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2003/099 New data on quarantine pests and pests of the EPPO Alert List

By browsing through the literature, the EPPO Secretariat has extracted the following new data concerning quarantine pests and pests included on the EPPO Alert List. The situation of the pest concerned is indicated in bold, using the terms of ISPM no. 8.

• New geographical records

Specimens of *Globodera rostochiensis* (EPPO A2 list) were found in potato roots at Jadognja (Krupanj) and Ponikve (Užice), in soil samples at Aljinovići (Prijepolje) and in storehouse potato debris at Kušići. This is considered as the first record of *G. rostochiensis* in Serbia and Montenegro (Krnjaić *et al.*, 2002). **Present, first reported in 2002 in the west part of the country.**

In India, *Heterodera glycines* (EPPO A2 list, also on the EPPO Alert List) was identified on soil samples collected from soybean fields in Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh. This is the first report of *H. glycines* in India (Kaushal *et al.*, 2002). **Present, first reported in 2002 in Madhya Pradesh.**

Meloidogyne fallax (EPPO A2 list) is reported for the first time in South Africa (Fourie *et al.*, 2001). This confirms earlier reports. **Present, no details.**

Radopholus similis occurs on banana in Burkina Faso (Sawadogo *et al.*, 2001). Present, no details.

In 2003, a breeding company submitted samples of tomato originating from Indonesia for diagnosis. Diseased samples had been collected both from field and protected crops, and showed severe chlorosis. RT-PCR revealed the presence of *Tomato infections chlorosis crinivirus* (EPPO Alert List). This is the first report of this virus in Indonesia (Verhoeven *et al.*, 2003). **Present, no details.**

• Detailed records

In Finland, *Impatiens necrotic spot tospovirus* (EPPO A2 list) was found in June 2003 in *Begonia* pot plants. Eradication measures (destruction of plants and appropriate treatment) have been taken (NPPO of FI, 2003).

In Argentina, *Nacobbus aberrans* (EPPO A1 list) was found in Río Negro and Santa Fe provinces for the first time (Chaves & Torres, 2001).



Studies were done in 2001 on the incidence of *Tomato yellow leaf curl begomovirus* (TYLCV) and *Tomato yellow leaf curl Sardinia begomovirus* (TYLCV-Sar – both on the EPPO A2 list) in tomato crops in Comunidad Valenciana, Spain. TYLCV was found in all tomato-growing areas whereas TYLCV-Sar was only detected in 2 plants near Elche, in the south of Comunidad Valenciana (Rubio *et al.*, 2002).

Source: Chaves, E.; Torres, M.S. (2001) [Potato parasitic nematodes in the seed potato producing areas of Argentina.] Revista de la Facultad de Agronomía (Universidad de Buenos Aires), 21(3), 245-259. In: Nematological Abstracts 72(1), March 2003, abst. 85, p 12.

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NPPO of Finland, 2003-07-07.

Additional key words: new record, detailed record

Computer codes: HETDGL, HETDRO, INSV00, MELGFA, NACOBA, RADOSI, TICV00, TYLCV0, AR, BF, ES, FI, ID, IN, YU, ZA



The NPPO of United Kingdom informed the EPPO Secretariat that an outbreak of *Potato spindle tuber pospiviroid* (EPPO A2 list) was very recently discovered in United Kingdom. It was found in a tomato production glasshouse in the south-east of England. Investigations are under way to ascertain its extent and the possible pathway for the introduction of the pathogen. Phytosanitary measures are also being designed to prevent any further spread of the pest and possibly eradicate it. More information will be provided in due course.

Source: NPPO of United Kingdom, 2003-07-11.

Additional key words: new record

Computer codes: PSTVD0, GB

2003/101 *Cactoblastis cactorum*: addition to the EPPO Alert List

The EPPO Panel on Phytosanitary Measures added the cactus moth (*Cactoblastis cactorum*) which attacks *Opuntia* species to the EPPO Alert List.

Cactoblastis cactorum (Lepidoptera: Pyralidae - cactus moth)

Why	Cactoblastis cactorum (Lepidoptera: Pyralidae, synonym: Zophodia cactorum) originates
-	from South America. So far, it has essentially been known for its use in successful
	biological control of invasive cacti. It was introduced from Argentina into Australia in the
	1920s where it drastically reduced introduced Opuntia populations, so that large areas of
	land could be returned to agriculture. The same efficacy was obtained in Hawaii, India and
	South Africa. But <i>C. cactorum</i> also spread to other parts of the world, in particular south-western USA, where it became a pest, threatening indigenous and rare species of <i>Opuntia</i> .
	In Mexico where Opuntia are important plants, used for fruit production, fodder, scale
	rearing (Dactylopius coccus) for dye production, traditional medicine etc., C. cactorum is
	perceived as a very serious threat and measures are taken to prevent its introduction.
Where	North America: USA (Florida (found in 1989), Georgia, Hawaii, South Carolina). In
	Mexico, there are unconfirmed records in Yucatan, but recent surveys gave negative results.
	Caribbean: Antigua & Barbuda (Antigua), Bahamas, Cayman islands (Grand Cayman),
	Cuba, Haiti, Jamaica, Dominican Republic, St Kitts & Navis, Montserrat, Puerto Rico,
	Trinidad, US Virgin Islands.
	South America: Argentina, Brazil (southern part), Paraguay, Uruguay.
	Oceania: Australia (New South Wales, Queensland), New Caledonia
	Africa: Mauritius, Saint-Helena (Ascension Island), South Africa, Tanzania. Introduced in
	Kenya for biological control in 1996 but establishment failed.
	Asia: India, Pakistan (introduced but establishment is uncertain).
On which plants	<i>Opuntia</i> spp., not found on other genera of Cactaceae. In its area of origin, <i>C. cactorum</i> has
	been recorded feeding on almost all of the many Opuntia species belonging to the
	platyopuntia group (prickly pears). Following its introduction to other parts of the world,
	C. cactorum readily attacked other species (including O. ficus-indica).



