

**BACILLUS THURINGIENSIS BERLINER AND SABADILLA
AS BIOLOGICAL AGENTS AGAINST
SPINY AND PINK BOLLWORMS**

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ABSTRACT

Laboratory studies were conducted to evaluate the toxicity , joint action and cytological effects of the biological agents B.T. Delfin & Dipel and Sabadilla against the spiny and pink bollworms.

The results indicated that Delfin and Dipel were more effective against the spiny bollworm than the pink bollworm. The LC_{50} values were higher on the 1st instar larvae of both insects by the film residue method when compared with those calculated from the dipping method against the 4th instar ones. Besides, Sabadilla was more effective on the spiny bollworm than the pink bollworm. It was also more effective on the 1st instar larvae by film residue method than on the 4th instar ones by dipping method.

It was noticed that the addition of Sabadilla to both pathogen agents enhanced the efficiency after 72 hrs of treatment and showed a remarkable potentiation effect in controlling these pests.

Moreover, the pathogen agents or/and Sabadilla induced several types of chromosomal aberrations.

while Delfin produced the highest percentage of abnormal male gonad cells. Sabadilla was the lowest in producing the abnormalities.

INTRODUCTION

Cotton, one of the world most economic crops, is of particular importance to many countries. The spiny bollworm, Earias insulana (Boisd.) (Noctuidae) and the pink bollworm, Pectinophora gossypiella (Saund.) (Gelechiidae) are considered the most injurious cotton pests. The economic loss occurs as a result of infestation with both pests which reduce the yield, and give low fiber quality (Willcocks, 1961).

The present study was directed to explore a new function of Sabadilla, which is a medicated type of veterinary approach to emphasize its role against harmful cotton pests and Bacillus thuringiensis was also tested. The aim of the investigation was to evaluate both biological agents as new tools from toxicity index point of view and to study their joint action against the above insect pests. The cytological effects occurring in the larval gonads of both spiny and pink bollworms were also investigated.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

A. Biological agents:

- 1- Delfin[®] (D.F.):
 - Active ingredient:
Bacillus thuringiensis Berliner,
var. Kurstaki. 53×10^3 SU/Kg of product.
- 2- Dipel[®] (W.P.):
 - Active ingredient:
Bacillus thuringiensis Berliner.
 16×10^3 IU per mg.

B. Sabadilla (greyish-white powder):

Mixture of ground Sabadilla seeds and vermiculite (SV).

Sabadilla comes from seeds of Schoenocaulon officinale (Lindl.). A Gray, Liliaceae, grown in U.S.A., Mexico, Costa-Rica, El-Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Peru and Venezuela. The toxicity of Sabadilla seed is probably associated with a complex mixture alkaloids having the group name of veratrine, which is composed of several alkaloids known as cevadine and sabadine. The alkaloids are found principally in the endosperm, embryo and coat of the seed (Kriger, 1946).

Active ingredient:

Veratrine (ceveratrum) alkaloids mixtures:

Ceveratrum alkaloids	Formula	Unclassified alkaloids	Formula
<u>Alkalines of known structure:</u>		<u>Miscellaneous alkaloids</u>	
Veracevine (Protocevaine)	$C_{27}H_{43}O_8N$	Sabine (Neosabadine)	$C_{27}H_{41}O_7N$
Cevine	$C_{27}H_{43}O_8N$	Hydroalkamine-S	$C_{27}H_{45}O_8N$
Cevagenine	$C_{27}H_{43}O_8N$	Sabadine (Sabatine)	$C_{29}H_{47}O_8N$
<u>Esters of veracevine alkaloids.</u>		Veragenine	$C_{31}H_{53}O_{13}N$
Cevacine	$C_{29}H_{45}O_9N$		
Cevadine	$C_{32}H_{49}O_9N$		
Vanilloylcevaine	$C_{35}H_{49}O_{11}N$		
Veratridine	$C_{36}H_{51}O_{11}N$		
<u>Other alkaloids of known structure.</u>			
Dehydrocevagenine	$C_{27}H_{41}O_8N$		
Cevinilic acid β -lactone.	$C_{27}H_{41}O_8N$		

(C.F. Kurchan et al., 1961).

