

Efficacy of Some Fungicides, Commercial Plant Oils and Bio-Agents against *Drechslera Graminea* Inciting Barley Leaf Stripe Disease

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Abstract

The antifungal activity of 5 fungicides, 3 commercial plant oils and 2 bio-agents were tested *in vitro* and *in vivo* against *Drechslera graminea* (Rabenh. ex. Schlech) Shoemaker (telemorph: *Pyrenophora graminea* Ito and Kuribayashi, the causal organism of leaf stripe disease on barley (*Hordeum vulgare* L.). Among fungicides tested, Opus at 1µl/L and Switch at 1mg/L concentration and Bellis at 2mg/L showed 100% mycelia growth inhibition of *D. graminea*. The results of commercial plant oils tested *in vitro* revealed that the coriander showed highest inhibition of mycelial growth at 15%. The dual culture technique revealed that fungal bio-agent (*Trichoderma harzianum*) was better than bacterial bio-agent (*Bacillus subtilis*) in inhibiting the growth of *D. graminea*.

Greenhouse and field experiments were carried out to evaluate the efficacy of all tested treatments on disease incidence, yield components, enzymes activity and phenolic compounds. The tested fungicides, plant oils and bio-agents applied as seed dressing showed an effectiveness to large extent for controlling leaf stripe disease expressed as a reduction in disease incidence and increased yield components in comparing with the untreated plants. As well as, the all treatments caused an increment in activities of peroxidase, polyphenol oxidase and chitinase enzymes and increasing in phenolic compounds compared to control treatment. Although the five tested fungicides were more effective in reducing the linear growth of the pathogen (*D. graminea*) *in vitro* and suppressing the disease *in vivo* than the plant oils and bio-agents, they are considered environmentally safe and can be used as alternative substances in disease management.

Keywords: *Drechslera graminea* – barley – fungicides – plant oils – bio-agents – yield - total phenols – plant defense-related enzymes.

Introduction

Barley, (*Hordeum vulgare* L.), belongs to family gramineae, is known as one of the most economically important cereal grain crop worldwide, widely grown in the semi-arid regions. In Egypt, barley mainly grown in a large scale in the north coastal region, in the newly reclaimed saline lands and areas with shortage of fresh water, barley ranks fourth globally among cereal crops and the fourth ranking cereal in Egypt after wheat, maize and rice (Noaman, 2008). Total harvested areas in Egypt from 2016/2017 season amounted to 175,270 feddan with an annual production of approximately 239, 6667 ton (Economic Affairs Sector- Bulletin of Agriculture Statistics 2016/2017). Barley plants are infected with many fungal pathogens. The leaf stripe disease caused by *Drechslera graminea*; a serious seed-borne fungus, is the most common destructive disease of barley that can cause significant economic yield losses (Zare and Hashemi, 2013). The importance of such disease is returned to that infection could be in form of; plants without ears, plants with ears but without grains and plants with ears with deformed grains (Kavak, 2004). In addition, if infected seed is re-sown without an effective controlling treatment being applied, the disease could multiply very expressively and produce large economic yield losses (Zare and Hashemi, 2013). For controlling leaf stripe disease of barley, several management strategies were done to

manage such disease, such as using resistant cultivars, crop rotation, tillage and fungicides application (Pecchioni *et al.*, 1999). Among the most truly effective and old method for disease control is using of fungicides. Recently, using of non-chemical treatments against seed borne pathogens has been given much attention. In this respect, plant extracts have played significant inhibitory effects on plant pathogens and improved seed quality (Nwachukwu and Umehuruba, 2001). Also, the essential oils and their constituents have been found effective as antifungal agent (Daferera *et al.*, 2000; Sridhar *et al.*, 2003). In view of harmful impact of fungicides and pesticides and other agrochemicals on the ecosystem, the bio-control of plant disease as an alternate strategy has attracted the interest (Lockwood, 1988). Biological control for soil-borne pathogens by antagonistic microorganisms is potential especially for soil-borne diseases because these pathogens are difficult to be controlled with specific pesticides (Moussa *et al.*, 2007). In this respect, several bacterial and fungal agents showing disease suppressing abilities have also been extensively studied (Hornby, 1990). Several research workers indicated that changes in peroxidase, polyphenol oxidase and phenolic compounds were found to be affected by pathogen infected as well as the interaction between the pathogen and the compounds used to control the disease (Yedidia *et al.*, 2003; Velazhahan and Vidhyasekaran, 1994).

The present investigation was carried out to evaluate the efficiency of some fungicides, plant oils and bio-agents against *D. graminea* fungus, the causal organism of barley leaf stripe disease *in vitro* and *in vivo* under greenhouse and field conditions, as well as their effectiveness on yield parameters, phenolic compounds and enzymes activities.

Materials and Methods

1. Isolation and identification of the causal pathogen:

Isolation of the causal pathogen of barley leaf stripe disease was done from naturally infected barley plants which showed typical symptoms of barley leaf stripe disease and cultivated in EL-Behaira governorate during growing season 2013/2014 and subjected to isolation trails. In this respect, infected leaves with advanced margins of leaf stripe lesions were picked and cut into small bits with about 5 mm for isolation and purification of the causal fungus according to Naik *et al.*, (2010). The isolated target fungus was purified using hyphal tip technique (Brown, 1924) and identified on the basis of cultural and microscopic morphological characteristics and pigmentation on medium and

mycelial growth pattern on PDA plates according to (Ito, 1930) where the macroscopic characters (color, sector, border and texture) of each colony were recorded at 24-hour interval until one of the colonies had reached the border of the plate. Pathogenicity test and Koch's postulates were carried out successfully on barley seedlings (cv. Giza 123) under greenhouse conditions at Plant Pathology Institute, Agricultural Research Center (ARC), Giza, to confirm its pathogenicity and re-isolated pure cultures of *D. graminea* was maintained on PDA slants at 4°C.

2. Effect of some tested treatments on *D. graminea* growth *in vitro*:

2.1. Effect of some fungicides:

The fungicidal activities of five commercial fungicides illustrated in Table 1 were screened against the targeted *D. graminea* fungus isolate *in vitro*. Eight concentrations were tested for each fungicide i.e. 0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8 and 1, 2 for the three fungicides i.e. Opus 12.5%SC (µl/L), Bellis 38%WG (mg/L) and Switch 62.5%WG (mg/L), while Collis 30%SC and Uniform 39%SC were tested at concentrations 0.0, 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12 (µl/L).

