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Abstract

A comparison of infection of host plants and eight non-host angiosperm species by cowpea rust revealed that uredospores usually germinated equally well on hosts and non-hosts. On most of the latter, however, fewer germ tubes contacted stomata, apparently because of the reduced efficiency of directional growth. Compared with both resistant and susceptible host cultivars, at least twice as many hyphae in non-host leaves stopped growing during the very early stages of intercellular development.

Nevertheless, the majority of infection hyphae continued to grow to the stage at which the first haustorial mother cell would be expected to form. However, further intercellular growth was rare and few, if any, infection hyphae formed haustoria. Ultrastructural investigation of four non-hosts suggested that haustorium formation could be inhibited

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The diversity of cellular responses induced in resistant hosts and non-hosts by cowpea rust, described in this and earlier work, suggests that there are a number of stages during infection at which an interaction between this fungus and the higher plant can take place. It is proposed that each stage represents a "switching point" and that responses at each determine the subsequent progress of infection in both compatible and incompatible associations.



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