C. Rearing of the spiny bollworm Earias insulana (Boisd.) and the pink bollworm Pectinophora gossypiella (Saund.) for bioassay tests:

The larvae and pupae of the spiny bollworm Earias insulana (Boisd.) were obtained from infested green cotton bolls and okra pods which had been collected from cotton and okra plantations in Beheira Governorate during the growing season of 1991. The pink bollworm Pectinophora gossypiella (Saund.) was a susceptible laboratory strain culture without being exposed to pesticides since 1977.

The two insect species larvae were reared in the laboratory on okra pods as described by Masoud (1984). The two colonies were reared at the highthermic condition of $26 \pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$ and $65 \pm 5\%$ R.H. The moths were sexed and transferred to jars (1 L. vol.) covered with muslin with hanged strips (black for pink bollworm and white for spiny bollworm) for mating and oviposition and supplied with a piece of cotton soaked with 10% sugar solution.

The muslin covers and strips which have singly deposited eggs were transferred to glass jars (1 L. each) covered with a polyethylene sheet. The hatched larvae were transferred on okra slices and kept under the previous conditions.

D. Treatment of bollworms larvae in the laboratory:

Progressive dilutions of each of Delfin, Dipel and Sabadilla were individually prepared in distilled water. All preparations were based on the active ingredient (W/V) and expressed as Spodoptera Units (SU) or International Units (IU) or (PPM) depending on the used compound. Each prepared dilution of Sabadilla contained

also 0.5% sugar.

Dilutions of various concentrations were tested using both methods of application, dipping and film residue, against the 1st and 4th larval instars.

The mixtures of Delfin or Dipel with Sabadilla against the 4th instar larvae of E. insulana (Boisd.) or P. gossypiella (Saund.), were prepared at the proportional rates of the calculated LC₂₅ values from the dipping bioassay method. These mixtures were tested using the dipping bioassay method against the 4th larval instar of each insect species.

Bioassay Procedure:

1- Dipping method:

Okra pods were dipped for 15 seconds in the prepared dilutions of each tested Delfin, Dipel and Sabadilla. After dryness, ten 4th instar larvae of each of the spiny or pink bollworms were allowed to feed on the treated pods for 24 hrs in case of Sabadilla and 48 hrs in case of Dipel & Delfin. Then they were supplied with fresh untreated okra pods. Each concentration representing a treatment was replicated four times, for each tested insect, besides the control.

2- Film residue method:

Different concentrations of Delfin, Dipel and Sabadilla were prepared in distilled water. Two ml of each prepared concentration were distributed inside a petri-dish (15 cm in diameter) and left for complete dryness. Ten 1st instar larvae of the spiny or pink bollworms were introduced in each treated petri-dish. Each concentration was replicated four times for each insect. After one hour from initiating the test,

four okra pods were offered for larval feeding. For the control, four petri-dish replicates were used with only distilled water. This treatment was doubled at the same time to avoid the mechanical death during the inspection of mortality after 24 & 48 hrs for Sabadilla treatment or 72 & 96 hrs for Delfin or Dipel treatments.

Mortality counts were carried out thoroughly and recorded only after 72 & 96 hrs and 24 & 48 hrs post-treatment for the two biological pesticides and Sabadilla, respectively. The mortality data were subjected to probit analysis by the method of Litchfield and Wilcoxon (1948) after the correction by Abbott's formula (Abbott, 1925). For the direct comparison of used pesticides, the toxicity index devoted by Sun (1950) was employed. For evaluation of combinations, the values of co-toxicity coefficient were calculated according to Mansour et al. (1966).

E. Cytological studies:

For studying the cytological effects, the dilutions of separately tested biological pesticides and Sabadilla were prepared in distilled water at the rate of their calculated LC_{50} values after 96 and 48 hrs, respectively. The okra pods were dipped for 15 seconds in each of the prepared dilutions. After dryness of the okra pods, two replicates of 25 4th instar larvae of each of the spiny or pink bollworms were fed on the treated okra pods for 48 hrs and 24 hrs for Delfin & Dipel and Sabadilla, respectively. After 72 and 48 hrs post-treatment, the healthy alive larvae treated with Delfin & Dipel and Sabadilla were collected for the cytological studies. These studies were carried as follows:

- 1-Preparations from the gonads of the full-grown male larvae (4th instar).
- 2-According to North et al. (1981) and Shalabi et al. (1983), squash technique on the testes by using 2% aceto-orcein stain solution was

used to study the meiotic chromosomes of Earias insulana and Pectinophora gossypiella.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

A. Toxicity index of Sabadilla and B.T. (Delfin and Dipel) on the spiny and pink bollworms:

1. Biological agents:

a) Against 4th larval instar:

Delfin and Dipel as two selective microbial pesticide formulations of Bacillus thuringiensis (B.T.) were studied against the 4th instar larvae of Earias insulana (Boisd.) and Pectinophora gossypiella (Saund.) by using the dipping method.