Table 1. Trade name, active ingredient, chemical formula and recommended doses of tested fungicides for controlling *D. graminea* fungus, the causal of barley leaf stripe disease *in vitro*:

Trade name & producer	Active ingredient	Chemical name	Recommended dose
Opus 12.5%SC*, BASF Co.	Epoxiconazole	1-[[3-(2-chlorophenyl)-2-(4-fluorophenyl)oxiran-2-yl]methyl]-1H-1,2,4-triazole	2.0 ml/kg
Bellis 38%WG*, BASF Co.	Pyrachlostrobin	<u>Pyrachlostrobin:</u> Methyl 2-(((1-(4-chlorophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-3-yl)oxy)methyl)phenyl(methoxy)carbamate.	0.5 g/kg
	Boscalid	<u>Boscalid:</u> Methyl 2-(((1-(4-chlorophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-3-yl)oxy)methyl)phenyl(methoxy)carbamate.	
Switch 62.5%WG, Syngenta Co.	Cyprodinil	<u>Cyprodinil:</u> 4-cyclopropyl-6-methyl-N-phenylpyrimidin-2-amine.	1.0 g/kg
	Fludioxonil	<u>Fludioxonil:</u> 4-(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-4-yl)-1H-pyrrole-3-carbonitrile.	
Collis 30%SC, BASF Co.	Boscalid	<u>Boscalid:</u> Methyl 2-(((1-(4-chlorophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-3-yl)oxy)methyl)phenyl(methoxy)carbamate.	0.5 ml/kg
	Kreoxim-methyl	<u>Kreoxim-methyl:</u> methyl (2E)-2-methoxyimino-2-[2-[(2-methylphenoxy)methyl]phenyl]acetate.	
Uniform 39%SC, Syngenta Co.	Azoxystrobin	<u>Azoxestrobilin:</u> Methyl (2E)-2-(2-[[6-(2-cyanophenoxy)pyrimidin-4-yl]oxy]phenyl)-3-methoxyacrylate.	1.0 ml/kg
	Mefenoxam	<u>Mefenoxam:</u> methyl (2R)-2-(N-(2-methoxyacetyl)-2,6-dimethylanilino)propanoate.	

*SC = suspension concentrate

* WG = water dispersible granules

During this experiment, agar dilution method was used on PDA medium according to the method of **Robert et al., (1996)**. The Non-amended PDA plates served as a control. Mycelial plug (5mm) from 7-day old cultures were placed at the center of PDA plates. All plates were incubated at $22\pm 2^{\circ}\text{C}$ until the colony of the control plate was completely filled the plate, then the inhibition index percentage (IP%) was calculated as the following using the formula suggested by **Skidmore and Dickenson, (1976)** as follows: $\text{IP}\% = ((\text{C}-\text{T})/\text{C}) * 100$ where, IP% = inhibition index percentage over control, C = radius growth of control (mm), T = radius growth of treatment (mm). Also, the half maximal inhibitory concentration (IC_{50}); the concentration giving 50%-linear growth inhibition, was calculated using EPA PROBIT analysis program version 1.5. As well as, MIC_{90} ; the minimum inhibition concentration which inhibits the linear growth of *D. graminea* over 90% was calculated.

2.2. Effect of some commercial plant oils:

The antifungal activities of three commercial plant oils *i.e.* coriander (*Coriandrum sativus*), marjoram (*Origanum majorana*) and caraway (*Carum carvi*) oils obtained from EL Captain Company for Extracting Natural Oils and Plants; were evaluated against the targeted *D. graminea* isolate *in vitro*. Nine concentrations were tested for each tested plant oil, *i.e.* 0.0, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15%. During this experiment, poisoned food technique was used on PDA medium according to the modified method of **Nene and Thapliyal, (1993)**. The IP%, IC_{50} and MIC_{90} of tested commercial plant oils were calculated as mentioned before.

2.3. Effect of some bio-agents:

Two bio-agents, *i.e.* *Trichoderma harzianum* and *Bacillus subtilis* "kindly obtained from the Central Lab of Organic Agriculture, ARC, Giza, Egypt" were screened against the targeted *D. graminea* isolate *in vitro*. Dual culture technique was used for *in vitro* evaluation of the two tested antagonistics. Potato dextrose agar (PDA) medium was used in this experiment. The antifungal activity of tested treatments accomplished on PDA plates (90 mm \varnothing). Concerning to *T. harzianum* treatment, aseptically, a PDA disc inoculum (5 mm) of young active culture of *T. harzianum* was placed on PDA plates at a distance of 20 mm from the plate margin. At the opposite direction, at distance of 20 mm from the plate margin, PDA disc inoculums (5 mm) of young active culture of *D. graminea* was placed on. Concerning to *B. subtilis* bio-agent treatment, by a similar way, single streaks technique according to **Wang et al., (2003)** with some modifications was used, where, single streak of *B. subtilis* bacterium was drawn by a loop at a distance of 20 mm from the margin of the plate, and then, the plates were

incubated for 24h (this time is enough for the colonies to be visible) at 27°C . At the opposite direction of *Bacillus* streak, an equal disc inoculum (5 mm \varnothing) of young active culture of *D. graminea* was placed on at distance of 20 mm from the margin of the plate. Plates containing *D. graminea* inoculum disc only on the center of the plate represented as control treatment. The inoculated plates were incubated at $22\pm 2^{\circ}\text{C}$ and daily observed until the radius growth of *D. graminea* inoculum covered whole plate in control. The IP% of tested bio-agents was calculated as mentioned before at 2, 3, 4 and 7 days post inoculation.

3. Control of barley leaf stripe disease:

The current study was conducted out during the winter growing season 2016/2017 under both greenhouse condition "at the Plant Pathology Institute, Agricultural Research Center (ARC), Giza" and open field condition in two locations "at the Experimental Station, ARC, Giza governorate, and Kafr-Elhmmam Station, ARC, El-Sharquia governorate". This experiment was carried out on barley grains (cv.Giza123) naturally infected with barley leaf stripe.

