

Effect of Certain Ecological and Agro Techniques on the Incidence of Pink Bollworm, *Pectinophora gossypiella* (Lepidoptera: Gelechiidae) and Spiny Bollworm, *Earias Insulana*, (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae); on Cotton Plants

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ABSTRACT

The present study was conducted on cotton variety Giza 88 during two consecutive seasons of 2009 and 2010 to evaluate and determine the possible use of each of four fertilization types: bio-fertilizer (Microbin[®]), Organic, Mineral and bio-+ mineral ones; two foliar nutrients (Greenzit S.P₁₀₀ & Potasin-F), a bio-pesticide "Radiant" and two plant traps of okra and/or maize in comparison to a standard insecticide – Chlorpyrifos, in an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) program for controlling the pink bollworm, *Pectinophora gossypiella* (Saunders) & spiny bollworm, *Earias insulana* (Boisd.).

The obtained results indicated that the bio-fertilized cotton plants were somewhat less infested with pink & spiny bollworm, in comparison to the organic, mineral and organic-bio fertilized ones. Spraying of both the foliar nutrients - Potasin- F + Greenzit SP₁₀₀, the biopesticide-Radiant[®] and/or the conventional pesticide Chlorpyrifos on the surrounded cotton plants by okra and / or maize plants gave lower means values of pink & spiny bollworm infestation. Also, the encircled cotton plants by okra and / or maize plants without any spraying treatments gave lower significant means of infestation in both the successive seasons of study.

INTRODUCTION

The cotton bollworms are regarded as one of the most destructive insect-pests of cotton plants in Egypt. Cotton is considered the preferred host plant for bollworms. The indiscriminate use of insecticides has caused numbers of ecological, economical and social problems worldwide including Egypt, besides the proved resistance of several insect pests to insecticides. Foliar fertilization using different formulated nutritive elements might be a good tool to produce a tolerant and profitable cotton plants that compete with weeds and able to outgrow and overcome diseases and insect damage (Mesbah et.al. 2000, 2004 and 2005). Foliar nutrients can also correct the resulting deficiencies due to the lack of certain nutrients, which are required in large amounts (macro-elements) and / or required in trace amounts (micro - elements) (Locke and Eck, 1965 ,Michaeal, 1970 and EI-Naggar,1998, 2003).

In addition, as one of initiated and followed eco-technological principles that concern the habitat diversification in agro-ecosystem, intercrops or interplants have also been used successfully as trap crop systems to divert pest infestations away from cotton. This has allowed cotton pests to be managed culturally rather than by the use of synthetic insecticides, thereby reducing the amount of insecticides used against these pests in cotton. The use of trap plants in cotton-cropping systems exemplifies the (push-pull) strategy (Pyke et al., 1987), where, the pest is pulled in by the trap crops, often with the assistance of tactics designed to push it off the main crop.

Therefore, objectives of the present study are adopted to evaluate the integral effect of some agro technical traits, as pest control measures against the pink & spiny bollworms. For that goal : 1) the fertilization types; bio-fertilizer (Microbin[®]), Organic, Mineral and bio-+ mineral fertilization 2) the foliar fertilizers (Greenzit Sp₁₀₀ & Potasin-F), 3) the synthetic (OP) insecticide (Chlorpyrifos), 4) the bio- pesticide (Radiant[®]) and 5) two plant traps of maize and / or okra plants, were involved in field applications on growing cotton plants, variety – Giza 88 in 2009 and 2010 cotton seasons for determining their possible use in a program of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) of pink & spiny bollworm.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Field experiments were carried out at the experimental farm of Fac. Agric. Saba-Bacha, Alex. Univ. Alexandria, Egypt, throughout two successive cotton growing seasons of 2009 and 2010. In both seasons an area of half feddan was cultivated with cotton variety "Giza 88" on May the 28th and April the 24th, respectively. The experimental design was the split one with three replicates as well as untreated check.

