





Host Range and Survival of Cercospora canescens Ell. and Mart. under Temperate Region of Jammu and Kashmir

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Abstract: The pathogenicity of Cercospora canescens, inciting leaf spot of greengram in Kashmir was host specific and host range was confined to blackgram and cowpea besides its natural host, the greengram. Incubation period was 6-7 days on Vigna sp. and 10 days on cowpea. While former exhibited uniform symptoms comprising of reddish brown roughly circular white centered spots, the later showed tan colour sub-circular to irregular spots devoid of whitish centre. The leaves and pods supported viable pathogen only upto March under open field conditions.

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