3.1. Greenhouse experiment:

The fungicidal activities of the five above-mentioned commercial fungicides *i.e.* Opus 12.5%SC, Bellis 38%WG, Switch 62.5%WG, Collis 30%SC and Uniform 39%SC were screened against the barley leaf stripe disease caused by *D. graminea* under greenhouse condition. Three concentrations were tested for each fungicide *i.e.* half recommended; recommended and double recommended dose/kg barley grain. Concerning the tested commercial plant oils, the tested treatments of coriander, marjoram and caraway oils which have inhibitory effects on the barley leaf strip pathogen (*D. graminea*) *in vitro* tests *ex. 9, 10* and 15% for each tested plant oil; were subjected as well as to *in vivo* test under greenhouse condition to determine their control efficacy against barley leaf strip disease. As for bio-agent treatments, *i.e.* *T. harzianum* and *B. subtilis* were prepared at 30×10^6 CFU/mL for each antagonistic. Application of each prepared antagonistic was applied at the rate of 1/100 L water, 1/75 L water and 1/50 L water individually to determine their effects in controlling barley leaf stripe disease on barley plants. Treatments were applied individually using barley grains cv. Giza 123 naturally infected with barley leaf strip disease. Treatments were applied as grain soaking for 20 minutes for each tested treatment and then left to air dry before sowing. Grains soaked in sterilized distilled water served as control treatment. All treatments were sown in pottery pots (30 cm \varnothing) filled with unsterilized clay soil (3kg/pot) each containing 12 grains, under greenhouse conditions. The experiment was done in complete randomized block

design with three replicates. Disease incidence was recorded at GS61; the growth stage which flowering of barley plants is beginning (Zadocks *et al.*, 1974), as percentage of infected plants comparing with the total number of plants.

3.2. Open field experiment:

The present experiment was carried out on barley grains (cv. Giza 123) naturally infected with barley leaf stripe disease under open field conditions at the Experimental Station, Agriculture Research Centre, Giza, and at Kafr-Elhmmam Station, Agriculture Research Centre, El-Sharquia governorate during the successive winter growing season 2016/2017. The applied treatments of tested fungicides were applied at their recommended dose for each, while the applied treatments of the tested commercial plant oils and bio-agents were chosen on the base of the best concentration that gave least disease incidence percentage under the previously above-mentioned greenhouse experiment. The experimental treatments were laid out in randomized complete block design with three replicates (plots). Each experimental plot included 5 ridges, each of 1.5 cm wide and 2 m long. Plot area was 3m². On the 1st of December, sowing of treated barley grains Giza 123 cv. took place in two sides of the ridge in the absence of water, each plot contained 250 plants. All agronomic practices endorsed by Ministry of Agriculture, Egypt were carried out for cultivation of barley plants, except fungicide application practices. Disease incidence was recorded as mentioned before in greenhouse experiments.

4. Disease assessments and yield parameters:

At 70-days after sowing (Growth Stage 61 “GS61”; flowering beginning of barley plant), disease incidence percentage was recorded. As well as, at maturity stage, plant height (cm), grain number/spike, grain weigh/spike (g) and thousand kernel weight (g) were recorded for each treatment. Disease incidence (DI%) was calculated and expressed in percentage scale by using the following formula: $DI\% = (D/T) \times 100$, where, (I) = Number of diseased plants; (T) = Total observed plants. Efficacy percentage (Ef%) of different treatments was calculated based on mean of disease incidence percentage. Efficacy% (Ef%) calculated for comparison all tested treatments with untreated control (Mahmoud *et al.*, 2013) as follows:

$$Ef\% = \left(\frac{\text{disease incidence \% in control treatment} - \text{disease incidence \% in treatment}}{\text{disease incidence \% in control treatment}} \right) \times 100$$

5. Biochemical change assessments:

At 45-days post emergence of treated barley grains, samples representing the whole plant leaves were taken from each particular treatment for determining of total phenols contents, activities of some plant defense-related enzymes *ex.* polyphenol oxidase, peroxidase and chitinase, in treated barley plants. For total phenol contents determination, leaves samples were extracted separately by using the method suggested by Simons and Ross (1971). The total phenol contents in extracts was determined by Folin – Ciocateu methodas modified by Bary and Thorpe (1954), and were calculated for each treatment as milligrams of catechol per one gram dry weight (mg cat/g DW) according to standard curve of catechol. The crude leaf enzyme extract was prepared as recommended by Anand *et al.*, (2007). The activity of peroxidase enzyme (PO) was measured as described by Allam and Hollis (1972), and was calculated for each treatment as the change in absorbance at 425 nm per 15 min per gram fresh weight ($\Delta_{425}/15 \text{ min/g FW}$). Polyphenoloxidase activity (PPO) was determined according to Matta and Dimond (1963), and was calculated as ($\Delta_{420}/30 \text{ min/g FW}$). Chitinase activity was determined by the method of Boller and Mauch, (1988), and was expressed as mM N-acetyl glucoseamine equivalent per gram fresh weight per 60 min.

Statistical analyses:

Statistical analyses of all the previously designed experiments have been carried out according to the procedures (ANOVA) reported by Snedecor and Cochran (1989). Treatment means were compared by the least significant difference test “LSD” at 5% level of probability.

Results and Discussion

1. Effect of some tested treatments on *D. graminea* growth *in vitro*:

1.1. Effect of fungicides:

Five different fungicides were tested against *D. graminea* for their fungicidal properties on radius growth. Results in Table (2) reveal that, all treatments significantly reduced the radius growth of *D. graminea* in comparing with control. It well noticed that inhibition% increased by increasing the fungicide concentration.

Table 2. Effect of some tested fungicides on *D. graminea* fungus 7 days post incubation at 22±2°C *in vitro*:

Treatment	Concentration	Linear growth (mm)	Inhibition %	IC ₅₀	MIC ₉₀
Opus 12.5%SC	0.1 µl/L	46.67	48.10	0.127 µl/L	0.8 µl/L
	0.2 µl/L	33.67	62.60		
	0.4 µl/L	20.67	77.00		
	0.6 µl/L	9.00	87.44		
	0.8 µl/L	2.83	95.20		
	1.0 µl/L	0.00	100.00		
	2.0 µl/L	0.00	100.00		
Switch 62.5%WG	0.1 mg/L	73.33	29.70	0.230 mg/L	0.8 mg/L
	0.2 mg/L	49.00	45.60		
	0.4 mg/L	36.67	59.20		
	0.6 mg/L	31.00	65.60		
	0.8 mg/L	8.00	91.10		
	1.0 mg/L	0.00	100.00		
	2.0 mg/L	0.00	100.00		
	0.1 mg/L	76.00	15.60		
	0.2 mg/L	70.00	22.20		
	0.4 mg/L	44.00	51.10		
Bellis 38%WG	0.6 mg/L	33.33	63.00	0.371 mg/L	>1.0 mg/L
	0.8 mg/L	23.33	74.10		
	1.0 mg/L	12.00	86.70		
	2.0 mg/L	0.00	100.00		
	1.0 µl/L	62.00	31.10		
	2.0 µl/L	54.33	39.70		
Collis 30%SC	4.0 µl/L	50.00	44.40	3.402 µl/L	>12 µl/L
	6.0 µl/L	45.33	49.70		
	8.0 µl/L	32.67	63.70		
	10.0 µl/L	20.00	77.80		
	12.0 µl/L	10.00	88.90		
	1.0 µl/L	76.00	15.60		
	2.0 µl/L	69.33	23.00		
Uniform 39%SC	4.0 µl/L	60.33	33.00	4.582 µl/L	>12 µl/L
	6.0 µl/L	43.00	52.22		
	8.0 µl/L	38.67	57.00		
	10.0 µl/L	22.67	74.80		
	12.0 µl/L	13.67	84.80		
Control		90.00	0.00		
L.S.D at 0.05		4.23			

