

# GRAIN SORGHUM PRODUCTIVITY IN SANDY CALCAREOUS SOIL UNDER MODERN IRRIGATION SYSTEMS USING DIFFERENT LEVELS OF FARMYARD MANURE AND MINERAL NITROGEN FERTILIZER

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## ABSTRACT

This work was carried out at El-Wadi El-Assiuty farm, faculty of Agriculture, Assiut University, Egypte in 2003 and 2004 seasons to study the response of two grain sorghum genotypes (Dorado and Shandawil 6) to new systems of irrigation (drip and sprinkler) and farmyard-mineral fertilizer in sandy calcareous soil. Each season contain two experiments. One experiment subjected to Drip irrigation and the other to Sprinkler one. Each experiment contained two variables in split plot design with three replications. The grain sorghum genotypes were assigned to main plots. The sub-plots were allocated to the farmyard-mineral fertilizer (0.0 ton farmyard manure + 190 kg N, 1.5 ton farmyard manure + 160 kg N, 3.0 ton farmyard manure + 130kgN, 4.5 ton farmyard manure + 100kgN, 6.0 ton farmyard manure+70kg N and 7.5 ton farmyard manure +40kg N/ha). The obtained results indicated that drip irrigation system surpassed sprinkler one in plant height (cm), panicle length and width (cm), panicle weight (g), grain yield per plant (g), 1000-grain weight (g) as well as grain yield in kg/ha and water use efficiency (kg/m<sup>3</sup>). Otherwise, grain protein content was significantly decreased with drip irrigation system. Shandawil 6 genotype gained the highest values of all tested traits except grain protein content when compared with dorado one. F6 treatment of farmyard manure exhibited a highly significant effect in all studied traits in the two growing seasons. The second order interaction of farmyard manure x irrigation system x genotypes had a significant effect on plant height, 100-grain weight, grain yield/plant and grain yield /ha. The highest values of previous traits were gained when Shandawil 6 genotype was sowed under drip irrigation system and fertilized with f6 fertilizer treatment in both seasons.

**Keywords:** Sorghum, genotypes, drip and sprinkler irrigation, farmyard manure, sandy calcareous soil

## INTRODUCTION

In Egypt, the cultivated area of grain sorghum (*Sorghum bicolor* L.) in the Nile Valley and Delta is limited due to the competition with the other important summer crops. However, it could be cultivated in the newly reclaimed soil in the desert area. The cultivation of the new reclaimed sandy soils in Egypt depends upon the irrigation system and soil fertility which controlled the crops productivity. There is a need to develop a system using new systems of irrigation and using natural organic fertilizer such as farmyard manure. Many investigations in this respect on different crops were recorded by (Osman, 2001 and Ali, 2002) and they stated that drip irrigation system enhanced growth, yield and its components more than sprinkler irrigation. Organic fertilizers replinshment the soil by nutrients and improved soil properties especially when used annually. Many investigators indicated that the application of organic fertilizer increased the nutrient contents in the soil, their uptake and consequently increased the productivity of crops. Dahiya and Singh (1980) showed that the concentration of P in the soil was

significantly increased with increasing the level of FYM over the control. Also, Poonia *et al.* (1986) found that increasing the rate of farmyard manure application to calcareous soils in India increased K adsorption performance of soils over Ca. Several concepts have been advanced to explain the improvement of nutrient availability as a result of the application of organic manure due to the reduction in soil pH (Radwan, 1997 and Abd El-Moez *et al.*, 1999) or through the improvement of physical and chemical properties of the treated soils (Orlando *et al.*, 1991; Sing *et al.*, 1991 and Sikora and Azad 1993). Grain sorghum genotypes varied significantly in growth, yield and its components ( Abo-Elwafa *et al.*,2005).

The objective of this study was to investigate the response of two grain sorghum genotypes to new systems of irrigation and combination between mineral and organic fertilizer.

## **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

This work was carried out at El-Wadi El-Assiuty farm, Faculty of Agriculture, Assiut University in 2003 and 2004 seasons to study the response of two grain sorghum cultivars to new systems of irrigation and farmyard manure and mineral fertilizers application to a sandy calcareous soil. Each season contain two experiments. One subjected to Drip irrigation and the other to Sprinkler one. Each experiment contained two Variables in Split plot design with three replications. The grain sorghum genotypes (Dorado and Shandawil 6) were assigned to main plots and the sub-plots were allocated to the fertilizers combinations as follows:

