



## Effect of Anti-Salinity On Growth, Yield and Fruit Quality of Le-Conte Pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) Trees in New Valley

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### ABSTRACT

This investigation was carried out during two successive seasons (2021 and 2022) on the 5 -year- old of 'Le-Conte' pears cultivar grown in a private orchard located at Farafra Oasis, New Valley governorate to study the effects of anti-salinity, foliar application treatments (Salicylic acid at 100ppm and 200ppm and Citric acid at 500ppm and 1000ppm) and soil application treatments (effective microorganism 50ml and 75ml and humic acid 25ml and 50ml) and their interaction on growth, yield and fruit quality, of Le-Conte' pear trees under heat stress conditions. The best results were recorded that citric acid at 1000 ppm with humic acid at 50 ml/tree recorded highest significant values where improved shoot height, shoot diameter, number of leaves per shoot, leaf area, chlorophyll a, chlorophyll b, total chlorophyll in leaf, carotenoids, fruit set %, number of fruit/tree, yield kg/ tree, yield (ton/feddan), fruit weight, fruit volume, fruit length, fruit diameter, fruit shape index, fruit firmness, T.S.S., T.S.S./acid ratio, total sugar, reducing sugar, non reducing sugar and (vitamin C). Leaf nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, calcium, magnesium, iron, zinc and, sodium, chloride and proline and reduced acidity of fruit juice of Le-Conte' pears trees under heat stress conditions.

**Keywords:** 'Le-Conte' pear, anti-salinity, foliar application, Salicylic acid, Citric acid, soil application, effective microorganisms, humic acid, yield and fruit quality

### 1. Introduction

The pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) plant is scientifically known as *Pyrus communis*, stands among the enduring deciduous trees with a legacy spanning centuries. Belonging to the Rosaceae family, which encompasses around 100 genera, *Pyrus* holds a distinguished place with approximately 22 species, with *communis* being one of the most prominent. Originating from the region of Central Asia, this species traversed continents, becoming an emblematic fruit tree in diverse landscapes globally. Renowned for its economic significance, the pear's fruit holds substantial nutritional value alongside medicinal properties, rendering it a prized entity in both culinary and therapeutic realms. The problem of increasing the salinity of irrigation water in recent time is one of the most common problems. These plants are clearly affected by increasing the salinity (Hanfy *et al.* 2019), results showed that the highest values of vegetative growth parameters, were gained with the interaction treatments of 750 or 1000 mg/L from acetyl salicylic acid combined with 6 kg. feddan from humic acid without significant difference between both treatments on *Origanum syriacum* L. plants grown under saline water irrigation stress with 750 mg/L acetyl salicylic acid with applying 6 kg. feddan from humic acid to avoid the depressive effect of salinity on growth and productivity of *Origanum syriacum* L. plants.

Many different types of mechanisms and modern methods were used in order to improve and increase plant resistance to these stresses or inappropriate environmental conditions. Salicylic acid is a signaling or messenger molecule in plants and induces plant tolerance against various biotic and abiotic stresses (Horvath *et al.*, 2007). Among these mechanisms is the spraying of salicylic acid (Al-Taey 2009). Salicylic acid is considered one of the natural plant hormones and is also characterized by its physiological roles of importance in the growth and flowering of the plant and the absorption of ions and its role in opening and closing stomata and its opposite effect to Lateef, (2021).

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Citric acid plays an essential role in signal transduction system, membrane stability and functions, activating transporter enzymes, metabolism and translocation of carbohydrates. In addition, it consider as one of non-enzymatic antioxidants which act to eliminate free radicals produced in plants under stress (Yan-Lin and Soon, 2001).

EM contains selected species of microorganisms including three principal types of organisms namely lactic acid bacteria, yeast actinomyces and photosynthetic bacteria that are commonly found in soils Higa, (1991). In order to increase productivity in plant production in saline soils, soil characteristics need to be improved by adding organic matter Asik *et al.*, (2009). All of these are mutually compatible with one another and can coexist in liquid culture Higa and Wididana, (1991). The basic purpose of EM is the restoration of healthy ecosystem in both soil and water by using genus of microorganisms which are found in nature. Generally, EM technology has been adopted globally and is recognized as a powerful and effective tool in both agriculture and horticulture for crop and animal production systems Chamberlain *et al.*, (1997). EM is used to improve soil fertility and plant growing conditions (Higa, 1991 and Higa and Wididana, 1991).

Many investigators reported that humic acid applications led to a significant increase in soil organic matter which is improves plant growth and crop production. Erik *et al.* (2000) on onion plant and Hafez (2003) on squash, found that the dry matter yield of barley plants grown on sandy and calcareous soils was significantly increased with increasing the addition rate of humic acid from 450 to 900 mg/kg soil. The mechanism of humic acid increasing cell membrane permeability, oxygen uptake, respiration, photosynthesis, phosphate uptake and root cell elongation of plant growth factors have been proposed by some authors to explain positive effect of humic acid (Vaughan, 1974; Cacco and Dell Agnolla, 1984; Russo and Berlyn, 1990). Humic acids may stimulate shoot and root growth, and improve resistance to environmental stress in plant, but the physiological mechanism has not been well established (Delfine *et al.*, 2005). Türkmen *et al.* (2005) suggested that humic acid may promote much growth of pepper seedlings in salty condition. The effect of water shortage and salt level, use of humic substances for removing negative effects of elements in toxic quantities, and effects on plant growth were studied Asik *et al.*, (2009). Humic acid application decreases adverse effects of salt.

This investigation aimed to study the effect of some anti-salinity treatments of salicylic acid and citric acid as a foliar application, also effective microorganism and humic acid as soil application and their combination on vegetative growth and productivity of pear trees under saline conditions.

## 2. Material and Methods

This investigation was carried out during two successive seasons (2021 and 2022) on the 5 -year-old of 'Le-Conte' pears cultivar grown in a private orchard located at Farafra Oasis– New valley governorate planted at 4.0X 6.0 meters apart, grown in sandy soil (approximately 175 plants per feedan) and subjected to irrigation with drip irrigated water. Physical and chemical analyses of the experimental soil were shown in Table (1) and the chemical analyses of the used irrigation water is recorded in table (2) to study the effects of anti-salinity, foliar application treatments (Salicylic acid 100 ppm, 200 ppm and Citric acid 500 ppm, 1000 ppm) and soil application treatments (effective microorganism at 50 ml, 75 ml and humic acid at 25 ml, 50 ml) on growth, yield and fruit quality.

**Table 1:** Analysis of experimental soil.

| Soil Depth (cm)  | Texture Class  | pH Soil past    | E.Ce (dSm <sup>-1</sup> ) | Organic matter %    |                               |                              |      |
|------------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|------|
| 0-30             | Sand           | 8.07            | 1.55                      | 0.21                |                               |                              |      |
| 30-60            | Sand           | 7.82            | 8.47                      | 0.19                |                               |                              |      |
| Cations          |                |                 | Anions                    | CaCO <sub>3</sub> % |                               |                              |      |
| meq/L            |                |                 |                           |                     |                               |                              |      |
| Ca <sup>++</sup> | K <sup>+</sup> | Na <sup>+</sup> | Mg <sup>++</sup>          | Cl <sup>-</sup>     | HCO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> | CO <sub>3</sub> <sup>=</sup> |      |
| 498.25           | 34.02          | 1177.53         | 168.00                    | 2291.00             | 3.55                          | -                            | 7.39 |
| 254.00           | 17.71          | 652.82          | 90.00                     | 1207.50             | 4.85                          | -                            | 7.51 |

**Table 2:** Chemical analysis of water used for irrigation.

| pH   | E. Cw<br>(dS/m) | Millie equivalent / liter |                  |                 |                |                              |                               |                 |
|------|-----------------|---------------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|
|      |                 | Cations                   |                  |                 |                | Anions                       |                               |                 |
|      |                 | Ca <sup>++</sup>          | Mg <sup>++</sup> | Na <sup>+</sup> | K <sup>+</sup> | CO <sub>3</sub> <sup>=</sup> | HCO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> | Cl <sup>-</sup> |
| 6.66 | 0.79            | 1.42                      | 2.22             | 3.24            | 0.66           | 0.00                         | 1.88                          | 5.02            |

Seventy-five healthy trees, nearly uniform in shape, size and productivity, received the same horticultural practices were used in this experiment.

The present study was a factorial experiment with two factors. The first factor involved five levels of foliar application treatments. The second factor consisted of five levels of soil application treatments. The experiment was designed as a randomized complete block design with three replicates for each treatment and each replicate was represented by one tree.

Foliage measurements included the following characters: shoot length, shoot diameter, number of leaves/shoot were recorded in August of both seasons, Leaf area and leaf chlorophyll (a) and (b), total chlorophyll and carotenoids content as measured on Aug. 20th on 20 fully-expanded leaves per tree and sampled from the middle of shoots. Leaf area was recorded using a CI203Area Meter (CID, Inc., USA), while a SPAD 502 chlorophyll meter (Minolta Corporation, Ramsey, N.J., USA) was used in recording chlorophyll readings.

#### Initial fruit set (%)

Number of tagged four shoots had flowers were labeled at full bloom, thereafter number of set fruitlets was recorded. Fruit set percentages were calculated at May, in the first and second seasons, as follows:

$$\text{Initial fruit set \%} = \frac{\text{No. of set fruitlets}}{\text{Total No. of flowers at full bloom}} \times 100$$

#### Number of fruits / tree, yield Kg / tree and yield ton / feddan

At harvest time at last week of July the number of fruits per each replicate was counted and reported then yield (kg) per tree and ton per feddan was estimated and recorded.

#### Fruit physical and chemical properties

Five pear fruits of each replicated at maturity stage were taken at harvest time on September during two seasons from each replicate for determination of the following physical and chemical properties. Fruit weight (g), fruit volume (ml), fruit firmness, fruit length (cm) fruit diameter (cm), fruit shape index (F.L. /F.D.) were determined by separating pulp from the peel and the juice is extracted from the pulp by centrifugation, fruit total soluble solids (T.S.S.) % was determined by Hand refract meter, total acidity percentage was determined in fruit juice according to (A.O.A.C., 1995), T.S.S./Acid ratio according to A.O.A.C. (2000). Total sugars (%), reducing sugars % and non- reducing sugars % were determined in fruit juice (100 nm juice) photo-metrically at 490 nm to the phenol method and using ethyl alcohol for 1 hour at 70°C as described by Dubois *et al.*, (1956). Pulp content of vitamin C (mg/100g f. w.) according to A.O.A.C. (1990) were determined.

