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Executive summary

Two hundred and seventy-seven cassava fields were surveyed in the humid forest, derived savanna, southern Guinea savanna, northern Guinea savanna, midaltitude, Sudan savanna agroecological and Sahel zones of Nigeria. Each field was assessed for the incidence and severity of cassava bacterial blight (CBB), cassava anthracnose disease (CAD), *Cercospora* leaf blight (CLB), and brown leaf spot (BLS). Samples of root rot disease were also collected where present for identification of associated pathogens.

The study identified a regional importance of CBB in the savanna ecozones and of CAD in the humid forest zone. CBB was observed in 32.53% of the fields in the humid forest, 66.43% of the fields in derived savanna zone, 95.45% of the fields in southern Guinea savanna, 90% of fields in northern Guinea savanna, and 94.12% of fields in the Sudan savanna zone. CAD was observed in the humid forest and derived savanna zones but not in any of the other ecological zones. CLB and BLS were observed in all the ecological zones; however, the severity of both diseases was generally low and did not seem to pose a serious threat to cassava tuber yield. With the increasing production of cassava in Nigeria, disease management will become crucial as production expands to the marginal zones. Fungal pathogens isolated from root rot samples included *Aspergillus niger*, *Botryodiplodia theobromae*, *Fusarium* spp.; *Rhizopus* sp.; *Sclerotium rolfsii*; and *Trichoderma* spp. *B. theobromae* which was the most frequently isolated pathogen was obtained from 84.48% of the collected samples while *Fusarium* spp was observed in 39.66%.

The evaluation of the health status of stem cuttings from farmers' fields showed that 82.7% of cuttings from farmers' fields were infected with cassava mosaic disease (CMD). There is a need for multiplication and cutting sanitation program from which clean improved planting materials could be supplied to farmers.

A total of 135 isolates of *C. gloeosporioides* and 83 isolates of *Xanthomonas axonopodis* have been assembled from the different ecological zones in this survey; further study to establish the level of pathogenic variation and the distribution of this variation across ecozones in Nigeria is recommended.

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Introduction

Cassava is a major food crop particularly in the developing countries of sub-Saharan Africa (Hah et al. 1989). In the past, cassava production in most of these countries was mainly for its starchy tuberous roots that are valuable sources of cheap calories particularly for low-income earners and resource-poor farmers. However, cassava in recent times is gradually gaining a strategic position in the world trade as a result of the effort by various governments and the private sector in developing novel, value-added cassava-based products for human consumption and industrial uses. Cassava can serve as an important engine for growth in many countries if production diversification and commercial use are improved (Anon 2000). With increased production and an improved market, cassava can help fight hunger and poverty in developing countries.

Despite the potentials of cassava in addressing the increasing food demand of the growing population in Africa as well as diverse uses to which it is subjected, the average production of cassava in Africa is currently below the world average (IITA 1990). The activities of various disease agents are some of the major constraints to achieving the full potential of cassava production in Africa. In cassava, losses in tuber yield due to diseases can be as high as 90% (Wydra and Msikita 1998). The need to protect cassava against diseases is, therefore, a crucial aspect of enhancing the production of the crop.

The effectiveness of any disease management practice will depend on the availability of adequate information on the occurrence, distribution, and importance of the disease in a zone or locality. Detailed farm survey data collected from evenly distributed cassava fields in an ecological zone are therefore a prerequisite to effective disease management, and consequently, effective crop improvement effort.

In Nigeria, the combined effect of the recent "Presidential initiative for cassava expansion" and the special project on the "Preemptive management of cassava mosaic disease (CMD) in Nigeria" at the International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA), have led to increased cassava cultivation by the farmers. Therefore, detailed information on the current status of cassava diseases in Nigeria is required for the overall success of these initiatives. In the framework of the preemptive management of CMD project, a comprehensive survey of the current status of cassava diseases on farmers' fields across the various agroecological zones in Nigeria was conducted. This report presents the occurrence and distribution of

bacterial blight (CBB), anthracnose (CAD), brown leaf spot (BLS), *Cercospora* leaf blight, (CLB) and root rot diseases in farmers' fields.

Materials and methods

Farmers' fields from the 36 states and the Federal Capital Territory were surveyed across the 7 agroecological zones of Nigeria between May and November 2003. The survey followed the method described by Ogbe et al. (2003). The number of cassava farms examined in each ecozone varied depending on availability. A total of 277 farmers' fields were surveyed: derived savanna (143); humid forest (83); northern Guinea savanna (10 farms); midaltitude (1); Sahel (1); southern Guinea savanna (22), and Sudan savanna (17). In each farm, the assessment of disease severity was made on randomly selected 30 plants. Each plant was rated on the scale of 1–5 for CBB, CAD, and *Cercospora* leaf blight; and on a scale of 1–4 for BLS, following the scoring system described by Wydra and Msikita (1998) as follows:

CBB: 1 = no symptom; 2 = only angular leaf spots; 3 = angular leaf spots, wilting, blighting, defoliation, and some exudates on stem/petioles; 4 = blighting of leaves, wilting, defoliation, exudates, and tip dieback; 5 = blighting of leaves, wilting, defoliation, exudates, tip dieback, and plant stunting.

CAD: 1 = no symptom; 2 = cankers only on lower parts of the stem; 3 = cankers spread from lower to mid-parts of the stem; 4 = cankers spread from lower to green parts of the stem and stem wilting; 5 = severe leaf wilting, leaf and stem distortions.

Cercospora leaf blight: 1 = no symptom; 2 = necrotic leaf area < 5%; 3 = necrotic leaf area 5–25%; 4 = necrotic leaf area > 25%; 5 = blighted leaf area over 50% and leaf fall.

BLS: 1 = no symptom; 2 = leaf spots only on older and lower leaves; 3 = spots on older and green young leaves on the upper portion of the plant; 4 = spots on older and younger leaves, blighting and defoliation from upper and lower parts of the plant.

In addition to these diseases, samples of cassava root rot were collected where present for identification of the associated pathogens. Leaf and stem samples with CBB and CAD symptoms were also collected for the isolation of pathogens. The geographic position of the each farm was recorded with the aid of a GPS.

Assessment of the health status of stem cuttings from farmers' fields

To assess the health status of stem cuttings from farmers' fields, stems were obtained from representative farms for establishment in the screenhouse. These stems were cut to planting sizes and planted on sterilized soil in plastic pots. The pots were watered every alternate day and maintained for six weeks. The plants were assessed for CBB, mosaic disease, and fungal wilt at 3, 4, 5, and 6 weeks after planting.

Isolation and identification of *C. gloeosporioides* f.sp. *manihotis* isolates

Cassava stems with anthracnose cankers were collected from infected fields during the survey. Small pieces of the infected stems were cut from the edges of the cankers, surface sterilized for 3 min in 10% sodium hypochlorite solution and rinsed in 5 changes of sterile

distilled water. The stem pieces were dried on sterilized filter paper and placed on acidified potato dextrose agar (PDA). The inoculated plates were incubated at 27°C. Identification of the fungus was carried out under the microscope and confirmation made using the procedure of Barnett and Hunter (1987).

Single spore isolation of *C. gloeosporioides* isolates

To obtain single spore cultures of *C. gloeosporioides* isolates, pure culture of each isolate was obtained on quarter strength PDA for 7 days. Conidia from sporulating acervuli were transferred into a sterile test tube containing 1 ml of sterile distilled water (SDW). The test tube was shaken thoroughly and a drop of the suspension was streaked on water agar. The plates were incubated at 19°C for 17 h. Using a binocular microscope, colonies originating from single conidia were identified and transferred to PDA plates. Two colonies from single conidia were transferred for each isolate to different PDA plates.

Isolation and identification of *Xanthomonas axonopodis* pv. *manihotis*

The culture medium used was potato yeast glucose agar (PYGA). 20 g of agar, 10 g of calcium carbonate, 5 g of glucose, and 5 g of yeast were added to one liter of SDW in a conical flask. The flask was plugged with non-absorbent cotton wool and wrapped with aluminium foil. The mixture was stirred, heated to boiling, and sterilized for 15 minutes in an autoclave at 1.05 kg/cm². The medium was allowed to cool to about 45°C before being poured aseptically into sterile plastic petri dishes and allowed to solidify.

Leaves and stems showing CBB symptoms were collected from infected fields during the survey. The plant materials were cut into 2–3 mm pieces, sterilized for 2 minutes in 10% sodium hypochlorite and rinsed in sterile distilled water. The treated plant materials were aseptically transferred with a pair of sterile forceps to a few drops of SDW in sterile petri plates. The tissues were triturated and the suspension was allowed to stand for up to five minutes (Bradbury 1978). Loopfuls of the suspension were streaked on freshly prepared potato yeast glucose agar. The plates were incubated at 28°C for 72h and observed for bacterial growth. The colonies were purified 3 times by single colony transfer on fresh medium plates until an axenic culture was obtained.

Results

Geographical distribution of cassava diseases

Cassava bacterial blight (CBB). CBB was present in all the 5 major ecozones (humid forest, derived savanna, southern Guinea savanna, northern Guinea savanna, and Sudan savanna). The disease was observed in 32.53% of the fields visited in the humid forest and in 66.43% of the fields surveyed in the derived savanna zone. In the southern Guinea savanna, CBB was observed in 95.45% of the fields visited, while in the northern Guinea savanna it was found in 90% of the field. When the disease severity is considered across different ecological zones, higher severity scores of 3–4 were obtained for cassava farms in the derived savanna, southern Guinea savanna, northern Guinea savanna and Sudan savanna, while farms in the humid forest zone generally had severity scores less than 2 (Fig. 1).

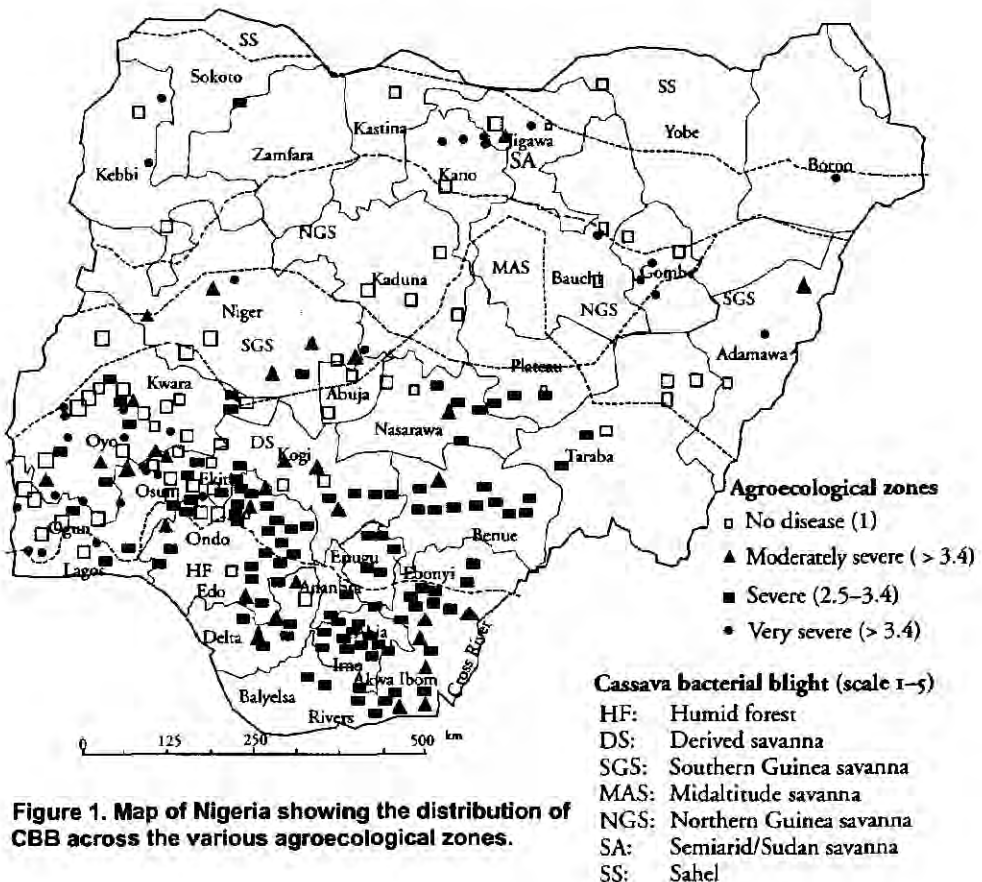


Figure 1. Map of Nigeria showing the distribution of CBB across the various agroecological zones.

On a state basis, states in the south-south and eastern region generally had low disease severity scores, while states in the northern region had high disease severity scores. The highest mean severity score was recorded in Kano (3.19); other states with high severity scores were Borno (3.07), Katsina (3.00), and Kebbi (2.96) (Fig. 2).

Cassava anthracnose disease (CAD). Anthracnose disease was observed in the humid forest and derived savanna zones, while the disease was not recorded in any of the other ecological zones (Fig. 3). In the humid forest zone, CAD was observed in 98.80% of the fields visited, and in the derived savanna zone, the disease was observed in 62.24% of the fields surveyed. On a state basis, the disease was not observed in any of the northern states (Fig. 2). Higher mean severity scores were obtained in Abia (2.95), Ekiti (2.89), Akwa Ibom (2.87), Imo (2.86), and Ogun (2.83).

Brown leaf spot (BLS) and Cercospora leaf blight (CLB). These two fungal foliar diseases were observed in all the ecozones. Their distribution across the ecozones followed the same trend (Figs 4 and 5). CLB was observed in 93.98% of the fields visited in the humid forest, and in 92.31% of the fields in the derived savanna. In the southern Guinea savanna, CLB was observed in 68.11% of the fields, in 30% of the fields in the northern Guinea savanna and in 11.76% of the fields in the Sudan savanna.

