

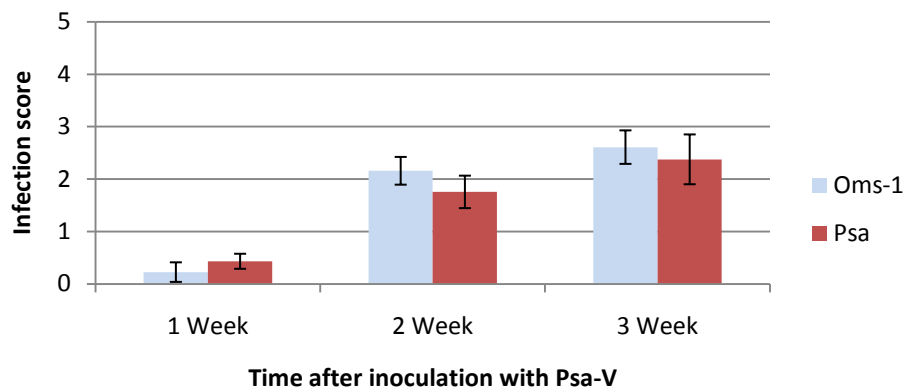
Product testing report

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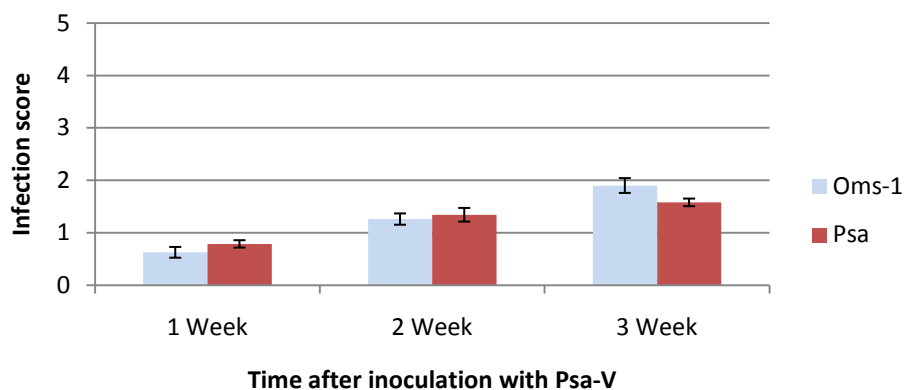
Oms-1		
Supplying company:	Omnia Nutriology Ltd.	
Active ingredient:	Oxolonic acid and elicitor based	
Mode of action:	Protectant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Biological <input type="checkbox"/> Elicitor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Application rate:	200ml per 100L	

Test results	
Test	Greenhouse seedling tests
Method description	<p>Experiment 1: Protectant (16 August 2011 – 7 September 2011) Bruno seedlings were treated once with the product, allowed to dry and inoculated with Psa-V (at 10^9 cfu ml⁻¹ concentration). Assessments were made at weekly intervals after inoculation. The degree of leaf spotting was determined visually using a 0 – 5 scale and is plotted as an 'Infection Score'.</p> <p>Experiment 2: Elicitors (7 September 2011 – 5 October 2011) Hort16A and Hayward seedlings were treated once with the product seven days prior to inoculation with Psa-V (at 10^9 cfu ml⁻¹ concentration). Assessments were made at weekly intervals after inoculation. The degree of leaf spotting was determined visually using a 0 – 5 scale and is plotted as an 'Infection Score'.</p>
Results	<p>Experiment 1: In Bruno seedlings, Oms-1 did not affect the degree of leaf spotting at one, two or three weeks after inoculation with Psa-V.</p> <p>Experiment 2: In Hort16A seedlings, Oms-1 did not affect the degree of leaf spotting at one, two or three weeks after inoculation with Psa-V. Leaf spotting was reduced in Hayward seedlings, with significant reductions at one and two weeks after inoculation with Psa-V.</p>

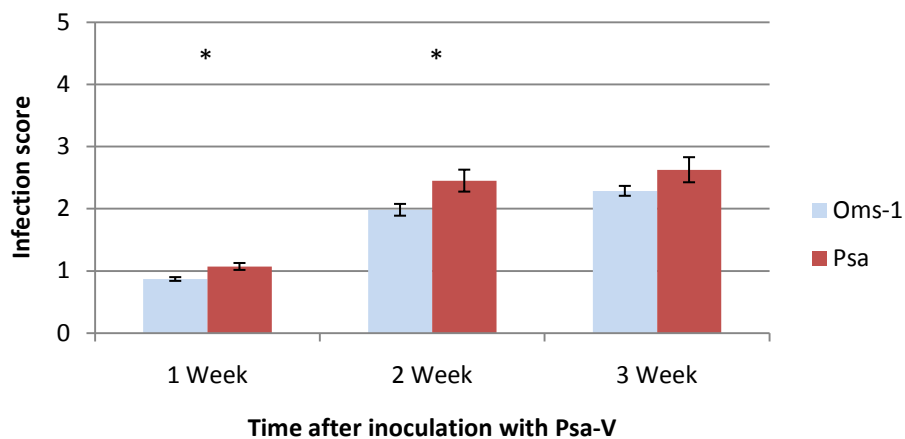
Bruno Experiment 1



Hort16A Experiment 2



Hayward Experiment 2



* Psa inoculated control and the treatment are statistically significantly different at the 5% level

Summary

A single application of Oms-1 (2ml L⁻¹) to Bruno seedlings as a protectant did not affect the degree of leaf spotting. In Hort16A seedlings, Oms-1 applied as an elicitor did not affect the degree of leaf spotting. In Hayward seedlings leaf spotting was reduced in Oms-1 treated plants, though reductions were not significant at the final assessment, three weeks after inoculation with Psa-V. There was little evidence that Oms-1 significantly reduced leaf spotting following inoculation with Psa-V, therefore no further testing is planned with this product.

Comments

A standardised screening protocol has been used to test products for efficacy against Psa-V to enable a high throughput of products. Protectant or elicitation tests may be performed, depending on the mode of action of the product. Protectant tests involve the product being applied to the plant with inoculation following on the same day, once the product has dried. Elicitation tests involve the product being applied to the plants seven to ten days prior to inoculation with Psa-V. Assessments of leaf spotting are performed at weekly intervals after inoculation. This method has largely involved testing products using information provided on the product's label. In the future, products may be retested using protocols provided by supplying companies. Products which have previously shown some level of efficacy will be given priority for re-testing.

Data are presented for all assessment timings; however, evaluation of results is largely focussed on the final 'three week' assessment data. Disease symptoms will be better developed by this time and earlier assessments are considered to be less reliable. However, in the case of some elicitors, it is possible that the elicitation effect has been expended and that poor results at the 'three week' assessment time indicate reduced efficacy as a result of insufficient frequency of application.

Results from greenhouse trials primarily serve as a screening tool to determine products that will progress to field trials. Care should be taken when extrapolating results to field conditions. Results in the field may differ due to different environmental conditions and differences in plant material.

Note – leaf spotting may not necessarily mean the plant is infected. It simply indicates that the plant has been challenged by Psa.

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