SUSCEPTIBILITY OF SOME GRAPEVINE VARIETIES IN RELATION TO BIOLOGICAL ASPECTS OF THE TWO SPOTTED SPIDER MITE, *Tetranychus urticae* KOCH

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ABSTRACT

The cultivars of some grapevines (*Vitis vinifera* L.) varieties, King Robi, Rebier, Flame Seedless, Thompson Seedless and Bez El-Anza were cultivated at El-Salheia, Province El-Sharkia Governorate, during the season 2010. These varieties were tested under laboratory conditions to study their relative susceptibility to the infestation of *Tetranychus urticae* Koch at 25 ± 5°C and 75± 5 % R.H.

King Robi variety was the most susceptible variety while Bez El-Anza, variety was the less susceptible one. On the other hand, Rebier, Flame Seedless and Thompson Seedless have moderate susceptibility. The highest number of eggs was noticed on King Robe variety young leaves (18.35 eggs).

INTRODUCTION

In Egypt, grapevine (*Vitis vinifera* L.) is one of the important horticultural crops for local consumption and exportation. Summer and Nile Chops (2011) showed that the total cultivated grape area was 180919 feddans with production 1425980 tons. Some trials were made to study the biological aspects of the phytophagous mites on grape vine by Yousef (1970), Zaher and Yousef (1972) Abd El-Hafez (1974), Yousef et al., (1980), Wahba et al., (1982) Atwa et al., (1987), Kondo et al., (1987) Bonato et al.,(1990) and Ashihara (1996).The present work aimed to study the susceptibility of five grapevines varieties in relation to some biological aspects of *T. urticae*.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

1- Cultivated grapevine :

An area of about two feddan cultivated with five grape varieties namely, king Robe, Rebier, Flam Seedless, Thompson Seedless and Bez ElAnza at El. Salheia Province, El-sharkia Governorate in April 2010. The experiment area had not exposed to any treatment with any acaricides.

Samples of young and old leaves for each variety were taken in paper bags and directly transferred to laboratory in the same day of collection for investigation. Obtained data were subjected to one-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) and means were separated by Duncan’s multiple range tests (Duncan, 1955).

2- Biological study:-
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To study the susceptibility of aforementioned grape vine varieties on the biological aspects of *T. urticae*, young and old leaves of five grape varieties were used for rearing the mite under constant temperature at 25 ±5°C and relative humidity of 75± 5 % R.H.. Leaves were placed on cotton wool in Petri-dishes of 12.5 cm in diameter. Suitable moisture was maintained by adding few drops of water . Pure culture of *T. urticae* was maintained at the laboratory. Newly hatched larvae were transferred singly to a leaf discs (1 cm in diameter) of each variety to complete their life span. Newly emerged females were copulated and left to deposited their eggs until death. The replicate repeated ten times for each variety. Examination took place twice a daily. The duration of stages, number of deposited eggs and other biological aspects were recorded.

**RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

Duration of the different stages of *T. urticae* Koch on young leaves of five grapes. Incubation period:-

A) Young grape leaves

As shown in Table (1) and Fig. (1) obtained data showed that no significant differences between the incubation period of the individuals mites which fed on the different tested varieties for both females and males. This period took 4.79, 4.79, 4.77, 4.86 and 4.77 days when the female reared on King Robi, Rebier, Flam Seedless, Thompson seedless and Bez ElAnza varieties, respectively, while it was 4.85, 4.78, 4.77, 4.78 and 4.81 days for males fed on the aforementioned varieties, respectively.

Table (1) : Duration of developmental stages of *Tetranychus urticae* of Koch when reared on young leaves at 25 ± 5°C and 75±5% R.H.

| Stage               | Sex    | Varieties of grapes |
|---------------------|--------|---------------------|
|                     | King Robi | Rebier | Flam Seedless | Thompson | Bez ElAnza |
| Incubation period   | Female | 4.79 ± 0.09 | 4.79 + 0.12 | 4.77 + 0.14 | 4.86 + 0.17 | 4.77 +0.13 |
|                     | Male   | 4.85±0.27 | 4.76+0.09  | 4.77+0.11  | 4.78+0.06  | 4.81 +0.07 |
| Developmental time  | Female | 12.18 ±0.21 | 12.14 ±0.08 | 12.1 + 0.05 | 12.77 ±0.08 | 13.81 ±0.13 |
|                     | Male   | 11.75±0.06 | 11.76±0.07 | 11.08±0.08 | 10.5±0.07  | 11.01±0.10 |
| Longevity           | Female | 18.13± 0.98 | 15.44 +0.08 | 11.90+0.05 | 10.64+0.05 | 9.09+0.08  |
|                     | Male   | 16.25±0.42 | 14±0.09    | 10.02+0.01 | 9.06+0.2   | 7.87±0.21  |

± S.D.

