

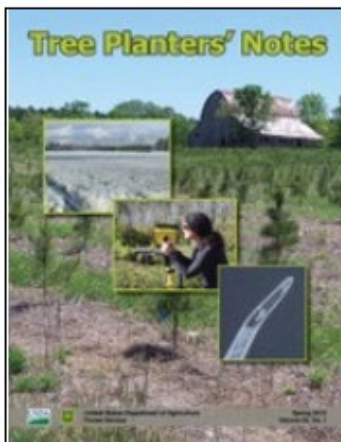
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Nematode Damage and Management in North American Forest Nurseries

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Abstract

Plant-parasitic nematodes can affect seedling production in forest nurseries when host seedlings are developmentally vulnerable, nematode populations are high, or opportunistic pathogens are present. Soil fumigation has been important for plant-parasitic nematode control in forest nurseries. Regulatory changes and rising costs of fumigant application are expected to affect nursery pest management programs. In the future, management strategies for the control of various nematodes will increasingly depend on the biology of the nematodes and hosts. This article provides a brief review of nematode problems that affect seedlings in forest nurseries, symptoms of nematode damage, and nematode control practices.

Introduction

Nematodes have long been associated with bareroot seedling damage in North American forest nurseries and some plant-parasitic species cause significant stunting and chlorosis of seedlings (Hopper 1958, Johnson and others 1970, Sutherland and Sluggett 1975, Peterson and Riffle 1986, Fraedrich and Cram 2002). Plant-parasitic nematodes are microscopic worms that feed on plants by removing the cell contents with a hollow, needle-like mouthpart called a stylet, which functions much like a straw (figures 1 and 2). Some plant-parasitic nematodes remain in the soil and feed by repeatedly thrusting

their stylets into seedling roots. These nematodes are referred to as ectoparasites. Other plant-parasitic nematodes are endoparasites and invade root systems to feed inside the root tissues. Among the numerous species of plant-parasitic nematodes, many are specialized to attack various types of plant tissues including leaves, flowers, stems, and roots; however, most damaging nematodes are soilborne and feed on roots (Shurtleff and Averre 2000). In some instances, root diseases can develop from the interaction of the physical damage caused by nematode feeding and soilborne fungal pathogens that colonize the wounded root tissues (Dwinell and Sinclair 1967, Shurtleff and Averre 2000).

The environmental conditions in most forest nurseries are ideal for many species of plant-parasitic nematodes. In addition to high host densities, bareroot nurseries are typically located on well-drained sandy soils that are irrigated regularly. Highly porous soils, where pore sizes exceed 30 microns, allow for the free movement of most plant-parasitic nematodes. Large



Figure 1. A translucent, worm-shaped stunt nematode (*Tylenchorhynchus ewingi*). (Photo source: Stephen W. Fraedrich).



Figure 2. Head of a *Tylenchorhynchus ewingi* nematode with a clearly visible stylet. (Photo source: Michelle M. Cram).

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- Trial designed by SFNMC staff and nursery manager
- Trial installed, soil sampled, germination counted by nursery



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- **TO BE DONE:** Trial monitored, final soil and seedling samples collected, seedlings measured at SFNMC lab, soil processed for final nematode analysis at AU Nematode Lab, analysis of efficacy of product

QUESTIONS?

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