

## PHENOTYPIC AND GENOTYPIC STABILITY FOR EARLINESS, YIELD AND ITS COMPONENTS IN SOME CHICKPEA GENOTYPES

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**ABSTRACT:** High productivity and stability of performance over environment are two desired features in chickpea genotypes. The objectives of the present investigation were to evaluate some genotypes of chickpea for their yield stability under different environments. Nineteen genotypes chickpea, namely Giza 1, Giza 3, Giza 4 cultivars and sixteen genotypes from ICARDA and Zarzoura were grown in a randomized complete block design with three replications in the three locations (El-Gemmeiza, Giza and Zarzoura) in two grown seasons 2004/2005 and 2005/2006. Seven traits including morphological traits, yield and yield components i.e. flowering and maturity dates, number of branches /plant, number of capsules /plant, 100 seed weight and seed yield /plant were recorded.

All traits showed highly significant mean squares for genotypes, environments and genotypes  $\times$  environment interaction. Genotype number 7 gave the highest desirable significant for flowering and maturity date, number of capsules /plant and seed yield /plant. Moreover environments compared to the other genotypes, while genotype number 4 gave the least significant one.

According to phenotypic stability (Eberhart and Russell 1966), genotypes numbers 7, 5, 11, 13, and 14 for flowering date, numbers of 7, 5 and 8 for maturity date, numbers 2, 3, 5 and genotype 6 for number of branches /plant; number 2, 3, 6, 7, 10 and 13 for number of capsules /plant; numbers 1, 3, 4, 8, 11 and 12 for 100 seed weight and genotypes numbers 1, 2, 3, 6, 7 and 14 for seed yield /plant gave mean values above grand mean and their regression coefficients (bi) did not differ significantly from unity. Also, the minimum deviation mean squares ( $S^2d$ ) were detected.

Average genotypic stability was recorded by genotypes number 5, 7, 9, and 19 for flowering date; by genotype number 12 for maturity date, by 7, 4 and 9 for number of branches /plant, by 2, 9, 3 and 10 for number of capsules /plant, by 4, 2, 6, 7, 8 and 9 for seed index and by 7, 12 and 14 for seed yield /plant. The promising genotype number 7 is likely to be candidate to replace

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Table (1): The pedigree and origin of nineteen chickpea genotypes .

| Entry no. | Genotypes     | Pedigree  | Origin         |
|-----------|---------------|---|----------------|
| 1         | FLIP 97 -174C | X94TH122/(FLIP 90-20C x FLIP 90-97C) x FLIP 90-124C | ICARDA/ICRISAT |
| 2         | FLIP 98-37C   | X95TH47/(FLIP 88-6C x ILC3373)x FLIP 89 -4C         | ICARDA/ICRISAT |
| 3         | FLIP 98 -174C | X95TH24/(FLIP 91 - 196C x FLIP 87 33C)              | ICARDA/ICRISAT |
| 4         | FLIP 99 -19C  | X96TH23/(FLIP 93- 146C x FLIP 93 - 98 C)            | ICARDA/ICRISAT |
| 5         | FLIP 99-33C   | X96TH6/(FLIP 88 -83C xFLIP 94-4C)                   | ICARDA/ICRISAT |
| 6         | ILC263        | PI339223  | Turkey         |
| 7         | Etaf 38       | Giza 195 x Giza 531                                 | Egyptian       |
| 8         | Tochki        | Agriculture research center                         | Egyptian       |
| 9         | Giza 1        | Agriculture research center                         | Egyptian       |
| 10        | Giza 4        | (ILCFLIP84- 92 )x ILC613                            | Egyptian       |
| 11        | Giza 3        | Selection from FLIP8020                             | Egyptian       |
| 12        | ILC7374       | ICC 4866  | Russia         |
| 13        | FLIP 97-85C   | X94TH12/FLIP 90 - 132Cx S91347                      | ICARDA/ICRISAT |
| 14        | FLIP 97-110C  | X94TH12/FLIP 90 - 132Cx S91347                      | ICARDA/ICRISAT |
| 15        | FLIP 99 -54C  | X96TH45/(FLIP 91 - 149CxFLIP 93-194C)xFLIP91-105C   | ICARDA/ICRISAT |
| 16        | FLIP 97 -219C | X94TH12/FLIP 90 - 132Cx S91347                      | ICARDA/ICRISAT |
| 17        | FLIP 97-229C  | X94TH107/(FLIP 90 - 63Cx S91104) xS91347            | ICARDA/ICRISAT |
| 18        | FLIP-121C     | X94TH12/FLIP 90 - 132Cx S91347                      | ICARDA/ICRISAT |
| 19        | FLIP 99-44C   | X96TH24/FLIP 93 - 176Cx UC 15                       | ICARDA/ICRISAT |

Table (2): Combined analysis of variances for flowering and maturity dates, number of branches /plant, number of capsules/plant, 100 seed weight ,seed yield /plant .

| Sources of variation | d.f | Flowering date | maturity date | number of branches /plant | number of capsules/plant | 100 seed weight | seed yield /plant |
|----------------------|-----|----------------|---------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Environments(Env.)   | 5   | 241.5**        | 365.8**       | 3.947**                   | 633.168**                | 41.718**        | 74.817**          |
| Rep within Env.      | 12  | 4.062          | 0.916         | 0.448**                   | 20.841**                 | 4.757**         | 1.797             |
| Genotypes            | 18  | 1331.208**     | 492.444**     | 5.716**                   | 1251.425**               | 555.460**       | 109.218**         |
| Env. x genotypes     | 90  | 19.744**       | 14.455**      | 0.800**                   | 18.155**                 | 4.482**         | 1.684**           |
| Error                | 216 | 4.1076         | 1.750         | 0.107                     | 4.545                    | 1.771           | 0.647             |

The significant Ex G effects demonstrated that genotypes responded differently to the variation in environmental conditions of location and indicated the necessity of testing chickpea genotypes at multiple environments. This shows the difficulties encountered by breeders in selecting new genotypes for release. These difficulties arise mainly from the masking effects of variable environments. Thus, it is important to study adaptation patterns, genotypes response and their stability in multi-location trials. Significant difference were exhibited among genotypes for all traits studied and the genotypes responded differently at the different environments. This may lead to the conclusion that it is essential to determine the degree of stability of each genotypes.