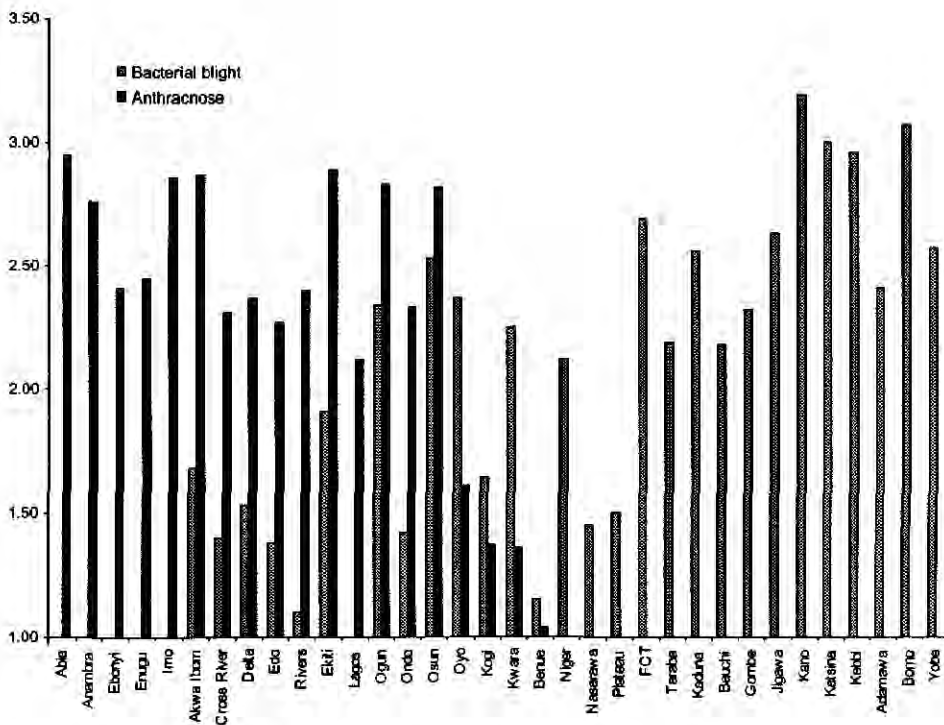


Figure 2. Severity of CBB and CAD in various states of Nigeria.

BLS disease symptoms were recorded in 90.36% of the fields in the humid forest, 95.10% in derived savanna zone, and 77.27% of the fields in southern Guinea savanna zone. In the northern Guinea savanna and Sudan savanna zones, the disease was observed in 20% and in 17.65% of the fields.

The severity of both diseases across the states showed the same trend. Mean severity scores of 1.8–3.0 were obtained for states in the eastern, western, and south-south regions, while scores below 1.8 were obtained for the states in the northern region (Fig. 6). The highest severity scores of 2.31 for BLS and 2.24 for CLB were obtained in Ebonyi state.

Health status of stem cuttings from farmers' fields

The stem cuttings from 52 locations were observed for 6 weeks in the screenhouse. CBB and fungal wilt were not recorded on the plants grown in the screenhouse throughout the duration of the study. CMD was observed starting 3 weeks after planting (WAP) through to 6 WAP in most of the plants. CMD incidence for each location was determined as the pooled incidence of the scores at 3 WAP, 4 WAP, 5 WAP, and 6 WAP. Ranking the pooled disease incidence gave the severity index on which the locations were separated into levels of CMD severity (Table 1). Stem cuttings from 43 locations (82.7%) recorded CMD incidence while cuttings from 9 locations (16.98%) were observed to be free from CMD.

Cassava root rot pathogens. Samples of root rot disease were collected from 58 locations: humid forest zone (22), derived savanna zone (34), and southern Guinea savanna (2). Fungal pathogens isolated from these samples included: *Aspergillus niger*, *Botryodiplodia theobromae*, species of *Fusarium*; *Rhizopus* sp.; *Sclerotium rolfsii*, and *Trichoderma* spp. (Table 2). The most frequently isolated pathogen is *B. theobromae* that was isolated from 49 locations (84.48%), followed by *Fusarium* spp., which was observed in 23 locations (39.66%).

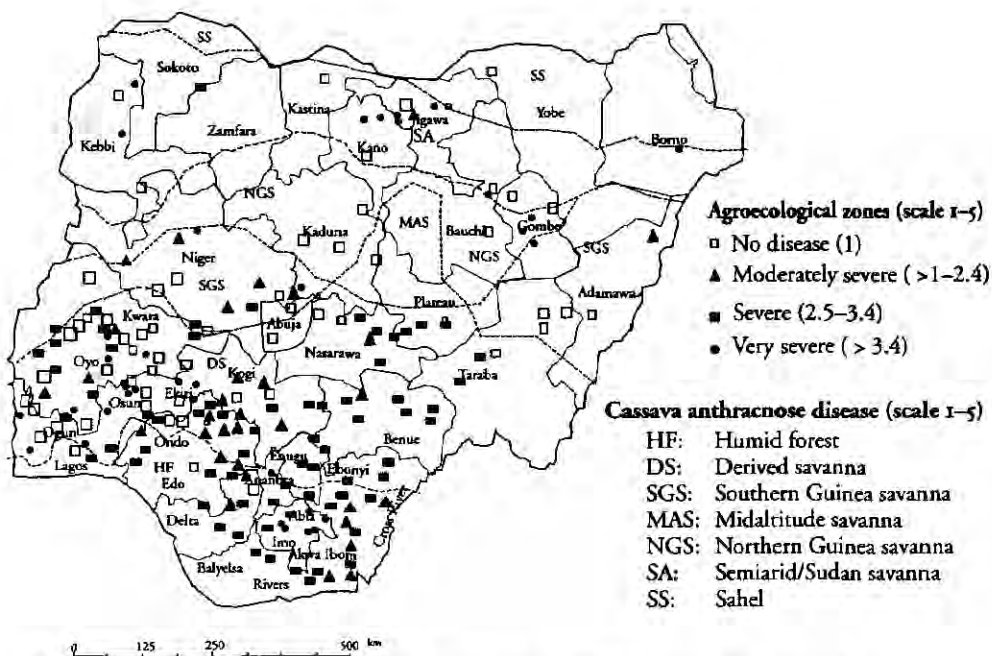


Figure 3. Map of Nigeria showing the distribution of CAD across the various agroecological zones.

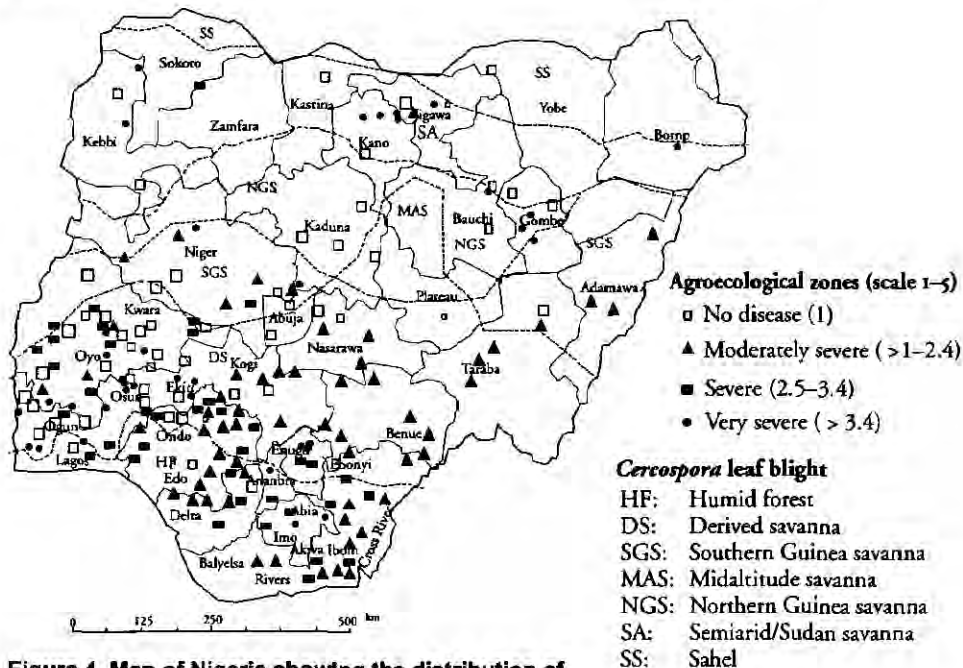


Figure 4. Map of Nigeria showing the distribution of CLB across the various agroecological zones.

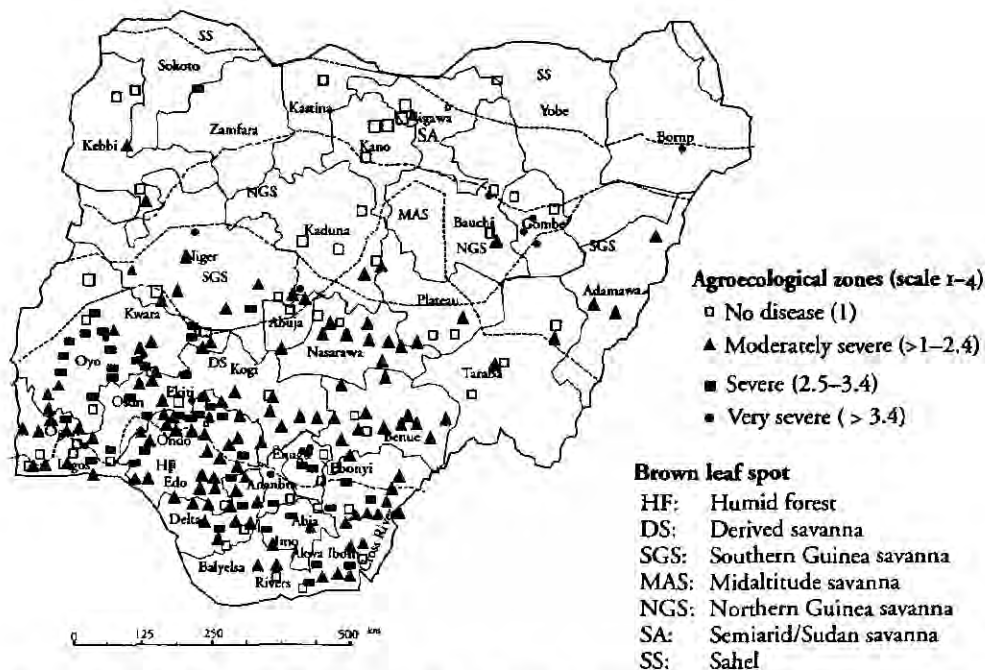


Figure 5. Map of Nigeria showing the distribution of cassava brown leaf spot across the various agroecological zones.

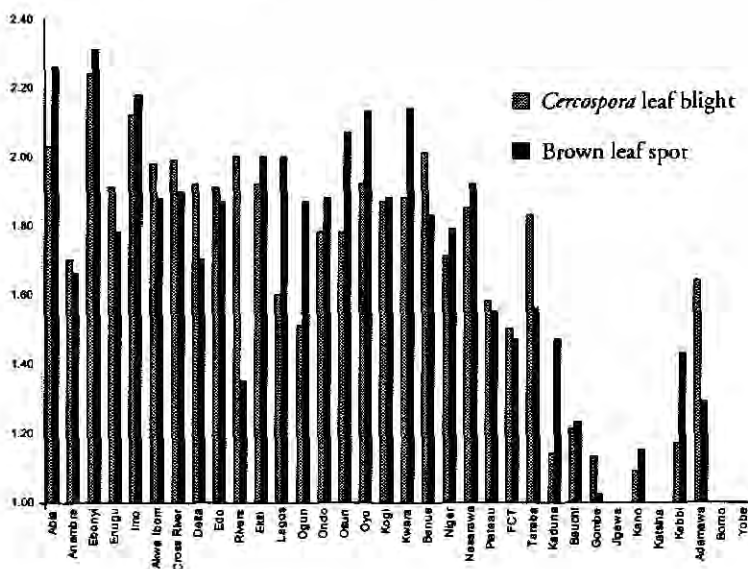


Figure 6. Severity of CLB and BLS diseases in various states of Nigeria.

Table 1. Severity of cassava mosaic disease on stem cuttings from various ecological zones.

| Ecozone | State | CMD3 | W1 | CMD4 | W2 | CMD5 | W3 | CMD6 | W4 | Index | Rank |
|-------------------------|---------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|------|
| Derived savanna | Oyo | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 10.00 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Oyo | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 10.00 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Osun | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 10.00 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Oyo | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 10.00 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Ogun | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 10.00 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Ogun | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 10.00 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Oyo | 0.89 | 0.89 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 9.89 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Osun | 0.89 | 0.89 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 9.89 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Oyo | 0.89 | 0.89 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 9.89 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Ogun | 0.89 | 0.89 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 9.89 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Ekiti | 0.89 | 0.89 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 9.89 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Osun | 0.89 | 0.89 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 9.89 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Osun | 0.89 | 0.89 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 9.89 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Niger | 0.89 | 0.89 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 9.89 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Oyo | 0.78 | 0.78 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 9.78 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Oyo | 0.78 | 0.78 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 9.78 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Kogi | 0.78 | 0.78 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 9.78 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Osun | 0.67 | 0.67 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 9.67 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Ogun | 0.67 | 0.67 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 9.67 | 5 |
| Northern Guinea savanna | Gombe | 0.50 | 0.50 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 9.50 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Oyo | 0.89 | 0.89 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 0.89 | 3.56 | 9.45 | 5 |
| Northern Guinea savanna | Bauchi | 0.33 | 0.33 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 9.33 | 5 |
| Sudan savanna | Jigawa | 0.83 | 0.83 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 0.89 | 2.67 | 0.89 | 3.56 | 9.06 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Ogun | 0.39 | 0.39 | 0.83 | 1.66 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 9.05 | 5 |
| Sudan savanna | Katsina | 0.89 | 0.89 | 0.89 | 1.78 | 0.89 | 2.67 | 0.89 | 3.56 | 8.90 | 5 |

Where: CMD3, CMD4, CMD5, and CMD6 are the CMD scores at 3, 4, 5, and 6 weeks respectively. W1=CMD3*1; W2 = CMD4*2; W3 = CMD5*3; W4 = CMD6*4; Index = weighted mean of symptom severity across the four scoring periods (W1+W2+W3+W4).

