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Direct toxicity effect of Beauveria bassiana and emamectin benzoate on Pectinophora gossypiella eggs (Lepidoptera: Gelechiidae) and Tetranychus urticae and their indirect effect on Euseius scutalis (Acari: Tetranychidae: Phytoseiidae)

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ARTICLE INFO	Abstract:
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bassiana, emamectin	Tetranychidae) and their indirect effect on some biological
benzoate,	parameters in addition to the feeding capacity of the predacious
Pectinophora	phytoseiid mite. <i>Euseius scutalis</i> (El-Badry) (Athisa-Henriot)
gossypiella eggs,	(Acari: Phytoseiidae), under the laboratory conditions of $26 \pm 1^{\circ}$ C
Tetranychus urticae	and $65\pm5\%$ RH. The results revealed that the two pests were highly
moving stage and	susceptible to Emamectin benzoate than <i>Beauveria bassiana</i> as the
Euseius scutalis	LC_{50} values were 0.484 and 0.179 ppm on PBW eggs and T.
predator.	<i>urticae</i> , respectively, when treated with emamectin benzoate, while
	they were 43.3 and 11.07 ppm with <i>Beauveria</i> . The incubation
	period of <i>P. gossyniella</i> eggs prolonged to (4.66 days), when
	treated with <i>B</i> bassiana and increased to (67 days) with
	emamectin compared with (3.3 days) in the untreated (control)
	Feeding predacious mite <i>E</i> scutalis on <i>P</i> gossypiella eggs and
	moving stages of T <i>urticae</i> treated with emamectin benzoate and
	<i>B</i> bassiana showed a considerable prolongation in total immature
	stages to (6.1 and 7.4 days) on PBW than (5.4 days) in the control
	and $(7.2 \text{ and } 8.8 \text{ days})$ than (6.0 days) for control when fed on T
	urtical treated with Emamertin benzoateand <i>B</i> hassiana
	respectively. Treatment with emamertin benzoate caused a higher
	reduction in the total food consumption of the predatory mite than

Introduction

The bollworm (PBW), pink Pectinophora gossypiella (Saund.)(Lepidoptera: Gelechiidae), is a significant pest of cotton plants in Egypt (Abd El-Mageed et al., 2007). It lays its eggs on different parts of the cotton plant; squares, flowers and green bolls. The eggs hatch in 3-4 days and larvae

penetrate flower or the squares or the green bolls to complete their development (Amer, 2006). The two spotted spider mite, Tetranychus urticae Koch. (Acari: Tetranychidae), is a polyphagous mite and a serious pest world-wide (Nauwen et al., 2001). The importance of this mite pest is not only cussed the direct damage to the plants but also it decreases the photosynthesis and transpiration of the plant leaves causing low yields (Golam, 2002). Many trials all over the world have succeeded using biopesticides in controlling mite pests in different orchards and field crops, such as the studies by Aucejio et al. (2003) and Aimee and Oscar (2007).

Insect pests and/or spider mites problems usually increase, when their natural enemies are destroyed by applications of broad spectrum pesticides (Mainul et al., 2010). Spider mites are rapidly developed resistance to a series of acaricides (Van Leeuwen et al., 2004) and have recently assumed a new aspect of multiple resistances (Kim et al., 2006). A large numbers of commercial pesticides have a negative impact on the environment as well as natural enemies. Therefore, it is necessary to minimize the dependence on using chemical control and encouraging the use of biocides (El-Saiedy et al., 2015). The development of microbial control technology can help in developing its application in control programs; on other hand the laboratory evaluations of the effectiveness of the potential microbial control agents are necessary (Wraight et al., 1998), the biopesticides: emamectin benzoate is a derivative of the natural Avermectin family produced by fermentation of soil microorganism Streptomyces avermitilis (Schallman et al., 1987).

Beauveria bassiana is a virulent, entomopathogenic fungus with a very wide range of insect pests and it is a resident of soil (Klingen *et al.*, 2002) and has semelparous life history with a single reproductive episode. This entomopathogenic fungus considerable a novel foliar insecticides of lepidopteron and other groups biological control agent against insect pests or mites (Lacey and Gottel, 1995).

