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### Horticulture Disease

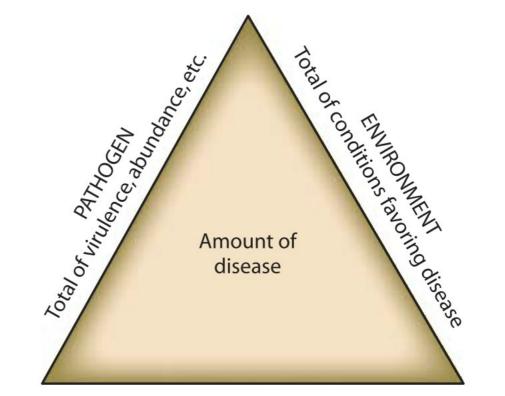
### Lecture 2: DISEASE DEVELOPMENT

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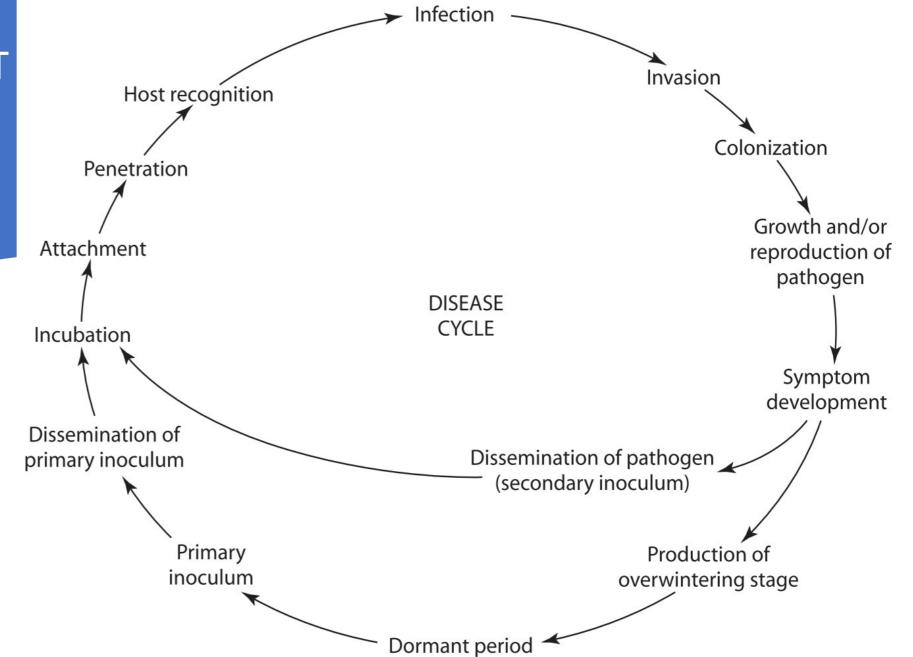
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# Disease triangle



Total of conditions favoring susceptibility HOST

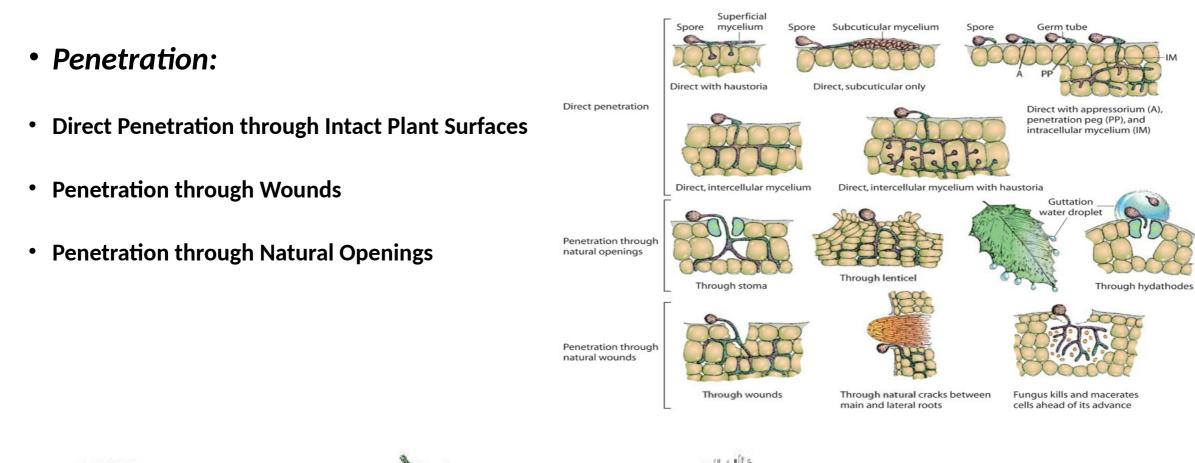
STAGES IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF DISEASE: THE DISEASE CYCLE

