

CARROT, CELERY, PARSNIP AND PARSLEY



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Orange-brown lesions often with a pale green-yellow halo form are seen on the leaves. *M. Kowalik-Kepler, APS*



Red-brown to black cankers develop typically on the crown or shoulder of the root. Initially on the surface, but may decay further with secondary infection by other pathogens. *L. Tesoriero, NSW DPI*





WHERE WILL I SEE

SYMPTOMS?

FALLOW/COVER CROP







• Minimum 12 month break between parsnip crops





IMPROVE

PLANTING PREPARATION



ADJUST DATE Adjust planting/harvest date to reduce infection risk



 Avoid an autumn planting/spring harvest which can favour infection







HOST RANGE Parsnip, carrot



Dark grey to black fungal growth can develop around leaf base in the field. Blackened areas develop on roots, mostly post harvest when spores rapidly spread on wet carrots that are not stored below 5°C *L. du Toit, WSU*



Blackened areas have a sooty appearance, do not have distinct margins and do not move beyond the skin of the carrot root *DPIRD*







Wide host range including beans, peas, cotton, lettuce, lucerne, lupin and soybean

CARROT, CELERY, PARSNIP AND PARSLEY CARROT SCAB Streptomyces scabiei

WHAT SHOULD I LOOK FOR?



No visible symptoms on leaves. Dry corky lesions on root that may be raised or sunken; usually develop where lateral roots emerge from tap toot Bayer Crop Science, UK



Multiple lesions may merge to form large scabby horizontal bands

Bayer Crop Science, UK







HOST RANGE

Carrot, potato, peanut, beetroot, swede, parsnip, radish



Pin-head sized dots that progress to small (10mm) sunken oval lesions, often with a yellow halo, anywhere along the root surface. *L. du Toit, WSU*





Symptoms can begin one month before harvest and develop rapidly. Damage can make fresh carrots unmarketable. *L. du Toit, WSU*





HOST RANGE

P. sulcatum - Carrot, parsnips, celery, parsley *P. violae* - Carrot, parsnips, celery, parsley, broccoli, wheat, lucerne



Horizontal dark brown bands develop mostly on the crown and upper root *L. Tesoriero, NSW DPI*



Rotted pits develop under the bands, joining to form craters as the disease progresses. White cottony growth may develop in high humidity *Plant Disease Clinic, University of Minnesota*







HOST RANGE

Carrot



Crown rot in carrots caused by Rhizoctonia spp. causes black lesions at the soil line that spreads to the top of the root. This often causes breaking off of leaves at harvest L. Tesoriero, Crop Doc Consulting



Crown rot symptoms may also be caused by Fusarium spp. as shown in mature carrots H. Pung, Peracto



Crown rot in parsley caused by *Fusarium* spp. causes (a) soft brown rot where the root



meets the soil and (b) discolouration of the internal root tissue L. Tesoriero, Crop Doc Consulting







HOST RANGE

Carrot, parsnips, celery



Seedling emergence may be poor leading to bare patches. Seedlings may emerge but have stunted growth, as shown in parsley L. Tesoriero, Crop Doc Consulting



Seedlings may also develop red-brown lesions at the soil junction, resulting in wilt and eventual death, as shown in carrots B. Conde, NT DPIF







HOST RANGE

Carrot, parsnips, celery, parsley

CARROT, CELERY, PARSNIP AND PARSLEY LEAF CURL/CELERY ANTHRACNOSE Colletotrichum acutatum | C. orbiculare

WHAT SHOULD I LOOK FOR?



Stunting of plants resulting in small cupped leaves. Older leaves may curl downward and become distorted. Brown lesions may develop on leaf margins. Lesions may become brittle and crack. L. Tesoriero, Crop Doc Consulting



Stalks may become twisted with red to light-brown lesions, sometimes in stripes. L. Tesoriero, Crop Doc Consulting



CARROT,

CELERY,



WIND



HOST RANGE

Wide host range including celery





Aboveground scattered areas of stunted, yellow and wilted plants may be visible. *B. Hammeraas, NIBIO, Bugwood.org* Belowground infection by *Meloidogyne* spp. can result in swollen galls on carrot roots. *S. Nelson FLICKR*



Infection by *Meloidogyne halpa* can cause forking and severe distortion of carrot roots *W. Peraza-Padilla, National Universtiy Cosa Rica, Bugwood.org*





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 Consult APVMA or InfoPest website for current registered products



Grow a biofumigant crop





SOIL TEST

Conduct a pre-sowing soil

test to help predict

level of risk



SOIL SOLARISATION Cover soil with a tarp and kill harmful pathogens





• Maximise growth in cool conditions when nematode activity is low. Harvest early in high risk situations

NO RESIDUE AT PLANTING Ensure no plant residues from host crops at planting



Use registered soil drench nematicide at planting



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CARROT,

CELERY,

ROOT-KNOT NEMATODE

HOST RANGE

Very wide, with over 2000 plant species acting as hosts to root-knot nematode

CARROT, CELERY, PARSNIP AND PARSLEY ROOT-LESION NEMATODE Pratylenchus penetrans

WHAT SHOULD I LOOK FOR?



Aboveground scattered areas of stunted, yellow and wilted plants may be visible *B. Hammeraas, NIBIO, Bugwood.org*





Belowground infection by *Pratylenchus penetrans* can cause forking, distortion and prolific formation of lateral roots S. Collins, DPIRD





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ADJUST DATE

Adjust planting/harvest date to reduce infection risk



 Select planting date to maximise growth in cool conditions when nematode activity is reduced. Bring forward harvest to minimise damage in high risk situations

CARROT,

HOST RANGE

Wide, infecting over 400 plant species inlcuding carrot, potatoes and fruit trees

CARROT, CELERY, PARSNIP AND PARSLEY ROOT ROT COMPLEX Phytophthora/Pythium spp.

WHAT SHOULD I LOOK FOR?



Aboveground, yellowing and wilting of leaves followed by plant collapse and death, as shown in parsley *L. Tesoriero, Crop Doc Consulting*





Belowground, reduction in side roots predominantly by *Pythium* spp,as shown in infected parsley (right) compared to healthy plant (left). Infection with *Phytophthora* spp. leaves roots intact but often causes browning *L. Tesoriero, Crop Doc Consulting*



Roots may also develop a brown spongy rot as shown in carrots *L. Tesoriero, Crop Doc Consulting*





HOST RANGE Carrot, parsnip, celery, parsley



At base of stem fluffy white fungal growth is visible, leading to stem rot and collapse *H.F. Schwartz. Bugwood.org*



Survival structures (*sclerotia*) form later on and can be up to 25mm long in *S. sclerotiorum* and much smaller (up to 3mm long) in *S. minor C. Balbalian, Mississippi State University, Bugwood.org*







HOST RANGE

Very wide (more than 400 different plant species). Infects most vegetable crops

CARROT, CELERY, PARSNIP AND PARSLEY SCLEROTIUM ROT Sclerotium rolfsii

WHAT SHOULD I LOOK FOR?



Watery rot, leading to stem collapse. Characteristic white ropey fungal growth seen at the soil line with light brown survival structures (sclerotia) resembling mustard seeds *D. Langston, University of Georgia, Bugwood.org*





HOST RANGE

Very wide (more than 400 different plant species). Infects most vegetable crops including members of the bean, brassica and pumpkin families.