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## SHORT COMMUNICATIONS

## بحوث مختصرة

### Breeding and Genetics

### التربية والوراثة

#### Introduction of a New Faba Bean Recommended for the Caspian Regions (Gorgan and Mazandaran)

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#### Abstract

In Iran, the line ILB 1269 (New Mammoth) was identified for release, from an international trial provided by the International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas (ICARDA). The new line, which was named Barkat, is recommended for the Caspian region. In three years of testing Barkat outyielded the local check by an average of 128% and in one year by 230% in dry seed and green pod, respectively. This line also proved to be moderately resistant to foliar diseases, i.e. chocolate spot, rust, and alternaria leaf spot.

#### Introduction

In Iran, faba bean (*Vicia faba* L.) is one of the important pulses. The crop is usually grown in the Caspian region, where it is mainly consumed as green pods and to a lesser extent as dry seeds. Hence farmers tend to pay more attention to green pod yield as dictated by consumer preferences.

As little improvement was done in the past, the production per unit area was still low. Therefore, research was directed towards the identification of new high yielding cultivars adapted to the region. The present work was undertaken to study the performance of some of the faba bean advanced lines received from ICARDA during 1982. The aim was to identify and select

lines which yield higher than the local cultivars. The work lasted for four years and data were collected on yields of dry seeds (three years of testing) and green pods (one year of testing).

#### Materials and Methods

In the 1982/83 growing season one of ICARDA's Faba Bean International Yield Trials was planted at Gorgan Research Station. The trial consisted of 12 entries replicated four times in a randomized complete block design. Dry seed yield was evaluated. During data gathering the line ILB 1269 (New Mammoth) was noted to have very long pods.

During 1983/84, 1984/85 and 1985/86 growing seasons, ILB 1269 was tested against five local varieties. Each season the six test entries were replicated four times in a randomized complete block design. In the first three growing seasons (1983-85) the test entries were evaluated for their yields of dry seed. In the 1985/86 season only the yields of green pods were recorded.

In all experiments selection was made under isolated conditions, and was based on the adaptation to environmental conditions, which results in varieties with high yields of dry seeds and green pods.

#### Results and Discussion

The line ILB 1269 (New Mammoth), which yielded 5.9 t/ha of dry seeds in the 1982/83 season, had the highest yield among all entries in the ICARDA international trial and it also significantly outyielded the local check (Table 1).

In the 1983/84 and 1984/85 seasons the new line, yielded 6.1 t/ha of dry seeds, which was higher than all the other entries, and significantly outyielded the check. Also, in the 1985/86 season the new variety had the highest yield of green pods (16.2 t/ha). The check

green pod yield was 7.0 t/ha, thus the new variety was 230% higher than the check. The length of green pods, the number of seeds per pod, and the green yield were twice that of the local check (Table 2).

**Table 1.** Summary of results: yield trial experiments on the faba bean variety (ILB 1269) Barkat in Gorgan from 1982/83 to 1985/86.<sup>a</sup>

|                               | 1982/83 | 1983/84 | 1984/85 | 1985/86 |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Yield (t/ha)                  |         |         |         |         |
| Barkat                        | 5.91    | 6.12    | 6.10    | 16.98   |
| Local check                   | 4.1     | 5.15    | 5.02    | 7.03    |
| Yield increase over check (%) | 44      | 19      | 22      | 142     |

<sup>a</sup> All results are significantly different at the 1% level of probability.

The new variety, which proved to be moderately resistant to chocolate spot, rust, and alternaria leaf spot, was less affected by the diseases as infection occurred late in the season. In contrast, the local check was infected by the diseases early in the season (at the podding stage) thus resulting in decreased yields and poor marketing value of green pods.

### Conclusions

In comparison with the local check, the variety ILB 1269 (New Mammoth) had significantly higher yields of dry seeds and green pods, better marketing value, and an acceptable level of disease resistance. Therefore, it was released and named Barkat.

We recommended this variety for Gorgan and Mazandaran, which have similar climatological conditions.

**Table 2.** Important agronomic characters and disease reaction of the new variety Barkat as compared with the local check.

|             | Agronomic character                |                               |                     |                 | Disease reaction <sup>a</sup> |                      |                |
|-------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|----------------|
|             | Green pod yield/m <sup>2</sup> (g) | Number of pods/m <sup>2</sup> | Number of seeds/pod | Pod length (cm) | Rust                          | Alternaria leaf spot | Chocolate spot |
| Barkat      | 1600                               | 445                           | 7                   | 20-25           | MR                            | MR                   | MR             |
| Local check | 700                                | 390                           | 3                   | 8-10            | HS                            | S                    | HS             |

<sup>a</sup> MR = moderately resistant; S = susceptible; HS = highly susceptible.

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ملخص

في ايران تم تحديد السلالة ( New Mammoth ) ILB 1269 لاعتمادها وذلك من خلال تجربة دولية كان قد زودنا بها المركز الدولي للبحوث الزراعية في المناطق الجافة

## Physiology and Microbiology

## الفيزيولوجيا والاحياء الدقيقة

### The Emergence of Faba Bean as Related to Soil Temperature in the Field

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#### Abstract

Soil temperatures at which seven cultivars of faba bean (*Vicia faba* L. var *major*) emerge were studied. The sum of temperatures at 5 cm deep from sowing till emergence was 222°C on average. The time from sowing till emergence, in days, depended on the mean temperature of soil (x), according to the equation  $Y = a/x$ . The value of "a" was determined to be 229.4. The time from germination till emergence varied from 8 to 3 days at 9°C and 22°C, respectively.

#### Introduction

Soil moisture and temperature determine the time it takes plants to emerge (Labuda 1978; Glinski and Labuda 1979).

The effect of temperature on the germination of vegetable seeds was studied more than 50 years ago by Kotowski (1926, 1927) who hypothesized that differences in the rates of germination are related to biochemical processes and therefore also depend on the chemical composition of seeds.

Bierhuizen and Wagenvoort (1974) determined the sums of the temperatures needed for germination of a number of vegetables as well as the minimum temperatures at which the species could germinate, and indicated practical applications of the parameters.

In 1981, Labuda found systematic differences in emergence of faba bean related to the time of sowing and showed that temperature of the soil was the major determinant because soil moisture was not a limiting

factor in the studies. As a follow-up to the previous work, this study was undertaken to determine the sum of temperatures necessary for the emergence of faba bean and to establish the relation between emergence and the mean temperature of soil in the field.

#### Materials and Methods

The experiment was carried out at Lublin, Poland, 51°14' N, 22° 38' E, at an altitude of 215 m, on a brown soil developed from loess. It included seven cultivars of faba bean (*Vicia faba* L. var *major* Harz.). Five cultivars were introduced every year from the UK -- Aquadulce Claudia, Bunyard's Early Exhibition, Giant Four Seeded Green Windsor, Giant Four Seeded White Windsor, and Masterpiece Green Longpod -- and the other two were cultivars grown in Poland: Windsor Bialy and Hangdown Bialy.

Seeds were sown by hand, 5 cm deep, on three dates: the first, early sowing, on 27 April, the second, middle early sowing, on 10 May, and the third, late sowing, on 24 May. All the cultivars were sown on plots 5 m long and 1.2 m wide. Rows were 40 cm apart, and spacing within rows was 20 cm: 75 seeds (3 rows of 25 seeds) were sown in each plot of 6 m<sup>2</sup> surface area. The experiment lasted 4 years (from 1977 to 1980) and included three dates of sowing, seven cultivars, and four replications.

Soil temperature at a depth of 5 cm, was measured three times daily at 0700, 1300, and 1900 h, and was averaged. This value was regarded as the mean diurnal temperature and was used for the calculation of sums of temperatures from sowing till emergence. Emergence was assessed every morning, and it was recorded full emergence when 70 plants in a plot were observed. Daily observations included also the moisture of soil, whose suction force varied from 10 to 40 kPa.

#### Results and Discussion

The mean sums of temperatures and the mean time from sowing till emergence of faba bean varied significantly among years (Table 1) and dates of sowing (Table 2).

**Table 1.** Average of the sum of temperatures and mean time to emergence from sowing of faba bean, 1977-80.<sup>a</sup>

| Year | Sum of temperatures (°C) | Mean time to emergence (days) |
|------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1977 | 196.4a                   | 14.8a                         |
| 1978 | 224.8b                   | 17.8b                         |
| 1979 | 253.6c                   | 14.9a                         |
| 1980 | 213.9ab                  | 17.7b                         |

<sup>a</sup> Means followed by different letter(s) are significantly different at  $P < 0.05$ .

**Table 2.** Average of sum of temperatures and mean time to emergence from sowing of faba bean in relation to sowing time.<sup>a</sup>

| Sowing time  | Sum of temperatures (°C) | Mean time to emergence (days) |
|--------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Early        | 225.5ac                  | 20.2c                         |
| Middle early | 237.9bc                  | 16.4b                         |
| Late         | 203.1a                   | 12.2a                         |

<sup>a</sup> Numbers followed by different letter(s) are significantly different at  $P < 0.05$ .

The cultivars under study had similar temperature requirements for emergence (range of 211.3 to 232.5°C), but the cv Bunyard's Early Exhibition required the highest sum of temperatures. Hangdown Bialy and Windsor Bialy the lowest (Table 3).

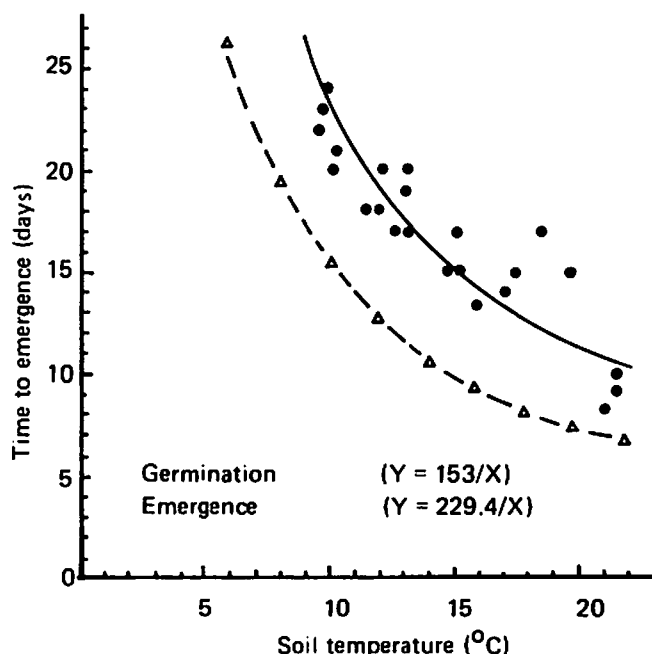
The sum of temperatures from sowing till emergence was, on average, 222°C. Plotting the mean time from sowing till emergence against the mean temperature (x) of the soil (only the means of nonidentical points of the relationship were included) produced a curve close to an equiaxial hyperbola ( $y = a/x$ ), and within the range of values obtained from the experiment "a" was 229.4.

The data of Bierhuizen and Wagenvoort (1974) were used as a basis for the plotting of the calculated relationship between the temperature and the germination of *V. faba* to identify the form of the relationship. For a range of 6 - 22°C, germination should occur within 6 - 26 days (Fig. 1). I found that plotting the date of germination against temperature also produced a hyperbola, where, on average, "a" was 153.0. The equations obtained were used as a basis for the calculation of the difference between the

**Table 3.** Differences in sums of temperatures and mean time to emergence from sowing for seven cultivars of faba bean.<sup>a</sup>

| Cultivar                        | Sum of temperatures (°C) | Mean time to emergence (days) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Aquadulce Claudia               | 223.9a                   | 16.5a                         |
| Bunyard's Early Exhibition      | 232.5a                   | 17.1a                         |
| Giant Four Seeded Green Windsor | 227.4a                   | 16.7a                         |
| Giant Four Seeded White Windsor | 226.8a                   | 15.6a                         |
| Masterpiece Green Longpod       | 221.5a                   | 16.2a                         |
| Windsor Bialy                   | 211.8a                   | 15.3a                         |
| Hangdown Bialy                  | 211.3a                   | 15.6a                         |

<sup>a</sup> Numbers followed by different letter(s) are significantly different at  $P < 0.05$ .