Rank = ranking cutting sources in terms of CMD severity (1 = no symptom; 2 = mild; 3 = severe; 4 = very severe; 5 = extremely severe).

Table 1 (contd). Severity of cassava mosaic disease on stem cuttings from various ecological zones.

| Ecozone | State | CMD3 | W1 | CMD4 | W2 | CMD5 | W3 | CMD6 | W4 | Index | Rank |
|-------------------------|----------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|------|
| Sudan savanna | Kano | 0.78 | 0.78 | 0.89 | 1.78 | 0.89 | 2.67 | 0.89 | 3.56 | 8.79 | 5 |
| Southern Guinea savanna | Niger | 0.78 | 0.78 | 0.78 | 1.56 | 0.89 | 2.67 | 0.89 | 3.56 | 8.57 | 5 |
| Southern Guinea savanna | FCT | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.67 | 1.34 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 8.34 | 5 |
| Sudan savanna | Kebbi | 0.89 | 0.89 | 0.89 | 1.78 | 0.78 | 2.34 | 0.78 | 3.12 | 8.13 | 5 |
| Sudan savanna | Kebbi | 0.56 | 0.56 | 0.67 | 1.34 | 0.89 | 2.67 | 0.89 | 3.56 | 8.13 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Nasarawa | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.56 | 1.12 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 8.12 | 5 |
| Derived savanna | Nasarawa | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.22 | 0.44 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 7.44 | 4 |
| Sudan savanna | Gombe | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.11 | 0.22 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 | 7.22 | 4 |
| Sudan savanna | Kebbi | 0.67 | 0.67 | 0.67 | 1.34 | 0.67 | 2.01 | 0.67 | 2.68 | 6.70 | 4 |
| Derived savanna | Benue | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.44 | 0.88 | 0.44 | 1.32 | 0.78 | 3.12 | 5.32 | 3 |
| Derived savanna | Kogi | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.22 | 0.44 | 0.22 | 0.66 | 0.89 | 3.56 | 4.66 | 3 |
| Southern Guinea savanna | Niger | 0.22 | 0.22 | 0.22 | 0.44 | 0.56 | 1.68 | 0.56 | 2.24 | 4.58 | 3 |
| Southern Guinea savanna | Taraba | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.33 | 0.66 | 0.56 | 1.68 | 0.56 | 2.24 | 4.58 | 3 |
| Derived savanna | Kogi | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.33 | 0.66 | 0.33 | 0.99 | 0.67 | 2.68 | 4.33 | 3 |
| Southern Guinea savanna | Adamawa | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.22 | 0.44 | 0.22 | 0.66 | 0.78 | 3.12 | 4.22 | 3 |
| Derived savanna | Benue | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.11 | 0.22 | 0.11 | 0.33 | 0.89 | 3.56 | 4.11 | 3 |
| Derived savanna | Taraba | 0.33 | 0.33 | 0.33 | 0.66 | 0.33 | 0.99 | 0.44 | 1.76 | 3.74 | 2 |
| Southern Guinea savanna | Kaduna | 0.17 | 0.17 | 0.17 | 0.34 | 0.28 | 0.84 | 0.28 | 1.12 | 2.47 | 2 |
| Derived savanna | Kwara | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.22 | 0.44 | 0.22 | 0.66 | 0.22 | 0.88 | 1.98 | 1 |
| Southern Guinea savanna | Kaduna | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.11 | 0.33 | 0.22 | 0.88 | 1.21 | 1 |
| Derived savanna | Kwara | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1 |
| Derived savanna | Kwara | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1 |
| Derived savanna | Kwara | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1 |
| Derived savanna | Kwara | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1 |
| Southern Guinea savanna | Niger | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1 |
| Southern Guinea savanna | Niger | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1 |
| Southern Guinea savanna | Niger | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1 |

Where: CMD3, CMD4, CMD5, and CMD6 are the CMD scores at 3, 4, 5, and 6 weeks respectively. W1 = CMD3*1; W2 = CMD4*2; W3 = CMD5*3; W4 = CMD6*4; Index = weighted mean of symptom severity across the four scoring periods (W1+W2+W3+W4).

Rank = ranking cutting sources in terms of CMD severity (1 = no symptom; 2 = mild; 3 = severe; 4 = very severe; 5 = extremely severe)

Table 2. Fungi isolated from root rot samples.

| Ecozone | State | ID | Lat. | Long. | <i>A.niger</i> | BT | <i>Fusarium</i> | <i>R. stolonifer</i> | <i>S. rolfsii</i> | <i>Trichoderma</i> |
|-----------------|---------|-----|------|-------|----------------|----|-----------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Derived savanna | Anambra | C1 | 6.97 | 6.33 | - | + | + | - | - | - |
| Humid forest | Anambra | C3 | 6.25 | 6.95 | - | + | + | - | - | - |
| Humid forest | Anambra | C6 | 6.16 | 7.04 | - | + | + | - | - | - |
| Humid forest | Abia | C8 | 5.47 | 7.43 | - | + | - | - | - | + |
| Humid forest | Abia | C11 | 5.73 | 7.81 | - | + | - | - | - | + |
| Humid forest | Abia | C16 | 5.42 | 7.57 | - | + | - | - | - | - |
| Humid forest | Abia | C18 | 5.59 | 7.72 | - | + | - | - | + | - |
| Derived savanna | Enugu | C19 | 6.44 | 7.54 | - | - | + | - | + | - |
| Derived savanna | Enugu | C20 | 6.87 | 7.40 | - | + | - | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Enugu | C22 | 6.89 | 7.59 | - | - | + | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Enugu | C23 | 6.78 | 7.71 | - | + | - | - | - | + |
| Derived savanna | Enugu | C24 | 6.91 | 7.50 | + | + | - | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Ebonyi | C27 | 6.46 | 7.79 | - | + | + | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Ebonyi | C28 | 6.37 | 8.37 | - | + | - | - | - | - |
| Humid forest | Ebonyi | C29 | 6.32 | 8.19 | + | + | - | - | + | - |
| Humid forest | Ebonyi | C30 | 6.09 | 8.01 | + | + | - | - | - | - |
| Humid forest | Ebonyi | C31 | 5.98 | 7.98 | - | + | - | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Ebonyi | C32 | 6.57 | 7.76 | + | + | - | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Ebonyi | C33 | 6.52 | 7.76 | - | + | + | + | - | - |
| Humid forest | Imo | C35 | 5.66 | 6.82 | - | + | + | - | - | + |
| Humid forest | Imo | C36 | 5.77 | 7.03 | - | + | + | - | - | - |
| Humid forest | Imo | C37 | 5.54 | 7.01 | - | + | + | - | - | - |
| Humid forest | Imo | C42 | 5.79 | 7.28 | - | - | + | - | - | - |
| Humid forest | Imo | C44 | 5.32 | 7.27 | - | + | + | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Oyo | B2 | 7.85 | 3.96 | - | + | - | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Oyo | B3 | 8.11 | 4.21 | - | + | - | + | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Oyo | B8 | 8.77 | 4.11 | - | + | - | - | - | + |
| Derived savanna | Oyo | B10 | 8.93 | 3.88 | - | + | - | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Ogun | B22 | 7.25 | 3.54 | - | + | - | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Ogun | B23 | 7.36 | 3.65 | - | + | - | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Ogun | B25 | 7.12 | 3.69 | - | + | - | - | - | - |
| Humid forest | Ogun | B27 | 6.94 | 3.62 | - | + | - | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Ogun | B30 | 7.43 | 2.95 | - | + | - | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Ogun | B33 | 7.07 | 2.90 | - | + | - | - | + | - |
| Derived savanna | Ogun | B36 | 6.70 | 2.94 | - | + | - | - | - | - |
| Humid forest | Ogun | B39 | 6.60 | 2.96 | - | - | + | - | - | - |
| Humid forest | Ogun | B40 | 6.73 | 3.53 | - | + | + | + | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Ogun | B41 | 6.84 | 3.85 | - | - | + | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Osun | B43 | 7.36 | 4.15 | - | + | - | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Osun | B47 | 7.50 | 4.32 | - | + | - | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Osun | B51 | 7.96 | 4.80 | - | + | - | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Osun | B53 | 8.00 | 4.66 | + | + | - | - | + | + |

Table 2. Fungi isolated from root rot samples.(contd)

| Ecozone | State | ID | Lat. | Long. | <i>A.niger</i> | BT | <i>Fusarium</i> | <i>R. stolonifer</i> | <i>S. rolfsii</i> | <i>Trichoderma</i> |
|-------------------------|-----------|-----|------|-------|----------------|-------|-----------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Derived savanna | Ekiti | B59 | 7.48 | 5.45 | - | + | - | - | - | + |
| Derived savanna | Ekiti | B62 | 7.67 | 5.45 | - | + | - | - | - | + |
| Derived savanna | Ondo | B70 | 7.26 | 5.47 | - | + | - | - | - | + |
| Derived savanna | Ondo | B75 | 7.50 | 5.75 | - | + | - | - | - | + |
| Derived savanna | Ondo | B78 | 7.18 | 5.77 | - | + | + | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Kwara | N1 | 8.41 | 4.63 | - | - | + | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Kwara | N2 | 8.29 | 4.78 | - | - | + | - | - | - |
| Southern Guinea savanna | Niger | N17 | 9.51 | 5.28 | - | - | + | - | - | - |
| Southern Guinea savanna | Kaduna | N24 | 9.77 | 7.45 | - | - | + | - | - | - |
| Humid forest | Delta | D4 | 6.29 | 6.49 | - | + | - | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Edo | D11 | 7.11 | 6.22 | - | + | - | - | - | - |
| Derived savanna | Edo | D12 | 7.31 | 6.09 | - | + | - | - | - | - |
| Humid forest | Edo | D16 | 6.73 | 6.04 | - | + | + | - | - | - |
| Humid forest | Edo | D18 | 6.19 | 5.80 | - | + | - | - | - | - |
| Humid forest | Akwa Ibom | D28 | 4.68 | 7.60 | - | + | + | - | - | - |
| Humid forest | C/River | D36 | 5.98 | 8.26 | - | + | + | - | - | - |
| Total occurrence | | | | | 4 | 49 | 23 | 3 | 4 | 10 |
| % of total sample | | | | | 6.90 | 84.48 | 39.66 | 5.17 | 6.90 | 17.24 |

+ : isolated; - : not isolated.; BT = *Botryodiplodia theobromae*.

Table 3. *C. gloeosporioides* isolates and their designations.

| Isolate | Site ID | State | Ecozone | Lat | Long |
|---------|---------|---------|-----------------|------|------|
| 1 | C1 | Anambra | Derived savanna | 6.97 | 6.33 |
| 2 | C2 | Anambra | Humid forest | 6.24 | 7.13 |
| 3 | C5 | Anambra | Humid forest | 5.87 | 6.91 |
| 4 | C11 | Abia | Humid forest | 5.73 | 7.81 |
| 5 | C13 | Abia | Humid forest | 5.37 | 7.37 |
| 6 | C15 | Abia | Humid forest | 4.92 | 7.23 |
| 7 | C17 | Abia | Humid forest | 5.99 | 7.48 |
| 8 | C19 | Enugu | Derived savanna | 6.44 | 7.54 |
| 9 | C22 | Enugu | Derived savanna | 6.89 | 7.59 |
| 10 | C24 | Enugu | Derived savanna | 6.91 | 7.50 |
| 11 | C25 | Enugu | Derived savanna | 6.52 | 7.38 |
| 12 | C30 | Ebonyi | Humid forest | 6.09 | 8.01 |
| 13 | C31 | Ebonyi | Humid forest | 5.98 | 7.98 |
| 14 | C34 | Ebonyi | Humid forest | 6.21 | 8.06 |
| 15 | C42 | Imo | Humid forest | 5.79 | 7.28 |
| 16 | C44 | Imo | Humid forest | 5.32 | 7.27 |
| 17 | B1 | Oyo | Derived savanna | 7.63 | 3.92 |
| 18 | B4 | Oyo | Derived savanna | 8.21 | 4.19 |
| 19 | B8 | Oyo | Derived savanna | 8.77 | 4.11 |
| 20 | B8 | Oyo | Derived savanna | 8.77 | 4.11 |
| 21 | B14 | Oyo | Derived savanna | 8.48 | 3.42 |
| 22 | B14 | Oyo | Derived savanna | 8.48 | 3.42 |
| 23 | B20 | Oyo | Derived savanna | 7.61 | 3.20 |
| 24 | B20 | Oyo | Derived savanna | 7.61 | 3.20 |
| 25 | B21 | Oyo | Derived savanna | 7.46 | 3.27 |
| 26 | B22 | Ogun | Derived savanna | 7.25 | 3.54 |
| 27 | B23 | Ogun | Derived savanna | 7.36 | 3.65 |
| 28 | B24 | Ogun | Derived savanna | 7.14 | 3.40 |
| 29 | B25 | Ogun | Derived savanna | 7.12 | 3.69 |
| 30 | B27 | Ogun | Humid forest | 6.94 | 3.62 |
| 31 | B28 | Ogun | Derived savanna | 7.18 | 3.27 |
| 32 | B28 | Ogun | Derived savanna | 7.18 | 3.27 |
| 33 | B30 | Ogun | Derived savanna | 7.43 | 2.95 |
| 34 | B31 | Ogun | Derived savanna | 7.43 | 2.80 |
| 35 | B32 | Ogun | Derived savanna | 7.28 | 2.79 |
| 36 | B32 | Ogun | Derived savanna | 7.28 | 2.79 |
| 37 | B32 | Ogun | Derived savanna | 7.28 | 2.79 |
| 38 | B37 | Ogun | No data | 6.51 | 2.72 |

