

COWPEA VIRUSES IN SENEGAL, WEST AFRICA: IDENTITIES, DISTRIBUTION,
SEED-TRANSMISSION, AND SOURCES OF GENETIC RESISTANCE

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ABSTRACT

Ndiaye, M., Bashir, M., Keller, K., and Hampton, R. O. 1993. Cowpea viruses in Senegal, West Africa: Identities, distribution, seed-transmission, and sources of genetic resistance.

1 Viral diseases of cowpea in Senegal were surveyed during the
2 rainy seasons of 1990 and 1991. Sixty-six viral-symptomatic plant
3 samples from five cowpea production areas were assayed for seven
4 viruses by DAC- or DAS-ELISA. The following four recognized
5 viruses were detected, all of which are seed-transmissible in Vigna
6 unquiculata: cowpea aphid-borne mosaic potyvirus (CABMV) (34/66),
7 cowpea mottle carmovirus (CPMoV) (2/66), cowpea severe mosaic

1 comovirus (CSMV) (1/66), and southern bean mosaic sobemovirus
2 (SBMV) (1/66). In addition to these four viruses, variants of an
3 unknown potyvirus were detected in 21 of the 66 samples by use of
4 potyvirus-selective monoclonal antibodies (Agdia PTY and BCMV II-
5 197). These potyvirus variants occurred principally in new
6 improved CABMV-resistant cowpea genotypes, and their combined
7 incidence was exceeded in plant samples only by CABMV. Isolates of
8 the unknown potyvirus were seed-borne in Senegal cowpea lines and
9 were efficiently transmitted non-persistently by the cowpea aphid,
10 *Aphis craccivora*. Selected seed-borne isolates of this potyvirus
11 were distinguishable principally by differentially resistant cowpea
12 genotypes and by either weak (isolate V1-1) or strong (isolate V17-
13 14) reactions to potyvirus-selective monoclonal antibodies.
14 Thirty-five selected cowpea genotypes were tested as possible
15 sources of resistance to the unknown potyviruses. Of these, six
16 (TVU-401, TW-408P2, TVU-1000, TW-1016-1, TW-1582, and White
17 Acre-BVR) were resistant to all isolates of the potyvirus. These
X8 genotypes have been included in the existing Senegal cowpea
19 breeding program for development of virus-resistant cultivars.

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21 Cowpea [*Vigna unguiculata* (L.) Walp.] is second in importance
22 only to groundnut, among Senegal legume crops. Senegal cowpeas are
23 annually grown on some 63,000 hectares, with an annual production

1 of **18,000,000** kg. Doubling the cowpea yield there should be
2 readily achievable, **since** the average yield of 280 **kg/ha** represents
3 only 14 to 28% of the 1,000 to 2,000 **kg/ha** yields in experimental
4 fields, in Senegal (19). Several factors **contribute to** low yields
5 of cowpea in Senegal, and viral diseases are considered a major
'6 limitation.

7 Among cowpea **viruses** reported in West Africa (13, 15, 17, 1.9,
8 **22**), cowpea yellow mosaic comovirus (CPYMV) and cowpea aphid-borne
9 mosaic potyvirus (CABMV) are considered economically most
10 important. Other **viruses** known to occur in West Africa **include**
11 cowpea **mottle** carmovirus (CPMoV) (1, 18) and southern bean **mosaic**
12 sobemovirus (SBMV) (7, 14). Cowpea mild **mottle** carlavirus (CMMV),
13 cowpea severe mosaic comovirus (CSMV), and cucumber mosaic
14 **cucumovirus** (CMV) had been previously detected in seed lots from
15 Burkina Faso, Nigeria, Senegal, and Ghana, respectively (8).

16 Seed-borne **viruses** were considered a major **constraint to**
17 cowpea yield in Senegal farm fields (Gaikwad, D. G., unpublished
18 results). Seed-borne **viruses** are especially destructive because
19 emerging plants are exposed early **to** seed-borne inoculum that is
20 acquired and progressively spread by **insect** vectors, particularly
21 by aphid and beetle species. Two cowpea breeding **lines, IS86-275N**
22 (released in 1992 as **cv Mouride**) and **IS86-283-15N** had been recently
23 developed to increase sustainable cowpea production in Senegal.

