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Insecticides and Parasitoids

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1. Introduction

More than 1,000,000 of insect species live on the earth with close association to each other. The population density of living organisms is regulated by abiotic and biotic factors during growth and development processes of each organism within some fluctuation, depressing the outbreak of some species. Abiotic factors like Flood or Dry involves in fluctuation of population. Biotic-regulation factors like deficiency of foods, predation and parasitism are important to depress the outbreak of population. In insects, parasitoids live over 200,000 species (Askew, 1971). Especially in agro-environment, planting monopolized by single crop in a wide area makes suitable condition for multiplication of some pest insect species and their outbreaks. Chemical control using pesticides for depression of pest population had been considered as one of better choice because of its immediate efficacy when outbreak happened. It has already clarified, however, that use of non-selective insecticides makes resurgence of insect pests caused by rapid decreasing of natural enemies. Agro-chemicals with selective toxicity have recently been developed, but it is not enough to examine their effects on natural enemies yet. To obtain agro-crops with secure and low price, we have to understand both specificities of natural enemies like parasitoids and of insecticides. Many parasitoid species works well to regulate the population density of pest insect in a wellconditioned cultivated space. Effective utilization of parasitoids and pesticides based on the various characteristics on each local region produce low density of pest population constantly. Simplified interaction between pest insects and natural enemies had made many unfortunate consequence of pest control like case of introduced natural enemies to invasion pests. Banker plants (Trap crops) are used for keeping the population of natural enemies permanently in constant density when natural enemies are multiplied and released artificially. It is developed as useful methods that 'companion plants' for supplying the foods like nector to natural enemies or 'refuge' as hiding place to prevent them from leaving and so on. However, devotion only to biological control is not adequate for regulation of pest population density corresponding to climate change year after year. When population of some pest insect breaks out to high density unexpected, natural enemies including parasitoid will lose to control for the population density of the pests. We will be forced to use chemical control temporarily. However, exclusive devotion to biological control with no pesticides or to chemical control ignoring biotic regulation seems not to produce the good results.

Although pest-control by IPM has been recommended recently, susceptibility of insecticides to parasitoids is not examined enough from various viewpoints. It is well known that parasitoids are one of important natural enemies to many pest species and are used

	Pest species	parasitoid	effects	references
Bt-toxin	Choristoneura fumiferana	Apanteles fumiferanae	high % of parasitism to aged host	Nealis, VG et al., 1992
	Prays olease	Three species	growth effect	Varlez, S et al. 1993
	Choristoneura fumiferana	A. fumiferanae	spray-timing	Cadogan, BL et al. 1995
	Plutella xylostella	Diadegma insulare	no effect	Ulpah, S et al. 1996
	P. xylostella	D. insulare	no effect	Xingeng, W & Shusheng, L. 1998
	P. xylostella	Cotesia plutellae	no effect on oviposition	Chilcutt, CF & Tabashnik, BE 1999
	Lymantria dispar	Compsilura concinnata	reduced parasitism	Erb, SL et al., 2001
	Liriomyza trifolii	Diglyphus isaea, Dacnusa sibirica	no effect	Ozawa A et al., 2001
	Mamestra brassicae	Trichogramma dendrolimi	no effect	Takada, Y et al., 2001
	Cnaphalocrocis medinalis	Trichogramma chilonis	no effect	Sehrawat S et al., 2002
	Pseudaletia unipuncta	Gryptoapanteles militaris	no effect	Schuler, TH et al., 2003
	rice pests	parasitoid complex	small effect	Schoenly, KG et al., 2003
	Helicoverpa armigera	Microplitis mediator	negative effect	Xu, YY et al., 2004
	Plutella xylostella	C. plutellae	small effect	Amend, J & Basedow, T 1997
	Plutella xylostella	Diadegma insulare	small effect	Jiang, YH et al., 2004
	Plutella xylostella	Cotesia plutellae	small effect	Sisterson, MS & Tabashnik, BE 2005
	Eldana saccharina, Busseola fusca, Sesamia calamistis	Cotesia sesamiae	positive effect	Bhatti, MA et al., 2005
	Plutella xylostella	Diadegma fenestralis, Cotesia plutellae	less effective	Bhardwaj, V et al., 2005
	Plutella xylostella	Cotesia plutellae, Macromalon orientale, Diadromus collaris, Brachymeria excarinata	small impact	Reyes, SG et al. 2005
******	Tuta absoluta	Trichogrammatoidea bactrae	harmless	Riquelme Virgala, MB et al. 2006
	Anagasta kuehniella	Thichogramma pratissolii	no effect on wasp	Pratissoli, D. etal. 2006
	Anagasta kuehniella	, Thichogramma pratissolii, T. pretiosum	no effect on wasp	Polanczyk, RA et al. 2006
	Chilo partellus	Trichogramma chilonis	no effect	Jalali, SK & Singh, SP 2006
	Anagasta kuehniella	Thichogramma chilonis, Cheilomenes sexmaculata	no effect	Basappa, H 2007
	Helicoverpa armigera	Campoletis chlorideae	significant reduction	Sharma, HC et al. 2008
	Plutella xylostella	Diadegma semiclausum, Diadromus collaris	better than chemicals	Nga, LT et al 2008
	Plutella xylostella, Pieris rapae	Cotesia vestalis , Oomyzus sokolowskii Diadromus collaris C. glomeratus, C. rubecula, Pteromalus puparium	weak impact	Furlong, MJ et al 2008
	Helicoverpa armigera	Campoletis chlorideae	high mortality	Mohan, M et al. 2008
	Plodia interpunctella	Habrobracon hebetor	fewer parasitoid emerged	Oluwafemi, AR et al. 2009
	Thaumetopoea pityocampa	Exorista larvarum	few effect	Marchetti E.et al. 2009
	Plutella xylostella	Trichogrammatoidea bactrae	no effect	Wang, D-S et al. 2010

Table 1-1. Effect of Bt-toxin on parasiotid species.

