



Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Subgroup 2019 Report

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Integrated Pest Management (IPM) SG Meeting

- ❖ **Meeting Sunday 13 October 2019**
 - 10 registered
 - 24 attended
- ❖ **Anyone who missed the meeting**
 - If you are interested – please contact me
 - Here or at amjack2@uky.edu / anne.fisher@uky.edu





Integrated Pest Management (IPM) SG History & Background

❖ Membership consistently >90

- Academic – universities & research stations; researchers & extension
- Industry – leaf dealers & manufacturers

❖ Currently

- 154 members
- 29 countries
 - Need more Asian representation
 - Especially India & China



❖ IPM is defined by the American Phytopathology Society as:

- “A sustainable approach to managing pests by combining **biological, cultural, physical and chemical** tools in a way that minimizes economic, health and environmental risks”.

❖ Objectives

- To summarize available IPM strategies for each pest & disease
- To produce a document for agronomists & farmers
 - structured by disease or pest
 - with a common outline framework based on relevant IPM methods
- To make document available on CORESTA website in pdf format



Value of Previous IPM Work

❖ IPM is not new – INTEGRATED management system

➤ Zimbabwe, TRB handbook 1950's recommended

- Rotation for nematode control
- Hygiene for TMV control
- Avoiding over-fertilization for bacterial foliar disease control

➤ US grower guides 1940's recommended

- Rotation & hygiene for black shank control
- Hygiene for TMV control

❖ Some new IPM strategies

➤ Mostly built on well-established principles





How This Work Helps the Scientific Community

- ❖ **Lower CPA residues – BIG issue for tobacco industry**
 - **CPAs may be replaced or partly replaced by other strategies**
 - **Lower levels applied**
 - Scouting
 - Proper application
 - Less disease



How This Work Helps the Scientific Community

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❖ Lower diseases/pest populations – resulting easier control, less CPAs

- Rotations, good hygiene etc.
 - Prevent or slow build-up of diseases / pests

❖ Sustainable production – soils, disease/pest levels, flora/fauna

- Will we be growing tobacco 20 years from now?

❖ Members

- Authors
- Reviewers
- Contributors of photographs
- Observers, commentators

❖ 64 plant protection specialists

- 31 pathologists
- 24 entomologists
- 8 nematologists
- 6 weed scientists

A.2. Bacterial Diseases

16. **Wolffia angular leaf spot** *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *tabaci* (sv. *tabaci*)
New York, University of Kentucky, USA

General
These diseases can affect tobacco in both the seedbeds / flat trays and the field although wolffia don't tend to be more of a problem in the seedbed and angular leaf spot don't in the field. Wolffia and angular leaf spot are not major problems in many tobacco producing areas such as the USA, Brazil and Europe. In Africa, they are diseases of major importance which can cause devastating losses, especially in wet seasons. All control measures discussed refer only to areas where they are diseases of economic importance, and are not usually necessary in areas such as the USA.

Symptoms
The symptoms of the 'box' (stem rot) and 'box' forms of this disease are quite different. Wolffia don't is characterized by a small brown or black water-soaked lesion, surrounded by a chlorotic zone (Figure 16.1). Wolffia can be systemic, a spreading, necrotic disorder (Figure 16.2). The angular leaf lesion is brown, dark brown or black, much larger than the wolffia lesion, has little or no chlorotic halo, and the angular margin furthest from the lesion is confined to the lateral veins (Figure 16.3). In Africa, both diseases tend to be more severe at the top of the plant (Figure 16.1, 16.3).

Source and Transmission
Bacteria are spread either the field, from field to field and from infected weed hosts in vegetable water droplets. Control trials indicated the primary source. These diseases can also be seed transmitted. Clonal from infected plants is a source of inoculum, and a highly overwintering seed source. In the semi-arid areas where these diseases are a problem, weeds are seldom cold enough to kill overwintering weeds.

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Fig. M.3. Susceptible variety (left), resistant variety (right). A: angular leaf spot; B: healthy tobacco leaves.



Fig. M.4. Systemic wilting on seedlings.