In general, for the evaluated two formulations of Bacillus thuringiensis, the data in Table (1) show that Delfin achieved superior toxic effect than Dipel on the tested larvae of both insects. The LC_{50} values of Delfin were 38×10^3 SU against the spiny bollworm and 42×10^3 & 39×10^3 SU against the pink bollworm after 72 & 96 hrs of treatment, successively. The LC_{50} values of Dipel were 51×10^3 & 45×10^3 and 64×10^3 & 58×10^3 IU on the spiny and pink bollworm larvae, after 72 & 96 hrs, respectively.

Moreover, it was noticed that Delfin and Dipel were more effective against the spiny bollworm than the pink bollworm. However, the toxicity index of Delfin and Dipel were 100 and 77.77 against the spiny bollworm, while they were 89.74 and 60.34 against the pink bollworm after 96 hours (Table 1).

Table 1. Toxicity index of *Bacillus thuringiensis* against 4th instar larvae of *E. lamachus* and *E. caesusalis* (slipping method).

Insect species	Insect instar	Position of 1st-7 line										Confidence limits of 1st-7 line				Confidence limits of slope				Toxicity index							
		Position of 1st-7 line										Confidence limits of 1st-7 line				Confidence limits of slope											
		1 st -6 th	1 st -5 th	1 st -4 th	1 st -3 rd	1 st -2 nd	1 st -1 st	2 nd -6 th	2 nd -5 th	2 nd -4 th	2 nd -3 rd	2 nd -2 nd	3 rd -6 th	3 rd -5 th	3 rd -4 th	3 rd -3 rd	4 th -6 th	4 th -5 th	4 th -4 th		5 th -6 th	5 th -5 th	5 th -4 th	6 th -6 th	6 th -5 th	6 th -4 th	
Helio- glyph con- spic- uous	E. lamachus (100)	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b
		60 ± 10	40 ± 10	30 ± 10	20 ± 10	10 ± 10	0 ± 10	60 ± 10	40 ± 10	30 ± 10	20 ± 10	10 ± 10	0 ± 10	60 ± 10	40 ± 10	30 ± 10	20 ± 10	10 ± 10	0 ± 10	60 ± 10	40 ± 10	30 ± 10	20 ± 10	10 ± 10	0 ± 10	60 ± 10	40 ± 10
Helio- glyph con- spic- uous	E. caesusalis	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b
		60 ± 10	40 ± 10	30 ± 10	20 ± 10	10 ± 10	0 ± 10	60 ± 10	40 ± 10	30 ± 10	20 ± 10	10 ± 10	0 ± 10	60 ± 10	40 ± 10	30 ± 10	20 ± 10	10 ± 10	0 ± 10	60 ± 10	40 ± 10	30 ± 10	20 ± 10	10 ± 10	0 ± 10	60 ± 10	40 ± 10
Helio- glyph con- spic- uous	E. lamachus	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b
		60 ± 10	40 ± 10	30 ± 10	20 ± 10	10 ± 10	0 ± 10	60 ± 10	40 ± 10	30 ± 10	20 ± 10	10 ± 10	0 ± 10	60 ± 10	40 ± 10	30 ± 10	20 ± 10	10 ± 10	0 ± 10	60 ± 10	40 ± 10	30 ± 10	20 ± 10	10 ± 10	0 ± 10	60 ± 10	40 ± 10
Helio- glyph con- spic- uous	E. caesusalis	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b
		60 ± 10	40 ± 10	30 ± 10	20 ± 10	10 ± 10	0 ± 10	60 ± 10	40 ± 10	30 ± 10	20 ± 10	10 ± 10	0 ± 10	60 ± 10	40 ± 10	30 ± 10	20 ± 10	10 ± 10	0 ± 10	60 ± 10	40 ± 10	30 ± 10	20 ± 10	10 ± 10	0 ± 10	60 ± 10	40 ± 10

a = 10 hrs.

b = 24 hrs.