1 These **lines** were resistant to CABMV, bacterial blight (*Xanthomonas*
2 *campestris* p v *vignicola*) , storage weevil (*Callosobruchus*
3 *maculatus*), striga (*Striga gesnerioides*), and drought (19).
4 However, viral diseases in field trials of these **lines** in 1989-90
5 suggested the incidence of unrecognized indigenous **viruses** or
6 perhaps undescribed pathotypes of CABMV. The present study was
7 conducted to **isolate** and partially characterize these **viruses** and
8 to identify resistant cowpea genotypes for use in developing virus-
9 resistant **cultivars** (16).

10 **Materials and Methods**

11 **Field** survey and collection of viral isolates. During the
12 rainy seasons of 1990 and 1991 fields were surveyed for viral
13 diseases in the five cowpea production **areas** of Senegal. A total
14 of 66 samples was **collected** from viral symptomatic plants in 37
15 **farm** fields and station trials. The samples were desiccated over
16 **CaCl₂**, for serological studies and to **provide** sources of **reference**
17 isolates. These samples and experimental seedlots from virus-
18 inoculated plants were subsequently shipped **and/or** brought to the
19 Virology Laboratory, Botany and Plant Pathology, Oregon State
20 University, Corvallis, for investigation.

1 **Serology.** Field samples from the five **areas** in Senegal were
2 tested by either double antibody sandwich enzyme-linked
3 immunosorbent assay (DAS-ELISA) (5, 6) or by direct-antigen-coating
4 (DAC) **ELISA** (8) for the possible **presence** of seven seed-borne
5 **viruses** (Table 1): blackeye cowpea mosaic (BlCMV) and cowpea
6 **aphid-borne** mosaic (CABMV) potyviruses, cowpea mosaic (CPMV) and
7 cowpea severe mosaic (CSMV) comoviruses, cowpea mottle carmovirus
8 (**CPMoV**), cucumber mosaic cucumovirus (**CMV**), and southern bean
9 mosaic sobemovirus (SBMV). The samples were also tested by **DAC-**
10 **ELISA** against either potyvirus-selective monoclonal antibody (**MAb**)
11 Agdia PTY (11) or anti-BCMV **MAb** II-197 (21).

12 Antisera to BlCMV and SBMV were kindly provided by Dr. Cedric
13 Kuhn; antisera to CPMV and CSMV were kindly provided by Dr. O. W.
14 Barnett; and **MAb** II-197 was kindly provided by Dr. G. I. Mink. The
15 other antisera were produced by the Virology Laboratory, USDA **ARS**,
16 Dept of Botany & Plant Pathology, Oregon State University.

17 Virus **isolates** derived from **infected** seeds of four advanced
18 Senegal cowpea **lines** (Table 2, **except** that no seed-transmission was
19 observed in cv. IS86-283-15) were also tested by DAS-ELISA against
20 immunogammaglobulin G (**IgG**) to BlCMV, CABMV, pea seed-borne mosaic
21 potyvirus (**PSbMV**) and CMV (as possible contaminant), and by **DAC-**
22 **ELISA** against antisera of the following potyviruses: BlCMV, CABMV,
23 **clover** yellow vein virus (CYW), peanut mottle virus (**PeMV**), peanut

1 stripe virus (PStV), PSbMV, white lupin mosaic virus (WLMV) and
2 also against PTY MAbs. Isolates reactive in DAC-ELISA only to the
3 monoclonal antibodies were tested a second time by DAC-ELISA
4 for- possible contamination with CPMoV, CPMV, CSMV and SBMV.