F1 = without farmyard manure+190 kg N /ha

F2 = 1.5 ton farmyard manure+160 kg N/ ha

F3 = 3.0 ton farmyard manure+130kgN /ha

F4 = 4.5 ton farmyard manure+100kgN /ha

F5 = 6.0ton farmyard manure+70kg N /ha

F6 = 7.5 ton farmyard manure+40kgN /ha

The farmyard manure was applied and mixed with the soil tilth layer before sowing. Nitrogen fertilizer as a form of Amonum nitrate 33.5% was used and divided into two equal doses, the first dose was applied 21dayes after planting, while the second dose was applied 30 days after the first dose application. The recommended doses of PK fertilizers i.e.75 kg P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> and 100kg K<sub>2</sub>O/ha were added to all experiments. Phosphorus and potassium fertilizers were added in the form of phosphoric acid (85%P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>) and potassium sulphate (48% K<sub>2</sub>O) through irrigation water, (fertigation) under sprinkler and drip irrigation systems and splitted into ten times in both growing seasons. The total amount of water added through sprinkler and drip irrigation system was 5082 and 4236 m<sup>3</sup>/ha.respectively, which covered the evapotranspiration in experimental site according Ainer *et.al.* (1999). The experimental soil was sandy calcareous, as shown in Table (1). The moisture characteristics of experimental soil were shown in Table (2).The chemical analysis of farmyard manure was shown in Table (3)

**Table (1): Some physical and chemical proprieties of the experimental site soil.**

Mechanical analysis:		Chemical analysis:		Available nutrients	
Clay%	3.45	pH(1:1) suspension	8.11	N %	0.05
Silt%	6.40	EC(1:1)extract	0.60	P(ppm)	3.2
Sand%	90.15	CaCO <sub>3</sub> %	17.1	K meq/100 g soil	0.14
Texture	Sandy	OM %	0.25		

**Table (2): Soil moisture characteristics of the experimental site.**

Soil depth (cm)	Bulk density g/cm <sup>3</sup>	Field capacity %	Permanent wilting point %	Available water %
0-15	1.60	9.3	3.5	5.8
15-30	1.58	9.7	3.6	6.0
30-45	1.53	9.5	4.0	5.5
45-60	1.51	10.1	4.1	6.0

**Table (3): Chemical analysis of farmyard manure fertilizer (FYM)**

pH (1:1) suspension)	7.45
E.C. (1:1) extract)	6.35
Total N%	2.5
Total p%	0.42
Total K%	1.25
O.M. %	23.4
C/N ratio	18.1

The sub-plots area was 10.5 m<sup>2</sup>. Sorghum grains were sown in 25 and 27 of May 2003 and 2004 seasons, respectively. Sown was done in drills 50 cm apart and 20 cm within hills. Plants were thinned to secure two plants /hill. At harvest, ten guarded plants were taken at random for each plot and the following measurements were recorded: plant height (cm), panicle length (cm), Panicle width (cm), panicle weight (g) and grain yield per plant (g). 1000-grain weight(g) and grain yield in kg/ha were estimated from each plot yield basis. Protein content was estimated using micro-Kjeldahl apparatus according to A.O.A.C.(1995). Water use efficiency (WUE) as seed yield in kg per ha/evapotranspiration in m<sup>3</sup> calculating by using the formula as described by Beeg and Turner (1976).

Each experiment was subjected to analysis of variance as described by Gomez and Gomez (1984). Bartlett's test of variance homogeneity was carried out before the combined analysis of irrigation system according to Snedecor and Cochran (1980) to reveal the effect of this variable and their interactions involved. Means were compared using L.S.D. at 5% level.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

### Vegetative growth traits

Data in Tables 4 to 7 showed that plant height, panicle length, width and weight were significantly affected by irrigation system in both seasons. Drip irrigation significantly increased plant height by 8.7 and 7.3,

panicle length by 19.2 and 15.8, panicle width by 8.19 and 7.8 and panicle weight by 9.4 and 8.8% over sprinkler irrigation in 2003 and 2004 seasons, respectively. These trends could be ascribed to that holding of soil moisture content in the root zone, which tended to be higher in the case of drip irrigation as mentioned by Cho and Yamamoto (1973). This in turn, encouraged the growth of grain sorghum by using drip irrigation system. Similar trend were obtained by Ali Osman (2001) on Sunflower and Ali (2002) on Canola. The results revealed also that fertilizers treatments had a significant effect on previous traits in both seasons. F6 treatment enhanced plant height by 34.6 and 32.4, panicle length by 57.7 and 60.1, panicle width by 37.0 and 37.5 and panicle weight by 31.5 and 29.2% over F1 treatment in 2003 and 2004 seasons, respectively. The previous obtained may be due to the increases in N, P and K uptake by grain sorghum. The increase in nutrient uptake may be due to the highly content of these nutrients in organic fertilizers as compared with untreated soils (Ahmed, 1997 and El-Emam, 1999) or the improvement of soil structure which reflected on water movement and decreasing nutrient losses by leaching and deep percolation (Metwally and Abdel-Bary, 1999). Similar results were recorded by Ahmed and Ali (2005). Regarding to the effect of sorghum genotypes, the data showed that grain sorghum genotypes exerted a highly significant influence on plant height, panicle length, width and weight in both seasons. Shandawil 6 genotype produced the highest values of previous traits as compared with Dorado one. These may be due to genotypic behavior combination with environmental factor which may be suitable for Shandawil 6 genotype more than Dorado one. These results are in a good line with those obtained by Abo-Elwafa *et al.* (2005).

