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

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In 2023, the PDDC continues to provide diagnoses through examination of digital photographs, as well as physical samples. [Click here](#) for the PDDC’s current submission policy, as well as information on the PDDC’s current [fee](#) structure. Digital diagnoses will be included in the Wisconsin Disease Almanac and 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 October 21, 2023 through October 27, 2023.

PLANT/SAMPLE TYPE	DISEASE/DISORDER	PATHOGEN	COUNTY
BROAD-LEAFED WOODY ORNAMENTALS			
Boxwood	Fusarium Canker Volutella Canker	<i>Fusarium</i> sp. <i>Volutella</i> sp.	Racine Racine
Maple (Unspecified)	Frost Crack Girdling Roots (Suspected) Overly Deep Planting	None None None	Sauk Sauk Sauk
Oak (Red)	Oak Wilt	<i>Bretziella fagacearum</i>	Waukesha
Oak (Unspecified)	Oak Wilt Phomopsis Canker	<i>Bretziella fagacearum</i> <i>Phomopsis</i> sp.	Washburn Eau Claire
FIELD CROPS			
Corn	Gibberella Stalk Rot	<i>Fusarium graminearum</i>	Walworth
Soybean	Charcoal Rot	<i>Macrophomina phaseolina</i>	Sauk
FRUIT CROPS			
Apple	Apple Scab Bitter Pit Water Core	<i>Venturia inaequalis</i> None None	Walworth Fond du Lac Walworth
HERBACEOUS ORNAMENTALS			
Geranium	Fertility Issues (Suspected) Water Stress (Suspected)	None None	Dane Dane
NEEDED WOODY ORNAMENTALS			
Spruce (Unspecified)	Rhizosphaera Needle Cast	<i>Rhizosphaera kalkhoffii</i>	Eau Claire

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VEGETABLE CROPS			
Cabbage	Black Rot	<i>Xanthomonas campestris</i>	Waushara
	Black Spot	<i>Alternaria brassicicola</i>	Waushara
Tomato	Septoria Leaf Spot (Suspected)	<i>Septoria lycopersici</i>	Racine

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".