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SOME BIOLOGICAL STUDIES ON Diaspidiotus prunorum IN ESFAHAN¹

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D. prunorum is a very important sclae pest in Esfahan region affecting cherry, sour cherry, apricot, plum, peach, almond, hawthorn and apple trees among which cherry and apricot trees are the most attacked.

According to our investigations during two consecutive years this insect has two generations a year. The hymenopterous parasites : *Habrolepis* tergrigorianae Tr. and Archenomus bicolor How. have been found to parasitise a considerable number of the pest individuals (for more details refer to figures and tables in Farsi text, prepared in both Farsi and English languages).

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