Damage	Females lay eggs in linear masses (forming an 'egg-stick' resembling cactus spines). Larvae collectively burrow and enter <i>Opuntia</i> cladodes (or pads) through a single entry hole and feed gregariously inside them. During feeding, frass is pushed out of the cladode and forms a noticeable heap on the ground. Larval feeding can also led to decay and rotting. High populations can kill the plants. Larvae are initially pinkish-cream coloured with dark red spots on the back of each segment. Later instars become bright orange, and dots expand and coalesce to become a dark band across each segment (mature larvae are approximately 25-30 mm long). Larvae then normally pupate in white cocoons amongst ground debris. Adults (wingspan about 22-35 mm) have greyish-brown forewings and
	white hindwings with some grey terminally. In Australia, there are two generations per
	Pictures can be viewed on Internet:
	http://www-staff.mcs.uts.edu.au/~don/larvae/pyra/cactor.html
Dissemination	Adult can fly. Over long distances, trade of infested <i>Opuntia</i> plants and transport on vehicles (adult moths are attracted by light) can ensure dissemination of the pest. It is suspected that it was introduced into Florida on imported nursery plants from Dominican Republic
Pathway	<i>Opuntia</i> plants for planting from countries where <i>C. cactorum</i> occurs. It has been intercepted in USA on commercial imports of vegetative material for propagation.
Possible risks	Around the Mediterranean Basin, <i>O. ficus-indica</i> is widely present and used for fruit production or animal feed during dry periods. It is usually not cultivated as a regular commercial crop but planted as fences, windbreaks and round gardens. However, there are significant plantations in Italy, Spain and Israel for fruit production. If <i>Opuntia</i> spp. are regarded as invasive species, <i>C. cactorum</i> is indeed an efficient biocontrol agent, but if <i>Opuntia</i> spp. are considered as important crops or parts of the natural flora (protection against soil erosion, shelter for wildlife in arid regions etc.), <i>C. cactorum</i> may present a serious threat to Mediterranean countries. Data is lacking on establishment potential, but experience has shown that <i>C. cactorum</i> succeeded in most areas where it was introduced. So far, no efficient control methods are available.
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	Press, Arlington, VA. http://www.hort.purdue.edu/newcrop/proceedings1996/V3-416.html University of Florida. Featured Creatures – Cactus moth. http://creatures.ifas.ufl.edu/bflv/cactus.moth.htm
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2003/102 Symposium on *Anoplophora glabripennis* (Braunschweig, DE, 2002-05-22/23)

A Symposium on *Anoplophora glabripennis* (EPPO A1 list) took place in Braunschweig, Germany on 2002-05-22/23. Several papers were presented and gave an overview of the situation of *A. glabripennis* in China, its area of origin, and in countries where it has been introduced, USA and Austria. Diagnosis, PRA, potential damage to European trees, and possible control of the pest were discussed. Experts agreed that the introduction of *A. glabripennis* is a serious threat to deciduous host trees in Europe, and that monitoring activities and phytosanitary measures should be tightened. The following details have been extracted by the EPPO Secretariat.

Situation in China

In China, poplar plantations cover a very large area (approximately 6.6 million ha), and *A. glabripennis* is one of the most destructive insects. *A. glabripennis* is reported mainly from Shaanxi, Gansu, Shanxi, Ningxia, Inner Mongolia, Hebei, Shandong and Liaoning, and occasionally from some parts of Beijing, Tianjin and Qinghai (new detailed records for these 3 municipalities and provinces). Since the 1980s, serious damage by *A. glabripennis* is reported in northern areas of China, corresponding to what is called 'Three-North shelter forest'. This forest covers 42.4% of the Chinese territory and 20 million hectares have been planted mainly with susceptible poplars and willows. Most of this artificial forest has been devastated by *A. glabripennis*, because in many instances a very limited number of susceptible poplar clones was planted over large areas. More recently, *A. glabripennis* has established in Western Gansu, Qinghai and even Heilongjiang. Most severe damage is observed in Shaanxi, Gansu, Shanxi, Ningxia and inner Mongolia. Measures are taken in China to control this pest (monitoring, trapping, insecticide treatments, biological control, plantation of less susceptible trees, restrictions on the movement of wood, etc.).

Situation in Austria

A. glabripennis was first found in Austria in summer 2001, in the city of Braunau-am-Inn, on *Acer* species, mainly *A. platanoides* (see EPPO RS 2001/135). Most infested trees were growing along a small street, but 2 infested trees were also detected in a small forest (less then 1 km away from the street concerned). Eradication measures were immediately applied. As of July 2002, results of the monitoring programme carried out in the city and its surrounding showed that 9 additional trees were found infested by *A. glabripennis*, including for the first time *Platanus hispanica*. Eradication and monitoring activities are continuing.