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Bt-crops	Pest species	parasitoid	effect	ref
Bt-tobacco	Heliothis virescens	Campoletis sonorensis, Cardiochiles nigriceps	affect parasitoid larva of C. sonorensis	Johnson, MT、 1997
Bt-corn	Ostrinia nubilalis	Eriborus terebrans, Macrocentrus grandii Goidanich	no difference	Orr, DB & Landis, DA, 199
Bt-corn	Ostrinia nubilalis	parasitoid community	no difference	Lozzia, GC, 1999
Bt-potato	Macrosiphum euphorbiae	Aphidius nigripes	small effect	Ashouri, A et al. 2001
Bt-brassica	Diaeretiella rapae	Myzus persicae	no effect	Schuler, TH et al 2001
Bt-corn	Eoreuma loftini	Parallorhogas pyralophagus	harmful	Bernal, JS et al. 2002
Bt-corn	Ostrinia nubilalis	Lydella thompsoni, Pseudoperichaeta nigrolineata	no difference	Bourguet, D et a 2002
Bt-brassica	Plutella xylostella	Cotesia plutellae	no difference	Schuler, TH et al 2003
Bt-corn	Aphids	Aphidius ervi, A. rhopalosiphi, A. uzbekistanicus, Lysiphlebus testaceipes, Praon volucre	no effect	Pons, X & Stary, O. 2003
Bt-cotton	Pseudoplusia includens	Cotesia marginiventris, Copidosoma floridanum	reduced longevity	Baur, ME & Boethel, DJ 2003
Bt-corn	Ostrinia nubilalis	Lydella thompsoni	no difference	Manachini, B 2003
Bt-rice	rice pests	paddy arthrpod community	no effect	Liu, Z-C et al. 2003
Bt-brassica	P. xylostella	C. plutellae	no effect	Schuler, TH et al 2004
Bt-corn	Chilo partellus	C. flavipes	harmful	Pruez, G & Dettner, K. 2004
Bt-rice	Chilo suppressalis	Apanteles chilonis	harmful	Jiang, Y-H et al. 2004
Bt-cotton	Helicoverpa armigera	Trichogrammatoidea lutea, Telenomus ullvetti	no influence	Mellet, MA et al.2004
Bt-corn	Chilo partellus, its primary parasitoid Cotesia flavipes	Tetrastichus howardi (hyperparasitoid)	harmful	Pruetz, G et al.2004
Bt-corn	Micraspis discolor	Trichomma cnaphalocrosis	no effect on behavior	Reyes, SG 2005
Bt-corn	european corn borer	arthropod community	less community disturbance	Dively, GP 2005
Bt-cotton	Helicoverpa armigera	Microplitis mediator	minus effect	Liu, X-X et al. 2005
Bt-corn	Spodoptera littoralis	Cotesia marginiventris	negative effect	Vojtech, E et al. 2005
Bt-corn	Diabrotica virgifera, Chaetocnema pulicaria, Rhopalosiphum maidis	ladybird beetles, damsel bugs, pirate bugs, flower flies, green lacewings,	no adverse impact	Bhatti, MA et al. 2005
Bt-corn	Ostrinia nubilalis	spidersMacrocentrus cingulum Coleomegilla maculata, Cycloneda munda, Orius insidiosus, Chrysoperla carnea, Macrocentrus cingulum	some significantly affected	Pilcher, CD et al. 2005
Bt-cotton	Helicoverpa armigera	parasitioid and pollinator	parasitoid population decreased	Hofs, JL et a l. 2005
Bt-corn	Monolepta bifasciata	predatory beetles, lacewings, Trichogramma sp	no effect	Reyes, SG & Jovillano- Mostoles, MDA
Bt-corn	Micraspis discolor	Trichomma cnaphalocrosis	no difference	2005 Reyes, SG. 2005
Bt potato	Phthorimaea	Apanteles subandinus,	no effect	Davidson, MM et
Bt-corn	operculella Spodoptera frugiperda	Micromus tasmaniae Cotesia marginiventris	Bt was detected in	al. 2006 Ramirez-Romero
Bt-potato, Bt-	Spodoptera litura,	Cotesia kazak, Meteorus	parasitoid a few impact	R et al. 2007 Walker, GP et al.
braccica Bt-corn	Helicoverpa armigera Rhopalosiphum maidis	pulchricornis Cotesia marginiventris	positive effect on	2007 Faria, CA et al.
Bt-cotton		parasitoid and predator	performance of wasp population density	2007 Han, L-Z et al.
Bt-corn	Spodoptera frugiperda	Campoletis sonorensis	decreased no effect on	2007 Sanders, CJ et
Bt-rice	Sogatella furcifera, Nilaparvata lugens,	Cyrtorhinus lividipennis	development negative effect	al.2007 Chen, M et al. 2007
Bt-cotton	Laodelphax striatellus Helicoverpa armigera	predatory spiders, coccinellid,	siginificant reduction	Sharma, HC et
Bt-cotton	Helicoverpa armigera	chrysopid arthoropod community	no detrimental effect	al. 2007 Whitehouse,
Bt-brassica	Plutella xylostella	Diadegma insulare	hazardless	MEA et al. 2007 Chen, M et al.
Bt-brassica	Pieris rapae	Pteromalus puparum	significantly affected	2008 Chen, M et al.
Bt-brassica	Plutella xylostella	Cotesia vestalis, Chrysoperla	trace of Bt	2008 Wei, W et al.
transgenic pine	Pseudocoremia suavis	carnea Meteorus pulchricornis	adverse effect	2008 Barraclough, El
Bt-chickpea	Helicoverpa armigera	Campoletis chlorideae	adverse effect	et al. 2009 Dhillon, MK & Sharma, HC
Bt-corn	Spodoptera frugiperda	Cotesia marginiventris	weak attractance	2010 Desneux, N et a
Bt-corn		rove beetles as predator	no difference	2010 Balog, A et al.
Bt-cotton	Spodoptoro aviente	Microplitis tuberculifer	no effect on behavior	2010 Zhang, N et al.
D-001011	Spodoptera exigua,	moropinio lubercuiller	no enection penavior	2010