The experimental areas were divided into plots (0.01 feddan). Each plot was separated from the adjacent one by a half – meter belt to minimize the interference of spray drift from one treatment to the other. In season of 2009, the initiated field experiment was divided in three subsets. In the 1st subset, cotton seeds were treated with

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“Microbin[®]” as bio-fertilizer in addition to the half of recommended rates of mineral fertilizers; the 2nd one was cultivated and considered as organic cotton; fertilized by applying composted goat manure at a rate of 20 m³ per feddan. While the 3rd subset was cultivated and treated as conventional cotton; fertilized by the recommended rates of mineral fertilizers.

The experimental area of each subset included 11 treatments in addition to the untreated check. Each treatment was replicated 3 times. The following treatments were: 1) Foliar fertilizers: “Greenzit SP₁₀₀ & Potasin –F”; 2) Synthetic insecticide “Chlorpyrifos”; 3) A bio-pesticide “Radiant”. Spraying treatments were applied at three phenological stages, i.e., beginning of flowering period, fifty percentage of flowering and the beginning of fruiting period; 4) Plant traps (okra & maize).

The adjusted plant traps of corn maize and okra in each subset was performed in the following pattern: 1) plots of treated cotton plants surrounded by untreated pelts of maize and / or okra plants. 2) Plots of untreated cotton plants surrounded by untreated pelts of maize and / or okra plants. 3) Cotton plants of the untreated control without plant traps. In cotton season of 2010 the followed experimental designation was as same as season 2009; in addition to a fourth subset treated with organic fertilizer, plus the dressing of cotton seeds with the bio-fertilizer, “Microbin[®]”. Spraying were performed using knapsack sprayer (20 L).

- Estimation of pink & spiny bollworms infestation:

Weekly inspections were done to determine the infestation levels of pink & spiny bollworms over ten weeks during both seasons. Samples of 10 green bolls / plot were taken randomly; 30 green bolls were examined for each treatment. In each sample, bolls were inspected externally before dissection and then internally. Infestation levels were based on the existence of injury symptoms regardless of the presence of the larvae. Statistical analysis using "F" and "L.S.D" tests for the comparison and evaluation of the tested treatments were used.

- Tested compounds

-Foliar fertilizers

-Greenzit SP₁₀₀ is produced by Ciba Geigy limited, (Basel, Swiss) and the main components are: EDTA Na₂Mn (40 %) and EDTA Na₂Zn (43 %) supplemented by Ca (0.054), Fe (5.40), Mo (0.027) Mg (0.54) Ni (0.005) Mn (5.54) Cu (0.005) Zn (70.27) gm / Kg.

-Potasin F: The main components are: N.P.K. (0:10:30), 30% potassium oxide, 10% fifth potassium oxide.

-The Agrochemical pesticides

Spinetoram (Radiant 12 SC):

The semi synthetic compound is the second generation of spinosyns group. It is a trademark of Dow Agro Sciences Co (Dow, England).

- Organophosphorous compound:

Chlorpyrifos or Dursban[®] 48 % (EC); 0,0 diethyl 0-3,5,6 trichloro-2-pyridyl phosphorothioate (Dow, England).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

-Effect of fertilization types, foliar nutrients, pesticidal application and plant traps on the incidence of the spiny bollworms infestation

-Season of 2009

The illustrated results in Table (1) are expressed as means numbers of detected spiny bollworm larvae per ten bolls. All of the bio-fertilized cotton plants indicated low levels of spiny bollworms infestation in all of the done spraying treatments of foliar nutrients or / and pesticides on the trapped cotton plants by okra plants (0.90 – 1.06 larvae / 10 bolls) and / or maize plants (1.03 – 1.2 larvae / 10 bolls) compared with untreated check 1.93 larvae /10 bolls. Also, the trapped cotton plants by okra and / or maize plants without any spraying treatments gave a semi equal insignificant means of infestation amounted to 1.13, 1.23 larvae / 10 bolls, in respect. These means values were insignificantly different and merely equal to the deduced means values of larval infestation for the bio-fertilized and foliar sprayed untrapped cotton plants, with either the tested nutrients or pesticides and comprised 1.13 - 1.30 larvae / 10 bolls. Comparatively, for the other organically or / and minerally fertilized ones, more or less higher means of infestation with spiny bollworm larvae were obtained but still less than the untreated check (1.90, 1.90 larvae /10 bolls, respectively) and ranged from 0.93 to 1.1 & 1.06 to 1.26 larvae / 10 bolls and from 1.1 to 1.2 & 1.06 to 1.16 larvae / 10 bolls for the organic and minerally fertilized plants, respectively in the trapped cotton plants by okra and maize plants, in respect.