The interaction between irrigation system and fertilizers had a significant effect on plant height in the two growing seasons. The illustrated data in Table 4 revealed that the highest value of plant height was recorded by F6 treatment when subjected to drip irrigation system. Here to, the first order interaction of irrigation system x genotypes affected significantly on plant height, panicle weight in the two growing seasons and panicle width in the second season only. Sandawil 6 genotype recorded the highest values of these traits when subjected to drip irrigation system (Tables 4, 6 and 7). Furthermore, the interaction between farmyard manure x genotypes had a significant influence on Plant height, panicle length, width and panicle weight in both seasons of study. The presented data in Tables 4 to 7 showed that the highest values of previous traits were recorded by Shandawil 6 genotype with the application of F6 treatment. Here to, the second order interaction of irrigation system x farmyard manure x genotypes had a significant effect on plant height in the two growing seasons. Data in Table 4 showed that the tallest plants were recorded to Shandawil 6 genotype fertilized with F6 treatment under drip irrigation system.

#### **Grain yield and yield components**

Data in Tables 8 to 10 revealed that 1000-grain weight, grain yield per plant and grain yield per ha were significantly affected by irrigation systems studied in both seasons.

Table (4): Effect of Irrigation system, Genotypes, Fertilization and their interaction involved on plant height (cm) of Sorghum.

Seasons		2003										2004							
Irrigation		Drip			Sprinkler			FxV				Drip			Sprinkler			FxV	
Genotypes	Fertilization	V1	V2	Mean	V1	V2	Mean	G.	V1	V2	V1	V2	Mean	V1	V2	Mean	G.	V1	V2
		Mean							Mean		Mean		Mean			Mean			
F1		115.4	133.6	124.5	106.4	120.0	113.2	118.9	110.9	126.8	118.7	136.7	127.7	112.7	123.7	118.2	122.9	115.7	130.2
F1		121.7	134.8	128.3	114.4	127.3	120.9	124.6	118.1	131.1	123.7	137.7	130.7	117.7	131.7	124.7	127.7	120.7	134.7
F3		127.2	140.3	133.8	119.4	133.8	126.6	130.2	123.3	137.1	130.0	143.3	136.7	122.7	136.7	129.7	133.2	126.3	140.0
F4		143.8	165.4	154.6	139.2	155.0	147.1	150.9	141.5	160.2	148.1	169.0	158.5	142.3	157.3	149.8	154.2	145.2	163.2
F5		147.0	176.7	161.9	140.1	138.1	139.1	150.5	143.6	157.4	150.3	177.7	164.0	142.7	145.3	144.0	154.0	146.5	161.5
F6		151.3	177.5	164.4	142.3	169.3	155.8	160.1	146.8	173.4	155.0	180.3	167.7	145.0	171.0	158.0	162.8	150.0	175.7
Mean		134.4	154.7	144.6	126.9	140.6	133.8	139.2	130.7	147.7	137.6	157.4	147.5	130.5	144.3	137.4	142.5	134.1	150.9
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> for F		2.45							2.45										
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X V		5.17							3.13										
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X F		3.46							5.17										
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> F X V		3.46							4.43										
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X F X V		4.89							4.43										

I means Irrigation

V1,V2 means Dorado and Shandawil 6 genotypes, respectively

F1 = 0.0 farmyard manure+190 kg N /ha

F2 = 1.5 ton farmyard manure+160 kg N/ ha

F3 = 3.0 ton farmyard manure+130kgN /ha

F4 = 4.5 ton farmyard manure+100kgN /ha

F5 = 6.0 ton farmyard manure+70kg N /ha

F6 = 7.5 ton farmyard manure+40kgN /ha

**Table ( 5 ): Effect of Irrigation system, Genotypes, Fertilization and their interaction involved on panicle length in cm of Sorghum.**

