

PLAN FOR BREEDING, MAINTENANCE AND PRODUCING THE NUCLEOLUS (*BREEDER'S SEED*) OF GIZA 87 EGYPTIAN COTTON VARIETY

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Abstract

The breeding program of Giza 87 was conducted at Sakha Agricultural Research Station, Kafr El-Sheikh district during 2010 - 2013 growing seasons. In 2010 season sixty type plants were selected from the breeding field of Giza 87 variety and furnished sixty progenies (increase A) in 2011. From the later, seventeen families were selected to descend increase B in 2012. According to the statistical analysis of yield trial which included the seventeen families and comparisons of the latest lines of Giza 87, six elite families were selected and the seeds were carefully massed together to form the nucleolus (breeder's seed) in 2013 season. The results obtained indicated that, the pure line method in the sense of pedigree selection for renewing annually Giza 87 breeder's seed could produce high genetically pure seeds and in the same time, prevent genetic contamination. Meanwhile, the selection technique for producing breeder's seed of Giza 87 variety was valid and proved to be effective in holding this variety according to the standard type of Giza 87.

INTRODUCTION

Egyptian cotton (*G. barbadense* L.) is considered the best quality among fiber crop in the world cottons. Supplying cotton seeds to farmers involves three separate activities; **1-** Variety maintenance effort through breeding annually a new nucleolus carried out by the Cotton Varietal Maintenance Research Section of the Cotton Research Institute (C.R.I.), **2-** Seed increase administered by the Central Administration For Seed Production (C.A.S.P.) and **3-** Seed certification administered by the Central Administration For Seed Certification (C.A.S.C.). Lewis (1970) indicated that varietal maintenance of the Egyptian cotton varieties played an important role in the breeding programs with the fact that high quality properties are the principal merit of Egyptian cotton, will deteriorate unless an effort is made to maintain it. In Egypt, after new cotton variety was developed by the breeders (Cotton Breeding Research Department subjected to Cotton Research Institute (C.R.I.), it should be subjected to scientific system for producing the new varieties. The scheme of breeding based on pure line theory using pedigree selection method for producing the breeder's seed of

the new cotton cultivars. In commercial use; Cotton Varietal Maintenance Research Department is responsible of maintaining and renewing breeder's seed of commercial varieties. Maintenance of the Egyptian cotton varieties have been reported by many workers, Ware (1959), Turner (1963) Walker (1964) and Riggs (1967) studied a model bulk system designed to stabilize a variety. They concluded that this system could be considered as a good maintenance procedure for a variety already released. Al-Didi (1974) stated that it was advantageous to mass the seed of chosen progenies in which the seed mixture may respond differently to environmental variation. He added that, if genotype x environment effects were significant, mixture of seeds might show less fluctuation in yield and quality than individual progenies. Also, El-Akkad *et. al.* (1982), El-Kilany and Youssef (1985), Younis *et. al.* (1993), Abo-Arab *et. al.* (1995), Lasheen (1997), El-Disouqi (2001), Nagib and Hemida (2001), Abd Al-Zaher (2004) and Mohamed (2013) stated that the pure seed and production of long and extra long staple varieties, using the pedigree selection method is necessary to produce, renew and maintain the breeder's seed of the cotton cultivars in commercial use. The present method of maintaining Egyptian cotton varieties is the pedigree method based on massing selfed seeds of several type families, according to their performance in evaluation with the latest nuclei. Therefore, the main objective of the present study is to follow the steps of renewing and maintaining the breeder's seed of Giza 87.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Giza 87 cotton variety, cultivated in the Delta region, is classified extra long staple, with a staple length (36 – 37 mm.). This variety was derived by the pedigree selection method from the hybridization between Giza 45 and Giza 77 A Egyptian cotton varieties.

The base population used in the present study is the individual elite plants selected through field evaluation and laboratory determinations from breeding plot of 2009 season.

At harvest each individual plant in the breeding plot was picked separately. The plants were screened for testing yield and its components characteristics (boll weight, seed index and lint percentage) as well as fiber properties (fiber length, fineness (micronaire reading) and strength. Sixty plants representing the type of Giza 87 variety were selected, in 2010 season to furnish the increase lines A in 2011 season.

In 2011 season, the selfed seeds of the progenies of the 60 selected type plants were grown in number of rows as the amount of seed allowed conveniently named increase lines A, as well as the natural pollinated seeds of the same 60 selected type plants were grown in adjacent progeny three rows to be increased for using it in yield trial in the next year. Accordingly the field and laboratory tests of phenotypic yield and its components and fiber properties, 17 families were selected from increase A.

In 2012 season, the selfed seeds of the 17 families were grown in increase B. A yield trial included the seventeen selected families, as well as the three latest strains of Giza 87 namely *G. 87 / 2010*, *G. 87 / 2011* and *G. 87 / 2012* nuclei were used as controls. This yield trial was conducted at Sakha Agricultural Research Station. The design of yield trial was a randomized complete block design with four replications. The twenty entries were evaluated for yield and its components and fiber properties i.e. fiber length, fineness (micronaire reading) and strength.

