



VERSION: 1.0	DATE: 12/2013
PATHOGEN: <i>Alternaria porri</i>	
HOST: onion (<i>Allium cepa</i>)	
COMMON NAME: purple blotch	
METHOD: On 1.1 Agar plate method (Aveling et al., 1993)	
METHOD CLASS: TEMPORARY STANDARD (B)	
SAMPLE: 200 seeds	

PROCEDURE:

1. Surface sterilize seed with 1% NaOCl.
2. Place seeds onto Potato Dextrose agar.
3. Incubate at 20°C at 12 hour dark/12 hour UV light for 6 days.
4. Inspect for presence of sporulation.

REFERENCES:

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