

# Epidemiology of Grapevine leafroll associated virus-3 and regional management



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# Today's Roadmap

- Virus Introduction
- GLRaV-3 Epidemiology
- Regional Management



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# Virus Introduction

- Grapes are asexually propagated....
- ....and so are viruses
- Rootstock and scion
- Graft transmissible
  - Top-working is risky
- Many viruses likely entered the US in infected material
- Over 70 virus and virus like diseases in grapes

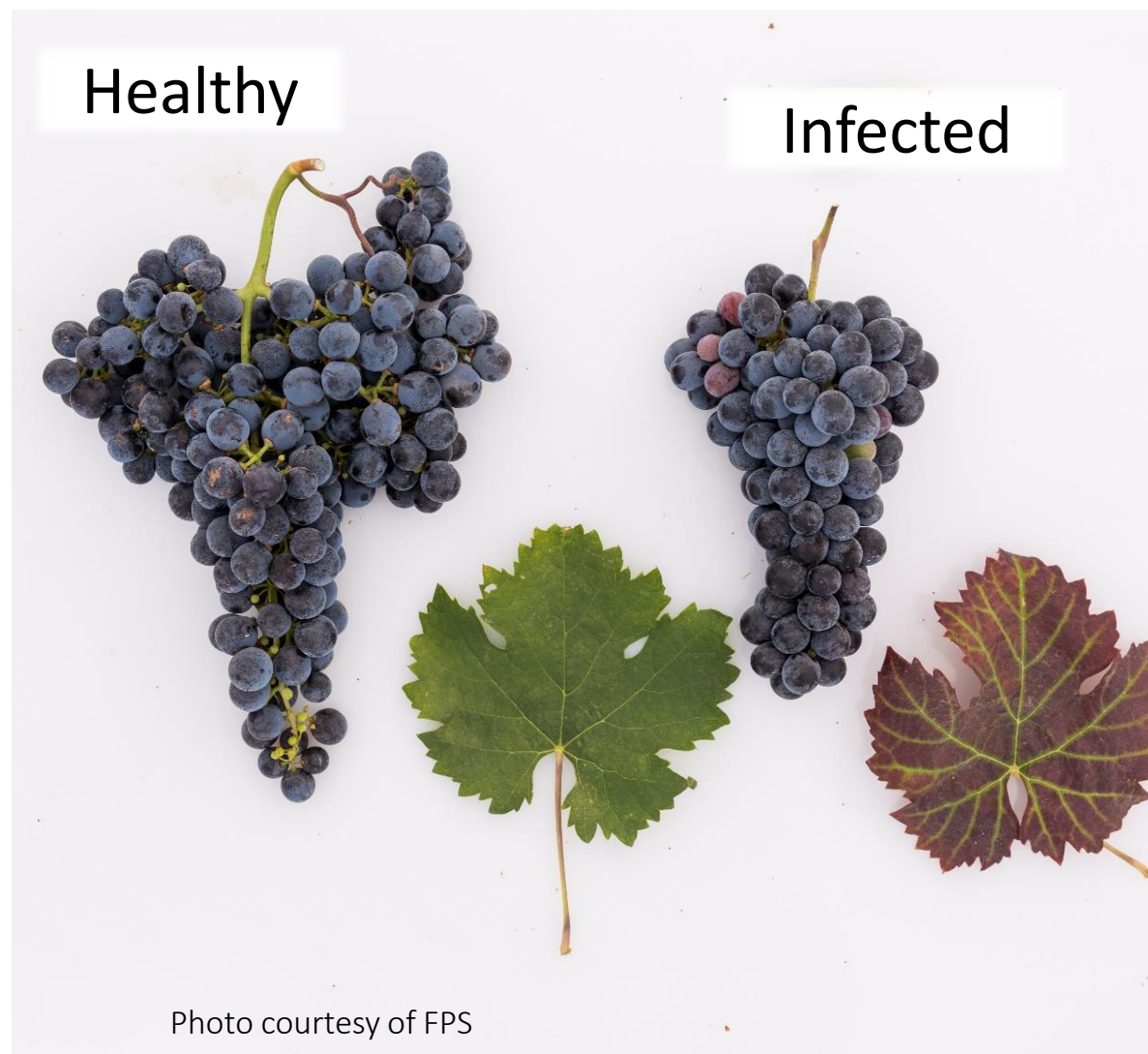


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# Leafroll

- Limited sugar, 1-4° Brix
- Color reduced
- Yield reduced
- Irregular ripening, delayed
- TA increased
- Graft incompatibility
- Disease severity depends on variety, clone, rootstock, site, year, leafroll type



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# Money

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# How much?