Seasons		2003								2004									
Irrigation		Drip			Sprinkler				FxV		Drip			Sprinkler				FxV	
Genotypes	Fertilization	V1	V2	Mean	V1	V2	Mean	G. Mean	V1	V2	V1	V2	Mean	V1	V2	Mean	G. Mean	V1	V2
		F1		18.3	23.2	20.8	16.3	19.9	18.1	19.4	17.3	21.6	20.8	25.2	23.0	17.3	21.3	19.3	21.1
F1		22.4	25.4	23.9	17.4	20.6	19.0	21.5	19.9	23.0	24.7	26.8	25.8	19.6	22.6	21.1	23.4	22.1	24.7
F3		20.7	28.0	24.4	15.7	22.7	19.2	21.8	18.2	25.4	23.5	30.0	26.8	18.0	24.8	21.4	24.1	20.8	27.4
F4		24.5	33.5	29.0	20.8	28.4	24.6	26.8	22.7	30.9	26.2	34.6	30.4	23.5	30.8	27.2	28.8	24.8	32.7
F5		28.0	37.5	32.7	24.9	29.4	27.2	29.9	26.5	33.4	30.0	38.0	34.0	26.4	33.2	29.8	31.9	28.2	35.6
F6		28.3	36.9	32.6	25.2	31.8	28.5	30.6	26.8	34.4	31.1	39.1	35.1	27.1	37.9	32.5	33.8	29.1	38.5
Mean		23.7	30.8	27.2	280.1	25.5	22.8	25.0	21.9	28.1	26.0	32.3	29.2	21.9	28.4	25.2	27.15	24.0	30.4
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> for F		1.47								1.14									
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X V		NS								NS									
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> IX F		NS								NS									
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> F X V		1.67								2.07									
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X F X V		NS								NS									

**Table ( 6): Effect of Irrigation system, Genotypes, Fertilization and their interaction involved on panicle wids (cm) of Sorghum.**

Seasons		2003										2004							
Irrigation		Drip			Sprinkler				FxV			Drip			Sprinkler			FxV	
Fertilization	Genotypes	V1	V2	Mean	V1	V2	Mean	G. Mean	V1	V2	V1	V2	Mean	V1	V2	Mean	G. Mean	V1	V2
	F1		5.2	6.0	5.6	4.7	5.5	5.1	5.4	4.9	5.8	5.4	6.3	5.9	5.1	5.7	5.4	5.6	5.3
F1		5.5	6.1	5.8	4.9	5.7	5.3	5.6	5.2	5.9	5.8	6.5	6.2	5.3	5.9	5.6	5.9	5.6	6.2
F3		5.7	6.4	6.1	5.1	5.8	5.4	5.7	5.4	6.1	5.9	6.7	6.4	5.4	5.9	5.7	6.0	5.7	6.4
F4		6.2	8.2	7.2	5.5	7.7	6.6	6.9	5.9	7.9	6.4	8.4	7.4	5.8	8.2	7.0	7.2	6.1	8.3
F5		6.7	8.5	7.6	6.0	7.6	6.8	7.2	6.4	8.1	7.1	8.8	7.9	6.4	8.0	7.2	7.6	6.8	8.4
F6		6.8	8.6	7.7	5.9	8.1	7.1	7.4	6.4	8.4	7.1	8.9	7.9	6.3	8.4	7.4	7.7	6.7	8.6
Mean		6.0	7.3	6.6	5.4	6.8	6.1	6.4	5.7	7.0	6.3	7.6	6.9	5.7	7.0	6.4	6.7	6.0	7.3
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> for F		0.17										0.20							
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X V		NS										NS							
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X F		NS										NS							
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> F X V		0.24										0.92							
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X F X V		NS										NS							

**Table ( 7 ) : Effect of Irrigation system Genotypes, Fertilization and their interaction involved on panicle weight (g) of Sorghum.**

Seasons	2003								2004									
	Drip			Sprinkler			FxV		Drip			Sprinkler			FxV			
Genotypes	V1	V2	Mean	V1	V2	Mean	G.	V1	V2	V1	V2	Mean	V1	V2	Mean	G.	V1	V2
Fertilization							Mean									Mean		
F1	76.3	147.0	111.7	70.3	132.3	101.3	106.5	73.3	139.7	81.3	150.0	115.7	74.7	137.7	106.2	110.9	78.0	143.8
F1	80.3	149.7	115.0	75.3	132.7	104.0	109.5	77.8	141.2	84.7	153.3	119.0	80.3	137.3	108.8	113.9	82.5	145.3
F3	83.7	152.7	118.2	77.0	141.3	109.2	113.7	80.3	147.0	88.7	157.0	122.8	82.0	146.3	114.2	118.5	85.3	151.7
F4	99.3	172.0	135.7	92.0	158.3	125.2	130.4	95.7	165.2	103.0	176.7	139.8	95.0	160.7	127.8	133.8	99.0	168.7
F5	107.0	181.7	144.3	97.7	164.0	130.8	137.6	102.3	172.8	110.3	185.7	148.0	101.3	169.0	135.2	141.6	105.8	177.3
F6	108.3	184.0	146.2	101.7	166.3	134.0	140.1	105.0	175.2	117.7	186.3	149.0	105.0	170.0	137.5	143.3	108.3	178.2
Mean	92.5	164.5	128.5	85.7	149.2	117.4	122.9	89.1	156.8	96.6	168.2	132.4	89.7	153.5	121.6	127.0	93.2	160.8
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> for F				2.57								2.77						
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X V				3.17								2.28						
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X F				NS								NS						
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> F X V				3.63								3.92						
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X F X V				NS								NS						

