

# EFFECT OF SPRAYING ALGATON FERTILIZER ON THE GROWTH AND YIELD AND YIELD COMPONENTS OF SUNFLOWER CULTIVARS *Helianthus annuus* L. UNDER DIFFERENT TILLAGE SYSTEMS

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## Abstract

Field experiment was conducted during the spring season 2020 at Al-Huwair area, north of Basra Governorate, Iraq with the aim of knowing the effect of spraying three concentrations of Algaton fertilizer namely (0, 2, 4 and 6 ml l<sup>-1</sup>) and tillage system, on the growth and yield of three varieties of sunflower, namely (Euroflor, Shumos and Luleo).

The conventional tillage system recorded higher mean of plant height, stem diameter, leaf area, head diameter, number of seeds per head, weight of 1000 seeds, seed yield and oil percentage of 151.55 cm, 1.98 cm, 0.42 m<sup>2</sup>, 16.97 cm, 1120.67 seed head<sup>-1</sup>, 65.14 g, 3244.70 kg ha<sup>-1</sup> and 32.85% respectively.

Luleo cultivar recorded the highest mean of plant height, stem diameter, leaf area, head diameter, yield components, seed yield and oil percentage.

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