Several laboratory methods are designed to evaluate the effects of pathogens by exposing predatory mites to pathogen (Zhang et al., 2015 and Dogan et al., 2017). The predatory mite Euseius (El-Badry) (Athisa-Henriot) scutalis (Acari: Phytoseiidae) is considered the most common predator on cotton and other economic crops in Egypt (Fouly et al., 2013). Other studies reported that the predatory mite *E.scutalis* attacks many species of preys such as T. urticae (Osman et al., 2013), whitefly (Mainul et al., 2010) and reared under laboratory condition on *T. urticae* and PBW eggs (Sholla et al., 2017).

The objective of the present study was to evaluate under laboratory conditions the direct effects of *B. bassiana* and emamectin benzoateon pink bollworm eggs and moving stages of *T. urticae* and their indirect effects on some biological aspects, when the predacious mite, *E.scutalis* was allowed to feed on pink bollworm eggs and moving stages of *T. urticae*.

Materials and methods 1.Biopesticides used:

Two bio-pesticides were evaluated: **1.1.**Common name: Emamectin benzoate Trade name: (Emacte 2.15 %EC). Rate of application: 150 cm³ / 100 L. **1.2.**Common name: *Beauveria bassiana* Trade name: Biover 10%Rate of application: 200 g / 100 L

2.Tested insect:

Laboratory strain of the pink bollworm (PBW), *P. gossypiella*, reared for several generations at Bollworms Research Department, Plant Protection Research Institute, Agricultural Research Center, Giza, Egypt under the laboratory conditions of 26 ± 1 °C and 65 ± 5 RH% on an artificial diet previously described by Rashad and Ammar (1985).

2.1. Tetranychus urticae:

Castor bean leaves, infested with the two spotted spider mite *T. urticae* was collected from Giza Governorate, Egypt; and transferred to the laboratory for mass rearing of the mite. Adult females of *T. urticae* were left to lay eggs on leaf discs of *Acalypha marginares* and kept on a moist cotton pad in a petri dish (15 cm in diameter), where suitable moisture was supplied daily to keep the leaf discs fresh for longer time and for collecting the deposited eggs easily.

2.2. Collection and rearing of *Euseius* scutalis predator:

The predacious mite E. scutalis immature were (different stages) collected from the leaves and flowers of Egypt cultivated cotton (during 2017) at Oaluobia Governorate and then transferred to the laboratory. The adult females of E. scutalis were provided by T. urticae and/or eggs of P. gossypiella as food sources and incubated at 26±1°C and 65±5% RH. The newly deposited eggs were singly transferred from the culture to the leaf discs, kept on moist cotton pads in (15 cm petri dishes) to estimate the incubation periodand hatchability of E. scutalis for used in the experiment..

3.Preparation the pesticides used:

Two preparations (*B. bassiana* and *E. benzoate*) for tested against PBW eggs and moving stages of *T. urti*cae. Five concentrations / eachcompound were prepared as follow: (1.98, 0.99, 0.495, 0.242 and 0.0.121 ppm) for emamectin and (200,100, 50, 25, 12.5 and 6.25 ppm) for *B. bassiana*.

4. Experimental techniques:

4.1.Toxicity of tested compounds to *Pectinophora gossypiella* eggs and *Tetranychus urticae*:

4.1.1.Toxicity on *Pectinophora gossypiella* eggs:

The toxic of two tested biochemicals; against the P. gossypiella eggs, were evaluated by the dipping replicates technique; Three from *P.gossypiella* eggs for each concentration for B. Bassiana and E. benzoate were used, each replicate contained 150-200 eggs (0-2 day old), deposited on piece of paper. The strips with attached eggs were dipped in each tested concentration (B. bassiana or E. benzoate) for 10 sec., and then left to dry. Another three replicates (100-150 eggs, deposited on a piece of paper), were dipped in water as check. Treated eggs were placed in a clean tube (3x10 cm.) until hatching under the previous conditions. Afterwards the hatched and unhatched eggs were recorded for each treatment; also the incubation periods were estimated.

