



Supporting Agriculture in North America

*Guided by Science, Improved Technologies
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PLANT HEALTH TASK FORCE & FOCUS



PLANT HEALTH



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- Promote joint research projects
- Capacity building and linking specialists and projects for proactive research on invasive pests and diseases
- Promote knowledge sharing on pests/diseases of tri-lateral interest through several means
- Carry out outreach activities with other countries and regions in LAC

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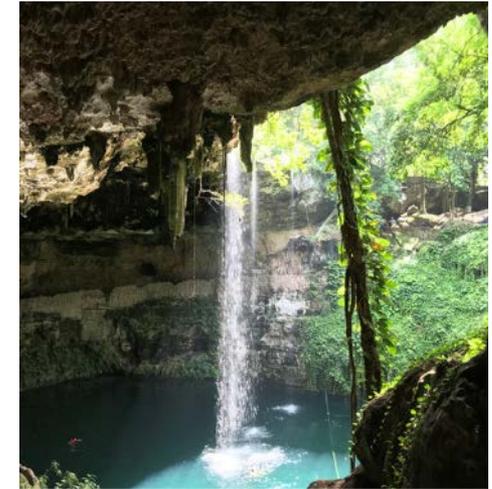
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PLANT HEALTH TASK FORCE

- Plant Health Task Force (PHTF) was formed in 2011
 - Harmonize protocols and share knowledge for insect identification
- 1st meeting and workshop in Vineland, NJ., 2013
 - focused on Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (BMSB) and parasitoids
- 2014 Workshop in Washington, DC
 - DNA barcoding of insects; tour of USDA-ARS insect collections at the Smithsonian
- 2015 Workshop in Monticello, Mexico
 - Molecular Insect Taxonomy
- 2016 Workshop in Ottawa, ON, Canada
 - Pests & Diseases of Solanaceans in North America: Trilateral approaches for their management
- 2017 Workshop in Beltsville, MD
 - Working Beyond Boundaries to Secure Plant Health and Productivity

PLANT HEALTH TASK FORCE WORKSHOP 2018

Mérida, Mexico



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Evolution and Current Status of Whitefly-Transmitted Virus Diseases in Mexico

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“Silverleaf” of cucurbits
 (“Hoja Plateada” de cucurbitáceas)
 -Toxin



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“Sticky cotton” = honeydew and sooty mold
 Algodón pegajoso causado por
 mielecilla y fumagina



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virus del rizado amarillo del tomate
 o “virus de la cuchara” TYLCV



Irregular ripening
 of tomato –
 Madurez
 Irregular del
 tomate,
 “tomate payaso”
 – Toxin



VIRUS TRANSMISSION
 – Geminivirus (Begomovirus)
 Tomato-Pepper-Bean

Trilateral Workshop

Vector-borne Viruses Affecting Crops in North America



Populations of begomovirus insect vectors and tomato spotted wilt virus in *Capsicum annum* in the Mexican Altiplano

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Zacatecas Highlands (Low % Infections)



**Zacatecas Semi Tropical área
(Jalpa, Huanusco, Tabasco)
High % Infections every year**



**Durango Highlands
High % Infections 2014, 2016, 2018**



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***Bacillus* spp. incrementan la expresión de genes de
defensa y mecanismos fisiológicos durante la infección del
virus mosaico dorado del chile en *Capsicum chinense* Jacq.**

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Severidad en *Capsicum chinense* inoculado con *Bacillus* spp. e infectado con PepGMV

