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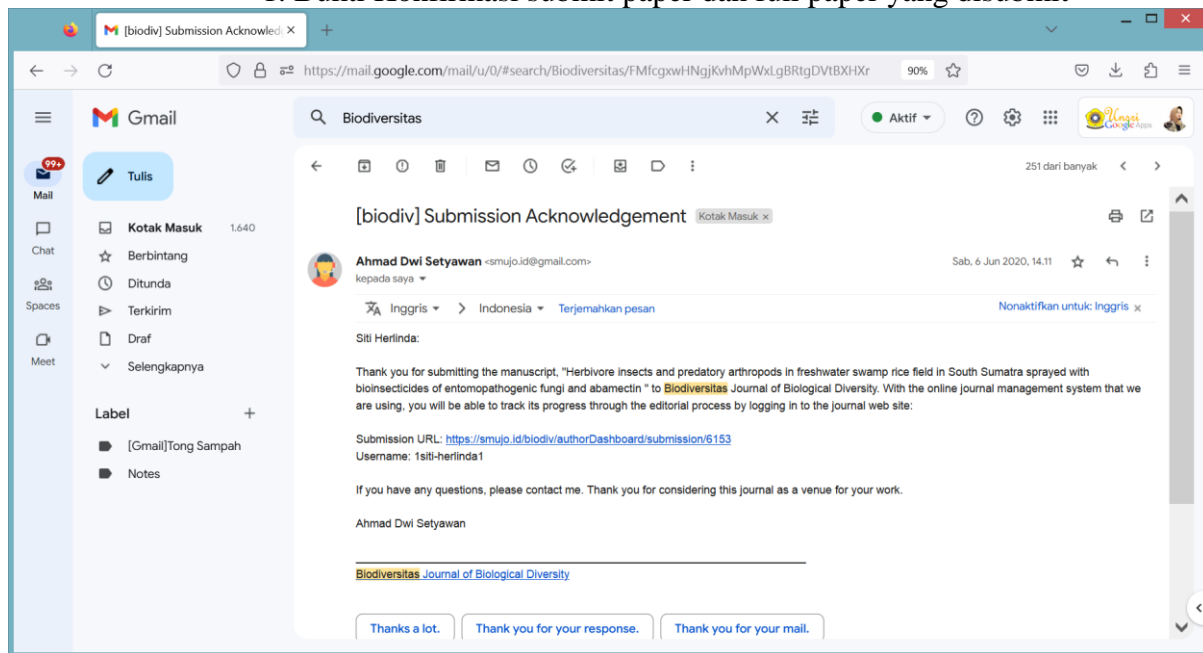
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Abstract. Herbivore insect population and predatory arthropod in rice field may be effected by the application entomopathogenic fungi or synthetic insectide. The objective of this research was to analyze individual quantity of herbivore insects and predatory arthropod inhabiting freshwater swamp rice field treated with bioinsecticides and abamectin (commercial insecticide). The research used the bioinsecticides made from fungi (*Beauveria bassiana*, *Metarhizium anisopliae*, *Cordyceps military*), and the abamectin. This research found 12 families of herbivore insects with 22 species dominated by *Nilaparvata lugens* and *Leptocorisa acuta*. This study found 32 species of spider belonged to 8 families dominated by *Tetragnatha virescens* and *Oxyopes matiensis*. The species diversity of spider was higher in the plots of the bioinsecticide compared to that of the abamectin. Predatory insects found belonged to 14 species belonged to 8 families dominated by species of *Ophionea nigrofasciata*, *Verania discolor*, and *Paedorus fuscipe*. The abundance of predatory insects in plots sprayed with the bioinsecticides was higher compared to that of the abamectin plot. It concluded that the abundance and species diversity of predatory arthropod sprayed with bioinsecticide of *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris* did not decrease, while the population of herbivore insect tent to decrease.

Key words: *Beauveria bassiana*; *Metarhizium anisopliae*; *Cordyceps militaris*; neutral insect; parasitoid

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INTRODUCTION

Rice cultivation in freshwater swamps of South Sumatra has specific characteristics making it different from rice cultivation in other ecosystem in Indonesia. Rice cultivation has been depended on climate conditions, especially rainfall and tidal flush. In the period of November to April, freshwater swamps are generally inundated so that local farmers cultivate rice only in the period of May to September (Herlinda et al. 2018; Herlinda et al. 2019a). Due to the difficulty in managing the water, the farmers grow rice once a year using transplanting method. In maintaining their rice cultivations, the local farmers scarcely apply synthetic insecticide (Herlinda et al. 2019b).

The population of pest insect in freshwater swamp rice has been increasing and starting to cause yield losses, especially rice bug (*Leptocorisa acuta*), while the previously disappeared brown planthopper (*Nilaparvata lugens*) started appearing (Hanif et al. 2020). The pest insects of rice have been controlled using entomopathogenic fungi, *Beauveria bassiana* (Li et al. 2012; Li et al. 2014; Lee et al. 2015) and *Metarhizium anisopliae* (Girish and Balikai, 2015; Chinniah et al. 2016). There has been the report on the use of *Cordyceps militaris* to control pest insect of rice (Prabawati et al. 2019). The *C. militaris* could produce beauvericin of toxin insects (Rachmawati et al. 2018). *B. bassiana* had been proven to be effective against homopteran (Li et al. 2012; Li et al. 2014; Lopez et al. 2014; Lee et al. 2015; Sumikarsih et al. 2019), coleopteran (Kavallieratos et al. 2015), hemipteran (Girish and Balikai 2015), and lepidopteran insects (Ayudya et al. 2019; Ma et al. 2019; Gustianingtyas et al. 2020). *M. anisopliae* had also been demonstrated to be effective against homopteran (Mweke et al. 2019), lepidopteran (Gustianingtyas et al. 2020), and coleopteran insects (Kavallieratos et al. 2015). *M. anisopliae* could be used in multiple roles, ranging from controlling the insect pests to promoting plant growth (Liu et al. 2017).

46 Being effective against various orders of insects, including the coleopteran insects (Kavallieratos et al. 2015), the rice
47 field ecosystem which is dominated by species of predatory insects, it is important to be very careful in the application of
48 entomopathogenic fungi in the ecosystem to avoid bad impact on non-target arthropods (Scorsetti et al. 2017). The high
49 species diversity and abundance of arthropod in the freshwater swamp rice field (Herlinda et al. 2018) might be disturbed
50 by the application of the entomopathogenic fungi. However, there have been some reports suggested that entomopathogenic
51 fungi did not affect abundance and species diversity of arthropods. For example, predatory insect in paddy field (*Andrallus*
52 *spinidens*) was reported to be resistant to *B. bassiana* (Firouzbakht et al. 2015; Gholamzadeh-Chitgar et al. 2017;
53 Scorsetti et al. 2017). Parasitoid tends to avoid host insect infected by entomopathogenic fungi (Emami et al. 2013).
54 Coccinellidae, the family of generalist predatory insect, was reported to be resistant to *M. anisopliae* (Bayissa et al. 2016).
55 This research aimed to analyze individual quantity of herbivore insects and predatory arthropod inhabiting freshwater
56 swamp rice field treated with bioinsecticides containing *Beauveria bassiana*, *Metarhizium anisopliae*, and *Cordyceps*
57 *militaris* and the abamectin.