\$226,000  
per hectare

## **Reducing the Economic Impact of Grapevine Leafroll Disease in California: Identifying Optimal Disease Management Strategies**

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California Grapevine Registration and  
Certification (CGR&C) program  
Provides virus tested true to type  
planting material  
**\$50 MILLION/YEAR BENEFIT**

**The Economic Benefits from Virus Screening: A Case Study  
of Grapevine Leafroll in the North Coast of California**

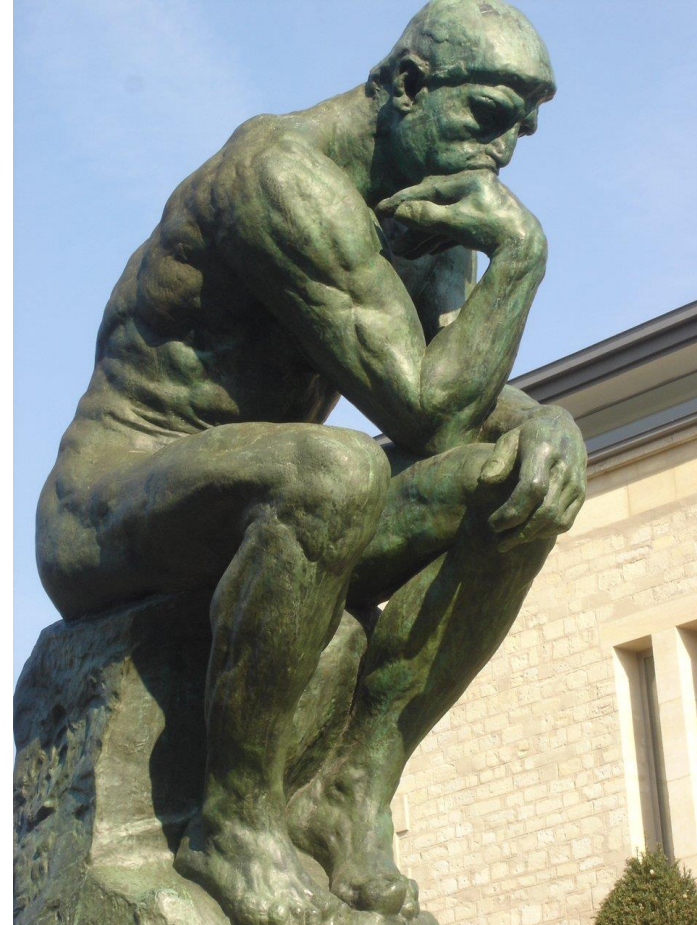
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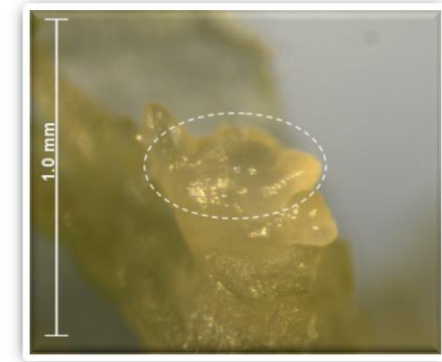


How does that  
work?

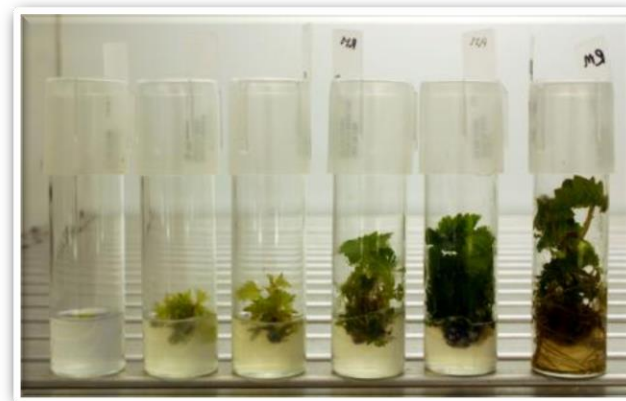


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# Grape Virus Elimination Therapy



