Epidemiology of Stripe Rust of Wheat: A Review

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A B S T R A C T

Stripe rust caused by Puccinia striiformis f. sp. tritici is one of the most dreaded diseases of wheat worldwide. The disease is continually extending the geographical limits, showing movement towards warmer areas due to the appearance of more aggressive strains having affiliation towards higher temperatures. Yield losses in wheat are usually the result of reduced kernel number and size, low test weight, reduced dry matter, poor root growth and reduced kernel quality. Losses in the yield of wheat due to the disease primarily depended on the level of susceptibility, environmental conditions and the stage of infection. Comprehensive understanding and acquaintance about the disease is still lacking due to the scarcity information about its etiology and epidemiology. This review article gives an overall account of the history and impact of stripe rust on wheat, its present status, yield losses, life cycle, infection process and epidemiology.

History

Stripe rust of wheat is supposed to be prevalent even before human beings started cultivation of wheat as a staple food. However, the first report of the disease is attributed to Gadd, who observed it from Europe in the year 1777. Soon after in 1794, stripe rust appeared in epiphytotic proportions on rye in Sweden (Singh et al., 2002). Severe epidemics of stripe rust all around the world with immense limiting potential of wheat yield, marked with profound economic importance makes it a global disease (Roelfs et al., 1992). Although, the first record of the disease from the USA was in 1915, but no
potentially serious outbreak was reported from there until 1960s (Line, 2002). In Eastern Australia, for the first time stripe rust was reported in 1979, which later spread to New Zealand in 1980 (Wellings et al., 1987), and after eight years it was reported from Western Australia. In South Africa the disease was first observed in 1996, where a new isolate of the pathogen was observed which was suggested to may have been derived from East Africa (Boyd, 2005).

Stripe rust has been more important in areas with cool and wet environmental conditions therefore, it occurs regularly in Northern Europe, the Mediterranean region, Middle East, Western United States, Australia, East African highlands, China, the Indian subcontinent, New Zealand and South America (Danial, 1994; Mamluk et al., 1996). However, recent disease outbreaks in countries closer to the equator, suggest a new level of adaptation by the pathogen to the varied temperature range (Khanfri et al., 2018).

Transcaucasia is considered as the center of origin for \textit{Puccinia striiformis} f. sp. \textit{tritici} (Hassebrauk, 1965; Stubbs, 1985). However, the recent studies regarding \textit{P. striiformis} populations indicated the highest levels of genetic diversity and recombinant population structure from Himalayan and near-Himalayan regions, which suggest that this may be the area of its center of origin and diversity (Ali et al., 2014; Thach et al., 2016).

India has witnessed frequent rust epidemics in past several years resulting in heavy yield losses (Barclay, 1892), with a significant impact on the national wheat production (Nagarajan and Joshi, 1975). Rust epidemics have occurred during 1843 in Delhi and in 1884 and 1895 at Allahabad, Banaras and Jhansi. Later on, in 1905 the rust epidemic was reported from Punjab and sub-mountainous regions of Gorakhpur (Gupta et al., 2017). Nayar et al., (1997) reported that leaf rust and stripe rust occurred each year from 1967 to 1974. Stripe rust is destructive and an important disease in the northern areas of India especially in Punjab, Haryana, Western Uttar Pradesh and Jammu & Kashmir, where frequent epidemics have occurred since 1982 (Nagrajan et al., 1982). Sporadic high incidence of stripe rust has been recorded from some parts of Punjab and north-western areas (Gangwar et al., 2013; Gupta et al., 2013; Ahanger et al., 2014).
Losses

Stripe rust is one of the most important diseases of wheat worldwide and it appears very early in the growing season. This results in the weak and stunted growth of the plants, causing severe yield losses up to 70 per cent (Khanfri et al., 2018). Yield losses caused by stripe rust depends on several factors such as cultivar susceptibility, infection time, rate of disease development, duration of the disease, crop growth stage and weather conditions (Chen, 2005). About 90-100 per cent grain yield losses has been reported on the susceptible cultivars, if the infection occurs at an early growth stage, as the crop remains under favorable conditions for a longer period (Afzal et al., 2007). Losses of up to 20 and 75 per cent in wheat were reported in the USA (Doling and Doodson, 1968; Roelfs, 1978).