Chemical analysis was made on leaf samples to determine some mineral elements content. Samples were taken from intermediate position on current season shoots in August. Leaves were first washed several times with tap water; then with distilled water, dried at 70°C, and finely ground. Samples, 0.5 g each, were digested using H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> as described by Cottenie (1980). Then, extracts were prepared for chemical analysis as described by Jackson (1973). Nitrogen was determined according to the modified Kjeldahl method as described by A.O.A.C. (1975). Phosphorus content was colorimetrically estimated according to Troug and Meyer (1939). Potassium was determined by the flame-photometer according to Jackson (1958). Piper (1950) using flame photometer according to Brown & Lilleland (1946). Calcium and magnesium were determined by titration against versant solution (Na EDTA) according to (Chapman and Pratt, 1961). Iron and Zinc, were determined by using the Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometer "GBC 932 AA". Sodium also was determined by using flame photometer (Brown and Lilleland, (1946). Chloride content was assessed according to the methods of

Higinbotham *et al.*, (1967). Proline content was then colorimetrically estimated at 520 nm according to Bates *et al.*, (1973).

The obtained data were statistically analysed according to Snedecor & Cochran (1990). Mean separation was calculated using L.S.D. values at 5 % level.

### 3. Results and Discussion

Data in table (3) show the effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on shoot length and shoot diameter of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

#### Shoot length

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 1000 ppm had highest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, humic acid at 50 ml/tree recorded highest significant values in both seasons. The interaction between the two studied factors, the treatment of citric acid at 1000 ppm with humic at 50 ml/tree gave highest shoot length in both seasons.

#### Shoot diameter

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 1000 ppm had highest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, humic acid at 25 and 50 ml/tree recorded highest significant values. The interaction between the two studied factors, the treatment of citric acid at 1000 ppm with humic at 25 ml/tree gave highest shoot diameter in both seasons.

Data in table (4) show the effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on number of leaves/shoot, leaf area of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

#### Number of leaves/shoot

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 1000 ppm had highest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, humic acid at 50 ml/tree recorded highest significant values. The interaction between the two studied factors, the treatment of citric acid at 1000 ppm with EM at 75 ml/tree had highest shoot length in both seasons.

#### Leaf area

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 1000 ppm had highest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, humic acid at 50 ml/tree recorded highest significant values. The interaction between the two studied factors, the treatment of citric acid at 1000 ppm with humic at 25 and 50 ml/tree recorded highest shoot length than most of other treatments in both seasons.

Data in table (5) show the effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on chlorophyll a, chlorophyll b of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

#### Chlorophyll a and chlorophyll b

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 500, 1000 ppm in chlorophyll a and 1000 ppm in chlorophyll b had highest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, there are insignificant differences among most of the concentrations of chlorophyll a, chlorophyll b in both seasons. The interaction between the two studied factors, the treatment of 1000 ppm citric acid with both of humic acid of 25 and 50 ml gave highest values of chlorophyll a and b in both seasons.

Data in table (6) show the effect some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on total chlorophyll and carotenoids of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

**Table 3:** Effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on shoot length and shoot diameter of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis L.*) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

| Foliar application treatments | Shoot length (cm)   |                    |                     |                     |                    |                    | Shoot diameter (cm) |                     |                      |                      |                      |                    |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
|                               | Control             | Soil application   |                     |                     |                    | Mean               | Control             | Soil application    |                      |                      |                      | Mean               |
|                               |                     | EM50               | EM75                | H.A. 25             | H.A. 50            |                    |                     | EM50                | EM75                 | H.A. 25              | H.A. 50              |                    |
| First season 2021             |                     |                    |                     |                     |                    |                    |                     |                     |                      |                      |                      |                    |
| Control                       | 48.07 <sup>op</sup> | 50.78 <sup>m</sup> | 51.73 <sup>l</sup>  | 52.23 <sup>kl</sup> | 52.83 <sup>h</sup> | 51.13 <sup>E</sup> | 0.610 <sup>k</sup>  | 0.740 <sup>gh</sup> | 0.750 <sup>fg</sup>  | 0.770 <sup>ef</sup>  | 0.790 <sup>c-e</sup> | 0.732 <sup>D</sup> |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 48.73 <sup>o</sup>  | 53.32 <sup>j</sup> | 54.84 <sup>i</sup>  | 54.48 <sup>i</sup>  | 56.83 <sup>h</sup> | 53.64 <sup>D</sup> | 0.700 <sup>i</sup>  | 0.770 <sup>ef</sup> | 0.740 <sup>gh</sup>  | 0.730 <sup>gh</sup>  | 0.750 <sup>fg</sup>  | 0.738 <sup>D</sup> |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 47.55 <sup>p</sup>  | 56.18 <sup>h</sup> | 57.53 <sup>g</sup>  | 58.03 <sup>g</sup>  | 57.68 <sup>g</sup> | 55.39 <sup>C</sup> | 0.660 <sup>i</sup>  | 0.780 <sup>de</sup> | 0.770 <sup>ef</sup>  | 0.800 <sup>b-d</sup> | 0.790 <sup>c-e</sup> | 0.760 <sup>C</sup> |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 49.43 <sup>n</sup>  | 58.93 <sup>f</sup> | 59.48 <sup>i</sup>  | 60.08 <sup>e</sup>  | 61.02 <sup>d</sup> | 57.79 <sup>B</sup> | 0.690 <sup>i</sup>  | 0.770 <sup>ef</sup> | 0.800 <sup>b-d</sup> | 0.810 <sup>bc</sup>  | 0.820 <sup>b</sup>   | 0.778 <sup>B</sup> |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 50.18 <sup>m</sup>  | 61.35 <sup>d</sup> | 62.04 <sup>c</sup>  | 62.91 <sup>b</sup>  | 64.83 <sup>a</sup> | 60.26 <sup>A</sup> | 0.72 <sup>h</sup>   | 0.810 <sup>bc</sup> | 0.820 <sup>b</sup>   | 0.840 <sup>a</sup>   | 0.780 <sup>de</sup>  | 0.794 <sup>A</sup> |
| Mean                          | 48.79 <sup>E</sup>  | 56.11 <sup>D</sup> | 57.12 <sup>C</sup>  | 57.55 <sup>B</sup>  | 58.64 <sup>A</sup> |                    | 0.676 <sup>C</sup>  | 0.774 <sup>B</sup>  | 0.776 <sup>B</sup>   | 0.790 <sup>A</sup>   | 0.786 <sup>A</sup>   |                    |
| Second season 2022            |                     |                    |                     |                     |                    |                    |                     |                     |                      |                      |                      |                    |
| Control                       | 53.22 <sup>q</sup>  | 55.93 <sup>n</sup> | 56.88 <sup>m</sup>  | 57.38 <sup>lm</sup> | 57.98 <sup>h</sup> | 56.28 <sup>E</sup> | 0.640 <sup>l</sup>  | 0.770 <sup>gh</sup> | 0.780 <sup>g</sup>   | 0.800 <sup>f</sup>   | 0.820 <sup>de</sup>  | 0.762 <sup>D</sup> |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 55.88 <sup>p</sup>  | 58.47 <sup>k</sup> | 59.99 <sup>j</sup>  | 59.63 <sup>j</sup>  | 61.98 <sup>h</sup> | 58.79 <sup>D</sup> | 0.730 <sup>j</sup>  | 0.800 <sup>f</sup>  | 0.770 <sup>gh</sup>  | 0.760 <sup>hi</sup>  | 0.780 <sup>g</sup>   | 0.768 <sup>D</sup> |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 52.70 <sup>q</sup>  | 61.33 <sup>i</sup> | 62.68 <sup>g</sup>  | 63.18 <sup>g</sup>  | 62.83 <sup>g</sup> | 60.54 <sup>C</sup> | 0.690 <sup>k</sup>  | 0.810 <sup>ef</sup> | 0.800 <sup>f</sup>   | 0.830 <sup>cd</sup>  | 0.820 <sup>de</sup>  | 0.790 <sup>C</sup> |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 54.58 <sup>o</sup>  | 64.08 <sup>f</sup> | 64.63 <sup>ef</sup> | 65.23 <sup>e</sup>  | 66.17 <sup>d</sup> | 62.94 <sup>B</sup> | 0.720 <sup>j</sup>  | 0.800 <sup>f</sup>  | 0.830 <sup>cd</sup>  | 0.840 <sup>bc</sup>  | 0.850 <sup>b</sup>   | 0.808 <sup>B</sup> |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 55.33 <sup>n</sup>  | 66.50 <sup>d</sup> | 67.19 <sup>c</sup>  | 68.06 <sup>b</sup>  | 69.98 <sup>a</sup> | 65.41 <sup>A</sup> | 0.750 <sup>i</sup>  | 0.840 <sup>bc</sup> | 0.850 <sup>b</sup>   | 0.870 <sup>a</sup>   | 0.810 <sup>ef</sup>  | 0.824 <sup>A</sup> |
| Mean                          | 53.94 <sup>E</sup>  | 61.26 <sup>D</sup> | 62.27 <sup>C</sup>  | 62.70 <sup>B</sup>  | 63.79 <sup>A</sup> |                    | 0.706 <sup>C</sup>  | 0.804 <sup>B</sup>  | 0.806 <sup>B</sup>   | 0.820 <sup>A</sup>   | 0.816 <sup>A</sup>   |                    |

Means of each row, column or interaction having the same letter (s) are insignificantly different at 5% level.

E.M.: effective microorganisms

H.A.: humic acid

**Table 4:** Effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on number of leaves/shoot, leaf area of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

| Foliar application treatments | No. of leaves/shoot |                  |        |         |         |        | Leaf area (cm <sup>2</sup> ) |                  |         |         |         |        |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------|---------|---------|--------|------------------------------|------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|
|                               | Control             | Soil application |        |         |         | Mean   | Control                      | Soil application |         |         |         | Mean   |
|                               |                     | EM50             | EM75   | H.A. 25 | H.A. 50 |        |                              | EM50             | EM75    | H.A. 25 | H.A. 50 |        |
| First season 2021             |                     |                  |        |         |         |        |                              |                  |         |         |         |        |
| Control                       | 13.00q              | 18.00l           | 19.00k | 18.00l  | 19.00k  | 17.40E | 21.90t                       | 24.55p           | 25.65o  | 27.75l  | 28.55ij | 25.68D |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 14.00p              | 21.00i           | 20.00j | 22.00h  | 23.00e  | 20.00D | 24.05qr                      | 27.25m           | 28.35jk | 29.05gh | 28.15ij | 27.37C |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 16.00n              | 25.00e           | 24.00f | 23.00g  | 25.00e  | 22.60C | 23.35s                       | 26.85n           | 28.75hi | 28.05kl | 29.75f  | 27.35C |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 15.00o              | 26.00d           | 27.00c | 25.00e  | 27.00c  | 24.00B | 23.75r                       | 30.15e           | 29.35g  | 29.95ef | 30.55d  | 28.75B |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 17.00m              | 28.00b           | 29.00a | 27.00c  | 28.00b  | 25.80A | 24.35pq                      | 31.05c           | 31.25bc | 31.55ab | 31.80a  | 30.00A |
| Mean                          | 15.00E              | 23.60C           | 23.80B | 23.00D  | 24.40A  |        | 23.48E                       | 27.97D           | 28.67C  | 29.27B  | 29.76A  |        |
| Second season 2022            |                     |                  |        |         |         |        |                              |                  |         |         |         |        |
| Control                       | 15.00q              | 20.00l           | 21.00k | 20.00l  | 21.00k  | 19.40E | 22.55t                       | 25.20p           | 26.30o  | 28.40l  | 29.20ij | 26.33D |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 16.00p              | 23.00i           | 22.00j | 24.00h  | 25.00g  | 22.00D | 24.70qr                      | 27.90n           | 29.00jk | 29.70kl | 28.80k  | 28.02C |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 18.00n              | 27.00e           | 26.00f | 25.00g  | 27.00e  | 24.60C | 24.00s                       | 27.50n           | 29.40hi | 28.70kl | 30.40f  | 28.00C |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 17.00o              | 28.00d           | 29.00c | 27.00e  | 29.00c  | 26.00B | 24.40r                       | 30.80e           | 30.00g  | 30.60ef | 31.20d  | 29.40B |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 19.00m              | 30.00b           | 31.00a | 29.00c  | 30.00b  | 27.80A | 25.00pq                      | 31.70c           | 31.90bc | 32.20ab | 32.45a  | 30.65A |
| Mean                          | 17.00E              | 25.60C           | 25.80B | 25.00D  | 26.40A  |        | 24.13E                       | 28.62D           | 29.32C  | 29.92B  | 30.41A  |        |

Means of each row, column or interaction having the same letter (s) are insignificantly different at 5% level.

