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ABSTRACT

The effectiveness of four synthetic insecticides Dimethaote, Applaud, Decis, and Admire SL200 and a Gardenia bud solution (Lakada) were evaluated against as the mortality of brinjal whitefly *Bemisia tabaci.* in the Agriculture biology laboratory of Eastern university.

This experiment was conducted in a complete randomized designs (C.R.D). It was found that this study showed that all the insecticides significantly increased (P< 0. 05) the mortality of brinjal whitefly *Bemisia tabaci* over control.

The insecticide Admire SL200 has highly significantly increase the cumulative mortality, of this insect compared to other respective individual insecticides. Moreover Admire SL200 was the best among the tested in this study and 82.58% mortality rate were observed.

It was also found that the recommended insecticides such as Dimethoate, Decis, and Applaud failed to increase the mortality of brinjal whitefly *Bemisia tabaci*.

Gardenia bud (Lakada) was very effective against brinjal whitefly compared to Dimethoate, Decis, and Applaud, therefore could be recommended as a suitable botanical insecticide to control *Bemisia tabaci*.

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