# SURVEY OF GLOBE ARTICHOKE PESTS AND THEIR ASSOCIATED PREDATORS AT ABOU EL-MATAMEER REGION, EL-BEHAIRA GOVERNORATE

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#### **ABSTRACT**

Since seventeenth decade ago ,where the matter of fact had no great problem for globe artichoke insect and animal pests infestation in Egypt . Now a survey of insect ; animal species and associated predators was carried out during 2003 / 2004 and 2004 / 2005 seasons on globe artichoke grown at El- Ashartalaf village; Abou El-Matameer district, El- Behaira governorate, which it considered one of the important local markets and export for artichoke. Twenty nine species belonging to eighteen families and seven insect orders were recorded as insect pests on G. artichoke plants. These families are :- Agromyzidae; Calliphoridae ; Muscidae ; Tephritidae (Order : Diptera); Aleyrodidae; Aphididae; Cicadellidae: Margarodidae (Order: Homoptera), Formicidae; Vespoidae (Order: Hymenoptera), Pentatomidae (order: Heteroptera). Noctuidae; Nymphalidae; Pieridae ( Order : Lepidoptera ), Acrididae ; Gryllidae ; Gryllotalpidae (Order: Orthoptera) and Thripidae (Order: Thysanoptera), beside two animal pests, one species of two-spotted spider mite belonging to ( Order : Acarina; family: Tetranychidae) and the second one, snail "Monacha cartusians" belonging to (Order: Stylommatophora; Family: Helicidae) Also, Five species of the associated insect predators were found belonging to four families and three orders. Family Aphididae recorded seven species represented the majority of the found insect pests on G. artichoke leaves where's the other surveyed species for insects and animal pest recorded in relative abundance; moderate; rare and few numbers during the period of study. In the present survey, Trypanea amoena Fr. recorded few number during April - May as pupae inside G. artichoke heads ( Floweriness) as a first time in Egypt . few numbers of adults of whitefly species were appeared only on G, artichoke leaves, whereas its immature stages absent completely . Moreover; Chrysoperla vulgaris ( Steph.) individuals were recorded in relatively abundant numbers followed by Coccinella undecimpunctata L., Cydonia vicina var.nilotica Muls, Paederus alfierii Koch and Calidomantis savignyi (Sauss.) besid the Predaceous mite Phytoseiulus persimilis (A.H.) on plant leaves during the two tested seasons .

#### INTRODUCTION

Globe artichoke [ Cynara scolymus L. ] was a herbaceous perennial plant grown for its flower heads or buds, is one of the important vegetable crop in Egypt for local consumption and exportation . The literature review proved that by the end of seventieth decade of the century , surely no problems were observed of surveyed insects on G. artichoke fields as shown by Theobald ( 1923 ) who recorded, for the first time ,a new species of the aphid ;Capitophorus cynariella on globe artichoke grown in Egypt. Afterwards many foreign investigator, identified certain species of insects on artichokes such as ; Del-Canizo( 1928 )in Spain, Melis ( 1941 ) in Italy ,Olalquiga in Argentina ( 1941 ) and Labeyrie (1961 ) in France .The production pattern of G . artichoke in Egypt shows that the major amount of yield usually produces during March and April, whereas small amount of the crop could be harvested

months are the most profitable for export and local markets El-Fadely & Abou El-Hassan (1986). Artichoke now, are usually liable to be attacked by several insect and animal pests which may be a serious threat for that nutritional crop. So the performance of G. artichoke pests survey and their natural enemies has been studied widely by many investigators: Paitier et al. (1987), Foddai et al. (1991), and in Egypt by Afify et al. (2004). Emphasis in this current research has been placed on recogonized for G. artichoke pests in Egyptian fields. Therefore, the aim of this study was to survey the insect and animal pests infesting the artichokes at Abou El-Matameer district, El-Behaira governorate beside the associated insect and animal predators to protect the crop from this pest losses.