Table 2. Toxicity index of *Bacillus thuringiensis* against 4th instar larvae of *E. lamachus* and *E. caesusalis* (Pile rotation method).

Insect species	Insect instar	Position of 1st-9 line										Confidence limits of 1st-9 line				Confidence limits of slope				Toxicity index																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																											
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b) Against 1st larval instar:

Similar trends of mortality were observed when the film residue method was used. In addition, it was noticed that the LC_{50} values of Delfin and Dipel were higher when compared with those calculated from the dipping method (Table 2). For Delfin, the LC_{50} values were 44×10^3 and 39×10^3 SU against the spiny bollworm and 47×10^3 and 39.5×10^3 against the pink bollworm after 72 & 96 hrs, respectively. While for Dipel, these LC_{50} values were 70×10^3 and 56×10^3 IU and 80×10^3 and 76×10^3 IU on the spiny and pink bollworm larvae after 72 & 96 hrs of treatment, respectively.

2. Sabadilla:

a) Against 4th larval instar:

The toxicity of Sabadilla was evaluated against the 4th instar larvae of both spiny and pink bollworms. The data were recorded 24 & 48 hrs after treatment. The data in Table (3) indicate that the Sabadilla induced a moderate toxicity against both insects. The calculated LC_{50} values were 3500 & 2600 ppm and 5200 & 3350 ppm against the spiny and pink bollworms after 24 & 48 hrs of treatment, respectively.

b) Against 1st larval instar:

As shown in Table (4), similar results were recorded, using the film residue method. In general, it was noticed that the LC_{50} values of Sabadilla were highly decreased when compared with those obtained from the dipping method. The calculated LC_{50} values of Sabadilla were 1300 & 800 ppm and 3000 & 2400 ppm against the spiny and pink bollworms after 24 & 48 hrs successively.

Table (1). Velocity Index of *Simulium* against 413 larvae larvae of *S. lamellum* and *P. maculicollis* (slipping method).

TABLE 11. Velocity Index at Successive Age-Classes																			
Other spec- imens	Insects	Position of L_{50} line										Confidence limits of L_{50}				Confidence limits of slope		Velocity Index	
		L_{50}		L_{25}		L_{75}		Steps		Upper		Lower		Upper	Lower				
		a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b				
Schell- lin (ppm)	<i>S. lamellum</i>	16000	9600	3500	2400	1300	1100	600	740	6.47	5.44	5.44	5.44	5.44	5.44	5.44	100.00		
	<i>P. maculicollis</i>	16000	14500	5700	3750	1800	1300	970	800	5.33	4.98	4.98	4.98	4.98	4.98	4.98	97.51		

Table (2). Velocity Index of *Simulium* against 144 larvae of *S. lamellum* and *P. maculicollis* (Pitt method).

Insect	Function of L_{50} line										Confidence limits of L_{50}				Confidence limits of slope				Totally Index
	L_{50}					L_{25}					Upper		Lower		Upper		Lower		
	a	b	a	b	a	a	b	a	b	a	a	b	a	b	a	b	a	b	
Other spec- imens	7600	4500	1300	800	450	450	450	260	135	5.17	5.17	5.17	5.17	5.17	5.17	5.17	5.17	5.17	100.00
Schell- lin (ppm)	15000	12500	3000	2400	1000	800	800	650	450	5.00	5.27	5.27	5.27	5.27	5.27	5.27	5.27	5.27	33.33

Thus, it was obvious from the results shown in Tables (1-4) that the B.T. formulations were more toxic to the 4th instar larvae of the spiny and pink bollworms when the dipping method was used. Sabadilla was also more effective on the 1st instar larvae of the spiny and pink bollworm when the film residue method was applied. Moreover, it was clear that the 1st or/and 4th instar larvae of the spiny bollworm were more susceptible to B.T. formulations or Sabadilla than those of the pink bollworm. The efficiency of B.T. formulations depends on their mode of action as stomach poisons through feeding, which agrees with the results reported by Saad *et al.* (1985).

It is an interesting to state that *Bacillus thuringiensis* as typified by subspecies, *kurstaki*, produces toxins in a parasporal body during sporulation. The parasporal body consists of a single bipyramidal crystal, with or without a small cuboidal inclusion. The bipyramidal crystal is composed of one or more proteins with a molecular size of 135 kda, while the cuboidal inclusion typically consists of a single protein of 65 kda, actually a protoxin, which is solubilized from the bipyramidal crystal and then cleaved by midgut proteases to produce an active 65 kda toxin. The cuboidal inclusion protein, 65 kda in size, is active upon solubilization, and is toxic without further processing (Georghiou, 1990).

