



Blossom-end Rot

Calcium deficiency



This is “blossom-end rot,” a physiological disorder caused by a calcium deficiency in the developing fruit compounded by an imbalance in water and plant nutrients.

The disorder first appears as a brown discoloration on the blossom end of the fruit.

On chile fruit, the spot occasionally will be off to the side of the blossom end. With age, the lesion tissue becomes sunken and leathery. Eventually, secondary fungi or bacteria may invade the tissue.



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