4.1.2. Toxicity on *Tetranychus urticae*:

The toxic of two tested biochemicals; against the two spotted spider mite T. urticae, were evaluated by thespray technique; 150 individuals of moving stage (immature of the spotted spider mites) were divided into two groups, each group75 individuals and each group was divided into three (replicates), each replicate (25)individuals), placed on discs of Acalypha marginares and kept on a moist cotton pad in a Petri dish (15 cm in Diameter). The first group was sprayed by *B. bassiana* and the 2^{nd} group was sprayed by Emamectin. The mortality rate after 24h to 3 days was estimated. Data were corrected according to Abbott's formula (1925), the LC₂₀, LC₅₀ and

 LC_{90} values for each compound were calculated, using the LDP line program. The potency levels and the toxicity index were also calculated, according to (Sun, 1950).

Toxicity index = LC50 or LC90 of the most toxic compound/ LC50 or LC90 of the tested compounds x 100.

Relative Potency = LC50 of the least toxic compound/ LC50 of the tested compounds.

4.2. Some biological aspects and food consumption of *Euseius scutalis* when fed on treated *Tetranychus urticae* and *Pectinophora gossypiella*:

Newly hatched larvae of *E*. scutalis were divided into six groups; each group replicates three times, each replicate (20 individuals). The everyone from each group, concluded the predator of *E*. scutalis were confined singly on the strip with *P*. gossypiella eggs were dipped in each LC_{50} values for *B*. bassiana or emamectin tested compounds as following:

-The first group fed on *P. gossypiella* eggs (from 0-2 days eggs age) dipping in LC_{50} values of *B. bassiana*.

-The second group fed on *P. gossypiella* eggs (from 0-2 days age) dipping in LC_{50} values of Emamectin.

- The third group fed on eggs of *P*. *gossypiella* untreated as a control.

-The fourth group, predator of *E. scutalis* was confined singly on the leaf discs after spring the moving stages of *T. urticae*, after spraying by LC_{50} of *B. bassiana* for food

-The fifth group, predator of *E. scutalis* were confined singly on the leaf discs after spraying the moving stages of *T. urticae*, by LC_{50} of emamectin. At the

same time and the 6thgroup was fed on untreated immature stages of *T. urticae*.

The treated or untreated of T. urticae (immature stages) or *P*. gossypiella eggs were provided every day as a food source for predatory mites, the numbers of introduced prays increased (20 individuals) daily until thepredacious scutalis completing different miteE. stages. All experiments immature observed daily to recorded some biological parameters of E. scutalis such as; developmental time of different immature stages, food consumption /day, percent of mortality, life cycle and life span of the predator, data were daily recorded.

5. Statistical analysis :

All biological parameters of the predatory mite, *E. scutalis* were analyzed by Costat statistical program software, 1990 and Duncan's multiple range test (Duncan, 1955) at 5% probability level to compare the differences among time means.

Results and discussion

1.Toxicity effects of emamectin benzoate and *Beauveria bassiana* on *Tetranychus urticae* and *Pectinophora* gossypiella.

Based on all LC values data in Table (1) showed that, the effect of emamectin benzoate was greater than that of *B. bassiana* on both *P. gossypiella* eggs and moving stages of *T. urticae*. The LC₅₀ values for emamectin treatments were 0.484 and 0.179 ppm for PBW eggs and moving stages of *T. urticae*, respectively, while for *B. bassiana* LC₅₀ values were 43.35 and 11.07 ppm for PBW eggs and moving stages of *T. urticae*, respectively.

Treatment			PBW e	ggs		Suscep index b	tibility ased on	Potency levels based on	
		LC ₂₅	LC ₅₀	LC ₉₀	Slop	LC ₅₀	LC ₉₀	LC ₅₀	LC ₉₀
sypiella	Beauveria	18.47	43.35	219.17	1.82	1.12	1.11	1	1
P.goss	Emamectin	0.207	0.484	2.435	1.83	100	100	89.57	90.01
Treatment		Moving stages			Suscen	tihility	Potency	levels	
Т	reatment		Moving s	stages		index b	ased on	based	lon
Т	reatment	LC ₂₅	Moving s	stages LC ₉₀	Slop	index b	ased on LC ₉₀	based LC ₅₀	on LC ₉₀
ticae	reatment Beauveria	LC ₂₅ 3.04	Moving s LC ₅₀ 11.07	LC ₉₀ 121.17	Slop 1.19	index b LC ₅₀ 1.62	ased on LC ₉₀ 1.08	1 otency based LC ₅₀	D LC ₉₀

Table (1): Effect of *Beauveria bassiana* and emamectin benzoate on *Tetranychus urticae* moving stages and *Pectinophora gossypiella* eggs under laboratory conditions.