Table 1-2. Effect of Bt-crops on parasitoids.

extensively in biological and integrated pest control. More than 810 research papers related with insecticide and parasitoid in IPM have been accumulated during this decade from 2000 to 2010 for examining the impact of insecticides on introduced or native parasitoids and/ or predators in laboratory condition or agro-fields, resulting that parasitoids are very high susceptibility to non-selective insecticides like pyrethroids, organophosphates, and carbamates except Bt toxin.

Recently Bt-toxin or Bt-transgenic crops have been developed and the susceptibility to parasitoids and/ or predators (32 of Bt-toxin spray and 42 of Bt-crops in total 74 research papers, Table 1) was examined, resulting small impact on parasitoid and predator or on their communities.

Many reviews have already discussed about the side effect or the risk assessment of transgenic plants on non-target insects (Schuler et al. 1999; Groot & Dicke 2002; Dutton et al. 2003; Lövei & Arpaia 2005; Sisterson & Tabashnik 2005; Wolfenbarger et al., 2008; Lövei et al. 2009; Grzywacs et al. 2010; Gurr et al. 2010). However, severe problems have occurred also in Bt-transgenic crops that pest insects had gained the resistance to Bt-toxin just like development of the insecticide-resistance to many chemical insecticides. Approach like 'high dose/ refuge strategy' (Chilcut & Tabashnik, 2004) or pyramid by expression of two genes have been tried to prolong the effectiveness of Bt-crops (Kumar et al. 2008, Ives et al., 2011). Although many chemical insecticides produced until present are toxic to natural enemies, we may be able to use them effectively by knowing the risk of chemical insecticides to maintain the predator and parasitoid communities sustainably.

In natural fields including agro-fields, parasitoids grow and develop mostly as eggs or larvae in/ on their hosts and a few adult wasps stay with searching the hosts. Examination only on adult stage is insufficient for clarifying the susceptibility of parasitoid to insecticides. It is one of important points to examine the effect of chemical insecticides on the parasitized hosts in the developmental stages from oviposition to adult-emergence for evaluating the critical dosage to parasitoids. Effective usage of natural enemies like parasitoids in the agro-fields controlled by pesticides causes a decrease in the dosage of insecticides and brings agricultural crops with safety for human. Both ecological and physiological researches will be required for control of pest-population density. In this chapter, first as example, we tested effect of neonicotinoids on parasitoid along with the growth and development, for considering the characteristics of parasitoids.

1.1 Effect of insecticide on parasitoid

1.1.1 Direct and indirect effects of neonicotinoids on endoparasitoid along with the development

Recently although there are some researches published about the effect of neonicotinoids on egg parasitoids, there are a few papers on larval parasitoids (Table 2). These results showed variety from harmless to toxic impact.

However, the different results should be rearranged by difference of nutritional strategy between egg and larval parasitoids. Egg parasitoid ingests egg-yolk of the host soon after hatch as nutritional resource for growth, resulting become distended larval shape (Takada et al., 2000; Jarjees et al., 1998; Hutchison et al., 1990). Egg parasitoids are able to avoid the toxic effect of insecticides through the chorion of the host, using a protective role that is essential to normal development of the host embryo, and can circumvent the accumulation of toxic substance by sucking almost all egg-yolk from host egg at once after hatch. On the other hand, larval parasitoids have many chances to be exposed to insecticides during

category of parasitoid	parasitoid	target pest insect	Chemicals	effects	references
species richness	37 species of predators and parasitoids	leafhoppers, aphids, thrips and whiteflies	imidacloprid	no significant impact	Marquini, F. et al., 2002
egg parasitoid	Aphytis melinus, Eretmocerus eremicus, Encarsia formosa, Gonatocerus ashmeadi	Calitornia red scale and sweetpotato whitefly, glassy- winged sharpshooter,	acetamiprid	less toxic	Prabhaker, N., et al., 2007
	Trissolcus nigripedius	Dolycoris baccarum	thiamethoxam	less susceptible	Paine, TD, et al., 2011
	Aphytis melinus, Comperiella bifasciata, Rodolia cardinalis	Aonidiella aurantii, Icerya purchasi, Panonychus citri	imidacloprid	a little disruptive	Graton-Cardwell, EE, et al., 2008
	aphlinid parasitoid	Bemisia tabaci	imidacloprid thiamethoxam	parasitism reduction	Naveed, M. et al., 2010
	Trichogramma pretiosum	Anagasta kuehniella	acetamiprid, imidacloprid	harmless	Carvalho, GA, et al., 2010
	Trichogramma minutum	Acrobasis vaccinii	thiacloprid acetamiprid	toxic	Wise, JC., et al., 2010
egg-, larval parasitoids	Avetianella longoi, Syngaster lepidus	-	imidacroprid	significantly lower survival	Lim, UI, 2008
egg-, egg- larval, larval parasitoids	Trichogramma chilonis, Chelonus blackburni, Bracon hebetor	Gossypium hirsutum	imidacloprid	moderate impact	Preetha, E et al., 2010
larval parasitoid	Tiphia vernalis	Popillia japonica	imidacloprid, thiamethoxam	adverse impact	Oliver, JB et al., 2005
	Diachasma alloeum	Rhagoletis mendax, R. pomonella	imidacloprid	adverse impact	Stelinski, LL et al., 2006
	Diadegma insulare, Oomyzus sokolowskii	Plutella xylostella	acetamiprid	less toxic	Cordero et al.,2007

