



Ontario Crops Research Centre – Bradford (Muck Station) IPM Update 2026

Date: September 23

Highlights

- 2nd generation carrot rust flies are active and some fields are over threshold.
- Sclerotinia white mold has been found in a number of carrot fields but these dry conditions should minimize the disease from developing much.
- Carrot leaf blights are common.
- Onion harvest continues.

Disease Forecasting Highlight:

Sclerotinia (White Mold) on Carrot	General conditions for disease (TOMcast)	Lettuce downy mildew (BREMcast)
MODERATE RISK	MODERATE RISK	HIGH RISK

Carrot Update



White mold - Scout

Sclerotinia white mold has been found in a number of fields but the dry conditions recently should slow disease development. Allegro 500F, Scholar 230SC, Luna Sensation and Switch 62.5 WG are registered for control and Miravis Duo and Fontelis are registered for suppression. It is important to try and get these products down into the crown and lower canopy as best you can.

Second generation carrot rust flies continue to be active. This generation can cause damage and some fields are over threshold. If your field is over the 0.1 flies/trap/day threshold Mako, UP-Cyde 2.5 EC, Labamba, Matador 120EC and Silencer 120 EC are registered for control.

Carrot leaf blights have been found, but disease incidence and severity are still low overall at this time. If your field has higher levels of blight and you are over the 25% of plants with blight threshold, Cabrio, Flint, Quadris Top, Merivon and Bravo/Echo are registered for both Cercospora and Alternaria leaf blights. Copper 52W is only registered to suppress Cercospora. Fontelis, Sercadis, Cantus, Pristine, Switch, Miravis Duo, Luna Sensation, Serifel, Button, Vantana and Allegro are only registered to suppress Alternaria.



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Aster yellows has been minimal this season.

Celery Update

Processing and fresh market celery harvest continues. Blights have been found regularly, but overall disease severity continues to be low. There are many fungicides registered to manage blights in celery, which can be found on the [Ontario Crop Protection Hub](#). Celery leaf curl has been found in these wet conditions as well. Switch 62.5 WG and Quadris Flowable are registered for leaf curl control. Tarnished plant bugs have been active, but damage continues to be minimal.

Registered celery herbicides can be found in the [Ontario Crop Protection Hub](#).

Daily Weather

Date (September)	Max temperature (°C)	Min temperature (°C)	Rain (mm)
15	20.3	6.6	0.0
16	22.8	13.8	0.0
17	23.9	11.6	0.0
18	20.8	10.0	0.0
19	17.2	4.4	0.0
20	19.7	6.6	0.0
21	15.4	8.1	0.0
22	17.7	1.0	0.0

Soil Temperature (°C): 5cm: 13.1

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