Situation in USA

A. glabripennis was first reported in 1996 in the New York city borough of Brooklyn. Another focus was reported in the city of Chicago, Illinois, two years later. It is felt that both populations were introduced separately on wood packing material from Asia, perhaps 10



years before being detected. Eradication programmes are being carried out, and include survey, control, regulatory efforts, public education, tree restoration and research. So far over 5,500 trees have been removed in New York and over 1,500 trees in Illinois. Surrounding trees are treated by insecticide injections (mainly with imidacloprid), and in 2002 more than 130,000 trees in New York and more than 50,000 trees in Illinois were treated. Quarantine areas have been delimited in New York (312 km²) and in Illinois (80 km²). Since 1999, numbers of infested trees found and removed have been declining in both New York and Illinois, as a result of the considerable efforts being made to prevent any further spread of *A. glabripennis* and achieve eradication.

Source: Symposium in der BBA: Der Asiatische Laubholzbockkäfger – ein Risiko für den Baumbestand.
 Nachrichtenblatt des Deutschen Pflanzenschutzdienstes,55(4), 65-98.

Additional key words: detailed records

Computer codes: ANOLGL, AT, CN, US

<u>2003/103</u> Pest Risk Analysis for Anoplophora glabripennis

A Pest Risk Analysis for *Anoplophora glabripennis* (Coleoptera: Cerambycidae – EPPO A1 list) has been published by MacLeod *et al.* (2002). This PRA followed the EPPO PRA scheme, and climatic data was compared with the computer programme CLIMEX. The PRA was carried out following the establishment of *A. glabripennis* in USA (and just before its introduction into Europe), in order to assess the risks for the EU countries. In this PRA, it appeared that host plants are widely grown across Europe, and CLIMEX data indicated that southern regions of Europe were most suitable for pest establishment. The main conclusion was that there was a significant risk that *A. glabripennis* could enter, establish and damage forest, fruit and amenity trees within Europe. Finally, this information was used to support the inclusion of *A. glabripennis* within the EU regulations on Plant Health.

Source: MacLeod, A.; Evans, H.F.; Baker, R.H.A. (2002) An analysis of pest risk from an Asian longhorn beetle (*Anoplophora glabripennis*) to hardwood trees in the European community.
 Crop Protection, 21(8), 635-645.

Additional key words: PRA

Computer codes: ANOLGL



<u>2003/104</u> Anoplophora glabripennis found in New Jersey (US)

In October 2002, *Anoplophora glabripennis* (Coleoptera: Cerambycidae - EPPO A1 list) was reported in New Jersey City (New Jersey, US). The beetle was detected in 98 trees, mostly *Acer*. This is a new state record but probably not a separate introduction, as it is only a few kilometres away from the original discovery in Brooklyn, New York. Eradication measures (destruction of trees) are being applied.

Source: NAPIS web site

Tree-munching Asia beetles are discovered in Jersey City by the New York Times

http://ceris.purdue.edu/napis/states/nj/news/021012-alb.txt

New Jersey Department of Environment Protection – Division of parks and forestry. Asian longhorned beetle (*Anoplophora glabripennis*). http://www.nj.gov/parksandforests/forest/community.alb.html

NAPPO Pest Alert, 2002-11-19. Asian longhorned beetle *Anoplophora glabripennis* reported in New Jersey. http://www.pestalert.org

Additional key words: detailed record

Computer codes: ANOLGL, US

2003/105 *Phyllonorycter issikii* occurs in Czech Republic

Phyllonorycter issikii, a leaf miner of *Tilia* (Lepidoptera: Gracillariideae – EPPO Alert List), was first found in Czech Republic in early June 2000 in the region of Brno, and then in the same year in a series of other places. In 2001, it was already found in places up to 600 m altitude, in locally high abundance. It is apparently spread by wind, and less probably by passive anthropogenic transport of adults. *P. issikii* prefers shaded areas. According to the author, it is unlikely that lime trees will suffer substantial damage.

Source: Šefrová, H. (2002) [*Phyllonorycter issikii* – the latest information on a new member of our fauna.]
 Abstract of a paper presented at a Conference on Zoology, Brno, CZ, 2002-01-14/15.

Additional key words: new record

Computer codes: PRYGSP, CZ

<u>2003/106</u> European tomato isolates belong to a distinct strain of *Pepino mosaic* potexvirus

In 1999, a new virus disease of tomato was found in protected tomato crops in the Netherlands, and then in other European countries. Preliminary studies revealed the presence of Pepino mosaic potexvirus (PepMV - EPPO Alert List), a virus which was originally described from pepino (Solanum muricatum) in Peru (found in 2 tomato crops in 1974 and then no longer observed). The virus was purified and an antiserum was produced which gave strong reactions with the isolates from tomato and the type isolate from pepino. Various diagnostic tests indicated that PepMV is indeed different from all other potexviruses which have so far been reported from solanaceous crops (i.e. Potato aucuba mosaic virus and Potato virus X). Several isolates of PepMV were studied: the type isolate from pepino in Peru, 3 from tomato collected in the Netherlands, Germany and United Kingdom. Serological tests (IEM, DAS-ELISA) could not differentiate between them. Host range and symptomatological studies (mechanical inoculation) showed that PepMV isolates from tomato differed from the pepino isolate. Molecular studies confirmed these differences. It is concluded that indeed Pepino mosaic potexvirus is the causal agent of the new disease observed in tomatoes in Europe, and that European tomato isolates differ from the type strain found on pepino. Therefore, the name tomato strain is proposed.