5 In the concluding phase of this study, antisera to unknown
6 potyvirus isolate V17-14 were produced in two young laying
7 chickens. A series of five breast-intramuscular injections of 150
8 to 200 ug of purified potyvirus were made at weekly or bi-weekly
9 intervals. Eggs were saved during a period of 10 weeks. IgG was
10 extracted from the yolks of selected egg clutches, by the- methods
11 of Jensenius et al (10). Four wk after the final injection, the
12 chickens were anesthetized and exsanguinated. IgG derived from the
13 blood was compared with yolk-derived IgG, and blood-derived IgG was
14 chosen for comparisons of serological affinities among selected
15 B1CMV and CABMV and isolate V17-14, by DAS-ELISA (Table 4).

16 Absorbance values were recorded by a Bioteck Model EL-309
17 ELISA reader, typically 90 min after addition of enzyme substrate,
18 p-nitrophenyl phosphate. Tested antigens were buffered extracts
19 from fresh or desiccated tissues of virus-infected plants.

20 Electron microscopy. Potyvirus-like virions were visualized
21 in leaf-dip extracts and partially purified virus preparations, by
22 means of a Philips EM 12 electron microscope. For viewing, the
23 preparations were adsorbed to carbon-coated copper grids and

1 negatively stained with 2% ammonium molybdate (pH 7.0). For
2 estimations of virion sizes, the scope was calibrated using both
3 internal and external magnification standards.

4 Disease reactions, seed transmission, and host range tests.
5 Seedling plants of five advanced cowpea lines/cultivars (Table 2)
6 were dusted with silicon carbide powder and mechanically inoculated
7 with four Senegal viral field isolates, for trial reproduction of
8 the previously observed disease symptoms. Viral isolates V-1 and
9 V-2 were collected from naturally infected cowpea plants in Kolda,
10 and isolates V-17 and V-54 were taken from comparable plants in
11 Diourbel. Inoculated plants were maintained under both field and
12 greenhouse conditions near Bambey, and were inoculated a second
13 time to increase the potential for virus transmission. Insecticide
14 was applied as needed to control potential insect vectors. Disease
15 incidence in plots (% symptomatic: plants) was recorded biweekly
16 from 7 to 45 days after inoculation.

17 Seeds were harvested from plants in these Isolate x Genotype
18 treatments and tested for seed-borne virus by growing out seedlings
19 in insect-free glasshouses, at Oregon State University. Seedling
20 infection was examined first by visual inspection and then by
21 ELISA. Two-wk-old symptomatic and selected viral-symptomatic
22 seedlings were assayed for seed-borne potyviruses by DAC-ELISA with
23 potyvirus-selective monoclonal antibodies Agdia PTY and 11-197.

1 Potyviral isolates derived from individual infected seedlings
2 of cv 58-57 or Mougne (i.e., greenhouse-grown, inoculated mother
3 plants) were assigned distinct sub-numbers (Tables 3, 5, 6) and
4 thereafter referred to as PTY+ (i.e., detectable by monoclonal
5 antibody PTY). Stock cultures of such isolates were preserved in
6 desiccated infected tissues at - 30 C and maintained in infected
7 seeds of: selected cowpea cultivars. A small set of selected plant
8 species/genotypes (Table 5) and a strategic set of cowpea genotypes
9 (3, 4) (Table 6) were tested for susceptibility to five selected
10 seed-borne PTY+ potyviral isolates. Eight to ten plants of each
11 species/genotype were inoculated under glasshouse conditions
12 (temperature, 28-30 C; 14 hr photoperiod; and solar irradiant
13 equivalence of 87 to 121 kJm² day⁻¹. Symptomless inoculated plants
14 were assayed for asymptomatic infection, using Agdia PTY MAb 'by
15 DAC-ELISA, 5 wk after inoculation.