Table 2. Effect of neonicotinoids on parasitoids.

developmental period (from egg to larval stages) and are dead together with the host when it is killed by insecticides, because Neonicotinoid have a strong effect on lepidopteran larvae. So in this chapter, to consider how to regulate the use of insecticide like neonicotinoid to larval parasitoid, it is necessary to examine the susceptibility of larval parasitoid to insecticide along with development. We use oriental armyworm *Mythimna separata* (Walker) as host and its endoparasitoid *Cotesia kariyai* (Watanabe) as a model system. *Mythimna separata* is a big pest for Poaceae plants and sometime make a big surge of population density. However, ecological population of *M. separata* is regulated with many kinds of parasitoids, major 5 species of endoparasitoids, *Campoletis chlorideae* Uchida, *Microplitis sp., C. kariyai, C. ruficrus* (Haliday), *Meteorus pulchricornis* (Wesmael), and an ectoparasitoid *Euplectrus separatae* Kamijo, and was normally kept low density under a local stable condition. *Cotesia kariyai* is a major gregarious endoparasitoid to oviposit from 30 to over 100 eggs in a *M. separata* host at once and can parasitize 2nd to 6th (last) host instar successfully (Tanaka et al., 1987).

1.1.2 Parasitoid wasps attack and oviposit the host *M. separata* treated previously with insecticides

To determine the sub-lethal dose activity of various neonicotinoids to unparasitized control, the unparasitized hosts 1, 2, 3 d after last ecdysis (D1L6, D2L6, D3L6, 6th larval stage is last instar) were used. Unparasitized hosts reach at the maximum weight 3 d after last ecdysis and become wandering stage to prepare pupation at D5L6. D2L6 larvae showed a low susceptibility to neonicotinoids, especially Thiamethoxam (Thm) and Dinotefran (Dnt), but high susceptibility to pyrethroid Permethrin (Per), organophosphate Fenitrothion (MEP), and Pyridalyl (Pyr) was observed, comparing to label rate (Table 3).

Insecticide	D1L6	D2L6	D3L6	Concentration used in each chemicals (ppm)	Label rate (ppm)
Acetamiprid (Act)	309.3	391.1	505.6	320	100
Thiamethoxam (Thm)	1163.8	1185.3	1158.3	400	50
Dinotefuran (Dnt)	1695.6	3116.6	1508.6	1200	100
Clothianidin (Clt)	204.6	1930.6	384.0	960	80
Thiacloprid (Thc)	702.5	640.2	780.3	640	150
Permethrin (Per)	160.7	57.5	247.2	24	100
fenitrothion (MEP)	192.0	169.2	131.7	24	500
Pyridalyl (Pyr)	0.7	4.0	0.3	0.8	100

Table 3. LC50 value (ppm) of various insecticide to unparasitized host Mythimna separata.

From these results, concentration of each insecticide treatment was determined. These values means different susceptibility of M. separata even on the same instar at sub-lethal dose, and it is hard to be generalized.

The emergence rate of parasitoid from host parasitized after insecticide treatment (posttreatment) informs us if parasitoids oviposit the host larvae treated by insecticides. Oviposition was performed within 2 hrs post-treatment of insecticide. Stinging behavior for oviposition was assured in every case. For example, Acetamiprid (Act), Thiacloprid (Thc) and Pyr treatments produced high larval emergence rate of parasitoid when parasitized post-treatment compared to pre-treatment, suggesting that oviposition was not disturbed by insecticide treatment (Fig. 1).

On the other hands, high pupation rate of hosts after Imidacloprid (Imd) treatment shows the possibility that parasitoid wasps may hesitate to inject the eggs though they stung the hosts. On the other hands, high emergence rate in insecticide treatment post-parasitization at sub-lethal dose means that the host or the parasitoid larvae possessed the detoxification ability to each insecticide and acquired some degree of tolerance to insecticides.

	LC50 (ppm)					
Chemicals [™]	D1L6*2	D1L6P* ³	D3L6	D3L6P	D5L6P	D 7 L6P
Act	309.3	608.4	505.6	176.1	786.9	377
Thm	1163.8	139.9	1158.3	40	49.9	436.3
Dnt	1695.6	1199	1508.6	1194.7	1102.6	1043.7
Clt	204.6	962	384.0	96	205.5	20.2
Thc	702.5	639.2	780.3	120	483.9	8563.3
Per	160.7	24	247.2	40.8	78.8	62.4
MEP	192.0	456	131.7	132	134.5	49.6
Pyr	0.7	3.5	0.3	4.4	3.9	2.5
*1 Act:Aceta Thiacloprid,						anidin, Thc:
*2: day1- 6th instar of unparasitized control						
*3: day1-6th instar of parasitized host Mythimna separata						

Table 4. LC50 value of various neonicotinoids to unparasitized and parasitized hosts 1, 3, 5, 7 days after parasitization.