The tested fungicides *i.e.* Opus (at 1.0 and 2.0 µl/L), Switch (at 1.0 and 2.0 mg/L) and Bellis (at 2.0 mg/L) recorded highest significant inhibition% in radius growth (100%) followed by both of Collis and Uniform at 12.0 µl/L (88.9% and 84.8%, respectively). Concerning the concentration giving 50% linear growth inhibition (IC₅₀), the tested fungicides *i.e.* Opus, Switch and Bellis were the most effective fungicides according to their IC₅₀ values where recorded 0.127 mg/L, 0.230 mg/L and 0.371 mg/L, respectively. Data in the same table show the minimum inhibition concentration which inhibits the linear growth of *D. graminea* over 90% for each tested fungicide. The calculated MIC 90% for Opus, Switch and Bellis recorded 0.8 ml/L, 0.8 mg/L and >1.0 mg/L, respectively. Meanwhile MIC 90% for the both of Collis and Uniform recorded >12µl/L. In this respect, **Kumar and Hooda (1995)** tested 11

fungitoxicants *in vitro* against *D. graminea* (*Pyrenophora graminea*), G 696 (meta sulfavax) was the most inhibitory, followed by iprodione and tebuconazole.

1.2. Effect of commercial plant oils:

Three commercial plant oils were tested against *D. graminea* for their antifungal properties on radius growth. Data illustrated in **Table (3)** indicate that, all treatments significantly reduced the radius growth of *D. graminea* in comparing with control. Also, it well noticed that inhibition% increased by increasing the plant oil concentration. The tested plant oils *i.e.* coriander, marjoram and caraway oils at concentration 15% recorded highest significant inhibition% in radius growth (84.44%, 77.78% and 67.80%, respectively). Concerning IC₅₀ values, the coriander oil recorded the most effective plant oil (7.40%) followed by marjoram oil (9.05%) and caraway oil (9.95%). The recorded

calculated MIC for all tested plant oils were >15%. These results are convergent with those obtained by **Daferera *et al.*, 2000** and **Sridhar *et al.*, 2003**, who reported that, the essential oils and their constituents have been found effective as antifungal agent. Also, **Abou-Jawdah *et al.*, (2002)** reported that wild marjoram (*Origanum syriacum*) extract showed the highest and widest range of antimycotic activity against eight phytopathogenic fungi and it resulted complete inhibition of mycelial growth and nearly complete

inhibition of spore germination of six fungi included in the assay, namely, *Botrytis cinerea*, *Alternaria solani*, *Penicillium* sp., *Cladosporium* sp., *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *melonis*, and *Verticillium dahlia*. **Singh *et al.*, (2006)** reported that coriander oil found to be highly active against four fungi from eight tested. **Abou El-Soud *et al.*, (2012)** stated that complete inhibition of *Aspergillus flavus* growth was observed at 1000 ppm concentration of coriander or caraway essential oils.

Table 3. Effect of some tested commercial plant oils on *D. graminea* fungus *in vitro* 7 days post incubation at $22\pm 2^{\circ}\text{C}$ *in vitro*:

Treatment	Concentration (%)	Linear growth (mm)	Inhibition (%)	IC ₅₀	MIC ₉₀
Coriander oil	4.0	70.00	22.22	7.40%	>15%
	5.0	64.67	28.22		
	6.0	60.00	33.33		
	7.0	52.67	41.55		
	8.0	40.67	54.88		
	9.0	35.00	61.11		
	10.0	24.33	73.00		
	15.0	14.00	84.44		
Marjoram oil	4.0	77.33	14.10	9.05%	>15%
	5.0	72.33	19.70		
	6.0	65.67	27.00		
	7.0	60.00	33.33		
	8.0	53.67	40.33		
	9.0	50.00	44.44		
	10.0	33.67	62.56		
	15.0	20.00	77.78		
Caraway oil	4.0	82.00	8.80	9.95%	>15%
	5.0	75.33	16.33		
	6.0	70.00	22.22		
	7.0	65.00	27.80		
	8.0	57.67	35.50		
	9.0	45.00	50.00		
10.0	40.00	55.60			
15.0	28.67	67.80			
Control		90.00	0.00		
L.S.D at 0.05		3.24			

1.3. Effect of bio-agents:

The results in **Table (4)** reveal that, the both tested bio-agents reduced the mycelial growth of *D. graminea* *in vitro*. *T. harzianum* was most effective in mycelial inhibiting than *B. subtilis*. Data in **Table (4)** also showed that degree of inhibiting was maximized with *T. harzianum* (70.52%) after 4 days, but it was 55.55% with *B. subtilis* after 7days. In the 4th day of culture, the growth of *T. harzianum* contacted with the pathogen. At 7th day *T. harzianum* was over grown the pathogen and severely inhibited the growth of the pathogen. In this respect, **Tran (2010)** reported that members of the *Trichoderma* genus are known as imperfect fungi, fast growing in culture and produce numerous green spores. *Trichoderma* species have

become popular biological agents to protect crops against plant pathogens all over the world. Moreover, **Mardanova *et al.*, (2017)** tested the potential antagonistic activity of some *Bacillus subtilis* strains *ex. GM2* and *GM5* against fungal pathogens *in vitro* and *in vivo*. Strains were characterized by their ability to inhibit growth of a number of phytopathogenic fungi. Also, **Khalili *et al.*, (2012)** reported that *Trichoderma* isolates can significantly inhibit mycelium growth of pathogen *in vitro*.

