

INVESTIGATIONS ON FABA BEANS, *Vicia faba* L.  
34. SELECTION METHODS VS. ORIGINAL SEEDS OF VARIETY  
CAIRO 4 FROM HEALTHY AND INFESTED PLOTS EVALUATED  
UNDER *Orobanche* INFESTATION

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**ABSTRACT**

In order to study the effect of selection in free and infested fields followed by evaluation under *Orobanche* infestation, 52 seed lots from variety Cairo 4 of faba beans were evaluated under *Orobanche* infestation. They comprised 25 seed lots (from individual plants and bulk selection) and remnant seed of the original source stored in a cold room that were handled in free soil, in addition to sister seed stocks that were grown and selected in *Orobanche* field. Individual selections varied significantly from bulk selections in four characters and the rigid bulk selection (1.33%) performed better than other bulk selection intensities. The base seed stored in a cold room produced plants that were significantly inferior than some selected materials in all traits. For materials propagated under free conditions and evaluated under *Orobanche*, ten individual selections and one bulk were significantly taller than base materials. Similarly eleven selections and one bulk had heavier plant dry weight; four selections had more branches. Nine selections and two bulks had more pods/plant, three selections and one bulk had more seeds/plant. Six selections and one bulk had more seeds/plant, six selections and one bulk outyielded the base population, four selections and one bulk had heavier seed index. Similar results were found when plants from the original seeds were compared to those from selections that were handled and evaluated under *Orobanche* infestation.

Base bulk plants were significantly inferior than 25% of individual selections and 25% of selected bulks in plant height, 70% of selections and 100% of bulks for plant dry weight, 35% of selections for branches/plant, 40% of selections and 75% of bulks for pods/plant, 85% selections and 100% of bulks for seeds/plant, 65% of selections and 100% of bulks for seed yield/plant but no improvement occurred in seed index for selections. Individual and bulk selections were effective in variety Cairo 4.

Materials grown in a free field had a better performance than those grown under *Orobanche* when both were evaluated under *Orobanche* infestation. This may be due to better performance potential of materials grown in free and/or multiplication under *Orobanche* stress reduces potentiality of performance.

**Key words:** *faba beans, Vicia faba, individual selection, bulk selection, selection intensity, Orobanche.*

**1. INTRODUCTION**

Faba bean, *Vicia faba*, L. is an important human food in Egypt. Although, it is considered as self-fertilized species, cross fertilization may reach up to 67%. Up to the present, hybrid varieties are not feasible in faba bean, but blended and synthetic varieties have been developed to explore heterosis in this crop (Bond, 1982 and Abdalla and Fischbeck, 1992).

Blended varieties and the pollination system will allow for the segregants of homozygous,

heterozygous and heterogeneous materials within the certified varieties. What will be the effect of individual-plant selection and the bulk selection with different intensities compared to the original seeds in Cairo 4 blended variety?

*Orobanche crenata*, (Forsk.) is a parasitic plant on faba bean and its seeds may live in the soil for several years without losing viability (Tewfic, 1956) until germinated by stimulants from host roots. Cairo 4 is an *Orobanche* tolerant variety (Abdalla and Darwish 2008).

Considering all these facts, the present investigation was designed to study the effect of selection in free and infested fields followed by an evaluation under *Orobanche* infestation.

## 2. MATERIALS AND METHODS

### 2.1. Location of study and plant materials:

The materials used in the present studies belong to the variety Cairo 4. It is a synthetic *Orobanche* tolerant and registered as commercial variety from the Agronomy Department, Faculty of Agriculture, Cairo University.

The trials of these studies were carried out at the Agricultural Experiments and Research Station, Faculty of Agriculture, Cairo University, Giza, under two conditions (naturally *Orobanche* infested field and *Orobanche*-free field) during seasons 2008/2009, 2009/2010 and under naturally *Orobanche*-infested field during 2010/2011 season.

The history of chosen *Orobanche* field is known by its high infestation by broomrape seeds since almost 35 years ago.

In 2008 - 2009 season, seeds of variety "Cairo 4" were planted under two field conditions (*Orobanche*-free and infested). In addition, some of the seeds were stored in the cold room [(base bulk (Pop 6)] for evaluation in the last season.

Seeds were sown in separate plots. Each plot consisted of 55 ridges; each ridge was 3 m long and 60 cm apart. Seeds were hand planted as doubled seeds/hill, at 20 cm distance on one side of the ridge.

The best 160 plants (based on pod-set visual selection and the general appearance of the plants) were selected during the maturity stage.

After harvesting, the best 150 yielding plants of the 160 selected in field were divided into 4 groups based on pod and seed yield/plant [(the best 20 plants (Pop 1), the best 50 plants (Pop 2), the best 100 plants (Pop 3) and the best 150 plants (Pop 4)] with selection intensities of 1.33, 3.33, 6.67 and 10%, respectively. Five seeds from each plant were taken and blended to synthesize the four selected bulks of seeds. Also at harvesting, 30 plants were taken at random and their seeds were blended to constitute the bulk unselected stock (Pop 5) (Fig.1).