16 Aphid transmission. Aphid-transmissibility of seed-borne PTY+
17 isolates V1-1 and V17-14 was tested using an *Aphis craccivora*
18 colony reared on healthy cowpea plants (Table 7). Plant to plant
19 transmission was carried out as follows: after a 2-hr fasting
20 period, groups of 4th or 5th instar apterae were deposited on
21 detached virus-infected cowpea leaves for 3 to 4 min acquisition
22 periods. Apterae found in feeding position were then carefully
23 transferred with a fine camel-hair brush to healthy plants of

1 Senegal cowpea cv 58-57. **For each virus isolate**, 26 to 35 test
2 **plants were** inoculated using three aphids per test plant. The
3 aphids were allowed to feed overnight on test plants before **removal**
4 by insecticide. Inoculated plants were observed for symptom
5 development for 4 wk after aphid inoculations. Symptomless
6 plants were assayed by **DAC-ELISA** using **PTY MAb**. **Each transmission**
7 **test was repeated.**

8 **RESULTS**

9 **Field survey and virus detection.** Of 66 samples collected
10 from five cowpea growing **areas** of Senegal, 36 reacted positively
11 **with one** or more of the seven test antisera or with **MAb** (Table 1).
12 Neither **B1CMV**, **CMV**, nor **CPMV** was detected among the Senegal test
13 samples. Thirty-four of 66 (52%) samples contained **CABMV**. **One**
14 sample from Diourbel contained both **CSMV** and **CPMoV**. **SBMV** was
15 detected in only **one** sample from Louga in mixture with **CPMoV**.
16 **Twenty-one** samples (32%) reacted with potyvirus **MAb 11-197**, but
17 reacted with **none** of the seven polyclonal antibodies. Based on
18 these unique **reactions** and supplementary serology, **isolates V1-1**
19 and **V17-14** were concluded to be an unknown potyviruses (**i.e.**,
20 designated **PTY+**). This unknown potyvirus and **CABMV** were the
21 predominant cowpea **viruses** at **all** locations surveyed in Senegal.

1 Inoculations and seed transmission. The disease incidence in
2 mechanically virus-inoculated plants (screenhouse and field) of
3 five Senegal cowpea genotypes ranged from 8% to 100% (Table 2).
4 Cowpea line 1886-283-15 was partially resistant or tolerant to two
5 of four viral field isolates, V1 and V2. Results from screenhouse
6 and field inoculations were essentially the same.

7 Seed transmission rates of the four potyvirus isolates in five
8 Senegal cowpea genotypes varied from 0 to 30 % (Table 2). Isolate
9 V17 was seed-transmitted in cv 58-57 at a rate of 30%; however,
10 larger numbers of seeds are required to assess real differences in
11 seed-transmission rates among field isolates. Senegalcv 58-57 was
12 most seed-transmission prone, whereas no seed transmission of PTY+
13 occurred in line IS86-283-15 N.

14 Serological relationships. Seed-borne isolates of potyvirus
15 PTY+ were tested by DAS-ELISA and found to be serologically
16 unrelated to potyviruses B1CMV, CABMV or PSbMV, and also to be free
17 of ELISA detectable CMV (Table 3). The same isolates reacted to
18 var-ying degrees in DAC-ELISA with antisera to five selected
19 potyviruses (B1CMV, CABMV, PeMV, PMV, PSbMV and PStV), but not with
20 antisera to CYVV, or WLMV, as would be expected of this less
21 discriminating version of ELISA. The PTY+ isolates were verified
22 to be free of ELISA-detectable CPMoV, CSMV, PStV, or SBMV. All
23 PTY+ isolates reacted with both MAbs Agdia PTY and 11-197; however,

1 the reactions of isolate V1-1 were consistently weaker with either
2 MAb.

3 IgG to PTY+ isolate V17-14 reacted indistinguishably to all
4 sister isolates of PTY+. However, this IgG reacted neither to 10
5 selected B1CMV isolates nor to 9 of 11 selected CABMV isolates
6 (Table 4). Reactions by CABMV isolates RN-27C and RN-28C were
7 unexpected, since they were previously considered typical, pure
8 CABMV isolates. We did not determine whether the results indicated
9 the sharing of coat protein epitope(s) between RN isolates and PTY+
10 V17-14 or contamination of RN isolates with PTY+. Both RN isolates
11 had originated in cowpea seeds obtained from Botswana (3, 4).

