

## UK pest status report for *Epitrix papa*

Field	Detail
<b>Pest species name</b>	<i>Epitrix papa</i> Orlova-Bienkowskaja, 2015
<b>Pest taxon (order, family)</b>	Insecta: Coleoptera: Chrysomelidae
<b>Synonyms</b>	None
<b>Pest common name</b>	No common name
<b>Regulatory status</b>	Great Britain: Regulated quarantine pest Northern Ireland: Regulated by emergency measures
<b>Pest status in UK (as per ISPM 8<sup>1</sup>)</b>	Absent: pest not recorded
<b>Global distribution</b>	Portugal (inc. Azores and Madeira); Spain.
<b>Main hosts</b>	<i>Solanum tuberosum</i> (potato) (Solanaceae). Will also feed on other solanaceous crops including <i>Solanum lycopersicum</i> (tomato) and <i>Solanum melogena</i> (aubergine).
<b>Likelihood for establishment in UK</b>	Highly likely. Suitable hosts are widely grown.
<b>Website(s)</b>	<a href="https://gd.eppo.int/taxon/EPIXPP/categorization">https://gd.eppo.int/taxon/EPIXPP/categorization</a> <a href="https://planthealthportal.defra.gov.uk/pests-and-diseases/uk-plant-health-risk-register/viewPestRisks.cfm?cslref=27402">https://planthealthportal.defra.gov.uk/pests-and-diseases/uk-plant-health-risk-register/viewPestRisks.cfm?cslref=27402</a>

### References

**Orlova-Bienkowskaja, M. J. (2015).** *Epitrix papa* sp. n. (Coleoptera: Chrysomelidae: Galerucinae: Alticini), previously misidentified as *Epitrix similis*, is a threat to potato production in Europe. *Eur. J. Entomol.* 112(4): 824–830.

<sup>1</sup> International Standard for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM) 8 Determination of pest status in an area: <https://www.fao.org/3/x2968e/x2968e.pdf>