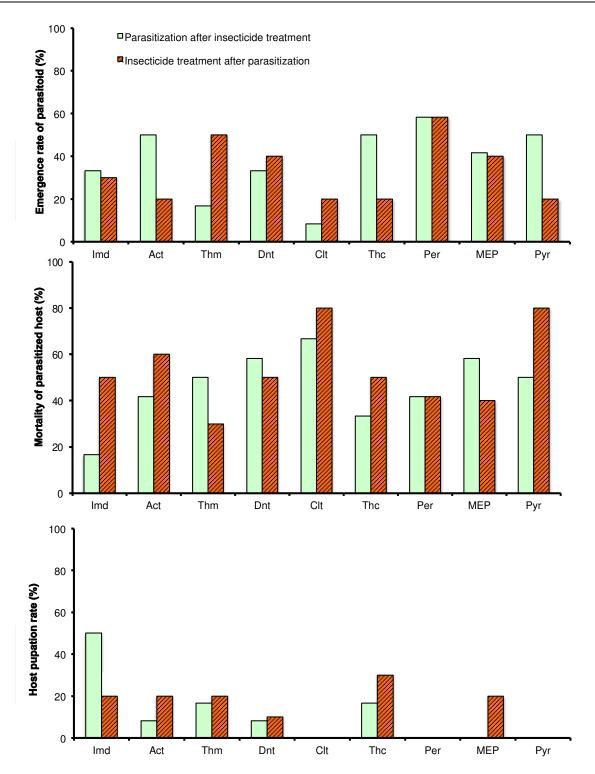


Fig. 1 Emergence rate of parasitoid larvae from the host treated by various insecticides at sub-lethal dose. Neonicotinoid insecticide treatment before parasitization made no impact on oviposition ef parasitoid wasp. The parasitoid larvae emerged from the host treated successfully when the parasitized hosts were not killed by insecticide treatment. Total number ef hosts treated with each insecticide was about 30 [ten for each, 3 replicates]. lmidacloprid (lmd), Acetamipriel (Act), Thiamethoxam (Thm), Dinotefuran (Dnt), Clothianidin (Git), Thiacloprid (The]. Permethrin (Per), fenitrothion (MEP), Pyridalyl (Pyr).

However, Clothianidin (Clt) treatment made low emergence rate of parasitoid causing by high mortality of host. Especially no emergence of parasitoid from parasitized hosts was observed also after day 3 post-parasitization (Fig. 2). Eggs of *C. kariyai* hatch and become 1st instar at 3.5 days after oviposition, and become 2nd instar on 5-6 days after oviposition. Insecticide treatment after parasitization was performed on each developmental point, on egg stage (day 1; D1), just before hatch (day 3; D3), on first instar (day 5; D5), on 2nd instar of parasitoid (day 7; D7). Parasitized hosts showed high susceptibility (meaning lower LC50 value) than that of unparasitized control, in treatment on every developmental days (Table 4), especially Clt treatment affect the larval emergence, meaning that parasitoid larva has no tolerance to Clt during larval stages. Further, Clt affect the adult eclosion heavily (Table 5).

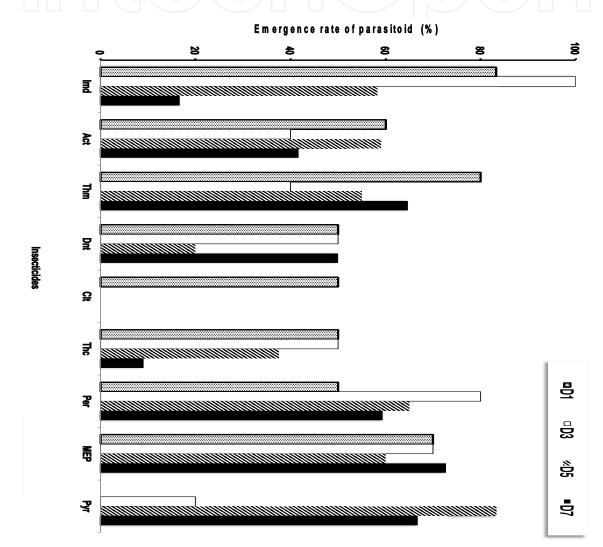


Fig. 2. Effect of treatment of insecticides along with development of the parasitoid on the parasitoid emergence rate sub-lethal dose. *Cotesia kariyai* hatches at 3.5 days post oviposition, 1st instar ecdyses to 2nd instar at 5 to 6 days, finally 3rd instars emerge from the host after ecdysis to 10 days after oviposition at $25 \pm 1^{\circ}$ C. Insecticide treatment was performed on 1, 3. 5. 7 days after parasitization. Total number of hosts treated with each insecticide was about 30 [ten per each, 3 replicates]. Imidalcoprid (Imd). Acetamiprid (Act), Thiamethoxam (Thm), Dinotefuran (Dnt). Clothianidin (Clt), Thiacloprid (Thc), Permethrin (Per), Fenitrothion (MEP), Pyridalyl (Pyr).

	No of insects –		adult eclo	osion (%)		_
Insecticide	tested per each days	D1	D3	D5	D7	_
Imid	12	100	100	85.7	100	_
Act	12	100	100	100	80	
Thm	12	100	75	81.8	59.1	
Dnt	12	100	100	100	80	
Clt	12	0	0	0	0	
Thc	12	75	80	22.2	0	
Per	12	100	100	100	90.9	
MEP	12	100	100	83.3	100	
Pyr	12	100	87.5	83.3	100	

*1 Imd: Imidacloprid, Act:Acetamiprid, Thm: Thiamethoxam, Dnt: Dinotefuran, Clt: Clothianidin, Thc: Thiacloprid, Per: Permethrin, MEP: fenitrothion, Pyr: Pyridalyl

Table 5. Adult eclosion rate from cocoon of parasioid emerged from parasitized host treated by various insecticides.

For susceptibility of adult wasp to insecticide, ten female wasps was released in a 15 ml grass tube inside coated with active ingredients of various insecticide diluted in various concentration for 24 hrs with two replication (Table 6), resulting that parasitoid female wasps showed very high susceptibility to all insecticides. Even insecticides diluted than commercial label killed almost all wasps (Table 6).