2.Susceptibility index and potency levels:

The data revealed that the PBW eggs and *T. urticae* moving stages were highly susceptible to emamectin benzoate treatment than *B. bassiana* with high potency of emamectin compound which is declared by (Sun, 1950) formulas of susceptibility index and potency level. At the level of LC_{50} Susceptibility index for *B. Bassiana* recorded 1.12 and 1.62 compared to 100 for emamectin benzoate for PBW eggs and *T. urticae* moving stages treatments, respectively.

These data indicated that the T. urticae moving stages high toxicity and high susceptibility to two compounds than *P. gossypiella* eggs. Amer (2004) found that spintor (natural compound) was potent against P. gossypiella (LC₅₀ was 0.131 ppm). Al-Shannaf and Kandil (2005) recorded that the LC_{50} of spinosad for one and two day's old eggs of Helicoverpa armigera (Hb.) were 2.56 and 1.31 ppm, respectively. Sahab and Sabbour (2011) recorded that the LC_{50} values of *B*. bassiana was $(179 \times 10^4 \text{ spores/ml})$ for PBW treated.

3.Effect two compounds on hatchability and incubation period of *Pectinophora gossypiella* eggs:

В. bassiana and emamectin benzoate, at LC_{50} level, reduced the percent of hatchability of PBW eggs to (56.0 and 49.6%), respectively, compared to (94%) in the control (Table, 2). In B. bassiana treatment, most of the egg hatchability percent (69.6%) occurred after 3-4 days post treatment, while in Emamectin benzoate treatment the most hatchability percent (71.0%) occurred after 4to 8 days post treatment. This different in hatchability may be due to the mode of action and penetration of these compounds into the eggs. However, the were the most sensitive eggs to emamectin benzoate than B. bassiana. Also, the percentages of egg hatchability recorded in Table (2) indicated that eggs were more sensitive to Emamectin benzoate treatment than *B. bassiana*. The incubation period of pink bollworm eggs was high affected by LC₅₀ treatment of Beauveria and emamectin (Table, 2).

Treatments (LC ₅₀)	Eggs l	Mean of		
	%	3-4 days post treatment	4-7 days post treatment	period (Days±SE.)
B. bassiana	B. bassiana 56.0		30.4	4.66±0.40
E.benzoate	49.6	29.0	71.0	6.7±0.54
Untreated	Untreated 94.0		10.0	3.3±0.33
LSD				

 Table (2): Effect of Beauveria bassiana and emamectin benzoate on some parameters of Pectinophora gossypiella eggs.

The time required for incubation period estimated by 4.66 days/eggs when eggs treated with *B. bassiana* and highly increased to 6.7 days when treated with emamectin benzoate compared with 3.3 days with control with (approximately1 to 2 times).Other researchers have also reported ovicidal activities are due to fungal species as well as host species (Erler *et al.*, 2013 and Dogan *et al.*, 2017).

4. Developmental periods of *Euseius* scutalis:

As shown in Tables (3 and 4), the incubation periods of eggs were (2.3 and 2.7 days), when *E. scutalis* was reared on *P. gossypiella* and *T. urticae*, respectively.

The total developmental period of the immature stages of *E. scutalis* was high significant affected by different food sources, treated with *B. Bassiana* or emamectin. The two tested compounds prolonged the duration of all immature stages than the control.5.4 and 6 days were required from larvae to develop to deutonymphal stages of *E. scutalis*, when fed on untreated *P. gossypiella* eggs and *T. urticae*, respectively. It was longer (6.1 days and 7.4 days), when fed on *P. gossypiella* eggs, and increased to 7.2 and 8.8 days when provided with *T. urticae*

spryied by B. bassiana and emamectin, respectively (Tables, 3 and 4). Sholla et al. (2017) reported that the total developmental period of immature stages of *E. scutalis* were 6.6 days /^{\bigcirc} and 5.03 davs /් on P. gossypiella eggs, prolonged to 6.68 days/ \bigcirc and 5.92 days/ \mathcal{T} on *T. urticae*. Osman *et al.* (2013) stated that the larval stage of E. scutalis lasted (2.31 days), when fed on nymphs of T. urticae, the proto-nymphal period was (2.56 days), deuto-nymph lasted (2.31 days) and total immature stages (7.06 days), when fed on nymphs of T. urticae, respectively.

