharon, A. Tel Aviv U Mengiste, T.D. U Purdue</p>	<p>Crop Health App. Duration: 3 years IN</p>

US-5264-20	Elucidating how durable disease resistance curtails fungal infection in maize using deep-learning facilitated microscopy	Crop Health App. Duration: 3 years
	Caplan, J. U Delaware DE Horwitz, B. Technion Wisser, R.J. U Delaware DE	
US-5265-20	Gene discovery to enhance potato resistance to Colorado potato beetle	Crop Health App. Duration: 3 years
	Jander, G. Boyce Thompson NY Aharoni, A. Weizmann Inst.	
IS-5270-20R	Targeting the structural Glycoprotein N (Gn) of Tomato Spotted Wilt Virus (TSWV) to inhibit virus acquisition by thrips	Crop Health App. Duration: 3 years
⁵¹⁷⁶	Dessau, M. Bar Ilan U Whitfield, A.E. U NC State NC	
IS-5274-20	Elucidating the cross-talk between root microstructure and soilborne pathogens	Crop Health App. Duration: 2 years
	* Kleiman, M. ARO, Min. Ag. Iyer-Pascuzzi, A.S. U Purdue IN	
IS-5276-20	Dissecting genetic resistance to Tomato brown rugose fruit virus (ToBRFV), the emerging tomato pathogen	Crop Health App. Duration: 3 years
	Lapidot, M. ARO, Min. Ag. Citovsky, V. NYSU, Stony Brook NY	
IS-5283-20	Understanding the interplay between TYLCV resistance and heat tolerance in tomato	Crop Production App. Duration: 3 years
	Gorovits, R. Hebrew U Strickler, S.R. Boyce Thompson NY Czosnek, H.H. Hebrew U Menda, N. Boyce Thompson NY	
IS-5284-20	Comparative genomic and genetic analyses of carbohydrate accumulation in winter squash and melon fruit	Crop Production App. Duration: 3 years
	* Gur, A. ARO, Min. Ag. Mazourek, M. U Cornell NY Burger, J. ARO, Min. Ag. Tadmor, Y. ARO, Min. Ag. Schaffer, A. ARO, Min. Ag.	
IS-5288-20	Incorporation winter tree physiology into forecast-models of orchards bloom and yield	Crop Production App. Duration: 3 years
	* Paz-Kagan, T. ARO, Min. Ag. Zwieniecki, M. UC, Davis CA * Sperling, O. ARO, Min. Ag.	

IS-5292-20R 5192	Next-generation basil: Mapping chilling-tolerance in sweet basil using next-generation sequencing for a long-lasting product * Gonda, I. Simon, J.E. Dudai, N. Wyenandt, C.A. Kenigsbuch, D. Faigenboim, A.	ARO, Min. Ag. U Rutgers ARO, Min. Ag. U Rutgers ARO, Min. Ag. ARO, Min. Ag.	NJ NJ	Crop Production App. Duration: 1 year
IS-5299-20	smaRt dEsalination System fOr sUustainable agRiCultural usE (RESOURCE) Lazarovitch, N. Cohen, Y. Gilron, J. Trippler, E.	Ben Gurion U UC, Los Angeles Ben Gurion U Central & Northern Arava R&D	CA	Environ/Water/Ren. Res. App. Duration: 3 years
IS-5304-20	Optimal irrigation strategies informed by direct tree-water storage measurements * Mau, Y. Bohrer, G.	Hebrew U U Ohio St.	OH	Environ/Water/Ren. Res. App. Duration: 3 years
IS-5309-20R 5219	Thermochemical processing of agricultural plastic waste for resource recovery and sustainable development * Posmanik, R. Goldfarb, J.L. Sills, D. Dubowski, Y.	ARO, Min. Ag. U Cornell U Bucknell Technion	NY PA	Environ/Water/Ren. Res. App. Duration: 3 years
IS-5315-20	Integrating water treatment with nutrient utilization in intensive aquaculture by a new microaerophilic membrane assimilation reactor system * Bar-Zeev, E. * Perreault, F. Herzberg, M. Zilberg, D.	Ben Gurion U U Arizona St. Ben Gurion U Ben Gurion U	AZ	Environ/Water/Ren. Res. App. Duration: 3 years
IS-5317-20C 5038	Cold induced sweetening as a trigger for endodormancy release of potato seed tubers Eshel, D. Jiang, J.	ARO, Min. Ag. U Michigan St.	MI	Food Product App. Duration: 3 years
IS-5321-20C 4783	The genetic basis for postharvest chilling tolerance in tomato fruit Lers, A. Foolad, M.R. Fallik, E.	ARO, Min. Ag. U Penn State ARO, Min. Ag.	PA	Food Product App. Duration: 3 years
IS-5323-20C 5042	Epigenetic mechanisms controlling mycotoxin biosynthesis and pathogenesis in the plant pathogen <i>Penicillium expansum</i> Sionov, E. Keller, N.P.	ARO, Min. Ag. U Wisconsin	WI	Food Product App. Duration: 3 years

