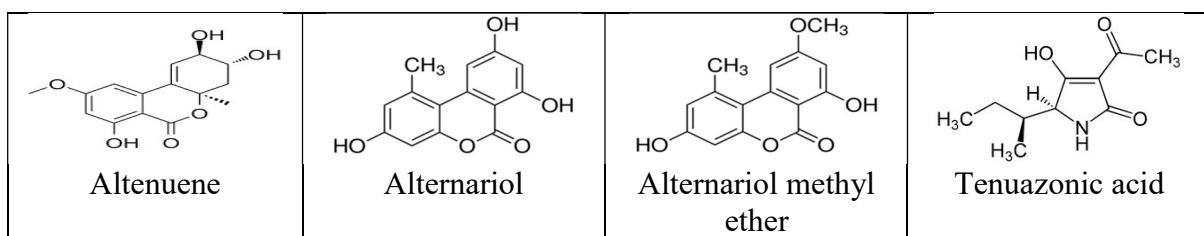


**Figure S1.** The most common *Alternaria* toxins.



**Figure S2.** Tomato infected with *Alternaria*.



**Table S1.** Total counts, (calculated per (3x4) x 20 pieces), number of cases of isolation (NCI, out of 20), occurrence remarks (OR) and the relative importance value (RIV) of fungal genera and species isolated from tomato fruits.

Genera & Species	TC %	NCI&OR		RIV
		NCI	OR	
<i>Alternaria</i>	251	59.9	20 H	169.9
<i>A.alternata</i>	74	20.6	7 M	55.6
<i>A.brasicicola</i>	24	6.7	3 L	21.7
<i>A.citri</i>	72	20.1	6 M	50
<i>A.radicina</i>	49	13.6	6 M	43.6
<i>A.tenussima</i>	32	8.9	3 L	23.9
<i>Aspergillus</i>	17	4.7	3 L	19.7
<i>A.fumigatus</i>	1	0.3	1 R	5.3
<i>A.niger</i>	16	4.5	3 L	19.5
<i>Cladosporium cladosporioides</i>	32	8.9	4 L	28.9
<i>Cochliobolus</i>	24	6.7	7 L	41.7
<i>C.lunatus</i>	14	3.9	4 L	23.9
<i>C.spicifer</i>	10	2.8	4 L	22.8
<i>Rhizopus stolonifer</i>	1	0.3	1 R	5.3
<i>Setosphaeria rostrata</i>	10	2.8	4 L	22.8
Sterile mycelia (dark & white color)	4	1.1	2 L	11.1
<i>Ulocladium alternariae</i>	20	5.6	4 L	25.6
Gross total count	359			
Number of genera	7			
Number of species	13			

Occurrence remarks: OR (out of 20 samples) H=high occurrence from 10-20 cases, M= moderate occurrence from 5 – 9 cases, L = low occurrence from 2 – 4 cases and R = rare occurrence 1 case.