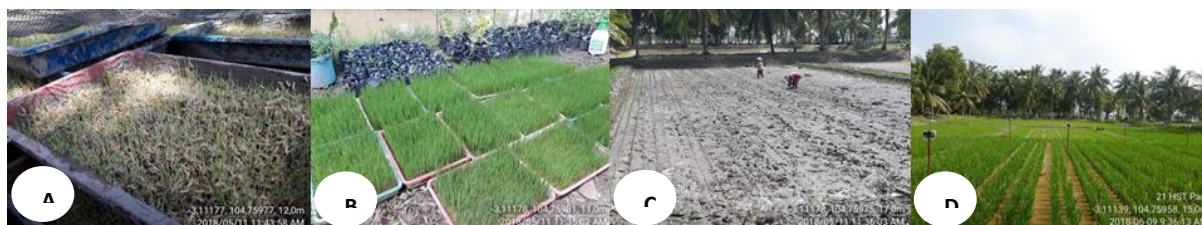
58 MATERIALS AND METHODS

59 Study area

60 The research was conducted from April to August 2018 in freshwater swamp rice field located in Village Pelabuhan
61 Dalam, Sub District Pemulutan, District Ogan Ilir, and South Sumatra. The experiment was arranged in a Completely
62 Randomized Block Design consisted of four plots of treatment. The first three plots were treated with bioinsecticide
63 containing *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, *C. militaris*, and the fourth plot was treated with the abamectin (the commercial
64 insecticide) as control. The plot area was 120 m² for a treatment and each the treatment was replicated five times.

65 Land preparation, transplanting, and crop maintenance

66 Land preparation was conducted using moldboard plow and was continued by using harrow plow. Before being
67 plowed, the land was cleared using hoe and long knife. The excessive water was pumped out until the soil was slightly
68 watery, and dung compost was added at a dosage of 1 ton ha⁻¹. Rice seed used were certified purple labeled seed of
69 Mekongga variety at a dosage of 50 kg/ha. Rice was cultivated using transplanting system from which, the seedlings were
70 prepared in 34 x 26 x 5 cm³ plastic trays filled with 3 cm high soil. The seeds were soaked in water for 24 hours before
71 being planted in the prepared plastic trays. The soaked seeds were spread evenly in each tray at a dosage of 150 g per tray.
72 The trays were then covered with thick plastic for 7 days. The 7 day old seedlings were then transferred to places
73 receiving enough sun light. Fourteen day old seedlings were transplanted to all prepared plots at a density of 2 seedlings
74 per hole in a 2:1 (12.5 x 25 x 50 cm³) “jajar legowo” planting system (Figure 1).
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77 **Figure 1.** Two day old rice seedling in a plastic tray (A), 7 day old seedlings (B), rice transplanting (C) rice planted in “jajar legowo”
78 planting system (D)

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80 Crop maintenance was conducted in the form of replanting, irrigating, weeding, and fertilizing. Replanting was
81 conducted 7 days after transplanting to replace the dead seedlings. Irrigating was conducted by making use of water flush
82 from river under high tide and pumping system. Weeding was conducted both at vegetative and generative stages using
83 sickle. Fertilizer used was shrimp shell extract compost prepared according to method by Suwandi et al. (2012). The
84 compost was applied every two weeks started from 14 days after planting until harvesting (84 days) at a dosage of 2 L
85 ha⁻¹. The extract compost was a fermentation result of shrimp shell meal containing chitinolytic bacteria, selulotic bacteria
86 and sulphate diluter. Nitrogen fertilizer was applied 30 days after planting at a dosage of 100 kg ha⁻¹.

87 Formulation and application of bioinsecticides

88 All species of fungi have been explored from soil according to Kin et al. (2017). *B. bassiana* and *M. anisopliae* used in
89 this research were explored from freshwater swamp soil of South Sumatra, while *C. militaris* was explored from soil in
90 Central Kalimantan. *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris* were cultured in solid media of Sabouraud Dextrose
91 Agar (SDA, Merck) made from 16.2 g SDA in 250 mL aquadest. The cultures were incubated for 10 x 24 hours. The 10
92 days old fungal solid cultures were then cultured in liquid media (Figure 2) of Sabouraud Dextrose Broth (SDB, Merck)
93 made from 30 g SDB in 1000 ml aquadest and were incubated in a 120 rpm shaker for 7 x 24 hours. The liquid culture of
94 the entomopathogenic fungi were used to make bioinsecticide. Seven days after incubation, the density of fungal spores of

95 the bioinsecticide was counted, the counting was stopped when the spore density reached 1×10^9 conidia mL^{-1} . The
96 bioinsecticide was made by adding shrimp shell meal extract compost as carrier, while active ingredients used were
97 entomopathogenic fungi and vegetable oil. One liter of bioinsecticide comprised of 400 mL shrimp shell meal extract
98 compost, 600 mL liquid culture of entomopathogenic fungi and 10 mL vegetable oil. Compost extract used to make
99 bioinsecticide was previously autoclaved under 1 atm for 2 hours.
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102 **Figure 2.** Cultures of *Beauveria bassiana* (A), *Metarhizium anisopliae* (B), and *Cordyceps militaris* (C) on SDB; liquid
103 bioinsecticide of *Beauveria bassiana* (D), *Metarhizium anisopliae* (E), and *Cordyceps militaris* (F)
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105 The bioinsecticides were applied at dosage of 2 L ha^{-1} per application. The applications were conducted at 13, 27, 41,
106 55, 69, and 83 days after transplanting (DAT). The bioinsecticide applications were conducted in the evening (at 5 pm) to
107 avoid spores damage by ultra violet. Control plot was sprayed with abamectin at a dosage of 0.5 L ha^{-1} . The insecticide
108 contained abamectin active ingredient and was sprayed at the same time as bioinsecticide applications. The control plot
109 was 50 m away from treatments plots to avoid contamination in the treatment plots, and there was 10 m distance between
110 bioinsecticide treatment plots. A day after application the bioinsecticides and the abamectin, arthropod samplings were
111 carried out to collect arthropods inhabiting rice canopy.

112 **Arthropod sampling in rice canopy**

113 Sampling to collect arthropods inhabiting rice canopy was conducted using an entomological net according to Lami et
114 al. (2016) and Ivantsova et al. (2017). The net had 75 cm length and 30 cm diameter of net and 100 cm length of handle.
115 Sampling was made in every treatment subplot and was repeated five times. Samplings were conducted at 14, 28, 42, 56,
116 70, and 84 DAT. Arthropod samplings were conducted in the morning, at 6-7 am. During sampling, the sweep net was
117 swept 30 cm depth into rice canopy to collect representative samples.

Sampled arthropods were cleaned and placed in plastic bottles (330 mL) containing 100 mL absolute ethanol, the
bottles were labeled. The samples were taken into the Laboratory of Entomology, Department of Plant Pest and Disease,
Faculty of Agriculture, Universitas Sriwijaya for identification. Spider identification was conducted using reference of
Barrion and Litsinger (1995) while for insect identification we used reference of Gullan and Cranston (2014) and
Heinrichs et al. (2017).