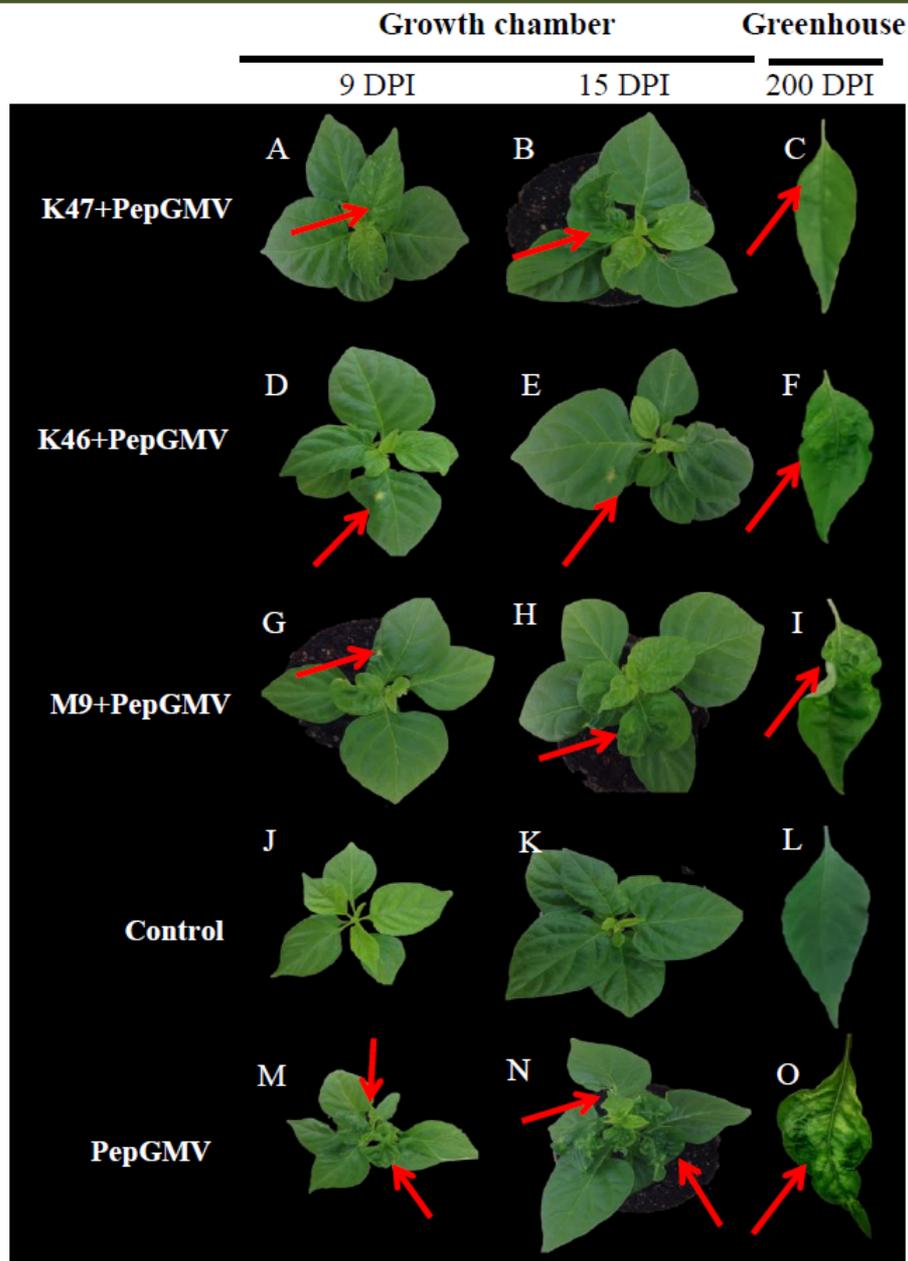


Figura 1. Efecto de la inoculación con *Bacillus* spp. sobre la severidad de síntomas en *Capsicum chinense* Jacq. infectado con PepGMV.

Tabla 1. Infectividad, detección viral y severidad de síntomas en plantas de *Capsicum chinense* Jacq. inoculadas con cepas de *Bacillus* (M9, K46 y K47), e infectadas con PepGMV.

Inóculo	Detección por PCR ^a	Plantas infectadas ^b	Severidad de síntomas§	
			9 DDI	15 DDI
K47	+	30/30	0.2 b	1.2 b
K46	+	30/30	0.6 ab	1.1 b
M9	+	30/30	0.2 b	1.1 b
Control	-	0/0	0.0 b	0.0 c
PepGMV	+	30/30	1 a	2.5 a

^a Detección en hojas.

^b Número de plantas infectadas/número de plantas bombardeadas.

§ Severidad de síntomas en base a escala.