Table (8): Effect of Irrigation system, Genotypes, Fertilization and their interaction involved on 1000-seed weight (g) of Sorghum.

Seasons		2003								2004									
Irrigation		Drip			Sprinkler			FxV		Drip			Sprinkler			FxV			
Genotypes	Fertilization	V1	V2	Mean	V1	V2	Mean	G. Mean	V1	V2	V1	V2	Mean	V1	V2	Mean	G. Mean	V1	V2
		F1		23.3	26.0	24.7	21.2	24.2	22.7	23.7	22.3	25.1	23.8	27.0	25.4	21.7	23.7	22.7	24.0
F1		23.8	26.7	25.3	22.5	24.7	23.6	24.4	23.2	25.7	24.8	27.3	26.1	22.8	25.0	23.9	25.0	23.8	26.2
F3		24.5	27.0	25.8	22.8	25.4	24.1	24.9	23.7	26.2	25.5	27.7	26.6	23.5	25.7	24.6	25.6	24.5	26.7
F4		25.3	30.3	27.8	23.3	28.8	26.1	26.9	24.3	29.6	26.3	31.0	28.7	23.7	29.3	26.5	27.6	25.0	30.2
F5		26.8	30.7	28.8	25.2	29.0	27.1	27.9	26.0	29.8	27.3	31.5	29.4	24.7	29.5	27.1	28.3	26.0	30.5
F6		27.0	31.3	29.2	25.2	29.3	27.3	28.2	26.1	30.3	27.5	31.8	29.7	25.7	29.7	27.7	28.7	26.6	30.8
Mean		25.1	28.7	26.9	23.4	26.9	25.1	26.0	24.3	27.9	25.9	29.4	27.6	23.7	27.1	25.4	26.5	24.8	28.3
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> for F																			
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X V																			
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X F																			
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> F X V																			
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X F X V																			

**Table (9): Effect of Irrigation system, Genotypes , Fertilization and their interaction involved on grain yield/plant (g) of Sorghum.**

Seasons		2003										2004								
Irrigation		Drip			Sprinkler				FxV			Drip			Sprinkler				FxV	
Genotypes	Fertilization	V1	V2	Mean	V1	V2	Mean	G. Mean	V1	V2	V1	V2	Mean	V1	V2	Mean	G. Mean	V1	V2	
		F1		44.3	78.7	61.5	38.7	70.3	54.5	58.5	41.5	74.5	47.3	80.7	64.0	42.7	72.7	57.7	60.8	45.0
F1		48.0	80.7	64.3	41.3	71.3	56.3	60.3	44.7	76.0	54.3	83.0	68.7	43.7	74.7	59.2	63.9	49.0	78.8	
F3		49.3	82.0	65.7	44.3	73.3	58.8	62.3	46.8	77.7	52.0	84.0	68.0	47.7	75.3	61.5	64.8	49.8	79.7	
F4		58.7	101.0	79.8	53.0	91.0	72.0	75.9	55.8	96.0	60.7	104.0	82.3	54.7	93.0	73.8	78.1	57.7	98.5	
F5		64.7	107.0	85.8	56.0	96.3	76.2	81.0	60.3	101.7	67.3	110.7	89.0	58.7	98.3	78.5	83.8	63.0	104.5	
F6		65.7	109.7	87.7	58.3	96.0	77.2	82.4	62.0	102.8	68.7	111.3	90.0	61.3	99.3	80.3	85.2	65.0	105.3	
Mean		55.1	93.2	74.1	48.6	83.1	65.8	69.9	51.9	88.1	58.4	95.6	77.0	51.4	85.6	68.6	72.8	54.9	90.6	
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> for F		1.15										0.73								
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X V		2.30										1.46								
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X F		NS										NS								
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> F X V		2.30										1.46								
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X F X V		NS										NS								

**Table ( 10 ) :Effect of Irrigation system ,Genotypes, Fertilization and their interaction involved on grain yield kg/ha of Sorghum.**