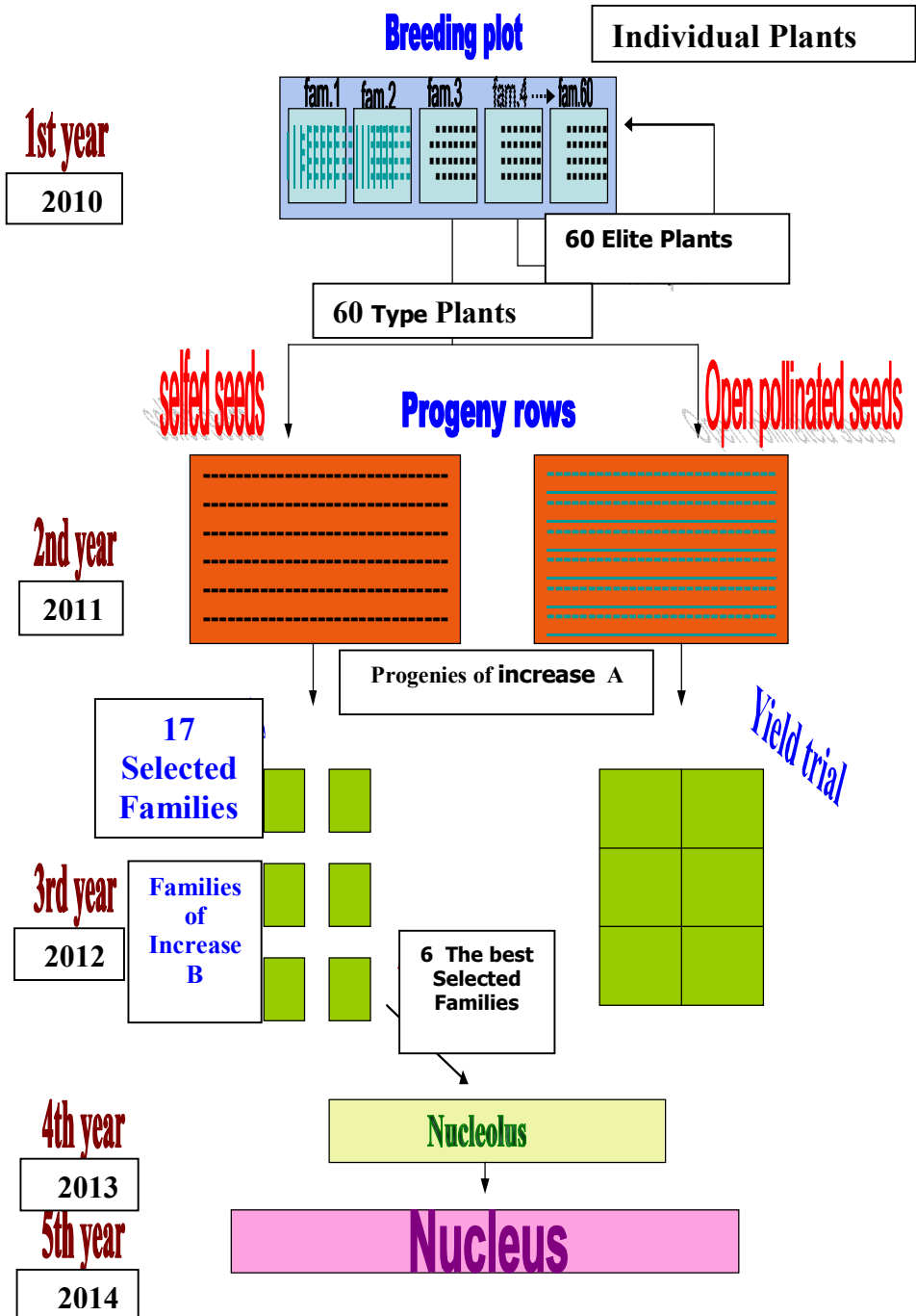


Figure 1. Maintaining System of Egyptian Cotton Varieties, Abdel-AI (1976)

The system used by the Cotton Maintenance Section, Cotton Research Institute, to maintain the Egyptian cotton varieties was described by Al-Didi (1974) and Abdel-AI (1976). This system was illustrated by Abdel-AI (1976) in Figure 1.

In 2013 season, the best 6 families representing the type of Giza 87 variety were selected from increase B and their selfed seeds were carefully massed together to form the new nucleolus (breeder's seed) of that variety and propagated in 2013 under the name of season (G. 87 nucleolus / 2013) in about 15 feddans at Sakha Farm.

Data were recorded in this research on the following traits:

Yield components characters are:

- 1- Seed cotton yield (S.C.Y.) in K. /F.
- 2- Lint cotton yield (L.C.Y.) in K. /F.
- 3- Boll weight (B.W.) in gm.
- 4- Lint percentage (L.P. %)
- 5- Seed index (S.I.) in gm.
- 6- Lint index (L.I.) in gm.

Fiber properties traits are:

- 1- Fiber length (F.L.) Fiber length 2.5% in m.m.
- 2- Fiber fineness (F.F.) Micronaire reading.
- 3- Fiber strength (F.S.) Pressley index, Strength g/tex (ST.g/tex) and Yarn strength (Yarn stern.).
- 4- Uniformity ratio (U.R. %).
- 5- Elongation (Elon.).
- 6- Yellowness (+ b)
- 7- Brightness (RD %).

Analysis of variance was conducted for all the studied characters in the yield trial and tested for significance by "F" test.

Mean of selected families, mean of comparisons, standard error and coefficient of variability (C.V. %) was executed for all characters.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Means of agronomic characters and fiber properties for the selected 60 type plants of Giza 87 variety in 2010 seasons, are shown in Table 1, data indicated that no substantial differences for all studied characters were found. Whereas, coefficients of variability were low in magnitude for most studied characters except for boll weight in gram, lint index in gram, and fiber fineness (micronaire reading). This could be due to environmental effects on these traits. These results were in agreement with those obtained by Abo-Arab *et. al.* (1995), El-Disouqi (2001), Abd Al-Zaher (2004) and Mohamed (2013).