In case of Sabadilla, the apparent symptoms on treated 4th instar larvae show that its toxicity is due to the effect on C.N.S. as a contact poison which highly agrees with the statements of Catteral (1980) who reported that veratridine (Sabadilla alkaloids) has a broad spectrum of pharmacological activity causing muscle contraction, repetitive firing of nerves and irregular heart rhythms. Veratridine causes depolarization of nerves due to increased sodium

permeability. Thus, the depolarization of excitable cells by veratridine is caused by two effects, namely block of inactivation and shift of activation to more negative potentials.

However, plants of the veratrum group have been used for medicinal purpose for hundreds of years, and as insecticides. The insecticidal action of dried S. officinale, characteristics of cevadine and veratridine, is found only in the seeds (C.F. Kupchan et al., 1961).

B. Joint action of B.T. with Sabadilla against the 4th instar larvae:

The results in Table (5) show the actual average percent mortalities of the 4th instar larvae of both E. insulana and P. gossypiella at different intervals after treatment with the mixtures of Sabadilla/Delfin or/and Dipel. Apparently, the calculated values of co-toxicity factor of these mixtures, primarily indicated the additive or antagonistic effect after 24 and 48 hrs from larval treatment. After 72 hrs, all the evaluated mixtures were potent. From these results, it could be realized that the addition of Sabadilla to both pathogen agents enhanced the efficiency and showed a remarkable potentiation effect in controlling both pests. These findings could be attributed to the mode of action, as stomach or contact pesticide and toxicity to the central nervous system. Moreover, the presence of sugar in the prepared Sabadilla dilutions (as 0.5%) which acts as an additive feeding stimulant for the insect-larvae. Similarly, El-Husseini et al. (1980) and Mesbah (1985) concluded that a sugar concentration not exceeding 0.5% (W/V) increased the pathogenic effect of Entrobacterin-3 and Dipel in all treated larval instars of Earias insulana.

C. Cytological effect of B.T. and Sabadilla against the 4th larval instars:

Cytological studies were made on preparations from male gonads of healthy mature larvae of both treated and untreated insects. Observations indicated that the male of these insects had a chromosome complex of 31 pairs (Fig. 1-A,B) in the metaphase stage which was more frequent than the anaphase or telophase stage (Fig. 2). Similar results were obtained in Spodoptera lit-toralis by Shalabi et al. (1983) and El-Feel et al. (1990). The results presented in Table (6) also show that the percentage of abnormal cells for all treatments was higher than in the untreated control.

Delfin produced the highest percentage of abnormal cells of 20.0 and 23.0% in P. gossypiella and E. insulana, respectively. Dipel produced percentage of 20.90 and 17.33% for both pests, while Sabadilla produced the lowest percentage of abnormal cells of 15.29 and 15.90% in the pink and spiny bollworms, respectively.

The preparations revealed that the most frequent aberration was irregular distribution of the chromosomes which may be attributed to the disturbance of the spindle apparatus (El-Feel et al., 1990). The preparations also showed that Delfin induced high percentage of irregularity in E. insulana (Fig. 3), while Sabadilla showed equal percentages in both pests.

The second frequent aberration was the lagging chromosomes (Fig.4) which may be attributed to the delayed terminilization or due to the stickiness of chromosomes (Kaur and Grovers, 1985). As to the effect of Delfin, Dipel and Sabadilla produced descendingly percentages of 9.41, 6.36 and 5.88 of lagging chromosomes, respectively, in P. gossypiella. The same trend

Table 5. Toxicity factor for mixtures of biological agents and subcellular agents against the 4th instar larvae of *E. lamachus* and *E. mangrovealis*.