The consequent foliar treatment of Potasin–F + Greenzit SP₁₀₀ on the encircled cotton plants with okra plant traps gave the lowest level of spiny bollworms infestation of the bio-fertilized plants (1.06 larvae / 10 bolls), followed by the treatments of Radiant[®] and / or Chlorpyrifos (0.96, 0.90 larvae / 10 bolls, respectively). These means values of spiny bollworms infestation were insignificantly different in the performed foliar treatments on the trapped cotton plants by maize plants and ranged from 1.03 for Chlorpyrifos to 1.2 larvae / 10 bolls for the treatment of Radiant[®], in comparison to the untreated check (1.93 larvae /10 bolls) (Table, 1).

Remarkably, the insignificant efficiency of each evaluated fertilization type, integrating with the other tested agro-eco techniques was proved by the deduced insignificant means values of spiny bollworm

infestation in Table, 2, amounted to 1.18, 1.2 and 1.25 larvae / 10 bolls for the bio-fertilized, organic and mineral fertilized plants, in respect.

Table 1. Effect of foliar treatments, plant traps and fertilization types on the mean numbers of *Earias insulana* larvae per ten bolls throughout the growing season of 2009

Treatments	Mean Numbers of larvae per ten bolls		
	Fertilization types		
	Bio-Fertilization	Organic Fertilization	Mineral Fertilization
A- Plant Trap of Okra			
Potasin -F + Greenzit SP ₁₀₀ 5m /L + 0.3 gm /L	1.06 bc	1.06 b	1.26 b
Radiant 0.4ml / L	0.96 bc	1.1 b	1.06 b
Dursban 5m /L	0.90 c	0.93 b	1.06 b
Plant Trap	1.13 bc	1.26 b	1.23 b
B- Plant Trap of Maize			
Potasin -F + Greenzit SP ₁₀₀ 5m /L + 0.3 gm /L	1.1 bc	1.2 b	1.16 b
Radiant 0.4ml / L	1.2 bc	1.1 b	1.13 b
Dursban 5m /L	1.03 bc	1.1 b	1.06 b
Plant Trap	1.23 bc	1.26 b	1.4 b
C- Cotton Plants without plant traps			
Potasin -F + Greenzit SP ₁₀₀ 5m /L + 0.3 gm /L	1.13 bc	1.16 b	1.23 b
Radiant 0.4ml / L	1.30 b	1.13 b	1.36 b
Dursban (Chlorpyrifos) 5m /L	1.26 bc	1.3 b	1.13 b
Untreated Check	1.93 a	1.90 a	1.90 a
F Calculated	3.768	3.214	2.801
F Tabulated	1.87	1.87	1.87
LSD _{.05}	0.377	0.372	0.387
Significant	***	***	***

* Significant

*** High Significant

* Samples based on three replicate each of 10 bolls

* In a column, means followed by the same letter are not significantly different at the 5 % level by DMRT

Table 2. Effect of Fertilization types on the mean numbers of Spiny bollworm larvae per ten bolls throughout the growing season of 2009

Type of Fertilizers	Mean Numbers of larvae per ten bolls
Bio-Fertilization	1.18
Organic Fertilization	1.20
Mineral Fertilization	1.25
F Calculated	0.208
F Tabulated	6.94
Significant	N.S

N.S :Not Significant

-Season of 2010

As to the elucidated results of season 2009, the demonstrated results in Table (3) declare the resulted integral effects of each of the adopted fertilization type, foliar sprayings and sown plant traps of okra and / or maize plants around the plantation yard of growing cotton plants, on the measured levels of spiny bollworm infestation.