Insecticide*1	Commercial Label recommended conc (ppm)	Concentration used (ppm)	Mortality of wasp (%)*2
Imd	100	60	80
Act	100	3.2	40
Thm	50	4	85
Dnt	100	12	80
Clt	80	9.6	100
Thc	150	12	95
Per	100	0.24	59
MEP	500	2.4	100
Pyr	100	0.08	20

*1 Imd: imidacloprid, Act:Acetamiprid, Thm:

Thiamethoxam, Dnt: Dinotefuran, Clt: Clothianidin, Thc: Thiacloprid, Per: Permethrin, MEP: fenitrothion, Pyr: Pyridalyl

*2 Susceptible test for each insecticide was perofomed releasing 10 females in a 15 ml glass tube coated with active ingredients of each insecticide and dead wasps were counted 24 hrs later

Table 6. Susceptibility of parasitoid female wasp to neonicotinoid insecticides.

However, about 10 times diluted neonicotinoids like Thm, Clt, and Thc to LC50 value on D3L6 parasitized hosts made 80-100% mortality, in contrast to Permethrin diluted 50-100 times showed similar mortality. These results suggest that the neonicotinoids made slightly severe effect on larval parasitoid responsible for strong insecticidal potency to the death of lepidopteran hosts although they are less toxic than pyrethroids or organophosphates to parasitoid.

1.2 Parasitoid

Parasitoids are grouped in two categories as idiobiont and koinobiont based on nutritional strategy (Haeselbarth, 1979, Askew & Shaw, 1986). Parasitoids categorized as idiobiont that attack egg, pupal adult host stages, and paralyze or kill the hosts by venom preceding oviposition, thus develop in non-growing hosts and utilize the host resource existed at the time of parasitization for the growth and development. On the other hand, koinobiont can exploit the host resource increased after parasitization, because the parasitized hosts continue to grow and metamorphose during at least the initial stage of parasitism (Fig. 3). These include egg-larval and larval-pupal parasitoids or larval parasitoids that do not permanently paralyze their hosts at oviposition (Godfray, 1994).

1.2.1 Egg parasitoids as idiobiont

Idiobionts include many ectoparasitoids and egg or pupal endoparasitoids, and their venoms have characteristics to paralyse or kill the hosts and contain many kinds of enzymes to digestive most of host tissues with many variety (Moreau and Guillot, 2005). Venom of idiobionts as larval ectoparasitoids like Bracon spp. shows permanently paralyzing activity to the host (Beard, 1978, Quicke, 1997, Weaver et al. 1997). Venom is virulent and toxic potency to the host. Pupal ectoparasitoids also have to paralyze and fix the host to avoid consumption of food resource by growth of the host after parasitization with venom. On the other hands, Nasonia vitripennis as pupal endoparasitoid has non-paralysing venom that causes developmental arrest by 13 to 200.5 kDa proteins (Rivers et al., 2006), but venom shows PO (Phenol oxidase) activity and may induce apoptosis in host tissues (Abt & Rivers, 2007). Mellitobia wasp shows different mode of action in developmental arrest to different host species (Deyrup et al., 2006). These means that apoptotic tissues induced by venom are used for parasitoid development with time lag, with condition that their available resource is kept by developmental arrest. Idiobiont venom acts to arrest the host development and to ensure the food resource while preventing the unregulated decomposition by bacteria. Many kinds of venom in *Pimpla hypocondriaca* has already been reported and well reviewed by Moreau & Guillot (2005). In pupal endoparasitoid Pimpla hypochondriaca, many functional proteins in venom have been analysed; 28 k and 30 kDa proteins as serine protease (Parkinson et al. 2002a), 22 kDa as pimplin of paralytic peptide (Parkinson et al. 2002b), 39.9 kDa as reprolysin type metalloprotease (Parkinson et al. 2002c), 74 kDa with antibacterial and proteolytic activity (Dani et al., 2003).

Venom components of egg parasitoids is not clarified although a few case is analyzed; *Telenomus heliothidis* (Strand et al., 1983, 1986, Strand, 1986), *Trichogramma pretiosum* (Strand, 1986), *T. dendrolimi* (Takada et al., 2000), *T. australicum* (Jarjees & Merritt, 2004). Venoms (female-derived factor or acid gland) are injected into the host eggs with parasitoid egg and arrest the host development. Jarjees & Merritt (2004) suggested that venom was responsible for host die and degeneration of host tissues using sterile female.

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Egg parasitoid ingests the host contents like yolk at once after hatch for growth and development (Takada et al., 2000) and consumes the contents of the host killed or decomposed by venom as nutritional resource for growth and development in the host. Rapid ingestion of the host yolk absorbed insecticides enhances the possibility of disturbance to the growth and development of the parasitoid. The difference of susceptibility of egg parasitoids to insecticides may be attributed from direct effect on the larval and pupal development and from the difference of food intake speed of the host contents, though it is further possibility that the residual insecticides outside of egg-shell disturb the emergence from host egg.

1.2.2 Larval endoparasitoid as koinobiont

Larval endoparasitoids have many chances to be affected during a long larval period indirectly through the host physiological action by insecticide. Koinobionts let the hosts survive and exploit nutrient from hosts during development of parasitoid associating with invasion in host hemocoel and are demanded both avoidance of host immune response and acquisition of nutrition from the host with minimal damage. Severe damage of the host during early development may lead to precocious death of the parasitoid. If they give severe damage to the hosts to get nutrients from hosts, parasitoids are exposed to risk for death.