Table 4. Effect of some tested bio-agents on *D. graminea* fungus 2, 3,4 and 7 days post incubation at 22±2°C *in vitro*:

Treatment	Linear growth (mm)				Inhibition%			
	2 DPI*	3 DPI	4 DPI	7 DPI	2 DPI	3 DPI	4 DPI	7 DPI
<i>T. harzianum</i>	10.00	19.50	26.53	26.53	35.32	43.47	62.22	70.52
<i>B. subtilis</i>	10.71	22.74	39.50	40.00	30.72	34.00	43.75	55.55
Control	15.46	34.5	70.22	90.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
L.S.D at 0.05	0.177	1.37	3.79	7.69				

* DPI= Days post inoculation.

2. Control of barley leaf stripe disease under greenhouse conditions:

2.1. Using fungicides:

Data illustrated in **Table (5)** reveal that five fungicides *i.e.* Opus, Bellis, Switch, Collis and Uniform were screened against the barley leaf stripe disease caused by *D. graminea* under greenhouse conditions during the growing season 2016/2017. Three concentrations were tested for each fungicide *i.e.* recommended dose; half recommended dose and double recommended dose/kg barley grains cv. Giza 123. All tested fungicides had a great significant effect in decreasing the barley leaf stripe disease incidence in comparing with the control treatments. In this respect, Bellis treatment at 1 g/kg, Switch at 2 g/kg and Opus at 2.0 and 4 ml/kg scored highest significant decrease in disease incidence percentage (0.0%) and highest efficacy percentage (100%). **Jamshidi and Faramarzi, (2005)** investigated the

effects of using carboxin, thiram, imazalil, mancozeb, tilt [propiconazole] and maneb treatments on seed-borne inoculum of *Pyrenophora graminea*, the causal agent of barley stripe disease, in a greenhouse, imazalil was the best for disease control and was significantly better than the other treatments. Moreover **Jamshidi et al., (2007)** evaluated the effects of 0.5, 1.0 and 2.0% of carboxin 75WP, carboxin-thiram 75WP, tilt [propiconazole] 250EC, carbendazim 60WP, Rovral [iprodione]-TS 52.5WP, benomyl 50WP, diniconazole 2WP, difenoconazole 3DS, maneb 80WP and mancozeb 80WP on barley infected grains with leaf stripe disease (~72% infection based on culture plate test method) under greenhouse conditions. The results showed that the most effective fungicides were Rovral-TS and mancozeb, while maneb and difeniconazole had the statistically least effect on the disease.

Table 5. Effect of some tested fungicides on barley leaf stripe disease under greenhouse conditions during 2016/2017 growing season:

Treatment	Concentration	Disease incidence (%)	Efficacy (%)
Opus 12.5%SC	½R*	1.0 ml/kg	98.76
	R	2.0 ml/kg	100.00
	2R	4.0 ml/kg	100.00
Switch 62.5%WG	½R	0.5 g/kg	96.20
	R	1.0 g/kg	97.13
	2R	2.0 g/kg	100.00
Bellis 38%WG	½R	0.25 g/kg	91.40
	R	0.5 g/kg	93.67
	2R	1.0 g/kg	100.00
Collis 30%SC	½R	0.25 ml/kg	81.40
	R	0.5 ml/kg	86.70
	2R	1.0 ml/kg	89.90
Uniform 39%SC	½R	0.5 ml/kg	79.51
	R	1.0 ml/kg	84.30
	2R	2.0 ml/kg	88.46
Control		39.50	0.00
L.S.D at 0.05		1.02	

* ½ HR= Half recommended dose; R= Recommended dose; 2R= Double recommended dose.

2.2. Using commercial plant oils:

Three commercial plant oils *i.e.* coriander, marjoram and caraway oils were screened against barley leaf stripe disease caused by *D. graminea* under greenhouse conditions, three concentrations were used for each one *i.e.* 9, 10 and 15 % /kg barley

grains cv. Giza 123. Data illustrated in **Table (6)** indicate that, all treatments significantly reduced the disease incidence percentage in comparing with both of control treatments. The most effective concentration in all tested plant oils was 15% which reduced the disease incidence % from 39.50% in

control plant to 14.88% (coriander oil), 18.93% (marjoram oil) and 23.44 (caraway oil). In general, the most effective treatments were coriander followed by marjoram and caraway oils. In this regard, **Daferera *et al.*, (2000)** and **Sridhar *et al.*, (2003)** reported that, the essential oils and their constituents have been found effective as antifungal

agent. Also **Qasem and Aau-Blan (1996)** showed that treating plants which biocides are non-phytotoxic, systemic and easily bio degradable. **Goussous *et al.*, (2010)** reported that a number of plant species have been to possess natural substances that are toxic to several plant pathogenic fungi.

Table 6. Effect of some tested commercial plant oils on barley leaf stripe disease under greenhouse conditions during 2016/2017 growing season:

Treatment	Concentration (%)	Disease incidence (%)	Efficacy (%)
Coriander oil	9.0	20.67	47.67
	10.0	19.08	51.69
	15.0	14.88	62.33
Marjoram oil	9.0	25.81	34.65
	10.0	22.02	44.25
	15.0	18.93	52.07
Caraway oil	9.0	26.93	31.82
	10.0	25.58	35.24
	15.0	23.44	40.65
Control		39.50	0.00
L.S.D at 0.05		0.73	

2.3. Using bio-agents:

Compared with the disease control, *Trichoderma harzianum* and *Bacillus subtilis* had a positive effect reducing incidence of leaf stripe in Giza123 cultivar. Data in **Table (7)** indicate that higher concentration of the two bio-agents lead to the highest efficacy in controlling disease incidence. *T. harzianum* was in

general the best in reducing incidence compared with *B. subtilis*. In this respect **Kowsari *et al.*, (2014)** reported that, analysis of gene expression during these parasitizing events suggests that fungal cell wall-degrading enzymes are actively produced by *T. harzianum*.

Table 7. Effect of some tested bio-agents on barley leaf stripe disease under greenhouse conditions during 2016/2017 growing season:

Treatment	Concentration (%)	Disease incidence (%)	Efficacy (%)
<i>T. harzianum</i>	1L:100L water* (30x10 ⁴ CFU/mL)	24.51	37.94
	1L:75L water (40x10 ⁴ CFU/mL)	23.13	41.44
	1L:50L water (60x10 ⁴ CFU/mL)	17.90	54.68
<i>B. subtilis</i>	1L:100L water (30x10 ⁴ CFU/mL)	28.16	28.7
	1L:75L water (40x10 ⁴ CFU/mL)	24.09	39.01
	1L:50L water (60x10 ⁴ CFU/mL)	20.24	48.75
Control		39.50	0.00
L.S.D at 0.05		2.80	

* **1L:100L water**= 1 liter from original solution (30x10⁶ CFU/mL) diluted in 100 liter water to give 30x10⁴ CFU/mL concentration; **1L:75 L= water**= 1 liter from original solution (30x10⁶) diluted in 75 liter water to give 40x10⁴ CFU/mL concentration; **1L:50 L water**= 1 liter from original solution (30x10⁶) diluted in 50 liter water to give 60x10⁴ CFU/mL concentration.