**Fig. 1.** Time to germination and emergence (from sowing) of faba bean related to soil temperature in the field. Sum of temperatures and minimum temperature ( $T_{min}$ ) to germination were 148°C and 0.4°C, respectively. Time to germination (in days) was calculated as  $t = S/(T - T_{min})$ .

germination and the emergence of faba bean. In the experiment carried out, the difference was "a" = 76.4. It was possible to determine the difference between germination and emergence, for a range of mean temperatures of soil in the field from 9°C to 22°C. The time from germination to emergence varied from 8 to 3 days, corresponding to the temperature of the soil.

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ظهور بادرات الفول وعلاقة ذلك بدرجة  
حرارة التربة في الحقل

ملخص

تمت دراسة درجات حرارة التربة التي ظهرت عندها بادرات سبعة أصناف من الفول (*Vicia faba* L. var *major*) وكان مجموع درجات الحرارة على عمق 5 سم من التربة منذ الزراعة وحتى ظهور البادرات هو 222 مئوية بالمتوسط. أما الفترة (بالايام) بين الزراعة وحتى ظهور البادرات فقد توقفت على متوسط درجة حرارة التربة وفق المعادلة التالية  $\gamma = a/x$ . وقد حددت قيمة  $a$  بأنها 229.4، وتباينت الفترة من الانبات وحتى ظهور البادرات ما بين 3 الى 8 ايام على حرارة 9 و 22 مئوية على التوالي.

### Study of the Action of Three Rhizobial Strains and their Combination on *Vicia faba* L.

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### Abstract

The rhizobia isolated from faba bean, soybean, and chickpea were tested, alone and in combination for their symbiosis with faba bean (host). Measurements of nodules and yield indicated that rhizobia isolates from faba bean were most effective in symbiosis with faba bean. Plants grown in soil inoculated with mixtures that included rhizobia isolates from faba bean with those from chickpea or soybean performed better than other combinations (i.e., faba bean + chickpea + soybean; and chickpea + soybean).

### Introduction

Legumes are important in crop rotation because of their ability to fix nitrogen. Among legumes faba bean (*Vicia faba* L.) has been observed to fix a maximal amount of nitrogen/ha (Nutman 1976), but this ability depends on the availability of *Rhizobium* spp. that can colonize the legume. Tang *et al.* (1982) detected no symbiotic response when four legume genera were inoculated with rhizobia isolated from other genera; seven in this experiment. The objective of our work, therefore, was to determine the effect on *V. faba* of inoculation with rhizobial strains isolated from *V. faba* L., *Cicer arietinum* L., and *Glycine max* L. Merr..

### Materials and Methods

The experiment was conducted in a greenhouse. Rhizobial strains were isolated from faba bean (93-23), soybean (S9) and chickpea (H-45) and were multiplied. We prepared combinations of the rhizobial strains by mixing equal numbers of cells from the different cultures: faba bean + soybean, faba bean + chickpea, soybean + chickpea, and faba bean + soybean + chickpea.

Leonard jars were filled with sterilized (121°C, 5 h) nitrogen-free sand. Then in each jar four sterilized (rectified spirit 5 min followed by 5-6 washings with sterilized water) and presoaked seeds (18 h in distilled water) of faba bean cultivars JV-24 and JV-67 were planted. After germination of the seeds, the soil was inoculated with the *Rhizobium* culture (by injecting broth into the sand with a syringe). Each treatment was replicated four times. The plants were watered with sterilized Jansen's nutrient solution (Jansen 1942).

After 45 days, observations on the number of nodules/plant, dry weight of nodules/plant, dry weight of roots and shoots/plant and total biological yield

Table 1. Mean performance of rhizobial strains in combination with variety JV-24 and JV-67 of *Vicia faba* L.

| Rhizobial strain               | Faba bean cultivar | Number of nodules/plant | Dry Wt. nodules/plant (g) | Dry Wt. of shoot/plant (g) | Dry Wt. of root/plant (g) | Biological yield/plant (g) |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Uninoculated control           | JV-24              |                         |                           | 0.27                       | 0.20                      | 0.48                       |
|                                | JV-67              |                         |                           | 0.24                       | 0.22                      | 0.44                       |
| Faba bean                      | JV-24              | 110.83                  | 0.04                      | 0.66                       | 0.31                      | 1.02                       |
|                                | JV-67              | 96.50                   | 0.04                      | 0.58                       | 0.26                      | 0.88                       |
| Chickpea                       | JV-24              | 29.66                   | 0.02                      | 0.32                       | 0.22                      | 0.55                       |
|                                | JV-67              | 34.00                   | 0.03                      | 0.37                       | 0.27                      | 0.67                       |
| Soybean                        | JV-24              | 22.16                   | 0.03                      | 0.30                       | 0.19                      | 0.50                       |
|                                | JV-67              | 22.50                   | 0.03                      | 0.55                       | 0.34                      | 0.64                       |
| Faba bean + chickpea           | JV-24              | 78.33                   | 0.04                      | 0.63                       | 0.31                      | 1.00                       |
|                                | JV-67              | 65.83                   | 0.03                      | 0.50                       | 0.28                      | 0.80                       |
| Faba bean + soybean            | JV-24              | 65.66                   | 0.02                      | 0.45                       | 0.22                      | 0.67                       |
|                                | JV-67              | 53.83                   | 0.03                      | 0.36                       | 0.20                      | 0.58                       |
| Chickpea + soybean             | JV-24              | 41.33                   | 0.05                      | 0.55                       | 0.28                      | 0.58                       |
|                                | JV-67              | 36.16                   | 0.05                      | 0.32                       | 0.20                      | 0.53                       |
| Faba bean + chickpea + soybean | JV-24              | 58.33                   | 0.03                      | 0.42                       | 0.20                      | 0.70                       |
|                                | JV-67              | 53.00                   | 0.02                      | 0.40                       | 0.26                      | 0.67                       |
| SE ±                           | JV-24              | 0.380                   | 0.010                     | 0.155                      | 0.020                     | 0.008                      |
|                                | JV-67              | 0.170                   | 0.005                     | 0.105                      | 0.005                     | 0.003                      |

were recorded. The efficiency of the treatments was compared by the mean performance.

## Results and Discussion

Both varieties of faba bean performed best when inoculated with pure faba bean *Rhizobium* (Table 1). Although the strains from chickpea and soybean and their combinations were able to colonize the legume, the crop growth was poor. The faba bean *Rhizobium* when combined with strains from chickpea or soybean performed better than other combinations. The mixture of the three strains of rhizobia performed poorly due to interaction at the time of nodule initiation.

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دراسة تأثير سلالات من البكتيريا العقدية ( الريزوبيا )  
وخلانطها على الفول *Vicia faba* L.

ملخص

جرى اختبار ثلاث سلالات من البكتيريا العقدية كل على حدة أو مع بعضها في خلطات كانت قد عزلت من ثلاثة محاصيل هي الفول ، وفول الصويا ، والحمص وذلك لتحديد قدرتها التعايشية أو التكافلية مع الفول ( النبات المضيف ) . وقد دلت نتائج دراسة العقد البكتيرية والغلة الى ان عزلات البكتيريا العقدية المأخوذة من الفول كانت اكثر فاعلية في التعايش مع الفول . ان النباتات المزروعة في تربة ملقحة بخلطات بكتيريا عقدية مكونة من عزلات مأخوذة من نبات الفول مع أخرى مأخوذة من الحمص أو فول الصويا قد أظهرت كفاءة أعلى من تلك المزروعة مع خلطات بكتيريا عقدية أخرى ( أي فول + حمص + فول صويا ، أو حمص + فول صويا ) .

## Agronomy and Mechanization

## المعاملات الزراعية والمكننة

### Response of Faba Bean to Sowing Date at New Halfa, Sudan

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#### Abstract

Field trials were conducted to find the optimal sowing date for faba bean at New Halfa, Sudan. Seeds of three cultivars of faba bean BM9/3, BF2/2, and H72 were sown at 15-day intervals (from 1 October to 15 November for two seasons) in a randomized complete block design with four replications. The crops planted between 15 October and 1 November performed best, and the cultivars BF2/2 and H72 outyielded BM9/3, and appeared to be better adapted to conditions at New Halfa. Among the yield components seed weight/plant was most affected by sowing date.

#### Introduction

Faba bean is an important food crop in the Sudan. Traditionally, it is grown in the Northern region of Sudan. To reduce imports of faba bean, the government introduced the crop to new areas such as the agricultural schemes in the Gezira, Rahad, and New Halfa.

Faba bean is well suited to the New Halfa Scheme (lat. 15° 19'N and long. 38° 41'E), where wheat is mainly grown as a winter crop. Faba bean can be cropped with wheat in the same rotation because it has a similar growth cycle. Also, being a leguminous crop, it improves soil fertility. However, the varieties currently being grown in the scheme suffer from heat stress, and, consequently both area and production of the crop have declined (Hassan 1984). This study was undertaken to find the optimum sowing date and the varieties best adapted at new Halfa.

#### Materials and Methods

At New Halfa Research Station during winter seasons 1981/82 and 1982/83, seeds of three faba bean cvs BM9/3, BF2/2, and H72 were planted at 15-day intervals between 1 Oct and 15 Nov in a randomized complete block design with four replications.

The plants were spaced 20 cm apart on both sides of 60-cm ridges, the seed rate being about 119 kg/ha (2 seeds/hole). The plot size was 3 m X 6 m, of which 1.8 m X 4 m was harvested for yield. The crop was irrigated every 10-14 days, sprayed with insecticides, and kept weed-free.

Seed yield was measured in both years, whereas some other yield components were studied in 1982/83.

#### Results

In both seasons, the different sowing dates produced a highly significant effect ( $P < 0.01$ ) on seed yield, with highest yields obtained from crops planted 15 Oct (Tables 1 and 2). Sowing of the crop in 1 Oct 1981/82 and 15 Nov 1982/83 resulted in lowest yields.

Table 1. Seed yield of three cultivars of faba bean sown on four dates at New Halfa, Sudan, during 1981/82 season.

|                    | Mean seed yield<br>(kg/ha) |
|--------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Sowing date</b> |                            |
| 1 Oct              | 762                        |
| 15 Oct             | 1476                       |
| 1 Nov              | 1428                       |
| 15 Nov             | 1142                       |
| SE +               | 95                         |
| <b>Cultivar</b>    |                            |
| BM9/3              | 1047                       |
| BF2/2              | 1309                       |
| H72                | 1238                       |
| SE +               | 95                         |

Table 2. Response of faba bean to sowing date at New Halfa, Sudan, 1982/83.

|                    | Seed yield<br>(kg/ha) | Pods/plant | Seed weight/<br>plant (g) | Branches/<br>plant | Plant height<br>(cm) |
|--------------------|-----------------------|------------|---------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Sowing date</b> |                       |            |                           |                    |                      |
| 1 Oct              | 1761                  | 30         | 24                        | 7                  | 81                   |
| 15 Oct             | 1833                  | 31         | 27                        | 7                  | 87                   |
| 1 Nov              | 1809                  | 31         | 25                        | 6                  | 51                   |
| 15 Nov             | 1380                  | 25         | 17                        | 6                  | 86                   |
| SE ±               | 100                   | 1.7        | 1.7                       | 0.4                | 2.1                  |
| <b>Cultivar</b>    |                       |            |                           |                    |                      |
| BM9/3              | 1618                  | -          | -                         | -                  | 89                   |
| BF2/2              | 1714                  | -          | -                         | -                  | 82                   |
| H72                | 1714                  | -          | -                         | -                  | 88                   |
| SE ±               | 48                    | -          | -                         | -                  | 1.8                  |

The effect of sowing date was also significant for all yield components. It was highly significant ( $P < 0.01$ ) only for seed weight/plant, and significant ( $P < 0.05$ ) for the other components.