In Asia, about 46 per cent yield losses are attributed to the epidemics of stripe rust (Singh et al., 2004). Epidemics in China (Wan et al., 2004), Pakistan and Iran (Bimb and Johnson, 1997) has caused serious yield losses across different wheat growing seasons. Afzal et al., (2007) reported the yield losses of 5.77, 6.63 and 14.90 per cent, by stripe rust, on Inqlab-91, Wafaq-2001 and Bakhtawar, respectively, in Pakistan. In 2010, Syria and Turkey were the most affected countries due to the disease, and half of their wheat harvest was lost, followed by Ethiopia (45%), Morocco and Uzbekistan (35%) (Yahyaoui and Rajaram, 2012). Due to the progressive increase of virulent pathotypes of P. striiformis, losses of $2 billion were reported during 1997 and 1998, in Pakistan (Hussain et al., 2004). In South Africa during 1998, losses of nearly $2.25 million were estimated (Pretorius, 2004). Ahmad et al., (1991) reported $8 million losses in three districts of Baluchistan. In 11 provinces of China, a widespread stripe rust epidemic infected about 6.6 million hectares of wheat, during 2001-2002, which had resulted in yield loss of 13 million tonnes (Wan et al., 2004). Between 1999 and 2000, heavy yield losses from 20 to 40 per cent were reported in Central Asia (Morgounov et al., 2004). In Australia during 2003, fungicides worth $40 million were used to manage the disease (Wellings et al., 2004). During 2000, in at least 20 states of USA, severe yield losses of 9 million bushels of wheat were recorded (Markell et al., 2008). In the last decades, more than 10-30 per cent crop losses with an estimated grain loss of 1-2 million tons has occurred due to several yellow rust epidemics in Turkey (Aktas and Zencirci, 2016).

India has witnessed significant losses of grain yield, generally in north-western regions, northern foothills and adjacent plains and in the Nilgiri and Pulney hills in the south due to cultivation of susceptible cultivars (Joshi, 1976). This is generally attributed to several factors, such as early appearance of the disease, congenial environmental conditions, load of inoculum and the susceptible cultivars (Srivastava et al., 1984). Mehta (1950) estimated that the loss due to rust of the wheat was about ₹200 millions, every year. Drastic reduction in the yield due to stripe rust was observed during 2008-09, on the widely cultivated wheat variety PBW-343, with disease severity of 60S-80S, in the sub-mountainous districts of Punjab (Jindal et al., 2012).

Present status

Puccinia striformis sp. tritici is a substantial threat in all the wheat growing areas with a potential to cause extensive crop damages. It has been an important disease constraint to winter bread wheat production in Central Asia over the last 15 years (Absattarova et al., 2002; Nazari et al., 2008; Ziyaev et al., 2011; Sharma et al., 2013). Morgounov et al., (2012) reported substantial increase in the
severity of stripe rust between 2001 and 2010, in Central and Western Asia. This was responsible for the epidemics in different parts of Central Asia during 2009-2014 (Ziyaev et al., 2011; Sharma et al., 2013 and 2014). In 2014 in Turkey, a new P. striiformis race, ‘Warrior’, was detected by the Central Research Institute for Field Crops (CRIFC) in Ankara and the Regional Cereal Rust Research Center (RCRRC) in Izmir. Earlier in 2011, this race was reported from the United Kingdom. Previously known resistant commercial cultivars of Turkey became susceptible to this new race (Khanfri et al., 2018). High frequencies of this new race ‘Warrior’ was reported from most of the European countries and North Africa (Mert et al., 2016). This race was also present in Morocco in 2013 and in Algeria in 2014 with relatively higher genetic diversity than other previous documented races of P. striiformis (Hovmoller et al., 2016).