#### MATERIALS AND METHODS

This survey was conducted in globe artichoke fields at El-Ashartalaf village : Abou El- Matameer District El- Behaira governorate during the two successive growing seasons (2003 -2004) and (2004-2005). Experimental area chosen was one feddan which divided 4 replicates and the plants were note subjected to any chemical insecticides . Dates of transplantation were 15/8/2004 in the first season and 22/8/2005 in the second one . Samples were taken after transplanting by one week and continued until crop harvested .Infested leave samples were collected from 25 leaves per replicate every week representing terminal, middle and basal parts of plants during the vegetative stage, kept in polyethylene bags and brought to the laboratory then count by sterioelectronicmicroscope . The individuals of insect and mite stages identified and classified by the staff of classification in the Insect Identification Research Department in the Plant Protection Research Institute, A. R. C. in Egypt .Also ,ten plant flower heads and buds picked up randomizly during the flowering stage were put in a labeled plastic bags for inspection in laboratory their every week .Adults and larvae of different pests and their predators were collected by 25 double stroke swept by sweep net in diagonal directions just above the canopy

## **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

Table (1) exhibit the list of surveyed insect and animal pests on G. artichoke plants grown at El-Ashartalaf village; Abou El- Matameer Region, El Behaira governorate during 2003-2004 and 2004-2005 growing seasons. Twenty-nine different insect species related to twenty-five genera, eighteen families and seven orders showed the various developmental stages of the insect pests infesting g, artichoke in this study, of these; five species belonging to the four families; Agromyzidae, Calliophoridae, Muscaidae, Tephritidae (Order: Diptera), twelve species of the four families; Aleyrodidae ,Aphididae ,Cicadellidae, Margarodidae (Order: Homoptera), two species of the two families; Formicidae ,Vespoidae,(Order: Hymenoptera) , one species of the one family; Pentatomidae (Order: Heteroptera), five species of the three families; Noctuidae , Nymphalidae ,Pieridae (Order: Lepidoptera), three species of the three families; Acridiidae, Gryllidae ,Gryllotalpidae (Order: Orthoptera) and one species of the family; Thripidae (Order: Thysanoptera)

,as well as , the animal pests the first one the two-spotted spider mite, *T.urticae* Koch belonging to the family; Tetranychidae (Order: Acarina) and the second the clover snail *Monacha cartusians* which belonging to Phylum: Mollusca; Class: Gasterpoda. A similar survey was obtained by Paitier et al. (1987) in Birttany, who recorded 16 species of insect species and 4 diseases on G. artichoke while Fadel et. al. (2001) in Egypt recorded 3 species of mining insects on G. artichoke leaves but Afify et. al. (2004) identified 30 insect pests on G. artichoke in his research in Giza and Northern Tahrer.

Table (1): Insect and animal species found infesting globe artichoke at Abou - Almatameer , EI - Behaira governorate . in 2003/2004 & 2004/2005 .

Order	Family	Scientific name		Stage	Status	Date of observation
Insect pests Diptera	Agromyzidae	Liriomyza trifolii (Burgess) +	++	Maggot	Pest	AugMar.
	Agromyzidae	Phytomyza atricomis Meig. +	++	Maggot	Pest	AugMar.
	Calliphoridae	Calliphora erythrocephala	+	Adults	Visitor	
	Muscidae	Musca domstica L.	++	Adults		DecJan.
	Tephritidae	Trypanea amoena Fr.	++	Pupae	Pest	AprMay
Homoptera	Aleyrodidae		++	Adults	Pest	OctMar.
		Bemisia tabaci (Genn.) +	+	Adults	Pest	NovApr.
	Aphididae	Aphis craccivora Koch. +	++	Adults & Nymphs	Pest	Sep.
		Aphis faba L. +-		Adults & Nymphs	Pest	OctApr
		Aphis gossypii Glov. ++	+++	Adults & Nymphs	Pest	OctApr
			+	Adults & Nymphs	Pest	FebMar.
		Macrosiphum rosefolium Theo.	+	Adults & Nymphs	Pest	FebMar.
		Brachycaudus hylichrysti +		Adults & Nymphs	Pest	MarApr.
		Myzus persicae Sulzer +		Adults & Nymphs		MarApr.
	Cicadelidae			Adults & Nymphs	-	
		Empoasica lybica De berg +-		Adults & Nymphs	_	MarApr.
	Margarodidae	Icerya aegyptiaca (Douglas) +		Adults		March
Hymenoptera	Formicidae	Componotus maculatus E +	+	Adults	_	AprMay
	Vespoidae	Polistes gallica L. +		Adults	Visitor	
Heteroptera	Pentatomidae	Nezara viridula L . +		Adults & Nymphs		October
Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Agrotis ipsilon (Huf.) +		Larvae	Pest	November
		Trichoplusia ni Hbn. +		Larvae	Pest	November
		Spodoptera exigua (Hb.) +-	+	Larvae	Pest	OctNov.
	Nymphalidae	Vanessa cardui L . +		Adults	Visitor	Oct.
	Pieridae	Pieris rapae L. +		Adults	Visitor	OctNov.
Orthoptera	Acridiidae	Anacridium aegyptium L. +		Adults	Pest	Nov.
	Gryllidae		+	Adults	Pest	May
	Gryllotalpidae	Gryllotalpa gryllotalpa L.	+	Adults & Nymphs	Pest	Oct.
Thysanoptera	Thripidae		++	Adults & Nymphs	Pest	Nov Mar
Animal pests Acarina	Tetranychidae	Tetranychus urtica Koch	++	Adults & Nymphs		Apr May
Stylommato- phora	Helicidae			Adults & Nymphs		Nov Mar

