THE EFFECT OF ORGINIC MATTER AND POTASSIUM FERTILIZERS ON GROWTH AND YIELD OF BROAD BEAN (Vicia faba L.)

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ABSTRACT

Field experiment was conducted in the farm of Agriculture College, Divala University during winter season 2010 – 2011 in silty clay soil to investigate the effect of potassium and organic manure on growth and yield of broad bean – Spanish cultivar (barcelona). Three poultry residues levels (0,2.5 and 5 ton.ha⁻¹ and three levels of potassium fertilizers levels (0,50,75kg . ha⁻¹)were used . RCBD in a factorial experiment was used , with three replicates. Results was showed that a significant differences among organic residue levels the addition with 5 tons ha^{-1} was significantly the best on plant height, number of branches, dry weight, %K in shoot, leaves chlorophyll content, weight of 1000 grains, and total yield compared with no addition, that gives lowest means in the studied parameters. On the other hand the results revealed a significant differences among potassium levels in all growth and yield parameters, the third level of potassium (75)kg k.ha⁻¹ was significantly the best in plant height, number of branches, dry weight, % K in shoot, leaves chlorophyll content, weight of 1000 grains and total yield, compared with no addition . two interaction treatment (5 tons $ha^{-1} + 75 kg ha^{-1}$) and (5 tons ha^{-1}) +50 kg k. ha⁻¹) was significantly the best in most of the studied characters.

Key words: broad bean , organic manure , potassium manure .