Table 3 (contd). *C. gloeosporioides* Isolates and their designations.

| Isolate | Site ID | State | Ecozone | Lat | Long |
|---------|---------|-------|-----------------|------|------|
| 39 | B39 | Ogun | No data | 6.60 | 2.96 |
| 40 | B40 | Ogun | Humid forest | 6.73 | 3.53 |
| 41 | B43 | Osun | Derived savanna | 7.36 | 4.15 |
| 42 | B46 | Osun | Derived savanna | 7.68 | 4.29 |
| 43 | B48 | Osun | Derived savanna | 7.56 | 4.40 |
| 44 | B50 | Osun | Derived savanna | 7.85 | 4.62 |
| 45 | B51 | Osun | Derived savanna | 7.96 | 4.80 |
| 46 | B52 | Osun | Derived savanna | 8.04 | 4.86 |
| 47 | B53 | Osun | Derived savanna | 8.00 | 4.66 |
| 48 | B53 | Osun | Derived savanna | 8.00 | 4.66 |
| 49 | B54 | Osun | Derived savanna | 7.73 | 4.62 |
| 49 | B54 | Osun | Derived savanna | 7.73 | 4.62 |
| 50 | B54 | Osun | Derived savanna | 7.73 | 4.62 |
| 51 | B56 | Ekiti | Derived savanna | 7.50 | 4.85 |
| 52 | B57 | Ekiti | Derived savanna | 7.53 | 5.08 |
| 53 | B60 | Ekiti | Derived savanna | 7.65 | 5.60 |
| 54 | B61 | Ekiti | Derived savanna | 7.81 | 5.65 |
| 55 | B63 | Ekiti | Derived savanna | 7.67 | 5.11 |
| 56 | B66 | Ekiti | Derived savanna | 7.80 | 5.31 |
| 57 | B67 | Ekiti | Derived savanna | 7.70 | 5.26 |
| 58 | B68 | Ekiti | Derived savanna | 7.46 | 5.23 |
| 59 | B70 | Ondo | Derived savanna | 7.26 | 5.47 |
| 60 | B70 | Ondo | Derived savanna | 7.26 | 5.47 |
| 61 | B77 | Ondo | Derived savanna | 7.35 | 5.89 |
| 62 | B77 | Ondo | Derived savanna | 7.35 | 5.89 |
| 63 | N56 | Kogi | Derived savanna | 7.44 | 7.69 |
| 64 | N53 | Kogi | Derived savanna | 7.33 | 7.00 |
| 65 | N53 | Kogi | Derived savanna | 7.33 | 7.00 |
| 66 | N56 | Kogi | Derived savanna | 7.44 | 7.69 |
| 67 | N56 | Kogi | Derived savanna | 7.44 | 7.69 |
| 68 | D3 | Delta | Humid forest | 6.27 | 6.22 |
| 69 | D5 | Delta | Humid forest | 6.30 | 6.21 |
| 70 | D5 | Delta | Humid forest | 6.30 | 6.21 |
| 71 | D6 | Edo | Humid forest | 6.52 | 6.22 |
| 72 | D8 | Edo | Derived savanna | 6.85 | 6.25 |
| 73 | D11 | Edo | Derived savanna | 7.11 | 6.22 |
| 74 | D11 | Edo | Derived savanna | 7.11 | 6.22 |
| 75 | D11 | Edo | Derived savanna | 7.11 | 6.22 |
| 76 | D14 | Edo | Derived savanna | 7.00 | 6.10 |
| 77 | D14 | Edo | Derived savanna | 7.00 | 6.10 |

Table 3 (contd). *C. gloeosporioides* isolates and their designations.

| Isolate | Site ID | State | Ecozone | Lat | Long |
|---------|---------|-------------|-----------------|------|------|
| 78 | D15 | Edo | Humid forest | 6.82 | 5.98 |
| 79 | D15 | Edo | Humid forest | 6.82 | 5.98 |
| 80 | D15 | Edo | Humid forest | 6.82 | 5.98 |
| 81 | D15 | Edo | Humid forest | 6.82 | 5.98 |
| 82 | D17 | Edo | Humid forest | 6.49 | 5.84 |
| 83 | D17 | Edo | Humid forest | 6.49 | 5.84 |
| 84 | D18 | Edo | Humid forest | 6.19 | 5.80 |
| 85 | D21 | Delta | Humid forest | 5.72 | 6.39 |
| 86 | D22 | Delta | Humid forest | 6.12 | 6.53 |
| 87 | D23 | Delta | Humid forest | 5.63 | 6.31 |
| 88 | D24 | Delta | Humid forest | 5.57 | 5.88 |
| 89 | D25 | Delta | Humid forest | 5.42 | 6.04 |
| 90 | D26 | Rivers | Humid forest | 4.73 | 7.23 |
| 91 | D26 | Rivers | Humid forest | 4.73 | 7.23 |
| 92 | D27 | Rivers | Humid forest | 4.52 | 7.42 |
| 93 | D27 | Rivers | Humid forest | 4.52 | 7.42 |
| 94 | D28 | Akwa Ibom | Humid forest | 4.68 | 7.60 |
| 95 | D28 | Akwa Ibom | Humid forest | 4.68 | 7.60 |
| 96 | D28 | Akwa Ibom | Humid forest | 4.68 | 7.60 |
| 97 | D30 | Akwa Ibom | Humid forest | 4.73 | 8.08 |
| 98 | D30 | Akwa Ibom | Humid forest | 4.73 | 8.08 |
| 99 | D31 | Akwa Ibom | No data | 4.86 | 8.11 |
| 100 | D31 | Akwa Ibom | No data | 4.86 | 8.11 |
| 101 | D31 | Akwa Ibom | No data | 4.86 | 8.11 |
| 102 | D32 | Akwa Ibom | Humid forest | 4.98 | 7.98 |
| 103 | D33 | Cross River | Humid forest | 5.41 | 8.20 |
| 104 | D33 | Cross River | Humid forest | 5.41 | 8.20 |
| 105 | D33 | Cross River | Humid forest | 5.41 | 8.20 |
| 106 | D34 | Cross River | Humid forest | 5.61 | 8.11 |
| 107 | D34 | Cross River | Humid forest | 5.61 | 8.11 |
| 108 | D35 | Cross River | Humid forest | 5.84 | 8.10 |
| 109 | D35 | Cross River | Humid forest | 5.84 | 8.10 |
| 110 | D36 | Cross River | Humid forest | 5.98 | 8.26 |
| 111 | D37 | Cross River | Humid forest | 5.93 | 8.46 |
| 112 | D38 | Cross River | Humid forest | 5.95 | 8.72 |
| 113 | D38 | Cross River | Humid forest | 5.95 | 8.72 |
| 114 | D39 | Cross River | Derived savanna | 6.28 | 8.66 |
| 115 | D39 | Cross River | Derived savanna | 6.28 | 8.66 |
| 116 | D39 | Cross River | Derived savanna | 6.28 | 8.66 |
| 117 | D40 | Cross River | Derived savanna | 6.50 | 8.74 |

Table 3 (contd). *C. gloeosporioides* isolates and their designations.

| Isolate | Site ID | State | Ecozone | Lat | Long |
|---------|---------|-------------|-----------------|------|------|
| 118 | D41 | Cross River | Humid forest | 5.82 | 8.84 |
| 119 | D41 | Cross River | Humid forest | 5.82 | 8.84 |
| 120 | D42 | Cross River | Humid forest | 5.18 | 8.19 |
| 121 | D43 | Akwa Ibom | Humid forest | 4.80 | 7.73 |
| 122 | D42 | Cross River | Humid forest | 5.18 | 8.19 |
| 123 | D43 | Akwa Ibom | Humid forest | 4.80 | 7.73 |
| 124 | D45 | Rivers | Humid forest | 5.06 | 6.59 |
| 125 | D46 | Delta | Humid forest | 5.81 | 5.73 |
| 126 | D46 | Delta | Humid forest | 5.81 | 5.73 |
| 127 | D46 | Delta | Humid forest | 5.81 | 5.73 |
| 128 | B81 | Ondo | Derived savanna | 7.40 | 5.07 |
| 129 | B83 | Ondo | Humid forest | 6.66 | 4.80 |
| 130 | B84 | Ondo | Humid forest | 6.55 | 4.75 |
| 131 | B89 | Lagos | No data | 6.49 | 3.86 |
| 132 | B89 | Lagos | No data | 6.49 | 3.86 |
| 133 | D29 | Akwa Ibom | Humid forest | 4.63 | 7.81 |
| 134 | D1 | Edo | Humid forest | 6.46 | 5.62 |
| 135 | D20 | Delta | Humid forest | 5.83 | 6.16 |

Table 4. *Xanthomonas axonopodis* isolates and their designations.

| Isolate | Site ID | State | Ecozone | Lat | Long |
|---------|---------|---------|-------------------------|--------|-------|
| 1 | N2 | Kwara | Derived savanna | 8.289 | 4.776 |
| 2 | N2 | Kwara | Derived savanna | 8.289 | 4.776 |
| 3 | N15 | Niger | Derived savanna | 8.680 | 4.894 |
| 4 | N14 | Niger | No data | 9.848 | 4.545 |
| 5 | N24 | Kaduna | Southern Guinea savanna | 9.770 | 7.448 |
| 6 | N26 | Kaduna | Northern Guinea savanna | 10.081 | 7.900 |
| 7 | N30 | Niger | Southern Guinea savanna | 9.262 | 6.992 |
| 8 | N33 | Kebbi | Sudan savanna | 10.979 | 4.768 |
| 9 | N33 | Kebbi | Sudan savanna | 10.979 | 4.768 |
| 10 | N33 | Kebbi | Sudan savanna | 10.979 | 4.768 |
| 11 | N34 | Kebbi | Sudan savanna | 11.852 | 4.413 |
| 12 | N35 | Kebbi | Sudan savanna | 12.529 | 4.381 |
| 13 | N35 | Kebbi | Sudan savanna | 12.529 | 4.381 |
| 14 | N35 | Kebbi | Sudan savanna | 12.529 | 4.381 |
| 15 | N36 | Kebbi | Sudan savanna | 12.717 | 4.630 |
| 16 | N36 | Kebbi | Sudan savanna | 12.717 | 4.630 |
| 17 | N36 | Kebbi | Sudan savanna | 12.717 | 4.630 |
| 18 | N38 | Katsina | Sudan savanna | 12.816 | 7.687 |
| 19 | N38 | Katsina | Sudan savanna | 12.816 | 7.687 |
| 20 | N39 | Kano | Sudan savanna | 12.124 | 8.399 |
| 21 | N40 | Kano | Sudan savanna | 11.525 | 8.373 |
| 22 | N42 | Kano | Sudan savanna | 12.167 | 8.893 |
| 23 | N42 | Kano | Sudan savanna | 12.167 | 8.893 |
| 24 | N42 | Kano | Sudan savanna | 12.167 | 8.893 |
| 25 | N43 | Jigawa | Sudan savanna | 12.291 | 9.009 |
| 26 | N43 | Jigawa | Sudan savanna | 12.291 | 9.009 |
| 27 | N44 | Jigawa | Sudan savanna | 12.331 | 9.792 |
| 28 | N45 | Jigawa | Sudan savanna | 12.334 | 9.520 |
| 29 | N45 | Jigawa | Sudan savanna | 12.334 | 9.520 |
| 30 | N45 | Jigawa | Sudan savanna | 12.334 | 9.520 |
| 31 | N46 | Jigawa | Sudan savanna | 12.119 | 9.271 |
| 32 | N46 | Jigawa | Sudan savanna | 12.119 | 9.271 |
| 33 | N47 | Kano | Sudan savanna | 12.100 | 8.923 |
| 34 | N47 | Kano | Sudan savanna | 12.100 | 8.923 |
| 35 | N48 | Kogi | Derived savanna | 7.608 | 6.222 |
| 36 | N48 | Kogi | Derived savanna | 7.608 | 6.222 |
| 37 | N51 | Kogi | Derived savanna | 7.581 | 6.738 |
| 38 | N52 | Kogi | Derived savanna | 7.414 | 6.934 |

Table 4 (contd). *Xanthomonas axonopodis* isolates and their designations.