Excise meristem dome and  
1-2 pairs of leaf primordia

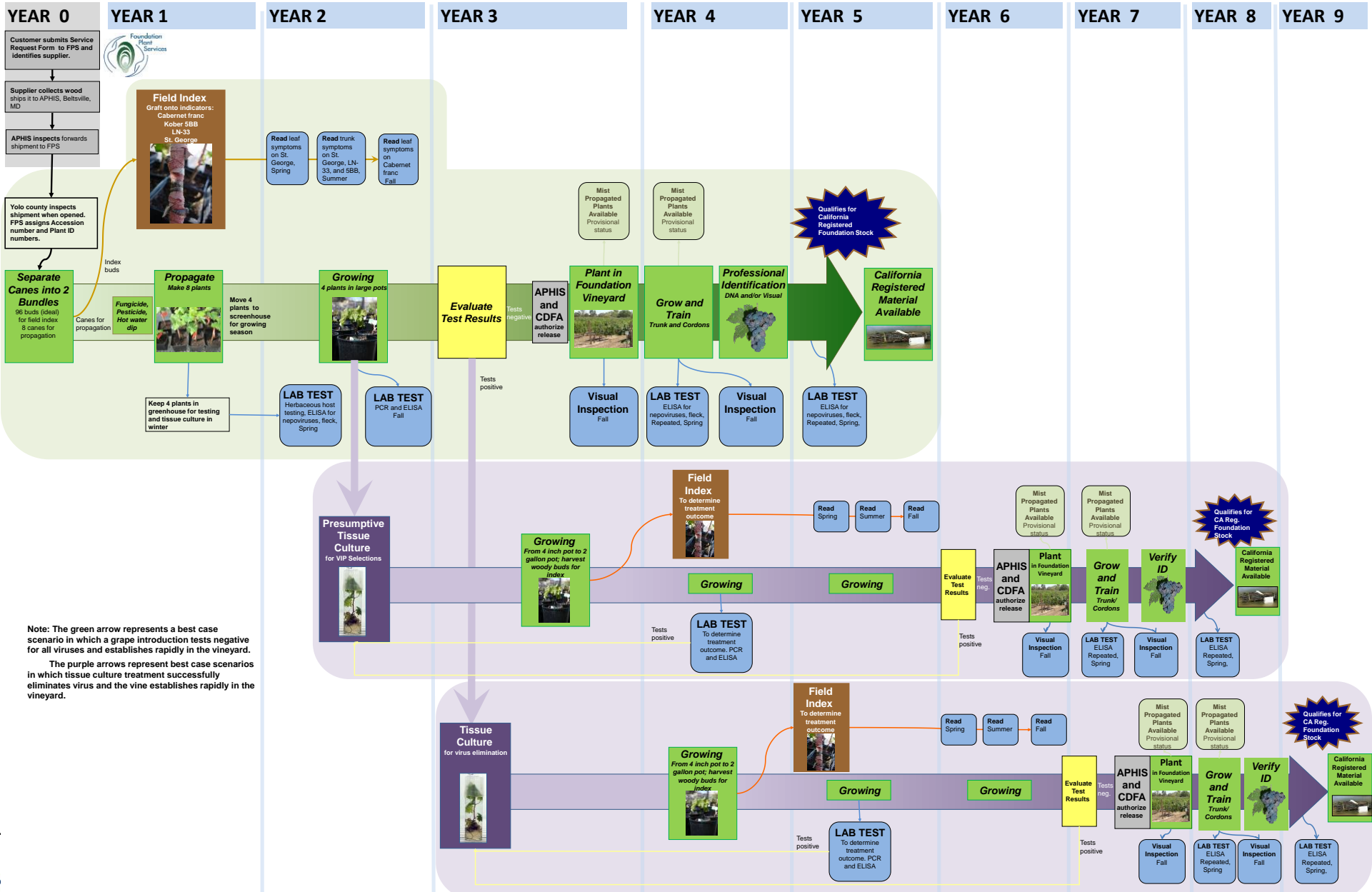


**Treated**  
2011 154 selections

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# Process Description: Grapevine Importation through Foundation Plant Services, UC Davis (Simplified)

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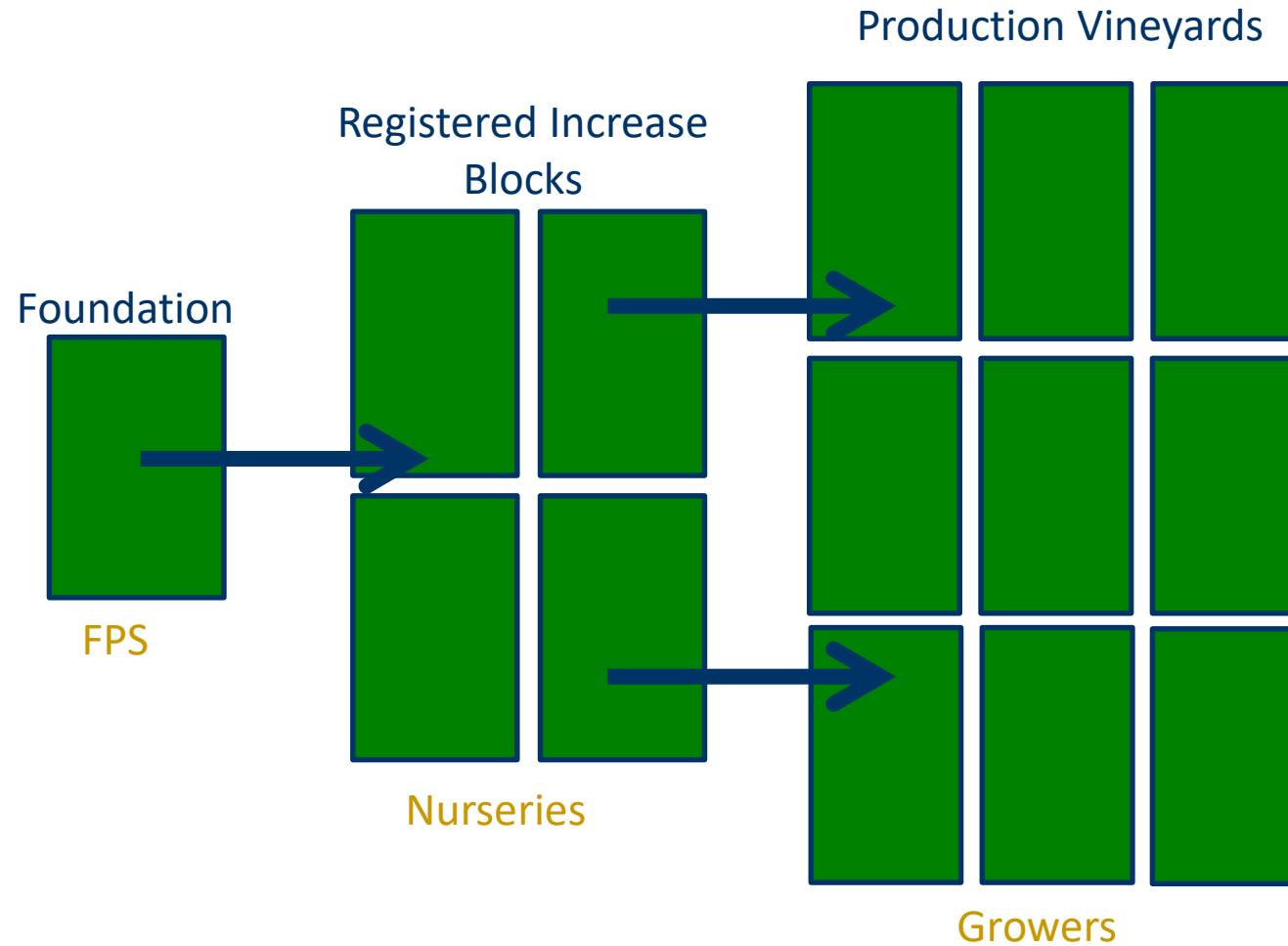