118 **Data analysis**

119 Data of arthropods species were grouped based on their guild, comprised of herbivore insects, predators, parasitoids,
120 and neutral insects, and was presented in the form of graphic. The difference of individual quantity of the herbivore
121 insects, spiders, and predatory insects amongst treatments was analyzed using Analysis of Variance (ANOVA). If there
122 was significant difference among treatments, the analyses was continued with Tukey's HSD (Honesty Significant
123 Difference) test at 5% degree of significance. Analyses data was conducted using Software of SAS University Edition 2.7
124 9.4 M5. Data of abundance were used to analyze species diversity by using Shannon index (H'). Degree of diversity was
125 counted using the Evenness index (J') derived from the Shannon function, and Berger-Parker dominance biodiversity
126 indices. The coefficient of Sorensen was counted to measure degree of similarity of spider or predatory insect among
127 treatments (Magurran 2004).

128 **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

129 **Abundance of herbivore insects in one rice cropping season**

130 In one rice cropping season, it was found 22 species of herbivore insects belonged to 12 families. Dominant herbivore
131 species were *Nilaparvata lugens*, *Leptocorisa acuta*, *Acrida turita*, *Valanga nigricornis*, *Di cladispa armigera* (Figure 3).
132 Population of the herbivore was not significantly different among treatments, except for Family Cecidomyiidae (Table 1).

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Therefore, the capacity of bioinsecticide in suppressing the population of the herbivore insects has generally almost similar to the capacity of the abamectin.

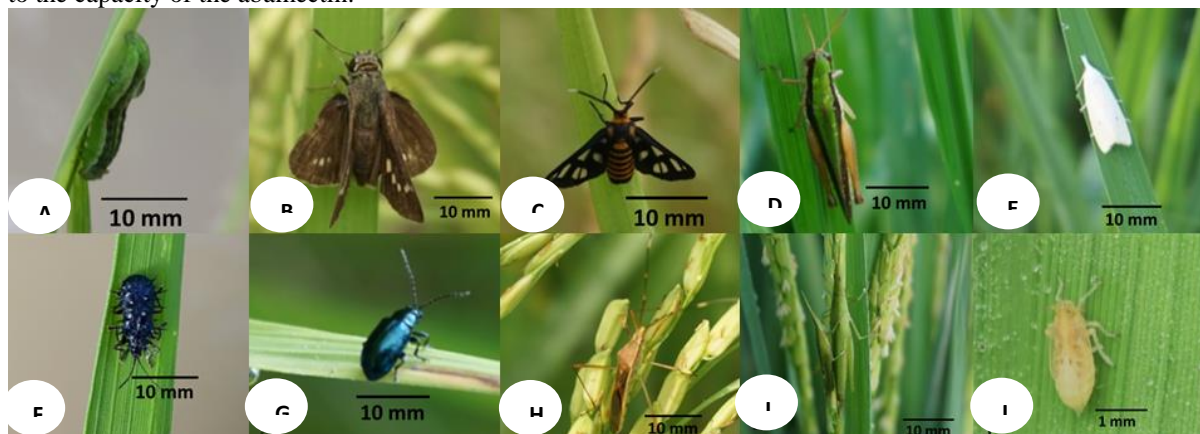


Figure 3. Herbivore insects found in rice canopy: *Spodoptera* sp. (A), *Pelopidas* sp. (B), *Amata nigriceps* (C), *Oxya chinensis* (D), *Scirpophaga* sp. (E), *Dicladispa armigera* (F), *Chrysolina coerulans* (G), *Acrida turrita* (H), *Acrida turrita* (I), *Nilaparvata lugens* (J)

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Table 1. Population of herbivore insects in rice canopy sprayed with bioinsecticide containing *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae* and *C. militaris* and abamectin

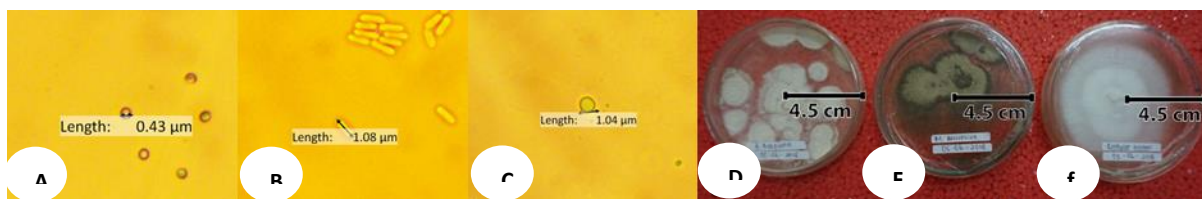
No	Ordo / Family/ Spesies	Mean of herbivore abundance (individuals/nets)				F-value	P value (0.05)	Tukey's HSD test
		<i>B. bassiana</i>	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	<i>C. militaris</i>	Abamectin			
	COLEOPTERA	0.2	0.13	0.17	0.23	0.26	0.85	
	Chrysomelidae	0.2	0.13	0.17	0.23	0.26	0.85	
1	<i>Chrysolina coerulans</i>	0.07	0	0.07	0.2	2.11	0.15	
2	<i>Dicladispa armigera</i>	0.13	0.13	0.1	0.03	0.53	0.67	
	DIPTERA	0.4 ^b	0.03 ^{ab}	0.07 ^{ab}	0.00 ^a	4.40*	0.03	0.20
	Cecidomyiidae	0.4 ^b	0.03 ^{ab}	0.07 ^{ab}	0.00 ^a	4.40*	0.03	0.20
3	Unknown sp.	0.33	0	0	0	2.55	0.1	
4	<i>Orseolia</i> sp.	0.07	0.03	0.07	0	0.81	0.51	
	HEMIPTERA	1.67	1.1	1.7	0.97	2.42	0.12	
	Alydidae	0.57	0.4	0.73	0.5	2.02	0.17	
5	<i>Leptocorisa acuta</i>	0.57	0.4	0.73	0.5	2.02	0.17	
	Cicadellidae	0.17	0.1	0	0.1	0.42	0.74	
6	<i>Nephotettix cincticeps</i>	0	0	0	0.03	1.00	0.43	
7	<i>Nephotettix virescen</i>	0	0.1	0	0.07	1.04	0.41	
8	<i>Recilia dorsalis</i>	0.17	0	0	0	1.00	0.43	
	Delphacidae	0.93	0.6	0.97	0.37	2.59	0.1	
9	<i>Nilaparvata lugens</i>	0.77	0.53	0.9	0.27	2.23	0.14	
10	<i>Sogatella furcifera</i>	0.17	0.07	0.07	0.1	0.50	0.69	
	LEPIDOPTERA	0.37	0.3	0.5	0.17	2.61	0.1	
	Pyralidae	0.33	0.23	0.33	0.17	0.99	0.43	
11	<i>Cnaplocrosis medinalis</i>	0	0	0	0.03	1.00	0.43	
12	<i>Scirpophaga incertulas</i>	0.17	0.13	0.17	0.07	1.31	0.32	
13	<i>Scirpophaga</i> sp.	0.17	0.1	0.17	0.07	0.66	0.59	
	Erebidae	0	0	0.07	0	1.00	0.43	
14	<i>Amata nigriceps</i>	0	0	0.07	0	1.00	0.43	
	Hesperiidae	0	0	0.03	0	1.00	0.43	
15	<i>Pelopidas mathias</i>	0	0	0.03	0	1.00	0.43	
	Noctudae	0.03	0.07	0.07	0	0.47	0.71	
16	<i>Spodoptera</i> sp.	0.03	0.07	0.07	0	0.47	0.71	
	ORTHOPTERA	0.63	0.83	0.67	0.8	0.58	0.64	
	Acrididae	0.63	0.83	0.67	0.77	0.48	0.7	
17	<i>Acrida turrita</i>	0.2	0.17	0.1	0.4	2.68	0.09	
18	<i>Gesonula mundata</i>	0.03	0.1	0.03	0.1	0.35	0.79	
19	<i>Oxya chinensis</i>	0.07	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.07	0.97	
20	<i>Valanga nigricornis</i>	0.33	0.47	0.43	0.17	2.02	0.17	
	Pyrgomorphidae	0	0	0	0.03	1.00	0.43	
21	<i>Atractomorpha crenulata</i>	0	0	0	0.03	1.00	0.43	
	THYSANOPTERA	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.07	0.11	0.95	
	Thripidae	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.07	0.11	0.95	
22	<i>Liothrips</i> sp.	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.07	0.11	0.95	
	TOTAL	3.37	2.5	3.2	2.23	2.77	0.09	