| Isolate | Site ID | State | Ecozone | Lat | Long |
|---------|---------|----------|-------------------------|--------|--------|
| 39 | N53 | Kogi | Derived savanna | 7.325 | 6.999 |
| 40 | N57 | Benue | Derived savanna | 7.586 | 8.231 |
| 41 | N70 | Taraba | Derived savanna | 8.315 | 10.411 |
| 42 | N70 | Taraba | Derived savanna | 8.315 | 10.411 |
| 43 | N70 | Taraba | Derived savanna | 8.315 | 10.411 |
| 44 | N71 | Taraba | Southern Guinea savanna | 8.880 | 11.248 |
| 45 | N71 | Taraba | Southern Guinea savanna | 8.880 | 11.248 |
| 46 | N71 | Taraba | Southern Guinea savanna | 8.880 | 11.248 |
| 47 | N72 | Taraba | Southern Guinea savanna | 8.749 | 11.269 |
| 48 | N72 | Taraba | Southern Guinea savanna | 8.749 | 11.269 |
| 49 | N75 | Adamawa | Southern Guinea savanna | 9.584 | 12.563 |
| 50 | N75 | Adamawa | Southern Guinea savanna | 9.584 | 12.563 |
| 51 | N80 | FCT | Derived savanna | 8.811 | 7.033 |
| 52 | N81 | FCT | Southern Guinea savanna | 9.064 | 7.204 |
| 53 | N81 | FCT | Southern Guinea savanna | 9.064 | 7.204 |
| 54 | N82 | Nasarawa | Derived savanna | 8.964 | 7.675 |
| 55 | N82 | Nasarawa | Derived savanna | 8.964 | 7.675 |
| 56 | N83 | Nasarawa | Derived savanna | 8.838 | 7.927 |
| 57 | N84 | Nasarawa | Derived savanna | 8.913 | 8.277 |
| 58 | N84 | Nasarawa | Derived savanna | 8.913 | 8.277 |
| 59 | N88 | Nasarawa | Derived savanna | 8.530 | 8.577 |
| 60 | N88 | Nasarawa | Derived savanna | 8.530 | 8.577 |
| 61 | N88 | Nasarawa | Derived savanna | 8.530 | 8.577 |
| 62 | N93 | Plateau | Derived savanna | 9.108 | 9.805 |
| 63 | N94 | Bauchi | Northern Guinea savanna | 10.282 | 10.369 |
| 64 | N96 | Gombe | Southern Guinea savanna | 10.096 | 11.124 |
| 65 | N88 | Nasarawa | Derived savanna | 8.530 | 8.577 |
| 66 | N88 | Nasarawa | Derived savanna | 8.530 | 8.577 |
| 67 | N98 | Gombe | Northern Guinea savanna | 10.611 | 11.378 |
| 68 | N98 | Gombe | Northern Guinea savanna | 10.611 | 11.378 |
| 69 | N99 | Gombe | Northern Guinea savanna | 10.482 | 11.093 |
| 70 | N99 | Gombe | Northern Guinea savanna | 10.482 | 11.093 |
| 71 | N101 | Bauchi | Northern Guinea savanna | 10.935 | 10.445 |
| 72 | N101 | Bauchi | Northern Guinea savanna | 10.935 | 10.445 |
| 73 | N103 | Bauchi | Northern Guinea savanna | 10.543 | 10.129 |
| 74 | D1 | Edo | Humid forest | 6.461 | 5.615 |
| 75 | D1 | Edo | Humid forest | 6.461 | 5.615 |
| 76 | D1 | Edo | Humid forest | 6.461 | 5.615 |
| 77 | D7 | Edo | Derived savanna | 6.673 | 6.347 |

Table 4 (contd). *Xanthomonas axonopodis* isolates and their designations.

| Isolate | Site ID | State | Ecozone | Lat | Long |
|---------|---------|-------------|-----------------|-------|-------|
| 78 | D9 | Edo | Derived savanna | 7.019 | 6.327 |
| 79 | D29 | Akwa Ibom | Humid forest | 4.628 | 7.809 |
| 80 | D38 | Cross River | Humid forest | 5.946 | 8.717 |
| 81 | D38 | Cross River | Humid forest | 5.946 | 8.717 |
| 82 | D41 | Cross River | Humid forest | 5.820 | 8.840 |
| 83 | D42 | Cross River | Humid forest | 5.176 | 8.188 |

Discussion

Cassava bacterial blight. This survey showed that there is a high regional variation in CBB incidence between the savanna agroecological zones and the humid forest zone. These results agree with the report of Wydra and Msikita (1998) in which they observed a site incidence of up to 60% in the savanna zone and 24% for the rain forest. The prevalence of CBB in the savanna zones has been attributed to the survival of the causal organism (*Xanthomonas axonopodis* pv. *manihotis*) in plant debris during the dry season (Persley 1979). Also, rain distribution and temperature are two main factors that determine that the severities of CBB are more favorable for disease development in the savanna. Another factor that could possibly account for the high incidence of CBB in the savanna zones of Nigeria is the planting of a single, often susceptible genotype by the farmers in these zones. The only practicable means of controlling CBB is the use of resistant lines, and this may have contributed to the suppression of CBB in the rain forest where an average farm visited had up to 3 different cassava varieties cultivated. The complete absence of CBB recorded in the southeast states is, however conservative, although previous field surveys showed that CBB incidence varies with variety, location, time of year, and the cropping system (Terry 1978). Also, Akle and Gnouhouc (1979) reported variations in the severity of CBB between years in the Central North of Bénin. It will be interesting to monitor the disease in the southeastern states within the next growing season to compare results with those obtained from the region during this survey. The savanna ecozones of Nigeria provide a good environment for establishment of screening trials since disease expression is optimal in these zones. In contrast, the humid forest ecology with low CBB pressure is ideal for establishment of multiplication trials. With the cassava expansion initiatives currently going on in Nigeria, resistance to CBB must be given adequate attention in genotype selection as cassava production is rapidly expanding to marginal areas.

Anthracnose. While CAD was prevalent in the humid forest and derived savanna zones, it was not recorded in any of the fields in the southern Guinea, northern Guinea savanna, and Sudan savanna zones. According to Wydra and Msikita (1998), this observation is in line with the optimal conditions for the development of the pathogen. CAD usually appears after a long period of rain and tends to disappear with the approach of the dry season. The causal organism (*C. gloeosporioides* f.sp. *manihotis*) requires high humidity of 85–90% and optimal temperature of 20–28 °C for survival (Bruggen et al. 1990). Such conditions are not obtainable in the drier savanna ecozones of Nigeria, although Lamptey et al. (2001) reported high incidence and severity of CAD in two locations from the drier ecological zone of Ghana, which are not typical zones for CAD infection. Such observations, according to Wydra and Msikita (1998), could be as a result of confusing stem symptoms caused by CBB with anthracnose cankers.

CLB and BLS. These diseases were present in all the ecozones; however, severity decreased rapidly towards the savanna zones. Generally, these diseases seem not to pose serious threats to cassava production; however, by reducing the photosynthetic ability of the plant, they could make such plants more vulnerable to the effects of other diseases. According to Jericho et al. (1999), high incidence of BLS was observed on cassava plants infested with mealybug. Therefore, the interaction of *Cercospora* leaf blight and leaf spot with other pests and diseases of cassava will require further study.

Health status of planting materials from farmers' fields. CMD is spread and perpetuated by planting stem cuttings obtained from diseased plants, while CBB is principally disseminated over short and long distances by infected material (Leuschener et al. 1980). The observance of CMD infection in 82.7% of the sampled sites confirms that planting material is a principal means of the spread of the disease across fields. All the stem cuttings used in this study were obtained from the savanna zones associated with high CBB incidence, however, CBB was not recorded in any of the plants at GWAP. It could be that the 6-week period during which the experiment was maintained was not sufficient for development of the disease. Persley (1979) in an artificially inoculated experiment observed symptom development at only 2 months after planting. To fully assess the health status of the planting materials from farmers' fields, the plants may need to be maintained for the sufficiently long period required for full disease development.

Pathogens associated with cassava root rot. *B. theobromae* and *Fusarium* sp. were the prominent pathogens associated with the root rot samples obtained during this survey. Although systematic survey for root rot was not possible during this survey, the isolation of *B. theobromae* and *Fusarium* sp. is in agreement with the previous survey for cassava root rot disease in Nigeria (Onyeka 2002). Also, Boher et al. (1997) identified *B. theobromae* as the main pathogen responsible for large-scale damage in cassava fields of Danyi plateau zone of southwest Togo. However, *N. mangiferae*, reported in previous surveys (Msikita et al. 1997; Onyeka 2002), was not encountered in this study. There is a need to develop a standard assessment procedure for the survey of root rot disease which will enable the comparison of results from different locations.

Conclusion

This survey established the regional importance of CBB and CAD in the various ecozones of Nigeria. These diseases will become more important as cassava production gradually expands to the marginal zones. Also, there is need for a multiplication program for the supply of clean improved planting materials to the farmers as this remains the only viable option for the management of the diseases.

While the humid forest zone with low CBB pressure is ideal for the establishment of a multiplication program, the high incidence of CAD in the zone is a problem to ensuring disease-free material. The breeding program for cassava must, therefore, continue to emphasize multiple disease resistance in selection.

A total of 135 isolates of *C. gloeosporioides* and 83 isolates of *Xanthomonas axonopodis* have been assembled from different ecological zones from this survey. Further study to establish the level of pathogenic variation and the distribution of this variation in different ecological zones will provide additional information for the management of these diseases.

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Annex 2. Locations from which samples were collected and the severity score of various diseases.

| S/No | Ecozone | State | Site ID | Location | Lat (N) | Long (E) | CBB | CAD | CLB | BLS |
|------|-----------------|---------|---------|--------------------------|---------|----------|------|------|------|------|
| 1 | Derived savanna | Anambra | C1 | Igbariam farm settlement | 6.97 | 6.33 | 1.00 | 2.17 | 1.27 | 1.23 |
| 2 | Humid forest | Anambra | C2 | Akwa | 6.24 | 7.13 | 1.00 | 4.03 | 2.40 | 2.13 |
| 3 | Humid forest | Anambra | C3 | Igbariam junction | 6.25 | 6.95 | 1.00 | 1.97 | 1.00 | 1.13 |
| 4 | Humid forest | Anambra | C4 | Onitsha/Enugu road | 6.25 | 6.93 | 1.00 | 3.33 | 2.07 | 2.07 |
| 5 | Humid forest | Anambra | C5 | Umuohi Okija | 5.87 | 6.91 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 2.13 | 2.07 |
| 6 | Humid forest | Anambra | C6 | Nise | 6.16 | 7.04 | 1.00 | 2.07 | 1.33 | 1.30 |
| 7 | Humid forest | Abia | C7 | Aba/PH road | 5.02 | 7.31 | 1.00 | 2.93 | 2.33 | 2.53 |
| 8 | Humid forest | Abia | C8 | Umuahia Aba road | 5.47 | 7.43 | 1.00 | 3.80 | 2.70 | 2.27 |
| 9 | Humid forest | Abia | C10 | NRCRI Umudike | 5.48 | 7.54 | 1.00 | 3.23 | 1.93 | 2.07 |
| 10 | Humid forest | Abia | C11 | Okagwe Ohafia | 5.73 | 7.81 | 1.00 | 3.13 | 2.47 | 2.97 |
| 11 | Humid forest | Abia | C12 | Ebem | 5.61 | 7.79 | 1.00 | 3.13 | 1.93 | 2.07 |
| 12 | Humid forest | Abia | C13 | Ubakala/Aba road | 5.37 | 7.37 | 1.00 | 1.70 | 2.07 | 2.57 |
| 13 | Humid forest | Abia | C15 | Aba/PH road | 4.92 | 7.23 | 1.00 | 2.73 | 1.80 | 1.90 |
| 14 | Humid forest | Abia | C16 | Okwe | 5.42 | 7.57 | 1.00 | 3.73 | 1.60 | 2.07 |
| 15 | Humid forest | Abia | C17 | Enugu/Okigwe road | 5.99 | 7.48 | 1.00 | 1.37 | 1.13 | 1.27 |
| 16 | Humid forest | Abia | C18 | Ohafia/Bende road | 5.59 | 7.72 | 1.00 | 3.70 | 2.33 | 2.87 |
| 17 | Derived savanna | Enugu | C19 | Enugu/PH road | 6.44 | 7.54 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 18 | Derived savanna | Enugu | C20 | Nsukka | 6.87 | 7.40 | 1.00 | 2.97 | 1.83 | 1.63 |
| 19 | Derived savanna | Enugu | C21 | Agu Amede | 6.72 | 7.75 | 1.00 | 2.90 | 3.23 | 2.83 |
| 20 | Derived savanna | Enugu | C22 | Obollo Eriti | 6.89 | 7.59 | 1.00 | 1.70 | 1.00 | 1.17 |
| 21 | Derived savanna | Enugu | C23 | Nkem | 6.78 | 7.71 | 1.00 | 1.87 | 3.33 | 2.53 |
| 22 | Derived savanna | Enugu | C24 | Obollo Afor | 6.91 | 7.50 | 1.00 | 2.60 | 1.37 | 1.63 |
| 23 | Derived savanna | Enugu | C25 | Ukana | 6.52 | 7.38 | 1.00 | 3.13 | 1.60 | 1.67 |
| 24 | Humid forest | Ebonyi | C26 | Enyibichiri Alike | 6.18 | 8.25 | 1.00 | 1.67 | 1.93 | 1.93 |
| 25 | Derived savanna | Ebonyi | C27 | Nkalagu/Abakaliki rd | 6.46 | 7.79 | 1.00 | 2.53 | 1.77 | 1.90 |