5.Percent mortality of predator when reared on *Pectinophora gossypiella* eggs and *Tetranychus urticae* treated:

Data recorded in Tables (3 and 4) indicated that high significant difference (P < 0.05) between the predator mortality rates when the predator reared on *P. gossypiella* eggs or *T. urticae* treated with *B. bassiana* and emamectin; it were (17 and 33% mortality), when *E. scutalis* was fed on PBW eggs treated with *B. bassiana* and emamectin, respectively, compared to (4%) in untreated (control). While the respective, rates increased (23 and 39%, mortality) when fed on *T. urticae*, compared to (5%) in the control (Table, 4).

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Table (3): Developmental time of the predatory mite *Euseius scutalis* when fed on *Pectinophora* gossypiella eggs treated with LC_{50} values of *Beauveria bassiana* and emamectin benzoate under laboratory conditions.

Treatments		Egg stage		Immature sta	SE				
		Incubation period	Larvae	Prto- Nymph	Deuto- nymph	Total immature stages	Life span days ±	Increase in duration	Mortality%
iella	B. bassiana		1.6 ±0.1	2.1 ±0.2	2.4 ±0.3	6.1 ±0.5	8.4 ±0.5	1.1	17
díssoi	E. benzoate	2.3 ±0.1	1.9 ±0.1	2.6 ±0.1	2.9 ±0.2	7.4 ±0.6	9.7 ±0.61	1.26	33
P.8	Untreated		1.3 ±0.2	1.8 ±0.1	2.30 ±0.3	5.4 ±0.2	7.7 ±0.3		4
	LSD		0.114	0.133	0.027	0.103	0.99	-	-
	Р		**	**	**	***	***	-	-

Values are mean ± SE of three replicates.

Values within the same column having the same letters are not significant different (ANOVA, Duncan's multiple range tests, P < 0.05).

Table (4): Developmental time of the predatory mite *Euseius scutalis* when fed on *Tetranychus urticae* treated with LC₅₀ values of *Beauveria bassiana* and emamectin benzoate under laboratory conditions

Treatments		Egg stage	Immature stages (days ± SE)						
		Incub-ation period	Larvae	Prto- Nymph	Deuto- nymph	Total immature stages	Life span days ±	Increase in duration	Mortality%
	B. bassiana	2.70 ±0.2	1.8 ±0.1	2.3 ±0.1	3.1 ±0.2	7.2 ±0.4	9.9 ±0.5	1.2	23
icae	E. benzoate		2.1 ±0.1	2.9±0.3	3.8 ±0.4	8.8 ±0.5	11.5 ±0.7	1.5	39
T. urh	Untreated		1.5 ±0.2	2.10 ±0.1	2.4 ±0.1	6.0 ±0.4	8.7 ±0.6		5
	LSD	-	0.247	0.35	0.114	0.348	0.133	-	-
	Р	-	**	**	***	**	**	-	-

Values are mean ± SE of three replicates.

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The increase in mortality percent when *E. scutalis* was fed on *T. urticae* can be explained as a high susceptibility of the moving stages of the prey towards the two compounds than PBW eggs. **6.Effect of preys treated on food consumption of** *Euseius scutalis* **immature stages:** The data recorded in Tables (5 and 6) showed that there was a high significant difference (P < 0.05) between the all immature stages of *E. scutalis* consumption when fed on treated preys than the untreated; because the low consumption recorded when fed on treated preys. They consumed an average