Source: Van der Vlugt, R.A.A.; Cuperus, C.; Vink, J.; Stijger, I.C.M.M.; Lesemann, D.E.; Verhoeven, J.T.J.; Roenhorst, J.W. (2002) Identification and characterization of *Pepino mosaic potexvirus* in tomato.
 Bulletin OEPP/EPPO Bulletin, 32(3), 503-508.

Additional key words: diagnosis, genetics

Computer codes: PEPMV0

<u>2003/107</u> Detection method for *Pepino mosaic potexvirus*

A molecular method (IC-RT-PCR) has been developed in Spain for the detection of *Pepino mosaic potexvirus* (EPPO Alert List), at a time when no data was available on its genome sequence and when no commercial antibodies were available. At first, degenerate primers for potexviruses were used, as well as antibodies against double-stranded RNA in the initial amplifications. During the work, fragments of the virus genome were sequenced and specific primers could be designed. In addition, specific antibodies became commercially available in 2000 and could be used. The method which was finally developed allowed rapid and specific detection of *Pepino mosaic potexvirus* in plant samples.

Source: Mansilla, C.; Sánchez, F.; Ponz, F. (2003) The diagnosis of the tomato variant of pepino mosaic virus: an IC-RT-PCR approach.
 European Journal of Plant Pathology, 109(2), 139-146.

Additional key words: diagnostics

Computer codes: PEPMV0

2003/108 Details on the situation of tomato yellow leaf curl disease in Italy

Since the late 1980s, tomato crops in Sicily and Sardinia have been severely affected by yellow leaf curl disease. Molecular studies have identified the causal agent as being *Tomato yellow leaf curl Sardinia virus* (TYLCSV, formerly TYLCV-Sar - EPPO A2 list). It can be recalled that another viral species which was originally described in Israel as TYLCV-Is is now called simply *Tomato yellow leaf curl begomovirus* (TYLCV - EPPO A2 list).

Surveys have been conducted in the main tomato production areas of Sicilia, in Ragusa Province, to determine whether viral species other than TYLCSV were present. Until the end of 2001 only TYLCSV was identified. In 2002, symptomatic leaf samples were collected in April, September and November from 8 glasshouse tomato crops, in different areas of Ragusa Province and tested by PCR. Of the 49 tested samples, 16 gave positive results for TYLCSV, 7 for TYLCV and 26 showed mixed infections. According to the authors, this is the first report of TYLCV in Italy.

Source: Accotto, G.P.; Bragaloni, M.; Luison, D.; Davino, S.; Davino, M. (2003) First report of *Tomato yellow leaf curl virus* (TYLCV) in Italy. New Disease Reports, Volume 7: February 2003 - July 2003. http://www.bspp.org.uk/ndr/july2003/2003-26.htm

Additional key words: detailed record

Computer codes: TYLCV0, IT

2003/109 New disease of tomato in Israel caused by a strain of *Tomato apical stunt pospiviroid*: addition to the EPPO Alert List

In spring and summer 1999 and 2000, tomato plants showing stunting, leaf deformation, yellowing and brittleness were observed in a few commercial plastic houses at different locations in the coastal region of Israel. Fruits were considerably reduced in size with a pale red discoloration. In all cases, the disease spread rapidly mainly along plant rows, resulting in a disease incidence of nearly 100% and heavy yield losses. Molecular assays revealed the presence of *Tomato apical stunt pospiviroid* (TASVd) in diseased tomato plants.

TASVd was first found and characterized in Ivory Coast, but no data was given on its epidemiology or economic impact. Another strain was found in Indonesia but again without data on potential economic impact. Cloning and sequencing of viroid RNA showed that the Israeli strain has 92% identity with the type strain (Ivory Coast) and 99% with the Indonesian strain. The experimental host range and symptomatology of the Israeli strain also differed from those of the type stain. Under experimental conditions, the Israeli strain of TASVd was readily transmitted from infected to healthy tomato plants by grafting or mechanical inoculation. Further studies are needed on possible pollen or seed transmission.

Why	Tomato apical stunt pospiviroid (TASVd) came to our attention because it is reported as a
	new and serious disease of tomatoes in Israel.
Where	Israel (found on tomatoes grown under plastic houses in the coastal region). TASVd was
	first described in Ivory Coast and another strain was reported from Indonesia. However,
	data is lacking on the extent, severity and economic impact of the diseases it may cause.
On which plants	Tomato (Lycopersicon esculentum). Data is lacking on its host range.
Damage	Affected tomato plants in Israel showed shortened internodes (bushy appearance), leaf
	deformation and yellowing, reduced fruit size, pale red discoloration of fruit. Up to 100%
	disease incidence could be observed with heavy yield losses.
Transmission	TASVd can be transmitted from infected to healthy tomato plants by grafting or
	mechanical inoculation (in experimental conditions). No data on pollen or seed
	transmission.
Pathway	Plants for planting of tomatoes, fruits?, from countries where TASVd occurs.
Possible risks	Tomato is an important crop in the EPPO region, both indoors and outdoors. Data is
	lacking on geographical distribution, host range, epidemiology of TASVd. As control of
	viroids is difficult in practice, it would be desirable to avoid any further spread of a
	potentially serious disease of tomatoes.
Source(s)	Antignus, Y.; Lachman, O.; Pearlsmand, M.; Gofman, R.; Bar-Joseph, M. (2002) A new disease of greenhouse tomatoes in Israel caused by a distinguistrain to Tomato anical sturn viroid (TASVd). Phytoparasitica 30(5) 502
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<u>2003/110</u> Genetic studies on *Xanthomonas arboricola* pv. *fragariae*