B) Old grape leaves

The incubation period of *T. urticae* fed on different grape varieties lasted 4.75, 4.8, 4.7, 4.6 and 4.87 days for female while it was 5.53, 4.5, 4.5, 4.4 , and 4.8 days for the male individuals fed on the same aforementioned
varieties, respectively, Table (2).

**Table (2): Duration of developmental stages of *Tetranychus urticae* Koch when reared on old leaves at 25±5°C and 75±5% R.H.**

| Stage                  | Sex  | Varieties of grapes |
|------------------------|------|---------------------|
| Incubation period      | Female | King Robi | Rebier | Flam Seedless | Thompson | Bez ElAnza |
|                        | King Robi | 4.75 ± 0.08 | 4.8 ± 0.1 | 4.7 ± 0.7 | 4.66 ± 0.07 | 4.87 ± 0.13 |
|                        | Rebier    | 4.5 ± 0.04 | 4.52 ± 0.04 | 4.52 ± 0.14 | 4.4 ± 0.09 | 4.8 ± 0.05 |
| Developmental time     | Female | 14.43 ± 0.08 | 14.79 ± 0.07 | 13.61 ± 0.09 | 12.35 ± 0.19 | 12.12 ± 0.09 |
|                        | Male     | 12.85 ± 0.08 | 13.01 ± 0.33 | 12.03 ± 0.18 | 11.73 ± 0.09 | 12.01 ± 0.09 |
| Longevity              | Female | 6.07 ± 0.13 | 4.97 ± 0.13 | 11.44 ± 0.28 | 13.38 ± 0.06 | 14.15 ± 0.31 |
|                        | Male     | 4.64 ± 0.15 | 3.89 ± 0.16 | 10.33 ± 0.33 | 12.06 ± 0.22 | 12.49 ± 0.07 |

± S.D.

Fig. (1): Duration of developmental stages of *Tetranychus urticae* Koch when fed on grape vine young leaves at 25±5°C and 75±5% R.H.

Immature stages

**A) Young grape leaves**

The tabulated data in Table (1) denoted that there were slightly differences between the periods of the developmental stages of *T. urticae* when fed on different varieties of grape for females and males. The longest period was noticed for the females when the mite fed on Bez ElAnza variety (13.81 days) but the lowest one was noticed for the female on Flam seedless variety (12.10 days). On the other hand, this period affected significantly where it lasted 11.75, 11.76, 11.08, 10.5 and 11.01 days when the mite fed on King Robi, Rebier, Flam Seedless, Thompson seedless and Bez ElAnza varieties, respectively on young leaves of grape at 25±5°C for male individuals.

**B) Old grape leaves**
Data in Table (2) denoted that there were slightly differences between the periods of the developmental stages of *T. urticae* when fed on different varieties of grape for females and males. The longest period was noticed for the females when the mite fed on Rebier variety (14.79 days) but the lowest one was noticed for the female on Bez ElAnza variety (12.10 days). On the other hand this period affected significantly where it lasted 12.85, 13.01, 12.03, 11.73 and 12.01 days when males fed on old leaves of King Robi, Flam Seedless, Thompson seedless and Bez ElAnza varieties, respectively under the same conditions.

**Longevity:**

Obtained data in tables (1&2) cleared that there were significantly differences between adult stage periods of female and male when they fed on young or old leaves of different grape varieties. However, the adult female individuals of *T. urticae* lasted for 18.13 days (the longest period) and 9.09 days (the lowest period) when the female fed on the young leaves of King Robi and Bez El-Anza, respectively. On the other hand male adulthood lasted 16.25 days (the longest period) and 7.87 days (the lowest period) when the mite fed on the young leaves of King Robe and Bez ElAnza varieties respectively. While, on the old leaves of grape the adult female of *T. urticae* staged 14.15 days (the longest period) (Bez ElAnza variety) and 4.97 days (the lowest period) on Rebier variety at 25±5°C. Also, adult male lasted the longest period when it fed on Bez ElAnza Variety (12.49 days), while it was 3.89 days (the lowest period) when the mite fed on Rebier variety.

**Female longevity:**

a-) Preoviposition period

As shown in Table (3), it was noticed that, there is very highly significant differences between female individuals fed on the different grape varieties (young leaves). The adult female lasted 1.64 days (the longest period) when the mite fed on King Rope Variety while it was 0.50 days (the lowest period) when the mite fed on Bez ElAnza Variety. On the other hand, the preoviposition period lasted 3.0 days on the old leaves (the longest period) on Rebier variety of grape, while it was 1.04 days when the adult female fed on Bez El-Anza variety (The lowest period).