Environment mean squares were significant for all the studied traits, indicating an over all differences among six environments (table 3). The environment number 5 (Giza) followed by environment number 2 (Giza) gave the earliest for flowering and maturity dates compared with other environments. While, the environment number 4 (El-Gemmeiza) gave the highest mean values for number of branches /plant and number of capsoules /plant. These results indicating that the climatic conditions and soil properties of environment number 4 (El-Gemmeiza) encouraged production of chickpea genotypes. Also, environment number 6 (Zarzoura) and environment number 3 (Zarzoura) gave the highest mean values for 100 seed weight and seed yield /plant, respectively. Previously report of Sivakumar and Piara Singh (1987) and Saxena *et al* (1990) detected significant environmental effects on the yielding ability of some chickpea genotypes.

Genotypes and genotypes x environments interaction were found to be significant for all traits, revealing that genotypes carried genes with different additive and additive x additive effects which seemed to be inconstant from environment to another.

The differences among genotypes overall environments regarding the all traits reached the significant level (Table 4). Genotype Etay 38 (number 7) gave the desirable highest significant for flowering and maturity dates, number of capsoules /plant, seed yield /plant and seed yield /fed over all environments compared to the other genotypes. While, FLIP99 -19c genotype showed significant lateness of maturity and lowest one for number of branches and number of capsoules and seed yield /plant. The average of mean performance for number of branches /plant ranged from 2.97 for genotype FLIP99 -19c to 4.54 for genotype FLIP98 -37c. The genotype FLIP99 -19c followed by ILC7374 gave the heavier 100 seed weight overall environments.

#### The stability analysis:

Results of pooled analysis of variance in Table 4 showed that genotype mean square were highly significant for all the traits studied. Mean square due to environment and genotype -environment interaction were high significant for all traits and suggested that the genotype intera considerably with the varying environments.

Table (3): Mean values of morphological characters, yield and yield components as affected by locations and genotypes combined analysis of 2004/2005 and 2005/2006 seasons

| Locations         | Flowering date | maturity date | number of branches /plant | number of capsules / plant | 100 seed weight | seed yield /plant |
|-------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 1 (EL-Gemmelza)   | 84.088         | 167.544       | 3.449                     | 31.211                     | 32.521          | 9.991             |
| 2 (Giza)          | 83.789         | 166.737       | 3.232                     | 29.877                     | 32.143          | 9.546             |
| 3 (Zarzoura)      | 87.123         | 171.597       | 3.800                     | 33.947                     | 33.811          | 12.607            |
| 4 (EL-Gemmelza)   | 86.561         | 168.333       | 3.904                     | 38.211                     | 33.787          | 11.244            |
| 5 (Giza)          | 81.772         | 164.491       | 3.781                     | 31.579                     | 33.297          | 11.321            |
| 6 (Zarzoura)      | 86.246         | 165.228       | 3.818                     | 36.842                     | 34.401          | 11.861            |
| Genotypes         |                |               |                           |                            |                 |                   |
| FLIP 97-174C (1)  | 87.778         | 165.889       | 4.167                     | 32.667                     | 39.004          | 11.999            |
| FLIP 98-37C (2)   | 94.00          | 170.00        | 4.539                     | 40.389                     | 39.522          | 14.822            |
| FLIP 98-174C (3)  | 91.389         | 171.444       | 4.078                     | 48.278                     | 35.362          | 15.729            |
| FLIP 99-19C (4)   | 91.722         | 174.111       | 2.972                     | 21.722                     | 43.059          | 8.405             |
| FLIP 99-33C (5)   | 78.61          | 165.167       | 4.333                     | 30.056                     | 32.877          | 8.866             |
| ILC263 (6)        | 88.778         | 165.944       | 4.228                     | 37.944                     | 39.611          | 13.997            |
| Etay 38 (7)       | 56.111         | 149.444       | 3.500                     | 51.222                     | 37.781          | 16.868            |
| Tochki (8)        | 88.056         | 165.056       | 3.261                     | 27.389                     | 35.473          | 9.231             |
| Giza 1 (9)        | 79.333         | 166.889       | 4.144                     | 39.778                     | 28.069          | 10.162            |
| Giza 4 (10)       | 75.333         | 166.389       | 4.017                     | 47.111                     | 24.369          | 10.753            |
| Giza 3 (11)       | 90.722         | 165.778       | 3.878                     | 29.556                     | 34.871          | 9.587             |
| ILC374 (12)       | 92.278         | 169.167       | 4.472                     | 24.278                     | 41.310          | 8.984             |
| FLIP 97-85C (13)  | 87.00          | 168.333       | 3.478                     | 32.778                     | 29.450          | 10.676            |
| FLIP 97-110C (14) | 85.167         | 170.389       | 3.144                     | 33.333                     | 29.963          | 11.300            |
| FLIP 99-54C (15)  | 85.111         | 173.833       | 3.206                     | 28.056                     | 26.673          | 9.884             |
| FLIP 97-219C (16) | 89.222         | 164.444       | 3.017                     | 28.00                      | 28.407          | 9.423             |
| FLIP 97-229C (17) | 88.278         | 166.00        | 3.133                     | 29.222                     | 28.726          | 9.669             |
| FLIP 121C (18)    | 82.566         | 170.444       | 3.011                     | 28.444                     | 29.496          | 10.228            |
| FLIP 99-44C (19)  | 82.222         | 170.389       | 3.033                     | 29.389                     | 28.150          | 11.094            |
| Average           | 84.929         | 167.321       | 3.663                     | 33.611                     | 33.326          | 11.374            |
| L.S.D at 5%       | 3.463          | 2.260         | 0.659                     | 3.643                      | 2.274           | 1.374             |

... sources of variance for G x E interaction for morphological characters, yield and yield