Also, the results showed that the lower values of coefficients of variability (C.V. %) indicate that there is a lot of homogeneity within and between the selected type plants. These results indicated that there is a relationship between the selected

characters in the different generations and it was constant, also there was no changes and no deviations in behaviour of the studied characters from generation to another because of an independent culling selection method was applied according to standard type of Giza 87 variety.

Table 1. Means of agronomic characters and fiber properties for the 60 selected type plants of Giza 87 from 2010 season and will form the increase A in 2011 growing season.

No.	Type Plants No.	Boll Weight gm.	Lint Percent %	Seed Index gm.	Lint Index gm.	Fiber Length 2.5% mm	U.R.%	F.F.	Pressley index
1	1/2010 - 5	2.9	31.0	1.1	4.0	30.8	89.4	3.3	11.7
2	1/2010 - 38	2.8	31.0	1.0	4.4	37.0	89.1	3.4	11.0
3	1/2010 - 39	2.8	31.4	1.0	4.3	30.0	90.0	3.2	11.3
4	3/2010 - 2	2.8	31.8	1.3	4.8	37.0	87.7	3.0	12.3
5	3/2010 - 7	2.8	32.1	1.0	4.7	37.1	87.7	3.4	11.7
6	3/2010 - 8	2.7	32.1	1.3	4.4	30.8	87.7	3.2	11.7
7	3/2010 - 13	2.7	31.2	1.1	4.0	37.1	88.7	3.1	11.0
8	3/2010 - 31	2.7	32.3	1.1	4.0	37.0	88.2	3.2	11.7
9	3/2010 - 37	2.7	31.8	1.1	4.7	37.2	87.4	3.3	11.2
10	5/2010 - 9	2.9	31.2	1.1	4.4	39.3	92.0	3.2	11.8
11	5/2010 - 17	3.2	31.3	1.0	4.7	39.7	92.0	3.4	11.7
12	5/2010 - 27	2.9	31.7	1.1	4.7	38.8	89.9	3.0	12.2
13	5/2010 - 32	2.7	31.7	1.1	4.7	38.7	89.0	3.2	12.3
14	7/2010 - 1	2.8	31.7	1.1	4.0	38.7	88.7	3.0	12.3
15	7/2010 - 3	2.9	32.0	1.3	4.0	38.0	90.3	3.0	12.1
16	7/2010 - 4	2.9	32.2	1.0	4.7	38.2	89.1	3.4	12.3
17	7/2010 - 7	2.8	33.1	1.1	4.8	37.1	89.3	3.0	12.0
18	7/2010 - 9	3.0	32.2	1.3	4.4	38.3	90.3	3.0	12.2
19	7/2010 - 13	2.7	33.2	1.1	4.8	39.0	92.3	3.0	12.3
20	7/2010 - 24	2.8	32.9	1.0	4.9	38.8	91.4	3.7	12.1
21	7/2010 - 28	3.0	33.0	1.7	5.3	38.7	90.7	3.0	12.2
22	7/2010 - 37	2.8	32.0	1.3	4.0	37.4	90.4	3.1	12.7
23	7/2010 - 38	2.9	32.7	1.0	4.8	37.0	91.0	3.0	12.0
24	7/2010 - 5	2.9	31.8	1.3	4.8	37.9	89.7	3.4	11.3
25	7/2010 - 9	2.9	31.1	1.1	4.7	30.7	88.8	3.2	11.7
26	7/2010 - 10	2.8	30.9	1.4	4.7	30.7	87.7	3.0	12.0
27	7/2010 - 17	2.9	31.0	1.0	4.0	37.0	87.4	3.3	12.3
28	9/2010 - 7	2.9	32.1	1.1	4.7	37.9	91.4	3.4	11.3
29	9/2010 - 17	3.0	31.7	1.1	4.2	37.2	90.8	3.3	11.3
30	9/2010 - 20	2.7	30.4	1.3	4.0	37.2	90.4	3.4	11.4
31	9/2010 - 20	3.1	32.3	1.1	4.7	37.4	90.3	3.0	11.2
32	9/2010 - 30	2.8	30.9	1.0	4.2	37.4	89.1	3.2	11.7
33	9/2010 - 30	2.7	33.0	1.1	4.7	37.7	90.9	3.3	11.4
34	12/2010 - 18	2.7	31.3	1.1	4.1	30.9	87.8	3.2	11.9
35	12/2010 - 29	2.0	31.9	1.1	4.4	30.7	89.0	3.3	12.1
36	12/2010 - 34	2.0	30.0	1.1	4.1	30.4	87.7	3.3	12.0

Table 1 Cont.

