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## More Examples of Resources Available in the Research Library of <https://www.nwpotatoresearch.com/>

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Some of you recently pointed out to me that the Northwest Potato Research Consortium's website, <https://www.nwpotatoresearch.com/> was experiencing technical difficulties on some corporate computer systems due to encryption problems. I wanted to update everyone that these problems have been fixed and the website and database are fully functional once again.

The Research Library section of the website was originally built in the early 2000s when I was Director of Research with the Washington State Potato Commission and is still growing as we add new material. It contains all past issues of Potato Progress, all the Proceedings from the Washington and Washington-Oregon potato conferences, many extension documents from the 1970s onward, and much more. In Volume 19 Number 8 of Potato Progress I highlighted a handful of recent articles I found in the database that I thought might interest you. Below I have done this again, but with an eye toward older reports that I thought were food for thought and/or good reminders of important principles (titles are clickable and will take you to that article in our database). They also point out that research from decades ago was high quality and underpins a lot of modern potato production.

- [\*Upgrading Internal Potato Quality\*](#), by Robert Kunkel and Walter H. Gardner. From: 1962 Proceedings of the Washington State Potato Conference.
- [\*Growth of the Potato\*](#), by Robert Kunkel and Robert E. Thornton. From: 1971 Proceedings of the Washington State Potato Conference.
- [\*Cultural Practices to Minimize Yield Loss from Potato Early Dying\*](#), by Jim Davis, L.H. Sorensen, and Jeff Stark. From: 1990 Proceedings of the Washington State Potato Conference.
- As a reminder of the importance *Potato leafroll virus* before neonicotinoids almost eradicated it, [\*Net Necrosis Prediction and Development in Storage\*](#), by Pete Thomas, John Shields, Mel Martin, and Gary McMullin. From: 2001 Proceedings of the Washington State Potato Conference.

Reminder: note the list of "helpful hints" for searching the library. These are:

1. \* is a wildcard for any number of characters
2. ? is a wildcard for any single character
3. \* and ? cannot be used at the beginning
4. ~ can be used to search similar words
5. Use "..." around phrases (e.g. "pesticide levels")
6. Use AND to require a match for multiple terms
7. Use OR to look for any of multiple terms
8. Use NOT to restrict certain results ("pest NOT levels")
9. Group with (...) any combination of the above

These might be familiar to those of you old enough to remember the beginning of the Internet and the older search engines before the modern functionality of Google.