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Molecular identification of *Fusarium* spp. isolated from tomato plant in Iraq and China

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Abstract: This study was conducted to identify *Fusarium* spp. isolated from tomato plant in Iraq and China. A total of 12 isolates from Iraq (1-12) and four from China (M1-M4) were used in this study. Based on Morphological characteristics (growth pattern, Macro and Micro-conidia shape) high differences between isolates were found. Sensitivity test to the fungicide carbendazim revealed that isolates (4/12) from Iraq had EC50 values over than 1000µg/ml indicating that Iraqi isolates have developed resistance to carbendazim. Based on ITS sequencing, *Fusarium* isolates were identified as follows: isolates 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 10 were identified as *F. oxysporum*, isolates 8, 11 as *F. solani*, isolates 12, M1 and M3 as *F. moniliforme*, isolates 2, M2 and M4 as *F. proliferatum*, *F. chlamydosporum* and *F. kyushuense*, respectively.

Key words: RAPD-PCR, *Fusarium* spp, tomato plant, Iraq, China.

Introduction