Herein, spraying treatments of the foliars; Potasin-F + Greenzit Sp₁₀₀ and the synthetic insecticide; Chlorpyrifos on the bio-fertilized and encircled cotton plants by the traps of okra plants revealed the lowest means numbers of inspected larvae of spiny bollworms (0.92&1.0 larvae /10 bolls, in respect), followed by Radiant® (1.03 larvae /10 bolls); while, for the surrounded ones by the traps of maize plants the results indicated the absence of significant differences between most of the comparatively lower calculated means numbers of inspected larvae / 10 bolls which ranged from 0.92 for the treatment of Chlorpyrifos to 1.14 larvae /10 bolls for the treatment of Radiant® compared with the untreated check- (2.03 larvae /10 bolls) (Table, 3).

Also, the unsprayed cotton plants; and encircled only by okra and / or maize plants gave an insignificant mean number of lowered infestation amounted to 1.18& 1.29 larvae / 10 bolls, in respect.

Comparatively, for the organic, the mineral or / and the organo-biofertilized cotton plants, and surrounded with each of the sown okra and / or maize plant traps; the revealed integral effects on the sprayed or / and the unsprayed cotton plants in each case of treatment integration, were expressed in low insignificant means of spiny bollworm infestation ranged between 0.96& 1.07 and 1.0 & 1.18; 0.81& 1.07 and 1.0 & 1.11; 0.96 & 1.14 and 1.14 & 1.29 larvae / 10 bolls in the mineral, organic and organo-biofertilized cotton plants, in respect (Table, 3). Compared to the untreated check (2.14, 2.07& 2.0 larvae of spiny bollworm /10 bolls, respectively (Table, 3).

The valuable effect of integrally applied foliar nutrients (Potasin-F + Greenzit Sp₁₀₀) on the mineral, organic and organo-biofertilized, on the cotton plants without okra and / or maize plants was also recorded and showed low insignificant mean values, of 1.14, 1.14, 1.14 larvae / 10 bolls, in respect, versus, 1.33-1.11, 1.03-1.25, 1.37-1.29, respectively larvae / 10 bolls in case of applying Radiant® and / or Chlorpyrifos sprays, regardly, on these unsurrounded cotton plants by okra / maiz of the tested plant traps (Table, 3).

Noticeably, the insignificant efficiency of each experimented fertilization type, integrating with the

other tested agro - ecotechniques was assured by the calculated insignificant low means values of spiny bollworm infestation (1.18, 1.17, 1.12 and 1.23 for the bio, mineral organic and organo-biofertilized plants, in respect,(Table, 4). Herein, our formerly explained results; convalidated by the statistical analysis of data, confirm the efficient role of followed "push-pull" strategy in the habitat manipulated agro-ecosystem of cotton field, in accord integration with the assessed effects of fertilization types; applied foliar sprays of tested nutrients and pesticides on the surrounded cotton plants by the interplanted traps of okra and / or maize plants.

Moreover, the above cited results are ascertained by the concluded results by Thimmaiah and Raju (1991) who observed that the highest average of eggs laid by the cotton bollworms (*Earias vittella* and *Heliothis armigera*) on the used okra plants as a trap crop in cotton fields during two seasons. Wu *et al.* (1991) showed that interplanting maize at 120-150 plants per mu (1 mu = 0.067ha) in cotton fields increased the populations of Araneae, Coccinllidae and Chrysopidae by 62.8-115.7 % compared with control fields. Maize also acted as a trap crop for *Heliothis [Helicoverpa]*, reducing the 2nd generation of eggs and the damage of cotton.

Moreover, Khan and Pickett (2004) declared that the use of trap crops in cotton – cropping systems exemplifies the " push-pull " strategy, where, the pest is pulled in by the trap crops, often with the assistance of tactics designed to push it off the main crop. The same concept of this strategy was explained by Njihia *et al.* (2005) who showed that maize is the most important food crop among the control strategies, the habitat management" push-pull " was identified and demonstrated by 25 selected contact farmers in their farms.