Surekha *et al.*, (2014) reported that *Trichoderma* is a secondary opportunistic invader, fast growing fungus, strong spore producer, source of cell wall degrading enzymes and an important antibiotic producer. **Paulitz and Belanger (2001)** mentioned that during the past ten years, over 80 biocontrol products have been marketed worldwide. A large percentage of these have been developed for greenhouse crops. Products containing *Trichoderma*, *Ampelomyces quisqualis*, *Bacillus*, *Ulocladium* and *Pseudomonas* are being developed to control the primary foliar diseases,

Botrytis and powdery mildew in greenhouses could predominate over chemical pesticides.

3. Control of barley leaf stripe disease and yield parameters under open field conditions:

The present experiment was carried out using barley grains (Giza 123 cv.) naturally infected with barley leaf stripe disease at two locations *i.e.* the Experimental Station, ARC, Giza, and Kafr-Elhmmam Station, ARC, El-Sharquia governorate, during the successive winter growing season 2016/2017 to evaluate the efficacy of different tested treatments

against barley leaf stripe disease caused by *D. graminea* under open field condition.

3.1. Using fungicides:

Five different fungicides were tested against barley leaf stripe disease caused by *D. graminea* for their efficacy on disease incidence % and yield parameters at two locations *i.e.* Kafr-Elhmmam and El-Giza Station during the growing season 2016/2017. Data in **Table (8a & 8b)** reveal that, all treatments significantly reduced the disease incidence % in comparing with control. In this respect, Opus fungicide treatment recorded the highest disease incidence reduction (0.0%) at both locations followed by Switch, Bellis, Collis and Uniform, respectively. Regarding the effect of tested fungicides on barley yield parameters, results prove that, leaf stripe disease had an extreme effect on the yield parameter in untreated barley plants. On the other hand, all fungicide treatments significantly increased the assessed yield parameters in comparing with control treatment. Opus fungicide treatment recorded the most effective fungicide in increasing all yield parameters at the two stations, followed by Switch, Bellis, Collis and Uniform. In this respect, these

results are agree with those found by **Noworolnik (2012)** who studied the effect of fungicides Alert 375 SC (flusilazole, carbendazym), Artea 330 EC (propiconazole, cyproconazole) and Capalo 337,5 SE (fenpropimorph, metrafenone, epoxyconazole) on grain yield, yield components, diseases occurrence on spring barley cultivars. All fungicides affected the increase in grain yield of spring barley cultivars, and reduced the intensity of fungal diseases caused by *Pyrenophora graminea*. Yield increase was related to the increase of grain mass per ear and 1000 grain weight. Also, **Reis and Casa (2007)** found that seed treatment effectiveness depends on chemical fungitoxicity, fungal sensitivity and seed coverage quality. Moreover **Jayasena et al., (2002)** evaluated ten fungicides as single application to control spot-type of net blotch of barley caused by *D. teres* f. sp. *maculate* at three locations during 1999-2000. They reported that under moderate disease severity, yield losses ranged from 17-19% depending on location and under high disease severity, yield loss reached 32%. They also found that pyraclostrobin, Propiconazole and mixture of Propiconazole with Iprodion were the most effective in controlling disease improving yield and grain quality.

Table 8a. Effect of some tested fungicides on barley leaf stripe disease under open field conditions at Kafr-Elhmmam station during 2016/2017 growing season:

Treatment*	Kafr-Elhmmam Station				
	DI %	Yield parameters			
		plant height (cm)	grain number/spike (g)	grain weigh/spike (g)	thousand kernel weight (g)
Opus 12.5%SC at 2ml/kg	0.00	102.60	43.75	1.60	42.10
Switch 62.5%WG at 1g/kg	1.07	100.00	40.93	1.50	40.18
Bellis 38%WG at 0.5g/kg	2.40	97.35	38.61	1.35	37.83
Collis 30%SC at 0.5ml/kg	4.70	93.43	37.13	1.22	35.33
Uniform 39%SC at 1ml/kg	5.60	90.00	36.20	1.14	33.89
Control	34.33	49.26	18.45	0.54	11.86
L.S.D at 0.05	1.46	2.00	1.62	0.1	1.80

* The tested fungicides were applied at the recommended dose

Table 8b. Effect of some tested fungicides on barley leaf stripe disease under open field conditions at El-Giza station during 2016/2017 growing season:

Treatment	El-Giza Station				
	DI %	Yield parameters			
		plant height (cm)	grain number/spike (g)	grain weigh/spike (g)	thousand kernel weight (g)
Opus 12.5%Sc at 2ml/kg	0.00	104.40	46.47	1.94	43.00
Switch 62.5%WG at 1g/kg	0.60	101.74	44.87	1.73	41.87
Bellis 38%WG at 0.5g/kg	1.90	98.87	43.19	1.58	39.62
Collis 30%SC at 0.5ml/kg	4.00	94.74	40.00	1.42	37.60
Uniform 39%SC at 1ml/kg	4.85	92.53	38.22	1.32	34.87
Control	30.00	50.00	19.33	0.61	12.07
L.S.D at 0.05	1.78	1.22	1.50	0.140	1.50

3.2. Using commercial plant oils:

Data illustrated in **Table (9a & 9b)** reveal that, three commercial plant oils were screened against the barley leaf stripe disease caused by *D. graminea* under

open field conditions during the growing season 2016/2017 at two locations *ex.* Kafr-Elhmmam and El-Giza Stations. The results reveal that, all tested treatments significantly reduced leaf stripe disease

incidence % compared with control treatment. The lowest disease incidence in both stations *i.e.* Kafr-Elhmam and El-Giza was recorded on plant treated with coriander oil (13.25%, 10.33%, respectively) followed by marjoram oil (19.00%, 15.60%, respectively) and caraway oil (22.33%, 19.12%, respectively). Considering the effect of the tested plant oils on yield parameters, decreasing in disease incidence correlated negatively with assessed yield parameters. In this

respect, coriander oil treatment at the two locations (Kafr-Elhmam and El-Giza) recorded the highest yield parameters *i.e.* plant height (79.73, 81.04 cm), grains number/spike (32.0, 34.0), grains weight/spike (0.97, 1.05 g) and 1000 kernel weight (29.00, 31.00g) compared with untreated control (49.26, 50.00 cm),(18.45, 19.33)(0.54, 0.61 g)and (11.86, 12.07 g), respectively.