Note: The green arrow represents a best case scenario in which a grape introduction tests negative for all viruses and establishes rapidly in the vineyard.  
 The purple arrows represent best case scenarios in which tissue culture treatment successfully eliminates virus and the vine establishes rapidly in the vineyard.

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# Supply Chain



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# Backyard safaris....?



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# Leafroll spreads...

1989

Rosciglione, B., and Gugerli, P. 1989. Transmission of grapevine leafroll disease and an associated Closterovirus to healthy grapevine by the mealybug *Planococcus ficus* Signoret. Pages 67-69 in: Proc. ICVG, 9th.



## California mealybugs can spread grapevine leafroll disease

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UC Davis's Foundation Plant Materials Service (FPM S) maintains the disease-tested, professionally identified collection of grape scion and rootstock varieties, which is the core of the California Grapevine Registration and Certification Program. In 1992, newly developed serological testing techniques revealed the presence of grapevine leafroll-associated viruses (GLRaVs) in previously healthy vines in an older foundation propagating block.



The most obvious symptom of grapevine leafroll disease, which is common in grape-growing regions worldwide, is reddening and curling of leaves in the fall on dark-fruited varieties.

2002

## Leafroll disease is spreading rapidly in a Napa Valley vineyard

by Deborah A. Golino, Ed Weber, Susan Sim and Adib Rowhani

In the 1930s and 1940s, little was known about viruses, and information on plant diseases caused by viruses was just beginning to appear in the scientific literature. Problems with grapevines in California, first referred to as "red leaf," were initially attributed to inexperience in viticultural techniques and poor growing conditions. However, the problem was later identified as leafroll disease, which



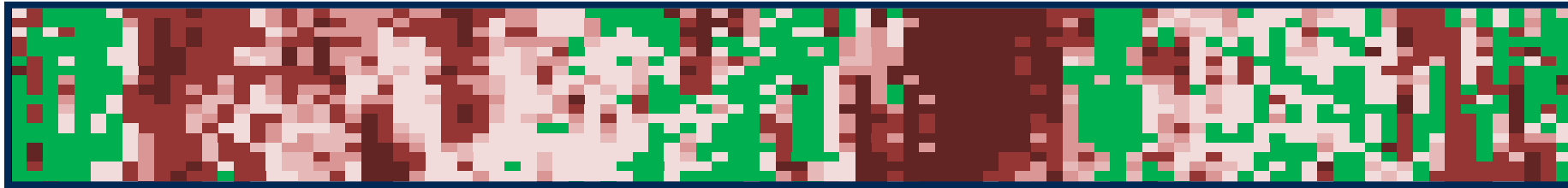
Grapevine leafroll, a viral disease that reduces fruit quality and yield, is diagnosed by the presence of red leaves (shown). The manager of this vineyard had observed low levels of grape mealybug, an effective disease vector, since the early 1990s.

2008

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# How does it spread?



