

Problem: Island Chlorosis on Hackberry



Plants Affected: Hackberry

Description: This disease is characterized by bright yellow blotches on the leaves that follow leaf veins. There is a sharp delineation between green and yellow areas. Severely affected leaves may be more yellow than green. This disease is thought to be caused by a virus transmitted by a common insect or carried on seed.

Recommendations: Little damage to tree health has been found with this disease and is therefore this is more of a curiosity than a cause for concern. No control needed

References:

1. [Hackberry Island Chlorosis Note](#), Home, Yard & Garden Pest Newsletter, June 2, 2008, University of Illinois Extension
2. [Identification of a previously undescribed flexivirus causing island chlorosis of hackberry in Minnesota](#), APS Abstract of Presentation, 1008

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