Table 9a. Effect of some tested commercial plant oils on barley leaf stripe disease under open field conditions at Kafr-Elhmam station during 2016/2017 growing season:

Treatment	Kafr-Elhmam Station				
	DI %	Yield parameters			
		plant height (cm)	grain number/spike (g)	grain weigh/spike (g)	thousand kernel weight (g)
Coriander oil at 15%	13.25	79.73	32.00	0.97	29.00
Marjoram oil at 15%	19.00	75.63	29.00	0.82	27.00
Caraway oil at 15%	22.33	72.00	28.00	0.73	26.60
Control	34.33	49.26	18.45	0.54	11.86
L.S.D at 0.05	3.89	2.16	1.64	0.07	1.36

Table 9b: Effect of some tested commercial plant oils on barley leaf stripe disease under open field conditions at El-Giza station during 2016/2017 growing season:

Treatment	El-Giza Station				
	DI %	Yield parameters			
		plant height (cm)	grain number/spike (g)	grain weigh/spike (g)	thousand kernel weight (g)
Coriander oil at 15%	10.33	81.04	34.00	1.05	31.00
Marjoram oil at 15%	15.60	77.17	32.00	0.96	29.07
Caraway oil at 15%	19.12	73.50	30.00	0.89	27.13
Control	30.00	50.00	19.33	0.61	12.07
L.S.D at 0.05	4.03	1.30	2.20	0.10	0.90

In this respect **Bowers and Locke (2004)** reported that various natural plant extracts can reduce populations of plant pathogens and control disease development and have potential as environmentally safe alternatives and as components in integrated pest management programs. Also, **Preethy and Nalini (2015)** suggested that essential oil can be used in quality control of fungi. Essential oils possessed volatile oils, flavonoids and phenols. **Daouk *et al.*, (1994)** evaluated the antifungal activity of origanum oil extracted from (*Origanum syriacum L.*) plants against *Aspergillus niger*, *Fusarium oxysporum*, and *Penicillium* species. The oil exhibited strong inhibitory action against the three fungi tested.

3.3. Using bio-agents:

Data in **Table (10a & 10b)** showed that, the barley plants treated with the two tested bio-agents (*Trichoderma harzianum* and *Bacillus subtilis*) resulted suppression in disease incidence as well as increment in yield parameters. They successfully manage the disease in the field. Using *T. harzianum* and *B. subtilis* recorded disease incidence 16.25%,

13.33% and 19.86%, 16.35% at Kafr-Elhmam and El-Giza, respectively. As for yield parameters, results indicated that the two tested bio-agents increased yield components compared with control plants. The highest effect in both stations was recorded with *T. harzianum* application on plant height (70.87, 72.20cm), grains number/ spike (27.27,29.00), grains weight /spike (0.70, .85g) and weight of 1000 grains (25.00, 25.77g) at Kafr-Elhmam and El-Giza respectively. In this regard, **Hasan *et al.*, (2012)** assessed the antagonistic effect of *Trichoderma harzianum* on some seed-borne fungal pathogens of wheat. They found that emergence of plants was increased by 15.93% over that obtained with the control treatment, and seedling infection was reduced significantly and leaf blight severity was decreased from 22 to 11 at the heading stage. They also recorded at harvest, the number of tillers per plant was increased by 50%, the yield was increased by 31.58%, and the 1000-seed weight was increased by 21%. Also, **Koch *et al.*, (2006)** evaluated the activity of four *Trichoderma* strains against *D. graminea* and *D. teres* on barley in the field. In four experiments

under controlled conditions, Tillecur (mustard powder) showed consistent activity (mean: 78% efficacy) against barley leaf stripe. **Perello et al., (2008)** determine the effect of six isolates of *Trichoderma harzianum* the incidence and severity of tan spot, caused by *Pyrenophora tritici-repentis*

(anamorph: *Drechslera tritici-repentis*) under field conditions. In 2003, two of the isolates assayed (T5, T7) showed the best performance against the disease applied as seed treatments. Disease severity reduced by 16 to 35% in comparison with the control.

Table 10a. Effect of some bio-agents on barley leaf stripe disease and yield parameters under open field conditions at Kafr-Elhmmam Station during 2016/2017 growing season:

Treatment	Kafr-Elhmmam Station				
	DI %	Yield parameters			
		plant height (cm)	grain number/spike (g)	grain weigh/spike (g)	thousand kernel weight (g)
<i>T. harzianum</i> (1:50)*	16.25	70.87	27.27	0.70	25.00
<i>B. subtilis</i> (1:50)	19.86	68.83	25.75	0.68	22.83
Control	34.33	49.26	18.45	0.54	11.86
L.S.D at 0.05	2.27	1.5	1.16	0.04	1.96

* 1L:50 L water= 1 liter from original solution (30x10⁶) diluted in 50 liter water to give 60x10⁴ CFU/mL concentration.

Table 10b. Effect of some bio-agents on barley leaf stripe disease and yield parameters under open field conditions at El-Giza Station during 2016/2017 growing season:

Treatment	El-Giza Station				
	DI %	Yield parameters			
		plant height (cm)	grain number/spike (g)	grain weigh/spike (g)	thousand kernel weight (g)
<i>T. harzianum</i> (1:50)	13.33	72.20	29.00	0.85	25.77
<i>B. subtilis</i> (1:50)	16.35	70.03	28.00	0.82	23.37
Control	30.00	50.00	19.33	0.61	12.10
L.S.D at 0.05	4.77	2.41	2.08	0.09	0.97

4- Determination of total phenol content and activities of some plant defense-related enzymes in treated barley plants with fungicides, commercial plant oils and bio-agents to control *D. graminea* under greenhouse conditions:

Data in **Table (11)** indicate that, all tested treatments *i.e.* fungicides, commercial plant oils and bio-agents affected positively total phenol content and activities of some plant defense-related enzymes in leaves of treated barley plants compared with the infected and non-infected control treatment. In this respect, in general, the highest increases induced by the tested fungicides followed by commercial plant oils and bio-agents.

