# PLASMA 828 – SHOWCASING SOME HORTICULTURAL TRIUMPHS

This Insight highlights two success stories using **Plasma 828**. How mobilised nutrients accumulated around the root zone of **almond** trees and how Pink Root was noticeably controlled when it was applied to **onions**.

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**The photograph shows the almond harvest as it commenced recently in most areas around South Australia.**

**Here the 'shaker' grabs the trunk and shakes the ripe almonds off the tree. The almonds are then 'swept' out from under the tree into a neat line to be picked up. The 3 x 3L/ha. Plasma 828 fertigation program has made a huge difference to general tree health, with an increased yield expected.**

In addition to the excellent seasonal supply of Zn, Cu and Mn – and as was advised by Dr Hooshang Nassery, (RLF Plant Physiologist and International Technical Director) – that there was a high likelihood that the lower pH of the fertigated **Plasma 828** solution would mobilise nutrients accumulated around the root zone in alkaline soils.

**What a triumph !**

Pink Root is a common soil-inhabiting fungal disease that penetrates the roots of (primarily) weak onion plants.

A large South Australian onion grower recently said that Pink Root was rife in the block where he tried a small patch on **Plasma 828**. He advised that Pink Root was noticeably less where **Plasma 828** was applied.

**The stronger 'Plasma plants' grew with more disease resistance ! Another triumph !**