In both seasons, the varieties BF2/2 and H72 produced higher seed yields than BM9/3, but the difference was not significant. In 1982/83 the three cultivars differed significantly ( $P < 0.05$ ) in plant height (Table 2).

### Discussion

The sowing dates proved important in determining seed yields at New Halfa where the winter season is shorter and warmer than in the area where faba bean has traditionally been grown. Planting on 15 Oct and on 1 Nov allowed flowering to occur during the coolest month (January). Earlier and later sowing dates produced lower yields. These results agree with the findings by other investigators at Hudeiba (Hiepko and Kaufmann 1965; Baghdadi and Khalifa 1968; Abu Salih 1979; Ageeb 1981; Hassan 1984), and at Rahad (Mohamed 1986).

The cultivars BF2/2 and H72 outyielded BM9/3 and seem to be more adapted to the New Halfa scheme. All three cultivars produced medium-sized seeds. More work is needed to further elucidate the effect of sowing date on yield and yield components.

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استجابة الفول لموعد الزراعة  
في حلفا الجديدة بالسودان

ملخص

اجريت تجارب حقلية لتحديد الموعد المثالي لزراعة الفول في حلفا الجديدة بالسودان . وقد زرعت بذور ثلاثة اصناف من الفول هي BM 9/3 ، BF 2/2 ، و H 72 بفواصل زمنية مدتها 15 يوما ( من 1 تشرين الاول/اكتوبر وحتى 15 تشرين الثاني/نوفمبر وعلى موسمين ) وفق تصميم القطاعات العشوائية الكاملة بأربعة مكررات . وقد كانت كفاءة المحاصيل التي زرعت بين 15 تشرين الاول/اكتوبر و 1 تشرين الثاني/نوفمبر هي الافضل ، كما تفوق الصنفان BF 2/2 و H 72 على الصنف BM 9/3 ، وظهر انهما متاقلمان بشكل افضل تحت الظروف السائدة في حلفا الجديدة . ومن بين مكونات الغلة كان وزن البذور/نبات هو الاكثر تأثرا بموعد الزراعة .

## Pest and Disease

## الآفات والأمراض

### Electrophoretic Separation: An Alternative Simple Procedure for the Purification of Broad Bean Mottle and Alfalfa Mosaic Viruses

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#### Abstract

A procedure to purify broad bean mottle virus (BBMV) and alfalfa mosaic virus (AMV) using agarose-acrylamide gel electrophoresis was developed. Infected tissue was extracted in 0.2 M phosphate buffer, pH 7.2 containing 0.01 M EDTA and 1% sodium sulfite. The extract was clarified by low speed centrifugation (10,000 rpm, 20 min) and the virus was then precipitated by 6% polyethylene glycol + 2% sodium chloride and centrifugation at 12,000 rpm for 20 min. The partially purified virus preparation was electrophoresed in 0.5% agarose + 2% acrylamide gel for 4 h at 250 V. BBMV preparation produced one dense band and AMV produced two dense and two faint bands with no corresponding bands in the healthy extracts. When rabbits were injected with the gels containing the virus-specific bands of BBMV and AMV, the quality of the antiserum produced was good for the detection of the two viruses by ELISA.

#### Introduction

Electrophoresis is a simple technique for the separation of macromolecules including viruses (Van Regenmortel 1964). Bean yellow mosaic virus was recently purified by this method and a BYMV antiserum was produced (Makkouk *et al.* 1988). Such a procedure does not require the use of an ultracentrifuge, an

expensive instrument to buy and maintain. The availability of an equally efficient procedure other than ultracentrifugation for the purification of BYMV, encouraged us to apply it for the purification of two other viruses of faba bean, broad bean mottle and alfalfa mosaic viruses.

#### Materials and Methods

##### Virus purification

Plants of *Vicia faba* L. (cv Syrian Local) and *Nicotiana glutinosa* were mechanically inoculated with isolates of BBMV (from faba bean, SV 48-86) and AMV (from chickpea SC 10-86), respectively. The two virus isolates were identified earlier in our laboratory from infected plants in Syria. Both viruses were purified by using the same procedure: 10 g of infected tissue were extracted in 30 ml of 0.2 M phosphate buffer, pH 7.2 containing 0.01 M EDTA and 1% sodium sulfite. The extract was clarified by centrifugation at 10 000 rpm for 20 min and the virus was precipitated from the supernatant by the addition of 6% polyethylene glycol + 2% sodium chloride and centrifugation at 12 000 rpm for 20 min. The pellets were suspended in 3 ml of 0.2 M phosphate buffer, pH 7.2. Healthy tissue of faba bean and *N. glutinosa* were processed in parallel. Electrophoresis of the partially purified BBMV and AMV was carried out on 0.5% agarose + 2% acrylamide gels following the procedure reported for BYMV (Makkouk *et al.* 1988).

##### Antiserum production and serology

Areas in the unstained gels which corresponded to the virus bands in the stained gels were removed, homogenized and emulsified (1:1) with Freund's complete adjuvant for the first injection and with incomplete adjuvant for subsequent injections. Four intramuscular injections were given to each rabbit at weekly intervals. A booster injection was given to the rabbit immunized with BBMV three weeks after the fourth injection.

Immunoglobulins (IgG) were fractionated from the antisera using the caprylic acid method of Steinbuch and Audran (1969). The reactivity of the isolated IgG was evaluated by ELISA (Clark and Adams 1977).

### Results and Discussion

The electrophoresis of the partially purified BBMV and AMV in 2% acrylamide plus 0.5% agarose produced specific bands in the gel with no corresponding bands in the healthy samples (Fig.1). BBMV produced one virus-specific dense band, whereas AMV produced 2 dense and two faint virus-specific bands. The wide BBMV band however, seemed to be the result of two bands close to each other, but whose high concentration in the gel made it difficult to appear as two separate bands. When assayed by ELISA, the BBMV and AMV bands gave a strong reaction with a BBMV antiserum prepared earlier in our laboratory, and with an AMV antiserum provided by Dr. D.Z. Maat, IPO, Wageningen, The Netherlands, respectively. Consequently, the virus-specific bands for each virus were pooled and used for antiserum production.

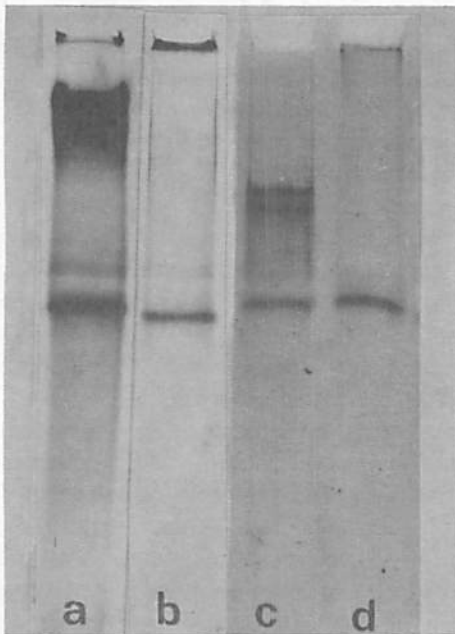


Fig. 1. Electrophoresis of partially purified preparations from (a) BBMV-infected *Vicia faba*, (b) healthy *V. faba*, (c) AMV-infected *Nicotiana glutinosa*, and (d) healthy *N. glutinosa* plants in 2% polyacrylamide + 0.5% agarose gels using a tris-glycine buffer, pH 8.3. Electrophoresis was carried out at 250 V and 18 mA/ slab, for 4 h. Migration was towards the anode.

Table 1. ELISA values<sup>a</sup> obtained from testing virus-infected and healthy tissues using IgG from the different bleedings of AMV and BBMV antisera obtained by injecting rabbits with virus bands from agarose-acrylamide gels after electrophoretic separation.

| Bleeding | BBMV <sup>b</sup>          |                           | AMV <sup>c</sup>                |                                |
|----------|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
|          | Infected<br><i>V. faba</i> | Healthy<br><i>V. faba</i> | Infected<br><i>N. glutinosa</i> | Healthy<br><i>N. glutinosa</i> |
| 1        | 0.448                      | 0.017                     | 0.341                           | 0.000                          |
| 2        | 0.473                      | 0.018                     | 0.309                           | 0.000                          |
| 3        | 0.491                      | 0.017                     | NT <sup>d</sup>                 | NT                             |
| 4        | 0.505                      | 0.000                     | NT                              | NT                             |
| 5        | 0.492                      | 0.013                     | NT                              | NT                             |

a Enzyme conjugate dilution used was 1:1000. Absorbance was read at 405 nm.

b Plates were coated with 1 µg/ml IgG and substrate incubation time was 45 min.

c Plates were coated with 10 µg/ml IgG and substrate incubation time was 2 h.

d Not tested.

When the fractionated IgG from the different bleedings of the BBMV and AMV antisera were used for coating the plates and testing BBMV- and AMV-infected tissue, high ELISA values were obtained with virus-infected extracts and very low values with healthy extracts (Table 1).

BBMV and AMV are known to reach high concentrations in infected tissue and high virus yields from purification are reported for both viruses (Jaspars and Bos 1980; Lane 1979). For this reason it was possible to obtain from 10 g of infected tissue enough purified virus of BBMV and AMV to inject the rabbits and produce antisera of good quality for diagnostic purposes.

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الفصل بالهجرة الكهربائية : طريقة بسيطة وبديلة  
لتنقية فيروس تبرقش الفول وموزاييك الفصة

#### ملخص

تم استخدام طريقة جديدة لتنقية فيروس تبرقش الفول (BBMV) وفيروس موزاييك الفصة (AMV) باستخدام الهجرة الكهربائية داخل وسط مكون من الاجاروز والاكريلاميد تم استخلاص النسج المصابة في محلول فوسفاتي منظم 0.2 M ودرجة حموضة (pH) 7.2 تحتوى على 0.01 M EDTA و 1% من كبريتات الصوديوم . وبعد تنقية جزئية للمستخلص باستعمال القوة الطاردة المركزية على سرعة بطيئة ( 10.000 دورة بالدقيقة ) ولمدة 20 دقيقة تم ترسيب الفيروس باضافة 6% من بولي أثيلين جليكول + 2% كلوريد الصوديوم ثم جمع بواسطة الطرد المركزى بسرعة 12.000 دورة بالدقيقة ولمدة 20 دقيقة . خضع المستحضر الفيروسي المنقى جزئيا بعد ذلك للهجرة الكهربائية في هلام مكون من 0.5% أجاروز + 2% اكريلاميد لمدة 4 ساعات على 250 V . وقد اعطى فيروس تبرقش الفول شريطا كثيفا في حين اعطى فيروس موزاييك الفصة شريطين كثيفين وآخرين باهتين مع عدم وجود اشربة ماثلة في المستخلصات السليمة . وعندما حقنت الارانب بالهلام الحاوى على الاشربة الخاصة بفيروسي BBMV و AMV كانت نوعية المصل المضاد المنتج جيدة للكشف عن الفيروسين بطريقة الازا ELISA .

## Control of *Orobanche* spp. with Scepter Herbicide

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### Abstract

Scepter (imazaquin) was tested as a new herbicide for controlling *Orobanche* spp. in faba bean crop. Two applications of Scepter at 10 g a.i./ha each, once at the tubercle stage and the second time at the bud stage of the underground development of *Orobanche* plant, gave almost complete control of the parasite (mostly *Orobanche crenata*). The treatment also resulted in some increase in the yield of faba bean over untreated check. Rates higher than 20 g a.i./ha of Scepter decreased faba bean yield.