Genetic relationships were studied among 26 strains of *Xanthomonas arboricola* pv. *fragariae* (EPPO Alert List) and with other pathovars of *Xanthomonas arboricola* (20 strains of *X. arboricola* pv. *corylina*, 22 strains of *X. arboricola* pv. *juglandis*, 16 strains of *X. arboricola* pv. *pruni*). Results showed that the 4 pathovars had similar but clearly distinct genomic patterns and could be clustered in 4 different groups. *X. arboricola* pv. *fragariae* was most closely related to *X. arboricola* pv. *corylina* and *X. arboricola* pv. *juglandis*. Genetic diversity was also observed among the strains of *X. arboricola* pv. *fragariae* collected in Italy. It is noted that symptoms of leaf blight caused by *X. arboricola* pv. *fragariae* mainly occur in field grown-strawberries during autumn when air humidity is high. It is pointed out that *X. arboricola* pv. *fragariae* and *X. fragariae* (EPPO A2 list) can be present simultaneously, and that non-pathogenic xanthomonads are also frequently isolated from strawberry leaves. It is felt that an update on detection techniques for pathogenic xanthomonads in strawberry propagation material is needed.

Source: Scortichini, M.; Rossi, M.P. (2003) Genetic diversity of *Xanthomonas arboricola* pv. *fragariae* strains and comparison with some other *X. arboricola* pathovars using repetitive PCR genomic fingerprinting. Journal of Phytopathology, 151(3), 113-119.

Additional key words: genetics

Computer codes: XANTSP

<u>2003/111</u> Efficacy of seed dressings against *Tilletia indica*

The efficacy of several fungicides applied as seed dressings against *Tilletia indica* (EPPO A1 list) was evaluated in the laboratory. The effects of fungicides on teliospore germination were studied. Results showed that triazoles fungicides (i.e. tebuconazole, thifluzamide, propiconazole) were more effective than carboxin and thiram. A reduction of teliospore germination between 89-100% could be obtained. These results are promising but need to be further investigated in field conditions.

Source: Singh, R.; Beniwal, M.S.; Karwasra, S.S. (2002) Evaluation of fungicides as seed dressings against Karnal bunt (*Neovossia indica*) of wheat.
 Tests of agrochemicals and cultivars, no. 23, 6-7.

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<u>2003/112</u> <u>EPPO report on notifications of non-compliance (detection of regulated pests)</u>

The EPPO Secretariat has gathered the notifications of non-compliance for 2003 received since the previous report (EPPO RS 2003/082) from the following countries: Algeria, Austria, Denmark, France, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Lithuania, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom. When a consignment has been re-exported and the country of origin is unknown, the re-exporting country is indicated in brackets. When the occurrence of a pest in a given country is not known to the EPPO Secretariat, this is indicated by an asterisk (*).

The EPPO Secretariat has selected notifications of non-compliance made because of the detection of regulated pests. Other notifications of non-compliance due to prohibited commodities, missing or invalid certificates are not indicated. It must be pointed out that the report is only partial, as many EPPO countries have not yet sent their notifications.

Pest	Consignment	Type of commodity	Country of origin	C. of destination	nb
Agromyzidae	Artemisia dracunculus Lisianthus	Cut flowers Cut flowers	Israel South Africa	France France	1 1
Ambrosia	Zea mays Zea mays Zea mays	Stored products Stored products Stored products	Hungary Slovakia Slovakia	Poland Poland Poland	1 1 1
Ambrosia artemisiifolia	Helianthus annuus	Stored products	Ukraine	Lithuania	15
Ambrosia, Tribolium	Helianthus annuus	Stored products	Hungary	Poland	1
Anarsia lineatella	Prunus armeniaca	Fruits	Turkey	Poland	1
Aphididae	Protea	Cut flowers	South Africa	France	1
Bemisia afer, B. tabaci	Manihot	Vegetables	Gambia	United Kingdom	1
Bemisia tabaci	Allamanda cathartica Catalpa bignonioides, Coprosma repens	Plants for planting Plants for planting	Morocco Morocco	United Kingdom United Kingdom	1 1
	Crossandra	Cuttings	Sri Lanka	Netherlands	1
	Ervngium	Vegetables	Vietnam	France	1
	Ervngium foetidum	Vegetables	Thailand	Denmark	1
	Euphorbia pulcherrima	Cuttings	Costa Rica	Netherlands	1
	Euphorbia pulcherrima	Cuttings	Portugal	United Kingdom	2
	Hibiscus	Plants for planting	Belgium	Finland	1
	Hibiscus	Plants for planting	Côte d'Ivoire	France	1
	Hibiscus	Plants for planting	Guatemala	France	1
	Hibiscus	Pot plants	Netherlands	United Kingdom	1
	Hibiscus acetosella, Ruellia brittoniana	Plants for planting	USA	Netherlands	1
	Hibiscus rosa-sinensis	Plants for planting	Netherlands	Finland	1



