



## Management of diseases of peas, lentils and chickpeas - Diseases of seeds, seedlings, and roots

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# Pythium seed decay and damping-off



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**Causal pathogens:** *Pythium* spp.  
(oomycete; “water mold”)

## **Conditions that favor infection:**

- Soil moisture: **high**
- Soil temperatures: wide range of soil temperatures, but low to moderate soil temperatures are very high risk

## **Symptoms:**

- **Seed decay** and **damping-off**, resulting in poor stand establishment.

# Pythium

## **Susceptibility:**

- Chickpeas >> lentils, field peas
  - Chickpeas are highly susceptible.
  - Lentils and field peas, while also susceptible, are less susceptible than chickpeas.

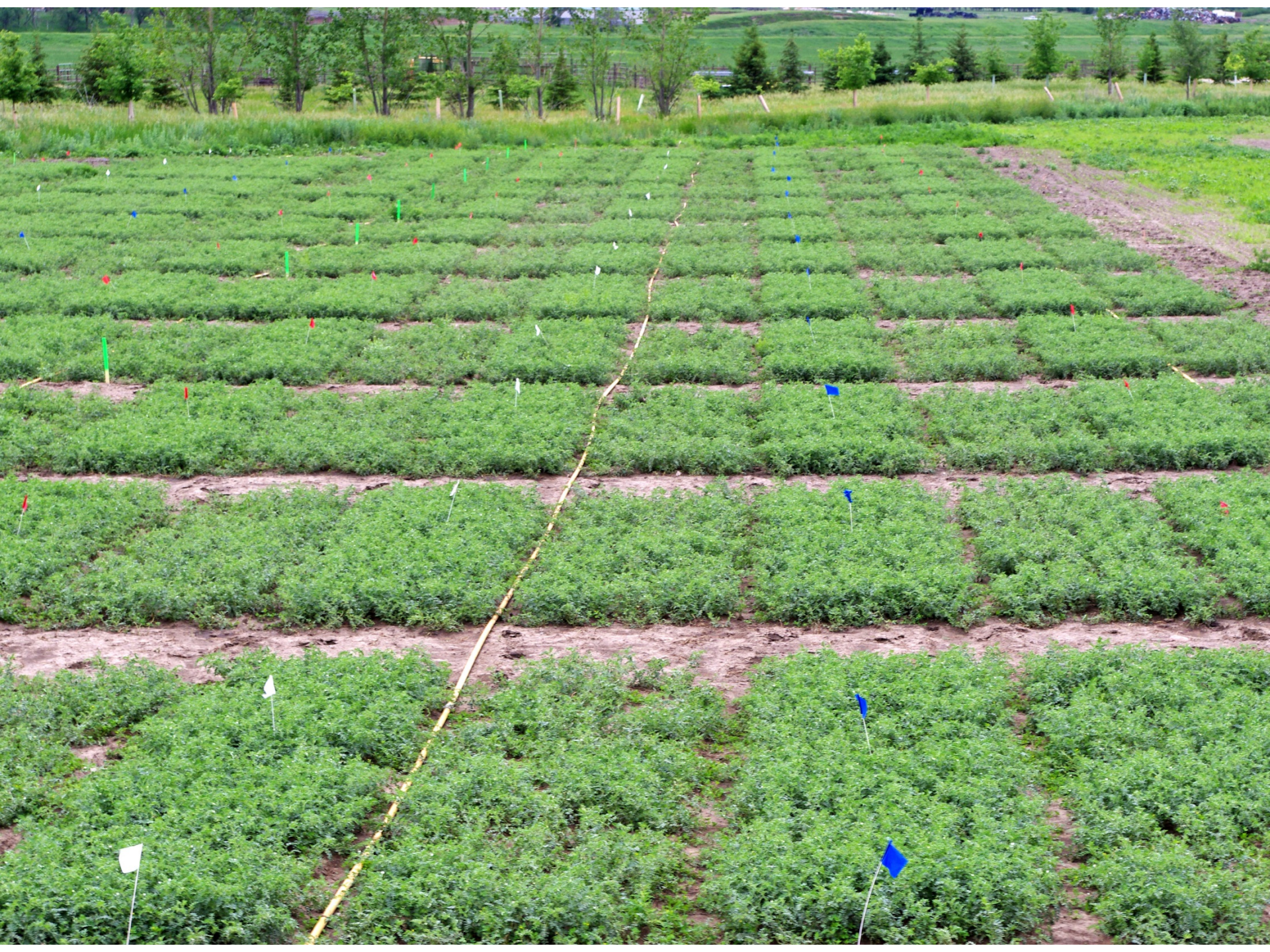
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## Seed treatment:

- **metalaxyl** (Allegiance FL, Sebring 480, etc.)
- **mefenoxam** (Apron XL)
  - Chemical structure and efficacy are very similar
  - Low application rate often utilized
  - Use high application rate in high-risk situations
- **ethaboxam** (Intego Solo).
  - Registered on chickpeas and lentils, not field peas
  - On lentils, 0.3 fl oz/cwt application rate recommended
  - Best used with metalaxyl or mefenoxam



# Rhizoctonia root rot



Photos: Weidong Chen, USDA-ARS

# Rhizoctonia

**Causal pathogen:** *Rhizoctonia solani*  
(fungal pathogen)

## **Conditions that favor infection:**

- Soil moisture: moderate to high
- Soil temperatures: low

## **Symptoms:**

- Poor stand establishment due to seed decay and damping-off
- Root rot: sunken reddish to dark brown lesions



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# Rhizoctonia: efficacy of seed treatments

Carrington, ND (2016)

