## Mini data sheet on Phytophthora quercina

## Added in 2000 - Deleted in 2004

## Reasons for deletion:

PRA (04-10803 & 10804) concluded that the pest *Phytophthora quercina* is widespread in the EPPO region where it has no climatic restriction. It was also concluded that the pest did not have the characteristics of a guarantine pest. In 2004, it was therefore removed from the EPPO Alert List.

Phytophthora guercina: a new species found on declining oaks

Why Phytophthora quercina came to our attention because it has recently been

described as a new species, pathogenic to oak, and involved in oak decline in

some countries.

Where EPPO region: Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Luxemburg,

Serbia and Montenegro, Sweden, Turkey, United Kingdom.

On which plants Quercus species (e.g. Quercus robur, Q. petraea, Q. cerris, Q. pubescens, Q.

ilex). In Turkey, it has also been found on Q. hartwissiana, Q. frainetto and Q.

vulcanica.

Damage Oak decline. In pathogenicity tests, *Q. robur* seedlings showed severe dieback,

root necrosis, leaf chlorosis.

Dissemination More data needed.

Pathway Plants for planting of *Quercus* from countries where *P. quercina* occurs.

Possible risks Oaks are important amenity and forest trees in the EPPO region. P. quercina is

apparently pathogenic to oaks and not present in all parts of the EPPO region. But more data is needed on its biology and particularly on its pathogenicity and

its role in oak decline.

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