Table (4): Mean squares of variance for G x E interaction for morphological characters, yield and yield components for combined data

| Sources of variation     | d.f | Flowering date | maturity date | number of branches /plant | number of capsules/plant | 100 seed weight | seed yield /plant |
|--------------------------|-----|----------------|---------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Total                    | 113 | 79.487         | 35.369**      | 0.574                     | 80.605                   | 31.297          | 7.344             |
| Genotypes                | 18  | 443.736**      | 164.166**     | 1.905**                   | 417.144**                | 185.146**       | 38.406**          |
| Env (genotypes x Env)    | 95  | 10.471**       | 10.965**      | 0.322**                   | 16.840**                 | 2.147**         | 1.838**           |
| Env (Linear)             | 1   | 402.674**      | 609.684**     | 6.578**                   | 1055.305**               | 69.426**        | 124.710**         |
| (Genotypes x Env) Linear | 18  | 6.040**        | 1.678**       | 0.233**                   | 1.091                    | 1.407**         | 0.362             |
| Pooled deviation         | 76  | 6.363**        | 5.289**       | 0.260**                   | 6.906**                  | 1.438**         | 0.570**           |
| FLIP 97 -174C (1)        | 4   | 1.855          | 3.629**       | 0.093**                   | 1.415                    | 0.264           | 0.639**           |
| FLIP 98-37C (2)          | 4   | 4.890**        | 2.516**       | 0.056                     | 2.500                    | 0.534           | 0.458*            |
| FLIP 98 -174C (3)        | 4   | 26.077**       | 2.014**       | 0.078**                   | 3.161**                  | 0.322           | 0.613**           |
| FLIP 99 -19C (4)         | 4   | 18.375**       | 2.010**       | 0.063                     | 1.295                    | 0.260           | 0.061             |
| FLIP 99-33C (5)          | 4   | 1.240          | 1.832**       | 0.056                     | 1.295                    | 0.353           | 0.069             |
| ILC263 (6)               | 4   | 1.592          | 4.087**       | 0.055                     | 3.162**                  | 0.552           | 0.053             |
| Elay 38 (7)              | 4   | 1.278          | 2.859**       | 0.056                     | 3.540**                  | 0.401           | 0.254             |
| Tochki (8)               | 4   | 2.043          | 2.536**       | 0.060                     | 1.295                    | 0.504           | 0.046             |
| Giza 1 (9)               | 4   | 1.210          | 1.847**       | 0.055                     | 2.219                    | 0.540           | 0.106             |
| Giza 4 (10)              | 4   | 3.408**        | 2.184**       | 0.414**                   | 2.219                    | 1.401**         | 0.106             |
| Giza 3 (11)              | 4   | 0.840          | 4.494**       | 0.413**                   | 1.762                    | 1.380**         | 0.055             |
| ILC7374 (12)             | 4   | 1.432          | 0.474         | 0.420**                   | 1.567                    | 1.381**         | 0.310             |
| FLIP 97-85C (13)         | 4   | 2.443**        | 15.208**      | 0.128**                   | 3.306**                  | 1.689**         | 0.564**           |
| FLIP 97-110C (14)        | 4   | 1.146          | 26.861**      | 0.651**                   | 4.047**                  | 0.273           | 0.284             |
| FLIP 99 -54C (15)        | 4   | 14.141**       | 13.638**      | 0.438**                   | 21.891**                 | 4.463**         | 0.228             |
| FLIP 97 -219C (16)       | 4   | 10.088**       | 5.336**       | 0.485**                   | 25.875**                 | 3.437**         | 0.043             |
| FLIP 97-229C (17)        | 4   | 10.415**       | 3.950**       | 0.439**                   | 17.039**                 | 3.645**         | 2.001**           |
| FLIP-121C (18)           | 4   | 15.965**       | 3.022**       | 0.528**                   | 21.526**                 | 3.319**         | 1.826**           |
| FLIP 99-44C (19)         | 4   | 2.641*         | 3.178**       | 0.453**                   | 12.115**                 | 2.594**         | 1.757**           |
| Pooled error             | 228 | 1.368          | 0.568         | 0.041                     | 1.800                    | 0.642           | 0.235             |

The significance of genotype – environment (Linear) mean squares was detected for all traits indicating that genotypes differ genetically in linear response to different environments when they were tested with pooled deviations. On the other hand the highly significant of pooled deviation for all traits under study indicated that the major components differences for stability were due to deviation from the linear function. This results lead to the conclusion that it is necessary to determine the degree of stability for each genotype. These results are in harmony with those previously reached by Khan et al. (1987), Omar (2004) and Omar et al (2004)..

#### Phenotypic and genotypic stability parameters:

The phenotypic stability of the studies genotypes were measured by the three parameters, i.e. mean performance over environments, the linear regression and the deviations from regression function (Table 5). Eberhart and Russell (1966) reported that the phenotypes stability of genotype is that which has a high mean yield,  $b_i$  value equal one and the deviation from regression near zero.

According to these reports genotypes number 7, 5, 11, 13 and 14 for flowering date; number 7, 5 and 8 for maturity date; number 2, 3, 5 and 6 for number of branches /plant; number 2, 3, 6, 7, 10 and 13 for number of capsoules /plant; number 1, 3, 4, 8, 11 and 12 for 100 seed weight and number 1, 2, 3, 6, 7 and 14 for seed yield /plant gave mean values above the grand mean and their regression coefficients ( $b_i$ ) did not differ significantly from unity. Also, the minimum deviation mean squares ( $S^2_d$ ) were detected, revealing that these genotypes were more phenotypic stable than others under the environment studies for these trait.

For all traits studied, mean performances in addition to estimates of the parameters  $\alpha_i$  and  $\lambda_i$  for each genotypes are presented in tables (6). It was evident that the relative ranking of genotypes according to their mean performance over the environments were not the same for all traits and the estimated statistics of genotypic stability were done.

The distribution of  $\alpha_i$  and  $\lambda_i$  values (genotypic stability parameters) of genotypes are presented in graphics and it should be noticed that the vertical axis is  $\alpha_i$  which ranges from -1 to 1. The curves are prediction limits for  $\alpha_i = 0$  at levels of probability of 0.90, 0.95 and 0.99 and the horizontal axis is  $\lambda_i$ . Otherwise, the two vertical lines are the confidence intervals for  $\lambda_i = 1$ . The area between the two vertical line and inside curve ( $\alpha_i = 0$  and  $\lambda_i = 1$ ) includes the average stable genotypes and the area between the two vertical lines and under the curve ( $\alpha_i < 0$  and  $\lambda_i = 1$ ) includes above average stable genotypes.