<sup>++++:</sup> Abundant numbers ( over 1000 indiv. )

Among the insects covered; *Trypanea amoena* Fr. Is the first record in the region of study as pupae iinside globe artichoke heads with few numbers in April – May during the two tested seasons. It is worthy to mention here that the seven species of recorded aphids made the largest numbers of the whole insects on g. artichoke at Elashartalaf village; Abou El- Matameer

<sup>++:</sup> Few numbers ( 10 - 20 indiv. )

<sup>+++ :</sup> Moderate numbers (50 - 100 indiv.)

<sup>+ :</sup> Rare numbers (1 - 5 indiv.)

Destrict, also was noticed the alate and apteruos of Aphis spp. on leaves in the end of season, whereas some of insect species found in moderate numbers, others recorded in few and rare numbers, as marked in Table (1) .In this study, two species of leaf mining insects revealed in normal numbers on g. artichoke in the tested regions . These results coincide with those occurred by Osmelak ( 1983 ) . Also , the two adult of Aleyrodidae were recorded in normal number with no immature stages completely on the plant leaves . These findings agreed with those obtained by Canas (2001) in Arizona and Afify et. al. (2004). In addition, the only one species of the two spotted mite. T. urticae Koch recorded in low numbers as adults and nymphs and showed the clover snail " Monacha cartusians " caused serious damage on leaves .while. De-Stefani ( 1924 ) recorded some small animals injured artichokes in Italy Also El-Halawany et. al. (2002) in Egypt stated that using the predatory mite P. persimilis ( Athias- Henriot) useful and effective in biological control programe against T. urticae Koch. Concerning the natural enemies, in this study adopted and found five species of the insect predators, which conducted four families and three orders, as recorded in Table (2). These families are Coccinellidae, Staphylinidae (Order : Coleoptera), Mantidae (Order : Dictyoptera ) and Chrysopidae (Order: Neuroptera ), which represented with three species of predators for the first family and one species for each the three later . Individuals of Chrysoperla vulgaris (Steph.) appeared, generally in abundant numbers, during the periods of study on plant leaves , followed by Coccinella undecimpunctata L ..with normal numbers and the other three predators were low .besid one predacous mite P. persimilis belonging to family Phytoseiidae order Acarina. Similar results were recorded by Neuenschwander & Hagen ( 1980 ) .Cotttel et . al . (1998), Fadel et . al . (2001), El-Halawany et. al . (2002) and Afify et al. (2004). More probably conclusion could given that survey must be studied greatly in different artichoke localities in Egypt for safe and best crop among the integrated pest management (IPM) programs.

Table (2): Insect and animal predators associated with G. artichoke insect pests at Abou - Almatameer, El – Behaira governorate.

