

# Agricultural BioTech Regulatory Network

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## Containment Regulatory Expert Joins Agricultural BioTech Regulatory Network

The Agricultural BioTech Regulatory Network (ABTR Network) proudly announces Dann Adair as a new affiliate from Minnesota. Mr. Adair is an expert with more than 30 years experience on the management, design and construction of research plots, greenhouses, growth chambers, seed storage and supporting facilities for the agricultural biotechnology industry.

While on staff at the University of Minnesota, Mr. Adair co-authored A Practical Guide to Containment: Greenhouse Research with Transgenic Plants and Microbes in 2001. Recently a 2<sup>nd</sup> addition was published in 2008: A Practical Guide to Containment: Plant Biosafety in Research Greenhouses. Both guides focus on NIH and USDA-APHIS regulations for confinement and containment and are an important source for the plant biotechnology industry.

Once these guides were published, Mr. Adair began making conference presentations and teaching courses on biosafety, annually at the Biosafety and Biosecurity Training Course (Fort Collins, CO) and will be presenting at the upcoming 2011 International Conference on Biocontainment Facilities (April, San Antonio, TX). Mr. Adair is employed as an Account Manager and Greenhouse Application Specialist at Conviron, the world's largest supplier of controlled environment chambers for plant sciences.

"Mr. Adair's experience and expertise in facility design and solving the issues of biotechnology containment is an excellent addition to our global network," said Sue MacIntosh, ABTR Network Co-Founder. "We're very pleased to welcome him to our network of regulatory experts."

To learn more about Mr. Adair and other network consultants, visit [www.abtrnetwork.com](http://www.abtrnetwork.com)

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Services cover the entire range of regulatory support required for AgBiotech projects, including project management, project evaluation, risk assessments, contained/confined use permits; field trial permits / notifications; regulatory files; commercial permits; movement of biological materials; compliance audits; compliance systems; training; quality control; study design; documentation systems; regulatory strategies; regulatory management; issue management; communication; emergency response & public advocacy.

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