

# WONDER MAKERS ENVIRONMENTAL

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## Is Quality Control a Conflict of Interest?

One of the most curious developments of my entire professional career has been watching the "hijacking" of an entire industry. For over 35 years I have been involved in the arena of environmental safety and health, witnessing the emergence of safety committees, the birth of the asbestos control industry, efforts to control chemicals, the realization that environmental lead was as serious as industrial lead exposure, the growth of indoor air quality in the public consciousness, and the explosion of concerns about mold.

Except in the case of mold, increased awareness of a hazard led to industry responses and safety and health regulations, with an underlying theme that any contractor who worked to correct those hazards should be focused on quality control - making sure the work was completed safely and correctly. Except in the case of mold, the organizations tasked with correcting serious problems were not hamstrung by artificial restrictions on their efforts to ensure quality.

[Click here to read article](#) to learn about quality control as it relates to mold work, and how it seems to be the exception to the rule.

### TRAINING SCHEDULE

#### [Mold Remediation Supervisor](#)

September 23-24: Kalamazoo, MI

#### [CIRI's Supervisor/Assessor for](#)

#### [ISSA's Clean Standard: K-12](#)

October 3: PRL Expo in Toronto,

#### [Certified Mold Professional](#)

October 28-30: Clinton Twp, MI

## Frequently Asked Questions

**Q:** Is there a way for a homeowner or business owner to screen for bioaerosol contamination without having to call in a professional investigator?

**A:** Recent advancements in technology have simplified the bioaerosol sampling process. Wonder Makers Environmental, Inc. was the first company in the United States to offer a bioaerosol screening test that can be self-administered by the building owner. The Wonder-Air was designed to allow potential indoor air quality problems to be investigated quickly and inexpensively. It is designed for homeowners, building maintenance personnel, managers of industrial facilities or office buildings, school administrators, and even church staff, as an initial screening tool. While the Wonder-Air cannot quantify chemical contaminants, bacteria, or viruses, it can identify the more common constituents of bioaerosol contamination that have been linked with the majority of IAQ complaints. As such, it is often the most appropriate first step in an indoor air quality investigation.

## Did You Know?

A reporter recently asked, "What are the current IAQ challenges?" We thought you would be interested in Michael Pinto's response to this question: "While the traditional IAQ challenges of proper ventilation, temperature/humidity control, and chemical exposure from off-gassing still remain, the clear challenge for the future is dealing with biological contaminants. A near continuous stream of news stories regarding the threat of the Ebola virus, MRSA, and norovirus outbreaks reflect the reality that buildings need to be designed, constructed, maintained, and cleaned with the health of the occupants in mind rather than strictly for visual appearances."

## Featured Product: Webinar Series

Did you know that there are many facets to a successful remediation project? The most current information on mold remediation is available online so that you can view sessions at your convenience. [Click here](#) to purchase a single session or a discount for the six sessions.

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## Training Opportunities

It's not too late to get into the [Mold Remediation Supervisor](#) course, Sept 23-24, which is a prerequisite for the CMP course (see below). Early bird registration through RIA ends on October 10.

Sign up now for the PLR Expo where there will be a **CIRI Supervisor/Assessor** for ISSA's Clean Standard: K-12. The PLR Expo will be held in Toronto, October 3, 2014. [Click here](#) to register.

The Restoration Industry Association (RIA) offers a [Certified Mold Professional](#) course only once a year. This year it will be held on October 28-30 in the Detroit Metro area. (Our host will be RIA's president, Scott Stamper!) Pre-requisite courses are Mold Remediation Technician and Mold Remediation Supervisor. Experienced individuals with previous mold remediation training may submit verification to the RIA and, if they qualify, move directly to the Supervisor class. A very experienced professional may even be allowed to challenge the Supervisor exam to avoid duplicating classes prior to the CMP course.

**Applying Christian Principles to the Workplace, November 4, Chicago, Illinois.** Sign up at [BusinessMentors.net](#).

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