## Explanation of plates

- Plate I. Symtoms of seedlings, flag leaf sheaths and panicles of rice plants.
  - 1: Seedling rot under field conditions.
  - 2: Seedling rot occurrence after injecting inoculation.
  - 3: Dark green water-soaked lesion on a flag leaf sheath.
  - 4: Lesions on flag leaf sheaths and panicles inoculated at booting stage.
- Plate II. Symptoms, and cell morphology of the causal bacterium.
  - 1: Non emerged panicle, and lesions on flag leaf sheaths and flag leaf.
  - 2: Symptoms on panicle; healthy(left), diseased(right).
  - 3: Brown necrosis lesions on raches; diseased(left), healthy(right).
  - 4: Rod with round ends and polar flagella of Pseudomonas fuscovaginae 6801 isolate.

## Plate III. Ouchterlony gel-diffusion reactions.

- 1: Reaction of *Pseudomonas fuscovaginae* antiserum to whole antigen.

  Center well contains antiserum prepared against *P. fuscovaginae* whole antigen 6801. Outer wells contain heavy bacterial cell suspesions of *P. fuscovaginae* 6801, 7102 7103, 7105, 7107 and 7111 isolates respectively.
- 2: Reaction of *P. fuscovaginae* antiserum to antigen heated 100°C 1 hour. Center well contains *P. fuscovaginae* antiserum. Outer wells contain the heated heavy bacterial cell suspensions as in plate 1.
- 3: Reaction of *P. fuscovaginae* antiserum to the heated antigen of *Pseudomonas* spp. Center well contains *P. fuscovaginae* antiserum. Outer wells contain heated heavy bacterial cell suspensions of *P. fuscovaginae* 6801, 7102, 7103, *P. fluorescens* IAM 12022, *P.marginalis* IFO 3925, FN 31, isolates respectively.
- 4: Reaction of *P. oryzicola* antiserum to the heated antigen of *Pseudomonas* spp. Center well contains antiserum prepared against *P. oryzicola* A309 antigen heated 100°C-1 hour. Outer wells contain heavy bacterial cell suspensions of *P. avenae* P38, *P. fuscovaginae* 6801, 7111, *P. syringae* pv. *syringae* AZ 25, 96, *P. oryzicola* A 309 isolates respectively.
- Plate IV. Morphology and plaques of three strains of Pseudomonas fuscovaginae bacteriophage.
  - I: (a) Electron micrograph of FP1(P1) phage particles showing polyhedral head with a contractile tail stained with 2% phosphotungstic acid (PTA).
    - (b) High magnification of plate(a).
  - 2: FP2(P33) phage particles showing polyhedral head with a noncontractile tail.
  - 3: High magnification of plate 2.
  - 4: FP3(P51) phage particles showing polyhedral head with a contractile tail.
  - 5: Plaques developed by phage FP1(P1) after 20 hours incubation at 25°C with P. fuscovaginae 7601 on 2.5 ml of top agar consisting of 1.0 % polypeptone, 0.5 % NaCl and 0.5 % agar.

- 6: Plaques of phage FP2 (P33) with P. fuscovaginae 7633 under the same cnditions as in plate 5.
- 7: Plaques of phage FP3 (P51) with *P. fuscovaginae* 101 under the same conditions as in plate 5. Scale marks represent 100 nm
- Plate V. Transverse sections of flag leaf sheath tissues inoculated by spraying bacterial suspension at the booting stage of rice variety Yukara.
  - 1: Bacterial multiplication on the epidermis of the adaxial side of the leaf sheath.
  - 2: Magnification of bacterial multiplication in plate 1.
  - 3: Bacterial multiplication on the subsidiary cell(SC) of stoma on the adaxial epidermis.
  - 4: Bacterial entry through the front cavity (FC) and hinter cavity (HC) into respiratory cavity (RC) at the stoma on the adaxial epidermis.
- Plate VI. Longitudinal sections of the adaxial epidermis of the flag leaf sheath inoculated at the booting stage.
  - 1: Section showing opened stoma.
  - 2, 3: Bacterial multiplication on the stomata and in the intercellular space of parenchyma.
  - 4: Bacterial multiplication on the adaxial epidermis, in the stomatal cavity and the intercellular space of parenchyma.
  - 5, 6: Bacterial multiplication in the intercellular space of parenchyma beneath the stoma.
- **Plate VII.** Transverse sections of flag leaf sheaths and panicles showing water-soaked lesions at the booting stage of rice plants infected under field conditions.
  - 1: Bacterial multiplication in the lysigenous aerenchyma of the sheath.
  - 2: High magnification of plate 1.
  - 3: Bacterial mass in the lysigeneous aerenchyma, and transverse vascular bundle of the sheath.
  - 4: Section showing no bacteria in longitudinal vascular bundles of the sheath.
  - 5: Bacterial mass in the locking parts at the palea and lemma of unhulled rice.
  - 6: Bacterial mass on hollow parts of outer epidermis of unhulled rice.

Plate I.



