*P. ramorum* symptoms on *kalmia* (mountain laurel)

*Kalmia* (mountain laurel) is native to eastern N. America and horticultural cultivars are also widely grown in nurseries. *Kalmia* is highly susceptible to *P. ramorum* and should be observed carefully for symptoms of infection. *P. ramorum* causes irregular-shaped lesions on *Kalmia*, often associated with the midrib.
These leaf spots on Kalmia were caused by another Phytophthora species (*P. syringae*) but the symptoms are similar to those caused by *P. ramorum*. Any *Kalmia* leaves with this symptom should be tested for *P. ramorum*. 

*Kalmia latifolia* (mountain laurel)
Leaf spots on kalmia can be caused by many fungi. These symptoms are not caused by *P. ramorum*, but they may look similar. Leaves that look like this should be submitted for sampling, especially if they are adjacent to a host plant that was purchased within the last 2 years.