In addition, the remnant seeds of the best 20 plants harvested individually were used for

evaluation as individual plant selections in addition to their bulk use (Pop 1).

During 2009/2010 season the 20 individual selected plants, the 4 selected bulks (Pop 1, Pop 2, Pop 3 and Pop 4) in addition to the unselected one (Pop 5) were sown for evaluation under *Orobanche*-free (25 selections and populations) and *Orobanche*-infested field conditions (25 sister selections and populations) (Abdalla *et al.*, 2014).

All selections and populations from both infested conditions and free ones (25 from the *Orobanche*-free and 25 from the *Orobanche*-infested) were evaluated with the stored seeds (base bulk) during 2010/2011 season under *Orobanche*-infested fields. The 26 stocks for each variety were

1. Twenty individual selections.
2. Four selected bulks (Pop 1, Pop 2, Pop 3 and Pop 4).
3. One unselected bulk (Pop 5).
4. One base bulk (Pop 6-stored seeds in cold room at 12°C).

### 2.2. Experimental design and crop management

In the *Orobanche*-infested field, the materials were sown in a randomized complete blocks design with two replications. Sowing was done on November, 25 (2010). Each plot comprised of 2 ridges of 4 m long and 60 cm wide. Seeds were sown individually on one side of the ridge at 25 cm between hills. All agronomic practices were keeping normal and uniform for all the treatments.

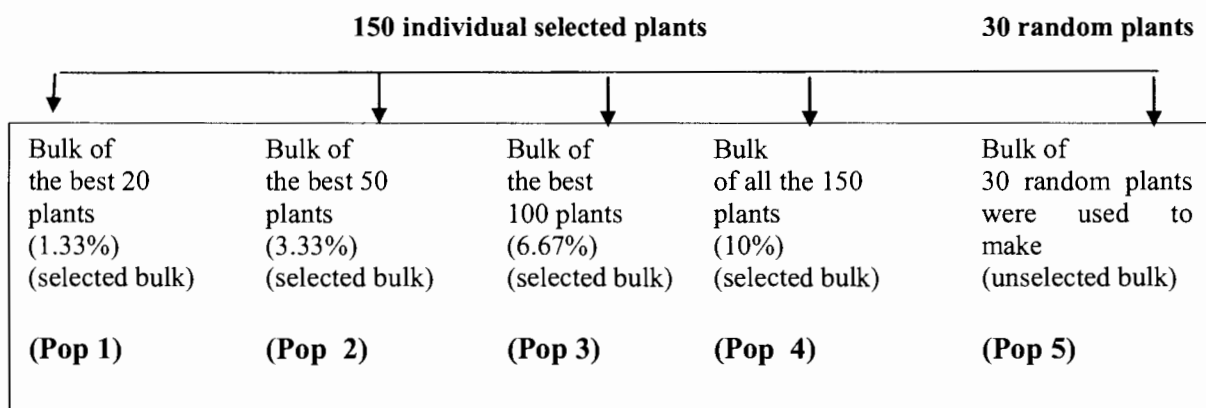
### 2.3. Data collection:

The following data were recorded from all individual plants of each experimental plot and the averages were considered an per plant basis:

- 2.3. 1. Plant height (cm).
- 2.3. 2. Plant dry weight (g).
- 2.3. 3. Number of branches/host plant.
- 2.3. 4. Number of pods/host plant.
- 2.3. 5. Number of seeds /host plant.
- 2.3. 6. Seed yield/host plant (g).
- 2.3. 7. Percentage of podded hosts /ridge (% podded plants).
- 2.3.8. Number of *Orobanche* spikes/ridge at maturity.
- 2.2. 9. Seed index, 100 seeds (g).

### 2.4. Statistical analysis:

Data were statistically analyzed using analysis of variance according to Gomez and Gomez (1984)



**Fig.(1): Constituents of the five studied populations.**

procedure for a randomized complete block design. Appropriate transformations (logarithmic, square root, arcsin) were performed when necessary. Treatment means were compared using Duncan's Multiple Range test (DMRT) (Steel *et al.*, 1997). Finally, all statistical analysis were carried out using "MSTAT-C" (Freed *et al.*, 1989).

**3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

The 52 seed lots of variety Cairo 4 (25 from free plots and 25 from infested ones, in addition to two original seeds lots stored in the cold room) were evaluated during 2010/2011 season under *Orobanche* infestation showed the following results.

**3.1. Selections from the free field evaluated under *Orobanche* infestation.**

**3.1.1. Analysis of variance and significance of variances due to the 26 seed lots**

Analysis of variance and the significance of mean squares due to different sources of variation for the studied traits are presented in Table (1). Results of statistical analysis revealed that the variances due to genetic sources were highly significant (or significant), for all traits except the number of *Orobanche*/ridge.