**Table (3): Effect of different varieties on the longevity and fecundity of *Tetranychus urticae* Koch on young leaves at 25 ± 5°C and 75±5% R.H.**

| Variety      | Preoviposition period | Oviposition period | Postoviposition period | Fecundity         |
|--------------|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| King Robi    | 1.64 ± 0.10           | 15.8 ± 0.06        | 1.03 ± 0.02            | 18.35 ± 0.66      |
| Rebier       | 1.3 ± 0.04            | 13.24 ± 0.16       | 0.8 ± 0.06             | 15.39 ± 0.80      |
| Flam Seedless| 0.94 ± 0.12           | 10.25 ± 0.08       | 0.8 ± 0.08             | 11.87 ± 0.12      |
| Thompson Seedless | 0.98 ± 0.06 | 8.79 ± 0.09          | 0.72 ± 0.04            | 10.56 ± 0.08      |
| Bez El Anza  | 0.50 ± 0.06           | 7.5 ± 0.05         | 1.05 ± 0.32            | 8.98 ± 0.12       |

b.) Oviposition period

Data in Tables (3 & 4), revealed that there is highly significant difference between female oviposition period when fed on (young and old
leaves) different grape varieties The oviposition period lasted 15.8 days (the longest period) on young King Robi variety decreased to 7.5 days (the shortest period) on young Bez ElAnza variety. On the other hand, the longest oviposition period was obtained when the female fed on old leaves of Bez ElAnza (12.28 days), while the lowest one lasted 1.04 days for the females fed on Rebier variety.

c-) Postoviposition period

Obtained data in Tables (3 & 4) cleared that, there is no highly significant differences between female postoviposition period fed on (young and old leaves) different varieties of grape. Female postoviposition period lasted 1.03, 0.8, 0.8, 0.72 and 1.05 days on young leaves, while it was 0.69, 0.99, 0.79, 0.83 and 0.74 days on old grape leaves when females fed on King Robi, Rebier Flam Seedless, Thompson Seedless and Bez ElAnza varieties, respectively.

| Variety             | Preoviposition period | Oviposition period | Postoviposition period | Fecundity |
|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-----------|
| King Robi           | 1.99 ± 0.15           | 3.31 ± 0.13       | 0.69 ± 0.05            | 5.96 ± 0.24 |
| Rebier              | 3.0 ± 0.09            | 1.04 ± 0.06       | 0.99 ± 0.11            | 5.01 ± 0.15 |
| Flam Seedless       | 1.99 ± 0.12           | 8.74 ± 0.09       | 0.79 ± 0.06            | 11.98 ± 0.13 |
| Thompson Seedless   | 1.2 ± 0.06            | 11.53 ± 0.20      | 0.83 ± 0.07            | 13.6 ± 0.08  |
| Bez El Anza         | 1.04 ± 0.09           | 12.28 ± 0.13      | 0.74 ± 0.05            | 14.09 ± 0.11 |

+ SD

Fig. (2) : Duration of the developmental stages of \( T.urticae \) when fed on grape vine old leaves at 25±5°C and 75±5% R.H.

Fecundity

Female fecundity was highly affected when fed on both young and
old leaves of different grape varieties at 25±5°C. The highest number of eggs laid by the female was observed on young King Robi variety (18.35 eggs), but the lowest number of deposited eggs was noticed when the female fed on old Rebier (5.01 eggs). Table (3).

Similar results were obtained by Kondo et al. (1987) when reared *T.kanazawai* Kishida on grapevine. There was higher survival rate of immature stages, development more quickly and showed a higher oviposition rate than on bean leaves.
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حساسية بعض أصناف العنب على النوافات البيولوجية للعنكبوت الأحمر العادي Tetranychus urticae Koch

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تم دراسة تأثير حساسية بعض أصناف العنب المزرعة في منطقة الصالحية بمحافظة الشرقية على بيوطولوجية العنكبوت الأحمر العادي T. urticae في المعمل بعد 25 يوم وروطوية نسبة 75% حيث اتجه أن T. urticae كان أعلى الأصناف حساسية بينما العنكبوت King Rob كان أقل حساسية أما الأصناف Thompson Seedless و Flame Seedless و Reiber فكانت متوسطة الحساسية ونلاحظ أيضاً أن أعلى معدل لوضع البيض كان على الصفن King Rob (18.35 بيضة).

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