Pest	Consignment	Type of commodity	Country of origin	C. of destination	nb
B. tabaci (cont.)	Hibiscus rosa-sinensis	Pot plants	Netherlands	United Kingdom	1
	Hygrophila salicifolia	Aquarium plants	Indonesia	France	1
	Hypericum	Cut flowers	Netherlands	Ireland	1
	Hypericum	Cut flowers	Zimbabwe	Netherlands	2
	Limnophila	Cut flowers	Thailand	France	1
	Limnophila	Cut flowers	Vietnam	France	1
	Lisianthus	Cut flowers	Israel	Netherlands	1
	Lisianthus	Cut flowers	Kenya	Netherlands	1
	Manihot	Vegetables	Gambia	United Kingdom	2
Bemisia tabaci	Beaumontia grandiflora,	Plants for planting	Morocco	United Kingdom	1
	Plumeria	· -			
	Ocimum	Vegetables	Thailand	France	1
	Ocimum basilicum	Vegetables	Israel	France	1
	Origanum	Vegetables	Israel	France	1
	Rosa	Cut flowers	Brazil	Netherlands	1
	Rosa and mixed herbs	Cut flowers	Kenya	United Kingdom	1
		Variabler	Ciamo Lasua	United Kingdom	1
	Solanum	Vegetables	Sierra Leone	United Kingdom	1
	Solanum macrocarpon	Vegetables	Sierra Leone	United Kingdom	1
	Solidago	Cut flowers	Israel	Netherlands	7
	Solidago	Cut flowers	Zimbabwe	Netherlands	7
	Trachelium	Cut flowers	Israel	Netherlands	4
<i>Bemisia tabaci</i> and many other pests ¹	Psidium	Pot plants	Jamaica	United Kingdom	1
Bemisia tabaci, B. afer, Aleurodicus dispersus	Manihot esculenta	Vegetables	Sierra Leone	United Kingdom	1
Bemisia tabaci, Ferrisia virgata, Pseudococcidae	Sarcocaulon crassicaule	Pot plants	South Africa	United Kingdom	1
Bemisia tabaci, Noctuidae	Solanum	Vegetables	Sierra Leone	United Kingdom	1
Cicadellidae	Pelargonium crithmifolium	Pot plants	South Africa	United Kingdom	1
Citrus tristeza closterovirus	Citrus	Plants for planting	Italy	Malta	1
Contarinia maculipennis	Dendrobium	Cut flowers	Thailand	Netherlands	1
Dialeuropora decempuncta	Piper sarmentosum	Plants for planting	Singapore	United Kingdom	1
Diaphorina citri	Murraya	Fruits	Dominican Rep.*	United Kingdom	1
Diaspididae	Argyroderma fissum	Pot plants	South Africa	United Kingdom	1
Diaspididae, Aleyrodidae	Phyllostachys	Plants for planting	Italy	United Kingdom	1
Ditylenchus destructor	Polygonum cuspidatum	Plants for planting	Czech Republic	France	1
Erwinia amylovora	Malus domestica	Plants for planting	Syria*	Algeria	1

¹ Aleurothrixus floccosus, Aspidiotus destructor, Coccus longulus, Coccus viridis, Diptilomiopus, Lepidosaphes rubrovittatus Minutaleyrodes, Oligonychus, Parabemisia myricae, Parasaissetia nigra, Pulvinaria urbicola, Selenothrips rubrocinctus, Trialeurodes floridensis, Tetraleurodes.