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Order	rder Family Scientific name			Stage	Date of observation	
		Coccinella undecimpunctata L.	+++	Adults & Eggs	NovFeb.	
		Cydonia vicina var. nilotica Muls.	+++	Adults	NovFeb.	
	Staphylinidae	Paederus alfierii Koch	++	Adults	DecJan.	
Dictyoptera	Mantidae	Calidomantis savignyi ( Sauss . )	+	Nymphs	November	
Neuroptera	Chrysophidae	Chrysoperia vulgaris (Steph.)	++++	Eggs & Adults	OctMar.	
Acarina	Phytoseiidae	Phytoseiulus persimilis (A.H.)	+	Adults & Nymph	Apr May	

++++: Abundant numbers ( 16 - 20 indiv.)
+++: Moderate numbers ( 11 - 15 indiv.)

+ : Rare numbers (1 - 4 indiv.)

<sup>++ :</sup> Few numbers (5 – 10 indiv.)

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حصر الآفات الحشرية و الحيوانية على الخرشوف وما يصاحبها من مفترسات في مركز أبو المطامير ، محافظة البحيرة

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الخرشوف من محاصيل الخضر الهامة التي تتبع العائلة المركبة ؛ وهو نبات عشبي معمر ؛ تتشر زراعته في بلدان البحر الأبيض المتوسط ومصر تتميز نسبيا في الإنتاج المبكر للخرشوف ولـم تحدث مشكلة كبيرة بالإصابة الحشرية والحيوانية للخرشوف في مصر حتى عقد السبعينيات ،والأن يتعرض الخرشوف للعديد من تلك الأفات الهامة ، لذلك أجرى هذا البحث لحصر الأفات الحشرية و الحيوانية التـي تصيب نباتات الخرشوف المزروع بمساحات مختلفة في عدة مناطق بمركز أبو المطامير بمحافظة البحيرة ، والتي تعتبر من أهم مناطق الإنتاج للسوق المحلى وأيضا للتصدير للأسواق الخارجية . تم في هذا البحث حصر للمفترسات المصاحبة خلال الموسمين الزراعيين ٢٠٠٥/٢٠٠٢ ، ٢٠٠٥/٢٠٠٤ . وقد تبين مسن النتائج الأتى :-

حصر وتعريف ٢٩ نوع من الحشرات ، اغلبها من الأفات الحشرية الهامة على الخرشوف ، تتبع المفسيلة ،٧ رتب حشرية ، وكذلك نوع شائع من أكاروس العنكبوت الأحمر الكاذب و يتبع (فصيلة نترانيكدى ورتبة أكارينا) وقوقع البرسيم الزجاجي والذي يتبع قبيلة الرخويات (رتبة : ستيلوماتوفورا فصيلة : هيلسيدى) . وتمثل (فصيلة المن) اكبر الفصائل التي تم حصرها من حيث عدد الأنواع والتي تم حصر ٧ أنواع منها على أوراق الخرشوف وباعداد عالية نسبيا في تلك المنطقة محمل الدراسة ، بينما سجلت بقية الأنواع الحشرية والحيوانية أعداد أقل نسبيا وذلك خلال الموسمين المذكورين . كما سجلت لأول مرة حشرة تراي أموينيا ، كعذارى بداخل رؤوس الخرشوف (منطقة التخت) وباعداد قليلة خلال الفترة من البريل مايو خلال موسمي الدراسة . تم تسجيل حشرة الذبابة البيضاء باعداد متوسطة على أوراق الخرشوف ولكن لم تلاحظ الأطوار غير الكاملة (الحوريات) خلال فترة الدراسة . كما تم أيضا تسجيل خمسة أنواع من المفترسات الحشرية التي تتبع أربع فصائل وثلاث رتب حشرية وكذلك أكاروس مفترس واحد يتبع فصيلة فايتوسدى رتبة أكارينا وكان أعلاها الحشرة الكاملة لأسد المن مع وجود طور البيض وطور الحوريات باعداد أعلى نسبيا من أطوار أبو العيد نو ١١ نقطة الموجودة على أوراق الخرشوف تلتها حشرات كل من أبو العيد السمني و الرواغة كما تم حصر حوريات فرس النبي الصغير وباعداد أقل نسبيا خلال موسمي الدراسة . ويوصى الباواث بمزيد من الدراسة والحصر والتعريف لمختلف الأفات الحشرية والحيوانية التي تصيب الخرشوف في جميع مراكز إنتاجه وتصديره في مصر .