The highest reduction in the cotton bollworm infestation was induced by the use of Chlorpyrifos, Tracer® (Spinosad) and Methoxyfenozide®, (Abdel-Rhman, 2004). The obtained results by Purothit and Deshpand (1994) were in full agreement with the present aforementioned and illustrated findings. EL-Nagggar (2003) and Mesbah *et al.* (2004) illustrated that the application of Baythroid® with Greenzit S.P₁₀₀ effectively lowered spiny bollworms infestation.

Abd EL-Rahman *et al.* (2009) stated that the use Vantex (gamma -cyhalothrin) at 100 ml followed by Spinetoram at 70 ml mixed with g. -cyhalothrin at 30 ml gave the highest reduction of spiny bollworm *Earias insulana* in the 1st season. Moreover, spinetoram at 100 ml / fed. gave the highest reduction of spiny bollworm in 2006 and 2007 seasons. Also, EL-Nagggar (2009) &

EL-Naggar and Tawfeek (2012) stated that the foliar treatment with Easterna Aminofert / Greenzit S.P₁₀₀ / Spinosad and Easterna. / Greenzit S.P₁₀₀ with Spinosad or / and Chlorpyrifos decreased the incidence of spiny bollworm infestation in cotton season of 2006 & 2007.

Table 3. Effect of foliar treatments, plant traps and fertilization types on the mean numbers of *Earias insulana* larvae per ten bolls throughout the growing season of 2010

Treatments	Mean Numbers of larvae per ten bolls			
	Fertilization types			
	Bio Fertil.	Mineral Fertil.	Organic Fertil.	Bio+Organic Fertil.
A- Plant Trap of Okra				
Potasin -F + Greenzit SP ₁₀₀ 5m /L + 0.3 gm /L	0.92c	1 b	0.96 bc	1.07 bc
Radiant 0.4ml / L	1.03 bc	1.07 b	0.88 bc	0.96 c
Dursban 5m /L	1 c	0.96 b	0.81 c	1.03 bc
Plant Trap	1.18 bc	1.03 b	1.07 bc	1.14 bc
B- Plant Trap of Maize				
Potasin -F + Greenzit SP ₁₀₀ 5m /L + 0.3 gm /L	1.07 bc	1 b	1.11 bc	1.14 bc
Radiant 0.4ml / L	1.14 bc	1.14 b	1 bc	1.14 bc
Dursban 5m /L	0.92 c	1.03 b	1.03 bc	1.18 bc
Plant Trap	1.29 bc	1.18 b	1.11 bc	1.29 bc
C- Cotton Plants without plant traps				
Potasin -F + Greenzit SP ₁₀₀ 5m /L + 0.3 gm /L	1.48 b	1.14 b	1.14 bc	1.14 bc
Radiant 0.4ml / L	1.48 b	1.33 b	1.03 bc	1.37 b
Dursban 5m /L	1.18 bc	1.11 b	1.25 b	1.29 bc
Untreated Check	2.03 a	2.14 a	2.07 a	2 a
F Calculated	3.224	4.878	4.145	3.585
F Tabulated	1.87	1.87	1.87	1.87
LSD _{.05}	0.454	0.404	0.44	0.392
Significant	***	***	***	***

* Significant

*** High Significant

Table 4. Effect of Fertilization types on infestation with *Earias insulana* during season of 2010

Type of Fertilizers	Mean Numbers of larvae per ten bolls
Bio-Fertilization	1.18
Mineral Fertilization	1.17
Organic Fertilization	1.12
Organic + Bio-Fertilization	1.23
F Calculated	0.427
F Tabulated	2.75
LSD _{.05}	—
Significant	N.S

N.S : Not Significant

* Significant

-Effect of fertilization types, foliar nutrients, pesticidal application and plant traps on the incidence of the pink bollworms infestation