of (18.0, 20.9 and 23.6) from PBW eggs; and (15.6, 18.3 and 20.0) from T. urticae in control for larvae, protonymph and deutonymphs of E. scutalis, respectively. On the other hand, it decreased to (14.3, 15.9 and 20.3), when fed on PBW eggs treated with B. bassiana and to (11.6, 13.3 and 18.6) prey/mite, respectively, when fed on PBW eggs treated with emamectin. These values gradually decreased to (8.8, 11.5 and 14.9 prey/ mite/ day) for larvae, protonymph and deutonymphs, respectively, when fed on T. urticae treated with emamectin and 14.3 and 17.0 prey/mite), (9.0. respectively, when they were consumed T. urticae treated with B. bassiana as tabulated in Table (6). The total food consumption of the predator was (69.5 preys) from untreated PBW eggs and (50.9 preys) from untreated T. urticae. At the same time, the total consumption of mite decreased to (43.5 and 50.5 preys) by fed on treated PBW eggs and to (35.2 and 40.3 preys) from T. urticae treated, respectively. The results agree with Sholla et al. (2017) who found that the total food consumption of the female and male predator were (66.43 and 54.33 preys) from PBW eggs, respectively, and (48.5 7 and 41.6 prey/mite)female and male, respectively, when fed on *T*. *urticae*.

7. Reduction in food consumption predator mite *Euseius scutalis*:

The effect of food source treatment on reduction of preys' E. scutalis consumption was presented in Tables (5 and 6). The highest reduction, ranged from (21.2 to 36.4%) and (25.5 to 43.6%) was found, when the predacious mite was fed on PBW or T. urticae treated with emamectin, while the lowest reduction recording (3.9 to 23.9 and 15 to 29.5 %), was recorded when E. scutalis was fed on PBW or T. urticae treated with B. bassiana. From the previous results, it can be concluded that the T. urticae was high susceptibility to the two compounds than PBW eggs and the treated PBW eggs or T. urticae by emamectin caused a high reduction in consumption of the predator than B. bassiana treated.

Table (5): Food consumptions of the predacious mite *Euseius scutalis* when fed on *Pectinophora gossypiella* eggs under laboratory conditions

	Average numbers of prays consumption in a day/ predator \pm SE							
Stages of predator\	P. gossypiella treated with		ssypiella reated			% Reduction in consumption due to fed on		
	E. benzoate	B. bassiana	P.go unt	LSD	Р	E. benzoate	B. bassiana	
Larvae	11.6±1.6	14.3±1.2	18.0±0.5 9	2.571	**	35.5	20.5	
Prtonymphal	13.3±1.2	15.9±1.5	20.9±0.7	1.353	**	36.4	23.9	
Deutonymphals	18.6±1.9	20.3±1.8	23.6±1.4	1.988	**	21.2	3.9	
Total consumption	43.5±3.2	50.5±4.3	62.5±2.9	5.211	***	30.4	27.3	

Values are mean ± SE of three replicates.

Values within the same column having the same letters are not significant different

(ANOVA, Duncan's multiple range tests, P < 0.05).

Stages of predator\	Average nur	nbers of prays	consumption i	n a day/ p	redator ± SE	% Reduction in consumption		
	<i>T. urticae</i> treated with					due to fed on		
	E. benzoate	B. bassiana	Untreated	LSD	Р	E. benzoate	B. bassiana	
Larvae	8.8±0.9	11.0±1.4	15.6±0.7	1.377	**	43.6	29.5	
Prtonymphal	11.5±1.4	14.3±1.8	18.3±1.2	2.322	**	37.1	21.8	
Deutonymphals	14.9±1.3	17.0±1.6	20.0±0.9	2.111	**	25.5	15	
Total consumption	35.2±0.5a	40.3±3.3	50.9±0.9	6.217	***	30.8	20.8	

Table (6):Food consumptions of the predacious mite *Euseius scutalis* when fed on *T. urticae* under laboratory conditions.

Values are mean ± SE of three replicates.

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aforementioned From all the results, we may concluded that can be used two bio chemicals' B. bassiana and Emamectin successfully in controlling the spider T. urticae because it was highly susceptibility to both compounds than PBW eggs.But: Emamectin caused a high reduction in consumption of the predator E. scutalis than that treated with B. bassiana. Biological control with *B*. bassiana is a promising alternative to bio-chemical control against PBW eggs or *T. urticae* that causes alittle damage to the predacious mite, E. scutalis with no damage to the environment. So it can be used *B. bassiana* products in the Integrated Pest Management Program of spider mites or PBW eggs with the predator, on cotton fields.

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