

Potato viruses

a) Potato leaf roll virus

b) Potato virus x

c) Potato virus y

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PVY^o & PVX



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Potato leafroll virus



Classification

- Group: (+)ssRNA
- Family: *Luteoviridae*
- Genus: *Polerovirus*

Introduction

- It is one of the most important potato virus worldwide.
- It can be responsible for individual plant yield losses over 50%. Annual yield losses caused by PLRV is 20 million tons globally.
- PLRV was first described by Quanjier in 1916.

Host Species

- This RNA virus infects potatoes and other members of family *Solanaceae*.

Symptoms

Symptoms of infection in growing season appear on younger leaves.

- Leaf margins become necrotic turning brown and purple and curl inward toward the centre of leaves.
- Few tubers cluster around the stem..
- affected leaves are slightly pale and may show purpling or reddening



Potato leaf roll virus symptoms include upward rolling of leaves



Transmission

- PLRV virus is transmitted by aphids , the green peach aphid *Myzus persicae*.
- The virus is picked up by the colonising aphids during prolonged feeding on a infected tree.



Management & Control

- This virus requires 12 hours to transmit by the help of aphid.
- Kill the infected plants
- Systemic and foliar insecticides can be used to prevent aphid feeding
- Use of Hot Water-Thermotherapy. Hot water treatment at 55 c for 15- 20 mint
- Methamidophos and Endosulfan use for the control of aphids.

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Classification

- ❖ Order: *Tymovirales*
- ❖ Family: *Alphaflexiviridae*
- ❖ Genus; *Potexvirus*
- ❖ Species: *Potato virus x*

Introduction

■ Presence

- It is also known as potato mosaic virus.
- Presence occurs mostly in China, India, Iran, Turkey and Pakistan.

• Host plants/Affected plants

- *Brassica rapa*
- *Nicotiana tabacum*
- *Solanum Tuberosum*

• Growth stage

- Vegetative growing stage of plant mostly affected by this virus.

Symptoms

- In potato, causes mild mosaic on leaves
- Inter venial mosaic.
- Mottling with stunting
- Necrosis of leaves.
- Tuber formation occurs in potatoes
- Crinkling

Transmission

- Transmitted mechanically.
- Contact *between diseased and healthy plants*
- No insect transition.
- No fungal vector transition.

Causes

- Causes mild mosaic.
- Causes no symptoms in most potato varieties.
- In presence of potato virus Y, synergy between two viruses causes severe symptoms in potatoes.
- Necrotic spotting in tobacco.

Control

- Perennial herb named as *Chlorophytum nepalense* is use as a root extract to control the dark viral necrotic lesions of sprouted potato tuber and plant and sprouted tubers by potato virus x under glasshouse conditions.
- *These extract contains;*
 - (a) Chologenic acid
 - (b)Kaempferol
 - (c)luteolin
 - These components have potential to control this virus



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Potato virus Y

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classification

- ❑ Group: (+)ssRNA
- ❑ Family: Potyviridae
- ❑ Genus: Potyvirus
- ❑ Species: Potato virus Y

Introduction & Importance

- It is economically important because, in last few years this virus has led to considerable losses to South Africa potato industry.
- PVY mostly infects plants in the family of Solanaceae
- Losses occurs by this virus leads to 10-100% losses. **Host plants:**
 - (a)Tobacco
 - (b)pepper
 - (c)Tomato

Transmission

- It is transmitted by insect vectors like aphid named as *Myzus persicae*.
- Transmitted by grafting and sap inoculation.
- But some may also remain dormant in seed potatoes.
- So using the same line of potato for production leads to increase in viral load and loss of crop.

Symptoms

- ❖ Emergence of necrotic PVY(NTN) has led to more reliable classification tools than simple serological identification.
- ❖ Formation of mild mosaic patterns occurs.
- ❖ Leaf distortion
- ❖ Death of growing points of plants
- ❖ Tuber necrosis

Management & control

- Avoid planting seed potato downwind from commercial fields.
- Prevent the late season virus infection by top-killing seed potato fields early.
- Plant only certified seeds.
- Eliminate infected potatoes plants and weed reservoirs of aphids and PVY.
- Chemicals to hinder or prevent aphid feedings.

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