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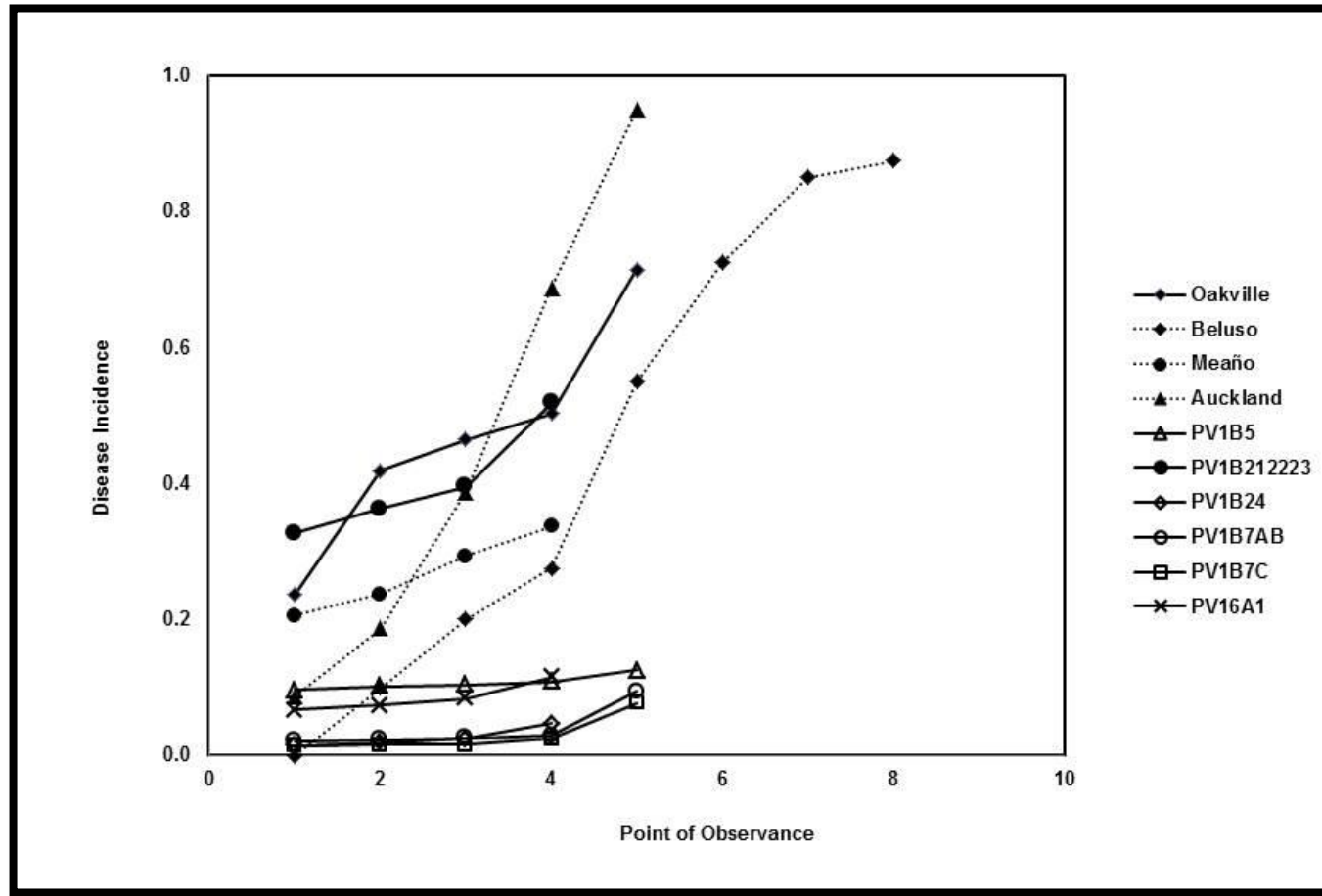
## A Synoptic Analysis of the Temporal and Spatial Aspects of Grapevine Leafroll Disease in a Historic Napa Vineyard and Experimental Vine Blocks

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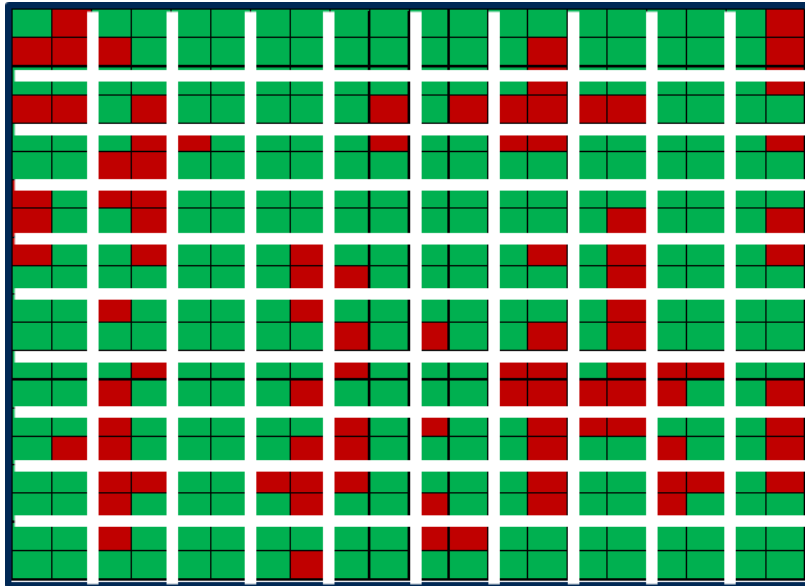
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# Temporal Analyses



