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Foliar disease - after a dry year

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Dry season and foliar disease

- Lower rainfall years are less favourable for disease
- Less disease can mean less carryover of inoculum
- Less breakdown of inoculum from previous seasons

BUT

- One dry year does not eliminate disease



Any specific issues for 2024?

- It wasn't dry everywhere
- Don't forget 2021 & 2022
- New virulence