12 Electron microscopy. Plants infected with PTY+ isolates
13 contained flexuous rod-shaped particles, visualized by electron
14 microscopy in leaf dip or partially purified preparations. The
15 modal length of >100 particles was approximately 725 nm, thus
16 fitting within the recognized 710 to 900 nm size range of potyvirus
17 particles,

18 Preliminary host-range tests. Few differences were found in
19 the host range/reactions of five seed-borne potyvirus isolates
20 (Table 5), including minor variations in symptoms induced in
21 Senegal cowpea genotypes and *Chenopodium amaranticolor* Coste &
22 Reyn. and susceptibility to asymptomatic infection in *Phaseolus*
23 *vulgaris* L. (bean cv Topcrop). Generally, the host ranges for

1 these isolates were more narrow than those for typical isolates of
2 CABMV (3, 4).

3 **Screening of cowpea cultivars for resistance.** The reactions
4 of cowpea lines/cultivars to mechanical inoculation with five seed-
5 borne PTY+ isolates were determined (Table 6). Five International
6 Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA) TW lines, TW-401, TVU-
7 408P2, TW-1000, TW-1016-1, and TW-1582 and one U.S.A. cv White
8 Acre-BVR were immune to all isolates (i.e., asymptomatic and free
9 of ELISA MAb-detectable virus. Some genotypes were susceptible to
10 all PTY+ isolates. Other genotypes were susceptible to specific
11 isolates, e.g., cv Serido was susceptible only to PTY+ V17-14; cv
12 TVU-410 was susceptible only to PTY+ V54-23, whereas TW 984 was
13 resistant only to this isolate. No attempt was made to classify
14 PTY+ pathotypes using these cowpea genotypes; however, the
15 genotypes provided evidence that the isolates were pathogenically
16 diverse.

17 **Aphid transmission.** Seed-borne PTY+ isolates V1-1 and V17-14
18 were both efficiently transmitted nonpersistently by *Aphis*
19 *craccivora*. In replicated trials, isolate V1-1 was transmitted to
20 >60% (42 of 61) of the plants inoculated by 3 apterae/plant and, in
21 parallel tests, isolate V17-14 was transmitted to 59 of 59 plants
22 inoculated. We believe that *A. craccivora* is a probable vector of
23 all seed-borne potyviruses in Senegal and that indigenous biotypes

1 can transmit isolates of potyvirus PTY+ at rates comparable to
2 these experimental results.

3 DISCUSSION

4 Cowpea viruses are increasingly important in all cowpea
5 growing areas of Senegal. The survey reported herein was prompted
6 because new pathogen/pest-resistant breeding lines had been damaged
7 by viral diseases. Moreover, seed-borne viruses were designated
8 priority pathogens in these studies, since they have historically
9 inflicted heavy losses through unknowing establishment of seed-
10 borne field inoculum, followed by secondary spread by insect-vector
11 species (8).

12 The present study of 66 strategic cowpea samples with virus-
13 like symptoms indicated the presence in Senegal of four recognized
14 seed-borne viruses, CABMV, CSMV, CPMoV, and SBMV, and an apparently
15 new potyvirus herein designated PTY+. SBMV had already been
16 reported from the Casamance region of Senegal (7). Hampton et al
17 (8), had detected CSMV in cowpea germplasm accessions from Senegal.
18 CPMoV was previously reported only from Nigeria (1, 18), until
19 recently when it was reported in Pakistan-grown cowpeas (2). CPMoV
20 was also detected in cowpea samples collected from screening

1 nurseries in Riverside, California, U.S.A (M. Bashir, unpublished
2 results). The seed-borne nature of CPMoV (1, 18) and these recent
3 detections suggest that the virus is now spreading through seeds to
4 other parts of the world. However, CABMV and potyvirus PTY+ were
5 the prevalent viruses, occurring in 83% of the 66 samples and
6 accounting for 55 of the 57 samples in which viruses were ELISA-
7 detected. Based on prior investigations (8, and unpublished
8 results), CMV and CPMV were expected to occur in Senegal-grown
9 cowpeas, but neither was detected.