141 Note: *: significantly different; values within a row followed by the same letters were not significantly different at $P < 0.05$ according to
142 Tukey's HSD test

143 During field observations, insect died due to infection by entomopathogenic fungi were documented and showed
144 specific symptoms of each fungus. Larva of *S. litura* found infected by *B. bassiana* in the rice field showed white mycelia
145 covering its body, dried and not smelly (Figure 4). Larvae of *S. litura* infected by *M. anisopliae* showed symptoms of
146 dried body covered by greenish white mycelia and was not smelly, while larvae of *S. litura* infected by *C. militaris* showed
147 symptoms similar to those of *B. bassiana* infection, larval body drying, shriveled, covered by white mycelia, and not
148 smelly. Entomopathogenic fungi infected sampled insects were isolated and purified in the laboratory. Color, structure,
149 and spore of the isolated fungi were as presented in Figure 5.
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151 **Figure 4.** Herbivore insects infected by the entomopathogenic fungal of bioinsecticide in rice field: healthy larva of *Spodoptera* sp.
152 (A), infected by *B. bassiana* (B), infected by *M. anisopliae* (C), and infected by *C. militaris* (D)
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156 **Figure 5.** Spores of *Beauveria bassiana* (A), *Metarhizium anisopliae* (B), and *Cordyceps militaris* (C); colonies of *Beauveria bassiana*
157 (d), *Metarhizium anisopliae* (E), and *Cordyceps militaris* (F)
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159 **Abundance of spider and predatory insect in one rice cropping season**

160 This research found 32 species of spider belonged to 8 families. The dominant species of them were *Tetragnatha*
161 *virescens*, *T. virescens*, *T. maxillosa*, *Argiope catenulata*, and *Oxyopes matiensis* (Figure 6). Total abundance of spider in
162 the plot treated with the abamectin was significantly lower than that of plots treated with bioinsecticide (Table 2). The
163 abundance of *Bathyphantes* sp. in abamectin plot was decreasing. The highest abundance of *Araneus inustus* was found
164 in plot treated with bioinsecticide *C. militaris* and was different from that of other treatments. The abundance of
165 Tetragnathidae was significantly decreasing in plot treated with insecticide compared to that of plots treated with
166 bioinsecticide.

167 Predatory insects found in this research belonged to 14 species and 8 families. The dominant species were
168 *Formicomus* sp., *Ophionea nigrofasciata*, *Verania discolor*, *Verania lineata*, *Menochilus sexmaculatus*, *Micrapis inop*,
169 *Paedorus fuscipe*, *Cyrtorhinus lividipennis*, and *Orthotylus* sp. (Figure 7). The abundance of predatory insects was not
170 significantly different among treatments (Table 3).

171 **Characteristic of spider and predatory insect community in one rice cropping season**

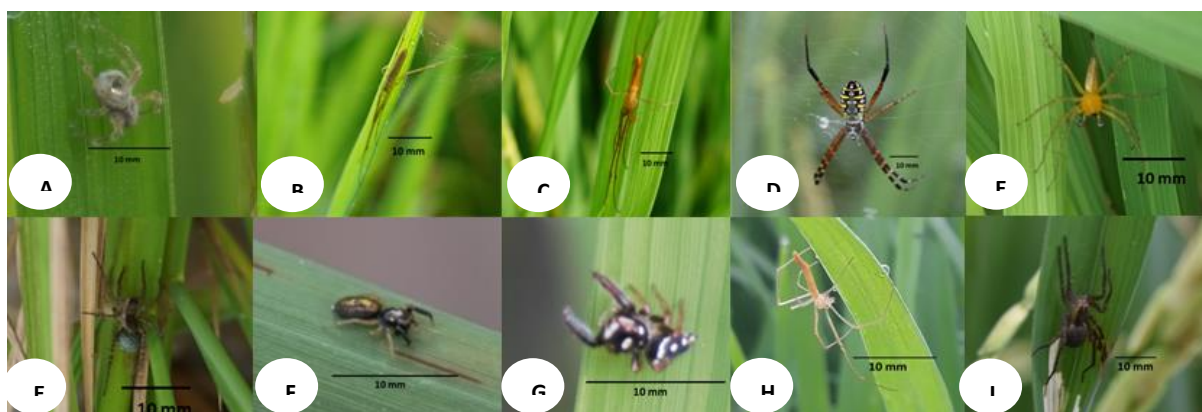
172 Number of spiders were increasing with the increase of rice age (Table 4). The highest number of spiders occurred
173 when the rice were at mature grain ripening stage (84 DAT). The abundance of spider in the plot treated with abamectin
174 tent to be lower compared to that of plots treated with the bioinsecticides. Total number of spiders in one rice cropping
175 season were higher in the plots treated with the bioinsecticide than that in plot treated with the abamectin. The species
176 diversity of spiders was also higher in the plots treated with entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide compared to that in
177 the abamectin plot. The high species diversity in plots treated with entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide was also
178 followed by the high species evenness and low species dominance.