Three allowed orthogonal comparisons; the first one selections (the best 20 selected individual plants) vs. bulks (Pop 1, Pop 2, Pop 3, Pop 4 and Pop 5), the second Pop1 vs. Pop 2 and the third (Pop 1, Pop 2, Pop 3, and Pop 4 vs. Pop5) were performed and presented in Table (1).

Data reported in Table (1) demonstrated that in the first comparison (selections vs. bulks) there was highly significant variation for plant height, plant dry weight, number of branches/plant and seed yield/plant, while the

second one (Pop 1 vs. Pop 2) it was significant for plant dry weight, number of seeds/plant, seed yield/plant and seed index. On the other hand, comparing selected and unselected bulks indicated the absence of significant differences between these two populations for all the studied traits, except for number of pods/plant.

According to variance analysis, the comparison of individual selection vs. bulks showed higher variances than other comparisons for plant height, plant dry weight, branches/plant and seed yield/plant. This means that, each group of selections possessed its own distinct characteristic, which is reflected in high variability.

Also, this reflection appeared in the comparison between Pop 1 vs. Pop 2 for number of seeds/plant, seed index and podded plants%. On the other hand, the highest significance was found for number of pods/plant in comparing selected populations to unselected bulk. These offer an important opportunity for selecting populations and selections that exhibit variable performance from each selection intensity or individual selection.

**3.1.2. Mean performance of the 26 selections and populations**

The mean performance of the studied traits for the selected and unselected genotypes is illustrated in Table (2). All traits recorded significant differences under the field of infestation except the number of *Orobanche*/ridge (Table 1). The mean performance varied significantly within the individuals to bulks. The averages differed from one individual selection to another, selected bulk to bulk and from all genotypes to the unselected (Pop 5) and the original base bulk population (original stored seeds, Pop 6).

Table (1): Significance of mean squares of variety Cairo 4 selections and populations (26 populations from free conditions) under *Orobanche*-infested condition during 2010/2011 season

S.O.V.	df	Mean squares								
		Plant height	Plant dry weight	No. branches /plant	No. pods /plant	No. seeds /plant	Seed yield/plant	Seed index	Podded plants (%)	No. <i>Orobanche</i> / ridge
Seed materials	25	88.90**	287.49**	0.69**	44.25**	103.80**	40.24**	138.92**	201.94*	0.02ns
Individual Selections vs. bulks	1	433.34**	1483.33*	0.42*	10.59ns	26.68ns	49.00**	51.63ns	61.21ns	0.01ns
Pop1 vs. Pop2	1	44.09ns	784.00**	0.22ns	7.13ns	505.35**	33.64*	275.89**	240.25ns	0.01ns
Pop1, 2, 3 & 4 vs. Pop5	1	1.75ns	46.05ns	0.03ns	21.17*	2.08ns	1.48ns	0.07ns	25.60ns	0.00ns
Residual	22	79.24**	221.54**	0.75ns	48.52**	93.68**	41.90**	142.97**	214.61**	0.02ns
Error	25	12.11	22.05	0.08	4.52	11.03	6.72	17.34	99.64	0.02

ns, \*, \*\* = not significant, significant at 0.05 and 0.01 levels of probability, respectively.

The individual selection from free conditions (ISF3), produced the highest number of branches, pods and seed yield/plant (5.0 branches, 36.7 pods and 43.3 g, respectively). In respect to bulks, Pop 1 exhibited higher values of each of plant dry weight (112.1 g), the number of branches (3.6), the number of pods/plant (26.1), number of seeds/plant (67.3) and seed yield/plant (39.6 g), while the blend of Pop 2 produced the shortest plant height and plant dry weight (71.9 cm and 84.1 g). Also, results demonstrated that, different performances were found for the other traits and groups. The ISF17 had the tallest plants (94.6 cm) and ISF6 had the heaviest dry weight (132.3 g). The highest number of seeds/plant was recorded in ISF5 (70.6) while the heaviest seed index was recorded in ISF12 (94.7 g).

Five individual selected plants (ISF7, ISF8, ISF14, ISF15 and ISF18) exhibited the full percentage (100%) for podded plants. The highest level of infestation/ridge (55.0 spikes) was accompanied by seed yield per plant (33.5 g) for the selection ISF9. In spite of the lowest level of infestation with broomrape/ridge (24.0 spikes) observed for Pop 4, the population possessed the least seed yield/plant (28.0 g). ISF8 possessed the lowest number of pods/plant (17.4), ISF14 had the lowest seed index (56.3 g) and ISF13 possessed the lowest podded% (75.0%) and expressed one of the low seed yield per plant (30.4 g).