No.	Type Plants No.	Boll Weight gm.	Lint Percent %	Seed Index gm.	Lint Index gm.	Fiber Length 2.5% mm	U.R.%	F.F.	Pressley index
37	۱۲/۲۰۱۰-۳۷	۲.۷	۲۳.۲	۹.۰	۴.۰	۲۰.۸	۹۰.۲	۲.۴	۱۱.۶
38	۱۲/۲۰۱۰-۸	۲.۱	۲۲.۴	۹.۲	۴.۴	۲۸.۱	۹۰.۰	۲.۴	۱۱.۰
39	۱۲/۲۰۱۰-۱۶	۲.۰	۲۲.۱	۹.۷	۴.۶	۲۸.۰	۹۰.۸	۲.۰	۱۱.۲
40	۱۲/۲۰۱۰-۱۷	۲.۱	۲۲.۰	۱۰.۴	۰.۰	۲۸.۷	۹۲.۰	۲.۰	۱۱.۶
41	۱۲/۲۰۱۰-۲۸	۲.۲	۲۱.۹	۹.۹	۴.۶	۲۸.۴	۹۰.۲	۲.۶	۱۱.۲
42	۱۰/۲۰۱۰-۶	۲.۸	۲۱.۷	۹.۸	۴.۰	۲۶.۲	۸۸.۲	۲.۲	۱۲.۲
43	۱۰/۲۰۱۰-۹	۲.۰	۲۱.۰	۹.۲	۴.۲	۲۶.۴	۸۹.۷	۲.۱	۱۲.۲
44	۱۰/۲۰۱۰-۲۰	۲.۹	۲۱.۴	۹.۰	۴.۲	۲۸.۲	۹۱.۱	۲.۲	۱۱.۲
45	۱۰/۲۰۱۰-۲۸	۲.۹	۲۳.۰	۹.۶	۴.۷	۲۷.۴	۸۹.۷	۲.۰	۱۱.۲
46	۱۷/۲۰۱۰-۱	۲.۹	۲۱.۸	۹.۴	۴.۴	۲۰.۸	۸۷.۴	۲.۲	۱۲.۲
47	۱۷/۲۰۱۰-۲۲	۲.۲	۲۳.۲	۹.۲	۴.۶	۲۰.۹	۸۷.۹	۲.۰	۱۲.۲
48	۱۷/۲۰۱۰-۲۴	۲.۸	۲۳.۰	۱۰.۲	۰.۱	۲۰.۷	۸۷.۷	۲.۶	۱۱.۷
49	۱۷/۲۰۱۰-۲۹	۲.۲	۲۳.۰	۹.۲	۴.۶	۲۰.۲	۸۷.۹	۲.۶	۱۱.۲
50	۲۰/۲۰۱۰-۲۸	۲.۸	۲۱.۰	۹.۰	۴.۲	۲۶.۲	۸۷.۷	۲.۴	۱۱.۲
51	۲۰/۲۰۱۰-۴۰	۲.۱	۲۰.۱	۹.۴	۴.۰	۲۰.۹	۸۹.۲	۲.۴	۱۱.۲
52	۲۱/۲۰۱۰-۱۱	۲.۱	۲۰.۱	۹.۲	۴.۰	۲۰.۶	۸۷.۴	۲.۴	۱۱.۱
53	۲۱/۲۰۱۰-۲۰	۲.۷	۲۱.۶	۹.۰	۴.۲	۲۰.۹	۸۸.۰	۲.۴	۱۱.۲
54	۲۲/۲۰۱۰-۱	۲.۱	۲۱.۹	۹.۴	۴.۴	۲۶.۸	۸۹.۲	۲.۰	۱۱.۲
55	۲۲/۲۰۱۰-۲۸	۲.۹	۲۱.۰	۹.۷	۴.۰	۲۶.۱	۸۹.۱	۲.۶	۱۱.۰
56	۲۰/۲۰۱۰-۱۰	۲.۸	۲۱.۱	۹.۲	۴.۲	۲۶.۰	۹۱.۰	۲.۰	۱۱.۲
57	۲۰/۲۰۱۰-۲۱	۲.۷	۲۰.۶	۹.۶	۴.۲	۲۶.۲	۸۸.۱	۲.۴	۱۱.۰
58	۲۷/۲۰۱۰-۲۴	۲.۹	۲۱.۰	۱۰.۱	۴.۶	۲۷.۰	۸۸.۸	۲.۶	۱۱.۲
59	۲۷/۲۰۱۰-۳۷	۲.۸	۲۱.۲	۹.۷	۴.۴	۲۰.۸	۸۹.۰	۲.۴	۱۱.۷
60	۲۹/۲۰۱۰-۲۰	۲.۸	۲۱.۹	۹.۷	۴.۰	۲۰.۶	۸۷.۶	۲.۲	۱۲.۱
Mean of selected type plants		۲.87	۲۱.۸۱	۹.69	۴.52	۲۶.89	۸۹.41	۲.37	۱۱.70
Mean of comparisons (controls)		۲.۸۱	۲۲.۰2	۹.۸۱	۴.۷۱	۲۰.۰2	۸۷.۶۱	۲.۰۱	۱۱.۲3
S. E.		0.022	0.108	0.050	0.033	0.156	0.185	0.020	0.056
C. V. %		5.91	2.62	3.98	5.59	3.27	1.61	4.59	3.73

S. E. = Standard Error.

C. V. % = Coefficient of variability.

Means of agronomic and fiber properties of the 60 selected progenies (increase A) in 2011 season compared with three latest strains of G.87 are given in Table 2. It could be noticed that, the means of progenies (increase A) slightly exceeded the means of comparisons for most traits, except for fiber length 2.5% in m.m., fiber strength in g/tex and elongation traits as well as, exhibited by selection better values than the means of comparisons. Coefficients of variability (C.V. %) were decreased for all the studied characters, indicating gene fixation and homogeneity of variety.

Table 2. Means of yield components and fiber properties for the 60 selected progenies (increase A) in final of 2011 growing season.