E.M.: effective microorganisms

H.A.: Humic acid

**Table 5:** Effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on chlorophyll a, chlorophyll b of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons

| Foliar application treatments | Chlorophyll a (mg/100g.f.w) |                  |          |          |          |        | Chlorophyll b (mg/100g.f.w) |                  |          |          |          |        |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|--------|-----------------------------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|--------|
|                               | Control                     | Soil application |          |          |          | Mean   | Control                     | Soil application |          |          |          | Mean   |
|                               |                             | EM50             | EM75     | H.A. 25  | H.A. 50  |        |                             | EM50             | EM75     | H.A. 25  | H.A. 50  |        |
| First season 2021             |                             |                  |          |          |          |        |                             |                  |          |          |          |        |
| Control                       | 0.520l                      | 0.660hi          | 0.700gh  | 0.720e-g | 0.710f-h | 0.662D | 0.450n                      | 0.590k           | 0.630j   | 0.650h-j | 0.640ij  | 0.592E |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 0.540kl                     | 0.730d-g         | 0.750b-g | 0.740c-g | 0.750b-g | 0.702C | 0.470n                      | 0.660g-j         | 0.680e-h | 0.670f-i | 0.680e-h | 0.632D |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 0.570kl                     | 0.760a-f         | 0.770a-e | 0.780a-d | 0.790a-d | 0.734B | 0.500m                      | 0.690d-g         | 0.700c-f | 0.710b-e | 0.720a-d | 0.664C |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 0.590jk                     | 0.800a-c         | 0.800a-c | 0.810ab  | 0.800a-c | 0.760A | 0.520m                      | 0.730a-c         | 0.730a-c | 0.740ab  | 0.730a-c | 0.690B |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 0.630ij                     | 0.790a-d         | 0.810ab  | 0.820a   | 0.820a   | 0.774A | 0.560l                      | 0.720a-d         | 0.740ab  | 0.750a   | 0.750a   | 0.704A |
| Mean                          | 0.570C                      | 0.748B           | 0.766AB  | 0.774A   | 0.774A   |        | 0.500C                      | 0.678B           | 0.696A   | 0.704A   | 0.704A   |        |
| Second season 2022            |                             |                  |          |          |          |        |                             |                  |          |          |          |        |
| Control                       | 0.550n                      | 0.690k           | 0.730j   | 0.750h-j | 0.740ij  | 0.692D | 0.470o                      | 0.610l           | 0.650k   | 0.670i-k | 0.660jk  | 0.612E |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 0.570mn                     | 0.760g-j         | 0.780e-h | 0.770f-i | 0.780e-h | 0.732C | 0.490o                      | 0.680h-j         | 0.700f-h | 0.690g-i | 0.700f-h | 0.652D |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 0.600lm                     | 0.790d-g         | 0.800c-f | 0.810b-e | 0.820a-d | 0.764B | 0.520n                      | 0.710e-g         | 0.720d-f | 0.730c-e | 0.740b-d | 0.684C |
| Citricacid(CA) at 500ppm      | 0.620l                      | 0.830a-c         | 0.830a-c | 0.840ab  | 0.830a-c | 0.790A | 0.540n                      | 0.750a-c         | 0.750a-c | 0.760ab  | 0.750a-c | 0.710B |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 0.660k                      | 0.820a-d         | 0.840ab  | 0.850a   | 0.850a   | 0.804A | 0.580m                      | 0.740b-d         | 0.760ab  | 0.770a   | 0.770a   | 0.724A |
| Mean                          | 0.600C                      | 0.772B           | 0.796A   | 0.804A   | 0.804A   |        | 0.520C                      | 0.698B           | 0.716A   | 0.724A   | 0.724A   |        |

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**Table 6:** Effect some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on total chlorophyll and carotenoids of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

| Foliar application treatments | Total chlorophyll (mg/100g.f.w) |                  |          |          |          |        | Carotenoids (mg/100g.f.w) |                  |          |          |          |        |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|--------|---------------------------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|--------|
|                               | Control                         | Soil application |          |          |          | Mean   | Control                   | Soil application |          |          |          | Mean   |
|                               |                                 | EM50             | EM75     | H.A. 25  | H.A. 50  |        |                           | EM50             | EM75     | H.A. 25  | H.A. 50  |        |
| First season 2021             |                                 |                  |          |          |          |        |                           |                  |          |          |          |        |
| Control                       | 0.970n                          | 1.250k           | 1.330j   | 1.370h-j | 1.350ij  | 1.254E | 0.470n                    | 0.610ij          | 0.650hi  | 0.670f-h | 0.660gh  | 0.612D |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 1.010n                          | 1.390g-i         | 1.430e-g | 1.410f-h | 1.430e-g | 1.334D | 0.490mn                   | 0.680e-h         | 0.700c-g | 0.690d-h | 0.700c-g | 0.652C |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 1.070m                          | 1.450d-f         | 1.470c-e | 1.490b-d | 1.510a-c | 1.398C | 0.520lm                   | 0.710b-f         | 0.720a-e | 0.730a-d | 0.740a-d | 0.684B |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 1.110m                          | 1.530a-c         | 1.530a-c | 1.550ab  | 1.530a-c | 1.450B | 0.540kl                   | 0.750a-c         | 0.750a-c | 0.760ab  | 0.750a-c | 0.710A |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 1.190l                          | 1.510a-c         | 1.550ab  | 1.570a   | 1.570a   | 1.478A | 0.580jk                   | 0.740a-d         | 0.760ab  | 0.770a   | 0.770a   | 0.724A |
| Mean                          | 1.070C                          | 1.426B           | 1.462A   | 1.478A   | 1.478A   |        | 0.520C                    | 0.698B           | 0.716AB  | 0.724A   | 0.724A   |        |
| Second season 2022            |                                 |                  |          |          |          |        |                           |                  |          |          |          |        |
| Control                       | 1.020m                          | 1.300j           | 1.380i   | 1.420g-i | 1.400hi  | 1.304D | 0.490o                    | 0.630jk          | 0.670ij  | 0.690a   | 0.680hi  | 0.632D |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 1.060lm                         | 1.440f-i         | 1.480d-h | 1.460e-i | 1.480d-h | 1.384C | 0.510no                   | 0.700f-i         | 0.720d-h | 0.710e-i | 0.720d-h | 0.672C |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 1.120kl                         | 1.500c-g         | 1.520b-f | 1.540a-e | 1.560a-d | 1.448B | 0.540mn                   | 0.730c-g         | 0.740b-f | 0.750a-e | 0.760a-d | 0.704B |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 1.160k                          | 1.580a-c         | 1.580a-c | 1.600ab  | 1.580a-c | 1.500A | 0.560lm                   | 0.770a-c         | 0.770a-c | 0.780ab  | 0.770a-c | 0.730A |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 1.240j                          | 1.560a-d         | 1.600ab  | 1.620a   | 1.620a   | 1.528A | 0.600kl                   | 0.760a-d         | 0.780ab  | 0.790a   | 0.790a   | 0.744A |
| Mean                          | 1.120C                          | 1.476B           | 1.512B   | 1.528A   | 1.528A   |        | 0.540C                    | 0.718B           | 0.736AB  | 0.744A   | 0.744A   |        |

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### **Total chlorophyll**

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 1000 ppm had highest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, humic acid at 25 and 50 ml/tree recorded highest significant values in both seasons. The interaction between the two studied factors, citric acid at 1000 ppm with EM at 25 and 50 ml recorded highest values of total chlorophyll in both the two studied seasons.

### **Carotenoids**

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 500 and 1000 ppm had highest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, humic acid at 25 and 50 ml/tree recorded highest values. The interaction between the two treatment of 1000 ppm citric acid with 25 and 50 ml with EM gave highest values in both the two studied seasons.

Data in table (7) show the effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on fruit set and number of fruits/tree of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis L.*) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

### **Fruit set and Number of fruits/tree**

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 1000 ppm had highest significant values fruit set and number of fruits/tree as both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, humic acid at 25 and 50 ml/tree had highest significant values. The interaction between the two studied factors, the treatment of citric acid at 1000 ppm with humic at 50 ml/tree found highest fruit set and number of fruits/tree in both seasons.

Data in table (8) show the effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on yield (kg/tree) and yield (Ton/fed.) of Le-conte pear trees (*Pyrus communis L.*) in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

### **Yield (kg/tree) and yield (Ton/feddan)**

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 500, 1000 ppm in yield (kg/tree) and yield (Ton/feddan) had highest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, humic acid at 50 ml/tree had highest significant values. The interaction between the two studied factors, the treatment of citric acid at 1000 ppm with EM at 50 ppm gave highest yield (kg/tree) and yield (Ton/feddan in both seasons.

Data in table (9) show the effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on fruit weight and fruit volume of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis L.*) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

### **Fruit weight and fruit volume**

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 500 ppm of fruit weight and fruit volume had highest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, humic acid at 50 ml/tree had highest significant values. The interaction between the two studied factors, the treatment of citric acid at 1000 ppm with EM at 50 ppm found highest fruit weight and fruit volume in both seasons.

Data in table (10) show the effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on fruit length and fruit diameter of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis L.*) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

### **Fruit length, fruit diameter**

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 1000 ppm had highest significant values of fruit length and fruit diameter in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, humic acid at 50 ml/tree had highest significant values. The interaction between the two studied factors, the treatment of citric acid at 1000 ppm with humic acid at 25 and 50 ppm recorded highest fruit length and fruit diameter in both seasons.