Pest	Consignment	Type of commodity	Country of origin	C. of destination	nb
Frankliniella occidentalis	Asclepias	Cut flowers	Netherlands	Lithuania	1
	Aster	Cut flowers	South Africa	France	1
	Dendranthema	Cut flowers	Netherlands	Lithuania	3
	Dianthus	Cut flowers	Netherlands	Lithuania	5
	Dianthus, Rosa	Cut flowers	Netherlands	Lithuania	1
	Dianthus, Rosa, Gypsophila	Cut flowers	Netherlands	Lithuania	1
	Gynsonhila	Cut flowers	Netherlands	Lithuania	1
	Gypsophila Dendranthema	Cut flowers	Netherlands	Lithuania	1
	Dianthus	cut nowers	i votiloi fuildis	Ennauma	
	Helianthus	Cut flowers	Netherlands	Lithuania	3
	Ornamentals	Cut flowers	Netherlands	Poland	2
	Rosa	Cut flowers	Netherlands	Lithuania	1
	Satica	Cut flowers	Netherlands	Lithuania	1
	Sunca	eut nowers	rechertands	Ennumu	1
Fusarium foetens	Begonia	Plants for planting	Netherlands	Germany	1
Globodera	Solanum tuberosum	Ware potatoes	Cyprus	Germany	1
Globodera pallida	Solanum tuberosum	Ware potatoes	Cyprus	Germany	2
•	Solanum tuberosum	Ware potatoes	United Kingdom	Hungary	2
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Globodera rostochiensis	Solanum tuberosum	Ware potatoes	Cyprus	Norway	1
	Solanum tuberosum	Ware potatoes	Italy	Austria	2
	Solanum tuberosum	Ware potatoes	Italy	Ireland	6
	Solanum tuberosum	Seed potatoes	Netherlands	Germany	1
	Solanum tuberosum	Ware potatoes	United Kingdom	Hungary	1
<i>Helicotylenchus,</i> Criconematidae	Trithrinax	Plants for planting	Brazil	France	1
Helicoverpa	Dianthus caryophyllus	Cut flowers	Morocco	Germany	1
Helieoverna armiaera	Dianthus	Cut flowers	Vanua	Natharlands	2
Hencoverpa armigera	Dianinus Phasoolus vulgaris	Vagatables	Egypt	Netherlands	1
	Disum sativum	Vegetables	Kenya	Netherlands	6
	Posa	Cut flowers	Zimbabwa	Netherlands	1
	Rosu	Cut nowers	Zimbaowe	rechemanus	1
Helicoverpa armigera, Liriomyza huidobrensis	Pisum sativum	Vegetables	Kenya	Netherlands	2
Hemicycliophora, Tylenchorhynchus	Cycas revoluta	Plants for planting	Brazil	France	1
Hirschmaniella caudacrena, Hirschmaniella	Vallisneria spiralis	Aquarium plants	Singapore	Denmark	1
Leptinotarsa decemlineata	Solanum tuberosum	Ware potatoes	Italy	Ireland	1
Liriomvza	Artemisia dracunculus	Cut flowers	Israel	France	2
	Gypsophila	Cut flowers	Israel	Netherlands	1
	Ocimum	Vegetables	Thailand	France	1
Liniomura huidobromaia	Dondranthoma monifolium	Cut flowers	Natharlanda	United Kingdom	1
La comyza nutaobrensis	Gynsonhila	Cut flowers	(Netherlands)	United Vingdom	1
	Gypsophila	Cut flowers	Israel	Ireland	1
	Gypsophila	Cut flowers	Israel	Netherlanda	1
	Gypsophilu	Cut nowers	151401	remenanus	1



Pest	Consignment	Type of commodity	Country of origin	C. of destination	nb
L. huidobrensis (cont.)	Gypsophila Gypsophila Lisianthus Pisum sativum Trachelium	Cut flowers Cut flowers Cut flowers Vegetables Cut flowers	Kenya Netherlands Ecuador Kenya South Africa	Netherlands United Kingdom Netherlands Netherlands Netherlands	2 4 2 5 1
Liriomyza huidobrensis, Helicoverpa armigera	Pisum sativum	Vegetables	Zambia	United Kingdom	1
Liriomyza huidobrensis, L. trifolii, Bemisia tabaci	Gypsophila, Rosa	Cut flowers	Israel	Netherlands	1
Liriomyza trifolii	Gypsophila	Cut flowers	Israel	Netherlands	8
Meloidogyne	Buxus Fragaria ananassa Lantana camara	Plants for planting Plants for planting Plants for planting	Brazil Bulgaria Suriname	France Austria France	1 1 1
Merlinius	Aloe dichotoma	Pot plants	South Africa	United Kingdom	1
Mononychellus progresivus, Bemisia tabaci, B. afer, Aleurodicus dispersus, Icerya	Manihot esculenta	Vegetables	Sierra Leone	United Kingdom	1
Pepino mosaic potexvirus	Lycopersicon esculentum Lycopersicon esculentum Lycopersicon esculentum	Seeds Vegetables Vegetables	Chile* Netherlands Netherlands	France Sweden United Kingdom	3 2 2
Phytophthora ramorum	Rhododendron Rhododendron Viburnum Viburnum botnantense Viburnum tinus Viburnum tinus	Pot plants Pot plants Pot plants Pot plants Pot plants Pot plants	Belgium Netherlands Belgium Netherlands France Netherlands	United Kingdom United Kingdom United Kingdom United Kingdom United Kingdom United Kingdom	1 1 1 1 1 1
Pseudococcidae	Pelargonium crithmifolium Wallichia	Pot plants Pot plants	South Africa South Africa	United Kingdom United Kingdom	1 1
Ralstonia solanacearum	Solanum tuberosum Solanum tuberosum	Ware potatoes Ware potatoes	Egypt Egypt	Germany Netherlands	1 2
Rhizopertha dominica	Hordeum vulgare Hordeum vulgare Triticosecale hybrids Triticum Triticum aestivum Triticum aestivum	Stored products Stored products Stored products Stored products Stored products Stored products	Czech Republic Czech Republic Czech Republic Czech Republic Czech Republic Slovakia	Poland Poland Poland Poland Poland Poland	4 1 4 1 3
Rhizopertha dominica, Tribolium	Triticum aestivum	Stored products	Slovakia	Poland	1
Sitophilus oryzae	Hordeum vulgare Hordeum vulgare Secale cereale	Stored products Stored products Stored products	Czech Republic Slovakia Belarus	Poland Poland Poland	5 1 1



