

## **ACERIA TOSICHELLA KEIFER (ACARI: ERIOPHYIDAE) FROM WHEAT STREAK MOSAIC VIRUS-INFECTED WHEAT PLANTS IN ARGENTINA**

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**ABSTRACT** - The wheat curl mite, *Aceria tosichella* Keifer (Acari: Eriophyidae), is reported for the first time in South America from Argentina. *Aceria tosichella* specimens were collected from Wheat Streak Mosaic Virus-infected wheat plants from Buenos Aires Province. The risk of dissemination of this eriophyid mite into unaffected neighboring countries of South America and need to adopt quarantine measures to avoid its dissemination are discussed.

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