

teins (67), and from a study of interaction between cucumber mosaic viruses and their pseudorecombinants showing that the ability to crossprotect mapped on RNA-1 and RNA-2, which do not code for the viral CP (68).

Finally, it should be noted that, although the evidence for a central role of CP in crop protection is very strong, the mechanism need not be confined solely to inhibition of virus uncoating. There is, for example, evidence that CP may interfere with replicase activity (69), and CP in whole virus-protected or transgenic plants may also interfere with systemic transport of the challenging virus (64,70) (see Chapters 52 and 53).

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