**Life cycle**

*Puccinia striiformis*, an obligate biotrophic fungus (Voegele et al., 2009), belongs to the family Pucciniaceae within the order Pucciniales (Hibbett et al., 2007). It is highly diverse with respect to host preference and number of spore stages within the life cycle (Vander et al., 2007; Liu et al., 2010). Its life cycle, which had remained a mystery for more than a hundred years, requires two taxonomically unrelated hosts, graminaceous host for asexual reproduction and barberry for sexual reproduction (Jin et al., 2010; Berlin et al., 2017) and includes five types of different spores (Schwessinger, 2017). Urediniospores and teliospores of the fungus are dikaryotic, whereas, teliospores produce haploid basidiospores (Chen, 2005). The dikaryotic phase of its life cycle is confined to wheat, which is considered as the primary host. Urediniospores, teliospores and basidiospores are produced on the primary host. Towards the end of the season, when the nutrient supply in the infected tissue is on decline, lesions where urediniospores were produced, the telial stage is initiated. Teliospores present on the residual senesced tissues help the fungus to overcome the harsh conditions. With the commencement of the following spring, teliospores germinate to produce four haploid basidiospores. No alternate hosts of the fungus for the basidiospores to infect were known. Therefore, no pycnial and aecial stage of P. striiformis was known (Stubbs, 1985). However, recently, pycnial and aecialspore stages of the fungus has been identified on *Berberis* spp. (*B. chinensis*, *B. holstii*, *B. koreana* and *B. vulgaris*), that serve as alternate hosts for the *P. striiformis* (Jin et al., 2010).

**Infection process**

Stripe rust fungus, *P. striiformis*, infects the host by means of urediniospores, which after germination gains entry through stomata. The whole process of infection was studied by Cartwright and Russell (1981) using fluorescence microscopy. Urediniospores are mainly responsible for the initiation and spread of the disease (Chen, 2005; Bux et al., 2012). Urediniospores after landing up on the surface of a wheat leaf, adhere to it. Under optimum temperature and humidity conditions, urediniospore produces germ tube which grows towards stoma initiating primary infection in the stomatal cavity (Ma et al., 2009; Sorensen, 2012). After the germ tube produces an appressorium, the plant is invaded through the stomata and the fungus produces a series of infection structures, such as the sub stomatal vesicle, primary infection hypha, haustorial mother cell, and finally a haustorium. In the secondary infection, excessive network of mycelium is formed within the mesophyll tissue. The haustoria, which are localized between the host cell wall and the plasma membrane act as the nutrient-
absorbing structures, taking up nutrients from the host. The fungus then forms sporogenic tissue, called uredinium, near the leaf surface and produces urediniospores, completing the asexual life cycle (Voegele et al., 2001; Kang et al., 2002; Wang et al., 2010; Zhang et al., 2012; Jiao et al., 2017). About seven days after the infection, chlorotic spots appear on the leaf surface, initiating sporulation which result in the formation of distinctive yellow streaks on leaf (Chen, 2005; Sorensen, 2012). Optimum temperature for spore germination is 10-12°C and the high temperature inhibits sporulation, it may also force the fungus to undergo a phase of dormancy. Under optimum conditions, the time between inoculation and sporulation is 12-13 days (Line, 2002). These spores have the ability of rapid germination in presence of moisture along with optimum temperature of 7 to 12°C (Waqr et al., 2018).