Table (5): Estimates of phenotypic stability for flowering and maturity dates, number of branches /plant, number of capsules /plant, 100 seed weight, seed yield /plant of nineteen chickpea genotypes.

| genotypes | Flowering date |        |                  |                  |                  | maturity date |         |                  |                  |                  | number of branches /plant |        |                  |                  |                  |
|-----------|----------------|--------|------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|---------|------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------------|--------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|           | Average        | b      | S <sup>2</sup> d | t <sub>0.1</sub> | t <sub>0.5</sub> | Average       | b       | S <sup>2</sup> d | t <sub>0.1</sub> | t <sub>0.5</sub> | Average                   | b      | S <sup>2</sup> d | t <sub>0.1</sub> | t <sub>0.5</sub> |
|           | 1              | 87.778 | 1.420            | 0.487            | 1.419            | 4.797         | 165.889 | 0.857            | 3.051            | -0.422           | 2.850                     | 4.167  | 2.800            | 0.051            | 3.086            |
| 2         | 94.90          | 0.768  | 3.332            | -0.517           | 1.607            | 170.00        | 0.955   | 1.948            | -0.160           | 3.409            | 4.539                     | 1.860  | 0.015            | 1.382            | 3.850            |
| 3         | 91.369         | -0.144 | 24.709           | -1.031           | -0.130           | 171.444       | 0.942   | 1.445            | -0.227           | 3.762            | 4.078                     | 1.019  | 0.038            | 0.040            | 2.143            |
| 4         | 91.722         | 0.804  | 17.007           | -0.210           | 0.863            | 174.111       | 0.942   | 1.442            | -0.228           | 3.767            | 2.972                     | 1.310  | 0.021            | 0.726            | 3.065            |
| 5         | 76.81          | 1.136  | -0.128           | 0.562            | 4.894            | 165.167       | 0.936   | 1.264            | -0.264           | 3.919            | 4.333                     | 1.601  | 0.014            | 1.491            | 3.971            |
| 6         | 88.778         | 1.150  | 0.225            | 0.592            | 4.339            | 165.944       | 0.851   | 3.519            | -0.419           | 2.386            | 4.228                     | 1.843  | 0.014            | 1.600            | 4.087            |
| 7         | 86.111         | 1.052  | -0.089           | 0.334            | 4.404            | 149.444       | 0.869   | 2.291            | -0.438           | 2.914            | 3.500                     | 1.601  | 0.014            | 1.491            | 3.971            |
| 8         | 88.086         | 1.514  | 0.674            | 1.556            | 4.875            | 185.056       | 0.876   | 1.957            | -0.440           | 3.115            | 3.261                     | 1.393  | 0.018            | 0.841            | 3.334            |
| 9         | 79.333         | 1.118  | -0.158           | 0.494            | 4.876            | 165.889       | 0.894   | 1.278            | -0.440           | 3.726            | 4.144                     | 1.768  | 0.014            | 1.811            | 4.400            |
| 10        | 75.333         | 1.834  | 2.038            | 1.581            | 4.074            | 168.369       | 1.285   | 1.616            | 1.018            | 4.848            | 4.017                     | -0.174 | 0.373            | -1.073           | -0.158           |
| 11        | 90.722         | 1.547  | -0.528           | 2.748            | 7.768            | 165.778       | 1.222   | 3.528            | 0.595            | 3.266            | 3.878                     | 0.117  | 0.372            | -0.807           | 0.107            |
| 12        | 92.278         | 1.680  | 0.054            | 2.498            | 6.344            | 169.187       | 1.671   | -0.084           | 5.819            | 13.743           | 4.472                     | 0.408  | 0.279            | -0.536           | 0.370            |
| 13        | 87.00          | 1.262  | 1.078            | 0.774            | 3.718            | 168.333       | 1.203   | 14.839           | 0.286            | 1.748            | 3.478                     | 1.861  | 0.037            | 1.410            | 3.048            |
| 14        | 85.167         | 1.271  | -0.222           | 1.166            | 5.463            | 170.369       | 0.845   | 25.293           | -0.060           | 1.953            | 3.164                     | -0.054 | 0.508            | -0.788           | -0.039           |
| 15        | 85.111         | 0.718  | 12.773           | -0.345           | 0.878            | 173.833       | 0.772   | 13.058           | -0.348           | 1.185            | 3.206                     | 0.921  | 0.398            | -0.076           | 0.816            |
| 16        | 89.222         | 0.491  | 8.719            | -0.736           | 0.712            | 164.444       | 0.587   | 4.768            | -0.896           | 1.465            | 3.017                     | -0.355 | 0.443            | -1.145           | -0.300           |
| 17        | 88.278         | 0.142  | 9.047            | -1.223           | 0.203            | 165.00        | 1.022   | 3.382            | 0.6836           | 2.813            | 3.133                     | 0.962  | 0.388            | -0.033           | 0.854            |
| 18        | 82.886         | 0.116  | 14.587           | -1.0192          | 0.133            | 170.444       | 1.083   | 2.454            | 0.271            | 3.528            | 3.011                     | 0.861  | 0.487            | -0.118           | 0.669            |
| 19        | 82.222         | 1.282  | 1.273            | 0.827            | 3.668            | 170.369       | 1.089   | 2.609            | 0.283            | 3.461            | 3.033                     | -0.035 | 0.411            | -0.905           | -0.031           |

