

Inbred Carrot Lines May Resist Root-Knot Pest

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The Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation (WARF) is seeking commercial partners interested in carrot varieties having potential resistance to Northern root-knot nematode.

Overview

According to the USDA, Wisconsin farmers produced 73,610 tons of carrots in 2010. Unfortunately, carrot is highly susceptible to attack by the root-knot nematode (Meloidogyne hapla Chitwood), a pest that can severely reduce yields.

The Invention

UW-Madison researchers have developed inbred carrot lines that exhibit some resistance to Northern root-knot nematode. The two lines are [W261 x (Rotin x W259)] and [W77 x (Rotin x W259)]. The lines were identified via greenhouse screening tests in the presence of nematode infection. Genetic crosses indicated that resistance is conditioned by two different homozygous recessive genes.

Applications

- · Genetic testing related to root-knot nematode resistance
- · Potentially breeding a new commercial carrot line

Key Benefits

· Carrots show some resistance to Northern root-knot nematode.

Additional Information

For More Information About the Inventors

Irwin Goldman

Related Technologies

WARF reference number P01015US describes inbred carrot lines with superior resistance to aster yellows disease.

Publications

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Tech Fields

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