**Table 7:** Effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on fruit set and number of fruits/tree of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

| Foliar application treatments | Fruit set (%) |                  |        |         |          |        | No. of fruits/tree |                  |        |         |         |        |
|-------------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------|---------|----------|--------|--------------------|------------------|--------|---------|---------|--------|
|                               | Control       | Soil application |        |         |          | Mean   | Control            | Soil application |        |         |         | Mean   |
|                               |               | EM50             | EM75   | H.A. 25 | H.A. 50  |        |                    | EM50             | EM75   | H.A. 25 | H.A. 50 |        |
| First season 2021             |               |                  |        |         |          |        |                    |                  |        |         |         |        |
| Control                       | 15.75o        | 26.32l           | 27.81i | 28.55gh | 26.77k   | 25.04E | 326.0u             | 353.0p           | 358.0o | 362.0lm | 351.0q  | 350.0D |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 25.84m        | 28.74gh          | 28.42h | 29.25f  | 29.29f   | 28.31C | 335.0t             | 362.0lm          | 360.0n | 366.0i  | 370.0h  | 358.6C |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 24.22n        | 28.85g           | 29.20f | 28.66gh | 28.53gh  | 27.89D | 339.0s             | 364.0jk          | 365.0u | 363.0kl | 361.0mn | 358.4C |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 27.05k        | 29.38f           | 30.35e | 30.08e  | 30.33e   | 29.44B | 345.0r             | 371.0h           | 376.0f | 373.0g  | 378.0e  | 368.6B |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 27.38j        | 33.45d           | 34.25c | 35.15b  | 37.55a   | 33.56A | 350.0q             | 386.0d           | 391.0c | 394.0b  | 400.0a  | 384.2A |
| Mean                          | 24.05E        | 29.35D           | 30.01C | 30.34B  | 30.49A   |        | 339.0D             | 367.2C           | 370.0B | 371.6A  | 372.0A  |        |
| Second season 2022            |               |                  |        |         |          |        |                    |                  |        |         |         |        |
| Control                       | 17.65n        | 27.50l           | 28.60i | 30.00f  | 27.85k   | 26.32D | 332.0x             | 359.0r           | 364.0q | 368.0n  | 357.0s  | 356.0D |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 26.65m        | 29.40hi          | 29.20i | 30.05f  | 30.00f   | 29.06C | 341.0w             | 368.0n           | 366.0p | 372.0j  | 376.0i  | 364.6C |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 27.55l        | 29.50g-i         | 29.85f | 29.55gh | 29.45g-i | 29.18C | 345.0v             | 370.0l           | 371.0k | 369.0m  | 367.0o  | 364.4C |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 27.95k        | 29.75fg          | 31.15e | 30.90e  | 31.00e   | 30.15B | 351.0u             | 377.0h           | 382.0f | 379.0g  | 384.0e  | 374.6B |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 28.10k        | 34.05d           | 34.95c | 35.85b  | 38.45a   | 34.28A | 356.0t             | 392.0d           | 396.0c | 399.0b  | 402.0a  | 389.0A |
| Mean                          | 25.58D        | 30.04C           | 30.75B | 31.27A  | 31.35A   |        | 345.0D             | 373.2C           | 375.8B | 377.4A  | 377.2A  |        |

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**Table 8:** Effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on yield (kg/tree) and yield (Ton/fed.) of Le-conte pear trees (*Pyrus communis* L.) in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

| Foliar application treatments | Yield (kg/tree) |                  |        |         |         |        | Yield (Ton/fed.) |                  |        |         |         |        |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|--------|---------|---------|--------|------------------|------------------|--------|---------|---------|--------|
|                               | Control         | Soil application |        |         |         | Mean   | Control          | Soil application |        |         |         | Mean   |
|                               |                 | EM50             | EM75   | H.A. 25 | H.A. 50 |        |                  | EM50             | EM75   | H.A. 25 | H.A. 50 |        |
| First season 2021             |                 |                  |        |         |         |        |                  |                  |        |         |         |        |
| Control                       | 35.99r          | 36.22r           | 49.61n | 34.03s  | 52.70m  | 41.71D | 6.05k            | 6.08k            | 8.33i  | 5.72k   | 8.85h   | 7.01D  |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 42.14q          | 57.67k           | 54.49l | 64.79h  | 58.44j  | 55.51C | 7.08j            | 9.69g            | 9.15h  | 10.89e  | 9.82g   | 9.33C  |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 48.56o          | 61.67i           | 71.13e | 69.21f  | 66.39g  | 63.39B | 8.16i            | 10.36f           | 11.95c | 11.63cd | 11.15de | 10.65B |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 42.31q          | 69.95f           | 77.27c | 74.51d  | 75.03d  | 67.81A | 7.11j            | 11.75c           | 12.98b | 12.52b  | 12.61b  | 11.39A |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 43.91p          | 81.59b           | 65.23h | 65.38h  | 82.84a  | 67.79A | 7.38j            | 13.71a           | 10.96e | 10.98e  | 13.92a  | 11.39A |
| Mean                          | 42.58D          | 61.42C           | 53.55B | 61.58C  | 67.08A  |        | 7.15D            | 10.32C           | 10.68B | 10.35C  | 11.27A  |        |
| Second season 2022            |                 |                  |        |         |         |        |                  |                  |        |         |         |        |
| Control                       | 37.20p          | 37.43p           | 51.04l | 35.20q  | 54.19k  | 43.01D | 6.25k            | 6.29k            | 8.57i  | 5.91k   | 9.10h   | 7.23D  |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 43.46o          | 59.23i           | 56.00j | 66.47g  | 60.00i  | 57.03C | 7.30j            | 9.95g            | 9.41h  | 11.17e  | 10.08g  | 9.58C  |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 49.98m          | 63.30h           | 72.91d | 70.96e  | 68.10f  | 65.05B | 8.40i            | 10.64f           | 12.25c | 11.92cd | 11.44de | 10.9B  |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 43.62o          | 71.70e           | 79.13b | 76.34c  | 76.86c  | 69.53A | 7.33j            | 12.05c           | 13.29b | 12.82b  | 12.91b  | 11.68A |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 45.25n          | 83.50a           | 66.72g | 66.87g  | 81.13a  | 69.29A | 7.60j            | 14.03a           | 11.21e | 11.23e  | 14.13a  | 11.64A |
| Mean                          | 43.90D          | 63.03C           | 65.16B | 63.17C  | 68.66A  |        | 7.38D            | 10.59C           | 10.95B | 10.61C  | 11.53A  |        |

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**Table 9:** Effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on fruit weight and fruit volume of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

| Foliar application treatments | Fruit weight (gm) |                  |        |         |         |        | Fruit volume (ml) |                  |        |         |         |        |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------|---------|---------|--------|-------------------|------------------|--------|---------|---------|--------|
|                               | Control           | Soil application |        |         |         | Mean   | Control           | Soil application |        |         |         | Mean   |
|                               |                   | EM50             | EM75   | H.A. 25 | H.A. 50 |        |                   | EM50             | EM75   | H.A. 25 | H.A. 50 |        |
| First season 2021             |                   |                  |        |         |         |        |                   |                  |        |         |         |        |
| Control                       | 110.4q            | 102.6r           | 138.6n | 94.00s  | 150.1l  | 119.1E | 115.7q            | 107.9r           | 143.8n | 99.30s  | 155.4l  | 124.4E |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 125.8o            | 159.3k           | 151.4l | 177.0h  | 157.9k  | 154.3D | 131.1o            | 164.6k           | 156.6l | 182.3h  | 163.2k  | 159.5D |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 143.2m            | 169.4i           | 194.9d | 190.7e  | 183.9g  | 176.4B | 148.5m            | 174.7i           | 200.1d | 195.9e  | 189.2g  | 181.7B |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 122.6p            | 188.5f           | 205.5b | 199.8c  | 198.5c  | 183.0A | 127.9p            | 193.8f           | 210.8b | 205.0c  | 203.8c  | 188.2A |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 125.5o            | 211.4a           | 166.8j | 165.9j  | 207.1b  | 175.3C | 130.7o            | 216.6a           | 172.1j | 171.2j  | 201.5d  | 178.4C |
| Mean                          | 125.5D            | 166.2C           | 171.4B | 165.5C  | 179.5A  |        | 130.8D            | 171.5C           | 176.7C | 170.7C  | 182.6A  |        |
| Second season 2022            |                   |                  |        |         |         |        |                   |                  |        |         |         |        |
| Control                       | 112.1r            | 104.3s           | 140.2o | 95.7t   | 151.8m  | 120.8E | 117.3q            | 109.5r           | 145.5n | 100.9s  | 157.0l  | 126.0E |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 127.5p            | 161.0l           | 153.0m | 178.7i  | 159.6l  | 155.9D | 132.7o            | 166.2k           | 158.3l | 183.9h  | 164.8k  | 161.2D |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 144.9n            | 171.1j           | 196.5e | 192.3f  | 185.6h  | 178.1B | 150.1m            | 176.3i           | 201.8d | 197.6e  | 190.8g  | 183.3B |
| Citric acid(CA)at 500ppm      | 124.3q            | 190.2g           | 207.2c | 201.4d  | 200.2d  | 184.6A | 129.5p            | 195.4f           | 212.4b | 206.7c  | 205.4c  | 189.9A |
| Citric acid(CA)at 1000ppm     | 127.1p            | 213.0a           | 168.5k | 167.6k  | 209.3b  | 177.1C | 132.4o            | 218.3a           | 173.7j | 172.8j  | 214.0b  | 182.2C |
| Mean                          | 127.2D            | 167.9C           | 173.1B | 167.1C  | 181.3A  |        | 132.4D            | 173.1C           | 178.3B | 172.4C  | 186.4A  |        |

