

Problems with Pachysandra plants.

We get more and more complaints from our customers regarding Pachysandra. Mainly, the problem is that large parties of the plant, young plants as well as older plants, have died off completely. According to the PCS (Proefcentrum voor de sierteelt Destelbergen) the plant is plagued by fungal diseases.

We think the plant has become fragile because the growth strength of the mother plants has declined.

Damage symptoms

1. *Volutella pachysandricola*

- Brown-black spots on the leaves
- Leaves and shoots dying
- Shoots discolour black

2. *Phytophthora citrophthora*

- Soil fungus
- Base of the stem shows a brown-black discoloration
- Rotting of stem and roots
- Leaves discolor and dying

Treatment

- Fungus:
 - Depending on the damage
 - **Spotted leaves:** spray with Sporgon, Interspor(prochloraz) or Eminent(tetraconazol) (OR)*
 - **Rotting stem and roots:** spray with Sporgon,Interspor(RO+Fenomenal or Sporgon, Interspor(Prochloraz)(RO) + Previcur(propamocarb)(GR)*

Do you have other solutions for this problem?

You can always report to us on this mail-adres: info@vasteplant.be.

We will inform PCS for further testing and follow-up.

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Still healthy Pachysandra terminalis ' Green Sheen'

(photo Jo Bogaerts)