Seasons	2003									2004								
	Drip			Sprinkler			FxV			Drip			Sprinkler			FxV		
Genotypes	V1	V2	Mean	V1	V2	Mean	G. Mean	V1	V2	V1	V2	Mean	V1	V2	Mean	G. Mean	V1	V2
Fs1	1965.4	2810.6	2388.0	1417.4	1877.4	1647.4	2017.6	1691.4	2345.4	2301.4	1965.4	2810.6	2388.0	1417.4	1877.4	1647.4	2017.6	1691.4
F1	2376.0	3034.6	2705.4	1629.4	1989.4	1809.4	2257.4	2002.4	2512.0	3085.4	2376.0	3034.6	2705.4	1629.4	1989.4	1809.4	2257.4	2002.4
F3	2525.4	3184.0	2854.6	1965.4	2213.4	2089.4	2472.0	2245.4	2698.6	2824.0	2525.4	3184.0	2854.6	1965.4	2213.4	2089.4	2472.0	2245.4
F4	3570.6	5312.0	4440.0	2936.0	4192.0	3564.0	4002.0	3253.4	4752.0	3794.6	3570.6	5312.0	4440.0	2936.0	4192.0	3564.0	4217.5	3253.4
F5	4242.6	5984.0	5113.4	3272.0	4789.4	4030.6	4572.0	3757.4	5386.6	4541.4	4242.6	5984.0	5113.4	3272.0	4789.4	4030.6	4572.0	3757.4
F6	4354.6	6282.6	5318.6	3533.4	4752.0	4142.6	4730.6	3944.0	5517.4	4690.6	4354.6	6282.6	5318.6	3533.4	4752.0	4142.6	4730.6	3944.0
Mean	3172.4	4434.6	3803.6	2458.8	3302.2	2880.6	3342.0	2815.6	3868.4	3539.6	3172.4	4434.6	3803.6	2458.8	3302.2	2880.6	3342.0	2815.6
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> F	59.32									51.50								
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X V	119.11									103.61								
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> IX F	NS									NS								
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> F X V	119.11									103.61								
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X F X V	NS									NS								

Drip irrigation system significantly enhanced 100-grain weight by 7.2 and 8.6, grain yield per plant by 12.6 and 12.2 and grain yield per ha by 32.0 and 30.0% over sprinkler one in 2003 and 2004 seasons, respectively. Such increase in grain yield per ha may be due to the increase in grain weight per plant and 1000-grain weight, induced by drip irrigation system. The obtained results are in harmony with those recorded by Osman (2001) on Sunflower and Ali (2002) on Canola. Illustrated data in Tables 8 to 11 revealed that fertilizers treatments had a significant effect on 1000-grain weight, grain yield per plant and grain yield per ha. The highest values of previous traits were recorded by F6 treatment. The previous obtained may be due to the increases in N, P and K uptake by grain sorghum and improved soil physical properties which led to produced heavier grains and consequently increased grain yield per ha. Similar result obtained by (Blaise *et al.*, 2003; Ahmed and Ali, 2005 and Bayu *et al.*, 2006). Also, the data denoted that grain sorghum genotypes exerted a highly significant influence on previous traits. Shandawil 6 genotype produced the highest values in this respect. This is to be expected since Shandawil 6 genotype surpassed Dorado one in panicle weight, 1000- grain weight and grain yield per plant, this in turn, increase grain yield per ha. Similar trend regarding yield component was obtained by Abo-Elwafa *et al.* (2005).

The first order interaction of irrigation system x genotypes affected significantly on grain yield per plant and grain yield per ha in the two growing seasons. Shandawil 6 genotype recorded the highest values of these traits when subjected to drip irrigation system (Tables 9 and 11). Furthermore, the interaction between fertilizers and genotypes had a significant influence on 1000-grain weight, grain yield per plant and grain yield per ha in the two growing seasons. The presented data in Tables 8, 9 and 11 showed that the highest values of previous traits were recorded by Shandawil 6 genotype fertilized by F6 fertilizer treatment. Also, the second order interaction of irrigation system x fertilizers x genotypes had a significant influences on grain yield per plant and ha in the two growing seasons. Data in Tables 9 and 11 explained that the highest values of previous traits were recorded by Shndawil 6 genotype supplemented with F6 fertilizers treatment and irrigated by drip irrigation system.