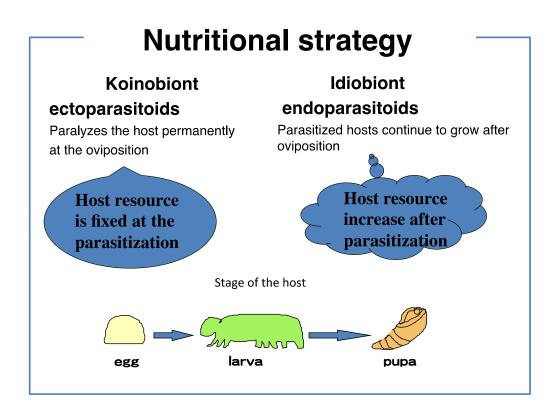


Fig. 3. Nutritional strategy of parasitioids.

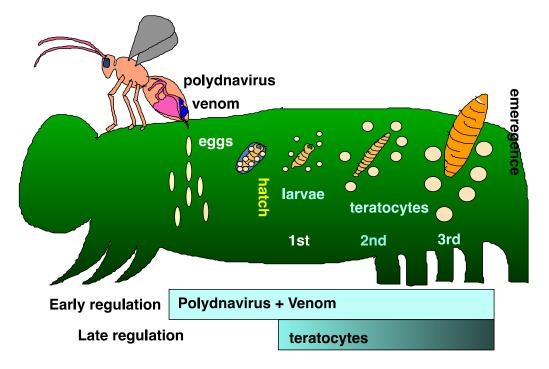


Fig. 4. Development of endoparasitoid and regulation factor of endoparasitoid on physiological state of the host. Polydnavirus (PDV) plus venom are injected into the host and regulate the physiological condition. Braconid endoparasitoids release their teratocytes which derived from the serosal cells of the egg after hatch and regulate the physiological condition during later stage.

Endoparasitoids develop the convenient tools like polydnaviruses (PDVs) plus venom and/or teratocytes to get nutrients without severe damage in evolutional process. Mutualistic relationship between PDVs and the endoparasitoids are estimated before about 70-73 ± 10 million years ago by calibration using fossil data (Whitfield, 2002, Drezen et al., 2003). Endoparasitoids seem to incorporate a nudivirus-related gene from ancestral Nudivirus and enable to produce the particles delivering in the host tissue cells for successful parasitism (Bézier et al., 2009a, b). PDV enables to regulate the physiological state of the host by penetration into each host tissue heterogeneously, especially in hemocytes and fat body. Viral genes expression alters the immune system and development of the host (Drezen et al., 2003, Beckage & Gelman, 2004, Kroemer & Webb, 2005, Webb & Strand, 2005, Gill et al., 2006, Asgari, 2006, Pennacchio & Strand, 2006, Kim et al., 2007). Hemocytes penetrated by PDV may lose ability to recognize and to encapsulate the foreign substances like eggs. Peptides or small proteins expressed from genes encoded in PDV play a role in physiological suppression of host immune response. Many suppression factors as PDV gene products are found. For example, protein tyrosine phosphatase (PTP) which known to play a critical role in the control of cellular events like proliferation, differentiation, and metabolism, and are a group of enzymes that remove phosphate groups from phosphorylated tyrosine residues on protein, then its expression affects the cellular PTP activity of the host (Espagne et al., 2004, Provost et al., 2004, Falabella et al., 2006, Gundersen-Rindal & Pedroni 2006, Ibrahim et al., 2007, Pruijssers & Strand, 2007, Ibrahin & Kim, 2008, Suderman et al., 2008, Shi et al., 2008), Cystatin which has inhibitory activity to cysteine proteases (Serbielle et al., 2008, Espagne et al., 2005), IkB-like (vankyrin) genes play a role in suppressing NF-kB activity in immune response (Kroemer & Webb, 2005, Bae

&Kim, 2009), and more Cysteine-rich domain products (Strand et al., 1997, Barandoc & Kim, 2009) and EP-1 like gene (Harwood & Beckage, 1994, Harwood et al., 1994, Kwon & Kim, 2008) including numerous hypothetical genes (Kroemer & Webb. 2004) may suppress the host immune response.

Venoms seem to change with evolution from ectoparasitoids to endoparasitoids (Whitfield, 2003), because venom may change from virulent action like killing the hosts to temperate action to lose toxic potency (Sclenke et al., 2007). Venoms of endoparasitoids contain many proteins in large molecular weight (Leluk et al., 1989) that lose the permanent paralytic function and promote of PDV expression in the host cells (Asgari, 2006).

Teratocytes are released and developed from serosal cell of parasitoid egg and produce some kind of regulatory protein along with the development (Fig.4). Endoparasitoids, on evolutionary process of having invaded from outside to inside, are required both to depress the host immune response specifically mentioned above and to get enough food and duration for growth and development at minimum damage to the host. Teratocytes play a role for extending larval stage of the host for getting enough nutrient required for their own growth and development. In case of Braconidae or Chalcidoidea, teratocytes function as one of factors to maintain the larval state (Dahlman et al., 2003). Elongation of larval state in parasitized hosts may increase the chance of contact with insecticides under natural condition. However, there is no information about detoxifying ability of teratocytes during late parasitism.

On the other hands, braconid endoparasitoids use teratocytes to take nutrients from host for avoiding severe damage to the host (Fig. 4). The most endoparasitoids seem to be assumed as hemolymph feeders (Thompson et al., 2001, 2002, Kaeslin et al., 2005), but In *C. kariyai-M. separata* association, second instars began to take fat body of host as food with help of teratocytes to ensure the big growth during 2nd instar stage (Nakamatsu et al, 2002, Tanaka et al. 2006). *Cotesia kariyai* also fed the host hemolymph as nutrient during first instar. Teratocytes attached on the surface and removed the outer membrane like cell matrix of the fat body with enzyme digestion locally, resulting that the second parasitoid larvae were easy to take the contents of the fat body as food. However, it is essential that the actin filaments in the fat body cells were broken previously by function of PDV plus venom (Tanaka et al., 2006). Although amount of consumption of the host fat body depend on the number of parasitoid larvae in a host, more than 100 parasitoid larvae consume almost all fat bodies (Nakamatsu & Tanaka, 2004). It was predicted that the larval endoparasitoids like *C. kariyai* might lower the susceptibility to insecticide during later parasitism by losing the fat body of the host.