Pest	Consignment	Type of commodity	Country of origin	C. of destination	nb
S. oryzae (cont.)	Triticum Triticum aestivum Zea mays Zea mays	Stored products Stored products Stored products Stored products	Czech Republic Slovakia Czech Republic Slovakia	Poland Poland Poland Poland	1 2 1 1
Sitophilus oryzae, Rhizopertha dominica	Hordeum vulgare Triticosecale hybrids	Stored products Stored products	Czech Republic Czech Republic	Poland Poland	2 1
Sitophilus oryzae, Tribolium	Hordeum vulgare Triticum aestivum	Stored products Stored products	Czech Republic Slovakia	Poland Poland	3 1
Spodoptera (suspect exigua)	Lisianthus	Cut flowers	Kenya	United Kingdom	1
Spodoptera litura	Rosa	Cut flowers	India	Netherlands	1
Spoladea recurvalis	Amaranthus	Vegetables	Sierra Leone	United Kingdom	2
Spoladea recurvalis, Herpetogramma bipunctalis	Amaranthus	Vegetables	Sierra Leone	United Kingdom	1
<i>Spoladea recurvalis,</i> Pyralidae	Amaranthus Amaranthus	Vegetables Vegetables	Gambia Sierra Leone	United Kingdom United Kingdom	1 1
Tetramorium, Bambusaspis	Bambusa ventricosa	Pot plants	Thailand	United Kingdom	1
Thrips	Bupleurum Gladiolus, Dianthus Gypsophila Lisianthus	Cut flowers Cut flowers Cut flowers Cut flowers	Kenya South Africa South Africa Kenya	France France France France	1 1 1 1
Thrips palmi	Dendrobium Dendrobium Momordica charantia Orchidaceae Orchidaceae Solanum melongena	Cut flowers Cut flowers Vegetables Cut flowers Cut flowers Vegetables	Thailand Thailand Dominica Singapore Thailand Ghana	Netherlands United Kingdom Netherlands Netherlands France Netherlands	4 1 1 1 2
Trialeurodes vaporariorum	Hypericum	Cut flowers	Zimbabwe	France	1
Tribolium	Hordeum vulgare Hordeum vulgare Triticosecale hybrids Triticum Triticum Triticum aestivum Triticum aestivum Zea mays Zea mays Zea mays Zea mays	Stored products Stored products	Czech Republic Slovakia Czech Republic Czech Republic Slovakia Czech Republic Slovakia Czech Republic Czech Republic Hungary Slovakia	Poland Poland Poland Poland Poland Poland Poland Poland Poland Poland	3 1 2 2 1 1 2 3 1 1 1 1
Trogoderma granarium	Hordeum vulgare Triticum Zea mays	Stored products Stored products Stored products	Slovakia Czech Republic Slovakia	Poland Poland Poland	1 1 1



Pest	Consignment	Type of commodity	Country of origin	C. of destination	nb
Xanthomonas axonopodis pv. citri	Citrus maxima	Fruits	Thailand	France	1
Xanthomonas axonopodis pv. phaseoli	Phaseolus vulgaris	Seeds	Hungary	Germany	1
Xanthomonas fragariae	Fragaria ananassa	Plants for planting	(Hungary)	Austria	3

Fruit flies .

Pest	Consignment	Country of origin	C. of destination	nb
Ceratitis	Mangifera indica	Côte d'Ivoire	France	2
Non-European Tephritidae	Capsicum	Thailand	France	1
	Capsicum frutescens	Thailand	France	6
	Diospyros kaki	South Africa	France	1
	Mangifera indica	Burkina Faso	France	4
	Mangifera indica	Cameroon	France	5
	Mangifera indica	Côte d'Ivoire	France	10
	Mangifera indica	Indonesia	France	1
	Mangifera indica	Kenya	France	1
	Mangifera indica	Mali	France	1
	Mangifera indica	Peru	France	3
	Mangifera indica	Thailand	France	3
	Mangifera indica	Togo	France	2
	Psidium guajava	Indonesia	France	3
	Psidium guajava	Pakistan	France	1
	Psidium guajava	Thailand	France	6
	Syzygium jambos	Thailand	France	2
	Syzygium samarangense	Thailand	France	1
Trirhithromyia cyanescens	Capsicum frutescens	Mauritius	France	1

Wood •

Pest	Consignment	Type of commodity	Country of origin	C. of destination	nb
Bursaphelenchus xylophilus	Coniferae	Packing wood	China	Finland	1
Cerambycidae	Coniferae Coniferae and hardwood	Packing wood Packing wood	China China	Germany Germany	2 2
Cerambycidae, grub holes > 3 mm	Hardwood	Packing wood	China	Germany	1
Grub holes > 3 mm	Coniferae Coniferae and hardwood Hardwood <i>Larix sibirica</i> <i>Larix sibirica</i>	Packing wood Packing wood Packing wood Wood and bark Wood	Hong-Kong China China Russia Russia	France Germany Germany Austria Finland	1 1 7 2 4
<i>Monochamus, Ips cembrae</i> and other Cerambycidae	Larix sibirica	Wood and bark	Russia	Italy	1



• Bonsais

Pest	Consignment	Country of origin	Country of destination	nb
Dialeurodes citri	Ligustrum chinensis	China	United Kingdom	1
Nematodes	Rhododendron lateritium, Acer palmatum	Japan	France	1
Rhizoecus hibisci	Serissa	Netherlands	United Kingdom	2

Source: EPPO Secretariat, 2003-07.