Table (5): Continue

| genotypes | number of capsules /plant |       |                  |                  |                  | 100 seed weight |        |                  |                  |                  | Seed yield /plant |       |                  |                  |                  |
|-----------|---------------------------|-------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|           | Average                   | b     | S <sup>2</sup> d | t <sub>b-1</sub> | t <sub>b-2</sub> | Average         | b      | S <sup>2</sup> d | t <sub>b-1</sub> | t <sub>b-2</sub> | Average           | b     | S <sup>2</sup> d | t <sub>b-1</sub> | t <sub>b-2</sub> |
| 1         | 32.667                    | 0.852 | -0.385           | -0.926           | 5.338            | 39.004          | 0.903  | -0.378           | -0.358           | 3.359            | 11.999            | 0.946 | 0.404            | 0.557            | 3.760            |
| 2         | 40.389                    | 0.964 | 0.699            | -0.168           | 4.544            | 39.522          | 1.548  | -0.108           | 1.432            | 4.046            | 14.922            | 1.060 | 0.223            | 0.003            | 3.785            |
| 3         | 46.278                    | 1.009 | 1.381            | 0.038            | 4.229            | 35.362          | 1.296  | -0.319           | 0.897            | 4.360            | 15.729            | 1.040 | 0.378            | 0.506            | 3.776            |
| 4         | 21.722                    | 0.829 | -0.505           | -1.114           | 5.434            | 43.059          | 1.260  | -0.382           | 0.974            | 4.770            | 8.405             | 0.930 | -0.174           | -0.226           | 10.093           |
| 5         | 30.056                    | 0.829 | -0.506           | -1.114           | 5.434            | 32.877          | 1.345  | -0.289           | 1.109            | 4.323            | 8.866             | 1.043 | -0.167           | -0.043           | 9.893            |
| 6         | 37.944                    | 1.009 | 1.362            | 0.038            | 4.229            | 39.511          | 1.564  | -0.090           | 1.451            | 4.022            | 13.997            | 1.016 | -0.182           | -0.465           | 10.564           |
| 7         | 51.222                    | 1.031 | 1.739            | 0.124            | 4.065            | 37.781          | 0.848  | -0.241           | -1.057           | 1.958            | 16.868            | 1.100 | 0.018            | 1.018            | 6.097            |
| 8         | 27.389                    | 0.829 | -0.505           | -1.114           | 5.434            | 35.473          | 1.520  | -0.139           | 1.400            | 4.091            | 9.231             | 1.044 | -0.189           | -0.865           | 11.509           |
| 9         | 39.778                    | 0.941 | 0.418            | -0.290           | 4.711            | 28.069          | 1.553  | -0.102           | 1.439            | 4.039            | 10.162            | 1.01  | 1.232            | -0.256           | 1.817            |
| 10        | 47.111                    | 0.941 | 0.418            | -0.290           | 4.711            | 24.369          | 1.537  | 0.759            | 0.862            | 2.482            | 10.753            | 1.037 | -0.129           | 0.446            | 8.301            |
| 11        | 29.566                    | 0.897 | -0.048           | -0.879           | 5.051            | 34.871          | 1.416  | 0.737            | 0.678            | 2.305            | 9.597             | 1.016 | -0.180           | -0.417           | 10.452           |
| 12        | 24.276                    | 0.874 | -0.233           | -0.746           | 6.206            | 41.310          | 1.431  | 0.738            | 0.702            | 2.329            | 8.964             | 1.013 | 0.075            | 1.846            | 6.442            |
| 13        | 32.776                    | 1.183 | 1.505            | 0.752            | 4.850            | 29.450          | 1.307  | 1.047            | 0.305            | 1.775            | 10.678            | 0.971 | 0.329            | 0.590            | 3.909            |
| 14        | 23.333                    | 1.228 | 2.246            | 0.846            | 4.551            | 29.963          | 0.991  | -0.369           | -0.032           | 3.821            | 11.300            | 0.724 | 0.046            | 2.444            | 7.2606           |
| 15        | 28.056                    | 1.254 | 2.080            | 0.405            | 1.898            | 26.673          | -0.110 | 3.821            | -1.004           | -0.099           | 9.915             | 0.832 | -0.068           | -0.891           | 4.797            |
| 16        | 26.00                     | 1.142 | 24.074           | 0.208            | 1.673            | 28.407          | 0.786  | 2.794            | -0.209           | 0.821            | 9.554             | 1.103 | -0.192           | -1.754           | 10.5             |
| 17        | 26.222                    | 0.904 | 16.238           | -0.011           | 1.784            | 26.720          | -0.587 | 3.003            | -1.558           | -0.507           | 9.423             | 1.007 | 1.765            | -0.789           | 1.012            |
| 18        | 29.444                    | 0.990 | 19.728           | -0.018           | 1.880            | 29.466          | 0.220  | 2.677            | -0.817           | 0.231            | 9.969             | 1.136 | 1.591            | -0.648           | 1.249            |
| 19        | 26.389                    | 1.185 | 10.315           | 0.418            | 2.559            | 28.160          | 0.425  | 1.952            | -0.691           | 0.505            | 10.226            | 0.925 | 1.521            | -0.563           | 1.368            |

Table (6): Parameters of genotypic stability for morphological characters, yield and yield components of nineteen chickpea genotypes

| Genotypes | Flowering date |           | Maturity date |           | Number of branches/plant |           | Number of capsules/plant |           | 100 seed weight |           | Seed yield /plant |           |
|-----------|----------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
|           | $\alpha$       | $\lambda$ | $\alpha$      | $\lambda$ | $\alpha$                 | $\lambda$ | $\alpha$                 | $\lambda$ | $\alpha$        | $\lambda$ | $\alpha$          | $\lambda$ |
| 1         | 0.4272         | 1.136     | -0.1426       | 5.2634    | 1.8052                   | 1.6206    | -0.1628                  | 0.7832    | -0.109          | 0.3763    | 0.1781            | 2.4694    |
| 2         | 0.2478         | 2.8906    | -0.0462       | 3.0468    | 0.6317                   | 1.2628    | -0.037                   | 1.3939    | 0.6177          | 0.7149    | 0.0098            | 1.7964    |
| 3         | -1.1645        | 16.0103   | -0.0874       | 2.9226    | 0.0216                   | 1.838     | 0.0094                   | 1.7626    | 0.3341          | 0.4476    | 0.1689            | 2.3992    |
| 4         | -0.1992        | 11.3312   | -0.0574       | 2.9226    | 0.3601                   | 1.4613    | -0.176                   | 0.7144    | 0.2929          | 0.3614    | -0.0224           | 0.2416    |
| 5         | 0.1363         | 0.7667    | -0.0835       | 2.6598    | 0.6787                   | 1.2283    | -0.176                   | 0.7144    | 0.3889          | 0.4859    | -0.0047           | 0.2713    |
| 6         | 0.193          | 0.9821    | -0.1487       | 5.9268    | 0.7256                   | 1.2087    | 0.0094                   | 1.7626    | 0.636           | 0.7381    | -0.045            | 0.2105    |
| 7         | 0.0836         | 0.769     | -0.1304       | 4.1351    | 0.6787                   | 1.2283    | 0.0326                   | 1.9736    | -0.395          | 0.5545    | 0.2049            | 0.9894    |
| 8         | 0.6229         | 1.2483    | -0.1244       | 3.6701    | 0.444                    | 1.38      | -0.176                   | 0.7144    | 0.5861          | 0.6765    | -0.0748           | 0.1616    |
| 9         | 0.12           | 0.7477    | -0.1061       | 2.6724    | 0.8664                   | 1.1597    | -0.0601                  | 1.2383    | 0.6238          | 0.7226    | -0.1439           | 5.7438    |
| 10        | 0.6451         | 2.0815    | 0.2659        | 3.1672    | -1.3246                  | 9.3756    | -0.0601                  | 1.2383    | 0.606           | 1.9574    | 0.0582            | 0.4159    |
| 11        | 0.6566         | 0.5039    | 0.2233        | 6.4976    | -0.996                   | 9.5121    | -0.1065                  | 0.9742    | 0.4656          | 1.9452    | -0.0393           | 0.2175    |
| 12        | 0.6611         | 0.8637    | 0.6727        | 0.6776    | -0.6674                  | 9.7924    | -0.1296                  | 0.8698    | 0.4867          | 1.9445    | 0.4118            | 1.1907    |
| 13        | 0.7671         | 1.5043    | 0.2042        | 22.0191   | 0.9712                   | 2.8359    | 0.1998                   | 1.0345    | 0.2339          | 2.406     | 0.1504            | 2.2065    |
| 14        | 0.2789         | 0.7051    | -0.0547       | 37.4272   | -1.1886                  | 15.0192   | 0.2362                   | 2.242     | -0.01           | 0.3915    | 0.3213            | 1.0723    |
| 15        | -0.2871        | 8.7175    | -0.02277      | 19.7439   | -0.0889                  | 10.2665   | 0.2632                   | 12.185    | -1.2515         | 6.181     | -0.1075           | 0.8928    |
| 16        | -0.5173        | 6.2084    | -0.4032       | 7.7228    | -1.5292                  | 10.9137   | 0.1473                   | 14.4173   | -0.228          | 4.5108    | -0.1463           | 0.1681    |
| 17        | -0.8725        | 6.3929    | 0.0224        | 5.7176    | -0.042                   | 10.3287   | -0.0082                  | 9.497     | -1.755          | 4.913     | -0.452            | 7.8021    |
| 18        | -0.8992        | 9.603     | 0.0833        | 4.366     | -0.1671                  | 12.4115   | -0.0089                  | 11.8887   | -0.8786         | 4.8482    | -0.349            | 7.132     |
| 19        | 0.2869         | 1.6247    | 0.0894        | 4.5947    | -1.1685                  | 10.3657   | 0.2023                   | 5.7433    | -0.6474         | 3.5372    | -0.2369           | 9.8945    |