Considering total phenol content, the highest increase was recorded by the tested fungicides *ex.* Opus, Switch, Bellis, Collis and Uniform, respectively. Considering plant oils, coriander oil treatment followed by marjoram and caraway oil treatments scored highest increase in total phenol content. Meanwhile, barley plants treated with bio-agents *i.e.* *T. harzianum* and *B. subtilis* recorded lowest increase in total phenol content in comparing with control treatment. Phenolics are one of the largest and most diverse groups of plant active substances. Phenolic compounds are plant secondary metabolites playing important roles in plant

resistance. **Kulbat (2016)** reported that these compounds take part in the regulation of seed germination and cooperate in regulating the growth of plants, also taking part in defense responses during infection, excessive sun exposure, injuries and heavy metal stress. One of the most important features of phenolic compounds is antioxidant activity which is closely related to their chemical structure. Also **Onaran and Bayram (2018)** suggested that phenolic compounds in natural antifungal agents may offer positive results in the control of plant pathogens. **Nagaveni (2005)** recorded significant positive correlation between phenolic content and leaf blight disease resistance in barley where, higher levels of phenols were observed in diseased barley plants.

Also, data in **Table (11)** reveal that, all tested treatments positively increased the activities of some determined plant defense-related enzymes *i.e.* polyphenole oxidase, peroxidase and chitinase enzymes in leaves of barley plants compared with control (*D. graminea*). In this respect, the highest increase was recorded by Opus, Switch, Bellis, Collis and Uniform, respectively. Also, coriander oil treatment followed by marjoram and caraway oils treatments scored highest increase in activities of polyphenole oxidase, peroxidase and chitinase enzymes while, barley plants treated with

bio-agents *i.e.* *T. harzianum* and *B. subtilis* recorded lowest increase in comparing with control treatment.

In this regard **Dheeba *et al.*, (2015)** reported that the increase in some biochemical parameters, pigment system and antioxidant enzymes were corresponded with the reduction of disease severity. **Yedidia *et al.*, (2003)** mentioned that polyphenol oxidase catalyzing

the oxygen dependent oxidation of phenols to quinones is assumed to be involved in plant defense against pests and pathogens. Peroxidase plays an important role in biosynthesis of plant cell wall components *viz.*, lignin, suberin, lignifications and wall thickening as part of defense response to pathogens particularly fungi (**Gaspar *et al.*, 1982** and **Lampport, 1986**).

Table 11. Effect of some tested treatments on total phenol content and activities of some plant defense-related enzymes in treated barley plants with fungicides, commercial plant oils and bio-agents to control *D. graminea* under greenhouse conditions:

Treatment*	Total phenols		Oxidative enzymes				Chitinase	
	mg cat/g DW	Efficacy %	Polyphenol oxidase		Peroxidase		mMaga/g FW/60 min*	Efficacy%
			Δ 420/30 min/g FW	Efficacy%	Δ 425/15 min/g FW	Efficacy%		
Opus 12.5%SC Switch	42.6	1207.7	14.41	332.7	64.25	350.9	28.27	444.7
62.5%WG	37.1	1039.3	12.55	276.9	60.15	322.1	25.38	389.0
Bellis 38%WG	30.6	838.7	11.25	237.8	54.26	280.8	22.13	326.4
Collis 30%SC	26.6	716.0	10.56	217.1	46.91	229.2	18.70	260.3
Uniform 39%SC	22.1	576.4	9.72	191.9	40.22	182.2	15.70	202.5
Mean	31.8	875.6	11.7	251.3	53.2	273.0	22.0	324.6
Coriander oil	17.8	447.2	8.25	147.7	35.33	147.9	13.44	159.0
Marjoram oil	14.5	344.8	7.11	113.5	33.24	133.3	12.22	135.5
Caraway oil	12.4	278.8	6.22	86.8	30.12	111.4	10.25	97.5
Mean	14.9	357.0	7.2	116.0	32.9	130.9	12.0	130.6
<i>T. harzianum</i>	10.8	230.7	5.25	57.7	26.27	84.4	9.42	81.5
<i>B. subtilis</i>	9.6	194.5	5.05	51.7	24.14	69.4	7.50	44.5
Mean	10.2	212.6	5.2	54.7	25.2	76.9	8.5	63.0
Control	3.3	0.0	3.3	0.0	14.3	0.0	5.2	0.0

* Total phenol content and activities of some plant defense-related enzymes were determined in samples taken from barley plants treated under open field condition; mMaga/g FW/60 min = mM N-acetylglucosamine equivalent per gram fresh weight per 60 min.

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كفاءة بعض المبيدات الفطرية والزيوت النباتية وعوامل المقاومة الحيوية ضد *Drechslera graminea* المسبب لمرض التخطيط في الشعير

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تم دراسة تأثير استخدام خمسة مبيدات فطرية وثلاثة زيوت نباتية واثنين من عوامل المقاومة الحيوية تحت ظروف المعمل والصوبة والحقل في مقاومة فطر دريشسليرا جرامينيا المسبب لمرض التخطيط في الشعير. وقد أثبتت النتائج أن استخدام مبيد أوبس بمعدل 1 ميكرو لتر/لتر ومبيد سويتش بمعدل 1 ملجم/لتر ومبيد بليس بمعدل 2 ملجم/لتر كان لهم تأثير مثبت بنسبة 100% للنمو الميسليومي لفطر دريشسليرا جرامينيا في المعمل. كما أثبتت نتائج استخدام الزيوت النباتية لمقاومة الفطر في المعمل أن زيت الكزبرة اعطى اعلى معدل لتنشيط النمو الميسليومي وذلك باستخدامه عند تركيز 15%. بالنسبة لاستخدام عوامل المقاومة الحيوية، أثبتت النتائج أن فطر تريكوديرما هرزيانم كان أفضل من بكتريا باسليس ساتلس في خفض معدل النمو الميسليومي للفطر المختبر. أجريت تجربة الصوبة والحقل لتقييم فاعلية المعاملات المستخدمة على نسبة الاصابة بمرض تخطيط الأوراق في نباتات الشعير والصفات المحصولية والمحتوى الكلى للفينولات ونشاط الانزيمات المرتبطة بالمقاومة. وجد أن المبيدات والزيوت النباتية وعامل المقاومة الحيوية التي تم استخدامها كمعاملة للحبوب كان لها تأثير فعال في مقاومة مرض تخطيط الأوراق في الشعير وذلك عن طريق خفض نسبة الاصابة وزيادة الصفات المحصولية المقاسة بالمقارنة بنباتات الكنترول. كما أن كل هذه المعاملات ادت الى زيادة محتوى الفينولات الكلية وزيادة نشاط انزيمات البيروكسيداز، البولى فينول اوكسيداز والشيتينيز بالمقارنة بنباتات الكنترول الغير معاملة.