

ENTOMOPATHOGENIC NEMATODES IN SOIL SAMPLES COLLECTED FROM SINDH, PAKISTAN

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Abstract

Using *Galleria mellonella* “soil trap” method, a survey for entomopathogenic nematodes was conducted during April, 1996 – December 1997. Out of 500 soil samples collected from 20 different field locations in Karachi, Thatta and Badin areas of Sindh, Pakistan, entomopathogenic nematodes were detected from 62 (12.4 %) sampling sites of sandy soil which include 3 isolates of *Steinernema* and 50 of *Heterorhabditis* in which 22 isolates were identified as *H. indicus* Pioner *et al.*, 1992 which is the first report from Pakistan.