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# Spatial Analyses



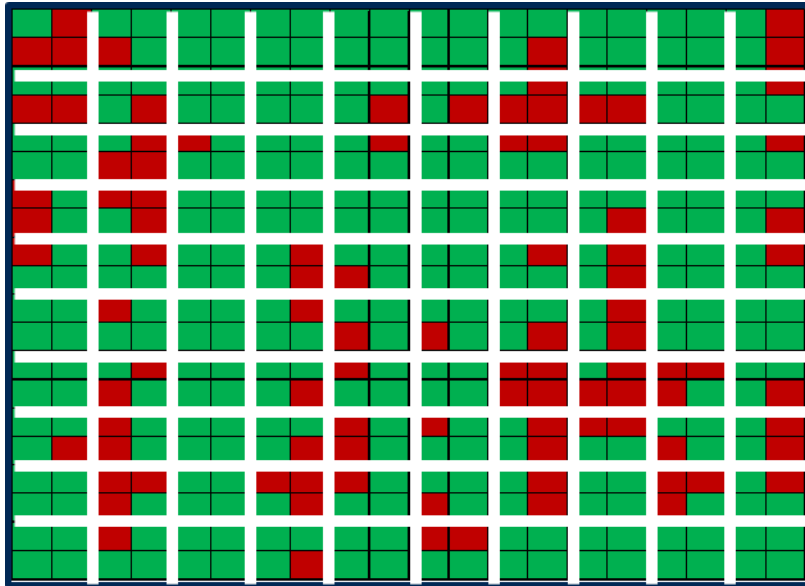
1. Overlay vineyard block maps with sampling grid,  $n=4$
2. Count vine disease status in each quadrat, proportions
3. Examine the statistical properties of the incidence at two scales

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# Spatial Analyses



**Disease incidence:** Proportion of infected plants in the block

$$DI=96/400=24\%$$

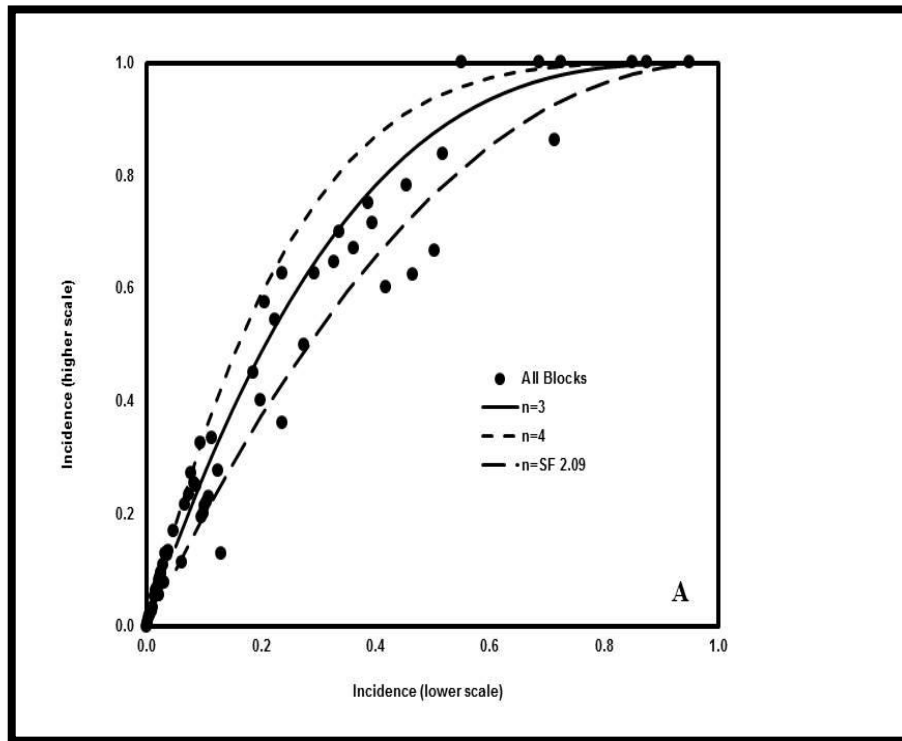
**Quadrat Incidence:** Proportion of infected quadrats in the block

