

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 April 3, 2021 through April 9, 2021.

PLANT/SAMPLE TYPE	DISEASE/DISORDER	PATHOGEN	COUNTY
BROAD-LEAFED WOODY ORNAMENTALS			
Shrub (Unspecified)	Rabbit Damage (Suspected)	None	Milwaukee
FRUIT CROPS			
Apple	Apple Scab	Venturia inaequalis	Menominee (MI)
Pear	Girdling Root (Suspected)	None	Brown
	Overly Deep Planting	None	Brown
	Pear Scab (Suspected)	Venturia pirina	Crawford
	Sooty Mold	Unspecified sooty mold fungi	Brown
HERBACEOUS ORNAMENTALS			
Petunia	Viral Disease (Suspected)	Unspecified virus	Clark
NEEDLED WOODY ORNAMENTALS			
Fir (White)	Transplant Shock (Suspected)	None	Dane
Spruce (Unspecified)	Rhizosphaeara Needle Cast (Suspected)	Rhizosphaera kalkhoffii	Eau Claire, Pierce
	Spruce Needle Drop (Suspected)	Setomelanomma holmii	Eau Claire, Pierce



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VEGETABLE CROPS			
Kale	Fusarium Wilt (Suspected)	Fusarium oxysporum	Vernon

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