### Introduction

Faba bean production in many countries of the West Asia and North Africa region is hampered seriously by the parasitic weed broomrape (*Orobanche crenata* Forsk. and *O. aegyptiaca* Pers.). Attempts to control the parasite by using agronomic methods and herbicides have not been fully satisfactory (Jacobson 1986; Sauerborn and Saxena 1986). Glyphosate is by far the most commonly tested herbicide but its effectiveness has been variable (Jacobson and Levy 1986). Hence there is a need to test new herbicides. At the International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas (ICARDA) such studies have been underway at its main research station, Tel Hadya, in northern Syria. In a set of such studies, Scepter, a herbicide of imidazolinone family with common name imazaquin, was evaluated. This herbicide has been recommended for use in soybean and some other leguminous crops (Anonymous 1986, Sims *et al.* 1987). It proved very effective on tobacco (Hagood and Komm 1987) but when used at a rate of 100 g a.i./ha in faba bean it showed crop damage (Roberts and Bond 1984). This herbicide is usually applied either as a pre- or post- emergence spray at low rates and it controls mainly broadleaved weeds. It is phloem and xylem mobile and tends to accumulate in the growing parts of a plant. Because of this behavior it was thought worthwhile to test this chemical for controlling *Orobanche* in faba bean fields.



## Materials and Methods

Experiments were carried out at the Tel Hadya farm of ICARDA in northern Syria, during the 1985/86 and 1986/87 seasons, on fields naturally infested with mainly *Orobanche crenata* (ICARDA 1986). Faba bean cultivar Syrian Local Large was used. The crop was grown rainfed. The seasonal total precipitation was 316 mm and 340 mm during the 1985/86 and 1986/87 seasons, respectively.

Plot size was 15 m<sup>2</sup>. Scepter was sprayed as an aqueous solution with a knapsack sprayer at a volume of 400 l/ha. Different rates and times of application as given in Tables 1 and 2 were tested. Treatments were replicated 4 times in a randomized block design and data on *Orobanche* infestation and crop yield were collected and statistically analyzed.

## Results and Discussion

In the first evaluation, in the 1985/86 season, 40 and

80 g a.i. Scepter/ha gave very promising *Orobanche* control (Table 1). However, these rates caused crop stunting and the yield was, therefore, reduced when compared to the unsprayed check. In this study, the total amount of herbicide applied ranged from 40 to 160 g a.i. Scepter/ha, but higher rates caused greater reduction in yield.

In the 1985/86 season, the tested rates of Scepter, which provided good control of *Orobanche*, had a high phytotoxic effect on the crop. Therefore, it was thought worthwhile to try lower doses of the herbicide for various postemergence applications in 1986/87. In addition, a preemergence application of 80 g a.i. Scepter/ha was included as a new treatment. Table 1 shows that the best *Orobanche* control occurred when 10 g a.i./ha of the herbicide was applied twice--once at the tubercle stage of the underground development of *Orobanche* and the second time when the *Orobanche* reached the bud stage (a stage when *Orobanche* shoot differentiation can be seen for the first time). The seed yield of faba bean showed slight improvement over

Table 1. Evaluation of Scepter to control *Orobanche* spp. in faba bean during the 1985/86 and 1986/87 seasons at Tel Hadya, northern Syria.

| Rate and time of herbicide application (g a.i./ha) | <i>Orobanche</i> shoots/m <sup>2</sup> | Crop seed yield (t/ha) | <i>Orobanche</i> dry weight as % of total biomass yield |
|--|--|------------------------|---|
| <b>1985/86</b>                                     |  |                        |   |
| Control (no herbicide)                             | 21                                     | 1.08                   | 3.81  |
| 40 g at tubercle (T) stage <sup>1</sup>            | 0                                      | 0.84                   | 0.00  |
| 40g at T+40 g at bud (B) stage <sup>1</sup>        | 0                                      | 0.53                   | 0.00  |
| 80 g at T  | 1                                      | 0.39                   | 0.45  |
| 80 g at T+80 g at B                                | 0                                      | 0.14                   | 0.00  |
| LSD (5%)   | 3.8                                    | 0.32                   |   |
| <b>1986/87</b>                                     |  |                        |   |
| Control (no herbicide)                             | 40                                     | 2.32                   | 2.20  |
| 80 g as preemergence <sup>2</sup>                  | 2                                      | 1.72                   | 0.20  |
| 20 g as postemergence (Pt) <sup>3</sup>            | 48                                     | 1.99                   | 2.40  |
| 20 g as Pt+10 g at T                               | 1                                      | 2.23                   | 0.02  |
| 5 g at T   | 11                                     | 2.47                   | 1.05  |
| 5 g at T+7.5 g at B                                | 4                                      | 2.41                   | 0.20  |
| 10 g at T  | 3                                      | 2.44                   | 0.10  |
| 10 g at T+10 g at B                                | 1                                      | 2.50                   | 0.01  |
| LSD (5%)   | 36.4                                   | 0.56                   |   |

<sup>1</sup> (T) = Tubercle stage of underground development of *Orobanche*; (B) = Bud stage of underground development of *Orobanche*.

<sup>2</sup> Preemergence = Before the emergence of faba bean.

<sup>3</sup> Postemergence (Pt) = When faba bean plants were about 10 cm high.

**Table 2.** Effect of different rates and time of application of Scepter on the number of *Orobanche* shoot per m<sup>2</sup> and the yield of faba bean at Tel Hadya, 1986/87 season.

| Rate of Scepter application<br>(g a.i./ha) | Time of Scepter application            |                      |  |                      |
|--|--|----------------------|--|----------------------|
|  | At start of flowering                  |                      | At 100% flowering                      |                      |
|  | <i>Orobanche</i> shoots/m <sup>2</sup> | Seed yield (g/plant) | <i>Orobanche</i> shoots/m <sup>2</sup> | Seed yield (g/plant) |
| Control (no herbicide)                     | 5.7                                    | 26                   | 16.4                                   | 22                   |
| 10   | 0.0                                    | 25                   | 0.0                                    | 31                   |
| 20   | 0.0                                    | 29                   | 0.0                                    | 25                   |
| 40   | 0.0                                    | 18                   | 0.0                                    | 24                   |
| 60   | 0.0                                    | 18                   | 0.0                                    | 20                   |
| 80   | 0.0                                    | 7                    | 0.0                                    | 21                   |
| LSD (5%)                                   | 3.6                                    | 8.0                  | 1.9                                    | 9.0                  |

the check although this was statistically ( $P < 0.05$ ) nonsignificant. Very early applications (preemergence or early postemergence), as recommended for use of this herbicide in soybean (Anonymous 1986), failed to be effective in increasing yield. Postemergence application of 20 g a.i. Scepter/ha (when faba bean was 10 cm tall) did not control *Orobanche*. However, when this application was combined with an additional application of 10 g a.i./ha of the herbicide at the tubercle stage of *Orobanche* development, the control of *Orobanche* was significantly improved. Single application of 5 g a.i. of Scepter/ha at tubercle stage gave only partial control of *Orobanche*.

The timing of application of herbicide based on the stage of development of underground *Orobanche* entails practical difficulty because one has to dig up the root system of the crop to examine the *Orobanche* attachments. Hence, an additional trial was conducted during the 1986/87 season where the timing of herbicide application was based on crop phenology. Scepter was applied at different rates either at the start of flowering (mid March) or at 100% flowering (i.e. at end of March when each plant had at least one fully open flower). The results are shown in Table 2. *Orobanche* was completely controlled in all the plots that received Scepter whereas in check plots *Orobanche* shoots emerged. With an application rate of more than 20 g a.i. of Scepter/ha the crop yield tended to decrease. Therefore, this rate can be considered as a threshold for a postemergence application. It is also evident from the data in Table 2 that the crop was able to tolerate the herbicide better when it was applied at 100% flowering than at the beginning of flowering.

Field studies at ICARDA (Hezewijk *et al.* 1987) have shown that the start of flowering in faba bean generally coincides with the stage of *Orobanche* development when most of the *Orobanche* attachments to faba bean roots are at the tubercle stage whereas at the 100% flowering they would have reached the bud and crownroot stages. Thus one could time the application of Scepter based on the crop phenology to reach the parasite at its most vulnerable stage.

The results of these studies clearly show the high potential of Scepter in controlling *Orobanche crenata*. There is, however, a need to further refine the information on the time and rate of application to reduce the crop phytotoxicity so that potential gains in yield from the control of the parasite could be actually realised. Perhaps a lower dosage, in split applications, at the appropriate stage of *Orobanche* and faba bean development would ensure this. Phytotoxicity to the crop may also be reduced by the use of a product formulation without surfactant. Investigations in this regard will be continued in the 1987/88 season at ICARDA.

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مكافحة الهالوك *Orobanche* spp. بمبيد الاعشاب

Scepter

ملخص

تم اختبار مبيد الاعشاب الجديد Scepter ( imazaquin ) لمكافحة الهالوك *Orobanche* spp. في محصول الفول . وقد أدى رش Scepter مرتين بمعدل 10 غ/م<sup>2</sup> مادة فعالة/ه في كل رشة - الاولى في طور اتصال الهالوك بالنبات العائل والثانية في طور البرعمة bud stage للجزء السفلي المتطور لنبات الهالوك - الى تحقيق مكافحة كاملة تقريبا للنبات الطفيلي ( ومعظم الهالوك المفروض *Orobanche crenata* ) . كما نجم عن هذه المعاملة حدوث بعض الزيادة في غلة الفول مقارنة بالصف الشاهد غير المعامل . أما المعدلات التي تزيد عن 20 غ/م<sup>2</sup> من Scepter فقد ادت الى تناقص غلة الفول .

## Estimation of Orobanche Seeds in Soil

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### Abstract

A simple method to determine the number of seeds of *Orobanche* spp. in soil is to centrifuge a sample of soil in a suspension of MgSO<sub>4</sub> to which a small amount of Kaoline is added and then to pour the supernatant through a 500 $\mu$ m sieve over a 53 $\mu$ m sieve. The seeds that accumulated on the 53 $\mu$ m sieve can be counted easily if transferred to a graduated petridish and examined under a binocular microscope (16 X magnification).

### Introduction

It is known that the distribution of *Orobanche* spp. seeds in soil is uneven. Therefore, in field experiments, variation in infestation levels is expected. To study the differences in infestation between plots, we need to assess the effectiveness of the control measures used (Ashworth 1976). Several investigators have attempted to deal with the variability by determining the numbers of seeds in soil samples (Krishna - Murty and Chandwani 1975; Ashworth 1976; Eplee 1976; Mueller 1980; Visser and Wentzel 1980; Bozan *et al.* 1981; Benz *et al.* 1984). The efficacy of different methods was tested in the present study, the aim being to adopt the most accurate method for field studies at ICARDA.

### Materials and Methods

A technique for automatic sampling of soil has been developed in the USA (R.E. Eplee, personal communication, 1987), but in this investigation, soil samples up to 15-cm depth were taken manually with an auger. Five and four subsamples from 20-m<sup>2</sup> and 18-m<sup>2</sup> plots, respectively, were each mixed to form a single bulk sample.

The soil samples were taken from the experimental station of ICARDA at Tel Hadya. The soil is classified

as Terra Rossa, with infestation by *Orobanche* ranging from 0 to more than 100 seeds/100 g of soil (Table 1. Sauerborn and Masri 1986, unpublished). Samples were taken also from a pot experiment in which faba bean (*Vicia faba* L.) was a host for *Orobanche* at different levels of infestation. The soil in the pot experiment was a mixture of Tel Hadya soil and river sand (3:1).

After being sieved coarsely (5 mm), the samples were air-dried and stored in open nylon bags. They were carefully mixed, as required for the determination of number of *Orobanche* seeds in infested soil, (Mueller 1980; Visser and Wentzel 1980).

The soil samples were divided into two equal portions (100 g each) and were centrifuged in 1000-ml tubes with 450-475 ml solution of  $MgSO_4$  (specific gravity 1.16 g/ml) and Kaoline (two teaspoons). The Kaoline was to facilitate decanting of the solution after centrifugation. The mixture was processed for 2 min with a Vibromixer until all particles were in suspension. Centrifuge tubes were adjusted to the same weight and then centrifuged for 5 min at 2300 rpm.