The comparison between different bulk selection intensities revealed high performance for the blend of Pop 1 which had the highest plant dry weight, seeds per plant (ranked second) and seed yield/plant (ranked 6) (112.1 g, 67.3 seeds and 39.6 g, respectively). In contrast, the high level of infestation with the parasitic plant (44.5 spikes) in Pop 1, it had the insignificant lowest podded plants% (83.5%) in all bulks. On the other hand, the blend of Pop 3 had taller plants (87.1 cm) and the highest number of pods/plant (27.1 pods), whereas the heaviest seed index and the highest podded plants% (75.5 g and 95.8%, respectively) were recorded for the blend of Pop 2. In spite of the highest number of branches/plant (3.7 branches) and the lowest number of *Orobanche*/ridge (24.0 spikes) which recorded for Pop 4, it produced the lowest seed yield (28.0 g) and seed index (58.3 g) in bulks. Pop 2 had the shortest plants (71.9 cm), while Pop 3 expressed the lowest number of branches per plant (2.9 branches).

One of the objectives of this study was to detect the effect of selection, individual and bulk. The comparison between the base seeds bulk (stored in the cold room) and the other selected materials (handled during 2008/2009 and 2009/2010) indicated that the base bulk was significantly inferior than some selected materials in all traits. Ten individual selections and Pop 3 were significantly taller than base bulk. Eleven individual selections and Pop 1 had significantly heavier plant dry weight than base

**Table (2): Mean traits of selections and populations (resulted under free infested) from variety Cairo 4 grown under *Orobanche*-infested condition during 2010/2011 season.**

Code	Plant height (cm)	Plant dry weight (g)	No. branches/plant	No. pods/plant	No. seeds/plant	Seed yield/plant (g)	Seed index (g)	Podded plants (%)	No. <i>Orobanche</i> /ridge
ISF1	89.3a-e	107.6e-g	2.9fg	22.9f-i	62.3bc	40.8ab	65.6c-f	76.4bc	38.0h
ISF2	82.5e-g	118.2a-d	4.3bc	33.7ab	47.1h-j	34.2d-g	72.7bc	86.8a-c	48.0c
ISF3	91.2a-d	125.3ab	5.0a	36.7a	66.8ab	43.3a	64.8c-f	93.5a-c	36.5j
ISF4	79.7g-i	105.2fg	3.8cd	30.4bc	56.3c-f	39.1a-d	69.5b-d	85.4a-c	31.0n
ISF5	82.9e-g	120.1bc	3.5de	28.9cd	70.6a	42.2a	59.8e-g	83.3a-c	47.0d
ISF6	91.7a-c	132.3a	3.9cd	28.1c-e	55.4d-f	40.3ab	73.3bc	82.2a-c	30.5o
ISF7	83.6e-g	113.5c-f	3.5de	21.5h-k	59.0c-e	36.4b-f	61.5d-g	100.0a	24.5s
ISF8	84.8c-g	86.2ij	2.9fg	17.4k	44.5ij	30.9gh	69.7b-d	100.0a	24.5s
ISF9	72.1j	85.6ij	3.7d	24.1e-h	44.4j	33.5e-g	75.6b	84.9a-c	55.0a
ISF10	79.0g-j	104.8fg	3.1e-g	24.3e-h	56.3c-f	33.1f-h	58.8e-g	76.4bc	32.5l
ISF11	74.1h-j	106.1e-g	2.8g	33.5ab	61.6b-d	38.6a-e	62.7d-g	90.0a-c	32.0m
ISF12	84.2d-g	105.1fg	4.6ab	19.1i-k	45.3ij	42.9a	94.7a	86.4a-c	29.5p
ISF13	84.3d-g	112.7c-f	3.1e-g	21.8g-j	53.2e-h	30.4gh	57.2fg	75.0c	39.0g
ISF14	85.4c-g	109.0d-g	3.4d-f	21.5h-k	58.2c-e	32.8f-h	56.3g	100.0a	26.5r
ISF15	83.1e-g	111.5c-f	3.9cd	25.6d-h	51.0f-j	30.7gh	60.2e-g	100.0a	26.5r
ISF16	91.2a-d	115.4c-e	3.7d	23.5f-h	56.2c-f	34.1d-g	60.7e-g	81.8a-c	38.0h
ISF17	94.6a	104.8fg	2.8g	22.2g-j	50.5f-j	29.3gh	57.9e-g	78.0bc	52.5b
ISF18	81.3fg	118.0b-d	4.5ab	25.1d-h	51.1f-j	30.0gh	58.6e-g	100.0a	31.0n
ISF19	94.0ab	111.8c-f	3.6de	27.1c-f	59.4c-e	38.7a-e	65.2c-f	96.2ab	29.0q
ISF20	91.9a-c	105.4fg	2.7g	18.4jk	51.0f-j	33.7e-g	66.1c-e	89.3a-c	24.0t
<b>Mean</b>	<b>85.1</b>	<b>109.9</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>25.3</b>	<b>55.0</b>	<b>35.7</b>	<b>65.6</b>	<b>88.3</b>	<b>34.8</b>
Pop1	78.5g-j	112.1c-f	3.6de	26.1c-g	67.3ab	39.6a-c	58.9e-g	83.5a-c	44.5e
Pop2	71.9 j	84.1 j	3.1e-g	23.4f-i	44.8ij	33.8d-g	75.5b	95.8ab	34.0k
Pop3	87.1 b-f	94.5 hi	2.9fg	27.1c-f	53.8e-h	33.0f-h	61.3d-g	87.8a-c	44.0f
Pop4	72.9ij	88.7ij	3.7d	23.8e-h	48.0g-j	28.0h	58.3e-g	86.4a-c	24.0t
<b>Mean</b>	<b>77.6</b>	<b>94.9</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>25.1</b>	<b>53.5</b>	<b>33.6</b>	<b>63.5</b>	<b>88.4</b>	<b>36.6</b>
Pop5	80.2f-h	103.9f-h	3.4d-f	23.5f-h	51.3f-i	31.6f-h	61.7d-g	85.0a-c	38.0h
Base Bulk Pop6	78.6g-j	100.2gh	3.5de	21.5h-k	54.6e-g	34.6c-g	63.3d-g	88.5a-c	37.0i
<b>G. mean</b>	<b>83.5</b>	<b>107.0</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>25.0</b>	<b>54.6</b>	<b>35.2</b>	<b>65.0</b>	<b>88.2</b>	<b>35.3</b>