No.	Selected Progenies No.	B.W. gm.	L.P. %	S.I. gm.	L.I. gm.	Fib. Len. 2.5% m.m.	U.R.%	ST. g./tex	F.F.	Elon.	+ b	RD %	Yarn Stern.
1	1/2010 - 5	2.9	32.6	11.1	5.4	36.2	88.2	42.6	3.3	6.3	9.6	75.5	2990
2	1/2010 - 38	2.9	32.5	10.3	5.0	37.4	88.3	44.2	3.4	6.6	9.4	75.2	2990
3	١ / ٢٠١٠ - ٣٩	3.0	33.7	11.4	5.8	36.8	88.4	47.2	3.4	6.7	9.2	74.0	3015
4	٣ / ٢٠١٠ - ٢	2.8	32.3	11.5	5.5	36.6	87.8	43.2	3.4	6.7	9.2	73.6	2930
5	٣ / ٢٠١٠ - ٦	2.8	32.5	11.6	5.6	37.3	88.2	46.3	3.4	6.5	9.3	75.0	2940
6	٣ / ٢٠١٠ - ٨	2.8	33.4	11.7	5.9	37.0	87.4	46.2	3.5	6.6	9.7	74.3	2855
7	٣ / ٢٠١٠ - ١٣	2.9	33.3	11.7	5.8	37.0	87.9	43.9	3.4	6.6	9.4	76.3	2900
8	٣ / ٢٠١٠ - ٣١	2.8	33.1	11.3	5.6	37.8	87.9	43.0	3.2	6.2	9.2	76.4	2900
9	٣ / ٢٠١٠ - ٣٧	2.8	33.4	11.6	5.8	37.4	88.5	47.4	3.4	6.6	9.5	74.8	3030
10	٥ / ٢٠١٠ - ٩	3.1	33.3	11.4	5.7	37.4	88.3	46.3	3.4	6.5	9.3	75.3	2995
11	٥ / ٢٠١٠ - ١٧	3.0	33.0	11.1	5.5	36.6	88.0	43.5	3.4	6.6	9.3	76.4	2910
12	٥ / ٢٠١٠ - ٢٧	3.1	33.6	10.8	5.5	37.0	88.1	43.7	3.6	6.6	8.8	76.6	2970
13	٥ / ٢٠١٠ - ٣٢	2.9	34.3	10.9	5.7	36.5	88.7	43.5	3.5	6.3	9.0	76.4	2990
14	٦ / ٢٠١٠ - ١	2.9	34.7	10.0	5.3	37.5	88.8	44.7	3.4	6.8	8.9	76.1	2960
15	٦ / ٢٠١٠ - ٣	3.0	34.3	10.6	5.5	37.2	88.9	43.7	3.5	6.3	8.2	75.5	2965
16	٦ / ٢٠١٠ - ٤	3.1	32.4	11.5	5.5	37.4	88.5	43.1	3.5	6.7	8.8	74.4	2930
17	٦ / ٢٠١٠ - ٦	3.1	32.4	11.2	5.4	37.2	88.4	42.9	3.4	6.0	9.1	74.9	2960
18	٦ / ٢٠١٠ - ٩	3.1	32.7	11.3	5.5	36.0	88.4	42.7	3.5	6.0	9.4	75.5	2985
19	٦ / ٢٠١٠ - ١٣	3.1	32.6	11.3	5.5	37.3	87.4	43.8	3.8	6.6	8.8	75.8	2955
20	٦ / ٢٠١٠ - ٢٤	3.1	33.3	11.1	5.5	37.0	87.8	42.3	3.5	6.1	9.2	76.4	2910
21	٦ / ٢٠١٠ - ٢٨	3.1	33.4	11.1	5.6	36.6	87.1	42.5	3.5	6.1	8.8	76.2	2990
22	٦ / ٢٠١٠ - ٣٦	3.1	33.5	11.5	5.8	37.4	87.6	47.2	3.4	6.7	9.0	77.5	2995
23	٦ / ٢٠١٠ - ٣٨	3.1	32.7	11.4	5.5	36.4	87.4	44.8	3.5	6.6	9.4	75.4	2980
24	٧ / ٢٠١٠ - ٥	3.1	33.1	11.6	5.7	37.9	88.0	46.5	3.4	6.0	9.2	77.0	2870
25	٧ / ٢٠١٠ - ٩	3.0	33.8	11.2	5.7	36.0	83.6	44.2	3.7	6.8	9.1	76.6	2995
26	٧ / ٢٠١٠ - ١٥	3.1	32.4	11.4	5.5	37.7	88.4	45.6	3.6	6.3	8.6	75.7	2900
27	٧ / ٢٠١٠ - ١٧	2.9	33.7	10.9	5.5	36.8	87.2	41.4	3.8	6.8	8.4	77.2	2960
28	٩ / ٢٠١٠ - ٦	3.1	33.9	11.6	5.9	37.0	87.3	43.2	3.6	6.8	9.3	72.4	2970
29	٩ / ٢٠١٠ - ١٦	3.0	34.0	10.9	5.6	36.2	88.0	43.3	3.4	6.2	9.1	75.5	2990
30	٩ / ٢٠١٠ - ٢٠	3.1	34.7	10.5	5.6	36.3	88.5	42.4	3.4	6.8	8.9	77.3	2980
31	٩ / ٢٠١٠ - ٢٥	3.1	33.0	11.6	5.7	37.1	88.0	45.3	3.4	6.6	8.2	77.9	2995
32	٩ / ٢٠١٠ - ٣٠	3.1	35.0	11.7	6.3	36.4	88.8	40.9	3.6	6.0	9.5	74.3	2990
33	٩ / ٢٠١٠ - ٣٥	2.9	33.4	11.2	5.6	36.6	86.7	44.6	3.4	6.5	9.4	74.0	2910
34	١٢ / ٢٠١٠ - ١٨	2.8	35.8	10.7	6.0	36.6	88.4	40.6	3.6	6.0	9.6	76.3	2980
35	١٢ / ٢٠١٠ - ٢٩	2.9	32.9	10.6	5.2	36.7	88.5	43.7	3.6	6.7	9.2	75.5	2900
36	١٢ / ٢٠١٠ - ٣٤	3.0	33.5	11.2	5.6	36.2	88.5	44.1	3.5	6.7	9.8	75.6	2910
37	١٢ / ٢٠١٠ - ٣٧	2.9	33.9	11.3	5.8	37.1	88.8	43.7	3.4	6.5	9.6	75.0	2905
38	١٣ / ٢٠١٠ - ٨	3.1	33.3	11.1	5.5	37.0	88.1	42.9	3.6	6.2	9.8	75.5	2995
39	١٣ / ٢٠١٠ - ١٦	3.1	32.6	11.3	5.5	37.7	88.1	43.3	3.4	6.5	9.5	75.8	2980
40	١٣ / ٢٠١٠ - ١٧	3.0	32.5	10.9	5.2	36.7	88.2	42.0	3.5	6.2	9.3	74.5	2950
41	١٣ / ٢٠١٠ - ٢٨	3.0	32.3	11.3	5.4	36.3	88.6	44.4	3.5	6.6	9.4	75.7	3115