Annex 2. Locations from which samples were collected and the severity score of various diseases.(contd)

| S/No | Ecozone | State | Site ID | Location | Lat (N) | Long (E) | CBB | CAD | CLB | BLS |
|------|-----------------|--------|---------|-----------------------|---------|----------|------|------|------|------|
| 26 | Derived savanna | Ebonyi | C28 | Igbeagu | 6.37 | 8.37 | 1.00 | 2.20 | 1.87 | 2.00 |
| 27 | Humid forest | Ebonyi | C29 | Igbeagu | 6.32 | 8.19 | 1.00 | 2.90 | 2.30 | 2.50 |
| 28 | Humid forest | Ebonyi | C30 | Izzikworo | 6.09 | 8.01 | 1.00 | 1.93 | 2.40 | 2.47 |
| 29 | Humid forest | Ebonyi | C31 | Abo Omega | 5.98 | 7.98 | 1.00 | 2.60 | 1.13 | 1.40 |
| 30 | Derived savanna | Ebonyi | C32 | Amazu | 6.57 | 7.76 | 1.00 | 3.53 | 3.77 | 3.83 |
| 31 | Derived savanna | Ebonyi | C33 | Amagu Umuhuali | 6.52 | 7.76 | 1.00 | 2.30 | 3.03 | 2.73 |
| 32 | Humid forest | Ebonyi | C34 | Amazu | 6.21 | 8.06 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.97 | 2.07 |
| 33 | Humid forest | Imo | C35 | Ogbaku/Oguta rd | 5.66 | 6.82 | 1.00 | 2.20 | 2.00 | 2.10 |
| 34 | Humid forest | Imo | C36 | Owerre Ebeiri | 5.77 | 7.03 | 1.00 | 2.90 | 2.00 | 2.13 |
| 35 | Humid forest | Imo | C37 | Owerri/Orlu rd | 5.54 | 7.01 | 1.00 | 3.40 | 2.00 | 2.10 |
| 36 | Humid forest | Imo | C38 | Umungwa Obowo | 5.56 | 7.41 | 1.00 | 2.80 | 2.13 | 2.30 |
| 37 | Humid forest | Imo | C39 | Anara | 5.67 | 7.16 | 1.00 | 2.60 | 2.47 | 2.93 |
| 38 | Humid forest | Imo | C40 | Ogbaku | 5.56 | 6.96 | 1.00 | 3.97 | 2.10 | 2.13 |
| 39 | Humid forest | Imo | C41 | Aboh Mbaise | 5.48 | 7.22 | 1.00 | 2.93 | 2.07 | 2.13 |
| 40 | Humid forest | Imo | C42 | Amuron Okigwe | 5.79 | 7.28 | 1.00 | 2.97 | 2.40 | 2.40 |
| 41 | Humid forest | Imo | C43 | Owerri/Aba rd | 5.44 | 7.08 | 1.00 | 2.90 | 2.10 | 2.07 |
| 42 | Humid forest | Imo | C44 | Okpala | 5.32 | 7.27 | 1.00 | 2.33 | 2.07 | 1.77 |
| 43 | Humid forest | Imo | C45 | Okwe | 5.76 | 7.23 | 1.00 | 2.87 | 1.97 | 2.37 |
| 44 | Humid forest | Imo | C46 | Okigwe Umuahia rd | 5.73 | 7.38 | 1.00 | 2.40 | 2.00 | 1.93 |
| 45 | Humid forest | Imo | C47 | Ada Palm Ohaji | 5.46 | 6.81 | 1.00 | 2.87 | 2.20 | 2.00 |
| 46 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B1 | Km 17 Ibadan/Oyo rd | 7.63 | 3.92 | 1.00 | 2.23 | 1.60 | 1.50 |
| 47 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B2 | Oyo outskirts | 7.85 | 3.96 | 1.70 | 1.73 | 2.60 | 2.63 |
| 48 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B3 | Ogbomosho | 8.11 | 4.21 | 3.00 | 3.13 | 2.90 | 2.93 |
| 49 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B4 | Onisakara | 8.21 | 4.19 | 3.10 | 2.73 | 2.40 | 2.60 |
| 50 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B5 | Ogbomosho/Igbeti road | 8.41 | 4.26 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |

Annex 2. Locations from which samples were collected and the severity score of various diseases.(contd)

| S/No | Ecozone | State | Site ID | Location | Lat (N) | Long (E) | CBB | CAD | CLB | BLS |
|------|-----------------|-------|---------|---------------------|---------|----------|------|------|------|------|
| 51 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B6 | Olooto | 8.59 | 4.20 | 3.03 | 1.17 | 2.17 | 2.20 |
| 52 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B7 | Igbeti outskirts | 8.71 | 4.18 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 53 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B8 | Igbeti/Kishi rd | 8.77 | 4.11 | 2.30 | 3.20 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 54 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B9 | Igbeti/Kishi rd | 8.99 | 3.94 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.20 | 1.00 |
| 55 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B10 | Kishi/Igbowo rd | 8.93 | 3.88 | 2.60 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.20 |
| 56 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B11 | Igbowo | 8.83 | 3.74 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 1.60 | 2.10 |
| 57 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B12 | Ogbooro/Shaki rd | 8.70 | 3.52 | 2.30 | 1.50 | 2.00 | 2.10 |
| 58 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B13 | Saki/Ago Are | 8.62 | 3.41 | 3.80 | 1.00 | 1.80 | 2.00 |
| 59 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B14 | Ago Are | 8.48 | 3.42 | 3.77 | 1.00 | 2.23 | 2.57 |
| 60 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B15 | Ago Are/Okaka rd | 8.23 | 3.45 | 3.50 | 1.00 | 2.13 | 2.67 |
| 61 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B16 | Our/Okeiho rd | 8.18 | 3.41 | 1.40 | 1.00 | 1.90 | 2.60 |
| 62 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B17 | Okeiho | 8.03 | 3.34 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.90 | 2.00 |
| 63 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B19 | Iganna | 7.89 | 3.23 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.80 |
| 64 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B20 | Oye | 7.61 | 3.20 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 65 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B21 | Igboora | 7.46 | 3.27 | 3.40 | 2.30 | 1.10 | 1.80 |
| 66 | Derived savanna | Ogun | B22 | Odeda/Ibadan rd | 7.25 | 3.54 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 67 | Derived savanna | Ogun | B23 | Akintoye | 7.36 | 3.65 | 3.10 | 3.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 68 | Derived savanna | Ogun | B24 | Idi Aba Abeokuta | 7.14 | 3.40 | 2.20 | 3.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 69 | Derived savanna | Ogun | B25 | Abeokuta/Ajebo rd | 7.12 | 3.69 | 1.57 | 2.77 | 1.13 | 2.00 |
| 70 | Derived savanna | Ogun | B26 | Ipira Remo | 7.03 | 3.67 | 1.00 | 2.20 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 71 | Humid forest | Ogun | B27 | Ogere Remo | 6.94 | 3.62 | 1.00 | 2.97 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 72 | Derived savanna | Ogun | B28 | Abeokuta/Ayetoro rd | 7.18 | 3.27 | 1.70 | 2.63 | 1.73 | 2.33 |
| 73 | Derived savanna | Ogun | B29 | Olorunda | 7.24 | 3.13 | 4.07 | 3.27 | 1.93 | 2.00 |
| 74 | Derived savanna | Ogun | B30 | Abeokuta/Imeko rd | 7.43 | 2.95 | 2.20 | 3.10 | 2.10 | 2.50 |
| 75 | Derived savanna | Ogun | B31 | Idofa | 7.43 | 2.80 | 2.40 | 2.90 | 2.10 | 2.60 |
| 76 | Derived savanna | Ogun | B32 | Imeko/Idofa/Aworo | 7.28 | 2.79 | 3.53 | 3.30 | 1.03 | 1.83 |

Annex 2. Locations from which samples were collected and the severity score of various diseases.(contd)

| S/No | Ecozone | State | Site ID | Location | Lat (N) | Long (E) | CBB | CAD | CLB | BLS |
|------|-----------------|-------|---------|----------------------|---------|----------|------|------|------|------|
| 77 | Derived savanna | Ogun | B34 | Ilaro/Ota rd | 6.89 | 3.08 | 2.90 | 2.77 | 1.00 | 1.47 |
| 78 | Derived savanna | Ogun | B35 | Ota/Idi Iroko rd | 6.68 | 3.13 | 3.83 | 3.30 | 1.20 | 2.00 |
| 79 | Derived savanna | Ogun | B36 | Ajilete | 6.70 | 2.94 | 3.20 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 1.50 |
| 80 | Derived savanna | Ogun | B38 | Owode Ado Odo rd | 6.67 | 2.99 | 1.80 | 1.50 | 1.20 | 1.90 |
| 81 | Humid forest | Ogun | B40 | Ikorodu/Sagamu rd | 6.73 | 3.53 | 2.57 | 2.93 | 1.50 | 1.93 |
| 82 | Derived savanna | Ogun | B41 | Agoro Ijebu | 6.84 | 3.85 | 3.07 | 3.07 | 1.70 | 2.10 |
| 83 | Derived savanna | Oyo | B42 | Ijebu Ode Ibadan rd | 7.15 | 3.88 | 2.80 | 2.90 | 1.70 | 2.00 |
| 84 | Derived savanna | Osun | B43 | Ibadan/Ife rd | 7.36 | 4.15 | 3.50 | 3.10 | 1.70 | 2.50 |
| 85 | Derived savanna | Osun | B44 | Ife/Osogbo rd | 7.56 | 4.45 | 1.97 | 2.27 | 1.23 | 1.77 |
| 86 | Derived savanna | Osun | B45 | Osogbo | 7.79 | 4.50 | 3.37 | 3.30 | 1.83 | 2.03 |
| 87 | Derived savanna | Osun | B46 | Osogbo/Iwo rd | 7.68 | 4.29 | 1.87 | 2.03 | 1.73 | 2.00 |
| 88 | Derived savanna | Osun | B48 | Gbongo/Ede rd | 7.56 | 4.40 | 1.50 | 2.77 | 1.90 | 2.10 |
| 89 | Derived savanna | Osun | B49 | Gbongo/Ede/Osogbo rd | 7.75 | 4.52 | 3.37 | 3.73 | 1.13 | 2.00 |
| 90 | Derived savanna | Osun | B50 | Osogbo/Ikurun rd | 7.85 | 4.62 | 2.83 | 3.10 | 2.07 | 2.27 |
| 91 | Derived savanna | Osun | B51 | Ikurun/Ila rd | 7.96 | 4.80 | 1.70 | 3.00 | 2.00 | 2.20 |
| 92 | Derived savanna | Osun | B53 | Okuku | 8.00 | 4.66 | 1.60 | 2.50 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 94 | Derived savanna | Osun | B54 | Osogbo/Ilesha rd | 7.73 | 4.62 | 3.40 | 3.10 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 95 | Derived savanna | Osun | B55 | Ilesha | 7.62 | 4.80 | 3.00 | 2.80 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 96 | Derived savanna | Ekiti | B56 | Iperu/Igbara Odo rd | 7.50 | 4.85 | 3.00 | 2.93 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 97 | Derived savanna | Ekiti | B57 | Igbara Odo/Ilawe rd | 7.53 | 5.08 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 98 | Derived savanna | Ekiti | B58 | Ikere | 7.49 | 5.27 | 2.30 | 3.00 | 2.30 | 2.50 |
| 99 | Derived savanna | Ekiti | B59 | Ise/Agbado | 7.48 | 5.45 | 1.50 | 3.80 | 2.00 | 2.60 |
| 100 | Derived savanna | Ekiti | B60 | Agbado/Omuo | 7.65 | 5.60 | 1.00 | 1.40 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 101 | Derived savanna | Ekiti | B61 | Ilasa Ekiti | 7.81 | 5.65 | 1.00 | 2.70 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 102 | Derived savanna | Ekiti | B62 | Ikole/Iluomoba rd | 7.67 | 5.45 | 1.30 | 3.10 | 2.00 | 2.30 |