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**Table 10:** Effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on fruit length and fruit diameter of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

| Foliar application treatments | Fruit length (cm) |                  |         |         |         |       | Fruit diameter (cm) |                  |         |         |         |       |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|---------------------|------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|
|                               | Control           | Soil application |         |         |         | Mean  | Control             | Soil application |         |         |         | Mean  |
|                               |                   | EM50             | EM75    | H.A. 25 | H.A. 50 |       |                     | EM50             | EM75    | H.A. 25 | H.A. 50 |       |
| First season 2021             |                   |                  |         |         |         |       |                     |                  |         |         |         |       |
| Control                       | 6.19p             | 6.83m            | 7.07l   | 7.28k   | 7.50j   | 6.97E | 5.32p               | 5.96m            | 6.20l   | 6.41k   | 6.63j   | 6.10E |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 6.27p             | 7.67ij           | 7.81i   | 7.89hi  | 8.08gh  | 7.54D | 5.40p               | 6.80ij           | 6.94hi  | 7.02h   | 7.21g   | 6.67D |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 6.36op            | 8.21e-g          | 7.88hi  | 8.11fg  | 8.25d-g | 7.76D | 5.49op              | 7.34e-g          | 7.01h   | 7.24fg  | 7.38d-g | 6.89C |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 6.54no            | 8.35de           | 8.19e-g | 8.31d-g | 8.33d-f | 7.94B | 5.67no              | 7.48de           | 7.32e-g | 7.44d-f | 7.46de  | 7.07B |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 6.70mn            | 8.45cd           | 8.57bc  | 8.70ab  | 8.81a   | 8.25A | 5.83mn              | 7.58cd           | 7.70bc  | 7.83ab  | 7.94a   | 7.38A |
| Mean                          | 6.41D             | 7.90C            | 7.91C   | 8.06B   | 8.19A   |       | 5.54D               | 7.02C            | 7.03C   | 7.19B   | 7.32A   |       |
| Second season 2022            |                   |                  |         |         |         |       |                     |                  |         |         |         |       |
| Control                       | 6.28q             | 6.92n            | 7.16m   | 7.37l   | 7.59k   | 7.06E | 5.41n               | 6.05l            | 6.29k   | 6.50j   | 6.72i   | 6.19E |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 6.36q             | 6.76jk           | 7.90ij  | 7.98hi  | 8.17gh  | 7.63D | 5.49n               | 6.89hi           | 7.03gh  | 7.11g   | 7.30f   | 6.76D |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 6.45pq            | 8.30e-g          | 7.97hi  | 8.20fg  | 8.34d-g | 7.85C | 5.58n               | 7.43ef           | 7.10g   | 7.33f   | 7.47ef  | 6.98C |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 6.63op            | 8.44de           | 8.28e-g | 8.40d-f | 8.42d-f | 8.03B | 5.76m               | 7.57de           | 7.41ef  | 7.53de  | 7.55de  | 7.16B |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 6.79no            | 8.54cd           | 8.66bc  | 8.79ab  | 8.90a   | 8.34A | 5.92lm              | 7.67cd           | 7.79bc  | 7.92ab  | 8.03a   | 7.47A |
| Mean                          | 6.50D             | 7.98C            | 7.99C   | 8.15B   | 8.28A   |       | 5.63D               | 7.11C            | 7.12C   | 7.28B   | 7.41A   |       |

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Data in table (11) show the effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on fruit shape index and fruit firmness of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

#### **Fruit shape index**

Regarding to foliar application treatments, control had highest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, control gave highest significant values in both seasons. The interaction between the two studied factors, all factor application treatments with control of soil treatments recorded highest values in both seasons.

#### **Fruit firmness**

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 1000 ppm for fruit firmness had highest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, humic acid at 50 ml/tree had highest significant values. The interaction between the two studied factors, the treatment of citric acid at 1000 ppm with humic acid at 50 ml gave highest fruit firmness in both seasons.

Data in table (12) show the effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on TSS and acidity of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

#### **TSS**

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 1000 ppm, TSS had highest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, humic acid at 50 ml/tree had highest significant values. The interaction between the two studied factors, the treatment of citric acid at 1000 ppm with EM at 75 ppm and humic acid at 25 and 50 ppm found highest TSS in both seasons.

#### **Acidity**

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 1000 ppm, acidity had lowest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, humic acid at 25 ml/tree in first season and humic acid at 50 ml/tree in second season had lowest significant values. The interaction between the two studied factors, the treatment of citric acid at 1000 ppm with humic acid 25 ml in first season and humic acid at 50 ml in second season gave lowest values.

Data in table (13) show the effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on TSS/acid ratio, total sugars of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

#### **TSS/acid ratio and total sugars**

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 1000 ppm had highest significant values of TSS/acid ratio and total sugars in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, humic acid at 25 ml/tree in TSS/acid ratio at first season and humic acid at 50 ml/tree at TSS/acid ratio and total sugars in second season had highest significant values. The interaction between the two studied factors, the treatment of citric acid at 1000 ppm with humic acid at 25 ml in first season and with 50 ml in second season gave highest TSS/acid ratio and total sugars.

Data in table (14) show the effect of some anti- salinity foliar application soil application treatments and their interaction on reducing sugars and non-reducing sugars of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

#### **Reducing sugars and non-reducing sugars**

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 1000 ppm in Reducing sugars and non-reducing sugars had highest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, humic acid at 50 ml/tree had highest significant values. The interaction between the two studied factors, the highest significant values were obtained by citric acid at 1000 ppm with humic acid at 50 ml /tree in first season and with 25 ml/tree in second season.

**Table 11:** Effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on fruit shape index and fruit firmness of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

| Foliar application treatments | Fruit shape index |                  |          |          |          |         | Fruit firmness L/inch <sup>2</sup> |                  |         |         |         |        |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|---------|------------------------------------|------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|
|                               | Control           | Soil application |          |          |          | Mean    | Control                            | Soil application |         |         |         | Mean   |
|                               |                   | EM50             | EM75     | H.A. 25  | H.A. 50  |         |                                    | EM50             | EM75    | H.A. 25 | H.A. 50 |        |
| First season 2021             |                   |                  |          |          |          |         |                                    |                  |         |         |         |        |
| Control                       | 1.164a            | 1.146a-e         | 1.140b-f | 1.136c-g | 1.131d-h | 1.143A  | 13.55s                             | 15.02p           | 15.49o  | 16.10n  | 16.56m  | 15.34E |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 1.161a            | 1.128e-i         | 1.125f-i | 1.124f-i | 1.121g-i | 1.132B  | 13.69rs                            | 16.74lm          | 16.99l  | 17.32k  | 17.60j  | 16.47D |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 1.158ab           | 1.119g-i         | 1.124f-i | 1.120g-i | 1.118g-i | 1.128B  | 13.93r                             | 17.94i           | 18.15hi | 18.41gh | 18.59g  | 17.40C |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 1.153ac           | 1.116hi          | 1.119g-i | 1.117g-i | 1.117g-i | 1.124BC | 14.32q                             | 18.87f           | 19.21e  | 19.40de | 19.60cd | 18.28B |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 1.149a-d          | 1.115hi          | 1.113hi  | 1.111i   | 1.110i   | 1.120C  | 14.56q                             | 19.69bc          | 19.82bc | 19.92ab | 20.18a  | 18.83A |
| Mean                          | 1.157A            | 1.125B           | 1.124B   | 1.122B   | 1.119B   |         | 14.01E                             | 17.65D           | 17.93C  | 18.23B  | 18.51A  |        |
| Second season 2022            |                   |                  |          |          |          |         |                                    |                  |         |         |         |        |
| Control                       | 1.161a            | 1.144a-e         | 1.138a-f | 1.134a-g | 1.129b-g | 1.141A  | 13.78s                             | 15.25o           | 15.72n  | 16.33m  | 16.79l  | 15.57E |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 1.158a            | 1.126c-g         | 1.124c-g | 1.122d-g | 1.119e-g | 1.130B  | 13.92s                             | 16.97l           | 17.22k  | 17.55j  | 17.83i  | 16.70D |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 1.156ab           | 1.117e-g         | 1.123d-g | 1.119e-g | 1.116e-g | 1.126BC | 14.16r                             | 18.17h           | 18.38h  | 18.64g  | 18.82g  | 17.63C |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 1.151a-c          | 1.115fg          | 1.117e-g | 1.116e-g | 1.115fg  | 1.123BC | 14.55q                             | 19.10f           | 19.44e  | 19.63de | 19.83cd | 18.51B |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 1.147a-d          | 1.113fg          | 1.112fg  | 1.110fg  | 1.108g   | 1.118C  | 14.79p                             | 19.92bc          | 20.05bc | 20.15b  | 20.41a  | 19.06A |
| Mean                          | 1.155A            | 1.123B           | 1.123B   | 1.120B   | 1.118B   |         | 14.24E                             | 17.88D           | 18.16C  | 18.46B  | 18.74A  |        |

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E.M.: Effective microorganisms

H.A.: Humic acid

**Table 12:** Effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on TSS and acidity of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

| Foliar application treatments | TSS (%) |                  |          |          |         |        | Acidity (%) |                  |          |          |          |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|------------------|----------|----------|---------|--------|-------------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|---------|
|                               | Control | Soil application |          |          |         | Mean   | Control     | Soil application |          |          |          | Mean    |
|                               |         | EM50             | EM75     | H.A. 25  | H.A. 50 |        |             | EM50             | EM75     | H.A. 25  | H.A. 50  |         |
| First season 2021             |         |                  |          |          |         |        |             |                  |          |          |          |         |
| Control                       | 11.42s  | 12.53op          | 12.74no  | 12.90mn  | 13.06m  | 12.53E | 0.341a      | 0.334a           | 0.336a   | 0.211g-j | 0.331ab  | 0.311A  |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 11.67r  | 13.36l           | 13.60kl  | 13.78jk  | 13.96j  | 13.27D | 0.326ab     | 0.313a-c         | 0.304a-d | 0.205h-j | 0.298a-d | 0.289AB |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 11.79qr | 14.32i           | 14.55g-i | 14.80e-g | 14.84ef | 14.06C | 0.291a-e    | 0.284a-f         | 0.287a-f | 0.200h-j | 0.289a-f | 0.270BC |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 12.01q  | 14.69f-h         | 14.46hi  | 14.96de  | 15.20cd | 14.26B | 0.283a-f    | 0.279a-g         | 0.271a-h | 0.191ij  | 0.259b-i | 0.257C  |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 12.29p  | 15.34bc          | 15.49ab  | 15.58ab  | 15.72a  | 14.88A | 0.245c-j    | 0.239d-j         | 0.223e-j | 0.183j   | 0.218f-j | 0.222D  |
| Mean                          | 11.84E  | 14.05D           | 14.17C   | 14.40B   | 14.56A  |        | 0.297A      | 0.290A           | 0.284A   | 0.198B   | 0.279A   |         |
| Second season 2022            |         |                  |          |          |         |        |             |                  |          |          |          |         |
| Control                       | 11.51q  | 12.62m           | 12.83lm  | 12.99kl  | 13.15k  | 12.62E | 0.346a      | 0.339ab          | 0.341ab  | 0.336ab  | 0.216f-i | 0.316A  |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 11.76p  | 13.45j           | 13.69i   | 13.87hi  | 14.05h  | 13.36D | 0.331ab     | 0.318a-c         | 0.309a-c | 0.303a-d | 0.210g-i | 0.294AB |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 11.8op  | 14.41g           | 14.64fg  | 14.89de  | 14.83de | 14.15C | 0.296a-e    | 0.289a-f         | 0.292a-f | 0.294a-e | 0.205hi  | 0.275BC |
| Citric acid(CA)at500ppm       | 12.10o  | 14.78ef          | 14.55fg  | 15.05d   | 15.29c  | 14.35B | 0.288a-f    | 0.284a-g         | 0.276a-h | 0.264b-i | 0.196i   | 0.262C  |
| Citric acid(CA)at1000ppm      | 12.38n  | 15.43bc          | 15.58ab  | 15.67ab  | 15.81a  | 14.97A | 0.250c-i    | 0.244c-i         | 0.228d-i | 0.223e-i | 0.188i   | 0.227D  |
| Mean                          | 11.93E  | 14.14D           | 14.26C   | 14.49B   | 14.65A  |        | 0.302A      | 0.295A           | 0.289A   | 0.284A   | 0.203B   |         |