1.2.3 Physiological regulation of endoparasitoid to insecticide

Koinobiont parasitoids that leave the host to continue growing after parasitization similar to unparasitized one are protected negatively through physiological action of the hosts from direct effect. Physiological milieu of the parasitized host is altered by PDV plus venom function from immediately after parasitization. Immune depression made us predict the lowering of resistance activity against the foreign substances penetrated into the body including xenobiotics and the detoxification ability of the host decreased with progressive ingestion of host fat body. However, in *Plutella xylostella*- *Cotesia vestalis* (=*plutellae*), Glutathion-s-transferase (GST) was enhanced the activity by PDV plus venom stimulation, because GST activity in egg stage was enhanced by oviposition or artificial injection of PDV

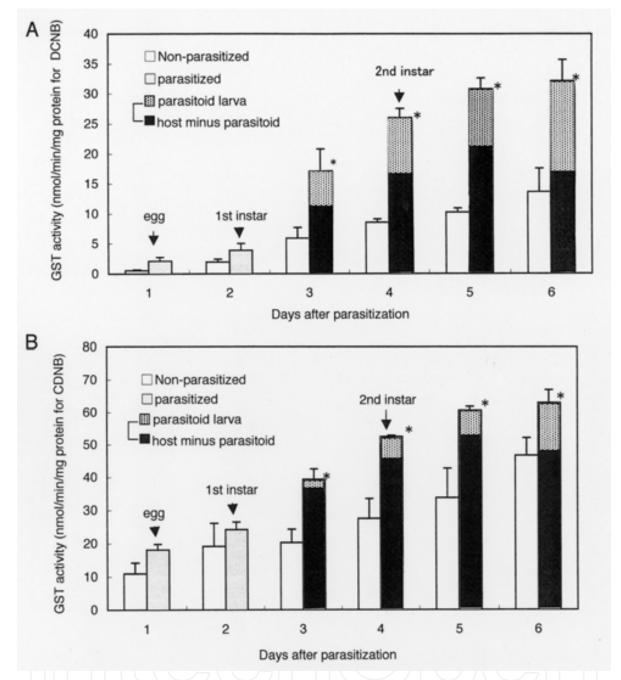


Fig. 5. Glutathion-s-transferase (GST) activity of the *Plutella xylostella* enhanced by parasitization of *Cotesia vestalis* (=*plutellae*). Data from Takeda et al. (2006). GST activity was measured with two enzyme substrates, individually (DCNB and CDNB). High GST activity of the hosts containing parasitioid larva was observed in later stage of parasitsm.

plus venom (Takeda et al. 2006). Especially during late stage of parasitization while parasitoid larva consumed the host fat body, a low susceptibility to organophosphate (diazinon and fenitrothion) was detected. It was clarified that enhancement of CYP and GST enzymes of both parasitoid larva in parasitized hosts and the host itself causes the low susceptibility to insecticides with high enzyme activity (Fig. 5 from Takeda et al., 2006). *Cotesia vestalis*, solitary endoparasitoid did not consume absolutely and remained the host fat body of the host. Further, endoparasitoid larva contributed to the detoxification of the

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host after treatment of insecticide. Amount of fat body remained in the host after parasitization seemed to be determined by two factors, the degree of inhibition to the host growth after parasitization and amount of fat body consumed by the parasitoid larva. These suggested that the parasitized hosts are able to acquire the resistance to insecticides when parasitoids do not consume all the host fat body. The spraying of organophophates may make small impact on the surviving of parasitoids under agro-fields though the difference in susceptibility of parasitoids is not examined.

2. Conclusion

Parasitoids have different nutritional strategy. This difference seems to affect the susceptibility to insecticide. Idiobiont like egg parasitoid can utilize the dead host as nutritional resource. Normally idiobiont parasitoids kill or paralyze the host and stop the development of the host using venom. Many reports inform us a little effect of insecticides on the egg parasitoids. If insecticide hard to penetrate inside the host egg, parasitoid wasps can emerge from the parasitized eggs except that residual effect on the egg-shell kill the wasps at the emergence. On the other hands, koinobiont parasitoids utilize the host that continues to grow after parasitization, and are kept under physiological depression, especially in immune response by PDV plus venom. These mean the high susceptibility to insecticides during larval development. After all, larval parasitoids cannot develop in and emerge from hosts killed by insecticide treatment during their development even if the parasitoid larvae have resistance against the pesticide chemicals. Sub-lethal dose did not make severe effect on emergence rate of parasitoid even when insecticide treatment was performed during late parasitism except some neonicotinoids, though the susceptibility of the hosts treated with insecticides before parasitization or of the hosts treated with insecticides after parasitization along with growth and development was different between insecticides. On the other hands, parasitoid wasps had a high susceptibility to insecticides. When the insecticide spray in the agro-fields should be performed using place to escape for wasps like refuge, companion or banker plants. If transgenic crops will be used with methods or techniques that constrain the development of resistance strain, it may be valid and useful to depress the pest insect population. The parasitoid larvae were successfully emerged from the parasitized hosts at sub-lethal dose anytime during larval development, though the emergence rate is low. The parasitoids emerged from the hosts may lead to the potential to regulate the population density of pest insect.

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