The centrifuged suspension was decanted on a  $500\mu m$  sieve mounted over  $53\mu m$  sieve. The residues on the  $500\mu m$  sieve were particles larger than *Orobanche* seeds and were discarded. Residues from the  $53\mu m$  sieve were washed on microfiber filter papers that were placed in half open petridishes, air-dried, and stored.

The dried residues were placed on a 15-cm diameter petridish with graduations; they were distributed evenly by hand, and the petridish was tapped on the underside so that particles did not lie on one another. Whole seeds were counted under a binocular microscope at 16 X magnification. Seed coats or damaged seeds were not counted.

Table 1. Infestation of five Tel Hadya fields with *Orobanche* spp. seeds (Sauerborn and Masri 1986, unpublished).

| Field | <i>Orobanche</i> spp. seeds<br>(seeds/100 ml soil) |     |      |
|-------|--|-----|------|
|       | West   | - > | East |
| A9    | 1  | 1   | 0    |
| A16   | 0  | 1   | 2    |
| A25   | 21   | 31  | 36   |
| B7    | 113  | 77  | 17   |
| C14   | 16   | 31  | 26   |

## Results and Discussion

The results obtained from this study show that the distribution of *Orobanche* seeds in Tel Hadya experimental station is variable. The plots varied from 3 to 74 seeds/100 g of soil (Table 2). The variability in distribution of seeds among the plots was evident even in small areas. The variation probably explains the large differences in numbers of emerged *Orobanche* spp. shoots per unit area and per host plant within the replications. The problem of determining the appropriate size and number of samples has been discussed by Barralis *et al.* (1986). In future, either more subsamples should be taken (Fenner 1985) or subsamples should be examined separately so that counted seeds in soil may correlate with *Orobanche* plants per unit area. Nevertheless dormancy of *Orobanche* seeds will still be a source for variability.

The seeds recovered from soil samples of the pot experiment were 54.6% of the total (this percentage is much lower than expected). Therefore, the method was checked with artificially infested Tel Hadya soil. Recovery rate in the check was always more than 90%, suggesting that seeds from the pot experiment had been trapped with rapidly settling sand particles during centrifugation (Ashworth 1976) or that some seeds disappeared because of germination or natural mortality. The recovery rate in pot experiments might be improved by removal of sand particles by wet sieving of soil before centrifugation.

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Table 2. Distribution of infestation levels of plots (18 m<sup>2</sup>) with *Orobanche* spp. seeds in soil in a field experiment (Faba Bean Sowing Date Trial 1986/87).

| Replicate | <i>Orobanche</i> spp.<br>(seeds/100 g soil) |       |        |       |        |
|-----------|---|-------|--------|-------|--------|
|           | Date of sowing                              |       |        |       |        |
|           | Oct 22                                      | Nov 5 | Nov 20 | Dec 4 | Dec 21 |
| 1         | 13.5  | 7.0   | 74.0   | 9.5   | 8.5    |
| 2         | 9.5   | 6.5   | 10.5   | 3.5   | 16.5   |
| 3         | 20.5  | 16.5  | 4.5    | 35.5  | 7.5    |
| 4         | 15.5  | 4.0   | 4.0    | 32.5  | 20.0   |

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## تقدير بذور الهالوك *Orobanche* في التربة

### ملخص

هناك طريقة بسيطة لتحديد عدد بذور الهالوك *Orobanche* spp. في التربة تتمثل بوضع عينة من التربة في معلق من  $Mg\ SO_4$  مضاف اليه مقدار ضئيل من الكاؤولين ، وبعد الطرد بالقوة الطاردة المركزية تصب المادة الطافية عبر منخل  $500\ \mu m$  موضوع على منخل  $53\ \mu m$  . ان البذور المتراكمة على منخل  $53\ \mu m$  يمكن عددها بسهولة اذا ما نقلت على اطباق بترى مدرجة وفحصت تحت مجهر ثنائي العينية ( بتكبير  $\times 16$  ) .

## Seed Quality and Nutrition

## جودة البذور والتغذية

### Effect of Seed Coat and Cotyledons on the Texture of Cooked Faba Bean (Medamnis)

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#### Abstract

The effect of seed coat on the hydration capacity of dry seeds and on the hydration and texture of cooked ones was studied on six freshly harvested faba bean samples [3 hard-to-cook (H) and 3 soft-to-cook (S)]. The seed coat had a slight effect on the hydration capacity of dry seeds (7 to 14% for S samples, and 11 to 17% for H samples). In S samples, although the seed coat constituted only 13-14% of the seed weight, it was reflected in 64-65% of the texture of cooked seeds indicating the significance of its chemical nature rather than its permeability. The cotyledon has almost as much effect as the seed coat on the texture of H samples.

#### Introduction

Variation in cooking time of legume seeds has been known for a long time, and has been attributed to genetical and environmental factors, particularly to climatic conditions and available nutrients (P,K) in soil (Halstead and Gfeller 1964; Bourne 1967; Wassimi *et al.* 1978; Shehata *et al.* 1987).

Shehata *et al.* (1985) reported a highly significant correlation between the percentage of seed coat and hydration coefficient of dry faba bean seeds with the texture and hydration coefficient of cooked ones. The texture of cooked legumes was found to be affected mainly by the water absorption capacity of seeds (Sefa-Dedeh *et al.* 1979), and by the chemical composition of the cell wall of cotyledons (Mattson *et al.* 1950).

Morris *et al.* (1950) found that water absorption capacity is mainly attributed to permeability of seed coat (i.e. hard shell) and sometimes to the decorticated seeds (sclerema).

It was suggested that the interrelationship between pectic substances, phytin and divalent cations in the cotyledon affects the texture of cooked beans (Mattson *et al.* 1950; Muller 1967; Shehata *et al.* 1983). This study aims to evaluate the role of both seed coat and decorticated seeds (i.e., cotyledons) on the texture of cooked faba beans (soft-to-cook and hard-to-cook samples).

#### Materials and Methods

Several samples of freshly harvested faba bean seeds (Crops of 1985 and 1986) were tested for their texture after cooking, and six samples from each crop (3 soft-to-cook and 3 hard-to-cook) were selected accordingly.

Percentages of seed coat and hydration coefficient (HC) of whole and decorticated dry seeds were determined. Hydration coefficient and texture of cooked beans were measured before and after decorticating (i.e., decorticating was done after cooking). Faba bean seeds were cooked by autoclaving at 115.5°C for 2 h. Texture was measured as maximum shear force using Ottawa Texture Measuring System (Shehata *et al.* 1985). All tests were done in triplicates.

#### Results and Discussion

Seed coat percentage ranged from 13.4 to 15.7% and was slightly higher in hard-to-cook (H) than in soft-to-cook (S) seeds (Tables 1 and 3). On the other hand, hydration coefficient (HC) of whole and decorticated dry seeds was slightly higher in (S) than in (H) seeds. The effect of seed coat on HC was small (7 to 17%) while HC of cooked seeds was almost twice that of dry seeds. Although variations between 1985 and 1986 samples were evident, the ratio between H and S samples was very close (Table 3), except that for seed coat

Table 1. Effect of seed coat on the hydration capacity of faba bean seeds.<sup>1</sup>

| Sample | Seed coat (%) | Hydration coefficient (HC) |                     | Seed coat <sup>2</sup> effect | Seed coat <sup>3</sup> effect (%) |      |      |
|--------|---------------|----------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------|------|
|        |               | Seeds soaked for 2 h       |                     |                               |                                   |      |      |
|        |               | Whole                      | Decorticated        |                               |                                   |      |      |
| 1985   | S             | 13.9 <sup>d</sup>          | 126.5 <sup>b</sup>  | 135.9 <sup>cd</sup>           | 260.2 <sup>ab</sup>               | 9.4  | 7.4  |
|        | S             | 13.5 <sup>e</sup>          | 127.9 <sup>a</sup>  | 138.9 <sup>a</sup>            | 259.5 <sup>b</sup>                | 11.0 | 8.6  |
|        | S             | 13.4 <sup>e</sup>          | 127.1 <sup>ab</sup> | 136.2 <sup>cd</sup>           | 262.1 <sup>a</sup>                | 9.1  | 7.1  |
|        | H             | 14.2 <sup>c</sup>          | 121.9 <sup>c</sup>  | 135.6 <sup>a</sup>            | 240.9 <sup>c</sup>                | 13.7 | 11.2 |
|        | H             | 15.7 <sup>a</sup>          | 121.3 <sup>c</sup>  | 136.9 <sup>b</sup>            | 239.8 <sup>c</sup>                | 15.6 | 12.8 |
|        | H             | 15.1 <sup>b</sup>          | 122.1 <sup>c</sup>  | 136.4 <sup>bc</sup>           | 241.2 <sup>c</sup>                | 14.3 | 11.7 |
| 1986   | S             | 14.0 <sup>c</sup>          | 134.4 <sup>a</sup>  | 150.9 <sup>b</sup>            | 256.4 <sup>a</sup>                | 16.5 | 12.2 |
|        | S             | 13.9 <sup>e</sup>          | 132.9 <sup>b</sup>  | 151.0 <sup>b</sup>            | 252.5 <sup>c</sup>                | 18.1 | 13.6 |
|        | S             | 14.3 <sup>d</sup>          | 134.0 <sup>a</sup>  | 153.0 <sup>c</sup>            | 254.2 <sup>b</sup>                | 19.0 | 14.1 |
|        | H             | 14.5 <sup>c</sup>          | 126.9 <sup>cd</sup> | 146.5 <sup>c</sup>            | 227.8 <sup>c</sup>                | 19.6 | 15.0 |
|        | H             | 15.1 <sup>a</sup>          | 127.5 <sup>c</sup>  | 148.0 <sup>c</sup>            | 230.2 <sup>d</sup>                | 20.5 | 16.0 |
|        | H             | 14.8 <sup>b</sup>          | 126.4 <sup>d</sup>  | 148.1 <sup>c</sup>            | 227.8 <sup>e</sup>                | 21.7 | 17.1 |

<sup>1</sup> Means followed by different letter (s) (for each year) are significantly different at 1% level of probability.

<sup>2</sup> Seed coat effect = HC of decorticated seeds - HC of whole seeds.

<sup>3</sup> Percentage of seed coat effect =  $\frac{\text{Seed coat effect}}{\text{HC of whole seeds}} \times 100$

effect on HC, which was much higher for 1985 than for 1986 samples. Samples of 1986 which had higher HC for dry seeds, had lower HC and texture for cooked beans than the 1985 samples. Tables 2 and 3 show that seed coat had great effect on the texture of cooked faba bean seeds, particularly in the soft-to-cook samples. The effect of seed coat on the texture of cooked beans measured as maximum shear force was about 41 out of 64 (kg/100 g) for S samples and increased to about 52.5 out of 107 (kg/100 g) for H samples. The cooked decorticated beans contributed by about 35 and 52% to the texture of S and H samples, respectively.

Seed coat which constituted 13-14% of the S samples, contributed to 64% of the texture of cooked beans indicating the significance of its chemical nature rather than its permeability. Muller (1967) and Jackson and Varriano-Marston (1981) reported that removal of seed coat before the cooking of several types of beans reduced the cooking time by 60 to 75%. Cooking decorticated faba bean reduced cooking time by about 80%, but produced an entirely different product (besara; mashed gel) from that obtained from cooking whole faba bean seeds (medammis).