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**Table 13:** Effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on fruit TSS/acid ratio and total sugars of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

| Foliar application treatments | TSS/acid ratio |                  |         |         |         |        | Total sugars (%) |                  |         |         |         |        |
|-------------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|------------------|------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|
|                               | Control        | Soil application |         |         |         | Mean   | Control          | Soil application |         |         |         | Mean   |
|                               |                | EM50             | EM75    | H.A. 25 | H.A. 50 |        |                  | EM50             | EM75    | H.A. 25 | H.A. 50 |        |
| First season 2021             |                |                  |         |         |         |        |                  |                  |         |         |         |        |
| Control                       | 33.49t         | 37.51s           | 37.92s  | 61.14h  | 39.46qr | 41.90E | 8.12q            | 8.96no           | 9.11mn  | 9.19l-n | 9.33k-m | 8.94E  |
| Salicylic acid(SA)at100ppm    | 35.80          | 42.68p           | 44.74o  | 67.22f  | 46.85n  | 47.46D | 8.57p            | 9.41kl           | 9.46jk  | 9.54jk  | 9.66ij  | 9.33D  |
| Salicylic acid(SA)at200ppm    | 40.52q         | 50.42lm          | 50.70lm | 74.00c  | 51.35l  | 53.40C | 8.66p            | 9.82i            | 10.06h  | 10.23gh | 10.39g  | 9.83C  |
| Citric acid(CA)at500ppm       | 42.44p         | 52.65jk          | 53.36j  | 78.32b  | 58.69i  | 57.09B | 8.73op           | 10.82f           | 10.96ef | 11.11de | 11.25d  | 10.57B |
| Citric acid(CA)at1000ppm      | 50.16l-m       | 64.18g           | 69.46e  | 85.14a  | 72.11d  | 68.21A | 8.79op           | 11.33d           | 11.67c  | 12.03b  | 12.25a  | 11.21A |
| Mean                          | 40.48E         | 49.49D           | 51.23C  | 73.16A  | 53.69B  |        | 8.57E            | 10.07D           | 10.25C  | 10.42B  | 10.58A  |        |
| Second season 2022            |                |                  |         |         |         |        |                  |                  |         |         |         |        |
| Control                       | 33.27s         | 37.23q           | 37.62q  | 38.66   | 60.88h  | 41.53E | 8.31r            | 9.15op           | 9.30no  | 9.38mn  | 9.52lm  | 9.13E  |
| Salicylic acid(SA)at100ppm    | 35.53r         | 42.30o           | 44.30mn | 45.78m  | 66.90f  | 46.96D | 8.76q            | 9.60l            | 9.65kl  | 9.73kl  | 9.85jk  | 9.52D  |
| Salicylic acid(SA)at200ppm    | 40.14p         | 49.86l           | 50.14k  | 50.65k  | 72.83c  | 52.72C | 8.85q            | 10.01g           | 10.25i  | 10.42hi | 10.58h  | 10.02C |
| Citric acid(CA)at500ppm       | 42.01o         | 52.04j           | 52.72j  | 57.01i  | 78.01b  | 56.36B | 8.92q            | 11.01g           | 11.15fg | 11.30ef | 11.44de | 10.76B |
| Citric acid(CA)at1000ppm      | 49.52l         | 63.24g           | 68.33e  | 70.27d  | 84.10a  | 67.09A | 8.98pq           | 11.52d           | 11.86c  | 12.22b  | 12.44a  | 11.40A |
| Mean                          | 40.09E         | 48.93D           | 50.62C  | 52.47B  | 72.54A  |        | 8.76E            | 10.26D           | 10.44C  | 10.61B  | 10.77A  |        |

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**Table 14:** Effect of some anti- salinity foliar application soil application treatments and their interaction on fruit reducing sugars and non-reducing sugars of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

| Foliar application treatments | Reducing sugars (%) |                  |         |         |         |       | Non-reducing sugars (%) |                  |        |         |         |       |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|-------------------------|------------------|--------|---------|---------|-------|
|                               | Control             | Soil application |         |         |         | Mean  | Control                 | Soil application |        |         |         | Mean  |
|                               |                     | EM50             | EM75    | H.A. 25 | H.A. 50 |       |                         | EM50             | EM75   | H.A. 25 | H.A. 50 |       |
| First season 2021             |                     |                  |         |         |         |       |                         |                  |        |         |         |       |
| Control                       | 5.37q               | 6.39kl           | 6.53jk  | 6.66ij  | 6.83f-h | 6.36E | 2.75h                   | 2.57jk           | 2.58jk | 2.53jk  | 2.50jk  | 2.59E |
| Salicylic acid(SA)at100ppm    | 5.61p               | 6.91d-g          | 6.99c-f | 6.33l   | 6.40kl  | 6.45D | 2.96g                   | 2.50jk           | 2.47k  | 3.21f   | 3.26f   | 2.88D |
| Salicylic acid(SA)at200ppm    | 5.83o               | 6.65ij           | 6.81g-i | 6.97c-g | 6.74hi  | 6.60C | 2.83h                   | 3.17f            | 3.25f  | 3.26f   | 3.65e   | 3.23C |
| Citric acid(CA)at500ppm       | 6.01n               | 6.36l            | 6.90e-h | 7.01c-e | 7.07b-d | 6.67B | 2.72hi                  | 4.46c            | 4.06d  | 4.10d   | 4.18d   | 3.90B |
| Citric acid(CA)at1000ppm      | 6.18m               | 6.89e-h          | 7.12bc  | 7.20b   | 7.56a   | 6.99A | 2.61ij                  | 4.44c            | 4.55c  | 4.3b    | 4.69a   | 4.22A |
| Mean                          | 5.80D               | 6.64C            | 6.87AB  | 6.83B   | 6.92A   |       | 2.77D                   | 3.43C            | 3.38C  | 3.59B   | 3.66A   |       |
| Second season 2022            |                     |                  |         |         |         |       |                         |                  |        |         |         |       |
| Control                       | 5.46q               | 6.48kl           | 6.62jk  | 6.75ij  | 6.92f-h | 6.45E | 2.85i                   | 2.67jk           | 2.68jk | 2.63jk  | 2.60jk  | 2.69E |
| Salicylic acid(SA)at100ppm    | 5.70p               | 7.00d-g          | 7.08cf  | 6.42lm  | 6.49kl  | 6.54D | 3.06h                   | 2.60jk           | 2.57k  | 3.31g   | 3.36g   | 2.98D |
| Salicylic acid(SA)at200ppm    | 5.92o               | 6.74ij           | 6.90g-i | 7.06c-g | 6.83hi  | 6.69C | 2.93i                   | 3.27g            | 3.35g  | 3.36g   | 3.75f   | 3.33C |
| Citric acid(CA)at500ppm       | 6.10n               | 6.45l            | 6.99e-h | 7.10c-e | 7.16b-d | 6.76B | 2.82i                   | 4.56c            | 4.16e  | 4.20de  | 4.28d   | 4.00B |
| Citric acid(CA)at1000ppm      | 6.27m               | 6.98e-h          | 7.21bc  | 7.29b   | 7.65a   | 7.08A | 2.71j                   | 4.54c            | 4.65c  | 4.93a   | 4.79b   | 4.32A |
| Mean                          | 5.89D               | 6.73C            | 6.96AB  | 6.92B   | 7.01A   |       | 2.87D                   | 3.53C            | 3.48C  | 3.69B   | 3.76A   |       |

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E.M.: Effective microorganisms

M.A.: Humic acid

Data in table (15) Show the effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on fruit vitamin(c) and leaf nitrogen percentage of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

#### **Vitamin(c)**

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 1000 ppm in vitamin(c), gave highest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, humic acid at 50 ml/tree had highest significant values in both seasons. The interaction between the two studied factors, the treatment of citric acid at 1000 ppm with humic acid at 50 ppm recorded highest fruit vitamin(c) in both seasons.

#### **Nitrogen**

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 1000 ppm for fruit nitrogen percentage gave highest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, humic acid at 50 ml/tree had highest significant values. The interaction between the two studied factors, the treatment of citric acid at 1000 ppm with humic acid at 50 ppm found highest leaf percentage nitrogen in both seasons.

Data in table (16) show the effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on leaf phosphor and potassium percentage of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

#### **Phosphor and Potassium**

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 1000 ppm in phosphor and potassium gave highest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, humic acid at 50 ml/tree had highest significant values in both seasons. The interaction between the two studied factors, the treatment of citric acid at 1000 ppm with humic acid at 50 ppm recorded highest leaf phosphor and potassium percentage in both seasons.

Data in table (17) show the effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on leaf calcium and manganese leaf percentage of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 season.

#### **Calcium**

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 1000 ppm, Calcium had highest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatments, EM at 75 ml/tree had highest significant values. The interaction between the two studied factors, the treatment of salicylic acid at 200 ppm with EM at 75 ml/tree had highest Calcium in both seasons.

#### **Manganese**

Regarding to foliar application treatments, highest significant values were found by salicylic at 200 ppm and citric acid at 500 and 1000 ppm. Concerning soil application treatments, all soil application treatment showed significant values than control. The interaction between the two studied factors, citric acid at 1000 ppm with humic acid at 50 ml/tree gave highest values in both seasons.

Data in table (18) Show the effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on leaf iron and zinc of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

#### **Iron and Zinc**

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 1000 ppm, iron and zinc had highest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatment, humic acid at 50 ml/tree had highest significant values. The interaction between the two studied factors, the treatment of citric acid at 1000 ppm with humic acid at 50 ppm gave highest leaf iron and zinc in both seasons.