179 Number of predatory insects were increasing with the increase of rice stage, but at approaching to harvest (84 DAT),
180 the number of predatory insects drastically decreased (Table 5). The highest abundance of predatory insect occurred at
181 milk grain ripening stage (70 DAT). The phenomenon of abundance fluctuation of predatory insect was slightly different
182 from that of spider which its peak occurred at mature grain ripening stage (84 DAT). The abundance of predatory insect in

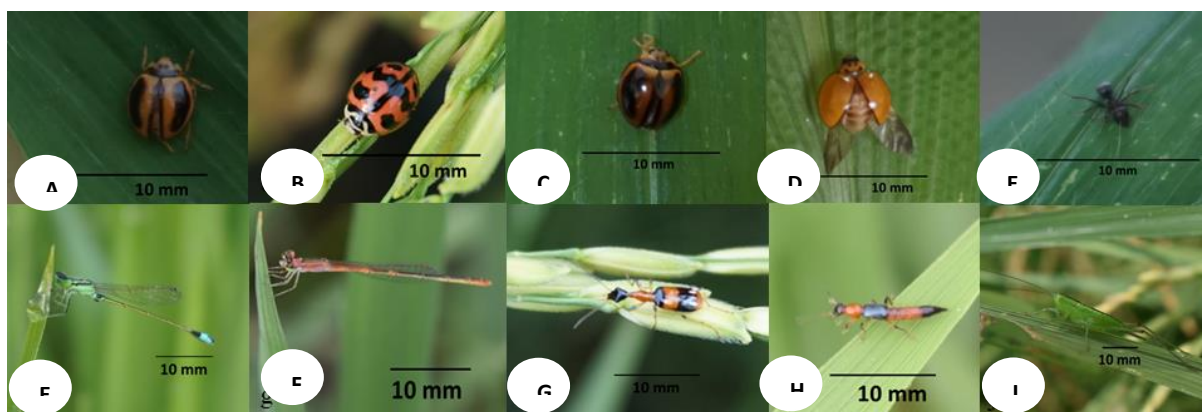
183 plots treated with abamectin was generally lower than that of plots treated with the entomopathogenic fungal
 184 bioinsecticide. Total of abundance of predatory insects in one rice cropping season of plots sprayed with
 185 entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide was higher compared to that of abamectin plot, however, species diversity,
 186 evenness and species dominance tent to be similar among treatments.

187 Spider community in plot sprayed with the bioinsecticide of *B. bassiana* tent to be more similar to that of plots sprayed
 188 with bioinsecticide (*M. anisopliae* and *C. militaris*) than that of abamectin plot. Total of one rice cropping season, spider
 189 community in plot sprayed with bioinsecticide *B. bassiana* was more similar to that of plot of *C. militaris* (0.77), followed
 190 by plot *M. anisopliae* (0.76), and least similar to that of abamectin plot (0.49) (Table 6).

191 Predatory insect community in plot sprayed with bioinsecticide *B. bassiana* tent to be more similar to that of plots
 192 sprayed with bioinsecticide *M. anisopliae* and *C. militaris* than that of abamectin plot (Table 7). Total of one rice cropping
 193 season, predatory insect community in plots sprayed with bioinsecticide *B. bassiana* was more similar to that of plot *M.*
 194 *anisopliae* (0.91), followed by plot of *C. militaris* (0.85), and least similar to that of insecticide plot (0.66).
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 198 **Figure 6.** Spiders found in rice canopy: Linyphiidae (A), *Tetragnatha virescens* (B), *Tetragnatha maxillosa* (C), *Argiope*
 199 *catenulate* (D), *Oxyopes matiensis* (E), Lycosidae (F), Salticidae A (G), Salticidae b (H), *Oxyopes javanus* (I), *Pardosa*
 200 *sp.* (J)
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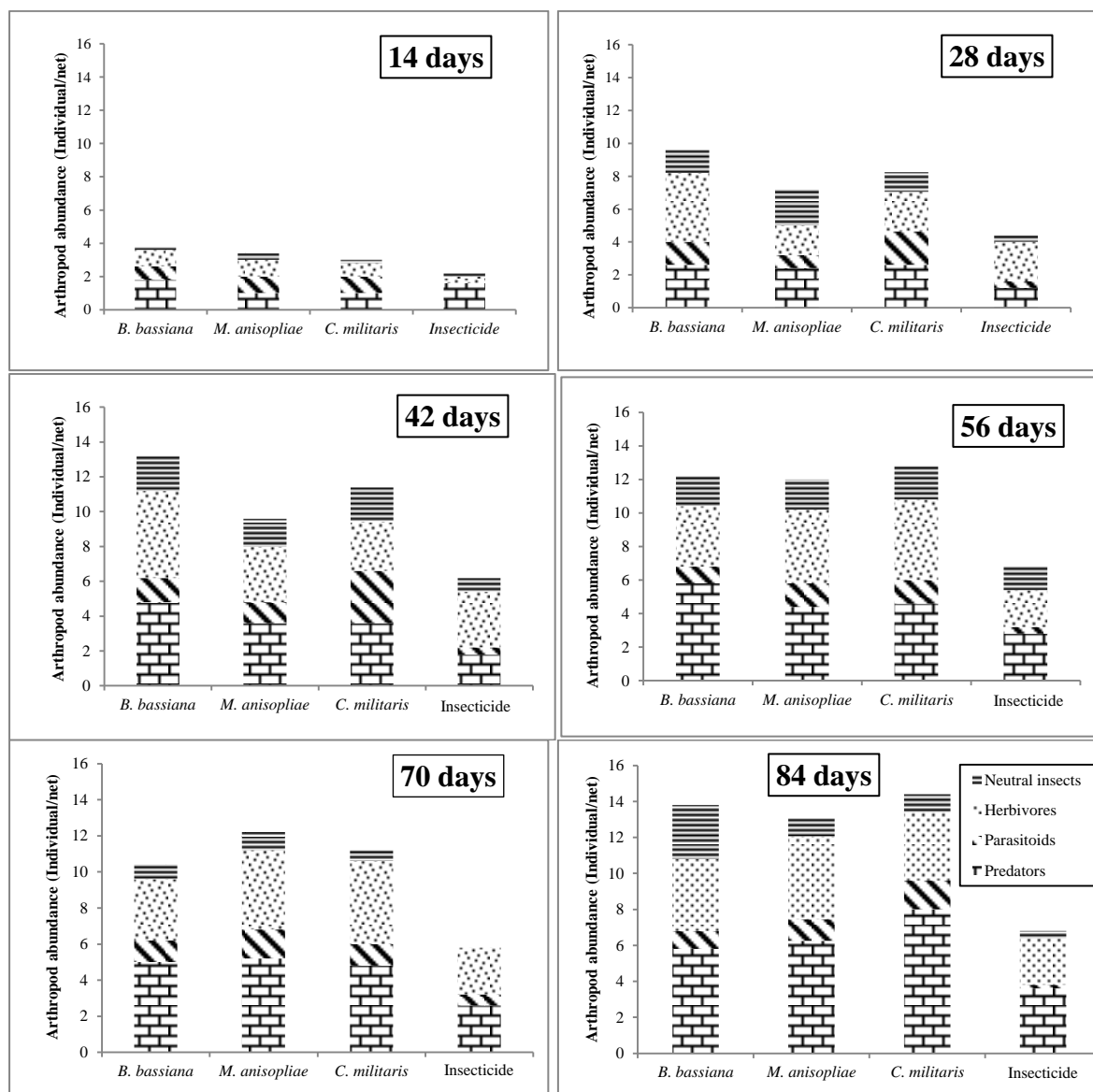