ISF1, ISF2, ISF3 = Individual selection number one, two and three, respectively under free field from the previous 2009/2010 season. G. mean = Grand mean.

Means followed by the same letter(s) in the same column are not significantly different.

bulk. Only 4 selections had significantly more branches than base bulk. Nine selections and Pop 1 and Pop 3 had significantly higher pod set than base bulk. Three selections and Pop 1 had significantly more seeds per plant than base bulk. Six selections and Pop 1 significantly outyielded the base bulk. Four selections and Pop 2 had heavier seed index compared to base bulk. The characteristics related to *Orobanche* parasitism showed that percentage of podded plants was 88.5% in the base bulk against 88.2% for the grand mean and ranged between 75 and 100% whereas, number of *Orobanche* spikes of the base bulk was 37.0 compared to a grand mean of 35.3 spikes and ranged between 24.0 and 55 spikes per ridge. It is therefore clear that selection in the variety Cairo 4 was effective.

Concerning mass selection, one bulk (25%) was significantly superior than base bulk. However, for individual selection from 3 (15%) to 11 (55%) selections significantly performed better than the original seeds (base bulk) (see also Abdalla, 1976; Abdalla and Darwish, 1994; Ashrie *et al.*, 2010 and Abdalla *et al.*, 2012).

### **3.2. Selections from infested field grown under *Orobanche* infestation**

#### **3.2.1. Analysis of variance and significance of variances due to 26 seed lots**

In the present study, the results of variance analysis are shown in Table (3), the significance of mean squares due to different genetic resources for the studied traits during 2010/2011 season is presented in Table (3). The variance analysis results showed that, highly significant differences were found among the genotypes for all traits under the study, except for the number of *Orobanche*/ridge under the infested field.

Three allowed orthogonal comparisons; individual selections (the best 20 selected individual plants) vs. bulks (Pop 1, Pop 2, Pop 3, Pop 4 and Pop 5), Pop 1 vs. Pop 2, and (Pop 1, Pop 2, Pop 3, and Pop 4 vs. Pop 5) were performed and presented in Table (3). Statistical analysis of the data also revealed that, significant differences were recorded for number of branches/plant, seeds/plant, seed index and *Orobanche*/ridge by comparison of individual selections vs. bulks while, the second one (Pop 1 vs. Pop 2) showed highly significant differences for plant dry weight, number of seeds/plant and seed yield/plant. Comparison of selected and unselected bulks revealed highly significant differences among genotypes for plant dry weight, pods/plant, seeds/plant, seed yield/plant and seed index.

Based on the results of the analysis of variances, data revealed that high variance was recorded for seed index, podded plants% and number of *Orobanche*/ridge when comparing individual selection vs. bulks and for seed yield/plant, when comparing Pop 1 vs. Pop 2. On the other hand, comparison of the selected vs. the unselected bulk showed high variance for plant height, plant dry weight, pods/plant and seeds per plant.

#### **3.2.2. Mean performance of the 26 selections and populations**

The mean performance of individual selected genotypes and populations is presented in Table (4). Mean performance differed from individual selection to another, from selected individuals to selected bulks, from bulk to bulk and from all genotypes to the original base seed bulk.

