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Forty-five soybean cultivars were inoculated with six strains of *Xanthomonas campestris* pv. *glycines* collected from Japan and Thailand to investigate their resistance. The degree of resistance was greatly varied depending upon bacterial strains inoculated, suggesting that resistance of soybean cultivars to *X. c.* pv. *glycines* is controlled by complicated various genes. Soybean cultivars belonging to the tentative group I were resistant to the majority of the bacterial strains. However, none of the cultivars were resistant to all bacterial strains used.

INTRODUCTION

Varietal resistance of soybean cultivars was first reported by Lehman and Woodside in 1929. Hartwig and Lehman (1951) analyzed genes for resistance of soybean cultivar Clemson Non Shatter (CNS) to bacterial pustule by inoculating pathogenic bacterium to F_2 and F_3 progenies of the hybrid. They concluded that resistance is recessive and controlled by single major gene. These workers, however, did not have any considerations about differentiation of the bacterium in pathogenicity. Patel et al. (1972) reported that all of the soybean cultivars used in their experiment exhibited similar resistance to *X. phaseoli* var. *sojensis* and suggested that there are no pathogenic differentiation in the pustule organism in India. Jindal et al. (1981) confirmed that *X. c.* pv. *vignicola* and pv. *phaseoli* strains showed differentiation in pathogenicity whereas *X. c.* pv. *glycines* strains did not.

In this study, varietal difference in resistance of soybean cultivars collected from Japan and Thailand were examined by inoculating six strains of *X. c.* pv. *glycines*.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Bacterial strains

The bacterial strains used were listed in Table 1. These strains were different in pathogenicity as reported previously (Jainkittivong et al., 1989). Each strain was cultured on PSA slant medium at 25 C for 24-36 hr. The culture was suspended in sterilized distilled water and OD was adjusted to 1.0 at 660 nm so as to give bacterial concentration of about 3×10^8 cfu/ml.

Soybean cultivars

Twenty-nine soybean cultivars from Japan and 16 cultivars from Thailand were used. Three seeds of each soybean cultivar were sown in a pot (10 cm diam.) filled with a mixture of pulverized soil and grown in a greenhouse at 20-25 C.

Inoculation

Fully-expanded second trifoliate leaves of 20 days old plants were inoculated with bacterial suspension by spraying.

Two hr after inoculation, the plants were transferred to an incubator (RH 100%, 28-30 C). After 24 hr of incubation, the plants were moved to the greenhouse (20-25 C). Early symptom of minute yellow spots usually appeared in several days after inoculation and they developed into pustules in a following few days.

In the highly compatible host-parasite combinations, many pustules with halo were developed on the leaves and coalesced forming irregular brown patches. Diseased leaves turned yellow and defoliated later.

In the less compatible combinations, a few, isolated, minute, flat and slowly developing spots appeared without producing haloes. In the incompatible combinations, no spots appeared. In the latter two combinations neither yellowing nor defoliation occurred.

Disease severity was assessed 3, 5, 7 and 15 days after inoculation as reported in the previous paper (Jankittivong *et al.*, 1989). To simplify the expression of the results, R (resistant) was given for the grade of resistance -- # and S (susceptible) was for #~###.

Every experiment was replicated twice.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The results shown in Table 2 suggest that disease incidence of cultivars was much varied depending upon bacterial strains of *X. c. pv. glycines* inoculated. Only eight cultivars (Harosoy, Clark 63, TGX 297-192 C, TGX 713-06 D, TGX 742-01 D, Shirosenari, Shin 4 and Wakajima) were resistant to bacterial strain 301-1, seven cultivars (Harosoy, Clark 63, TGX 297-192 C, TGX 713-06 D, TGX 742-01 D, Kinsei 1 and OCB) were resistant to bacterial strain 045-1 and six cultivars (TGX 330-054 D, TGX 342-356 D, Shirome, Fukuyutaka, Papillon and Tamahomare) were resistant to bacterial strain S-12. While, most of the cultivars other than the nine (OCB, M 90, Akiyoshi, S. J. 2, Papillon, Tamahomare, S. J. 5, S. J. 4 and Akazaya) were resistant to bacterial

Table 1. Bacterial strains used.

<i>Xanthomonas campestris</i> pv. <i>glycines</i> strain	Place	Year
045-1	Saraburi (Thailand)	1980
046-3	" (")	"
054-1	Phitsanulok (")	"
301-1	Cheingmai (")	1981
Ku-1	Bangkhen (")	1982
s-12	Fukuoka (Japan)	1986

Table 2. Varietal resistance of soybean cultivars to *Xanthomonas campestris* pv. *glycines* strains.