From the results illustrated in table (6) and Fig (1) it could be stated that the genotypes number 7,5,19,6,8,11 and 14 showed the average degree of genotypic stability. While, the genotypes number 7,5,9 and 19 gave the earliest of flowering date compared with grand mean and it had average degree of stability for this trait.

For maturity date the results indicated that the genotype number 12 gave the below average degree of stability. While other genotypes were not stable for this trait.

From the results presented in table 5 and illustrated in Fig (3), it could be stated that the estimated  $\alpha_i$  statistics were not significantly differed than zero for all genotypes except number 1 at 0.95 level of probability.

The estimated  $\lambda_i$  statistics were not significantly differed than unity for genotypes number 2,4,5,6,8 and 9 for number of branches /plant. This result indicates that the checkpea number 7,4,9,6,2 and 5 showed the below average degree of stability. Also, the first three genotypes gave significantly higher mean performance compared the grand mean.

Fig (4) gives a graphic summary that could be useful in identifying the genetically stable genotypes for number of capsoules. It could be noticed that the average stability area in the Fig. (4) contained genotypes number 1,2,4,5,8,9,10,11 and 12 were not significant different from  $\alpha_i = 0$  at all probability levels. The genotype number 2, 9 and 10 in addition, gave the highest number of capsoules /plant than grand mean, indicating that these genotypes fitted in this case for average stability. However, the genotypes 1,4,5,8,11, and 12 gave lower mean values than the grand mean, indicating that these genotypes performed better under less favourable environments.

The distributions of the  $\alpha_i$  and  $\lambda_i$  values for 100 seed weight are plotted in Fig (5). The average area at different probability levels in the figure contained genotypes 7, 4, 2, 6, 9 and 8. The genotype number 7 was above average of stability and it gave the highest 100 seed weight. However the 4, 2, 6 and 9 were the average of stability and it gave the highest mean values than grand mean, indicating that these genotypes are fitted in this case for favourable environments as they had high ( $b_i$ ) values than one.

Fig (6) gives a graphic summary that could be useful in identifying the genetically stable genotypes for seed yield /plant. It could be noticed that the average stability area in the figure contained genotypes number 15,7,12 and 14 were not significant different from  $\alpha_i = 0$  at all the probability levels. The other genotypes were unstable for this trait. Among the average stable of genotypes number 7 and 14 are highest seed yield /plant than grand mean and gave the average genetic stability over all environments. The both genotypes may be recommended to be released for commercial chick pea production, which they performed better under all environments. It could be stated that, only of the high yielding promising genotype number 7 that had satisfactory stability. Itay 38 genotype was the promising genotype, where gave superior traits in earliness yield and yield components. This promising genotype number 7 is likely to be candidate to replace the present alternative varieties whereas gave superior traits (earliness yield and some of yield components).