**Table 15:** Effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on fruit vitamin(c), leaf nitrogen percentage of Le- conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

| Foliar application treatments | Vitamin(c) (mg/100gF.W.) |                  |         |         |         |       | N (%)   |                  |         |         |         |       |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|---------|------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|
|                               | Control                  | Soil application |         |         |         | Mean  | Control | Soil application |         |         |         | Mean  |
|                               |                          | EM50             | EM75    | H.A. 25 | H.A. 50 |       |         | EM50             | EM75    | H.A. 25 | H.A. 50 |       |
| First season 2021             |                          |                  |         |         |         |       |         |                  |         |         |         |       |
| Control                       | 1.76p                    | 2.47m            | 2.55lm  | 2.63l   | 2.76k   | 2.43E | 1.77k   | 1.83jk           | 1.94f-h | 1.98e-g | 1.93f-h | 1.89E |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 2.04o                    | 2.82i-k          | 2.47m   | 2.90h-j | 2.80jk  | 2.69D | 1.87ij  | 1.88h-j          | 1.98e-g | 2.04de  | 2.05de  | 1.96D |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 2.10o                    | 2.83i-k          | 2.90h-j | 2.93g-i | 2.98f-h | 2.75C | 1.88h-j | 1.93f-h          | 1.99ef  | 2.07cd  | 2.07cd  | 1.99C |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 2.24n                    | 3.02e-g          | 3.08ef  | 3.12de  | 3.20cd  | 2.93B | 1.90h-j | 2.00d-f          | 2.03de  | 2.05de  | 2.34a   | 2.06B |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 2.32n                    | 3.23b-d          | 3.30bc  | 3.34b   | 3.50a   | 3.14A | 1.91g-i | 2.26b            | 2.04de  | 2.12c   | 2.40a   | 2.15A |
| Mean                          | 2.09D                    | 2.87C            | 2.94B   | 2.98B   | 3.05A   |       | 1.87D   | 1.98C            | 2.00C   | 2.05B   | 2.16A   |       |
| Second season 2022            |                          |                  |         |         |         |       |         |                  |         |         |         |       |
| Control                       | 1.82p                    | 2.53m            | 2.61lm  | 2.69l   | 2.82k   | 2.49E | 1.88gh  | 1.95fg           | 1.82h   | 1.94fg  | 1.95fg  | 1.91E |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 2.10o                    | 2.88i-k          | 2.93h-k | 2.96h-j | 2.86jk  | 2.75D | 1.93fg  | 1.96f            | 1.99ef  | 1.99ef  | 2.09d   | 1.99C |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 2.16o                    | 2.89i-k          | 2.96h-j | 2.99g-i | 3.04f-h | 2.81C | 1.92fg  | 2.04de           | 2.08d   | 2.11cd  | 2.09d   | 2.05B |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 2.30n                    | 3.0e-g           | 3.14ef  | 3.18de  | 3.26cd  | 2.99B | 2.06de  | 1.45i            | 2.12cd  | 2.05de  | 2.10d   | 1.95D |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 2.38n                    | 3.29b-d          | 3.36bc  | 3.40b   | 3.56a   | 3.20A | 2.25b   | 2.31b            | 2.39a   | 2.18c   | 2.45a   | 2.32A |
| Mean                          | 2.15D                    | 2.93C            | 3.00B   | 3.04B   | 3.11A   |       | 2.01C   | 1.94D            | 2.08B   | 2.05B   | 2.14A   |       |

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E.M.: Effective microorganisms

H.A.: Humic acid

The optimum level of Nitrogen in pear tree leaves = 2.3 – 2.7 % Nitrogen (Van den Ende and Leece 1975).

**Table 16:** Effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on leaf phosphor and potassium of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

| Foliar application treatments | P (%)   |                  |          |          |          |        | K (%)   |                  |        |         |         |       |
|-------------------------------|---------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|--------|---------|------------------|--------|---------|---------|-------|
|                               | Control | Soil application |          |          |          | Mean   | Control | Soil application |        |         |         | Mean  |
|                               |         | EM50             | EM75     | H.A. 25  | H.A. 50  |        |         | EM50             | EM75   | H.A. 25 | H.A. 50 |       |
| First season 2021             |         |                  |          |          |          |        |         |                  |        |         |         |       |
| Control                       | 0.030i  | 0.100g           | 0.119e-g | 0.118e-g | 0.136c-e | 0.101E | 1.64r   | 1.98m            | 1.97m  | 2.01l   | 2.01l   | 1.92D |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 0.040hi | 0.115fg          | 0.145e   | 0.142e   | 0.182c   | 0.125D | 1.73q   | 2.09k            | 2.12ij | 2.18h   | 2.16h   | 2.06C |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 0.060gh | 0.123e-g         | 0.163d   | 0.160d   | 0.198c   | 0.141C | 1.82p   | 2.14i            | 2.12ij | 2.10jk  | 2.13i   | 2.06C |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 0.090g  | 0.135ef          | 0.178d   | 0.180c   | 0.213a   | 0.159B | 1.90o   | 2.17h            | 2.20g  | 2.23f   | 2.25e   | 2.15B |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 0.105fg | 0.149e           | 0.196c   | 0.203bc  | 0.239a   | 0.178A | 1.95n   | 2.28d            | 2.30c  | 2.36b   | 2.44a   | 2.27A |
| Mean                          | 0.065D  | 0.124C           | 0.160B   | 0.161B   | 0.194A   |        | 1.81E   | 2.13D            | 2.14C  | 2.18B   | 2.20A   |       |
| Second season 2022            |         |                  |          |          |          |        |         |                  |        |         |         |       |
| Control                       | 0.045l  | 0.115ij          | 0.134h   | 0.133h   | 0.151gh  | 0.116E | 1.65s   | 1.99n            | 1.98n  | 2.02m   | 2.02m   | 1.93D |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 0.59kl  | 0.134h           | 0.164fg  | 0.161fg  | 0.201d   | 0.144D | 1.74r   | 2.10l            | 2.13k  | 2.19h   | 2.17i   | 2.07C |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 0.83j   | 0.146gh          | 0.186ef  | 0.183ef  | 0.221c   | 0.164C | 1.83q   | 2.15j            | 2.13k  | 2.11l   | 2.14jk  | 2.07C |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 0.116ij | 0.161fg          | 0.204d   | 0.206d   | 0.239b   | 0.185B | 1.91p   | 2.18hi           | 2.21g  | 2.24f   | 2.26e   | 2.16B |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 0.134h  | 0.178ef          | 0.225cd  | 0.232c   | 0.268a   | 0.207A | 1.96o   | 2.29d            | 2.31c  | 2.37b   | 2.45a   | 2.28A |
| Mean                          | 0.087D  | 0.147C           | 0.183B   | 0.183B   | 0.216A   |        | 1.82E   | 2.14D            | 2.15C  | 2.19B   | 2.21A   |       |

Means of each row, column or interaction having the same letter (s) are insignificantly different at 5% level.

E.M.: Effective microorganisms

H.A.: humic acid

The optimum level of phosphor and potassium in pear tree leaves = 0.14 – 0.20 % phosphor and 1.2 – 2.0 % potassium (Van den Ende and Leece 1975).

**Table 17:** Effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on leaf calcium and manganese percentage of Le- conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 season.

| Foliar application treatments | Ca (%)   |                  |          |          |          |        | Mg (%)   |                  |          |          |          |        |
|-------------------------------|----------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|--------|----------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|--------|
|                               | Control  | Soil application |          |          |          | Mean   | Control  | Soil application |          |          |          | Mean   |
|                               |          | EM50             | EM75     | H.A. 25  | H.A. 50  |        |          | EM50             | EM75     | H.A. 25  | H.A. 50  |        |
| First season 2021             |          |                  |          |          |          |        |          |                  |          |          |          |        |
| Control                       | 1.005p   | 1.097k-n         | 1.110j-m | 1.140i-l | 1.160i-l | 1.102E | 0.106i   | 0.126e-i         | 0.130d-i | 0.134c-i | 0.135c-i | 0.125B |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 1.019op  | 1.150i-l         | 1.170i-k | 1.180ij  | 1.199i   | 1.144D | 0.116hi  | 0.134c-i         | 0.140b-h | 0.145a-g | 0.146a-g | 0.136B |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 1.033n-p | 1.210i           | 2.219a   | 1.290h   | 1.310gh  | 1.412B | 0.123f-i | 0.151a-f         | 0.154a-e | 0.155a-e | 0.157a-d | 0.148A |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 1.065m-p | 1.350f-h         | 1.380fg  | 1.420ef  | 1.470e   | 1.337C | 0.113hi  | 0.159a-c         | 0.162a-c | 0.157a-d | 0.159a-c | 0.150A |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 1.088l-o | 1.550d           | 1.580cd  | 1.640c   | 1.730b   | 1.518A | 0.118g-i | 0.162a-c         | 0.162a-c | 0.164ab  | 0.171a   | 0.155A |
| Mean                          | 1.042E   | 1.271D           | 1.492A   | 1.334C   | 1.374B   |        | 0.115B   | 0.146A           | 0.150A   | 0.151A   | 0.154A   |        |
| Second season 2022            |          |                  |          |          |          |        |          |                  |          |          |          |        |
| Control                       | 1.012o   | 1.104k-n         | 1.117j-m | 1.147i-l | 1.167i-k | 1.109E | 0.112k   | 0.132g-k         | 0.136f-j | 0.140d-i | 0.141d-i | 0.132C |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 1.026o   | 1.157i-l         | 1.177ij  | 1.187ij  | 1.206i   | 1.151D | 0.122i-k | 0.140e-i         | 0.146c-h | 0.151b-g | 0.152b-g | 0.142B |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 1.040no  | 1.217i           | 2.226a   | 1.297h   | 1.317h   | 1.419B | 0.129h-k | 0.157a-f         | 0.160a-e | 0.161a-d | 0.163a-c | 0.154A |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 1.072m-o | 1.357gh          | 1.387fg  | 1.427ef  | 1.477e   | 1.344C | 0.119jk  | 0.165a-c         | 0.168ab  | 0.163a-c | 0.165a-c | 0.156A |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 1.095l-n | 1.557d           | 1.587cd  | 1.647c   | 1.737b   | 1.525A | 0.124i-k | 0.168ab          | 0.168ab  | 0.170ab  | 0.177a   | 0.161A |
| Mean                          | 1.049E   | 1.278D           | 1.499A   | 1.341C   | 1.381B   |        | 0.121B   | 0.152A           | 0.156A   | 0.157A   | 0.160A   |        |

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E.M.: Effective microorganisms

H.A.: Humic acid

The optimum level of phosphor and potassium in pear tree leaves = 0.14 – 0.20 % phosphor and 1.2 – 2.0 % potassium (Van den Ende and Leece 1975).