Concerning the individual selections grown in 2010/2011 season in infested conditions, ISF3 showed the maximum seed yield/plant, seed index and podded plants% (33.4 g, 79.5 g and 100%, respectively), while the ISF5 produced the highest pods/plant (13.7 pods) and ISF4 had the greatest number of seeds/plant (46.1 seeds). The plants of ISF16 were the tallest (78.8 cm) while the highest plant dry weight (58.4 g) was recorded for ISF2. Pop 1 ranked first for the level of infestation with parasitic plants (42.0 spikes) while ISF17 and Pop 2 ranked second for the same trait (41.5 and 41.5 spikes, respectively). The plants of ISF15 were the shortest (62.7 cm), while the ISF20 had the lowest plant dry weight (36.3 g). Lower number of pods and number of seeds/plant (7.5 pods and 18.6 seeds) was recorded for ISF18. The lowest seed yield/plant (13.2 g) was recorded for unselected bulk (Pop5). ISF4 had the lowest seed index (59.8 g) and ISF17 had the lowest podded plants (74.5%) while the ISF11 exhibited the lowest level of infestation/ridge (19.5 spikes).

For bulks, the comparison between different selection intensities revealed high performance for the blend of Pop 1 which had the highest plant height, plant dry weight, number of seeds, seed yield/plant and seed index (76.0 cm, 55.3 g, 39.4 seeds, 30.9 g and 78.3 g, respectively) and had also the highest level of infestation (42.0 spikes) across all bulks and ranked third for plant height, plant dry weight, and seed yield/plant and second for seed index over all genotypes. But, the lowest branches/plant was recorded for Pop1 (2.3). The bulk selection Pop4 possessed the highest branches/plant and

**Table (3): Significance of mean squares of variety Cairo 4 selections and populations (26 infested) under *Orobanche*-infested condition during 2010/2011 season**

S.O.V.	df	Mean squares								
		Plant height	Plant dry weight	No. branches /plant	No. pods /plant	No. seeds /plant	Seed yield/plant	Seed index	Podded plants (%)	No. <i>Orobanche</i> / ridge
Seed materials	25	28.40 **	65.53 **	0.21 **	5.24 **	111.51 **	57.65 **	55.24 **	199.12 *	0.02 ns
Individual Selections vs. bulks	1	6.01 ns	9.21 ns	0.44 **	0.02 ns	38.06 **	3.43 ns	66.26*	182.11ns	0.09 **
Pop1 vs. Pop2	1	5.95 ns	79.03 *	0.23 ns	0.81 ns	137.36 **	109.41 **	22.75ns	36.00ns	0.00 ns
Pop1, 2, 3 & 4 vs. Pop5	1	8.08 ns	133.74 **	0.01 ns	13.32 *	207.48 **	76.73 **	59.49 *	15.63 ns	0.00 ns
Residual	22	31.36 **	64.38 **	0.21 ns	5.31 **	109.31 **	56.89 **	56.02 **	215.65 **	0.02 ns
Error	25	9.00	10.91	0.06	2.11	4.72	1.79	9.52	89.65	0.01

ns, \*, \*\* = not significant, significant at 0.05 and 0.01 levels of probability, respectively.

pods/plant (3.1 branches and 11.9 pods) but had the shortest plant height and seed index (66.9 cm and 66.6 g, respectively). Pop 5 showed the lowest seeds and seed yield/plant (18.7 seeds and 13.2 g, respectively). Pop 2 had the lowest percentage of pod bearing plants (78.5%) and the lowest level of infestation (25.0 spikes) but Pop 3 had the highest pod bearing plants (100%) (see Abdalla, 1976 and Abdalla *et al.*, 2012 for similar effects of successful selection in faba bean).

The effects of selection may be detected from the comparison between individual (20) and bulk selections (4 populations) and each of Pop 5 and the base seed stock (base bulk-Pop 6) that was stored in the cold room.

The data in Table (4) showed that the base bulk was significantly inferior in plant height than 25% of individual selections and 25% of selected bulks. For plant dry weight, base bulk had significantly less weight than 70% of selections and 100% of selected bulks. The base bulk had significantly less number of branches than 35% of individual selections and did not differ significantly from selected bulks. Number of pods per plant indicated that base bulk was significantly of less pod set than 40% of selections and 75% of selected bulks. As for number of seeds per plant, base bulk was significantly inferior than 85% of individual selections and 100% of selected bulks. Seed yield per plant showed the base bulk to be

statistically inferior than 65% of selections and 100% of selected bulks. As for seed index, it was the only trait in which none of the selected individuals and none of selected bulks showed superiority over the base bulk. Percentage of podded plants of the base bulk (89.1 %) was relatively less than average of all the materials (91.9). On the other hand, number of *Orobanche* spikes per ridge was 37.5 for base bulk. The mean of all materials was lower (30.3 spikes) and the trait ranged from 19.5 spikes (ISI11) to 42.0 spikes per ridge (Pop1).

#### Conclusions

Based on the results obtained, it could be concluded that:

It is clear that, selection in Cairo 4 variety was effective whether on individual plant bases or on bulk bases.

