## A CHARACTERIZATION OF PROPORTION OF ORGANIC MATTER LEVEL OF TENEBRIO MOLITOR LARVA REARED IN TWO DIFFERENT MEDIA CONDITIONS

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## Abstract

The aim of this research was to observed the proportion of organic matter (MO) levels of T. molitor serum reared in two different conditions: lightening restriction (M1) and natural lightening (M2) detected in  $10^{th}$  and  $20^{th}$  days old of larva, beside to evaluate the its body weight. The MO was realized by using a field method of semi-quantitative technique with a portable-refractometer. Secondly was to evaluate the body weight of larva at  $20^{th}$  day old. The insects were reared in two lighting condition namely light and dark. The quantification was made in  $10^{th}$  and  $20^{th}$  day old. The results showed that there has no interaction (P > 0.05) of treatment on proportion of organic compund level of T. mollitor experimental but the treatment gave a significant effect (P < 0.05) on body weight at  $20^{th}$  day old.

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