Table 2 Cont.

No.	Selected Progenies No.	B.W. gm.	L.P. %	S.I. gm.	L.I. gm.	Fib. Len. 2.5% m.m.	U.R.%	ST. g./tex	F.F.	Elon.	+ b	RD %	Yarn Stern.
42	10 / 2010 - 6	2.9	34.7	11.1	5.9	37.0	88.7	42.2	3.5	6.4	9.8	74.9	2965
43	10 / 2010 - 9	3.0	33.7	11.5	5.8	37.0	87.8	46.0	3.5	6.5	9.0	74.5	2995
44	10 / 2010 - 30	2.9	32.3	10.6	5.1	37.1	87.7	45.8	3.6	6.4	9.4	72.7	2910
45	10 / 2010 - 38	3.0	33.6	11.0	5.6	37.2	88.1	42.3	3.5	6.3	9.8	75.5	2960
46	17 / 2010 - 1	2.9	32.8	11.1	5.4	36.3	88.4	45.1	3.7	6.1	9.0	75.1	2980
47	17 / 2010 - 22	3.2	33.5	11.1	5.6	36.4	88.2	42.4	3.5	6.3	8.6	73.8	2760
48	17 / 2010 - 34	3.0	33.6	10.8	5.5	37.6	88.6	43.2	3.5	6.6	9.1	76.5	2825
49	17 / 2010 - 39	2.9	32.6	10.9	5.3	36.8	88.8	44.6	3.4	6.6	9.0	73.1	2865
50	20 / 2010 - 28	3.0	33.5	11.2	5.6	37.1	88.2	41.2	3.5	6.2	8.7	74.6	2935
51	20 / 2010 - 40	2.8	33.7	11.0	5.6	36.0	87.2	40.1	3.4	6.0	8.7	77.0	2950
52	21 / 2010 - 11	3.1	32.8	11.3	5.5	37.1	87.8	43.2	3.5	6.2	8.9	73.8	2970
53	21 / 2010 - 30	3.1	33.7	11.3	5.7	37.9	87.3	42.2	3.3	6.3	8.6	71.3	2950
54	22 / 2010 - 1	3.1	34.1	10.9	5.6	35.8	88.7	40.2	3.6	6.0	8.8	72.6	2920
55	22 / 2010 - 38	3.0	34.1	10.5	5.4	36.5	86.0	43.8	3.4	6.5	9.1	74.5	2945
56	20 / 2010 - 10	2.9	33.5	10.8	5.4	38.2	88.9	42.7	3.5	6.3	9.6	74.1	2855
57	20 / 2010 - 21	2.9	33.3	10.6	5.3	37.8	88.4	45.2	3.4	6.6	9.2	75.1	2915
58	27 / 2010 - 34	2.9	32.3	11.3	5.4	36.9	88.8	43.9	3.5	6.5	9.1	75.6	2950
59	27 / 2010 - 37	3.1	33.1	11.2	5.5	37.4	88.4	40.4	3.6	6.3	9.1	73.2	2890
60	29 / 2010 - 20	2.9	33.9	10.4	5.3	37.7	88.7	42.7	3.5	6.4	9.5	74.6	2760
Mean of selected progenies		2.99	33.36	11.12	5.56	36.95	88.04	43.63	3.49	6.42	9.16	75.20	2950
Mean of comparisons (controls)		2.91	33.02	11.10	5.52	37.10	87.81	44.01	3.51	6.50	9.30	75.19	2930
S. E.		0.014	0.097	0.049	0.028	0.072	0.106	0.225	0.014	0.032	0.049	0.172	7.732
C. V. %		3.65	2.25	3.41	3.96	1.50	0.94	4.00	3.21	3.86	4.14	1.78	2.03

S. E. = Standard Error.

C. V. % = Coefficient of variability.

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(BREEDER'S SEED) OF GIZA 87 COTTON VARIETY

Table 3. Means of yield, yield components and fiber properties of the 17 selected families (increase B) in 2012 season, furnishing nucleolus in 2013.

