EPPO Alert List: Added in 1999 – Deleted in 2002

Reasons for deletion
Fungal oak disease has been included in EPPO Alert List for more than 3 years and during this period no particular international action was requested by the EPPO member countries. In 2002, it was therefore considered that sufficient alert has been given and the pest was deleted from the Alert List.

Fungal oak disease in Japan
Why This 'disease' came to our attention as high mortality of Quercus has been reported in Japan.
Where Japan.
On which plants Q. acutissima (= Q. serrata) and Q. crispula.
Damage Mortality during summer months. Prior to wilting, massive attacks by Platypus quercivorus and xylem discoloration are observed. An unidentified fungus has been detected on the beetle and also in wilting oak xylem. Healthy oaks were killed when inoculated with this unknown fungus.
Possible identity Unknown fungus.
Pathway Unknown (plants for planting? wood?).
Possible risks Oaks are important forest and amenity trees in the EPPO region. Data is lacking on the etiology of this disease (as it appears that several factors may be included, climatic factors, insects, fungus).