| Severity rating | Description |
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| 1 | No sign of powdery mildew |
| 2 | Small colonies in the lower 1/3 of canopy with up to 75% of plants infected |
| 3 | Colonies in lower half of canopy with more than 75% of plants infected |
| 4 | Colonies in lower 2/3 of canopy with up to 75% of plants infected |
| 5 | Colonies in lower 2/3 of canopy with more than 75% of plants infected |
| 6 | Colonies in lower 2/3 of canopy with 100% of plants infected |
| 7 | Colonies in lower 2/3 of canopy with 100% of plants infected, some plants with colonies in the top 1/3 of the canopy |
| 8 | Colonies all the way to the top of the plant with more than 75% of plants affected |
| 9 | Colonies all the way to the top of the plant with severe leaf drop |