* Letras diferentes indican diferencias significativas ($P \leq 0.05$)

(Carrillo *et al.* 2007; Choi *et al.* 2014; Musser *et al.* 2014; Elbeshehy *et al.* 2015)

***Bacillus* spp. promueve la Resistencia Sistémica Inducida en *C. chinense* Jacq. y disminuye la severidad de síntomas ocasionados por PepGMV.**

STRAWBERRY VIRUS INCIDENCE AND MANAGEMENT OF STRAWBERRY APHID IN ONTARIO, CANADA



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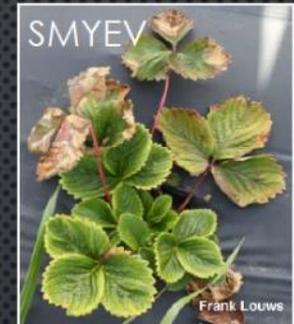
Canada

TRANSMITTED STRAWBERRY VIRUSES

- Aphids
 - Strawberry crinkle virus (SCV)*
 - Strawberry mild yellow edge virus (SMYEV)*
 - Strawberry poleovirus-1 (SPV-1)*
 - Strawberry mottle virus (SMoV)*
 - Strawberry vein banding virus (SVBV)*
- Whiteflies
 - Strawberry pallidosis associated virus (SPaV)*
 - Beet pseudo-yellow virus (BPYV)*
 - Strawberry leaf curl virus (StLCV)*
- Thrips via pollen *Strawberry necrotic shock virus (SNSV)*

Semi-persistent

Persistent



Bemisia tabaci Cryptic Species Composition Impacts Efficacy of Integrated Pest Management Programs

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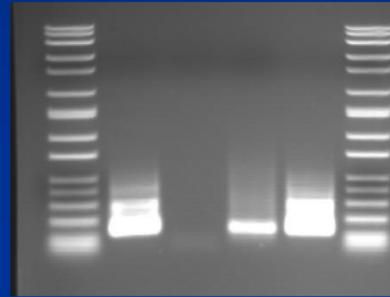


Distinguishing Biotypes of *B. tabaci*

- Biological Characteristics
 - Host range, biotic potential
 - Ability to induce plant disorders
 - Insecticide Resistance

NO
Morphological characteristics

- Genetic differences
 - Electrophoresis
 - PCR/Gene Sequencing
 - Diagnostic Microsatellites



	190	200	210	220	230	240	
181	CGAGCTTATTTCACTTCAGCCACTATAAATLATTGCTGTTTC	CGA	CAGGAATLAAAAATTTT				B_Biotype
181	CGAGCTTATTTCACTTCAGCTACTATGATFATTGCCGTTTC	TA	CAGGAATLAAAAATTTT				Q_Biotype
143	CGGGCTTATTTCACTTCAGCTACTATAATTATTGCTGTTTC	GA	CAGGAATLAAAAATTTT				A_Biotype
	250	260	270	280	290	300	
241	AGTGGCTTGCTACTTTGGGTGGAAATAAAGTCTAATAAAAT	AA	GGCCCTTGCCCTTTGA				B_Biotype
241	AGTTGGCTTGCTACTTTGGGTGGAAATAAAGTCCAATAAAT	CA	GGCCCTTTGGCCCTTTGA				Q_Biotype
203	AGTGGCTTGCTACTTGGGTGGAAATAAAGTCTAATAAAT	TA	GGCCCTTTGGCCCTTTGA				A_Biotype

Emerging and evasive tuber necrotic viruses affecting potato health and international trade