3.0 Multiple-virus infections tend to be common among samples from
11 field-grown cowpeas, world-wide. Such mixed infections are known
12 to modify and complicate symptoms, essentially precluding field
13 diagnosis (9, 12). In these studies, however, mixtures of seed-
14 borne viruses were found in only two of the 66 cowpea tissue
7.5 samples, CSMV + CPMoV and SBMV + CPMoV.

3.6 The five seed-borne PTY+ potyvirus isolates examined by DAS-
3.7 ELISA did not react with IgGs to CABMV and B1CMV (Table 3), and
18 most CABMV and B1CMV isolates were non-reactive to IgG to PTY+
19 isolate V17-14 (Table 4). Despite clear serological distinctions
20 among these three viruses, the interactions of PTY+ isolates with
21 cowpea genotypes resembled CABMV, lacking the ability to infect
22 IITA accessions TVU-401 and TVU-1582, previously proven resistant
23 to all tested CABMV isolates (3, 4). It is therefore conceivable

1 that PTY+ is a distinct serotype and pathotype of CABMV and that
2 TVU-401 and TVU-1582 contain multiple genes/alleles against all
3 tested CABMV variants.

4 While various control measures may impede cowpea viral disease
5 development, including control of insect vectors, removing diseased
6 plants from seed fields, and production of virus-free seed, we
7 believe the development of resistant cultivars is the most
8 practical and economical control measure for such diseases. In
9 this study, we identified six cowpea genotypes as sources of
10 resistance to all isolates of PTY+. These genotypes have now been
11 incorporated in the extant Senegal cowpea breeding program for
12 development of improved disease/pest-resistant cultivars for
13 Senegal cowpea production areas.

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Table 1. **Viruses** detected by **DAC-ELISA** in field samples of cowpea collected in five districts of Senegal (West Africa)

District surveyed/ sampled	No. samples collected	No. of samples reacting positively with antiviral antisera/potyvirus MAB.							
		BICMV	CABMV	CMV	CPMoV	CPMV	CSMV	SBMV	MAB II-197
Diourbel	28	- ¹	10	-	1		1		11 ²
Kolda	4		1	-					2
Louga	20		10	-	1	-		1	7
Tambacounda	10		9	-					1
Thies	4		4	-					
Total	66		34	-	2		1	1	21

¹ - , indicates virus not detected by **ELISA**.

² **Samples** reacting to monoclonal antibody II-197 (21) **contained** no virus detectable by other anti-viral polyclonal antisera.

Table 2. Disease incidence¹ and seed transmission² associated with Senegal potyvirus PTY+ field isolates

Virus isolate	Cultivars/ lines	Disease incidence (%)	No. of seeds germinated/ planted	Seed transmission Incidence %	
v 1	Baye Ngagne	100	37/50	1/37	3
	IS86-275N	61	41/50	0/41	0
	IS86-283-15	8	29/50	0/29	0
	Mougne	97	46/50	2/46	4
	58-57	100	46/50	6/46	13
v 2	Baye Ngagne	100	46/100	0/46	0
	IS86-275N	47	37/100	0/37	0
	1686-283-15	18	44/100	0/44	0
	Mougne	100	92/100	1/92	1
	58-57	55	83/100	7/83	8
v 17	Baye Ngagne	81	35/50	0/35	0
	IS86-275N	50	40/50	2/40	5
	1886-283-15	52	23/50	0/23	0
	Mougne	97	47/50	0/47	0
	58-57	93	43/50	13/43	30
v 54	Baye Ngagne	86	27/50	0/27	0
	IS86-275N	88	40/50	2/40	5
	1586-283-15	82	28/50	0/28	0
	Mougne	97	49/50	0/49	0
	58-57	89	44/50	1/44	2

¹ Experiments conducted in field and greenhouse plots, Bambey, Senegal.