No.	Selected Families	S.C.Y. K./F.	L.C.Y. K./F.	B.W. gm.	L.P. %	S.I. gm.	L.I. gm.	Fib. Len. 2.5% m.m.	U.R.%	ST. g./tex	Mic.	Elon.	+ b	RD %	Yarn stern.
1	1 / 2010 - 38	5.8	5.5	2.9	33.2	11.2	5.6	35.5	88.3	45.0	7.5	3.3	72.5	8.8	3145
2	1 / 2010 - 39	6.9	6.9	3.0	31.7	11.1	5.1	34.5	87.0	43.4	7.2	3.3	72.4	8.7	2970
3	3 / 2010 - 6	5.9	5.5	2.9	33.7	11.3	5.8	35.5	86.1	43.0	7.5	3.3	70.5	8.3	2960
4	3 / 2010 - 37	5.4	5.4	3.0	32.2	11.4	5.4	34.6	86.8	43.1	7.3	3.3	74.5	9.9	2975
5	5 / 2010 - 9	4.9	4.8	2.8	31.9	11.1	5.2	34.9	86.4	42.3	7.3	3.3	74.2	8.5	2970
6	5 / 2010 - 27	7.1	6.8	2.9	33.1	11.0	5.5	35.2	88.9	45.7	7.4	3.3	74.1	8.6	3165
7	6 / 2010 - 1	6.9	6.7	2.9	32.8	11.0	5.4	35.7	88.8	45.4	7.2	3.3	72.7	8.2	3180
8	6 / 2010 - 36	6.1	6.1	2.9	31.7	11.3	5.2	35.7	89.4	46.8	7.5	3.3	75.6	8.7	3130
9	7 / 2010 - 5	6.8	6.9	2.9	31.3	11.2	5.1	35.4	88.9	45.4	7.5	3.3	72.9	8.6	3120
10	7 / 2010 - 15	7.0	6.8	2.9	32.7	11.2	5.4	35.0	86.7	45.8	7.5	3.3	73.1	8.8	3130
11	9 / 2010 - 25	5.7	5.6	2.9	31.9	11.2	5.3	35.3	87.2	45.3	7.1	3.1	72.9	9.6	3165
12	13 / 2010 - 16	6.6	6.6	3.0	31.5	11.3	5.2	36.8	87.7	42.6	7.0	3.1	72.9	9.0	2970
13	15 / 2010 - 9	6.6	6.4	3.0	32.4	11.4	5.5	32.5	85.7	43.5	7.3	3.1	77.5	9.0	2945
14	15 / 2010 - 35	5.1	5.1	2.8	31.9	11.2	5.2	35.5	88.3	44.0	7.0	3.3	72.3	9.6	3090
15	22 / 2010 - 38	5.3	5.3	2.9	32.1	11.0	5.2	35.0	88.3	46.3	7.5	3.3	72.4	9.4	3100
16	25 / 2010 - 21	6.0	5.8	2.9	32.9	11.1	5.4	34.3	85.3	45.9	7.5	3.3	72.3	9.2	2955
17	27 / 2010 - 34	6.0	6.0	3.0	32.0	11.3	5.3	34.0	86.9	45.2	7.5	3.3	74.5	9.0	3000
Mean of selected Families		6.12	6.01	2.92	32.29	11.19	5.34	35.02	87.45	44.63	7.34	3.26	73.37	8.94	3057
C.V. %		11.51	11.55	2.18	2.07	1.16	3.51	2.61	1.41	3.14	2.51	2.41	2.16	5.32	2.93
Mean of comparisons (controls)		6.81	6.72	2.99	32.02	10.91	5.20	35.00	86.81	43.13	7.13	3.40	72.71	9.30	3045
L.S.D.	0.05	N.S	N.S	N.S	1.149	N.S	0.358	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	0.01	N.S	N.S	N.S	1.529	N.S	0.409								

N.S: Non Significant.
C. V. % = Coefficient of variability.

Table 3 shows, the results of the means of yield, yield components and fiber properties for 17 selected families (increase B) compared with the latest strains of *G.87* (controls). The results showed that no significant differences were detected among the families and controls for all the studied characters except for lint percentage and lint index. The results are in agreement with those obtained by Abdel-Al(1976), Abo-Arab et al., (1995), Lasheen (1997), El-Disoqui (2001), Nagib and Hemida (2001) , Abd Al-Zaher (2004) and Mohamed (2013).

Regarding the results of the 6 selected families Table 4 were not significant compared with the control in yield and other agronomic characters, fiber properties as well as seed quality. Pure seeds of the 6 selected families as the last step in such maintaining program, were massed together to form the breeders seed stock of *Giza 87* variety in 2013 season, under name (*Giza 87 nucleolus /2013*).Table 4 presented the characters of the selected families.

Table 4. Means of studied characters of 6 families selected from increase B in 2012 growing season to form new nucleolus (breeder's seed) of G. 87 in 2013 season.

No.	Selected families	S.C.Y. K./F.	L.C.Y. K./F.	B.W. gm.	L.P. %	S.I. gm.	L.I. gm.	Fib. Len. 2.5% m.m.	U.R.%	ST. g./tex	Mic.	Elon.	+ b	RD %	Yarn stem.
1	1/2010-28	5.5	5.8	2.9	33.2	11.2	5.6	35.5	88.3	45.0	3.3	7.5	8.8	72.5	3145
2	5/2010-27	6.8	7.1	2.9	33.1	11.0	5.5	35.2	88.9	45.7	3.3	7.4	8.6	74.1	3165
3	6/2010-1	6.7	6.9	2.9	32.8	11.0	5.4	35.7	88.8	45.4	3.3	7.2	8.2	72.7	3180
4	6/2010-26	6.1	6.1	2.9	31.7	11.3	5.2	35.7	89.4	46.8	3.3	7.5	8.7	75.6	3130
5	7/2010-5	6.8	6.9	2.9	31.3	11.2	5.1	35.4	88.9	45.4	3.3	7.5	8.6	72.9	3120
6	7/2010-10	6.8	7.0	2.9	32.7	11.2	5.4	35.0	86.7	45.8	3.3	7.5	8.8	73.1	3130
Mean of selected Families		6.5	6.6	2.9	32.0	11.2	5.2	35.4	88.5	45.7	3.3	7.4	8.6	73.5	3145
Mean of comparisons(controls)		6.7	6.8	2.9	32.0	10.9	5.2	35.3	86.8	43.1	3.4	7.1	9.3	72.7	3045
C.V. %		8.36	8.18	0.00	2.41	1.10	3.47	0.79	1.07	1.35	0.00	1.63	2.59	1.60	0.74

