REDESCRIPTION OF HETERORHABDITIS INDICA POINAR ET AL., 1992 (RHABDITIDA: HETERORHABDITIDAE) FROM PAKISTAN

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Abstract

Heterorhabditis indica has been found widely distributed in different habitats of Sindh region, Pakistan. The development stages of *H. indica* were studied in the larvae of *Galleria mellonella* and morphometric data of the specimens were recorded. At room temperature (35-38°C) the infective juveniles took 3-4 days to reach the first generation of hermaphroditic females and another 3-4 days to reach the second generation of the adults. In addition, the Restriction Fragment Length Pattern (RFLP) of the ITS region of the ribosomal DNA repeat unit method, has also confirmed the identification of *H. indica* from Pakistan.