

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 June 26, 2021 through July 2, 2021.

PLANT/SAMPLE TYPE	DISEASE/DISORDER	PATHOGEN	COUNTY
BROAD-LEAFED WOODY ORNAMENTALS			
Birch (Paper)	Wood Rot (Suspected)	Unspecified wood rot fungus	Dane
Elm (American)	Dutch Elm Disease	Ophiostoma sp.	Brown
Honeylocust	Ganoderma Butt Rot	Ganoderma lucidum	Dane
Hydrangea	Heat Injury (Suspected)	None	Milwaukee
Magnolia	Verticillium Wilt	Verticillium sp.	Dane
Maple (Silver)	Sphaeropsis Canker	Sphaeropsis sp.	Dane
	White Rot	Unspecified white rot fungus	Dane
Maple (Unspecified)	Girdling Roots (Suspected)	None	Eau Claire
	Overly Deep Planting	None	Eau Claire
	Steganosporium Canker	Steganosporium sp.	Sauk
Oak (Bur)	Anthracnose	Discula sp.	Oneida
	Anthracnose (Suspected)	Discula sp.	Washington
	Bur Oak Blight	Tubakia iowensis	Dane
	Cold Injury (Suspected)	None	Oneida, Washington
	Cytospora Canker	Cytospora sp.	Dane
	Herbicide Damage	None	Kenosha
Oak (Swamp White)	Anthracnose (Suspected)	Discula sp.	Winnebago
Oak (White)	Anthracnose	Discula sp.	Dane
	Coryneum Canker	Coryneum sp.	Dane
	Hypoxylon Canker	Hypoxylon sp.	Dane



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BROAD-LEAFED WOODY ORNAMENTALS (Continued)			
Oak (Unspecified)	Brown Rot	Daedalea quercina (oak mazegill)	Winnebago
	Chlorosis	None	Dane, Kenosha, Ozaukee
	Cytospora Canker	Cytospora sp.	Winnebago
	Herbicide Damage (Suspected)	None	Kenosha
	Sphaeropsis Canker	Sphaeropsis sp.	Winnebago
	Tatters	None	Kenosha
Redbud	Phomopsis Canker	Phomopsis sp.	Waukesha
Serviceberry	Sphaeropsis Canker	Sphaeropsis sp.	Dane
FIELD CROPS			
Soybean	Soil Compaction/ Overly Deep Planting	None	Green Lake
FORAGE CROPS			
Vetch (Hairy)	Anthracnose	Colletotrichum sp.	Dane, Cameron (OK)
	Ascochyta Leaf Spot/ Blight	Ascochyta sp.	Dane
	Cercospora Leaf Spot	Cercospora sp.	Cameron (OK)
	Powdery Mildew	Oidium sp.	Dane
FRUIT CROPS			
Apple	Cedar-Apple Rust	Gymnosporangium juniperi-virginianae	Jefferson
Apricot	Cold Injury (Suspected)	None	Vilas
	Water Stress (Suspected)	None	Vilas
Cranberry	Proventuria Leaf Spot (Suspected)	Protoventuria sp.	Wood
Strawberry	Root/Crown Rot	Phytophthora sp., Rhizoctonia sp.	Marathon, Portage
NEEDLED WOODY ORNAMENTALS			
Fir (Balsam)	Water Stress (Suspected)	None	Brown
Fir (Concolor)	Phomopsis Canker	Phomopsis sp.	Dane



NEEDLED WOODY ORNAMENTALS			
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Pine (White)	Brown Spot	Lecanosticta acicola	Washington
	Cytospora Canker	Cytospora sp.	Washington
	Water Stress (Suspected)	None	Adams
	Septoria Spot	Septoria sp.	Washington
Spruce (White)	Rhizosphaera Needle Cast	Rhizosphaera kalkhoffii	Oneida, Walworth
Spruce (Unspecified)	Rhizosphaera Needle Cast (Suspected)	Rhizosphaera kalkhoffii	Waukesha
	Water Stress (Suspected)	None	Waukesha
VEGETABLE CROPS			
Bean	Poor Nodulation	None	Dane
Beet	Alternaria Leaf Spot	Alternaria alternata	Dane
Crucifers (Miscellaneous)	Crown Gall (Suspected)	Agrobacterium tumefaciens	Milwaukee
Pea	Fusarium Wilt	Fusarium oxysporum	Dane
	Nematode Problem (Suspected)	Unspecified plant pathogenic nematode	Dane
Pepper	Root/Stem Rot	Phytophthora sp., Fusarium sp.	Waushara
Potato	Bacterial Soft Rot	Dickeya dianthicola, Pectobacterium sp.	Dane, Iowa, Portage
Tomato	Herbicide Damage (Suspected)	None	Crawford
	Walnut Toxicity (Suspected)	None	Dane
Zucchini	Chemical Burn (Suspected)	None	Shawano

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