**Symptoms**

All growth stages of the crop are susceptible to infection by *P. striiformis* (Line, 2002). One week after the initial infection, the appearance of the first symptoms of stripe rust take place. Symptoms on the leaf sheaths, in the beginning look like small, yellow spots or flecks. On the leaf sheaths, glumes and awns, these spots then develop into long and narrow stripes of rust pustules. On maturity pustule break open and release yellow-orange masses of urediniospores (Mahajan et al., 2017; Khanfri et al., 2018, Gupta et al., 2018). At the time of plant entering the senescence stage on during the stress phase, the infected tissues become brown and ultimately dry. The pathogen consumes the plant nutrients and water, thereby reducing the plant vigour causing desiccation of leaves. Severe early infection can even result in the stunted growth of the plants (Singh et al., 2017; Wang and Chen, 2013; Chen, 2005). During the late growth phase of the host or due to the increase in the temperature, the production of urediniospore is followed by the production of teliospores. Teliospores are two-celled, dark brown, thick walled black spores which infect barberry (*Berberis* spp.) leaves, producing pycnia on the upper surface and aecia on the lower surface. Pycnia and aecia are also produced on the upper and lower surface of Oregon grape (*Mahonia aquifolium*) leaves, which also acts as an alternate host for *P. striiformis* (Wang et al., 2013; Khanfri et al., 2018). At the end of the growing season, large numbers of urediniospores can be produced and blown away from contaminated fields. Although most urediniospores are deposited near their source (Roelfs and Martell, 1984), some can be dispersed over considerable distances by the wind (Hirst and Hurst, 1967).

**Epidemiology**

In the presence of *P. striiformis* inoculum and susceptible host, the outbreak of stripe rust largely depends on the prevailing weather conditions, such as moisture, temperature and wind (Chen, 2005). Moisture, being an important abiotic factor, has direct influence upon the spore germination, infection, dispersal and survival of the pathogen. For urediniospores germination and subsequent infection of the host, continuous moisture for three hours is required (Rapilly, 1979). Relative humidity close to the saturation point before inoculation, increases the rate of spore germination (Line, 2002). Precipitation, especially light rains provide conducive conditions for infection. However, high moisture reduces the viability of spores, which adversely affects fresh infections and the spread of disease. Individual or cluster dispersal of urediniospores depends on the relative humidity (Chen, 2005). Temperature also has its influence on the germination, infection and survival of spores.
Temperature range of 2.8-21.7°C is suitable for the germination of *P. striiformis* spores, whereas, 10-12°C is optimum for their faster germination (Line, 2002). The minimum and maximum temperature requirements for the growth of the pathogen are 3 and 20°C, respectively (Sharp 1965; Tollenaar and Houston 1966; Stubbs 1967; Roelfs et al., 1992; Line, 2002). The latent period of *P. striiformis* varies among isolates and can be about 11 days under optimum conditions and up to 180 days under near freezing conditions (Sharp and Hehn 1963; Roelfs et al., 1992; Bux et al., 2012). Lower temperatures adversely affect survival of the pathogen and its further development may stopped below -10°C (Chen, 2005). Temperatures more than 30°C ceases development and survival of the pathogen. Infections usually occurs during nights, when there is dew formation and temperatures are also cool (Sørensen, 2012; Khanfri et al., 2018).

**Quantification and distribution of inoculum**

Molecular methods, especially the polymerase chain reaction (PCR), have been developed in the last decades for specific, sensitive and rapid detection of several plant pathogenic fungi (Lacourt and Duncan 1997; Grote et al., 2002; Ippolito et al., 2002). *Puccinia striiformis* f. sp. *tritici* causing stripe rust of wheat, a devastating disease with worldwide distribution (Zadoks, 1961; O’Brien et al., 1980; Li and Zeng, 2002; Line, 2002; Rollinson et al., 2002), being an obligate biotrophic, is difficult to culture on artificial media. Therefore, a PCR-based technique is very useful for its detection in host tissues (Aggarwal et al., 2017). Molecular methods, especially real-time PCR with species-specific primers, offer several advantages over microscopic spore counting of pathogen inoculum.

