EFFECT OF CULTURE FILTRATES OF PHYLLOPLANE FUNGI ON CONIDIAL GERMINATION OF ALTERNARIA ALTERNATA AND COLLETOTRICHUM CAPSICI

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Abstract: In vitro antagonistic activity of culture filtrates of phylloplane fungi was tested against pathogens causing diseases of *Impatiens balsamina*. The conidia germination of *Alternaria alternata* was greatly inhibited by culture filtrate of *Trichoderma viride* followed by *Aspergillus flavus*, *A. niger, Chaetomium globosum* and *Curvularia lunata*. Germ tube growth was inhibited by all test fungi, maximum by *Trichoderma viride* followed by *Aspergillus niger, A. flavus* and *Chaetomium globosum*. Maximum inhibition of conidia germination of *Colletotrichum capsici* was caused by *Trichoderma viride* followed by *Aspergillus niger, Fusarium oxysporum, Aspergillus flavus* and *Chaetomium globosum*. Maximum inhibition of germ tube growth was also caused by *Trichoderma viride* followed by *Aspergillus flavus*.

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