- Season of 2009

The illustrated results in Table (5) are expressed as means numbers of detected pink bollworm larvae per ten of inspected bolls. Herein, all of the bio-fertilized cotton plants indicated low levels of pink bollworm infestation in all of the done spraying treatments of foliar nutrients or / and pesticides on the trapped cotton plants by okra plants (0.83 – 0.96 larvae / 10 bolls) and / or maize plants (0.9 – 1.13 larvae / 10 bolls) compared with the untreated check (1.9 larvae /10 bolls). Also, the trapped cotton plants by okra and / or maize plants without any spraying treatments gave a semi equal insignificant means of infestation amounted to 1.03&1.23 larvae / 10 bolls, in respect. These means values were insignificantly different and merely equal to the deduced means values of larval infestation for the bio-fertilized and foliar sprayed untrapped cotton plants, with either the tested nutrients or pesticides and comprised 1.06 – 1.13 larvae / 10 bolls. Comparatively, for the other organically or / and minerally fertilized, more or less higher means of infestation with pink bollworm larvae were obtained but still less than the untreated check (1.86, 1.76 respectively) and ranged from 1.0 to 1.26 & from 0.93 to 1.1 larvae / 10 bolls for the organic& minerally fertilized and trapped cotton plants by okra plants, while, for the trapped ones by maize plants these means values ranged from 1.06 to 1.16 & from 1.13 to 1.2 larvae / 10 bolls, in respect (Table, 5).

The consequent foliar treatment of Potasin-F + Greenzit SP₁₀₀ on the encircled cotton plants with okra plant gave the lowest level of pink bollworms infestation of the bio-fertilized plants (0.86 larvae / 10 bolls), followed by the treatments of Radiant[®] and / or Dursban[®] (0.96& 0.83, respectively). These means values of pink bollworms infestation were insignificantly different between the applied foliar treatments on the trapped cotton plants by maize plants and ranged from 0.90 for Dursban[®] to 1.13 larvae / 10 bolls for Potasin-F + Greenzit SP₁₀₀, in comparison to the untreated check (1.9 larvae /10 bolls) (Table, 5).

Remarkably, the efficiency of each evaluated fertilization type (integrating with the other tested agro-eco techniques) was proved by the deduced insignificant means values of pink bollworm infestation of 1.1 larvae / 10 bolls for the bio-fertilized, 1.20 for the organic and 1.21 larvae / 10 bolls for the mineral fertilized plants (Table,6).

-Season 2010

As to the elucidated results of season 2009, the demonstrated results in Table (7) declare the resulted integral effects of each of the conducted fertilization type, foliar sprayings and sown plant traps of okra and / or maize plants around the plantation yard of growing cotton plants on the measured levels of pink bollworm infestation; expressed as mean number of larvae / 10 bolls.

In the initiated spraying treatments of the foliars; Potasin-F + Greenzit Sp₁₀₀ and the synthetic insecticide; Dursban[®] on the bio-fertilized cotton plants and encircled by the sown plant traps of okra gave the lowest means numbers of pink bollworms (0.62& 0.62 larvae /10 bolls, in respect), followed by Radiant[®] (0.77 larvae /10 bolls). While, for the surrounded cotton plants by the sown plant traps of maize the results indicated the absence of significant differences between most of the comparatively lower calculated means numbers of inspected larvae / 10 bolls which ranged from 0.70 for the treatment of Dursban[®] to 0.85 larvae /10 bolls for the treatment of Radiant[®] compared with untreated check (1.62 larvae /10 bolls, (Table, 7).

Also, the unsprayed cotton plants; and encircled only by okra and / or maize plants gave insignificant means numbers of lowered infestation amounted to 0.88 & 1.07 larvae / 10 bolls, in respect. These above shown means values were also insignificantly different and merely equal to the calculated means values of estimated lower larval infestation of the mono-cultured bio-fertilized and foliary sprayed cotton plants, with either the tested nutrients or pesticides and comprised 0.81 – 0.88 larvae / 10 bolls (Table, 7).