### **Grain sorghum protein content**

Data exhibited in table (11) denoted that irrigation systems had a significant effect on grain sorghum protein content in both seasons of study. In this respect sprinkler irrigation system surpassed drip one by 6.4 and 6.9% in 2003 and 2004 seasons, respectively. This is may be due to some water stress makes by sprinkler irrigation system which caused some reduction in sorghum grain size and consequently increased grain protein content. Similar result obtained by Ali (2002). Fertilizers treatments had a significant effect on grain protein content in the tow growing seasons. F6 treatment gained the highest values of grain protein content as compared with the others treatments.

Table (11): Effect of Irrigation system, Genotypes, Fertilization and their interaction involved on grain protein content of Sorghum.

Seasons	2003								2004														
	Irrigation			Drip				Sprinkler				FxV				Drip			Sprinkler				FxV
Genotypes	V1	V2	Mean	V1	V2	Mean	G.	V1	V2	V1	V2	Mean	V1	V2	Mean	G.	V1	V2					
Fertilization																	Mean						
F1	9.10	9.40	9.25	9.80	9.90	9.90	9.58	9.45	9.70	9.50	9.60	9.60	10.00	10.10	10.10	9.85	9.75	9.85					
F1	10.20	10.10	10.15	10.80	10.70	10.80	10.48	10.50	10.40	10.40	10.00	10.20	10.90	10.80	10.90	10.55	10.65	10.40					
F3	8.60	9.20	8.90	9.40	9.60	9.50	9.20	9.00	9.40	9.00	9.40	9.20	11.00	10.50	10.75	9.98	10.00	9.95					
F4	10.40	8.60	9.50	10.90	10.20	10.60	10.05	10.70	9.40	10.20	9.00	9.60	10.90	10.80	10.90	10.25	10.55	9.90					
F5	9.80	10.10	9.95	10.20	10.60	10.40	10.18	10.00	10.40	9.60	10.00	9.80	9.80	9.90	9.90	9.85	9.70	9.95					
F6	11.50	11.20	11.35	11.70	11.90	11.80	11.58	11.60	11.60	11.30	11.40	11.40	11.60	11.90	11.80	11.60	11.45	11.65					
Mean	9.93	9.77	9.85	10.47	10.48	10.48	10.17	10.20	10.13	10.00	9.90	10.00	10.70	10.70	10.69	10.34	10.35	10.29					
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> for F	0.10								0.15														
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X V	0.28								0.40														
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> IX F	0.20								0.30														
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> F X V	NS								NS														
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X F X V	NS								NS														

**All, E.A.**

The previous obtained may be due to the increases in N uptake by grain sorghum which led to increased amino acids content and consequently increased grain protein content. The previous obtained are in a good line with that obtained by Bayu et al (2006).

The first order interactions of irrigation system x genotypes and irrigation systems x fertilizers treatments had a significant effect in this respect in both seasons. The highest values of grain protein content were obtained by F6 fertilizers treatment irrigated by sprinkler irrigation and Shandawil 6 genotype subjected to sprinkler irrigation, respectively.

### **Water use efficiency**

Exhibited data in Table (12) focused that irrigation systems studied significantly affected water use efficiency in favor of drip irrigation one in the two growing seasons. This is logic since drip irrigation out yielded seed yield / ha and used less amount of irrigation water. These in turn, increased water use efficiency in favor of drip irrigation as compared with sprinkler one. These results are confirmed with those obtained by Osman (2000) on sunflower and Ali(2002) on canola. Also the data denoted that water use efficiency reacted significantly to grain sorghum genotype in both seasons . Shandawil 6 genotype superior on Dorado one in this respect. This is expected since shandawil 6 gained the highest values of grain yield / ha which led to the previous result. Here too, the data showed that water use efficiency reacted significantly to fertilizers treatments in both seasons . F 6 treatment gained the highest values in this respect as compared with the others treatments. This may due to the improvement of soil structure by farmyard manure in the treated soils which reflected on water movement and decreasing nutrients losses by leaching and deep percolation (Metwaly and Abdel-Bary, 1999). This is logic since F6 treatment surpassed others treatments in grain yield / ha and consequently led to the previous result.

The first order interactions of irrigation x genotypes, irrigation x fertilization and fertilization x genotypes had a significant effect in this respect in both seasons. The highest values of water use efficiency were recorded by F6 fertilizers treatments subjected to drip irrigation, Shandawil 6 genotype subjected to drip irrigation and shandawil6 genotype subjected to F6 fertilizers treatments, respectively.