Mixture	Tested insects	Average percent mortality of the two insects									
		After 24 hrs.		After 48 hrs.		After 72 hrs.		After 96 hrs.			
1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
Subcellular	Delfin	25	75	E. lamachus		E. mangrovealis		E. lamachus		E. mangrovealis	
				Observed toxicity	Co-toxicity	Observed toxicity	Co-toxicity	Observed toxicity	Co-toxicity	Observed toxicity	Co-toxicity
	Dipol	25	75	67.5	-5	60.0	20	60.0	20	75.0	50
				65.0	-10	60.0	5	60.0	5	62.5	65
Subcellular	Dipol	25	75	E. lamachus		E. mangrovealis		E. lamachus		E. mangrovealis	
				60.0	-20	60.0	10	60.0	10	60.0	60
	Dipol	25	75	35.0	-30	60.0	-10	60.0	30	75.0	50
				60.0	-20	60.0	10	60.0	10	60.0	60

(+) = Potentiation effect.

(00) = Addition effect.

(-) = Antagonism effect.

Table (6). The percentages of the different types of abnormalities in the abnormal mitotic cells of treated larvae of *E. lamachus* and *E. mangrovealis*.

Treatment	Insect	No. of divided cells	No. of abnormal cells	Abnormal cell %	Chromosomal abnormalities %			
					Structural abnormalities	Regular bridges	Sticky bridges	Sticky bridges
Untreated	E. lamachus	200	46	23.00	4.00	10.00	0.00	1.00
					4.71	5.00	9.41	0.00
Dipol	E. lamachus	225	39	17.33	5.33	4.00	0.00	0.00
					4.54	9.09	6.36	0.91
Subcellular	E. lamachus	244	42	15.90	3.43	7.95	4.95	0.00
					2.39	7.06	5.00	0.00
Untreated	E. mangrovealis	200	20	10.00	1.00	3.00	2.67	0.00
					1.00	0.00	2.00	0.00

was observed in E. insulana, while the untreated larvae had percentages of 2 and 2.67 for P. gossypiella and E. insulana, respectively. Jain and Sarbhoy (1987) reported that the chromosomes could not reach the poles and remained scattered in the cytoplasm as a result of chemical treatments.

The third chromosomal aberration was the sticky chromosomes (Fig. 5) which were generally regarded as physiological and unspecific disturbances and may be attributed to the action on the chromosomal proteins (Devadas et al., 1987). The data also showed that Dipel was more obvious in producing sticky chromosomes in E. insulana than the others, while both Dipel and Delfin induced equal percentage of sticky chromosomes in P. gossypiella, which were higher than those induced by Sabadilla. The preparations showed that there were few cells which had sticky bridges in the anaphase stage (Fig. 6).

Generally, the pathogenic microbial pesticides, Delfin and Dipel, were more effective than Sabadilla in producing cytological aberrations in such treated pests. This may be due to inhibiting considerably synthesis of protein and nucleic acids and disturbing the ratios of protein, RNA and DNA (Emara et al., 1991).

In conclusion, the B.T. formulations of Delfin and Dipel were more effective on the 4th instar larvae of the spiny and pink bollworms by the dipping method than on the 1st instar larvae by the film residue method. Sabadilla was effective on the two insect species larvae, especially the first instar ones, as a contact poison. The combinations of Sabadilla/Delfin or / and Dipel produced a potentiation effect which means that Sabadilla is a strongly potential factor to B.T. which will be useful in controlling the cotton bollworms either the newly-hatched larvae or the mature ones. In addition, these mixtures will

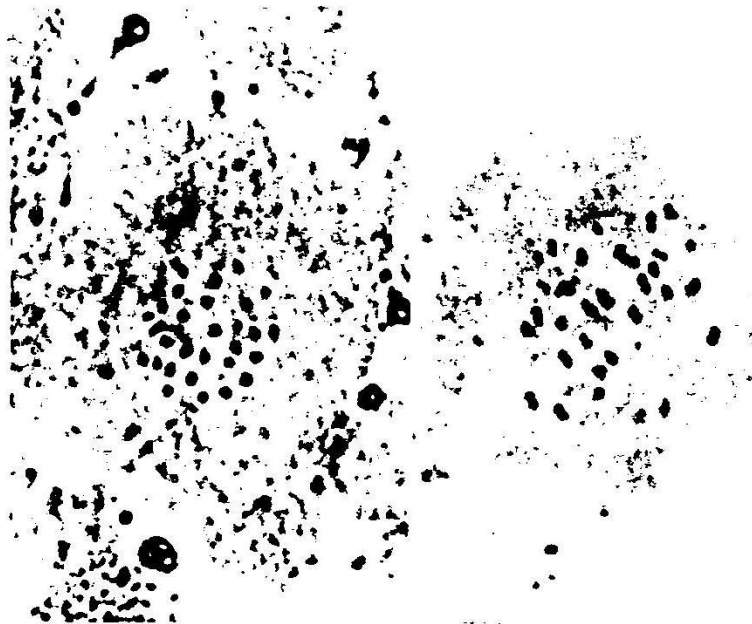


Fig. (1). Metaphase I in (A) P. gossypiella and (B) E. insulana showing 31 pairs of chromosomes (bivalents). Magnification Power (M.P) : $4 \times 10^3 \times$