Comparatively, the valuable use of foliar nutrients sprays of Potasin-F + Greenzit Sp₁₀₀ on the minerally, the organically or / and the organo-biofertilized cotton plants, and surrounded with each of the sown okra and / or maize plant traps was proved. Whereas, the revealed integral effects for the sprayed or / and unsprayed plants in each case of treatmental integration, indicated low insignificant means of pink bollworms infestation amounted to 0.66 – 0.77 & 0.70 – 0.85 for the mineral plants; 0.66 – 1.11 & 0.74 – 0.81 for the organic and 0.92 – 1.22 & 1.07 – 1.29 larvae / 10 bolls for the organo-biofertilized plants in respect, (Table, 7). Compared to the untreated check (1.40, 1.81& 1.74 larvae of pink bollworm /10 bolls, respectively (Table, 7).

The valuable effect of integrally applied foliar nutrients (Potasin-F + Greenzit Sp₁₀₀) on the mineral, organic and organo-biofertilized, but not encircled cotton plants with okra and / or maize plants was also recorded and showed low insignificant means values, of

1.03, 0.96 & 1.14 larvae / 10 bolls, in respect, versus, 0.81 – 0.92, 0.81 – 0.85 and 1.00 – 1.03, respectively larvae / 10 bolls in case of applying Radiant® and / or

Chlorpyrifos sprays, regardly, on these encircled cotton plants by each of the tested plant traps (Table, 7).

Table 5. Effect of foliar treatments, plant traps and fertilization types on the mean numbers of pink bollworm in the growing season of 2009

Treatments	Mean Numbers of larvae per ten bolls		
	Fertilization types		
	Bio-Fertilization	Organic Fertilization	Mineral Fertilization
A- Plant Trap of Okra			
Potasin –F + Greenzit SP ₁₀₀ 5m /L + 0.3 gm /L	0.86 c	1.26 bc	0.96 bc
Radiant 0.4ml / L	0.96 bc	1.03 c	0.93 c
Dursban 5m /L	0.83 c	1.0 c	1.1 bc
Plant Trap	1.03 bc	1.5 b	1.26 bc
B- Plant Trap of Maize			
Potasin –F + Greenzit SP ₁₀₀ 5m /L + 0.3 gm /L	1.13 bc	1.06 c	1.2 bc
Radiant 0.4ml / L	1.06 bc	1.1 c	1.13 bc
Dursban 5m /L	0.9 bc	1.16 bc	1.2 bc
Plant Trap	1.23 b	1.16 bc	1.16 bc
C- Cotton Plants without plant traps			
Potasin –F + Greenzit SP ₁₀₀ 5m /L + 0.3 gm /L	1.06 bc	1.16 bc	1.16 bc
Radiant 0.4ml / L	1.13 bc	1.13 c	1.30 bc
Dursban 5m /L	1.1 bc	1.06 c	1.36 ab
Untreated Check	1.9 a	1.86 a	1.76 a
F Calculated	4.559	3.667	1.99
F Tabulated	1.87	1.87	1.87
LSD _{.05}	0.36	0.35	0.42
Significant	***	***	*

* Significant

*** High Significant

* Samples based on three replicate each of 10 bolls

* In a column, means followed by the same latter are not significantly different at the 5 % level by DMRT

Table 6. Effect of Fertilization types on the mean numbers of pink bollworm larvae per ten bolls throughout the growing season of 2009

Type of Fertilizers	Mean Numbers of larvae per ten bolls
Bio-Fertilization	1.1
Organic Fertilization	1.20
Mineral Fertilization	1.21
F Calculated	0.933
F Tabulated	6.94
Significant	N.S

N.S :Not Significant

Table 7. Effect of foliar treatments, plant traps and fertilization types on the mean numbers of *Pectinophora gossypiella* larvae per ten bolls throughout the growing season of 2010