US-5335-21	Developing mechanical harvesting and improving postharvest treatment of California and Israel's table olive (<i>Olea europaea L.</i>)	Agricultural Innovation & Engi App. Duration: 3 years
	Ehsani, R. UC, Merced CA Dag, A. ARO, Min. Ag. Ferguson, L. UC, Davis CA Fishman, A. Technion	
US-5336-21	Mitigation of clogging in drip-irrigation emitters: A hydrodynamic approach	Agricultural Innovation & Engi App. Duration: 3 years
	Sauret, A.O. UC, St.Barbara CA Ramon, G. Technion	
US-5343-21	Elucidating carp responses and virulence strategies during CyHV-3 infection of hosts with different susceptibility patterns	Animal Health App. Duration: 3 years
	* Gorgoglione, B. U Michigan St. MI David, D.L. Hebrew U	
IS-5354-21	Mitigation of off flavor in recirculating aquaculture systems	Animal Production App. Duration: 3 years
	Van Rijn, J. Hebrew U Davidson, J.W. Freshwater Inst. WV	
IS-5358-21	Elucidating and manipulating regulatory elements of the tilapia physiological response to extreme temperatures	Animal Production App. Duration: 3 years
	Cnaani, A. ARO, Min. Ag. Kueltz, D. UC, Davis CA * Biran, J. ARO, Min. Ag.	
US-5361-21	Understanding the Citrus tristeza virus interplay with plant immunity for disease control	Crop Health App. Duration: 1 year
	Folimonova, S.Y. U Florida FL Mawassi, M. ARO, Min. Ag.	
IS-5362-21CR 4931 5263	Tomato PP2C phosphatases: negative regulators of plant immunity and biotechnological tools for enhancement of disease resistance	Crop Health App. Duration: 3 years
	Sessa, G. Tel Aviv U Martin, G.B. Boyce Thompson NY	
IS-5386-21R 5271	Deciphering the resistance-breaking mechanism of Tomato brown rugose fruit virus	Crop Health App. Duration: 3 years
	* Spiegelman, Z. ARO, Min. Ag. Dinesh-Kumar, S.P. UC, Davis CA	
US-5389-21C 5029	Gene discovery through systems biology approaches to develop broad-spectrum antiviral strategies in crops	Crop Health App. Duration: 3 years
	Wang, X.F. Virginia Tech VA Schuldiner, M. Weizmann Inst.	

US-5390-21	Adapting soil biosolarization to local by-products and low water inputs by harnessing the indigenous microbiome in lettuce crops	Crop Health App. Duration: 3 years
	Simmons, C. UC, Davis CA Freilich, S. ARO, Min. Ag. Stapleton, J.J. UC, ANR CA	
IS-5393-21	Wild plasmotype diversity for evolving and breeding abiotic stress resilience in barley	Crop Production App. Duration: 3 years
	Fridman, E. ARO, Min. Ag. CA Koenig, D. UC, Riverside CA Lenaghan, S. U Tennessee, Knoxville TN	
IS-5400-21	Leveraging genomics and temporal high-throughput phenotyping to enhance association mapping and yield prediction of sesame	Crop Production App. Duration: 3 years
	Peleg, Z. Hebrew U Morota, G. Virginia Tech VA * Herrmann, I. Hebrew U	
IS-5403-21CR 4822 5291	Elucidating the genes that are involved in the biosynthetic pathway of hydrolyzable tannins in pomegranate	Crop Production App. Duration: 3 years
	Amir, R. MIGAL R&D Tian, L. UC, Davis CA Holland, D. ARO, Min. Ag.	
IS-5430-21	Tree-based multilevel spatial decision support systems to close the yield gap in almond orchards	Environ/Water/Ren. Res. App. Duration: 3 years
	* Baram, S. ARO, Min. Ag. Jin, Y. UC, Davis CA * Paz-Kagan, T. ARO, Min. Ag. Brown, P.H. UC, Davis CA	
US-5434-21	Unraveling the biogeochemical mechanisms of drought and rewetting induced nitric and nitrous oxide emissions from dryland agriculture	Environ/Water/Ren. Res. App. Duration: 3 years
	* Saha, D. U Tennessee, Knoxville TN * Gelfand, I. Ben Gurion U Schaeffer, S.M. U Tennessee, Knoxville TN * Jagadamma, S.M. U Tennessee, Knoxville TN	
US-5439-21	Nutrient recovery in recirculating aquaculture systems: From waste to fertilizer	Environ/Water/Ren. Res. App. Duration: 3 years
	Sengupta, S. U of Mass at Dartmouth MA * Tal, S. Isr. Ocean. Res. * Yogev, U. Isr. Ocean. Res.	
IS-5443-21R 5298	Foliar fertilization with insoluble phosphate: exploration of chemical, structural, and microbial processes that facilitate P acquisition	Environ/Water/Ren. Res. App. Duration: 3 years
	* Erel, R. ARO, Min. Ag. Leveau, J. UC, Davis CA Gross, A. Ben Gurion U	