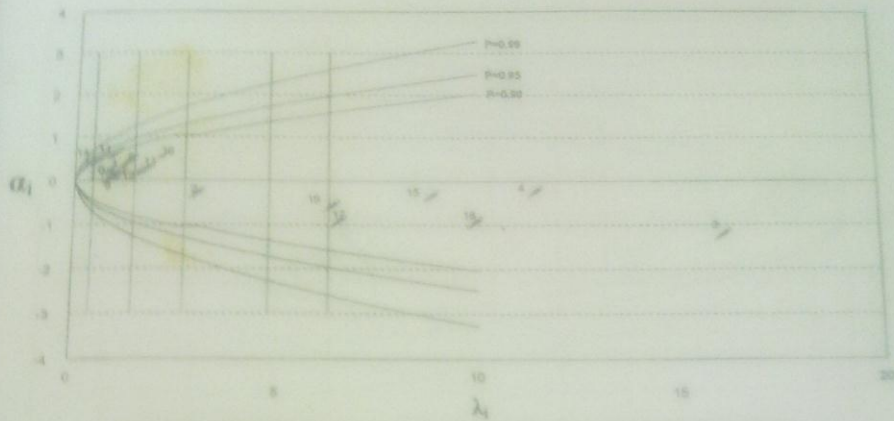


Fig (1) Distribution of stability statistics of heading date

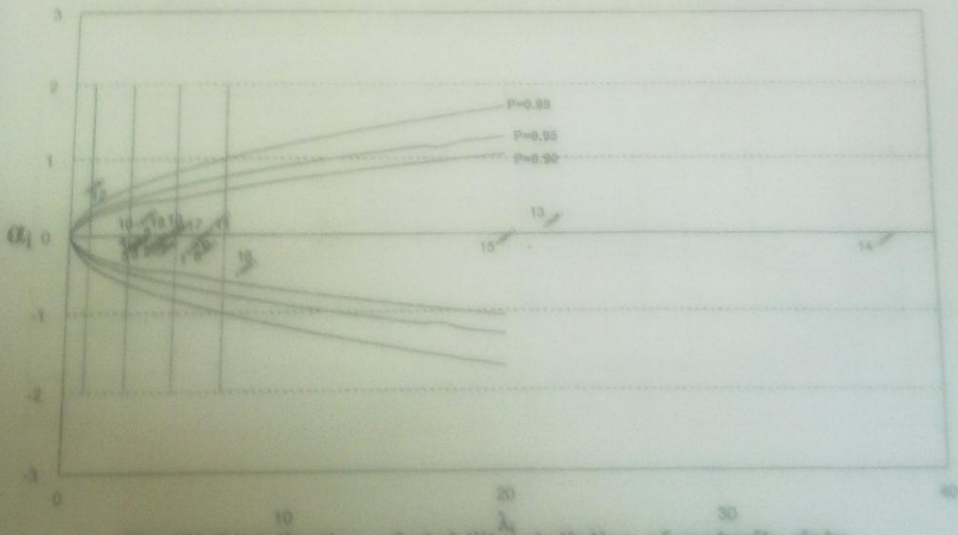


Fig (2) Distribution of stability statistics of maturity date

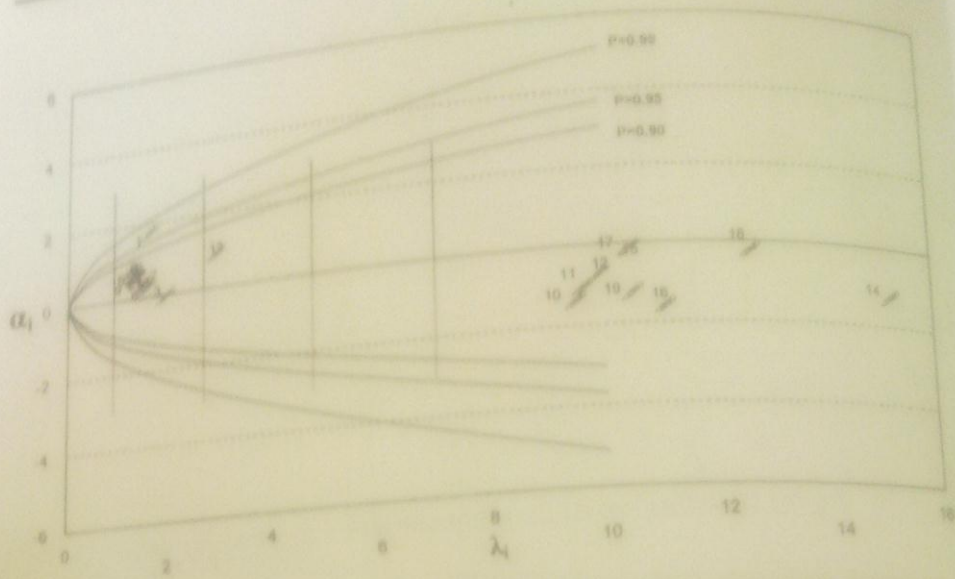


Fig (3) Distribution of stability statistics of number of branches/plant

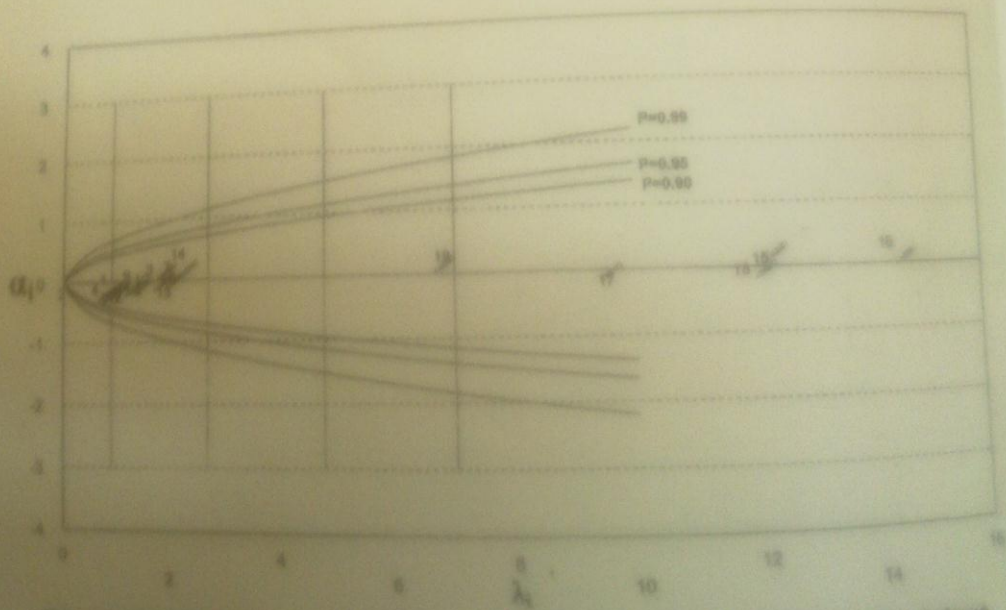


Fig (4) Distribution of stability statistics of number of capsules/plant

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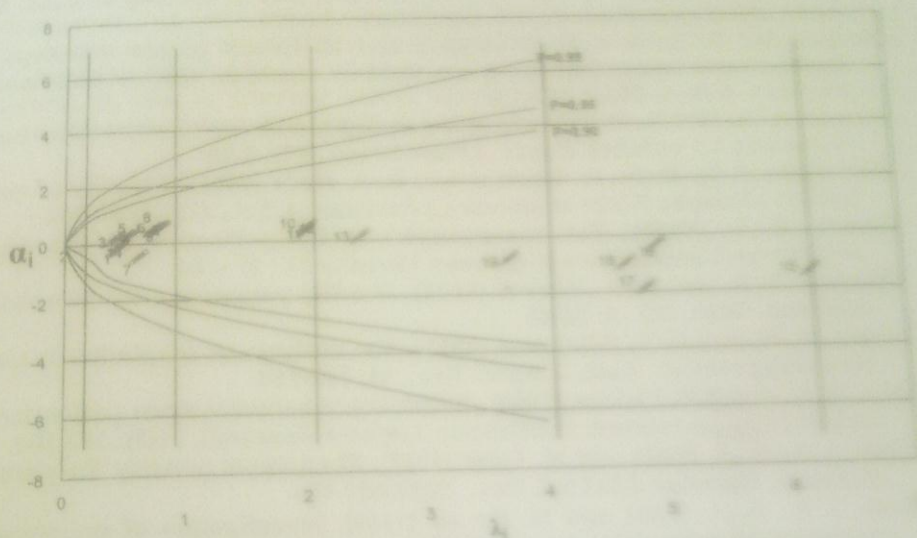