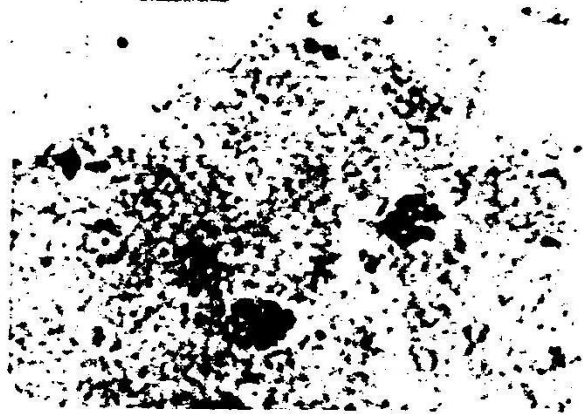


Fig. (2). Normal telophase I stage of P. gossypiella, M.P: $4 \times 10^3 \times$.



Fig. (3). Metaphase I showing irregular distribution of biva- lents in E.insulana, MP: 4×10^3 x.



Fig. (4). Metaphase I in P. gossypiella showing 2 lagging bivalent. MP. : 4×10^3 x.



Fig. (5). Metaphase I in E. insulana showing stickiness bivalents, M.P. : 4×10^3 x.

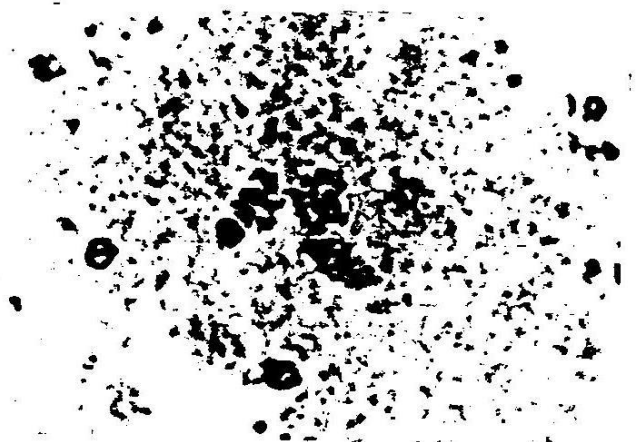


Fig. (6). Early anaphase in E. insulana showing sticky bridge, M.P.; 4×10^3 x.

reduce the amount of used pathogen pesticides with a highly positive control and at the same time without any environmental pollution.

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المخلص العربي

أجريت دراسات معملية لتقييم درجة السمية والفعل المشترك والتأثيرات السيتولوجية لكل من المبيدات الحيوية (ديلفين ، نايل) والسابابلا ضد بودة اللوز الشوكية والقرنفلية . أوضحت النتائج ان كل من الديلفين والنايل كانا اكثر فعالية ضد بودة اللوز الشوكية من القرنفلية وان قيم ال LC50 ازادت مع العمر الاول لكلا الحشريتين عند المعاملة بطريقة متقى المبيد بالمقارنة بطريقة الفم مع العمر الرابع .

كما أظهر السابابلا فعالية اكبر على بودة اللوز الشوكية عن القرنفلية ، ولكن هنا لفعالية ظهرت بوضوح على العمر الاول بطريقة متقى المبيد اكثر منها على العمر الرابع بطريقة الفم .

لوحظ ايضا ان اضافة السابابلا الى كتل من المبيدين البكتيريين اعطى تأثير غوية ملحوظ عند مكافحة هذه الحشرات . علاوة على ان المبيدات البكتيرية والسابابلا ظهرت نتائج كروموسومية حيث أعطى الديلفين اعلى نسبة من خلايا البراعم التاسلية الذكرية الغير طبيعية بينما كان السابابلا اقلهم في اظهار هذه ، الخلايا الغير طبيعية .