The cotyledons of hard-to-cook samples contributed to about 52% of the texture of cooked beans indicating that the hard-to-cook phenomenon in faba bean is due mainly to differences in cotyledon structure and

Table 2. Effect of seed coat on the texture of cooked faba bean seeds.<sup>1</sup>

| Sample | Max. shear force (kg/100 g) |                    | Seed <sup>2</sup> coat effect | Texture of <sup>3</sup> decorticated seeds (%) |                   |
|--------|-----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|--|-------------------|
|        | Whole seeds                 | Decorticated seeds |                               |  |                   |
|        | 1985                        | S                  |                               |  | 67.7 <sup>a</sup> |
| S      |                             | 65.3 <sup>a</sup>  | 23.6 <sup>a</sup>             | 41.7   | 36.1              |
| S      |                             | 63.4 <sup>a</sup>  | 20.9 <sup>a</sup>             | 42.5   | 32.9              |
| H      |                             | 112.8 <sup>b</sup> | 57.4 <sup>b</sup>             | 55.4   | 50.8              |
| H      |                             | 116.2 <sup>b</sup> | 59.3 <sup>b</sup>             | 56.9   | 51.0              |
| H      |                             | 112.3 <sup>b</sup> | 58.7 <sup>b</sup>             | 53.6   | 52.2              |
| 1986   | S                           | 61.8 <sup>a</sup>  | 21.6 <sup>a</sup>             | 40.2   | 34.9              |
|        | S                           | 64.8 <sup>a</sup>  | 23.8 <sup>a</sup>             | 41.0   | 36.7              |
|        | S                           | 63.9 <sup>a</sup>  | 23.7 <sup>a</sup>             | 40.2   | 37.1              |
|        | H                           | 105.2 <sup>b</sup> | 56.0 <sup>b</sup>             | 49.2   | 53.2              |
|        | H                           | 107.5 <sup>b</sup> | 57.2 <sup>b</sup>             | 50.3   | 53.2              |
|        | H                           | 107.0 <sup>b</sup> | 56.2 <sup>b</sup>             | 50.8   | 52.5              |

<sup>1</sup> Means followed by different letter(s) (for each year) are significantly different at 1% level of probability.

<sup>2</sup> Seed coat effect = Maximum shear force of whole seeds - maximum shear force of decorticated seeds.

<sup>3</sup> Percentage of texture of decorticated seeds =  $\frac{\text{Max. shear force of decorticated seeds}}{\text{Max. shear force of whole seeds}} \times 100$

Table 3. Mean values for the properties of soft-to-cook (S) and hard-to-cook (H) faba bean samples.

| Crop | Samples          | Dry seed      |                            |              |                               |                                   |                                | Cooked seeds (autoclaved at 115.5 °C for 2 h) |                               |  |       |              |
|------|------------------|---------------|----------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|--|-------|--------------|
|      |                  | Seed coat (%) | Hydration coefficient (HC) |              | Seed <sup>1</sup> coat effect | Seed <sup>1</sup> coat effect (%) | Maximum shear force (kg/100 g) |   | Seed coat effect <sup>2</sup> | Texture of decorticated seeds <sup>2</sup> (%) |       |              |
|      |                  |               | Seeds soaked for 2 h       | Cooked seeds |                               |                                   | Whole                          | Decorticated                                  |                               |  | Whole | Decorticated |
| 1985 | S                | 13.60         | 127.20                     | 137.00       | 260.60                        | 9.80                              | 7.70                           | 65.5  | 22.9                          | 42.6   | 34.90 |              |
|      | H                | 15.00         | 121.80                     | 136.30       | 240.60                        | 14.50                             | 11.90                          | 113.8   | 58.5                          | 55.3   | 51.30 |              |
| 1986 | S                | 14.10         | 133.80                     | 151.60       | 254.40                        | 17.80                             | 13.30                          | 63.5  | 23.0                          | 40.5   | 36.20 |              |
|      | H                | 14.80         | 126.90                     | 147.50       | 228.60                        | 20.60                             | 16.20                          | 106.6   | 56.5                          | 50.1   | 53.00 |              |
| 1985 | H:S <sup>a</sup> | 1.10          | 0.95                       | 0.99         | 0.92                          | 1.48                              | 1.54                           | 1.7   | 2.6                           | 1.3  | 1.47  |              |
| 1986 | H:S              | 1.05          | 0.95                       | 0.97         | 0.90                          | 1.15                              | 1.21                           | 1.7   | 2.5                           | 1.2  | 1.46  |              |

<sup>1</sup> as in Table 1; <sup>2</sup> as in Table 2.

<sup>a</sup> H:S = Ratio between hard-to-cook and soft-to-cook seeds.

composition. Although seed coat constitutes about 14% of the seed it is still responsible for about 50% of its texture when cooked as a whole bean.

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## تأثير غلاف البذرة والفلقتين على بنية أو قوام الفول المطبوخ ( المدمس )

ملخص

جرت دراسة تأثير غلاف البذرة على قدرة اماهة أو تمييه hydration البذور الجافة وعلى اماهة وقوام البذور المطبوخة لست عينات من بذور الفول المحصودة حديثا ( ثلاث صعبة الطهو ( H ) وثلاث سهلة الطهو ( S ) ) . وكان لغلاف البذرة تأثير طفيف على قدرة تمييه البذور الجافة ( من 7 الى 14% للعينات S ومن 11 الى 17% للعينات H ) . وفي العينات السهلة الطهو ( S ) وبالرغم من أن غلاف البذرة كان يشكل فقط 13 - 14 % من وزن البذور فقد انعكس بنسبة 64-65 % من قوام البذور المطبوخة مما يدل على أهمية طبيعته الكيميائية أكثر مما يدل على نفاذيته. وكان للفلقة تأثير مماثل تقريبا لتأثير غلاف البذرة على قوام العينات الصعبة الطهو .



## Effect of Wilt and Root Rot Disease Complex on Some Quality Parameters of Faba Bean (Ful Masri) Seeds

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### Abstract

In addition to its effect on the productivity of the crop, the wilt and root rot disease complex adversely affected the quality parameters investigated. Seeds collected from diseased plants were found to be lighter and smaller than those collected from healthy plants. They were also shriveled and contained higher percentages of hard seeds. The protein content and digestible protein were significantly reduced by the disease. Seeds from healthy plants, required significantly longer cooking time and contained higher amounts of fiber than the ones from diseased plants. The adverse effects on seed quality were more pronounced with higher disease incidence.

### Introduction

In the Sudan, faba bean (*Vicia faba* L.) is mainly grown for human consumption. In the traditional areas of production (Northern region) about 17,000 ha is allotted for faba bean production Babiker (1981). Because of the increasing demand for the crop and the scarcity of land along the Nile, efforts are now being directed to expand faba bean cultivation south of Khartoum, namely in the Gezira and Rahad schemes.

The productivity of the crop is known to be adversely affected by a number of factors among which the wilt and root rot disease complex is important. The disease was found to affect nearly all grain yield attributes. Therefore, the aim of the present study was to investigate the effects of the disease complex on the seed quality of faba bean.

### Materials and Methods

Seeds were collected from a field trial conducted for two consecutive seasons (1985/86 and 1986/87) at the

University of Gezira Farm (UGF). The trial was designed to study the effects of sowing date and watering interval on the incidence of wilt and root rot disease complex on faba bean. At the time of harvest, plants were separated into three categories: healthy plants (plants with no disease symptoms), moderately infected plants (plants with disease symptoms but otherwise normal), and severely infected plants (plants that died after seed filling but before harvest). Seeds of the three plant categories were separately collected, mixed thoroughly and then subjected to different quality tests. All the tests in this experiment were replicated 10 times.

### Determination of seed size

From each category, 1000 seeds were randomly selected, counted, and weighed.

### Determination of hard seed percentage

Hundred seeds of each category were randomly collected, soaked in 100 ml distilled water for 24 h for calculating the hard seed percentage.

### Determination of cooking time

A sample of 25 g of air-dry seeds was boiled to softness under reflux in tap water (99.5°C). Labconco model 3000I crude fiber digestion apparatus was used for reflux in 600 ml Berzelius beakers. After 20 min, a sample of five seeds was removed from the beaker and pressed by fingers to determine their softness, this was repeated every 2 min until 90% of the seeds became soft.

### Determination of protein content

A seed sample of 20 g representing each category was ground in a U-D Cyclone sample mill (U-D Corporation, Fort Collins, Co.) fitted with 1.0 mm screen. Protein was determined with a Neotic (model FQA51A) analyzer (Pacific Scientific Inc.). Percentage protein, on dry weight basis, was determined. This was further verified by analyzing one sample (0.5 g) from each category using macro-kjeldhal procedure, and by accordingly adjusting the readings.

### Determination of digestibility and neutral detergent fiber (NDF)

Both traits were determined according to the methods described by Williams *et al.* (1986).

## Results

### Seed weight

The 1000-seed weight was significantly affected by the disease complex. Seed size and weight were greater in seeds collected from healthy plants (Fig. 1a) than those from moderately or severely infected plants (Fig. 1b and c). These differences were more pronounced in the second season (Tables 1 and 2).

### Hard seed percentage

In both seasons, the hard seed percentage varied among the three plant categories. However, in the 1986/87 season moderately and severely infected plants contained a significantly higher number of hard seeds than those of the healthy plants (Table 2).

### Cooking time

Cooking time differed significantly among the three seed categories; seeds collected from healthy plants required longer cooking time than the other two categories. The results for the two seasons were similar and repeated sampling consistently gave the same results.

### Protein content and digestibility

Percentages of crude and digestible protein were adversely affected by the disease and hence were highest in seeds from healthy plants (Tables 1 and 2).

### Neutral detergent fiber

This trait (percent of fiber in the cell wall of seeds) was found to vary significantly ( $P < 0.05$ ) only in the second season (Table 2). Seeds of healthy and moderately infected plants contained significantly higher amounts of fiber in their cell wall than those collected from the severely infected faba bean plants.

## Discussion

The results of this investigation revealed that wilt and root rot disease complex greatly affected the

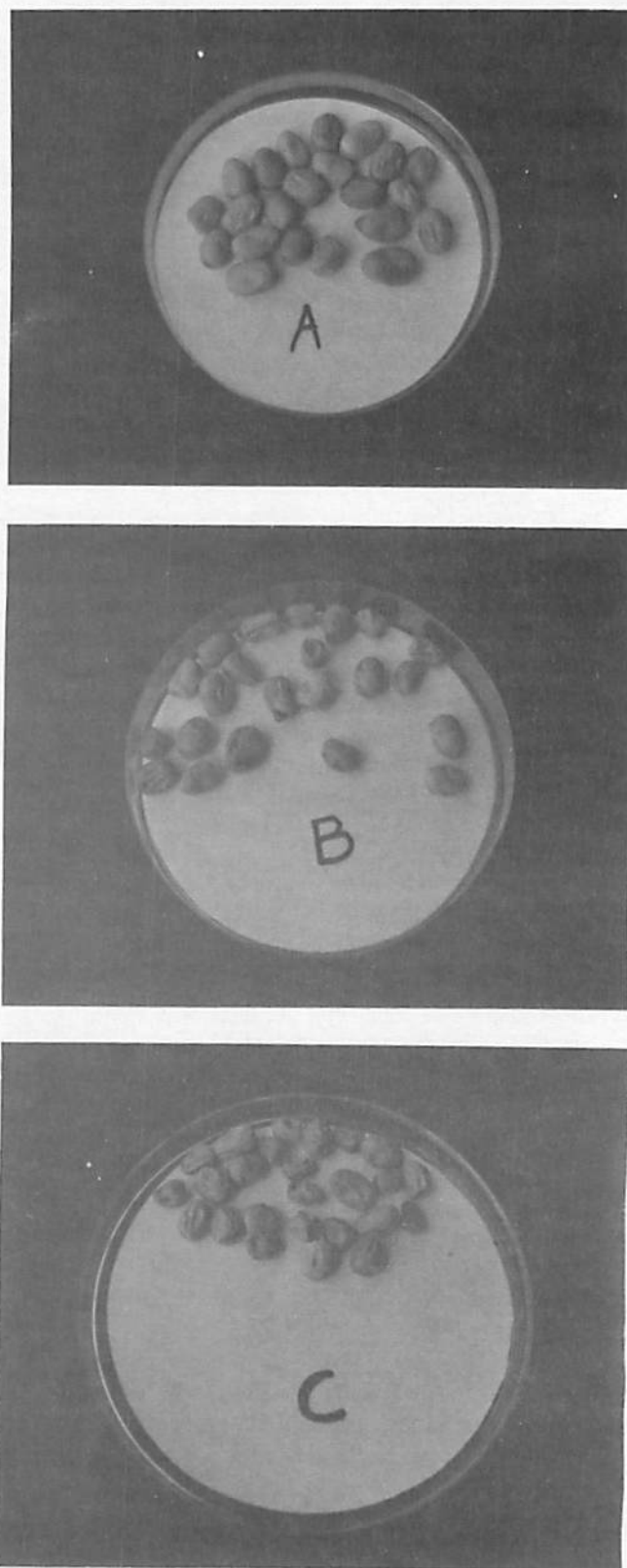


Fig. 1. Seeds collected from faba bean healthy plants (A), moderately infected plants (B), and severely infected plants (C).