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 204 **Figure 7.** Predatory insect in rice field: *Verania lineata* (A), *Menochilus sexmaculatus* (B), *Micrapis inops* (C), *Formica*
 205 *sp.* (D), *Odontoponera transversa* (E), *Argia sp.* (F), *Agriocnemis sp.* (G), *Ophionea nigrofasciata* (H), *Paederus fuscipes*
 206 (I), and *Conocephalus longipennis* (J)

207 **The abundance of arthropod guilds in one rice cropping season**

208 The abundance of arthropod of all guilds tent to increase with the increase of rice growth stage (Figure 8). In all
 209 observations, the abundance of predatory insect was always higher compared to the abundance of other guilds (neutral
 210 insect, herbivore, and parasitoid). The abundance of predator was generally higher in plots sprayed entomopathogenic
 211 fungal bioinsecticide compared to that of abamectin plot. The abundance of all guilds of arthropod in plot of abamectin
 212 was always lower compared to that of bioinsecticide plots. When rice was 70 days old, the abundance of herbivore
 213 reached its peak, then decreased at mature grain stage. The abundance of predator reached its peak when rice was 84
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Figure 8. Arthropod abundance on rice field treated with bioinsecticides and abamectin (insecticide)

Table 2. The abundance of spider inhabiting rice canopy sprayed with bioinsecticide containing *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militar* and abamectin

No.	Ordo / Family/ Spesies	Mean of spider abundance (individuals/nets)				F-value	P value (0.05)	Tukey's HSD test
		<i>B. bassiana</i>	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	<i>C. militar</i>	Abamectin			
ARACHINIDA								
Araneidae								
1	<i>Araneus inustus</i>	0.00 ^a	0.03 ^{ab}	0.2 ^b	0.03 ^{ab}	4.82*	0.02	0.11
2	<i>Unknown</i>	0.03	0.03	0.07	0.07	0.35	0.79	
3	<i>Gea subarmata</i>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.03	1.00	0.43	
Linyphiidae								
4	<i>Bathyphantes tagalogensis</i>	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.00	2.67	0.10	
5	<i>Bathyphantes</i> sp. A	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.89	0.48	
6	<i>Bathyphantes</i> sp. B	0.13 ^{ab}	0.2 ^b	0.07 ^{ab}	0 ^a	3.74*	0.04	0.12
7	<i>Atypena adelinae</i>	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.00	1.00	
8	<i>Erigone bifurca</i>	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.43	
9	<i>Linyphiidae</i> Sp. A	0.20	0.03	0.03	0.00	2.46	0.11	
10	<i>Atypena formosana</i>	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.98	0.44	
Lycosidae								
11	<i>Arctosa</i> sp.	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.60	0.63	
12	<i>Pardosa birmanica</i>	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.43	

13	<i>Pardosa pseudoannulata</i>	0.03	0.00	0.27	0.07	2.10	0.15	
14	<i>Pardosa apostoli</i>	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.43	
15	<i>Pardosa pullata</i>	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.37	0.77	
15	<i>Hogna rizali</i>	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.00	1.00	0.43	
16	<i>Pirata luzonensis</i>	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.03	0.62	0.62	
	Oxyopidae	0.03	0.03	0.10	0.03	0.51	0.68	
17	<i>Oxyopes javanus</i>	0.00	0.03	0.07	0.03	0.76	0.54	
18	<i>Oxyopes matiensis</i>	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.00	1.00	0.43	
19	<i>Oxyopes pingasus</i>	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.43	
	Salticidae	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.00	1.00	
20	Unknown A	0.03	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.38	0.77	
21	Unknown B	0.03	0.07	0.03	0.03	0.37	0.77	
	Theridiidae	0.07	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.62	0.62	
22	Unknown	0.07	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.62	0.62	
	Tetragnathidae	1.33 ^b	1.2 ^{ab}	1.2 ^{ab}	0.63 ^a	4.16*	0.03	0.28
23	<i>Tetragnatha javana</i>	0.33	0.40	0.43	0.20	2.40	0.12	
24	<i>Tetragnatha maxillosa</i>	0.07	0.07	0.03	0.03	0.24	0.87	
25	<i>Tetragnatha montana</i>	0.07	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.37	0.77	
26	<i>Tetragnatha virescens</i>	0.47	0.33	0.37	0.23	0.76	0.54	
27	<i>Tetragnatha nitens</i>	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.38	0.77	
28	<i>Tetragnatha okumae</i>	0.33	0.13	0.10	0.10	1.88	0.19	
29	<i>Tetragnatha mandibulata</i>	0.03	0.07	0.10	0.00	0.84	0.50	
30	<i>Tetragnatha vermiformis</i>	0.00	0.10	0.07	0.00	1.27	0.33	
31	<i>Tetragnatha iwahigensis</i>	0.03	0.07	0.07	0.00	0.76	0.54	
	Theridiosomatidae	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.00	1.00	0.43	
32	<i>Wendilgarda</i> sp.	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.00	1.00	0.43	
	Total Abundance (N)	2.1 ^b	1.83 ^{ab}	2.3 ^b	1.07 ^a	7.29*	0.00	0.30

225 Note: *: significantly different; values within a row followed by the same letters were not significantly different at P<0.05 according to
226 Tukey's HSD test

227 **Table 3.** The abundance of predatory insect in rice field sprayed with bioinsecticide containing *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C.*
228 *militaris* and abamectin

No.	Ordo / Family/ Spesies	Mean of predatory insect abundance (individuals/nets)				F value 0.05	P value (0.05)
		<i>B. bassiana</i>	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	<i>C. militaris</i>	Abamectin		
	COLEOPTERA	0.47	0.63	0.40	0.63	0.64	0.60
	Anthicidae	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.00	0.86	0.49
1	<i>Formicomus</i> sp.	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.00	0.86	0.49
	Carabidae	0.10	0.17	0.17	0.07	1.07	0.40
2	<i>Ophionea nigrofasciata</i>	0.10	0.17	0.17	0.07	1.07	0.40
	Coccinellidae	0.67	0.57	0.57	0.40	1.41	0.29
3	<i>Verania discolor</i>	0.03	0.07	0.03	0.10	0.19	0.90
4	<i>Verania lineata</i>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.07	1.00	0.44
5	<i>Menochilus sexmaculatus</i>	0.13	0.04	0.07	0.07	0.24	0.86
6	<i>Micrapis inops</i>	0.50	0.47	0.47	0.17	3.14	0.07
	Staphylidae	0.27	0.30	0.33	0.27	0.36	0.78
7	<i>Paedorus fuscipes</i>	0.27	0.30	0.33	0.27	0.36	0.78
	HEMIPTERA	0.13	0.10	0.00	0.03	1.49	0.27
	Miridae	0.13	0.10	0.00	0.03	1.49	0.27
8	<i>Cyrtorhinus lividipennis</i>	0.13	0.03	0.00	0.00	2.81	0.09
9	<i>Orthotylus</i> sp.	0.00	0.07	0.00	0.03	0.74	0.58
	HYMENOPTERA	0.30	0.30	0.20	0.10	0.87	0.48
	Formicidae	0.30	0.30	0.20	0.00	0.87	0.48
10	<i>Formica</i> sp.	0.07	0.13	0.03	0.00	0.61	0.66
11	<i>Odontoponera transversa</i>	0.23	0.17	0.17	0.10	0.27	0.85
	ODONATA	0.33	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.34	0.80
	Coenagrionidae	0.33	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.34	0.80
12	<i>Pyrrosoma</i> sp.	0.20	0.07	0.10	0.10	1.00	0.43
13	<i>Agriocnemis pygmaea</i>	0.20	0.07	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.96
	ORTHOPTERA	0.33	0.27	0.27	0.17	0.56	0.65
	Tettigonidae	0.33	0.27	0.27	0.17	0.56	0.65
14	<i>Conocephalus longipennis</i>	0.33	0.27	0.27	0.17	0.56	0.65
	Total Abundance (N)	2.20	1.97	1.80	1.23	1.25	0.34

