

SALT INJURY

Cause: High salt concentrations in the soil.

Symptoms: Young plants are stunted or killed. Roots may be burned or the hypocotyl desiccated depending on the location of the high salt concentration.

Demographics: Varies; prominent in the Western United States.

Importance: Serious problem in arid regions.

Control: Proper placement of fertilizers; irrigate thoroughly to flush salt away from plants.



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