A-06 Characterization of disease outbreak of perilla sclerotinia rot caused by Sclerotinia sclerotiorum under structured cultivation condition. B. D. Shin¹ and S. B. Song². ¹Plant Pathology Division, National Institute of Agricultural Science and Technology, RDA, Suwon 441-707, Korea; ²Plant Environment Division, National Yeongnam Agricultural Experiment station, RDA, Milyang, 627-803, Korea

Sclerotinia rot frequently causes serious and unpredicable yield losses of the leaves of perilla growing under structured cultivation as vegetable in Korea. The incidence of perilla Sclerotinia rot caused by Sclerotinia sclerotiorum was observed throughout the growing season at greenhouse. The occurrence of this disease was especially severe from January to February of low temperature period. The average incidence rates of this disease were up to 15%. The significant occurrence of this disease was showed mainly in the continuous cropping field for more than five years. The incidence of this disease increased according to the increase of continuous cropping year. The incidence rates of this disease reached up to 20% in the continuous cropping field for ten years. Also It was first investigated the natural infection caused by S. sclerotiorum on weed plants, Gnaphalium affine due to perilla plants diseased in farmer's field. The casual fungus showed pathogenicity on 10 weed plants species tested, and more severe pathogenicity on Gnaphalium affine, Latuca indica and Ixeris dentata included in the family Compositae. This result suggests that effective crop rotation and weed eradication can be the method for organic control of perilla sclerotinia rot, and sudden outbreaks of this disease in perilla field that were previously mono-cropped to continuous rice can be explained by the presence of weed hosts.

A-07 Weeds as potent multiplication hosts of *Sclerotinia sclerotiorum* in organic vegetable farms. <u>Hyeong-Jin Jee</u>, Byung-Mo Lee, Jong-Ho Park, and Kyoung-Yul Ryu. Organic Farming Div. National Institute of Agricultural Science and Technology, Rural Development Administration, Suwon 441-707, Korea

Sclerotinia rot caused by *Sclerotinia sclerotiorum* was the most destructive disease in the organic vegetable cultivation. Infection rate of the disease at Yangpyung and Namyangju reached up to 50% in some fields and the sclerotinial density in the upper 10cm soil ranged from 65 to 520 per 100g. In the heavily infested fields, seven weed species among 18 identified weeds showed typical symptoms of sclerotinia rot. The causal pathogen was readily isolated from the diseased weeds and pathogenic to