❖ Communication

- Email
- Annual meetings at conferences

❖ Executives

- Editors
 - Anne Fisher, Colin Fisher (UK, USA)
- Group leaders
 - Emily Pfeufer (UK, USA)
 - Chuck Johnson (VT, USA)
 - Paul Semptner, (VT, USA)
 - Andy Bailey (UK, USA)
 - Cecilia Dorfey (JTI, Germany)

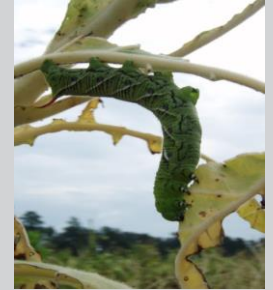


❖ 80 chapters over 5 groups

- diseases
- nematodes
- insects
- weeds
- IPM strategies

❖ Each with a group leader

- organizes group
- collects chapters
- arranges reviews



Same approach for 3 groups

Diseases



fungal
bacterial
viral
seedling
post-harv

Nematodes



Insects



- **Groups divided into sections**
- **Chapter for each disease or pest**

Weeds group

Field Weeds



Parasitic Weeds



Different approach

- Principles of weed control
- Specific weed problems

IPM Strategies

Biological Control



Rotation



Correct CPA Usage



➤ Sections deal with general IPM principles

❖ Final product

- Digital document
- Downloadable PDF
 - Continually updated



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INTEGRATED DISEASE MANAGEMENT



A.2 Bacterial Diseases

Foliar Diseases

15 Wildfire, Angular Leaf Spot

Pseudomonas syringae
pv. *tabaci* (tox+, tox-)

A. Jack

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A.2. Bacterial Diseases

15. Wildfire, Angular Leaf Spot *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *tabaci* tox+, tox-
(formerly known as *P. tabaci*, *P. angulata*; also *P. syringae* pv. *tabaci*, *P. syringae* pv. *angulata*)

Anne Jack, University of Kentucky, USA

General

Wildfire and angular leaf spot can affect tobacco in both the seedbeds / float trays and the field, although wildfire tends to be more of a problem in the seedbed and angular leaf spot in the field. Wildfire and angular leaf spot are not major problems in many tobacco producing areas, such as the USA, Brazil and Europe. In Africa, they are diseases of major importance which can cause devastating losses, especially in wet seasons. The bacteria that cause wildfire and angular leaf spot are identical in all respects except that

Alternate Hosts

Many solanaceous weeds are hosts of this pathogen ([Ch. 61](#)). Examples are Apple of Peru (*Nicandra physaloides*) and Jimson weed / stinkblaar (*Datura stramonium*), shown in Fig.15.6. Such weeds should be removed from the proximity of the fields and especially seedbeds / greenhouses. This is particularly important in areas which do not have killing winter frosts, where weeds overwinter.

D.1. Field Weeds

61. Weeds as Alternate Hosts to Other Pests

Andy Bailey, University of Kentucky, USA

General

Weeds can act as a major host site for other tobacco pests such as diseases, nematodes, and insects. Many weeds that commonly occur around tobacco fields can harbor other pests and result in increased infection on tobacco crops. Generally, weed species that have the closest botanical relationship to tobacco, such as solanaceous weed species, are most likely to harbor pests that can infest tobacco. However, many plant species with little botanical relationship to tobacco can also serve as hosts.

- ❖ **Collect outstanding chapters**
 - **Some not done, some in progress**
 - Some new chapters received
 - New authors & leaders
- ❖ **Complete outstanding reviews, editing**
 - **Currently in progress**
 - **3 chapters ready for website review**
- ❖ **Document posted incomplete**
 - **Task force → subgroup**
 - Add completed chapters
 - Update existing chapters



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- Photo contributors
- Reviewers
- Especially authors

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Anne Jack, University of Kentucky, USA

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Symptoms

The symptoms of the tox+ (toxin producing) and tox- forms of this disease are quite different. Wildfire (tox+) is characterized by a small brown or black water-soaked lesion, surrounded by a chlorotic halo (Figure 16.1). Wildfire can be systemic in seedlings, causing distortion (Figure 16.4). The angular (tox-) lesion is brown, dark brown or black, much larger than the wildfire lesion, has little or no chlorotic halo, and has angular margins because the lesion is confined by the lateral veins (Figure 16.2). In Africa, both diseases tend to be more severe at the top of the plant (Figures 16.1, 16.2).

Source and Transmission

Bacteria are spread within the field, from field to field and from infected weed hosts in wind-driven water droplets. Driving rains exacerbate the problem considerably. These diseases can also be seed transmitted. Debris from infected plants is a source of inoculum, as it infects overwintering weed hosts. In the semi-tropical areas where these diseases are a problem, winters are seldom cold enough to kill overwintering weeds.

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