$$QI=58/100=58\%$$

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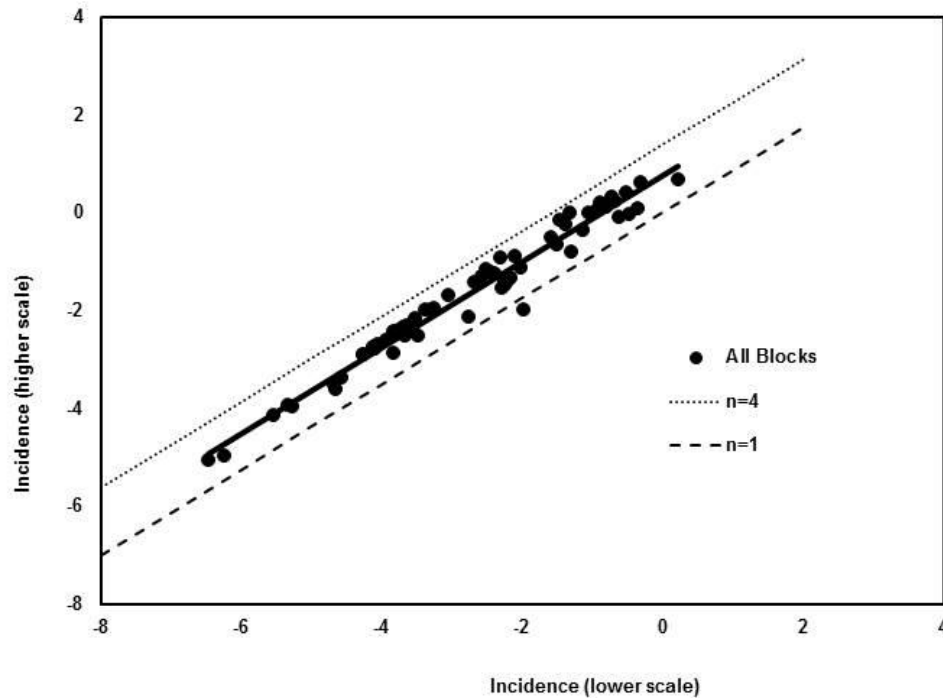
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Nearest neighbors are more likely to become infected than vines farther away

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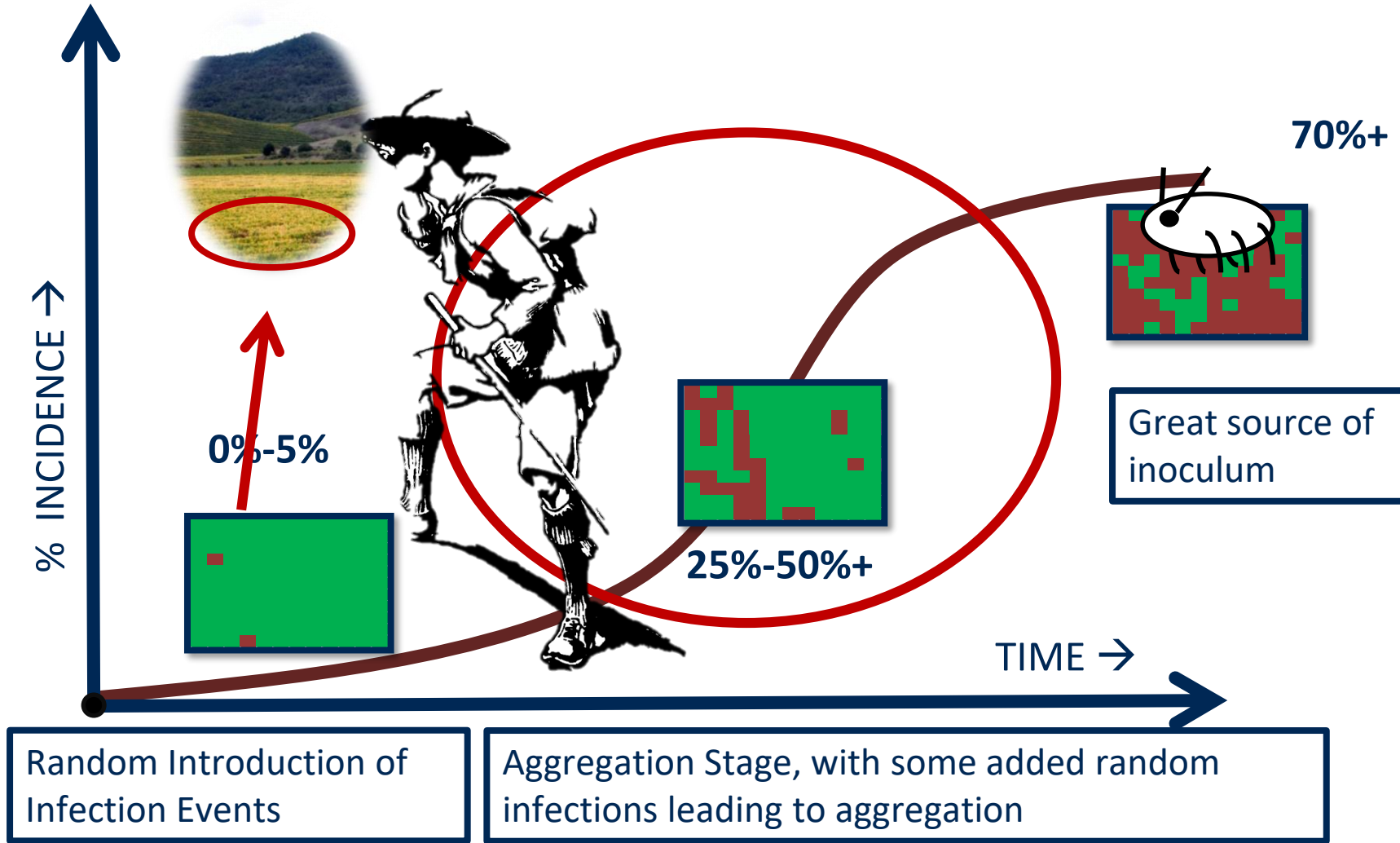