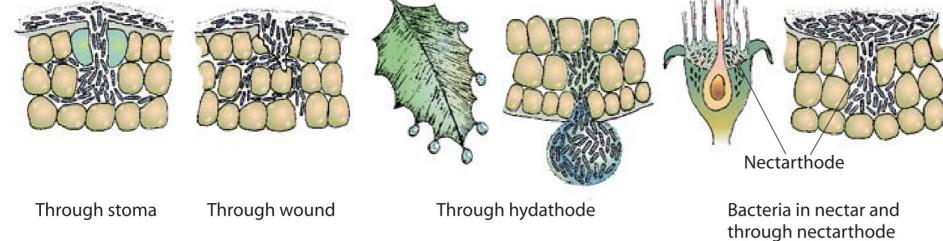


- **Inoculation:** is the initial contact of a pathogen with a site of plant where infection is possible.
- The pathogen(s) that lands on or is otherwise brought into contact with the plant is called the **inoculum**.
- The inoculum is any part of the pathogen that can initiate infection.
- Fungi: <u>spores</u>, <u>sclerotia</u> (i.e., a compact mass of mycelium), or <u>fragments of mycelium</u>.
- Bacteria, mollicutes, protozoa, viruses, and viroids, the inoculum is always whole individuals of bacteria,
- Nematodes, the inoculum may be <u>adult nematodes</u>, <u>nematode juveniles</u>, or <u>eggs</u>.
- Parasitic higher plants, the inoculum may be plant fragments or seeds.

#### • Types of Inoculum:

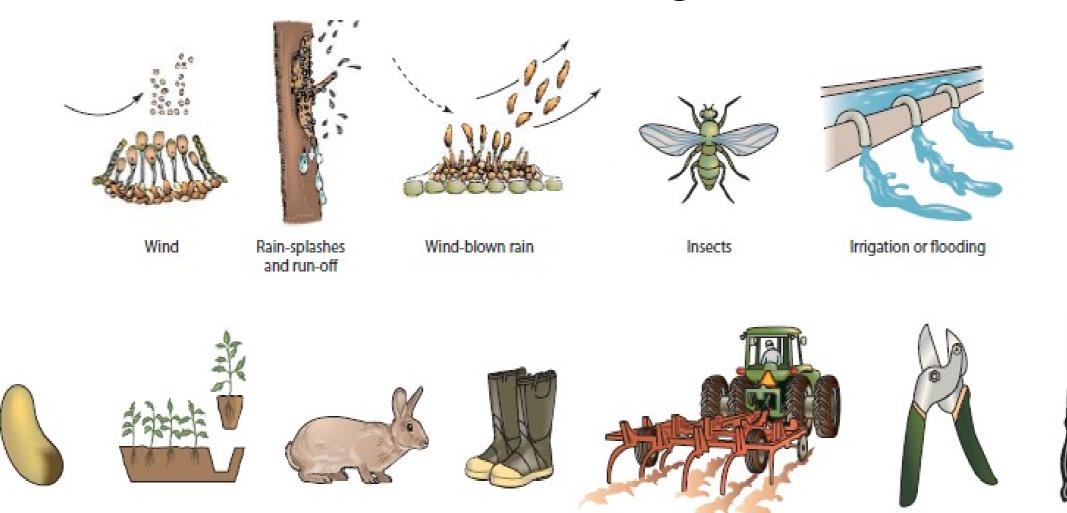
- An inoculum that survives dormant in the winter or summer and causes the original infections in the spring or in the autumn is called a **primary inoculum**.
- An inoculum produced from primary infections is called a **secondary inoculum.**
- Sources of Inoculum:
- 1. In the plant debris or soil in the field where the crop is grown.
- 2. Seed, Transplants, tubers, or other propagative organs.
- 3. Nearby plants or fields
- 4. Some kind of vector, such as an insect





- Infection: is the process by which pathogens establish contact with susceptible cells or tissues of the host and procure nutrients from them.
- Invasion: Various pathogens invade hosts in different ways and to different extents. intracellular mycelium by intercellular mycelium.

## **Dissemination of the Pathogen**



Contaminated seeds Infected transplants

Animals

Boots

Tractors or plows



Knives

# RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN DISEASE CYCLES AND EPIDEMICS