**Table 1.** Effect of wilt and root rot disease complex on faba bean seed quality parameters during the 1985/86 season.<sup>a</sup>

| Seed <sup>b</sup><br>category | 1000-seed weight<br>(g) | Hard seed<br>(%) | Cooking time<br>(min) | Crude protein<br>(%) | Digestibility<br>(%) | Neutral detergent<br>fiber (%) |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1                             | 345.0a                  | 2.85a            | 161.14a               | 27.42a               | 48.71a               | 54.11a                         |
| 2                             | 289.0b                  | 5.14a            | 147.90b               | 27.34a               | 47.82a               | 53.09a                         |
| 3                             | 286.0b                  | 4.28a            | 135.00c               | 26.00b               | 46.26a               | 52.20a                         |

<sup>a</sup> Means followed by different letter(s) within each column are significantly different ( $P < 0.05$ ).

<sup>b</sup> 1, 2, 3, indicate seeds collected from healthy plants, moderately, and severely infected plants, respectively.

**Table 2.** Effect of wilt and root rot disease complex on some faba bean seed quality parameters during the 1986/87 season.<sup>a</sup>

| Seed <sup>b</sup><br>category | 1000-seed weight<br>(g) | Hard seed<br>(%) | Cooking time<br>(min) | Crude protein<br>(%) | Digestibility<br>(%) | Neutral detergent<br>fiber (%) |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1                             | 331.4a                  | 16.1c            | 161.4a                | 25.86a               | 49.60a               | 54.8a                          |
| 2                             | 304.6b                  | 27.7a            | 149.0b                | 25.10b               | 49.49a               | 53.8a                          |
| 3                             | 279.0c                  | 27.3b            | 137.2c                | 24.10c               | 48.52b               | 53.3b                          |

<sup>a</sup> Means followed by different letter(s) within each column are significantly different ( $P < 0.05$ ).

<sup>b</sup> 1, 2, 3, indicate seeds collected from healthy plants, moderately, and severely infected plants, respectively.

quality parameters under study. The seed size and weight were significantly reduced with increased disease severity. This could be attributed to the adverse effect of the disease on the uptake of both nutrients and water and on the photosynthetic process. This is in full agreement with the findings of Freigoun (1980), El-Zarari *et al.* (1980), and Hussein (1983). Although seed size is a highly heritable character in lentil and to a lesser extent in chickpea, it was found to be affected by other factors in faba bean e.g., the seed position in the pod. Furthermore, seed size was found to be affected to a greater extent by location and environmental conditions (Williams *et al.* 1986). In the Sudan, large-seeded types of faba bean are generally preferred by consumers hence they fetch higher prices than the small seeded types. Therefore, the adverse effect of the disease complex on seed size and weight is of economic significance.

Our results also revealed that seeds from diseased plants do not imbibe water as readily as those from healthy plants. This was reflected in the higher incidence of hard seeds among seeds collected from diseased plants. The occurrence of hard seed in faba bean is an undesirable trait, because it reduces both cooking quality and seed germinability. The hard seed

quality is attributed to the impermeability of the seed coat or to the physical resistance of embryo expansion (Salih 1982). In addition to the genetic make-up of faba bean varieties, a number of other factors have been found to affect the level of hard seed incidence, including husbandry practices such as sowing date, plant population, fertilizers, watering regimes, and time of harvest (Salih 1982). However, most of these factors were also found to affect the disease complex. High temperature and water stress are the most important predisposing factors for both the disease and hard seed occurrences. Shortening of the growing season, which could sometimes be a result of a severe infection, has also been found to increase the amount of hard seeds in the cultivar Hudeiba 72 (Salih, 1982).

The longer cooking time observed in seeds collected from healthy plants could be attributed to their larger seed size and heavier seed weight. In legumes, correlation studies between seed size and cooking time have shown that the larger the seed size the longer it takes to cook, both within and between species (Erskine *et al.* 1985; Williams *et al.* 1986). However, cooking time of air-dry seeds is nowadays greatly reduced by the common practice of over-night soaking of faba bean seeds.

An important outcome of the present study is the knowledge obtained about the adverse effect of the disease on the nutritional value of the crop. The results have shown that both the crude and digestible proteins were significantly reduced in seeds collected from diseased plants. This is in agreement with Freigoun (1976). Because faba bean is an important dish in the Sudanese diet, efforts should be directed to maintain or improve the protein content of this crop. This could be achieved through improving cultural practices, controlling the disease, and selecting genotypes with high protein content.

The reduction in protein digestibility of seeds collected from diseased plants could be because of the increased concentrations of trypsin inhibitors, tannins, or formation of lignified proteins. This needs to be verified by further investigations.

The effect of the disease on the percentage of neutral detergent fiber was negligible. However, faba bean seeds have a high level of crude fiber which detracts from its use as animal feed. The fiber is mainly concentrated in the seed coat, which contains 89% of the seed crude fiber (Cerning *et al.* 1975).

Differences observed in some quality parameters in the two seasons could be caused by the higher disease incidence which occurred in the second season.

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تأثير مركب مرض الذبول وتعفن الجذور  
على بعض معايير الجودة لبذور الفول ( الفول المصرى )

ملخص

بالإضافة الى تأثيره على انتاجية المحصول ، فان مركب مرض الذبول وتعفن الجذور قد أثر بشكل سيء أيضا على معايير الجودة المدروسة في هذا البحث ؛ فقد وجد أن البذور المجموعة من نباتات مصابة بالمرض كانت أخف وزنا واصغر حجما من البذور المأخوذة من نباتات سليمة ، كما أنها كانت مجمدة shriveled وتحتوى على نسب مئوية أعلى من البذور القاسية hard seed . وقد انخفض المحتوى البروتيني والبروتين القابل للهضم بشكل كبير نتيجة الإصابة بالمرض . وقد تطلبت البذور المأخوذة من نباتات سليمة فترة طهي أطول معنويا وكانت تحتوى على كميات من الالياف أعلى من البذور المأخوذة من نباتات مصابة . ان التأثيرات السلبية على جودة البذور كانت أكثر وضوحا عند اشتداد الإصابة بالمرض .

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### Examples of common expressions and abbreviations

3 g; 18 mm; 300 m<sup>2</sup>; 4 Mar 1983; 27%; 50 five-day old plants; 1.6 million; 23 ug; 5°C; 1980/81 season; 1980-82 seasons; Fig.: No.; FAO/USA. Fertilizers: 1 kg N or P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> or K<sub>2</sub>O/ha.

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat, Sun; Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, June, July, Aug, Sept, Oct, Nov, Dec. Versus = vs, least significant difference = LSD, standard error = SE +, coefficient(s) of variation = CV(s). Probability: Use asterisks to denote probability \* = P<0.05; \*\* = P<0.01; \*\*\* = P<0.001.

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**Faba Bean in the United Kingdom**

Two new varieties were recently added to the NIAB Recommended List for 1988. These were the winter bean Punch from the NSDO and the spring bean Gobo from VEB in Germany (GDR).

Punch offers the possibility of improved winter bean yields and has performed particularly well in Eastern England. Gobo shows a significant advance in yield over existing varieties and reflects the continued progress being made with this crop.

There is currently much UK interest in the faba bean crop because of its potential for inclusion as a high protein component of animal feeds. This interest is reflected in the breeding effort, and there are many interesting varieties, especially of spring faba beans, under trial. Notable amongst these are white flowered (low tannin) and determinate types which may offer wider usage and a better plant model for the faba crop.

The UK National List for 1988 with the key to full names and addresses of breeders and agents are given below:

**UK National List as at February 1988**

| Variety             | Breeder                              | UK Agent                         | NIAB recommended list status |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Winter Beans</b> |                                      |                                  |                              |
| Banner              | PBI, Cambridge <sup>12</sup>         | PBI, Cambridge <sup>13</sup>     | Recommended for general use  |
| Bourdon             | PBI, Cambridge <sup>12</sup>         | PBI, Cambridge <sup>13</sup>     | Recommended for general use  |
| Bulldog             | PBI, Cambridge <sup>12</sup>         | PBI, Cambridge <sup>13</sup>     | Recommended for general use  |
| Punch               | PBI, Cambridge <sup>12</sup>         | PBI, Cambridge <sup>13</sup>     | Provisional recommendation   |
| Quasar              | PBI, Cambridge <sup>12</sup>         | PBI, Cambridge <sup>13</sup>     | -                            |
| <b>Spring Beans</b> |                                      |                                  |                              |
| Albatross           | Lembke, FRG <sup>10</sup>            | Twyford, Oxon <sup>18</sup>      | -                            |
| Alfred              | Cebeco, Ne <sup>2</sup>              | NRPB, Lincs <sup>11</sup>        | Recommended for general use  |
| Blaze               | PBI, Cambridge <sup>12</sup>         | PBI, Cambridge <sup>13</sup>     | -                            |
| Cargo               | DPF, Den <sup>6</sup>                | DPB, Glos <sup>5</sup>           | -                            |
| Corton              | Semundo, Wilts <sup>16</sup>         | Semundo, Cambridge <sup>17</sup> | Provisional recommendation   |
| Danas               | IGAP/WPBS, Aberystwyth <sup>9</sup>  | PBI, Cambridge <sup>13</sup>     | -                            |
| Exelle              | SAP, Bel <sup>15</sup>               | ICI Seeds UK <sup>8</sup>        | -                            |
| Gobo                | VEB, GDR <sup>19</sup>               | Booker Essex <sup>1</sup>        | Provisional recommendation   |
| Maris Bead          | PBI, Cambridge <sup>12</sup>         | PBI, Cambridge <sup>13</sup>     | Recommended for special use  |
| Minden              | von Lochow-Petkus, FRG <sup>20</sup> | NRPB, Lincs <sup>11</sup>        | Recommended for special use  |
| Nabor               | Pf. Oberlimpurg, FRG <sup>14</sup>   | HAM, Herts <sup>7</sup>          | Recommended for general use  |
| Panther             | PBI, Cambridge <sup>12</sup>         | PBI, Cambridge <sup>13</sup>     | -                            |
| Puma                | PBI, Cambridge <sup>12</sup>         | PBI, Cambridge <sup>13</sup>     | -                            |
| Stella Spring       | Clough, Suffolk <sup>3</sup>         | Clough, Suffolk <sup>3</sup>     | Becoming outclassed          |
| Tiger               | PBI, Cambridge <sup>12</sup>         | PBI, Cambridge <sup>13</sup>     | Becoming outclassed          |
| Troy                | Lembke, FRG <sup>10</sup>            | Twyford, Oxon <sup>18</sup>      | Recommended for general use  |
| Victor              | Cebeco, Ne <sup>2</sup>              | Chaldean, Herts <sup>4</sup>     | -                            |