Spatially very similar

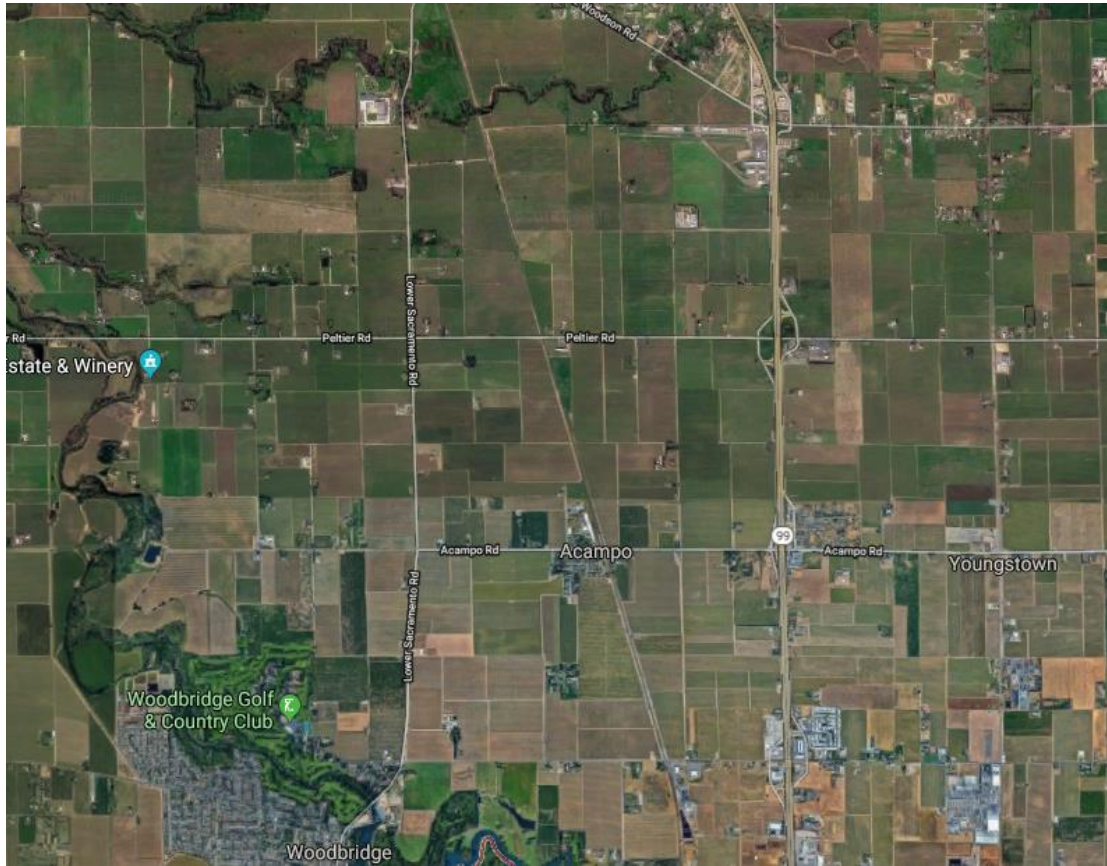
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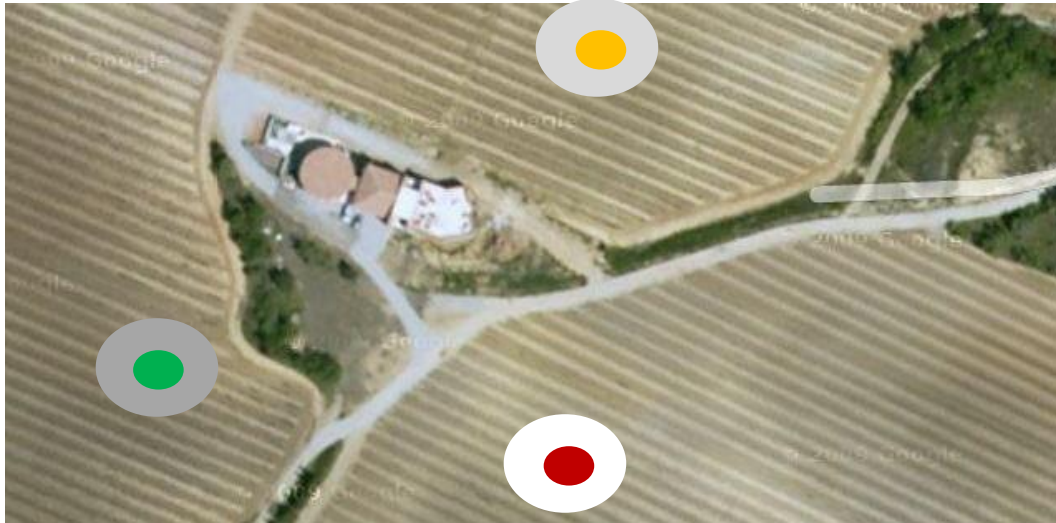
# Leafroll Epidemiology



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# Napa Valley

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# Napa Valley, CA, leafroll

Replant infected blocks, rogue new infections, fallow

Vector: Grape  
mealybug

<1% leafroll



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