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

Date: September 4

## Highlights

- A big thank you to our scouts Madi and Sam for all their hard work scouting this season!
- Thank you everyone for coming out to the Grower Field Day yesterday!
- Most onion fields are at some stage of lodging, windrowing or harvesting.
- For carrots, 2<sup>nd</sup> generation carrot rust flies are active and some fields are over threshold.
- Sclerotinia white mold has been found in a number of carrot fields and will become more prevalent after these wet conditions.
- This is the last week of onion scouting for the season. Carrot and celery fields will be scouted once a week throughout September. IPM Updates will also be sent out once a week throughout September.
- The Muck Station will be closed on Monday September 7<sup>th</sup> next week for Labour Day.

## Disease Forecasting Highlight:

| Sclerotinia (White Mold) on Carrot | General conditions for disease (TOMcast) | Lettuce downy mildew (BREMcast) |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>MODERATE RISK</b>               | <b>HIGH RISK</b>                         | <b>HIGH RISK</b>                |

## Carrot Update



White mold - Scout

Sclerotinia white mold has been found in a number of fields. 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 have been 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.



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Aster leafhopper activity has been variable and aster yellows has been minimal. Sevin XLR, Admire 240F, Actara 25WG, Closer and Sivanto Prime are registered if your field is over the 20 leafhoppers/trap or 1 leafhopper/sweep thresholds.

## Celery Update

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. Some pink rot has also been found by scouts. Registered fungicides for pink rot can be found [here](#). 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 (August/September) | Max temperature (°C) | Min temperature (°C) | Rain (mm) |
|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| 31                      | 22.2                 | 18.3                 | 38.8      |
| 1                       | 29.8                 | 18.8                 | 0.2       |
| 2                       | 24.7                 | 19.6                 | 23.8      |
| 3                       | 28.1                 | 17.5                 | 0.0       |

Soil Temperature (°C): 5cm: 21.6

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