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Four new species of Phyllosticta that cause or are associated with needle blight or dieback of conifers are described by J. Bissett, Agriculture Canada, Ottawa, and M. E. Palm, USDA, Beltsville, Maryland. (Can. J. Bot. 67:3378-3385, 1989)

When applied to grain and sown in soil, bacteria isolated from rice grains reduced seedling blight of wheat caused by Pythium ultimum, reports F. C. Adetuyi, Federal University of Technology, Akure, Nigeria. (J. Plant Dis. Prot. 96:486-493, 1989)