

UW-Madison/Extension Plant Disease Diagnostic Clinic (PDDC) Update

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In 2021, the PDDC continues with limited hours and limited sample processing capacity due to COVID-19. Click here for the PDDC's current submission policy. The PDDC is continuing to provide diagnoses through examination of digital photographs, although in 2021 there will be a fee for this service. As in 2020, digital diagnoses will be included in the Wisconsin Disease Almanac. For Almanac entries below, when a digital diagnosis would normally require a lab confirmation, the disease/disorder will be labeled as "suspected". The following diseases/disorders have been identified at the PDDC from March 6, 2021 through March 12, 2021.

PLANT/SAMPLE TYPE	DISEASE/DISORDER	PATHOGEN	COUNTY
BROAD-LEAFED WOODY ORNAMENTALS			
Crabapple	Black Rot	Botryosphaeria obtusa	Dane
FRUIT CROPS			
Apple	Black Rot	Botryosphaeria obtusa	Jefferson
	Sooty Mold	Miscellaneous sooty mold fungi	Jefferson
HERBACEOUS ORNAMENTALS			
Geranium	Iron/Manganese Toxicity (Suspected)	None	Rock
HOUSEPLANTS			
Cyclamen	Gray Mold/Botrytis Blight (Suspected)	Botrytis cinerea	Rock
NEEDLED WOODY ORNAMENTALS			
Pine (White)	Overcrowding (Suspected)	None	Brown
	Water stress (Suspected)	None	Brown

To learn more about plant diseases and their control, as well as PDDC educational resources and activities, visit the PDDC website at pddc.wisc.edu, follow the clinic on Facebook and Twitter @UWPDDC or email pddc@wisc.edu to subscribe to the PDDC listserv "UWPDDCLearn".