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| S/No | Ecozone | State | Site ID | Location | Lat (N) | Long (E) | CBB | CAD | CLB | BLS |
|------|-----------------|-------|---------|----------------------------|---------|----------|------|------|------|------|
| 103 | Derived savanna | Ekiti | B64 | Aramoko/Ijero rd | 7.73 | 5.05 | 1.20 | 2.90 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 104 | Derived savanna | Ekiti | B65 | Ilogbo | 7.85 | 5.14 | 1.40 | 3.30 | 1.90 | 2.00 |
| 105 | Derived savanna | Ekiti | B66 | Ifaki/Oye rd | 7.80 | 5.31 | 2.80 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 1.60 |
| 106 | Derived savanna | Ekiti | B67 | Iworoko/Ado rd | 7.70 | 5.26 | 1.00 | 2.60 | 2.00 | 1.00 |
| 107 | Derived savanna | Ekiti | B68 | Ikere | 7.46 | 5.23 | 3.40 | 3.00 | 1.80 | 2.00 |
| 108 | Derived savanna | Ondo | B69 | Akure/Ifon rd | 7.27 | 5.26 | 2.70 | 2.80 | 1.50 | 2.00 |
| 109 | Derived savanna | Ondo | B70 | Akure/Ifon rd km 28 | 7.26 | 5.47 | 2.30 | 3.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 110 | Derived savanna | Ondo | B71 | Akure/Ifon rd km 45 | 7.21 | 5.61 | 1.37 | 2.80 | 1.97 | 2.00 |
| 111 | Derived savanna | Ondo | B72 | Akure/Ifon rd km 58 | 7.11 | 5.66 | 1.33 | 2.43 | 1.67 | 1.97 |
| 112 | Humid forest | Ondo | B73 | Akure/Ifon rd km 84 | 6.91 | 5.78 | 1.00 | 2.03 | 1.53 | 1.70 |
| 113 | Derived savanna | Ondo | B74 | Owo/Ikare rd km 14 | 7.33 | 5.68 | 1.17 | 1.00 | 1.57 | 1.57 |
| 114 | Derived savanna | Ondo | B75 | Owo/Ikare rd km 37 | 7.50 | 5.75 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 115 | Derived savanna | Ondo | B76 | Akungba/Ido Ani rd km 13 | 7.45 | 5.83 | 1.00 | 2.93 | 2.07 | 2.00 |
| 116 | Derived savanna | Ondo | B77 | Isua/Ipele rd | 7.35 | 5.89 | 2.00 | 1.87 | 2.00 | 1.97 |
| 117 | Derived savanna | Ondo | B78 | Isua/Ipele rd km 37 | 7.18 | 5.77 | 2.50 | 2.73 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 118 | Humid forest | Ondo | B79 | Ipetu Jasha/Ondo rd km 25 | 7.27 | 4.85 | 1.00 | 1.67 | 1.93 | 1.80 |
| 119 | Derived savanna | Ondo | B80 | Ondo/Akure rd | 7.21 | 5.04 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 1.57 | 1.70 |
| 120 | Derived savanna | Ondo | B81 | Akure/Igbaraokc rd | 7.40 | 5.07 | 1.00 | 2.97 | 2.00 | 1.97 |
| 121 | Humid forest | Ondo | B82 | Ondo/Ore rd km 6 | 7.04 | 4.84 | 1.53 | 2.80 | 1.53 | 1.63 |
| 122 | Humid forest | Ondo | B83 | Ore/Aye/Okitipupa rd km 16 | 6.66 | 4.80 | 1.20 | 2.50 | 1.50 | 1.67 |
| 123 | Humid forest | Ondo | B84 | Ore/Aye/Okitipupa rd km 34 | 6.55 | 4.75 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 1.50 | 2.00 |
| 124 | Humid forest | Ondo | B85 | Okitipupa/Ilutun rd km 15 | 6.53 | 4.65 | 1.00 | 2.50 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 125 | Derived savanna | Ogun | B86 | Ore/Ijebu ode rd km 86 | 6.77 | 4.20 | 1.00 | 2.30 | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| 126 | No data | Lagos | B87 | Epe Magodo | 6.58 | 3.96 | 1.00 | 2.60 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 127 | No data | Lagos | B88 | Epe/Lagos rd km1 | 6.57 | 3.94 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |

Annex 2. Locations from which samples were collected and the severity score of various diseases.(contd)

| S/No | Ecozone | State | Site ID | Location | Lat (N) | Long (E) | CBB | CAD | CLB | BLS |
|------|-------------------------|-------|---------|--|---------|----------|------|------|------|------|
| 128 | No data | Lagos | B89 | Epe/Lagos rd km 17 | 6.49 | 3.86 | 1.00 | 2.50 | 1.70 | 2.00 |
| 129 | Humid forest | Lagos | B90 | Lagos/Badagry km 6 | 6.48 | 3.05 | 1.00 | 1.60 | 1.50 | 2.00 |
| 130 | Humid forest | Lagos | B91 | Lagos/Badagry km 28 | 6.43 | 2.88 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.40 | 2.00 |
| 131 | Humid forest | Lagos | B92 | Badagry/Iworo rd | 6.43 | 2.98 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 |
| 132 | Derived savanna | Kwara | N1 | Ilorin/Ajase km 8 | 8.41 | 4.63 | 2.93 | 2.57 | 2.10 | 2.43 |
| 133 | Derived savanna | Kwara | N2 | Ilorin/Ajase km 31 | 8.29 | 4.78 | 3.03 | 2.00 | 2.07 | 2.77 |
| 134 | Derived savanna | Kwara | N3 | Ilorin/Ajase km 53 | 8.23 | 4.95 | 2.37 | 2.43 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 135 | Derived savanna | Kwara | N4 | OmuAran/Eruku rd | 8.13 | 5.41 | 2.17 | 1.27 | 1.70 | 2.07 |
| 136 | Derived savanna | Kwara | N5 | Southern Guinea Savanna | 8.61 | 5.65 | 1.50 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 137 | Southern Guinea savanna | Kwara | | N6 Isanlu Esa/Pategi rd | 8.70 | 5.73 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 1.60 | 2.00 |
| 138 | Derived savanna | Kwara | N7 | Pategi | 8.76 | 5.60 | 1.50 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 |
| 139 | Derived savanna | Kwara | N8 | Ilorin/Share rd | 8.55 | 4.67 | 2.47 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 140 | Derived savanna | Kwara | N9 | Ilorin/Share rd km 32 | 8.68 | 4.88 | 1.53 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.03 |
| 141 | Derived savanna | Kwara | N11 | Ilorin/Igbeti rd, Oko Olowo | 8.54 | 4.48 | 2.30 | 1.00 | 1.97 | 2.00 |
| 142 | Derived savanna | Kwara | N12 | Ilorin/Igbeti rd km 18 | 8.64 | 4.37 | 1.90 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.03 |
| 143 | Southern Guinea savanna | Kwara | | N13 Kishi/Kaima rd, Aboki outskirts | 9.53 | 3.91 | 2.30 | 1.00 | 2.10 | 2.30 |
| 144 | No data | Niger | N14 | New Busa/Mokwa road Km5 | 9.85 | 4.55 | 1.80 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 145 | Derived savanna | Niger | N15 | New Busa/Mokwa road Km52 | 8.68 | 4.89 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 146 | Southern Guinea savanna | Niger | | N16 IITA field Mokwa | 9.35 | 5.02 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 1.53 | 2.00 |
| 147 | Southern Guinea savanna | Niger | | N17 Kusogi Mokwa/ kotagora rd | 9.51 | 5.28 | 2.17 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 148 | Southern Guinea savanna | Niger | | N18 Kaboji Mokwa/ Kontangora rd | 10.06 | 5.41 | 1.80 | 1.00 | 1.27 | 1.70 |

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| S/No | Ecozone | State | Site ID | Location | Lat (N) | Long (E) | CBB | CAD | CLB | BLS |
|------|-------------------------|---------|---------|--------------------------------|---------|----------|------|------|------|------|
| 149 | Southern Guinea savanna | Niger | N19 | Kontagora/Tegina rd Km22 | 10.30 | 5.64 | 3.13 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.37 |
| 150 | Southern Guinea savanna | Niger | N21 | Lambata/Suleja rd Km16 | 9.47 | 6.64 | 1.53 | 1.00 | 2.07 | 2.07 |
| 151 | Southern Guinea savanna | Niger | N22 | kwaka, Lambata/Suleja rd | 9.27 | 7.13 | 1.73 | 1.00 | 1.97 | 1.53 |
| 152 | Southern Guinea savanna | Kaduna | N23 | Dikko, Suleja/Kaduna rd | 9.36 | 7.29 | 3.07 | 1.00 | 1.33 | 1.70 |
| 153 | Southern Guinea savanna | Kaduna | N24 | Dikko/Kaduna rd Km 65 | 9.77 | 7.45 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 1.33 | 1.20 |
| 154 | Northern Guinea savanna | Kaduna | N25 | Dikko/Kaduna rd Km 117 | 10.21 | 7.34 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 155 | Northern Guinea savanna | Kaduna | N26 | Kaduna/Kachia rd Km 84 | 10.08 | 7.90 | 2.37 | 1.00 | 1.33 | 1.43 |
| 156 | Southern Guinea savanna | Kaduna | N27 | Kachia/Zonkwa rd Km 31 | 9.79 | 8.22 | 1.20 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 |
| 157 | Southern Guinea savanna | Kaduna | N28 | Zubina, Samaru kataf-Saminaka | 9.89 | 8.50 | 2.30 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.93 |
| 158 | Northern Guinea savanna | Kaduna | N29 | Saminaka/Pambegia rd Km 64 | 10.68 | 8.31 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 159 | Southern Guinea savanna | Niger | N30 | Lambata/Bida rd Km 4 | 9.26 | 6.99 | 2.40 | 1.00 | 1.97 | 2.67 |
| 160 | Southern Guinea savanna | Niger | N31 | Lambata/Bida rd Km 62 | 9.05 | 6.54 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 |
| 161 | Southern Guinea savanna | Niger | N32 | Lambata/Bida rd Km 105 | 9.05 | 6.16 | 1.77 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.33 |
| 162 | Sudan savanna | Kebbi | N33 | Birnin Yauri/Kebbi rd Km 27 | 10.98 | 4.77 | 2.13 | 1.00 | 1.67 | 2.00 |
| 163 | Sudan savanna | Kebbi | N34 | Birnin Yauri/Kebbi rd Km 136 | 11.85 | 4.41 | 3.10 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.70 |
| 164 | Sudan savanna | Kebbi | N35 | Birnin Kebbi/Argungu rd km 18 | 12.53 | 4.38 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 165 | Sudan savanna | Kebbi | N36 | Argungu/Sokoto rd km 36 | 12.72 | 4.63 | 3.60 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 166 | Sudan savanna | Sokoto | N37 | Sokoto/Gusau rd km 137 | 12.65 | 5.60 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 167 | Sudan savanna | Katsina | N38 | Katsina/Kano rd Km 17 | 12.82 | 7.69 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 168 | Sudan savanna | Kano | N39 | Katsina/Kano rd Km 142 | 12.12 | 8.40 | 3.50 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 169 | Sudan savanna | Kano | N40 | Kano Exprs/Tudun Wada rd Km 10 | 11.53 | 8.37 | 2.77 | 1.00 | 1.47 | 1.73 |
| 170 | Sudan savanna | Kano | N41 | IITA field Minjibri | 12.14 | 8.66 | 3.23 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 171 | Sudan savanna | Kano | N42 | Gezawa/Gumel rd Km 18 | 12.17 | 8.89 | 3.40 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 172 | Sudan savanna | Jigawa | N43 | Gezawa/Gumel rd Km 37 | 12.29 | 9.01 | 2.70 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 173 | Sudan savanna | Jigawa | N44 | Hadejia/Ringim/Kano rd Km 29 | 12.33 | 9.79 | 2.30 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |

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| S/No | Ecozone | State | Site ID | Location | Lar (N) | Long (E) | CBB | CAD | CLB | BLS |
|------|-----------------|--------|---------|-------------------------------|---------|----------|------|------|------|------|
| 174 | Sudan savanna | Jigawa | N45 | Hadejia/Ringim/Kano rd Km 60 | 12.33 | 9.52 | 3.50 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 175 | Sudan savanna | Jigawa | N46 | Hadejia/Ringim/Kano rd Km 112 | 12.12 | 9.27 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 176 | Sudan savanna | Kano | N47 | Hadejia/Ringim/Kano rd Km 132 | 12.10 | 8.92 | 3.07 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 177 | Derived savanna | Kogi | N48 | Ogaminana, Okenne/Kabba rd | 7.61 | 6.22 | 2.63 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| 178 | Derived savanna | Kogi | N49 | Odo-Ape Bunu, Kabba/Lokoja rd | 7.90 | 6.21 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 1.73 | 1.73 |
| 179 | Derived savanna | Kogi | N50 | Lokoja/Ajokuta rd km 7 | 7.81 | 6.74 | 1.67 | 1.00 | 1.53 | 1.60 |
| 180 | Derived savanna | Kogi | N51 | Ajokuta outskirts | 7.58 | 6.74 | 2.43 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 181 | Derived savanna | Kogi | N52 | Ajokuta/Ayingba rd km 51 | 7.41 | 6.93 | 1.37 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 182 | Derived savanna | Kogi | N53 | Akpagidigbo, Ejule/Idah rd | 7.33 | 7.00 | 1.60 | 2.50 | 2.10 | 2.10 |
| 183 | Derived savanna | Kogi | N54 | Anyigba/Anpka rd km 27 | 7.48 | 7.22 | 1.03 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 184 | Derived savanna | Kogi | N55 | Anyigba/Anpka rd km 39 | 7.45 | 7.48 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 185 | Derived savanna | Kogi | N56 | Emere/Markurdi rd km 8 | 7.44 | 7.69 | 1.00 | 2.80 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 186 | Derived savanna | Benue | N57 | Markudi/Nakal/Adoka rd | 7.59 | 8.23 | 1.73 | 1.00 | 2.07 | 1.53 |
| 187 | Derived savanna | Benue | N58 | Markudi/Nakal/Adoka rd | 7.50 | 8.08 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.50 |
| 188 | Derived savanna | Benue | N59 | Adoka/Orupko rd | 7.25 | 8.08 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 189 | Derived savanna | Benue | N60 | Orupko/Gboko rd km 11 | 7.25 | 8.25 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.37 |
| 190 | Derived savanna | Benue | N61 | Orupko/Gboko rd km 42 | 7.29 | 8.51 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 191 | Derived savanna | Benue | N62 | Orupko/Gboko rd km 75 | 7.30 | 8.80 | 1.47 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.53 |
| 192 | Derived savanna | Benue | N63 | Yandev/Katsina Ala rd km 3 | 7.35 | 9.07 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 193 | Derived savanna | Benue | N64 | Tyowane | 7.23 | 9.21 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.23 |
| 194 | Derived savanna | Benue | N65 | Gboko/Makurdi rd km 20 | 7.49 | 8.93 | 1.00 | 1.40 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 195 | Derived savanna | Benue | N66 | Katsina Ala/Wukari rd km 11 | 7.22 | 9.36 | 1.50 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 196 | Derived savanna | Benue | N67 | Katsina Ala/Wukari rd km 40 | 7.42 | 9.52 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 197 | Derived savanna | Taraba | N68 | Wukari/Jalingo rd km 26 | 7.85 | 9.96 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.33 |
| 198 | Derived savanna | Taraba | N69 | Wukari/Jalingo rd km 71 | 8.22 | 10.27 | 1.27 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.80 |
| 199 | Derived savanna | Taraba | N70 | Wukari/Jalingo rd km 91 | 8.31 | 10.41 | 2.90 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.20 |

