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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	<p>In general, the manuscript was clear and well presented. The suggested revisions are highlighted in yellow which has been uploaded along with this review.</p> <p>Under Materials & Methods, there should be a section to explain how the teliospore inocula were prepared and how the infection of plants was conducted.</p>	<p>The authors thank the reviewer for the encouraging complementary comments on the manuscript. They have equally revised all yellow highlighted areas as suggested.</p> <p>The reviewer's observation has been implemented. The source of inoculum, its preparation, the preparation of planting setts and their inoculation earlier left out have been included. This has actually enriched the paper and the authors are highly indebted to the reviewer.</p> <p>They were left out because since the manuscript content is largely on juice quality, the technical details of the field experimentation were not necessary.</p>
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments		
<u>Optional/General</u> comments		