² Seeds taken from potyvirus inoculated plants, Bambey greenhouse plots. Experiments conducted in greenhouses, Corvallis, OR, U.S.A.

Table 3. Comparisons of eight recognized potyviruses with five seed-borne Senegal cowpea potyvirus isolates, by DAS- and DAC-ELISA. The Senegal isolates were also tested for the possible presence of four seed-borne non-potyviruses

Antiserum	A ₄₀₅ values ¹					Homologous virus ²	Healthy-plant extract
	Seed-borne isolates of Senegal potyvirus, PTY+						
	V1-1	V17-2	V17-14	V54-3	V54-23		
<u>DAS-ELISA</u>							
B1CMV ³	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.95	0.01
CABMV	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.03	1.15	0.01
PSbMV	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.87	0.00
CM-V	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	1.27	0.02
<u>DAC-ELISA</u>							
B1CMV	0.26	1.20	0.36	0.37	0.21	2.81	0.02
CABMV	1.68	1.65	1.51	1.30	1.41	2.48	0.02
CYVV	0.11	0.10	0.08	0.05	0.08	>3.00	0.01
PeMoV	1.63	1.38	2.03	1.27	1.58	>3.00	0.03
PStV	1.90	1.50	1.75	1.10	1.92	>3.00	0.02
PMV	1.86	0.54	0.23	0.78	0.51	>3.00	0.02
PSbMV	1.65	1.58	1.51	1.86	2.11	>3.00	0.01
WLMV	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.04	>3.00	0.01
CPMoV	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.00	>3.00	0.03
CSMV	0.16	0.10	0.11	0.15	0.13	>3.00	0.12
SBMV	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	>3.00	0.01
II-197 (BCM V MAb)	0.31	0.77	1.40	0.57	0.70	0.58 ⁴	0.00
Agdia (PTY MAb)	0.22	NT ⁵	0.70	0.78	0.86	0.77 ⁶	0.00

Table 3, cont.

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- ¹ A_{405} values recorded after 90 min incubation with substrate, p-nitrophenyl phosphate.
 - ² Virus homologous to **each** antiserum, e.g., the viral homologue of **BLCMV** antiserum is blackeye cowpea mosaic potyvirus.
 - ³ Antisera to potyviruses are: BLCMV, blackeye cowpea mosaic virus; CABMV, cowpea aphid-borne mosaic virus; CYW, **clover** yellow vein virus; PMV, pea mosaic virus, **PeMoV**, peanut mottle virus; **PSbMV**, pea seedborne mosaic virus; **PStV**, peanut stripe virus; and WLMV, white **lupin** mosaic virus. Antisera to other **viruses** seed-borne in cowpea are: CMV, cucumber mosaic virus; CSMV, cowpea severe mosaic virus; SBMV, southern bean mosaic virus; and **CPMoV**, cowpea mottle virus. The Agdia monoclonal antibody (11) reacts to **>90%** of **all** tested potyviruses; monoclonal antibody II-197 (**21**), produced against bean **common** mosaic virus, reacts to its homologue and several other potyviruses.
 - ⁴ **BLCMV** isolate RF-26B was selected as a positive control for **MAb II-197**.
 - ⁵ NT = Not tested.
 - ⁶ CABMV isolate 9-7C was selected as a positive control for the Agdia PTY **MAB**.
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Table 4. DAS-ELISA tests of selected **B1CMV** and **CABMV isolates** against chicken **anti-V17-14 immunoglobulin G**

Virus isolate	A ₄₀₅ values
<u>B1CMV</u>	
B1CMV-Ga ¹	0.003
PI-3B	0.005
RF-4B	0.012
PU-7B	0.004
PU-8B	0.003
PI-22B	0.007
PIC-23B	0.002
PI-25B	0.003
RF-26B	0.002
RF-27B	0.007
<u>CABMV</u>	
RN-7c ¹	
RN-10C	
RN-27C	
<u>RN-28C</u>	
RN-34c	
RN-35c	
RN-36C	
RN-37c	
PI-39c	
PI-40c	
PI-44C6	
V17-14 (Homologue)	
Healthy-plant extract	

¹ **Isolates** **B1CMV-Ga** (Georgia) and **RN-7C** (Botswana) were included as type **isolates** of **B1CMV** and **CABMV**, respectively.