			CHICKPEA	LENTIL
			CDC 'Frontier'	CDC 'Richlea'
			183,000 seeds/ac	784,720 pls/ac
			<b>Plant population (6-9 nodes)</b>	
			plants/ac	plants/ac
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3	Cruiser 5FS 0.77 fl oz/cwt + ApronMaxx RTA 5.0 fl oz/cwt	Inoculated	<b>50405</b> b	<b>587260</b> a
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CV:			23.6	18.9

## SDHI seed treatments: highly effective against Rhizoctonia

- Vibrance Maxx: sedaxane + fludioxonil + mefenoxam
- Obvius: fluxapyroxad + pyraclostrobin + metalaxyl

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			Yield (13.5% moisture)	
			lbs/ac	
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2	Cruiser 5FS 0.77 fl oz/cwt + Apron XL 0.16 fl oz/cwt	Inoculated	<b>1269</b> a	
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4	Cruiser 5FS 0.77 fl oz/cwt + Vibrance Maxx 1.54 floz/cwt	Inoculated	<b>1761</b> a	
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			CV:	18.2

# Rhizoctonia: efficacy of seed treatments

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		CHICKPEA	LENTIL	FIELD PEA
		CDC 'Frontier'	CDC 'Impress CL'	
		189,000 seeds/ac	522,720 pls/ac	330,000 pls/ac
		Plant population (early vegetative growth)		
		plants/ac	plants/ac	plants/ac
1	Cruiser 5FS 0.77 fl oz/cwt + ApronMaxx RTA 5.0 fl oz/cwt Non-inoculated	<b>160550</b> a*	<b>388306</b> a*	<b>278962</b> a*
2	Cruiser 5FS 0.77 fl oz/cwt + ApronMaxx RTA 5.0 fl oz/cwt Inoculated	<b>28003</b> c	<b>95210</b> c	<b>294430</b> a
3	Cruiser 5FS 0.77 fl oz/cwt + Vibrance Maxx 1.54 floz/cwt Inoculated	<b>107655</b> b	<b>248914</b> b	<b>301897</b> a
4	Cruiser 5FS 0.77 fl oz/cwt + Obvius 5.9 fl oz/cwt Inoculated	<b>135036</b> ab	<b>309898</b> ab	<b>306698</b> a
CV:		14.2	20.4	9.2

## Fludioxonil: performs poorly under high Rhizoctonia pressure

- ApronMaxx RTA: fludioxonil + mefenoxam

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		Yield (13.5% moisture)		
		lbs/ac	lbs/ac	bu/ac
1	Cruiser 5FS 0.77 fl oz/cwt + ApronMaxx RTA 5.0 fl oz/cwt Non-inoculated	<b>3465</b> a*	<b>1826</b> a*	<b>45</b> a*
2	Cruiser 5FS 0.77 fl oz/cwt + ApronMaxx RTA 5.0 fl oz/cwt Inoculated	<b>2484</b> b	<b>1194</b> b	<b>42</b> a
3	Cruiser 5FS 0.77 fl oz/cwt + Vibrance Maxx 1.54 floz/cwt Inoculated	<b>3057</b> a	<b>1940</b> a	<b>46</b> a
4	Cruiser 5FS 0.77 fl oz/cwt + Obvius 5.9 fl oz/cwt Inoculated	<b>3280</b> a	<b>2068</b> a	<b>50</b> a
CV:		9.2	13.0	11.7

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1	Cruiser 5FS 1.28 fl oz/cwt	Non-inoculated	<b>130058</b> a*	<b>363104</b> a*	<b>248292</b> b*
2	Cruiser 5FS 1.28 fl oz/cwt	Inoculated	<b>11823</b> b	<b>234291</b> b	<b>252337</b> b
3	Cruiser 5FS 1.28 fl oz/cwt + Obvius 4.6 fl oz/cwt	Inoculated	<b>154949</b> a	<b>322344</b> a	<b>314565</b> a
4	Cruiser 5FS 1.28 fl oz/cwt + Evergol Energy 1.0 fl oz/cwt	Inoculated	<b>144059</b> a	<b>318299</b> a	<b>257315</b> b
5	Cruiser 5FS 1.28 fl oz/ac + Vibrance Maxx 1.54 fl oz/ac	Inoculated	<b>181396</b> a	<b>347547</b> a	<b>276917</b> ab
		CV:	18.6	11.1	9.0

## EverGol Energy performed similarly to Vibrance Maxx, Obvius

- Vibrance Maxx: sedaxane + fludioxonil + mefenoxam
- Obvius: fluxapyroxad + pyraclostrobin + metalaxyl
- EverGol Energy: penflufen + prothioconazole + metalaxyl

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**Yield** (13.5% moisture)

lbs/ac	lbs/ac	bu/ac
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1	<b>Cruiser 5FS</b> 1.28 fl oz/cwt	Non-inoculated	<b>2945</b> a*	<b>2961</b> a*	<b>71</b> a*
2	<b>Cruiser 5FS</b> 1.28 fl oz/cwt	Inoculated	<b>1530</b> b	<b>2869</b> a	<b>70</b> a
3	<b>Cruiser 5FS</b> 1.28 fl oz/cwt + <b>Obvius</b> 4.6 fl oz/cwt	Inoculated	<b>2775</b> a	<b>3031</b> a	<b>72</b> a
4	<b>Cruiser 5FS</b> 1.28 fl oz/cwt + <b>Evergol Energy</b> 1.0 fl oz/cwt	Inoculated	<b>2716</b> a	<b>2920</b> a	<b>72</b> a
5	<b>Cruiser 5FS</b> 1.28 fl oz/ac + <b>Vibrance Maxx</b> 1.54 fl oz/ac	Inoculated	<b>2688</b> a	<b>3059</b> a	<b>74</b> a

CV:	13.8	7.4	3.3
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