IS-5482-22	Exploring thyroid hormones and GHRH as tools for manipulating growth and puberty in female fish	Animal Production App. Duration: 3 years
	* Golan, M. ARO, Min. Ag.	
	Zmora, N. UMBC	MD
	Levavi-Sivan, B. Hebrew U	
	Zohar, Y. UMBC	MD
IS-5486-22CR 5023 5367	A holistic approach towards development of bacterial fruit blotch resistance in cucurbits	Crop Health App. Duration: 3 years
	Burdman, S. Hebrew U	
	Walcott, R. U Georgia	GA
	Zhao, B. Virginia Tech	VA
	Welbaum, E. Virginia Tech	VA
IS-5492-22R 5366	Co-opting fungal cell death pathways for disease control in agriculture	Crop Health App. Duration: 3 years
	Shlezinger, N. Hebrew U	
	Kabbage, M. U Wisconsin	WI
IS-5497-22 0	Targeting Core RxLR-like effectors of phytonematodes to control root knot nematode disease	Crop Health App. Duration: 1 year
	Braun Miyara, S. ARO, Min. Ag.	
	Gleason, C. U WA State	WA
	Sela, N. ARO, Min. Ag.	
IS-5499-22	Effector proteases from <i>Clavibacter</i>: identification of plant immune receptors and investigating their influence on host specificity in Solanaceae	Crop Health App. Duration: 3 years
	* Teper, Doron ARO, Min. Ag.	
	Coaker, G.L. UC, Davis	CA
IS-5502-22C 5033	ABC transporters as potential targets for virulence inhibition in soft rot pectobacteria	Crop Health App. Duration: 3 years
	Yedidia, I. ARO, Min. Ag.	
	Charkowski, A.O. U Colorado St.	CO
	Senderowitz, H. Bar Ilan U	
IS-5510-22R 5402	Developing predictive indicators of reproductive heat stress tolerance in tomato plants	Crop Production App. Duration: 3 years
	Miller, G. Bar Ilan U	
	Palanivelu, R. U Arizona	AZ
	* Lieberman-Lazarovich, ARO, Min. Ag.	
	Muday, G.K. U Wake Forest	NC
	Johnson, M.A. U Brown	RI
	Harper, J.F. U Nevada	NV
IS-5512-22	Resilient sweetpotato yield and quality in face of climate change - root architectural traits for consistent storage root formation under drought	Crop Production App. Duration: 3 years
	Rachmilevitch, S. Ben Gurion U	
	Villordon, A.Q. LSU, Ag Center	LA
	Baisakh, N. LSU, Ag Center	LA
	LaBonte, D.R. LSU, Ag Center	LA
	Ilani, T. Southern R&D	

US-5515-22C 5191	Molecular characterization and natural variation of 12-oxophytodienoate reductases that modulate wheat root architecture Dubcovsky, J. UC, Davis Fahima, T. U Haifa Krugman, T. U Haifa	Crop Production App. Duration: 3 years CA
IS-5516-22	Regulation of stomata function, ROS formation, water use efficiency and drought tolerance in tomato by ROP GTPase signaling Yalovsky, S. Tel Aviv U Schroeder, J.I. UC, San Diego * Sade, N. Tel Aviv U	Crop Production App. Duration: 3 years CA
IS-5519-22	Utilizing citrullus spp. genetic resources for enhancing abiotic tolerance in watermelon cultivars * Cochavi, A. ARO, Min. Ag. Levi, A. USDA, ARS Gur, A. ARO, Min. Ag. Fei, Z. Boyce Thompson	Crop Production App. Duration: 3 years SC NY
IS-5524-22	Development of novel approaches to improve fruit quality and shelf-life via tailored and targeted manipulation of cytokinin levels * Goldshmidt, A. ARO, Min. Ag. Rose, J.K. U Cornell	Crop Production App. Duration: 3 years NY
IS-5537-22R 5407	Short term drought-tolerance inducing rhizobacteria (STDiR): a potential for water stress amelioration in wheat Minz, D. ARO, Min. Ag. Green, S.J. U Rush Ben-David, R. ARO, Min. Ag. Hadar, Y. Hebrew U	Environ/Water/Ren. Res. App. Duration: 3 years IL
US-5545-22R 5437	Sharing a lignocellulosic dish: exploiting a bi-fungal consortium and its interacting mechanisms for agricultural residues conversion * Zhang, J. U Minnesota Hadar, Y. Hebrew U Yarden, O. Hebrew U	Environ/Water/Ren. Res. App. Duration: 3 years MN
US-5548-22R 5440	Remote sensing of wine-grapevine transpiration for improving vine water status Alfieri, J.G. USDA, ARS Agam, N. Ben Gurion U Torres-Rua, A. U Utah St. Kustas, W. USDA, ARS Karnieli, A. Ben Gurion U	Environ/Water/Ren. Res. App. Duration: 3 years MD UT MD

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IS-5553-22	Regulating Ripening and Chilling Tolerance of Tomato Fruits Through Autophagy Modulation	Food Product
	* Michaeli, S.	ARO, Min. Ag.
	Mattoo, A.K.	USDA, ARS
		MD

* Indicates an early career scientist (less than 5 years from first institutional appointment)