² **Isolates** **RN-27C** and **RN--28C** previously had reacted in DAS-ELISA only to **CABMV** antiserum produced against **CABMV isolate RN-7C**.

Table 5. **Reactions** by selected plant species to inoculations with five seed-borne isolates of Senegal potyvirus PTY+

Host species	Disease reactions to PTY+ isolates				
	V1-1	V17-2	V17-14	V54-3	V54-23
<u>Leguminous hosts:</u>					
<i>Lupinus albus</i> cv Astra	- ¹		-	-	-
<i>Medicago sativa</i> cv DuPuits			-	-	-
<i>Trifolium pratense</i> cv Kenland					-
<i>Phaseolus vulgaris</i> cv Monroe			-	-	-
<i>Phaseolus vulgaris</i> cv Top Crop			LI	-	-
<i>Vicia faba</i> cv Hertz Freya	VN	VN	VN	VN	VN
<u>Non-leguminous hosts:</u>					
<i>Chenopodium amaranticolor</i> , Corvallis strain	LLn	LLn	LLn.VN	LLn	LLn,VN
<i>Nicotiana benthamiana</i> , ATCC	SM	SM	SM	SM	SM
<i>Gomphrena globosa</i> , A.F. Ross Strain	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Phlox drumondii</i> cv Tall Mixed Color	-	-			-
<i>Lycopersicon esculentum</i> cv Marglobe	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Petunia hybrida</i> cv King Henry	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Antirrhinum majus</i> cv Mixed Colors	-	-			-

¹ Symbols are: - , no symptoms and no ELISA-detectable virus; LI, latent (asymptomatic), ELISA-detected infection; LLn, necrotic locallesions; VN, vein necrosis; SM, systemic mosaic.

Table 6. Responses of selected cowpea genotypes to greenhouse mechanical inoculations with five seed-borne isolates of Senegal potyvirus PTY+

Cowpea genotypes	Potyvirus isolates				
	V1-1	V17-2	V17-14	V54-3	V54-23
TVU 109P2 ¹	- ²	++	++		++
TVU 196	++		++	++	++
Tvu 347	-	++	-	++	-
Tvu 354	++	++	++	++	++
Tvu 401	-		-		-
TVU 408P2	-		-		-
Tw 410	-		-		+
TVU 984	++	++	++	++	-
TV-U 1000	-		-		-
TVU 1016-L	-		-		-
TVU 1582	-		-		-
TVU 2657	++	++	++	++	++
Tvu 3433	++	++	++	++	++
IT 81D 1137	-	++	++	++	++
IT 86 27N	++	++	++	++	++
P:I 25122	++	++	++	++	++
Bambey 21	LI		-	++	++
Serido	-		++		-
Wh Acre BVR	-		-		-
Cal Bl # 5	0	0	+	++	0
Snapper	0	0	+	++	0
Blue Goose	0	0	-		0
Corona	0	0	-	-	0
Mopod	0	0	-	-	0
Tex Cr # 8	0	0	++	++	0
Tex Cr # 40	0	0	-	++	0
UCR 524B	0	0	-	-	0
Mis Purple	0	0	++	++	0
Mis Silver	0	0	++	++	0
Magnolia	0	0	++	-	0
Kn Pur Hull	0	0	-	-	0
Worthmore	0	0	++	++	0
Bettergreen	0	0	++	++	0
UCR 7964	0	0	++	++	0

¹ TW genotypes kindly provided by I.I.T.A., Ibadan, Nigeria.

² Symbols are: -, no symptoms and no virus detectable by ELISA, i.e., immune; +, mild systemic symptoms; ++, moderate systemic symptoms; LI, latent (asymptomatic), ELISA-detected infection; i.e., tolerant to infection; 0, not tested.