

U.S. Utility Patent Granted For Beacon™ Impatiens

The new *I. walleriana* series from PanAmerican Seed has unique genetic resistance to Impatiens downy mildew and is protected under a U.S. utility patent.



WEST CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, June 2019: PanAmerican Seed® is thrilled to announce that a United States utility patent was granted for its new [Beacon™ Impatiens](#) having a unique form of disease resistance to Impatiens downy mildew. US 10,285,362 covers all 6 colors and two mixes of Beacon Impatiens walleriana. Additional patent applications are pending.

“Since its official debut earlier this year, the excitement around Beacon Impatiens has been outstanding,” says **Lisa Lacy**, Global Product Manager for PanAmerican Seed, and a key team member of the Beacon Impatiens launch. “Receiving this patent underscores confidence in this product, and we are proud to be able to bring such an important flower class back to market.”

Beacon Impatiens launched at California Spring Trials in March 2019 and offers no-risk color for the shade. A limited supply of seed is available now, with full-scale global availability in January 2020. Contact Ball Seed or visit www.beaconimpatiens.com.

About PanAmerican Seed

PanAmerican Seed is an internationally renowned breeder and producer of seed-raised flowers and vegetables based in West Chicago, IL, that produces high-quality and best-performing varieties. Research facilities in North and South America, the Pacific Rim and Europe enable us to test and evaluate new varieties under numerous climatic conditions. Our state-of-the-art seed distribution center guarantees quick, efficient processing of orders for our worldwide customers. Visit www.panamseed.com for more information.