The relative performance (comparisons exhibited of general means) of materials selected and evaluated under *Orobanche* parasitism was 87% for plant height, 45% for plant dry weight, 83% for branches per plant, 42% for pods per plant, 56% of seeds per plant, 62% of seed yield per plant, 108% of seed index, 104% of percentages of podded plants and 86% of *Orobanche* spikes per ridge, of plants grown under free condition and evaluated following season under *Orobanche* parasitism. The data indicate that for variety Cairo 4, it would not make any difference if the materials evaluated under *Orobanche* were initially grown under

**Table (4): Mean performance of selections and populations from variety Cairo 4 (26 infested) grown under *Orobanche*-infested conditions during 2010/2011 season**

Code	Plant height (cm)	Plant dry weight (g)	No. branches /plant	No. pods/ plant	No. seeds/ plant	Seed yield/ plant (g)	Seed index (g)	Podded plants (%)	No. <i>Orobanche</i> / ridge
ISI1	74.6a-e	50.7b-g	3.2a-c	11.5a-d	32.3d-f	21.9d-g	67.7e-j	82.4a-c	40.5d
ISI2	74.7 a-e	58.4a	2.6d-g	11.1a-e	31.8e-g	23.2c-e	73.2a-f	90.0a-c	38.0e
ISI3	78.2a	5b1.0b-f	2.9a-f	11.9a-c	42.1ab	33.4a	79.5a	100.0a	21.0r
ISI4	69.1 e-g	51.2b-e	3.2a-c	12.6ab	46.1a	27.6b	59.8k	96.4ab	24.0o
ISI5	74.9 a-e	49.3b-g	3.0a-e	13.7a	44.6a	30.9a	69.2d-h	87.8a-c	41.0c
ISI6	77.2 a-c	55.5ab	3.3ab	12.6ab	36.7cd	25.7bc	70.2c-g	100.0a	22.5p
ISI7	72.7 a-f	54.6a-c	2.9a-f	11.5a-d	38.1bc	27.0b	70.8b-g	88.9a-c	20.0s
ISI8	71.3 c-g	51.3b-e	2.5e-g	8.5e-g	27.0i-k	19.0h-j	70.5b-g	100.0a	24.5n
ISI9	71.7 c-g	47.8c-h	2.4fg	10.3b-g	31.6e-h	21.1d-h	67.1f-j	80.9a-c	32.5h
ISI10	65.7 gh	54.6a-c	2.8b-g	10.8a-e	30.6f-i	19.9f-i	65.0g-k	86.7a-c	25.5l
ISI11	72.5 b-f	45.8d-i	2.9a-f	12.4ab	37.7bc	26.7b	70.7b-g	94.4ab	19.5t
ISI12	76.1 a-d	49.0b-g	3.3ab	10.3b-g	29.1f-j	21.7d-h	74.5a-d	100.0a	21.0r
ISI13	72.4 b-f	45.0e-i	2.6d-g	8.8d-g	27.0i-k	16.7jk	62.0i-k	95.5ab	32.0i
ISI14	70.2d-g	44.0g-i	3.4a	9.0c-g	27.3h-k	16.9jk	61.9jk	95.8ab	30.5j
ISI15	62.7 h	49.0b-g	3.4a	9.7b-g	26.1j-l	19.4g-j	74.0a-e	86.4a-c	33.0g
ISI16	78.8 a	52.6a-d	3.1a-d	10.6b-f	28.7f-j	21.0d-h	73.2a-f	92.3a-c	28.0k
ISI17	75.9 a-d	41.9h-j	2.9a-f	9.4c-g	23.8k-m	15.2k-m	63.8h-k	74.5c	41.5b
ISI18	71.1 c-g	36.5j	2.5e-g	7.5g	18n.6	13.3lm	71.3b-g	100.0a	30.5j
ISI19	74.3 a-e	41.3h-j	3.4a	10.1b-g	26.8i-k	20.5e-h	76.7ab	100.0a	25.5l
ISI20	71.2 c-g	36.3j	2.6d-g	7.7fg	21.1mn	16.0kl	75.8a-c	100.0a	22.0q
<b>Mean</b>	<b>72.8</b>	<b>48.3</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>31.4</b>	<b>21.9</b>	<b>69.8</b>	<b>92.6</b>	<b>28.7</b>
Pop1	76.0 a-d	55.3ab	2.3 g	10.9a-e	39.4bc	30.9a	78.3a	85.6a-c	42.0a
Pop2	73.6 a-e	46.5d-id-i	2.8b-g	11.8a-c	27.7g-k	20.4f-h	73.6a-e	78.5bc	41.5b
Pop3	73.9 a-e	49.1b-g	2.7c-g	11.3a-e	32.5d-f	22.2d-f	68.3d-i	100.0a	25.0m
Pop4	66.9 f-h	48.0c-h	3.1a-d	11.9a-c	35.3c-e	23.5cd	66.6g-j	90.0a-c	32.0i
<b>Mean</b>	<b>72.6</b>	<b>49.7</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>33.7</b>	<b>24.3</b>	<b>71.7</b>	<b>88.5</b>	<b>35.1</b>
Pop5	71.1c-g	44.3 f-i	2.8b-g	8.8d-g	18.7n	13.2m	70.5b-g	94.1ab	37.5f
<b>Base Bulk (Pop6)</b>	<b>70.3d-g</b>	<b>40.6i</b>	<b>2.8b-g</b>	<b>8.6d-g</b>	<b>22.3l-n</b>	<b>17.3i-k</b>	<b>77.8a</b>	<b>89.1a-c</b>	<b>37.5f</b>
<b>G. mean</b>	<b>72.6</b>	<b>48.1</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>30.9</b>	<b>21.7</b>	<b>70.5</b>	<b>91.9</b>	<b>30.3</b>