Dispersal of airborne inoculum from the source and its deposition on a crop is a complex process, which influenced by wind direction and turbulence (McCartney and Fitt, 1998; Aylor, 1999; Aylor, 2003; McCartney and West 2007). Recent developments in molecular biology have made it lot easier to estimate spore concentration above the canopy of wheat fields. This can provide a very useful data which may help in accurate prediction of epidemics, particularly where disease severity is influenced by the timing or amount of inoculum (West et al., 2008). Nowadays, spore traps for the detection of inoculum and real-time PCR assays, are being increasingly used to quantify the air borne inoculum of plant pathogens and to improve precision in disease risk management and fungicide applications (Luo et al., 2007; Rogers et al., 2009; 101 Duvivier et al., 2013; Wieczorek and Jørgensen, 2013; 103 Almquist and Wallenhammar, 2014; Chandelier et al., 2014; Duvivier et al., 2016). A real-time polymerase chain reaction (PCR) assay to quantify the inoculum level of *P. striiformis* in leaves by quantifying the latent infection levels and estimating potential disease intensity in the field (Pan et al., 2010). By targeting latent infection foci with fungicide applications, the initial inoculum was effectively lessened, reducing the build-up of rust epidemic (Yan et al., 2011).

**Weather forecasting models**

Various weather forecasting models have been developed for the management of several plant diseases (James, 1974; Zadoks, 1984; Hardwick, 1998; Xū, 1999; De Wolf et al., 2003; Audsley et al., 2005; Savary et al., 2006; De Wolf and Isard, 2007; Gupta et al., 2017) including stripe rust (Coakley and Line, 1981; Coakley et al., 1988; Line, 2002). Prediction model is based on the relationship between the environmental conditions and the severity of the disease (Kundal et al., 2006).
Among the different abiotic factors, temperature and moisture are the major limiting factors for the development of stripe rust epidemics and these have been used to develop forecasting models for the disease (Sharma-Poudyal and Chen, 2011). Forecasting systems for the plant diseases have been developed to reduce the use of fungicides or to make their judicious use. An accurate prediction is crucial for proper application of disease control measures in order to avoid crop losses and over application of fungicide. Such system not only reduces the cost of production but also promote the environmental safety for the operator and consumers by reducing chemical usage (Malicdem and Fernandez, 2015).

Temperature has the most profound effect on the lifecycle of *Puccinia striiformis*, influencing its survival, dispersal, infection, latent period and sporulation, therefore, it has generally been used to develop forecasting models for stripe rust (Coakley and Line, 1981; Coakley *et al*., 1982; Coakley *et al*., 1988; Madden *et al*., 2007). Even time series models have been of interest since long, as they are used to predict epidemiological behaviours of the plant diseases by modelling historical surveillance data (Zhang *et al*., 2014).

Forecasting models have also been developed for the prediction of stripe rust of wheat (Coakley and Line, 1981; Coakley *et al*., 1988; Line, 2002). The relationships between temperature and stripe rust epidemics on winter wheat were quantified by Coakley and Line (1981) from 1963 to 1979. They found significant correlation between the disease index and cumulative negative (December 1 to January 31) and positive degree days (April 1 to June 30). Weather descriptors were used to develop simple linear regression models for predicting stripe rust severity (Coakley *et al*., 1982). Predictive models with multiple regression approach were developed to estimate disease intensity by analyzing temperature and other meteorological factors such as the amount and frequency of precipitation from 1968 to 1986 by Coakley *et al*., (1988). However, simple linear models based on negative and positive degree days have been used mostly in forecasting for stripe rust (Line, 2002; Chen, 2005). Forecasting models for stripe rust disease severity with logistic regression approach was developed based on relative humidity (>87%), leaf wetness duration and mean relative humidity, that predicted infection with 93, 80 and 76 per cent accuracy, respectively (Eddy, 2009).

The effect of epidemiological factors on the severity of stripe rust (cv. PBW 343), under early sowing conditions showed that maximum temperature, minimum temperature, morning vapour pressure, evening vapour pressure and micro meteorological parameters (canopy temperature and soil temperature) had significantly positive correlation with the severity of stripe rust, whereas, maximum relative humidity had significant negative correlation. The models revealed that thermic, and hydric variables contributed significantly for the variance in disease severity (Gupta *et al*., 2017).

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