### Breeders and Agents-Key to full names and addresses

1. Booker Seed Ltd., Crop Research and Development Unit, Great Domsey Farm, Feering, Colchester, Essex, CO5 9ES, UK.
2. Cebeco-Handelsraad, 31 Blaak, P.O. Box 182, 3000AD Rotterdam, The Netherlands.
3. Roger Clough & Son, Letheringham Lodge, Letheringham, Woodbridge, Suffolk, IP13 ONA, UK.
4. Chaldean Ltd., Chaldean Farm, Much Hadham, Herts, SG10 6HU, UK.
5. Danish Plant Breeding, B V Thomas, Didbrook Fields, Toddington, Nr Cheltenham, Glos, UK.
6. Dansk Planteforaedling A/S, Boelshoj, 4660, Store Hedinge, Denmark.
7. Harlow Agricultural Merchants Ltd., Latchmore Bank, Little Hallingbury, Bishops Stortford, Herts, CM22 7PJ, UK.
8. ICI Seeds UK Ltd., Plant Breeding Station, North End Farm, Docking, Kings Lynn, Norfolk, PE31 8LR, UK.
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10. Hans-Georg Lembke KG, Norddeutsche Pflanzenzucht, D-2331 Hohenlieth, Post Holstsee U Eckernforde, Federal Republic of Germany.
11. Nickerson RPB Ltd., Rothwell, Lincoln, LN7 6DT, UK.
12. Plant Breeding International Cambridge Ltd., Maris Lane, Trumpington, Cambridge, CB2 2LQ, UK.
13. Plant Breeding International Cambridge Ltd., Newton Hall, Newton, Cambridge, CB2 5PS, UK.
14. Pflanzenzucht Oberlimpurg, Postfach 590 7170 Schwabisch Hall, Federal Republic of Germany.
15. Station d'Amelioration des Plantes, rue du Bordia 4 5800, Gembloux, Belgium.
16. Semundo Ltd., Godford, Warminster, Wiltshire, BA12 0JX, UK.
17. Semundo Ltd., Unit 55, Clifton Road, Cambridge, CB1 4FR, UK.
18. Twyford Seeds Ltd., Scotts farm, Kings Sutton, Bandury, Oxfordshire, OX17 3QW, UK.
19. VEB Saat-und Pflanzgut, Moosdorfstrasse 7-9, 1193 Berlin-Treptow, German Democratic Republic.
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### PBI Transfers Faba Bean Breeding To Unilever PLC

Faba bean breeding, along with the breeding of other crops at the Plant Breeding Institute, Cambridge, UK, was transferred on 1 October 1987 to Unilever PLC. The National Seed Development Organisation (NSDO) which marketed State-bred varieties of crops, including faba bean, is now also part of Unilever.

It is expected that faba bean breeding and international collaboration will continue under Unilever, though with more commercially oriented objectives. The temporary name and address of the company is NSDO, Maris Lane, Trumpington, Cambridge, UK.

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### New Journal

The publishers have sent us a specimen copy of the first issue of a new quarterly, *Journal of Production Agriculture*. This is a joint venture of the American Society of Agronomy, the Crop Science Society of America, and the Soil Science Society of America.

All the articles in the first issue are from authors working at US institutions, and it is probably fair to see this as a national, rather than an international journal. Authors in developing countries would have problems in paying the page charges (\$ 40/page for the first four pages, \$ 150/page thereafter), although the subscription for purchasers outside the US (\$ 33/year) is relatively modest when compared with that many of the commercially-published scientific journals.

Major Faba Bean Producing Countries

Area, yield, and production of faba bean (*Vicia faba* L.) in the major faba bean producing countries ranked on 1985 production

| Country            | Area<br>(1000 ha) |         |         | Yield<br>(kg/ha) |      |         | Production<br>(1000 MT) |         |      |      |
|--------------------|-------------------|---------|---------|------------------|------|---------|-------------------------|---------|------|------|
|                    | 1975-77           | 1979-81 | 1982-83 | 1984             | 1985 | 1975-77 | 1979-81                 | 1982-83 | 1984 | 1985 |
| China              | 3913              | 2267    | 1910    | 1800             | 1700 | 1125    | 1162                    | 1283    | 1347 | 1353 |
| Ethiopia           | 270               | 328     | 366     | 343              | 350  | 1200    | 1453                    | 1344    | 1312 | 1429 |
| Egypt              | 100               | 103     | 122     | 129              | 140  | 2301    | 2135                    | 2280    | 2302 | 2193 |
| Italy              | 190               | 161     | 150     | 145              | 141  | 1211    | 1277                    | 1146    | 1390 | 1395 |
| France             | 21                | 23      | 45      | 71               | 41   | 2003    | 3070                    | 3012    | 3056 | 3244 |
| Morocco            | 200               | 165     | 141     | 160              | 160  | 887     | 589                     | 863     | 763  | 763  |
| Turkey             | 30                | 30      | 40      | 42               | 43   | 1599    | 1751                    | 1822    | 1810 | 1698 |
| Spain              | 106               | 79      | 44      | 59               | 53   | 978     | 992                     | 884     | 1085 | 1132 |
| Tunisia            | 63                | 69      | 62      | 65               | 65   | 884     | 682                     | 726     | 846  | 877  |
| Germany FR         | 13                | 5       | 6       | 8                | 13   | 2862    | 3224                    | 3201    | 3579 | 4265 |
| Brazil             | 191               | 146     | 110     | 135              | 142  | 462     | 278                     | 287     | 327  | 317  |
| Mexico             | 50                | 35      | 33      | 30               | 30   | 809     | 1771                    | 1362    | 1333 | 1333 |
| Sudan              | 16                | 15      | 16      | 15               | 16   | 1226    | 2521                    | 1938    | 2533 | 2500 |
| Czechoslovakia     | 29                | 39      | 23      | 15               | 14   | 1718    | 1641                    | 1629    | 2037 | 2080 |
| Algeria            | 35                | 46      | 47      | 50               | 53   | 874     | 594                     | 441     | 500  | 509  |
| Peru               | 10                | 23      | 24      | 24               | 24   | 892     | 911                     | 932     | 936  | 936  |
| Portugal           | 43                | 36      | 30      | 32               | 32   | 659     | 586                     | 608     | 619  | 526  |
| Canada             |                   |         | 17      | 16               | 19   |         |                         | 792     | 791  | 789  |
| German DR          | 6                 | 6       | 7       | 7                | 6    | 1735    | 2271                    | 2278    | 2363 | 2126 |
| Dominican Republic | 6                 | 8       | 11      | 12               | 13   | 943     | 931                     | 950     | 950  | 960  |

Source: FAO Production Yearbooks.

Area, yield, and production of faba bean in different geographical regions.

| Region                | Area<br>(1000 ha) |         |         | Yield<br>(kg/ha) |      |         | Production<br>(1000 MT) |         |      |      |
|-----------------------|-------------------|---------|---------|------------------|------|---------|-------------------------|---------|------|------|
|                       | 1975-77           | 1979-81 | 1982-83 | 1984             | 1985 | 1975-77 | 1979-81                 | 1982-83 | 1984 | 1985 |
| Africa                | 737               | 733     | 760     | 770              | 793  | 1181    | 1245                    | 1314    | 1292 | 1340 |
| North Central America | 74                | 63      | 82      | 80               | 84   | 666     | 1244                    | 950     | 929  | 922  |
| South America         | 249               | 200     | 162     | 189              | 197  | 571     | 459                     | 534     | 544  | 530  |
| Asia                  | 3982              | 2319    | 1966    | 1859             | 1758 | 1127    | 1172                    | 1297    | 1359 | 1362 |
| Europe                | 459               | 354     | 319     | 344              | 307  | 1361    | 1751                    | 1421    | 1727 | 1700 |
| World total           | 5501              | 3680    | 3305    | 3258             | 3155 | 1122    | 1164                    | 1263    | 1321 | 1321 |

Source: FAO Production Yearbooks.



## Forthcoming Events

## أحداث مرتقبة

### The Third International Conference on Food Science and Technology Information

The conference, organized by AGROINFORM and the International Food Information Service (IFIS), will be held in Budapest, 3-5 October 1989. Topics covered by the meeting will include: utilization and deficiencies of databases in food science with special reference to marketing aspects, information systems in food science and technology, and computer control in food production. There will be contributed papers, technical exhibition presenting equipment in information science and food production, and display of books and journals planned for general browsing.

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This conference will be held 1-3 August 1989 at the campus of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. Topics of special interest are: Modes of action of adjuvants; adjuvants in formulation; adjuvant activity with herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, plant growth regulator, soil conditioners, nutrients, biopesticides, etc.; adjuvant activity and plant physiology, biochemistry, morphology, and cytology; adjuvants and the environment, adjuvants and application technology; regulatory considerations; economics of adjuvant use; future research problems and opportunities; and bibliography of world literature on adjuvants (updated). There will be a series of invited speakers, contributed papers, and possibly a poster session.

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## اعلان الى العلماء والباحثين العرب الكرام

يسر المركز الدولي للبحوث الزراعية في المناطق الجافة ( ايكاردا ) ، اعلامكم بان مركز بحوث التنمية الدولية ( IDRC ) في أوتاوا بكندا ، قد وافق على تقديم دعم مالي لمشروع فابيس FABIS مدته ثلاث سنوات اعتبارا من بداية عام 1987 ولغاية 1989 ، علما بان ادراج اللغة العربية ضمن النشرة الاخبارية للفول يشكل أحد أهم أهداف هذا المشروع .

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## ايكاردا والمجموعة الاستشارية للبحوث الزراعية الدولية

يتمثل الهدف العام للمركز الدولي للبحوث الزراعية في المناطق الحافة ( ايكاردا ) في زياده الاساحه الزراعيه والموارد الغذائية المتاحة في المناطق الريفية والحضرية بهدف تحسين الوضع الاجتماعي والاقتصادي لسعوب البلدان النامية وخاصة في شمال افريقيا وغرب آسيا . وتركز ايكاردا اهتماماتها بصورة رئيسية على المناطق التي تعتمد في زراعتها على الامطار الشتوية التي تتراوح من 200-600 مم سنويا ، وعندما تستدعي الضرورة ستمند دائره بحونها ليمطى مناطق بيئية مريية او ذات امطار موسمية .

ويضطلع المركز بمسؤولية عالمية في تحسين الشعير والعدس والبقول ، وبمسؤولية اقليمية في تحسين الفصح والحمص والنظم الزراعية والثروة الحيوانية والمراعي والمحاصيل العلفية . كما ويعتبر تدريب وتأهيل الباحثين الزراعيين في البلدان النامية ، وتبادل نتائج البحوث معهم احد اهم الانشطة التي تقوم بها ايكاردا .

وقد ناهمت المجموعة الاستشارية للبحوث الزراعية الدولية ( CGIAR ) بتأسيس ايكاردا في سورية عام 1977 كمركز للبحوث لا يتوخى الربح . أما المجموعة الاستشارية للبحوث الزراعية الدولية فهي هيئة غير رسمية من المتبرعين تضم حكومات ومنظمات ومؤسسات خاصة ، وتدعم البحوث الزراعية في جميع انحاء العالم بهدف تحسين الانتاج الغذائي في البلدان النامية ، وذلك من خلال شبكة مؤلفة من ثلاثة عشر مركزا دوليا للبحوث من بينها ايكاردا . وتغطي أعمال الشبكة بحثا على أنظمة المحاصيل والثروة الحيوانية التي تسهم في تأمين ثلاثة ارباع الغذاء في البلدان النامية .

### فابيس

تصدر ايكاردا نشرة " فابيس FABIS " العلمية ثلاث مرات في السنة بدعم مالي من مركز بحوث التنمية الدولية ( IDRC ) في اوتاوا بكندا ، وهي نشرة علمية متخصصة بالبقول ، وتعتبر وسيلة اتصال لتبادل نتائج البحوث حول هذا النبات . وتضم النشرة بحثا مختصرة تهدف الى اصال المعلومات بسرعة ، اضافة الى بعض المقالات العامة التي تدعو اليها أسرة التحرير بشكل منتظم وتتناول مجالات معينة من بحوث البقول ، كما تضم النشرة بعض الاعلانات . وهذه النشرة تقدم المعلومات حول بحوث البقول دون مقابل من خلال قسائم الاستجواب والتصوير النسخي ( الفوتوكوبي ) وجمع الوثائق العلمية المتعلقة بالبقول .

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