Treatments	Mean Numbers of larvae per ten bolls			
	Fertilization types			
	Bio Ferti.	Mineral Ferti.	Organic Ferti.	Bio+Organic Fertil.
A- Plant Trap of Okra				
Potasin -F + Greenzit SP ₁₀₀ 5m /L + 0.3 gm /L	0.62c	0.66 b	0.66 c	0.92 b
Radiant 0.4ml / L	0.77 bc	0.74 b	0.85 bc	1.03 b
Dursban 5m /L	0.62 c	0.70 b	0.59 c	0.96 b
Plant Trap	0.88 bc	0.77 b	1.11 b	1.22 b
B- Plant Trap of Maize				
Potasin -F + Greenzit SP ₁₀₀ 5m /L + 0.3 gm /L	0.74 bc	0.85 b	0.74 bc	1.07 b
Radiant 0.4ml / L	0.85 bc	0.70 b	0.85 bc	0.92 b
Dursban 5m /L	0.70 bc	0.81 b	0.88 bc	1.11 b
Plant Trap	1.07 b	0.85 b	0.81 bc	1.29 ab
C- Cotton Plants without plant traps				
Potasin -F + Greenzit SP ₁₀₀ 5m /L + 0.3 gm /L	0.88 bc	1.03 ab	0.96 bc	1.14 b
Radiant 0.4ml / L	0.81 bc	0.81 b	0.81 bc	1 b
Dursban 5m /L	0.85 bc	0.92 b	0.85 bc	1.03 b
Untreated Check	1.62 a	1.40 a	1.81 a	1.74 a
F Calculated	3.519	2.069	5.327	1.93
F Tabulated	1.87	1.87	1.87	1.87
LSD _{.05}	0.398	0.390	0.439	0.451
Significant	***	*	***	*

* Significant

*** High Significant

Table 8. Effect of Fertilization types on infestation with *Pectinophora gossypiella* during season of 2010

Type of Fertilizers	Mean Numbers of larvae per ten bolls
Bio-Fertilization	0.87 b
Mineral Fertilization	0.86 b
Organic Fertilization	0.91 b
Organic + Bio-Fertilization	1.12 a
F Calculated	6.288
F Tabulated	2.75
LSD _{.05}	0.168
Significant	*

N.S : Not Significant

Noticeably, the efficiency of each experimented fertilization type, integrating with the other tested agro - ecotechniques was assured by the calculated insignificant low means values of pink bollworm

infestation of 0.87 larvae / 10 bolls for the bio-fertilized, 0.86 larvae / 10 bolls for the mineral, 0.91 larvae / 10 bolls for the organic versus, the organo-biofertilized plants which gave higher mean number 1.12 larvae / 10 bolls, (Table, 8).

These above mentioned results; convinced by the statistical analysis of data, confirm the efficient role of followed “push-pull” strategy in the habitat manipulated agro-system of cotton field, in accord integration with the assessed effects of fertilization types; applied foliar sprays of tested nutrients and pesticides on the surrounded cotton plants by the interplanted traps of okra and / or maize plants.

The above cited results are ascertained by the concluded results by EL-Sorady *et al.* (1998) who determined the percentages of reductions in natural pink bollworm infestation when the insecticides were applied every two weeks at the recommended rate and half of the recommended rate, respectively. Mahar *et al.* (2004) reported that the all tested (Organo ohosphorous) insecticides: Fenprothrin, Chlorpyrifos and Endosulfan, were effective against pink bollworm.

Abdel-Rhman (2004) found that the highest reduction in the cotton bollworm infestation were induced by the use of Chlorpyrifos, Tracer® (Spinosad) and Methoxyfenozide®. Abd EL-Rahman *et al.* (2009) indicated that the highest biological performance against the pink bollworm (*P. gossypiella*) was achieved using g. -cyhalothrin at 100 ml / fed. (92.7 %) followed by the mixture of spinetoram at 70 ml + methoxyfenozide at 80 ml. Also, the obtained results by Mesbah *et al.* (2000) were in full agreement with the present aforementioned and illustrated findings.

Dhawan *et al.* (2006) showed that Spinosad 45% SC a new formulation as at 50, 75, and 100 g. a.i., gave better control than Chlorpyrifos and Cypermethrin, and equivalent control to that of Tracer and Indoxacarb.

In conclusion, results of the present investigation revealed that, cotton plants provided with crop traps and fertilized with bio-fertilization and sprayed with Potasin-F+ Greenzit SP₁₀₀, Radiant and/or Durspan significantly recorded the Lower infestation by *E. insulana* and *P. gossypiella*

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