230 Note: values within a row followed by the same letters were not significantly different at P<0.05 according to Tukey's HSD test

231 **Table 4.** Characteristic of spider community in rice canopy sprayed with bioinsecticide containing *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C.*
232 *militaris* and abamectin

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Characteristic of spider community	<i>B. bassiana</i>	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	<i>C. militaris</i>	Abamectin
14 days				
Abundance (individual/hill)	0.80	0.40	0.80	0.80
Biodiversity index (H ²)	1.03	0.69	1.38	1.38
Dominance index (D)	0.50	0.50	0.25	0.25
Evenness index (E)	0.94	1.00	1.00	1.00
28 days				
Abundance (individual/hill)	1.00	1.20	1.20	0.40
Biodiversity index (H ²)	1.33	1.24	1.79	0.69
Dominance index (D)	0.40	0.50	0.16	0.50
Evenness index (E)	0.96	0.89	1.00	1.00
42 days				
Abundance (individual/hill)	2.2	1.80	2.00	0.80
Biodiversity index (H ²)	1.03	1.67	1.74	1.03
Dominance index (D)	0.45	0.33	0.40	0.50
Evenness index (E)	0.94	0.93	0.89	0.94
56 days				
Abundance (individual/hill)	3.00	1.80	2.20	1.00
Biodiversity index (H ²)	1.70	1.30	1.12	1.33
Dominance index (D)	0.33	0.55	0.54	0.40
Evenness index (E)	0.87	0.80	0.80	0.96
70 days				
Abundance (individual/hill)	2.40	2.40	2.60	1.00
Biodiversity index (H ²)	1.97	1.81	2.35	1.79
Dominance index (D)	0.25	0.41	0.15	0.16
Evenness index (E)	0.95	0.87	0.98	1.00
84 days				
Abundance (individual/hill)	3.20	3.40	5.00	2.20
Biodiversity index (H ²)	1.53	1.39	2.07	1.66
Dominance index (D)	0.56	0.58	0.40	0.45
Evenness index (E)	0.73	0.71	0.80	0.85
TOTAL				
Abundance (individual/hill)	12.6	11	13.8	6.2
Biodiversity index (H ²)	2.48	2.59	2.75	2.45
Dominance index (D)	0.22	0.21	0.18	0.22
Evenness index (E)	0.82	0.83	0.85	0.88

Table 5. Characteristic of predatory insect community in rice field sprayed with bioinsecticide containing *B.bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris* and abamectin

Characteristic of spider community	<i>B. bassiana</i>	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	<i>C. militaris</i>	Abamectin
14 days old rice				
Abundance (individual/hill)	1.00	0.60	0.20	0.80
Biodiversity index (H ²)	1.33	1.09	0.00	0.00
Dominance index (D)	0.40	0.33	1.00	0.25
Evenness index (E)	0.96	1.00	0.00	0.00
28 days old rice				
Abundance (individual/hill)	1.60	1.20	1.40	0.80
Biodiversity index (H ²)	1.21	1.56	0.55	1.38
Dominance index (D)	0.25	0.33	0.28	0.25
Evenness index (E)	0.67	0.96	0.34	1.00
42 days old rice				
Abundance (individual/hill)	2.60	1.80	1.60	1.00
Biodiversity index (H ²)	1.94	1.88	1.66	1.66
Dominance index (D)	0.15	0.22	0.37	0.40
Evenness index (E)	0.88	0.97	0.93	1.20
56 days old rice				
Abundance (individual/hill)	2.80	2.60	2.40	1.80
Biodiversity index (H ²)	1.94	1.81	1.86	1.83
Dominance index (D)	0.28	0.30	0.25	0.33
Evenness index (E)	0.93	0.93	0.95	0.94
70 days old rice				
Abundance (individual/hill)	2.60	2.80	2.20	1.60
Biodiversity index (H ²)	1.60	1.90	1.67	1.49
Dominance index (D)	0.30	0.28	0.27	0.37
Evenness index (E)	0.89	0.91	0.93	0.92
84 days old rice				

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Abundance (individual/hill)	0.20	2.80	3.00	1.40
Biodiversity index (H')	1.95	2.06	1.69	1.54
Dominance index (D)	0.23	0.21	0.33	0.28
Evenness index (E)	0.93	0.94	0.87	0.96
TOTAL				
Abundance (individual/hill)	13.2	11.8	9.8	7.4
Biodiversity index (H')	2.25	2.27	2.11	2.25
Dominance index (D)	0.91	0.89	0.88	0.94
Evenness index (E)	0.22	0.23	0.28	0.21

Table 6. Matrix of similarity (Index Sorensen) of spider community in rice field sprayed with bioinsecticide containing *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris* and abamectin

Rice ages	Treatments	<i>B. bassiana</i>	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	<i>C. militaris.</i>	Abamectin
14 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.33	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.25	0.00	1	
	Insecticide	0.25	0.00	0.50	1
28 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.18	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.55	0.17	1	
	Insecticide	0.29	0.25	0.25	1
42 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.40	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.48	0.42	1	
	Insecticide	0.40	0.31	0.43	1
56 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.58	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.31	0.40	1	
	Insecticide	0.40	0.43	0.50	1
70 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.67	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.32	0.64	1	
	Insecticide	0.22	0.33	0.32	1
84 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.73	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.54	0.67	1	
	Insecticide	0.59	0.50	0.44	1
TOTAL	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.76	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.77	0.84	1	
	Insecticide	0.49	0.60	0.56	1

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Table 7. Similarity of predatory insect community in rice field sprayed with bioinsecticide containing *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris* and abamectin

Rice ages	Treatments	<i>B. bassiana</i>	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	<i>C. militaris.</i>	Abamectin
14 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.50	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.33	0.50	1	
	Insecticide	0.22	0.00	0.00	1
28 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.57	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.53	0.31	1	
	Insecticide	0.33	0.20	0.18	1
42 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.73	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.76	0.82	1	
	Insecticide	0.44	0.57	0.46	1
56 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.89	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.69	0.88	1	
	Insecticide	0.70	0.64	0.76	1
70 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.74	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.75	0.72	1	
84 days	Insecticide	0.57	0.55	0.74	1
	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			

	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.89	1		
	<i>C. militaris</i> .	0.71	0.76	1	
	Insecticide	0.50	0.67	0.64	1
	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
Total	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.91	1		
	<i>C. militaris</i> .	0.85	0.91	1	
	Insecticide	0.66	0.77	0.79	1