Fig (5) Distribution of stability statistics of 100 seed weight

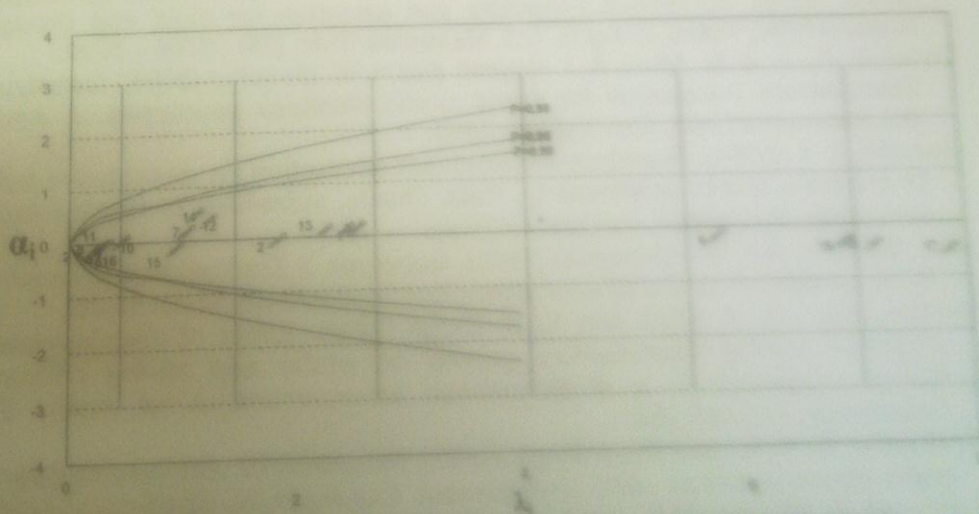


Fig (6) Distribution of stability statistics of seed yield/plant

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## النبات المظهري والوراثي للتبكير والمحصول ومكوناته في بعض التركيب الوراثية في الحمص

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### الملخص العربي

إن المحصول العالي مع ثبات الإنتاج يعتبران من أهم الصفات الواجب توافرها في أي صنف حمص لهذا أجرى البحث لدراسة تقييم بعض التركيب الوراثية للحمص من حيث الصفات المورفولوجية والمحصولية ومعالم الثبات المظهري والوراثي تحت بيئات مختلفة وكانت التركيب المدروسة هي ثلاثة أصناف من الحمص جيزة ١ ، جيزة ٣ ، جيزة ٤ ، وستة عشر أصل وراثي مستوردات من الايكاردا ومحطة البحوث الزراعية بإيتاي البارود (زرزورة). تم زراعة التجربة خلال موسمي ٢٠٠٤/٢٠٠٥ ، ٢٠٠٥/٢٠٠٦ في ثلاثة مكررات في المزرعة البحثية لكل من الجيزة والجميزة وإيتاي البارود وتم اخذ سبعة صفات وهي تاريخ التزهير والنضج وعد الفروع للنبات وعدد الكبسولات لكل نبات ووزن ١٠٠ بذرة ، ومحصول البذور للنبات .

ويمكن تلخيص النتائج المتحصل عليها فيما يلي :

- ١- أشارت النتائج إلى أن الفروق بين التركيب الوراثية (كمتوسطات لكل البيئات المدروسة) عالية المعنوية لكل الصفات تحت الدراسة وكذلك تأثير البيئات على كل الصفات المدروسة عالي المعنوية كما أوضحت النتائج أن كل الصفات أظهرت إختلافاً عالي المعنوية في إستجابة التركيب الوراثية للبيئات المختلفة أي أن تأثير كل من التركيب الوراثي والبيئة

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وتفاعل التركيب الوراثي مع البيئة كان عالى المعنوية على الصفات المدروسة. أعطى التركيب الوراثي Etay38 أعلى معنوية مرغوبة لكل الصفات المدروسة (تاريخ التزهير والنضج وعدد الفروع للنبات وعدد الكبسولات لكل نبات ووزن ١٠٠ بذرة، ومحصول الحبوب للنبات في كل البيئات بالمقارنة مع باقى التراكيب الوراثية بينما التركيب الوراثي رقم Flip99-19C أعطى أقل معنوية لكل الصفات المدروسة.

٢- أظهرت النتائج أن التراكيب الوراثية رقم ٧ ، ٥ ، ١١ ، ١٣ ، ١٤ أعطت أعلى القيم لصفة تاريخ التزهير بينما كانت التراكيب الوراثية رقم ٧ ، ٥ ، ٨ لميعاد النضج، والتراكيب الوراثية رقم ٢ ، ٣ ، ٥ ، ٦ لعدد الفروع لكل نبات والتراكيب الوراثية رقم ٢ ، ٣ ، ٦ ، ٧ ، ١٣ لعدد الكبسولات للنبات والتراكيب الوراثية رقم ١ ، ٣ ، ٤ ، ٨ ، ١٢ ، ١١ لزيادة وزن ١٠٠ بذرة ورقم ١ ، ٢ ، ٣ ، ٦ ، ٧ ، ١٤ للمحصول البذور لكل نبات ثباتا مظهريا أعلى من المتوسط العام للصفات المذكورة حيث أن معامل الانحدار لاينحرف عن الوحدة وأعطى أقل قيمة.

٣- أظهرت التراكيب الوراثية رقم ٥ ، ٧ ، ٩ ، ١٩ لميعاد التزهير ١٢ لميعاد النضج ٧ ، ٤ ، ٩ لعدد الفروع لكل نبات ، ٢ ، ٩ ، ١٠ ، ٣ لعدد الكبسولات / نبات ، ٤ ، ٢ ، ٦ ، ٧ ، ٨ ، ٩ لوزن ١٠٠ بذرة ورقم ٧ ، ١٢ ، ١٤ لوزن محصول البذور / نبات ثباتا وراثيا على مستوى البيئات تحت الدراسة واظهر التركيب الوراثي رقم ٧ ثباتا وراثيا للتبكير والمحصول العالى وكذلك مكونات المحصول ولا بد من عمل تجارب اوسع لزراعة هذا التركيب الوراثي واحلالة بالاصناف التجارية .