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# *Powdery mildew*

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## **What is it?**

The powdery mildew caused in chilli by *Leveillula taurica* (Lev.) causing heavy yield loss ranging from 14 to 20 per cent, due to severe defoliation and reduction in photosynthesis, size and number of fruits per plant.

## **What causes Anthracnose in chilli leaf?**

The powdery mildew caused in chilli by *Leveillula Taurica*, Powdery mildew, mainly caused by the fungus *Podosphaera xanthii*

## **Symptoms**

- White powdery coating appears mostly on the lower surface
- Sometimes the powdery coating can also be seen on the upper surface.
- Correspondingly on the upper surface yellow patches are seen
- Drying and shedding of affected leaves.

## **How to Control**

1. Spray wettable sulphur @ 3 g/l or carbendazim @ 1 g/l three sprays at 15 days interval from the first appearance of symptoms
2. Spray Wettable sulphur 0.25% or Dinocap (Karathane) 0.05%