Yield per feddan was calculated from the mean plot size.

C. V. % = Coefficient of variability.

The breeder's seed (nucleolus) was grown in 2013 season in 15 feddans at Sakha Farm.

These results provide good evidence that the pure seed stock released by the cotton breeder would be maintained pure as the stocks and exclusively remained under the upper hand of the breeder. Being then the breeder's seed (nucleolus) is further increased to produce the foundation seed as a new cultivar strain carrying the number of the year of its propagation.

On the other hand, deterioration may be occur in cotton varieties in general cultivation through, contamination by mechanical mixing of seeds, out crossing with inferior, foreign cultivars, and off-types which could result in a genetic change of the variety. The results are in agreement with those obtained by Abdel-Bary and Bisher (1969), Abdel-Al (1976), El-Akkad *et. al.* (1982), El-kilany and Youssef (1985), Younis *et. al.* (1993), Abo-Arab *et. al.* (1995), Lasheen (1997), El-Disoqui (2001), Nagib and Hemida (2001) ,Abd Al-Zaher (2004) and Mohamed (2013).

The pure line method in the sense of pedigree selection for renewing Giza 87 breeder's seed depends on independent culling selection for most characters, this means that the selection technique for producing breeder seed of Giza 87 variety was valid and proved to be effective in holding this variety according to the standard type of Giza 87.

Finally Cotton Varietal Maintenance Research Department, is responsible to produce of nucleolus annually by pedigree selection method as conventional breeding procedure, for maintain the variety on high genetic purity seeds and matching the specification and important characteristics of the variety.

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خطة التربية والمحافظه وإنتاج النوية (بذرة المربي) لصنف القطن المصري جيزة ٨٧

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يوضح هذا البحث إنتاج بذرة المربي في برنامج المحافظة على الصنف جيزة ٨٧ وهو من طبقة الأقطان فائقة الطول ناتج بطريقة الانتخاب المُنسب من التهجين بين صنف القطن جيزة ٤٥ والصنف جيزة ٧٧ أ .

أُجرى هذا البحث في محطة البحوث الزراعية بسخا خلال الفترة من ٢٠١٠ - ٢٠١٣ م حيث تم انتخاب ٦٠ نباتاً من طراز الصنف جيزة ٨٧ من موسم ٢٠١٠ ثم زُرِع النسل موسم ٢٠١١ مكوناً إكثارات (أ). ثم أُنتخب منها ١٧ عائلةً في نهاية الموسم زُرعت مع ثلاث مقارنات هي أحدث سلالات الصنف في تجربة قطاعات كاملة العشوائية من أربع مكررات عام ٢٠١٢ وزُرعت بذرتها الذاتي في مساحة مجاورة للتجربة.

في نهاية الموسم وبناءً على الاختبارات التي أُجريت تم انتخاب ٦ عائلات نموذجية تمثل الصنف جيزة ٨٧ في صفاتها المحصولية والتكنولوجية وجودة البذرة ثم مُرِجت بذرتها الذاتية بعناية لتكوين النوية الجديدة (بذرة المربي) وزُرعت في موسم ٢٠١٣ في مساحة ١٥ فداناً في مزرعة سخا بقطاع الإنتاج بمحافظة كفر الشيخ. وتدل النتائج المتحصل عليها على كفاءة الطريقة المستخدمة في المحافظة على النقاوة الوراثية للصنف جيزة ٨٧ وذلك باستعمال مزج بذرة الأنسال المنتخبة.

ورغم أن طريقة إنتاج النوية بطريقة الانتخاب المُنسب المُطبقة في برامج التربية إلا أنها مُتبعة في برنامج و تكتيك قسم بحوث المحافظة بمعهد بحوث القطن و أن المربي يستخدمها للحصول على تقاوي المربي بدرجة نقاوة وراثية عالية و مطابقة لمواصفات و صفات الصنف الرئيسية الهامة وذلك بالانتخاب المُنسب كل دورة بالاعتماد على نسل النباتات في كل جيل و دون أي اختلافات وراثية فيما بينها أو في العشيرة و يتم الانتخاب للصفات على أساس (الانتخاب على مستويات) وبذلك يمكن إنتاج تقاوي بدرجة عالية من النقاوة الوراثية و التماثل و التجانس التام و التخلص من التأثير الضار من الظروف البيئية و ملاحظة أي اختلافات و استبعادها وذلك لأن الأصناف المصرية تُربى لكي تعيش أطول فترة ممكنة. وكذلك تشير النتائج إلى أن السلالة الناتجة بهذه الطريقة تمثل المصدر الجيد للبذرة النقية وراثياً ومنتخبة بواسطة المربي والتي يمكن بواسطتها المحافظة على النقاوة الوراثية للصنف جيزة ٨٧.