**Table (12): Effect of Irrigation system, Genotypes, Fertilization and their interaction involved on water use efficiency (kg/m<sup>3</sup>) of Sorghum.**

Seasons		2003								2004									
Irrigation		Drip			Sprinkler			FxV		Drip			Sprinkler			FxV			
Genotypes	Fertilization	V1	V2	Mean	V1	V2	Mean	G. Mean	V1	V2	V1	V2	Mean	V1	V2	Mean	G. Mean	V1	V2
		F1		0.46	0.66	0.56	0.28	0.37	0.33	0.45	0.37	0.52	0.54	0.72	0.63	0.35	0.42	0.39	0.51
F1		0.56	0.72	0.64	0.32	0.39	0.36	0.50	0.44	0.56	0.73	0.78	0.76	0.37	0.46	0.42	0.59	0.55	0.62
F3		0.59	0.75	0.67	0.39	0.43	0.41	0.54	0.49	0.59	0.67	0.80	0.74	0.46	0.47	0.47	0.61	0.57	0.64
F4		0.48	1.30	1.07	0.57	0.82	0.69	0.88	0.71	1.06	0.89	1.33	1.11	0.61	0.87	0.74	0.93	0.75	1.10
F5		1.01	1.4	1.21	0.64	0.94	0.79	1.00	0.83	1.17	1.07	1.51	1.29	0.70	0.99	0.85	1.07	0.89	1.25
F6		1.02	1.50	1.26	0.69	0.93	0.81	1.04	0.86	1.20	1.10	1.53	1.32	0.76	1.01	0.89	1.11	0.93	1.27
Mean		0.75	1.04	0.90	0.48	0.65	0.57	0.74	0.62	0.85	0.84	1.11	0.98	0.54	0.70	0.62	0.80	0.69	0.91
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> for F		0.01								0.02									
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X V		0.06								0.07									
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X F		0.02								0.04									
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> F X V		0.02								0.04									
L.S.D <sub>0.05</sub> I X F X V		NS								NS									

## Conclusion

The obtained results indicated that drip irrigation system surpassed sprinkler one in the most tested traits. Shandawil 6 genotype gained the highest values of all tested traits except grain protein content. 7.5 ton farmyard manure+ 80 kg N/ha treatment exhibited a highly significant effect in all studied traits in the two growing seasons. So the investigator recommended to planting Shandawil 6 genotype under drip irrigation system fertilized by 7.5 ton farmyard manure + 40 kg N/ ha.

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## انتاجية الذرة الرفيعة فى الاراضى الرملية الجيرية تحت نظم الري الحديثة باستخدام مستويات مختلفة من السماد البلدى والسماد الازوتى المعدنى

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تم هذا العمل فى مزرعة الوادى الاسيوطى - كلية الزراعة - جامعة اسيوط فى موسمى ٢٠٠٣ و ٢٠٠٤ لدراسة استجابة طرازين وراثيين من الذرة الرفيعة الحبوب (دورا دو و شندويل ٦) لنظم الري الحديثة (التقريب والرش) والسماد البلدى المعدنى فى الاراضى المستصلحة الجديدة. كل موسم اشتمل على تجربتين احدهما عرضت للري بالرش والاخرى للتقريب. كل تجربه احتوت على عاملين باستخدام تصميم القطع المنشقة مرة واحدة بثلاث مكررات. ووضعت الطرز الوراثية فى القطع الرئيسية ومعاملات السماد البلدى المعدنى (صفر طن سماد بلدى + 190 كجم ن / فدان و ١.٥ طن سماد بلدى + ٦٠ كجم ن و ٣.٠ طن سماد بلدى + ١٣٠ كجم ن و ٤.٥ طن سماد بلدى + ١٠٠ كجم ن و ٦.٠ طن سماد بلدى + ٧٠ كجم ن و ٧.٥ طن سماد بلدى + ٤٠ كجم ن / هكتار) فى القطع الشقية. اوضحت النتائج ان نظام الري بالتقريب تفوق على نظام الري بالرش فى طول النبات (سم) و طول و عرض و وزن النوره (القسديل) و وزن الالف حبه و حاصل الحبوب للنبات (جم) وكذلك محصول الحبوب للهكتار وكفاءة الاستهلاك المائى وعلى العكس من ذلك فى محتوى الحبوب من البروتين. اعطى الطراز الوراثى شندويل ٦ أعلى قيم لكل الصفات المدروسة ما عدا محتوى الحبوب من البروتين عند مقارنته بالطراز الوراثى دورادو. تفوقت معاملة السماد رقم ٦ على باقى المعاملات فى كل الصفات المدروسة. كما اوضح تفاعل الدرجة الثانية بين نظم الري والطرز الوراثية ومعاملات السماد ان هناك تأثير معنوى على صفة طول النبات ووزن الالف حبه وحاصل الحبوب/نبات وحاصل الحبوب للهكتار. حيث اعطى الطراز الوراثى شندويل ٦ أعلى قيم لهذه الصفات تحت نظام الري بالتقريب وتلقيه معاملة السماد رقم ٦ لكلا موسمي الدراسة.