**Table 18:** Effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on leaf iron and zinc of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

| Foliar application treatments | Fe (ppm) |                  |          |          |         |        | Zn (ppm) |                  |          |          |          |        |
|-------------------------------|----------|------------------|----------|----------|---------|--------|----------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|--------|
|                               | Control  | Soil application |          |          |         | Mean   | Control  | Soil application |          |          |          | Mean   |
|                               |          | EM50             | EM75     | H.A. 25  | H.A. 50 |        |          | EM50             | EM75     | H.A. 25  | H.A. 50  |        |
|                               |          |                  |          |          |         |        |          |                  |          |          |          |        |
| First season 2021             |          |                  |          |          |         |        |          |                  |          |          |          |        |
| Control                       | 78.54u   | 81.43o-q         | 81.87n-p | 81.05p-r | 82.42no | 81.06E | 34.24q   | 37.13lm          | 37.57kl  | 36.75mn  | 38.12jk  | 36.76E |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 79.25tu  | 82.31no          | 82.76mn  | 83.40lm  | 84.70jk | 82.48D | 34.95pq  | 38.01jk          | 38.46ij  | 39.10i   | 40.40gh  | 38.18D |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 79.87st  | 85.47ij          | 84.27kl  | 85.64ij  | 86.30i  | 84.31C | 35.57op  | 41.17fg          | 39.97h   | 40.09h   | 40.50gh  | 39.46C |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 80.31rs  | 87.34h           | 88.42g   | 89.47f   | 91.45e  | 87.40B | 36.01no  | 41.54f           | 42.62e   | 43.92d   | 44.15d   | 41.65B |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 80.84qr  | 93.98d           | 95.73c   | 97.23b   | 104.53a | 94.46A | 36.54mn  | 47.71c           | 48.23c   | 49.17b   | 50.58a   | 46.45A |
| Mean                          | 79.76E   | 86.11D           | 86.61C   | 87.36B   | 89.88A  |        | 35.46D   | 41.11C           | 41.37C   | 41.80B   | 42.75A   |        |
| Second season 2022            |          |                  |          |          |         |        |          |                  |          |          |          |        |
| Control                       | 79.19u   | 82.0o-q          | 82.52n-p | 81.70p-r | 83.07n  | 81.71E | 34.67q   | 37.56lm          | 38.00kl  | 37.18m-o | 38.55j-l | 37.19E |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 79.90tu  | 82.96no          | 83.41mn  | 84.0lm   | 85.35jk | 83.13D | 35.38pq  | 38.44jk          | 38.89i-k | 39.53i   | 40.83g-i | 38.61D |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 80.52st  | 86.12ij          | 84.92kl  | 86.29ij  | 86.95i  | 84.96C | 36.00op  | 41.60fg          | 40.40h   | 40.52h   | 40.93gh  | 39.89C |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 80.96rs  | 87.99h           | 89.07g   | 90.12f   | 92.10e  | 88.05B | 36.44no  | 41.97f           | 43.05e   | 44.35d   | 44.58d   | 42.08B |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 81.49qr  | 94.63d           | 96.38c   | 97.88b   | 105.18a | 95.11A | 36.97mn  | 48.14c           | 48.66c   | 49.60b   | 51.01a   | 46.88A |
| Mean                          | 80.41E   | 86.76D           | 87.26C   | 88.01B   | 90.53A  |        | 35.89D   | 41.54C           | 41.80C   | 42.23B   | 43.18A   |        |

Means of each row, column or interaction having the same letter (s) are insignificantly different at 5% level.

E.M.: Effective microorganisms

H.A.: Humic acid

The optimum level of iron and zinc in pear tree leaves = 60.0 – 100.0 ppm iron and 20.0 – 50.0 ppm zinc (Van den Ende and Leece 1975).

Data in table (19) Show the effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments on sodium, colored and their interaction of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

#### **Sodium and chloride**

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 1000 ppm, sodium and chloride had lowest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatment humic acid at 50 ml/tree had lowest significant values. The interaction between the two studied factors, there are insignificant differences among most of the concentrations of sodium and chloride in both seasons.

Data in table (20) show the effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on leaf proline of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

#### **Proline**

Regarding to foliar application treatments, citric acid at 1000 ppm in proline had lowest significant values in both seasons. Concerning soil application treatment humic acid at 50 ml/tree had lowest significant values. The interaction between the two studied factors, the treatment of citric acid at 1000 ppm with humic acid at 25 and 50 ppm gave lowest proline in both seasons.

These observations are in harmony with those mentioned by many authors as Yan-Lin and Soon (2001), that Citric acid consider as one of non-enzymatic antioxidants which act to eliminate free radicals produced in plants under stress.

Erik *et al.* (2000), that humic acid applications increase in soil organic matter which is improves plant growth and crop production. Hafez (2003), found that the dry matter yield of barley plants increased with increasing the addition rate of humic acid from 450 to 900 mg/kg in soil. Vaughan, 1974; Cacco and Dell Agnolla, (1984); Russo and Berlyn, (1990) humic acid increasing cell membrane permeability, oxygen uptake, respiration, photosynthesis, phosphate uptake and root cell elongation of plant growth. Delfine *et al.*, (2005) Humic acids may stimulate shoot and root growth, and improve resistance to environmental stress in plant. Türkmen *et al.*, (2005) suggested that humic acid may promote much growth of pepper seedlings in salty condition. Asık *et al.*, (2009) use of humic substances for removing negative effects of elements in toxic quantities, and effects on plant growth were studied.

Briefly, 'Le-Conte' pear cultivate grown under salinity stress soil condition gave with citric acid humic acid the best results of growth, yield and fruit quality.

#### **4. Conclusion**

Finally, spraying with citric acid treatment at 1000 ppm with humic acid soil application at 50 ml/tree could be recommended as the most appropriate treatment for decrease the negative effect of salinity on fruit quality of 'Le-Conte' pear were studied under salinity stress conditions, where improved natural and chemical properties of fruits. On the other side, reduced fruit total acidity content. This treatment was proved to be the most efficient in enhancing, the yield and fruit quality of cultivar had been studied.



**Table 19:** Effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on leaf sodium and chloride of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

| Foliar application treatments | Na (%)   |                  |          |          |          |         | Cl (%)   |                  |          |          |          |        |
|-------------------------------|----------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|---------|----------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|--------|
|                               | Control  | Soil application |          |          |          | Mean    | Control  | Soil application |          |          |          | Mean   |
|                               |          | EM50             | EM75     | H.A. 25  | H.A. 50  |         |          | EM50             | EM75     | H.A. 25  | H.A. 50  |        |
| First season 2021             |          |                  |          |          |          |         |          |                  |          |          |          |        |
| Control                       | 0.183a   | 0.148cd          | 0.143c-e | 0.134d-f | 0.119f-h | 0.145A  | 0.596a   | 0.561cd          | 0.556c-e | 0.547d-f | 0.532f-h | 0.558A |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 0.173ab  | 0.119f-h         | 0.123e-g | 0.113f-i | 0.106g-j | 0.127B  | 0.586ab  | 0.532f-h         | 0.536e-g | 0.526f-i | 0.519g-j | 0.540B |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 0.164a-c | 0.102g-j         | 0.098h-k | 0.097h-l | 0.092i-l | 0.111C  | 0.577a-c | 0.515g-k         | 0.511h-l | 0.510h-l | 0.505i-l | 0.524C |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 0.158bc  | 0.085j-m         | 0.079k-n | 0.075l-n | 0.067m-o | 0.093D  | 0.571bc  | 0.498j-m         | 0.492k-n | 0.488l-o | 0.480m-o | 0.506D |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 0.154b-d | 0.077k-n         | 0.065m-o | 0.057no  | 0.053o   | 0.081E  | 0.567b-d | 0.490l-n         | 0.478m-o | 0.470no  | 0.466o   | 0.494E |
| Mean                          | 0.166A   | 0.106B           | 0.102BC  | 0.095CD  | 0.087D   |         | 0.579A   | 0.519B           | 0.515BC  | 0.508CD  | 0.500D   |        |
| Second season 2022            |          |                  |          |          |          |         |          |                  |          |          |          |        |
| Control                       | 0.198a   | 0.163c-e         | 0.158de  | 0.149ef  | 0.134f-h | 0.160A  | 0.611a   | 0.576cd          | 0.571c-e | 0.562d-f | 0.547f-h | 0.573A |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 0.188ab  | 0.134f-h         | 0.138fg  | 0.128g-i | 0.121g-j | 0.142B  | 0.601ab  | 0.547f-h         | 0.551e-g | 0.541f-i | 0.534g-j | 0.555B |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 0.179bc  | 0.117h-k         | 0.113i-l | 0.112i-l | 0.107j-m | 0.126C  | 0.592a-c | 0.530g-j         | 0.526h-l | 0.525h-l | 0.520i-l | 0.539C |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 0.173b-d | 0.100k-n         | 0.094l-n | 0.090m-o | 0.082n-p | 0.1088D | 0.586bc  | 0.513j-n         | 0.507k-n | 0.503l-n | 0.495m-o | 0.521D |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 0.169b-d | 0.092m-o         | 0.080n-p | 0.072op  | 0.068p   | 0.096E  | 0.582b-d | 0.505k-n         | 0.493m-o | 0.485no  | 0.481o   | 0.509E |
| Mean                          | 0.181A   | 0.121B           | 0.117BC  | 0.110CD  | 0.102D   |         | 0.594A   | 0.534B           | 0.530BC  | 0.523CD  | 0.515D   |        |

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E.M.: Effective microorganisms

H.A.: Humic acid

The optimum level of sodium and color in pear tree leaves 0.01 % sodium and 0.05 % color (Van den Ende and Leece 1975).

**Table 20:** Effect of some anti- salinity foliar application and soil application treatments and their interaction on leaf proline of Le-conte pear (*Pyrus communis* L.) trees in new valley during 2021 & 2022 seasons.

| Foliar application treatments | Proline |                  |         |         |         | Mean   |
|-------------------------------|---------|------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|
|                               | Control | Soil application |         |         |         |        |
|                               |         | EM50             | EM75    | H.A. 25 | H.A. 50 |        |
| First season 2021             |         |                  |         |         |         |        |
| Control                       | 2.647a  | 1.421e           | 1.416ef | 1.399fg | 1.384g  | 1.653A |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 1.842b  | 1.276h           | 1.260hi | 1.250i  | 1.243i  | 1.374B |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 1.813c  | 1.117j           | 1.113j  | 0.964k  | 0.959kl | 1.193C |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 1.598d  | 0.952kl          | 0.946kl | 0.942l  | 0.844m  | 1.056D |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 1.592d  | 0.854m           | 0.842m  | 0.820n  | 0.816n  | 0.985E |
| Mean                          | 1.898A  | 1.124B           | 1.115C  | 1.075D  | 1.049E  |        |
| Second season 2022            |         |                  |         |         |         |        |
| Control                       | 2.662a  | 1.436e           | 1.431ef | 1.414fg | 1.399g  | 1.668A |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 100ppm  | 1.857b  | 1.291h           | 1.275hi | 1.265i  | 1.258i  | 1.389B |
| Salicylic acid(SA) at 200ppm  | 1.828c  | 1.132j           | 1.128j  | 0.979k  | 0.974kl | 1.208C |
| Citric acid(CA) at 500ppm     | 1.613d  | 0.967kl          | 0.961kl | 0.957l  | 0.859m  | 1.071D |
| Citric acid(CA) at 1000ppm    | 1.607d  | 0.869m           | 0.857m  | 0.835n  | 0.831n  | 1.000E |
| Mean                          | 1.913A  | 1.139B           | 1.130C  | 1.090D  | 1.064E  |        |

Means of each row, column or interaction having the same letter (s) are insignificantly different at 5% level.

E.M.: Effective microorganisms

H.A.: Humic acid

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