ISI1, ISI2, ISI3 = Individual selection number one, two and three, respectively under infested field from the previous 2008/2009 season. G. mean = Grand mean

Means followed by the same letter(s) in the same column are not significantly different.



*Orobanche* or free conditions. Actually, the materials grown in free field had better performance than those grown under *Orobanche* *Orobanche*. When both materials are evaluated under *Orobanche* This may be due to:

1. The better performance potential of materials grown in free plots compared to those grown under *Orobanche* stress.
2. Multiplication under *Orobanche* stress reduces the potentiality of performance next season. However, one generation of multiplication may not be enough to assure consistent results. Perhaps the situation may differ when more generations of multiplication are practiced (this result is in harmony with Abdalla and Darwish, 1994 and Abdalla *et al.*, 2012).

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#### دراسات على الفول البلدى

#### 34- طرق الانتخاب وبنور الاصل للصنف قاهرة 4 من الحقول النظيفة والحقول الموبوءة وتقييمها تحت ظروف عدوى الهالوك

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#### ملخص

تم تقييم 52 مجموعته من بذور صنف الفول البلدى قاهرة 4 تحت ظروف العدوى بالهالوك. وتتكون هذه البذور من 25 مجموعته (نواتج الانتخاب الفردى والاجمالي تحت ظروف الحقول النظيفة) وبذور المصدر الاصلى للصنف التى كانت مخزونه فى الحجره المبرده بالاضافة الى بذور الاخوه التى كانت منزرعه وتم انتخابها فى حقول الهالوك.

أوضحت النتائج تباين المنتخبات الفرديه معنويا عن المنتخبات الاجماليه فى أربعة صفات كما اظهر الانتخاب الاجمالي الشديد (1.3%) افضل مقارنة بنسب الانتخاب الاجمالي الأخرى. كما اظهرت صفات النباتات الناتجة عن بذور الاصل المخزنه فى الحجره المبرده انها كانت أقل معنويا مقارنة بالنباتات المنتخبه فى كل الصفات. اما بالنسبه للنباتات المنزرعه تحت البيئه النظيفه من الهالوك والتي تم تقييمها تحت ظروف الهالوك فان عشرة منتخبات فرديه ومنتخب اجمالى واحد اعطت نباتات اطول معنويا عن نباتات بذور الاصل. وكذلك فان 11 منتخبا فرديا ومنتخب اجمالى واحد اعطت نباتات جافه اعلى ، واربعة منتخبات فرديه اعطت عددا اكبر من الفروع, تسعة منتخبات فرديه ومنتخبين اجماليين اعطت عددا اكبر من القرون للنبات, ستة منتخبات فرديه ومنتخب اجمالى واحد اعطت محصولا اعلى من نباتات الاصل, اربعة منتخبات فرديه ومنتخب اجمالى واحد كان وزن مائة بذره فيها اعلى من الاصل.

وكانت هناك نتائج مشابهه عند مقارنة النباتات من بذور الاصل بتلك المنتخبه من الحقول الموبوءه بالهالوك والتي تم تقييمها تحت عدوى الهالوك. حيث كانت النباتات الناتجه من بذور الاصل اقل معنويا عن 25% من المنتخبات الفرديه و25% من المنتخبات الاجماليه فى طول النبات و75% من المنتخبات الفرديه و100% من المنتخبات الاجماليه فى وزن النبات الجاف, 35% من المنتخبات الفرديه فى عدد فروع النبات و40% من المنتخبات الفرديه و75% من المنتخبات الاجماليه فى عدد قرون النبات و85% من المنتخبات الفرديه و100% من المنتخبات الاجماليه فى عدد بذور النباتات و65% من المنتخبات الفرديه و100% من المنتخبات الاجماليه فى وزن محصول بذور النبات ولم يحدث اى تحسن عند الانتخاب فى وزن مائة بذره. وظهر ان الانتخاب الفردي والجمالى كانا ذو فعاليه فى الصنف قاهره 4. كما اظهرت المنتخبات الناتجه من الحقول النظيفه اداء افضل من تلك المنتخبات الناتجه من الحقول الموبوءه بالهالوك حينما تم مقارنة كليهما تحت ظروف العدوى بالهالوك. وربما يرجع ذلك الى قدرة الاداء الافضل للمنتخبات من الحقول النظيفه او ان الاكثار تحت ظروف التقسيه بالهالوك قلل من قدرة الاداء.

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