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|------|-------------------------|----------|---------|-------------------------------|---------|----------|------|------|------|------|
| 200 | Southern Guinea savanna | Taraba | N71 | Jalingo/Mutum-biyu km 13 | 8.88 | 11.25 | 2.53 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 201 | Southern Guinea savanna | Taraba | N72 | Jalingo/Sunkani rd km 19 | 8.75 | 11.27 | 2.47 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 202 | Southern Guinea savanna | Taraba | N73 | Jalingo/Zing/Yola km 51 | 9.00 | 11.68 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 203 | Southern Guinea savanna | Adamawa | N74 | Jalingo/Zing/Yola km 93 | 8.99 | 12.01 | 2.13 | 1.00 | 1.93 | 1.87 |
| 204 | Southern Guinea savanna | Adamawa | N75 | Yola/Gumbi/Munbi rd km 43 | 9.58 | 12.56 | 3.23 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 205 | Mid-Altitude | Adamawa | N76 | Yola/Gumbi/Munbi rd km 151 | 10.26 | 13.04 | 1.87 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 |
| 206 | Sudan savanna | Borno | N77 | Bama/Maiduguri rd km 25 | 11.65 | 13.47 | 3.07 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 207 | Sahel savanna | Yobe | N78 | Nguru outskirts | 12.84 | 10.38 | 2.57 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 208 | Derived savanna | Fct | N79 | Wako, Abaji/Suleja rd | 8.59 | 6.91 | 2.87 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 209 | Derived savanna | Fct | N80 | Abaji/Suleja rd km 42 | 8.81 | 7.03 | 2.60 | 1.00 | 1.03 | 1.00 |
| 210 | Southern Guinea savanna | Fct | N81 | Abaji/Suleja rd km 77 | 9.06 | 7.20 | 2.60 | 1.00 | 1.47 | 1.40 |
| 211 | Derived savanna | Nasarawa | N82 | Asokoro/Keffi/Lafia rd km 22 | 8.96 | 7.67 | 2.40 | 1.00 | 1.30 | 1.67 |
| 212 | Derived savanna | Nasarawa | N83 | Asokoro/Keffi/Lafia rd km 56 | 8.84 | 7.93 | 2.40 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.73 |
| 213 | Derived savanna | Nasarawa | N84 | Asokoro/Keffi/Lafia rd km 100 | 8.91 | 8.28 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 214 | Derived savanna | Nasarawa | N85 | Akwanga/Lafia rd 35 | 8.67 | 8.56 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 215 | Derived savanna | Nasarawa | N86 | Lafia/Markudi rd km 12 | 8.38 | 8.56 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 216 | Derived savanna | Nasarawa | N87 | Lafia/Markudi rd km 40 | 8.15 | 8.59 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 217 | Derived savanna | Nasarawa | N88 | Lafia/Shendam/Jos rd km 5 | 8.53 | 8.58 | 1.80 | 1.00 | 1.73 | 2.00 |
| 218 | Derived savanna | Nasarawa | N89 | Lafia/Shendam/Jos rd km 34 | 8.58 | 8.81 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.80 | 1.97 |
| 219 | Derived savanna | Plateau | N90 | Lafia/Shendam/Jos rd km 63 | 8.68 | 9.04 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 220 | Derived savanna | Plateau | N91 | Lafia/Shendam/Jos rd km 100 | 8.78 | 9.30 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 221 | Derived savanna | Plateau | N92 | Lafia/Shendam/Jos rd km 149 | 8.83 | 9.67 | 2.40 | 1.00 | 1.33 | 1.27 |
| 222 | Derived savanna | Plateau | N93 | Lafia/Shendam/Jos rd km 193 | 9.11 | 9.81 | 1.60 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.93 |
| 223 | Northern Guinea savanna | Bauchi | N94 | Bauchi/Gombe rd km 59 | 10.28 | 10.37 | 2.50 | 1.00 | 1.63 | 1.70 |
| 224 | Northern Guinea savanna | Gombe | N95 | Bauchi/Gombe rd km 124 | 10.31 | 10.92 | 3.03 | 1.00 | 1.03 | 1.00 |

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|------|-------------------------|--------|---------|------------------------------|---------|----------|------|------|------|------|
| 225 | Southern Guinea savanna | Gombe | N96 | Gombe/Kaltungo rd km 23 | 10.10 | 11.12 | 1.23 | 1.00 | 1.20 | 1.10 |
| 226 | Northern Guinea savanna | Gombe | N97 | Gombe/Portiskum rd | 10.41 | 11.19 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.53 | 1.00 |
| 227 | Northern Guinea savanna | Gombe | N98 | Gombe/Portiskum rd | 10.61 | 11.38 | 2.80 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 228 | Northern Guinea savanna | Gombe | N99 | Gombe/Dukku/Darazo rd km 21 | 10.48 | 11.09 | 3.13 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 229 | Sudan savanna | Gombe | N100 | Gombe/Dukku/Darazo rd km 81 | 10.82 | 10.70 | 2.73 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 230 | Northern Guinea savanna | Bauchi | N101 | Gombe/Dukku/Darazo rd km 115 | 10.94 | 10.45 | 2.60 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 231 | Northern Guinea savanna | Bauchi | N102 | Darazo/Bauchi rd km 8 | 10.91 | 10.39 | 1.43 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 232 | Humid forest | Edo | D1 | Benin bypass km 2 | 6.46 | 5.62 | 2.30 | 2.53 | 1.67 | 1.67 |
| 233 | Humid forest | Edo | D2 | Benin bypass km 39 | 6.31 | 5.87 | 1.50 | 3.00 | 2.00 | 1.70 |
| 234 | Humid forest | Delta | D3 | Agbor outskirts | 6.27 | 6.22 | 1.90 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 235 | Humid forest | Delta | D4 | Agbor Asaba rd | 6.29 | 6.49 | 1.90 | 2.80 | 1.90 | 1.90 |
| 236 | Humid forest | Delta | D5 | Agbor/Uromi rd km 5 | 6.30 | 6.21 | 1.00 | 1.90 | 1.90 | 2.00 |
| 237 | Humid forest | Edo | D6 | Agbor/Uromi rd km 35 | 6.52 | 6.22 | 1.00 | 2.80 | 1.90 | 2.00 |
| 238 | Derived savanna | Edo | D7 | IITA field, Ubiaja | 6.67 | 6.35 | 1.50 | 2.10 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 239 | Derived savanna | Edo | D8 | Epkoma/Auchi rd km 7 | 6.85 | 6.25 | 1.30 | 1.60 | 1.70 | 2.00 |
| 240 | Derived savanna | Edo | D9 | Auchi/Agenebode rd km 5 | 7.02 | 6.33 | 1.30 | 1.50 | 1.80 | 2.00 |
| 241 | Derived savanna | Edo | D10 | Leventis farm Agenebode | 7.04 | 6.57 | 1.30 | 1.60 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 242 | Derived savanna | Edo | D11 | Auchi/Igara/Ibilo rd km 8 | 7.11 | 6.22 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 243 | Derived savanna | Edo | D12 | Auchi/Igara/Ibilo rd km 36 | 7.31 | 6.09 | 1.30 | 2.90 | 2.00 | 2.10 |
| 244 | Derived savanna | Edo | D13 | Auchi/Igara/Ibilo rd km 52 | 7.45 | 6.05 | 1.70 | 1.80 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 245 | Derived savanna | Edo | D14 | Auchi/Afunze rd km 12 | 7.00 | 6.10 | 1.10 | 2.00 | 1.90 | 1.60 |
| 246 | Humid forest | Edo | D15 | Sabongida/Epkoma rd km 11 | 6.82 | 5.98 | 1.30 | 2.60 | 1.80 | 2.00 |
| 247 | Humid Forest | Edo | D16 | Irupeken, Irupeken/Benin rd | 6.73 | 6.04 | 1.40 | 1.00 | 1.80 | 1.80 |
| 248 | Humid Forest | Edo | D17 | Irupeken/Benin rd km 40 | 6.49 | 5.84 | 1.40 | 2.70 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 249 | Humid Forest | Edo | D18 | Benin/Sapkonba rd km 22 | 6.19 | 5.80 | 1.70 | 2.80 | 2.00 | 2.00 |

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|------|-----------------|-------------|---------|------------------------------|---------|----------|------|------|------|------|
| 250 | Humid Forest | Edo | D19 | Benin/Sapkonba rd km 53 | 6.06 | 6.01 | 1.00 | 2.40 | 2.00 | 1.00 |
| 251 | Humid Forest | Delta | D20 | Obiaruku outskirts | 5.83 | 6.16 | 1.90 | 1.80 | 1.90 | 1.90 |
| 252 | Humid Forest | Delta | D21 | Obiaruku/Amal/Kwale rd km 35 | 5.72 | 6.39 | 1.00 | 2.60 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 253 | Humid Forest | Delta | D22 | Kwale/Ogwashi rd km 47 | 6.12 | 6.53 | 2.70 | 2.90 | 1.70 | 1.70 |
| 254 | Humid Forest | Delta | D23 | Kwale/Ughelli rd km 19 | 5.63 | 6.31 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 |
| 255 | Humid Forest | Delta | D24 | IITA field, Agbaho | 5.57 | 5.88 | 1.80 | 2.50 | 1.80 | 1.90 |
| 256 | Humid Forest | Delta | D25 | Ughelli/PH rd km 8 | 5.42 | 6.04 | 1.00 | 2.10 | 2.00 | 1.00 |
| 257 | Humid Forest | Rivers | D26 | PH/Ogoni/Bori rd km 9 | 4.73 | 7.23 | 1.00 | 2.40 | 2.00 | 1.00 |
| 258 | Humid Forest | Rivers | D27 | PH/Ogoni/Bori rd km 32 | 4.52 | 7.42 | 1.00 | 2.50 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 259 | Humid Forest | Akwa Ibom | D28 | PH/Ogoni/Bori rd km 60 | 4.68 | 7.60 | 2.50 | 2.50 | 2.00 | 1.40 |
| 260 | Humid Forest | Akwa Ibom | D29 | Ikot Enin outskirts | 4.63 | 7.81 | 1.80 | 3.00 | 2.00 | 1.70 |
| 261 | Humid Forest | Akwa Ibom | D30 | Eket/Oron rd km 19 | 4.73 | 8.08 | 1.60 | 3.00 | 2.00 | 2.20 |
| 262 | No data | Akwa Ibom | D31 | Oron/Uyo rd km 14 | 4.86 | 8.11 | 1.40 | 3.10 | 1.90 | 2.00 |
| 263 | Humid Forest | Akwa Ibom | D32 | Oron/Uyo rd km 35 | 4.98 | 7.98 | 1.30 | 3.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 264 | Humid Forest | Cross River | D33 | Calabar/Ikom/Ogoja rd km 38 | 5.41 | 8.20 | 1.20 | 2.30 | 1.90 | 1.80 |
| 265 | Humid Forest | Cross River | D34 | Calabar/Ikom/Ogoja rd km 68 | 5.61 | 8.11 | 1.80 | 2.70 | 2.00 | 2.50 |
| 266 | Humid Forest | Cross River | D35 | Calabar/Ikom/Ogoja rd km 98 | 5.84 | 8.10 | 1.70 | 3.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 267 | Humid Forest | Cross River | D36 | Ofodua | 5.98 | 8.26 | 1.00 | 1.80 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 268 | Humid Forest | Cross River | D37 | Calabar/Ikom/Ogoja rd km 154 | 5.93 | 8.46 | 1.00 | 2.10 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 269 | Humid Forest | Cross River | D38 | Calabar/Ikom/Ogoja rd km 185 | 5.95 | 8.72 | 1.60 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 270 | Derived Savanna | Cross River | D39 | Ikom/Ogoja rd km 38 | 6.28 | 8.66 | 1.00 | 2.60 | 2.00 | 1.70 |
| 271 | Derived Savanna | Cross River | D40 | Ikom/Ogoja rd km 66 | 6.50 | 8.74 | 1.00 | 2.50 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 272 | Humid Forest | Cross River | D41 | Ikom/Ajasso rd km 21 | 5.82 | 8.84 | 2.10 | 2.40 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 273 | Humid Forest | Cross River | D42 | Calabar/Ikot Epkene rd km 21 | 5.18 | 8.19 | 1.60 | 1.70 | 2.00 | 1.00 |

Annex 2. Locations from which samples were collected and the severity score of various diseases.(contd)

| S/No | Ecozone | State | Site ID | Location | Lat(N) | Long (E) | CBB | CAD | CLB | BLS |
|------|--------------|-----------|---------|-----------------------|--------|----------|------|------|------|------|
| 274 | Humid Forest | Akwa Ibom | D43 | Ikor Akam | 4.80 | 7.73 | 1.50 | 2.60 | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| 275 | Humid Forest | Rivers | D44 | PH/Ibiama rd km 10 | 4.93 | 6.81 | 1.40 | 1.70 | 2.00 | 1.00 |
| 276 | Humid Forest | Rivers | D45 | PH/Ibiama rd km 46 | 5.06 | 6.59 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 2.00 | 1.40 |
| 277 | Humid Forest | Delta | D46 | Warri/Sapele rd km 27 | 5.81 | 5.73 | 1.10 | 2.10 | 2.00 | 1.60 |

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Integrated Cassava Project (ICP)

Promoting the Cassava Industry

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