Stewart Gray
USDA, ARS – Cornell University

Potato virus Y



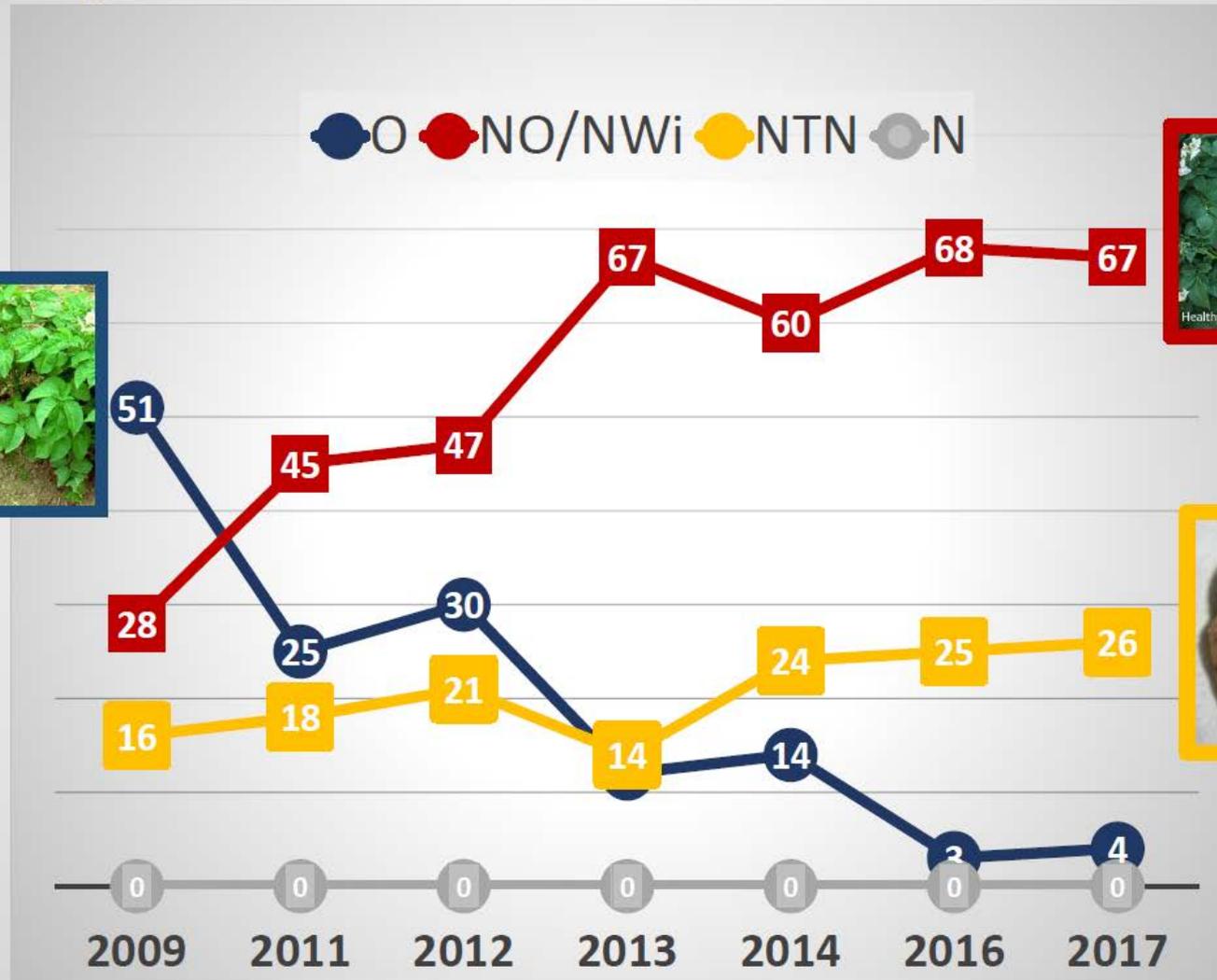
Potato mop top virus



Tobacco rattle virus



Change in the Prevalence of PVY Strains



Samples collected from the PHT of major seed production states, over 8000 samples tested

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PLANT HEALTH TASK FORCE

- **Relevance**

- Insect pests, plant pathogens and associated toxins with potential to become invasive are a primary concern for each of the 3 countries

- **Effectiveness**

- Researchers in each of the 3 countries provide expertise in identification of native and invasive pests, plant pathogens and associated toxins

- **Impact**

- Researchers collaborate and share information on native biological control agents (predators, parasitoids and entomopathogens) for control of invasive pests to other member countries

PLANT HEALTH TASK FORCE WORKPLAN AND BUDGET REQUEST 2019

- INIFAP National Project Lead for Plant Health will host a 2 ½ day workshop in Canada (location TBD) in fall 2019
- Workshop will focus on:
 - Priority issues from previous meetings but with a systems approach to plant health.

PLANT HEALTH TASK FORCE WORKPLAN AND BUDGET REQUEST 2019

- **Outcomes**

- Knowledge transfer leading to harmonization of taxonomic methods in Canada, Mexico and U.S.A.
- Tri-lateral collaboration and coordination of research in the area of insect pests and insect vectored diseases
- Developing and enhancing networks of entomologists, pathologists and chemists in the three countries

- **Budget requested - \$15,000**

- To support travel of 4-5 scientists to workshop
- Deliver Workshop
- Sponsor participation at NAPPO 2019 (TBD, Canada)
- Sponsor participation at Entomology Society meeting 2019 (TBD)



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