No.	Soybean cultivars	Bacterial strain						Tentative grouping
		054-1	301-1	045-1	Ku-1	046-3	S - 1 2	
1.	Harosoy	R	R	R	R	R	S	I
2.	Clark 63	R	R	R	R	R	S	
3.	TGX 297-192C	R	R	R	R	R	S	
4.	TGX 713-06D	R	R	R	S	R	S	
5.	TGX 742-01D	R	R	R	S	S	S	II
6.	Shirosennari	R	R	S	R	S	S	
7.	Shin 4	R	R	S	R	S	S	
8.	Wakajima	R	R	S	S	S	S	
9.	Kinsei 1	R	S	R	R	R	S	III
10.	TGX 330-054D	R	S	S	R	R	R	
11.	TGX 307-047D	R	S	S	R	S	S	
12.	Raikou	R	S	S	R	S	S	
13.	Ouhoujyu	R	S	S	R	S	S	
14.	Mutsushiratama	R	S	S	R	S	S	
15.	Enrei	R	S	S	R	S	S	
16.	Hyuga	R	S	S	R	S	S	
17.	Misuzudaizu	R	S	S	R	S	S	IV
18.	Chiyohime	R	S	S	R	S	S	
19.	TGX 342-356D	R	S	S	S	R	R	
20.	Shirome	R	S	S	S	R	R	
21.	81-1-032	R	S	S	S	R	S	V
22.	Shiromame	R	S	S	S	R	S	
23.	Nanbushirome	R	S	S	S	R	S	
24.	Kogamedaizu	R	S	S	S	R	S	
25.	Fukuyutaka	R	S	S	S	S	R	VI
26.	81-1-113	R	S	S	S	S	S	
27.	Tamanishiki	R	S	S	S	S	S	
28.	Tottorishiradaizu	R	S	S	S	S	S	
29.	Oguradaizu	R	S	S	S	S	S	
30.	Fujimusume	R	S	S	S	S	S	
31.	Udadaizu	R	S	S	S	S	S	
32.	Asomusume	R	S	S	S	S	S	
33.	Tamahikari	R	S	S	S	S	S	VII
34.	Nakasennari	R	S	S	S	S	S	
35.	Hougyoku	R	S	S	S	S	S	
36.	Bonminori	R	S	S	S	S	S	
37.	OCB	S	S	R	R	R	S	VIII
38.	M 90	S	S	R	R	R	S	
39.	Akiyoshi	S	S	S	R	R	S	
40.	S. J. 2	S	S	S	S	R	S	
41.	Papillon	S	S	S	S	S	R	IX
42.	Tamahomare	S	S	S	S	S	R	
43.	S. J. 5	S	S	S	S	S	S	
44.	S. J. 4	S	S	S	S	S	S	
45.	Akazaya	S	S	S	S	S	S	

strain 054-1.

Among 45 cultivars tested, only four (Harosoy, Clark 63, TGX 297-192 C and TGX 713-06 D) were resistant to most of the bacterial strains. However, all of them were susceptible to the strain S-12 isolated from Japan. The cultivars S. J. 4, S. J. 5 and

Akazaya were susceptible to all bacterial strains. The remaining 38 cultivars showed various responses, suggesting complicated genotypes of soybean cultivars for resistance to bacterial pustule.

In the soybean cultivars used in this experiment, nine groups (I-IX) showing difference in susceptibility to six strains of *X. c. pv. glycines* could tentatively be recognized as shown in Table 2. Some cultivars showed different responses from the nine groups, suggesting that the grouping will become more complicated with increasing the number of bacterial strains used. From these results, it will be concluded that the resistance of the cultivars is possibly controlled by a number of genes. Among nine groups of soybean cultivars, the cultivars belong to group I were resistant to many bacterial strains.

Some soybean cultivars such as CNS (Hartwig and Lehman, 1951) Clark 63 (Chamberlain, 1962), Bragg, Bossier, Hampton-226, Hill, Hood, Lee, Pickett and Stuart having resistance derived from CNS (Patel et al., 1972) were reported to be resistant to bacterial pustule. The CNS type of resistance was reported to be expressed by a single major gene pair *rpx* (Hartwig and Lehman, 1951).

In our experiment, Clark 63 (Group I) were resistant to most strains used. These cultivars were only susceptible to strain S-12. The cultivars belonging to group VIII were just opposite to group I in responses to bacterial strains.

The cultivars belonging to group IX were susceptible to all strains, suggesting absence of genes for resistance. Although none of the cultivars resistant to all bacterial strains was found in this experiment, the cultivars such as Harosoy, Clark 63 and TGX 297-192 C (Group I) were resistant to most of the strains used. Therefore, these cultivars will be useful for the breeding program of pustule resistance. However, cultivars will be infected when they are cultivated in the area where compatible bacterial strains are distributed. For example, these resistant cultivars will be susceptible in Japan where the compatible strain S-12 is distributed. Therefore, the accumulation of the genes for resistance of TGX 330-054 D, TGX 342-356 D, Shirome, Fukuyutaka, Papillon and Tamahomare to the group I cultivars will be needed.

Reverse reaction against some strains in the resistance was observed between group I and group WI, V and VIII, VII and VI. These results clearly indicate that the resistance of soybean cultivars to *X. c. pv. glycines* is vertical resistance, though horizontal factors will join in some cases.

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