244 Discussion

245 From the research result, it was found that population of herbivore insects in plots sprayed with the entomopathogenic
 246 fungal bioinsecticide was not significantly different from population of the herbivore in abamectin plot. This because the
 247 entomopathogenic fungi applied in this research was effective and had capacity equal to the abamectin in reducing
 248 population of herbivore insects. *B. bassiana* was proved to be effective in killing pest insect of rice, such as brown
 249 planthopper (Lee et al. 2015) and rice bug (Girish and Balikai 2015). In this research, *S. litura* found was infected by *B.*
 250 *bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris*. Gustianingtyas et al. (2020) also reported that *S. litura* subjected to infection
 251 by *M. anisopliae*. *C. militaris* could suppress population of lepidopteran (Shrestha et al., 2016) and coleopteran pest
 252 insects (Kryukov et al. 2014)

253 Based on this study, symptoms developed on *S. litura* larvae infected by *B. bassiana* in rice field were similar to
 254 symptom reported by Gustianingtyas et al. (2019) that host insect infected by *B. bassiana* was covered by white mycelia
 255 and its body was shriveled. Morphological characteristics of *B. bassiana* colony was in accordance to the result of
 256 isolation in the laboratory, white mycelia with hyaline 1-celled cylindrical and septate conidia (Safitri et al. 2018). *M.*
 257 *anisopliae* infecting *S. litura* in this research showed symptom as reported by Humber (2012) that the integument of
 258 infected insect turned to white to dark green, green to yellow conidia, 1-celled and cylindrical conidia, and septate hypha.
 259 Larvae of *S. litura* infected by *C. militaris* in the rice field showed symptoms similar to those of *B. bassiana* infection,
 260 and in accordance to symptoms characteristics reported by Kryukov et al. (2014) that infected insect was white in color
 261 with fruiting bodies appear from the insect, the colony was yellowish white in color, and conidia was globular in shape
 262 (Zheng et al. 2011).

263 In this research, the abundance of hunting spider, such as species of Lycosidae, did not decrease after being sprayed
 264 with the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticides well as after being sprayed with abamectin. The abundance of web
 265 spider, such as *Bathyphantes*, *A. inustus* and Family of Tetragnathidae decreased after application of the abamectin, while
 266 application of the bioinsecticide could only decrease the population of *A. inustus*. Therefore, the entomopathogenic fungal
 267 bioinsecticides were relatively safer than the abamectin. Furthermore, spiders generally prey on healthy herbivore insects,
 268 while the herbivore insects infected by entomopathogen or the unhealthy ones would not be preyed (Chaubey and Yadav
 269 2017). Web spider abundance decreased after application of the abamectin and the bioinsecticides because the spiders
 270 were move less in rice canopy, making the insecticide as well as the bioinsecticide easy to reach the spider body.
 271 Therefore, it would better to stop application of bioinsecticide when the abundance of web spider is high.

272 The abundance of spider increased followed the increase of rice stage and the highest abundance occurred just before
 273 harvesting. The abundance of spider continued to high until harvesting because spider likes complex habitat (Amzah et al.
 274 2018) and inhabited by various insect species. Spider is also generalist predator, prey on various insect species, include
 275 neutral insects which are generally abundant before harvesting (Karenina et al. 2019). The species diversity of spiders in
 276 this reasearch was also higher in plots sprayed with the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide compared to that of the
 277 abamectin plot. The higher abundance and species diversity of spiders indicated that the entomopathogenic fungal
 278 bioinsecticide was not dangerous to their life. Many reports showed that entomopathogenic fungi did not kill spiders,
 279 especially hunting spiders (Prabawati et al. 2019; Hanif et al. 2020).

280 The abundance of predatory insects did not decrease after the application of the entomopathogenic fungal
 281 bioinsecticide or abamectin. Predatory insect has high mobility which differ them from web spiders, so that predatory
 282 insect could escape from being exposed to bioinsecticide and abamectin. Furthermore, there is evident that the avoidance
 283 behavior in predatory insects from *B. bassiana*-infected insect preys (Seiedy et al. 2015). Therefore, application of
 284 entomopathogenic fungi was relatively safe for predatory insects.

285 The abundance of predatory insect was increasing until 70 DAT, and was decreased at 84 DAT. The predatory insects
 286 were generally more specialist in term of prey species compared to spiders. Therefore, at approaching to harvest when the
 287 number of herbivore insects decreased, the predatory insects also decreased. Such phenomenon frequently happened in
 288 specialist predatory arthropod because population of the predator depended on the fluctuated population of their preys
 289 which are called as functional response (Karenina et al. 2019).

290 The community of spider and predatory insects in plot of *B. bassiana* tent to more similar to the community in plots of
 291 bioinsecticide *M. anisopliae* and *C. militaris* compared to that in the abamectin plot. This showed that the effect of
 292 application of three entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide on the predator communities was not significantly different.
 293 The low community similarity between the bioinsecticide and the abamectin because the abamectin could reduce the
 294 abundance of spiders and predatory insects. There have been a lot of reports of the decrease of abundance and species
 295 diversity of spiders (Preetha et al. 2010) and predatory insects (Salachna et al. 2020) due to application of abamectin
 296 containing organophosphate (Bai and Ogbourne 2016). In this research, abamectin as active ingredient is a stomach

297 poison and toxic against insect species of *Menochilus sexmaculatus* (Azod et al. 2016) and spider species of *P.*
298 *pseudoannulata* (Baehaki et al. 2017).

299 Guild group made based on function corespondence of arthropods i.e. herbivore insects, neural insects, predators and
300 parasitoids. For one rice cropping season, there was a tendency that the abundance of all guilds group were lower in the
301 abamectin plot. Interestingly, the abundance of predator was always more dominant in plots sprayed with the
302 entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide compared to those of herbivore insects, neutral insects, and parasitoid. Neutral
303 insects were not found in the synthetic insecticide plot. Thus phenomenon showed that predator guild was more tolerant to
304 the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide (Bayissa et al. 2016; Firouzbakht et al. 2015; Gholamzadeh-Chitgar et al.
305 2017), while abamectin tent to reduce the abundance of predators, herbivore insects, neutral insects and parasitoid
306 (Prabawati et al. 2019; Hanif et al. 2020). Among the three entomopathogenic fungi, there was a tendency that the
307 abundance of the predators in plot sprayed with the bioinsecticide of *C. militaris* was higher than that in plots of *B.*
308 *bassiana* and *M. anisopliae*. Therefore, predator arthropods tent to be more tolerant to *C. militaris* than to *B. bassiana*
309 and *M. anisopliae*.

310 It could be concluded that the abundance and diversity of arthropod predator species inhabiting freshwater swamp
311 sprayed with the bioinsecticides of *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris* did not decrease, while the population of
312 herbivore insects tent to decrease to the same level as its decrease in the abamectin plot. So that, the bioinsecticide of *B.*
313 *bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris* did not decrease the abundance and species diversity of predatory arthropod
314 (non-target arthropods), but could decrease the herbivore insect population.

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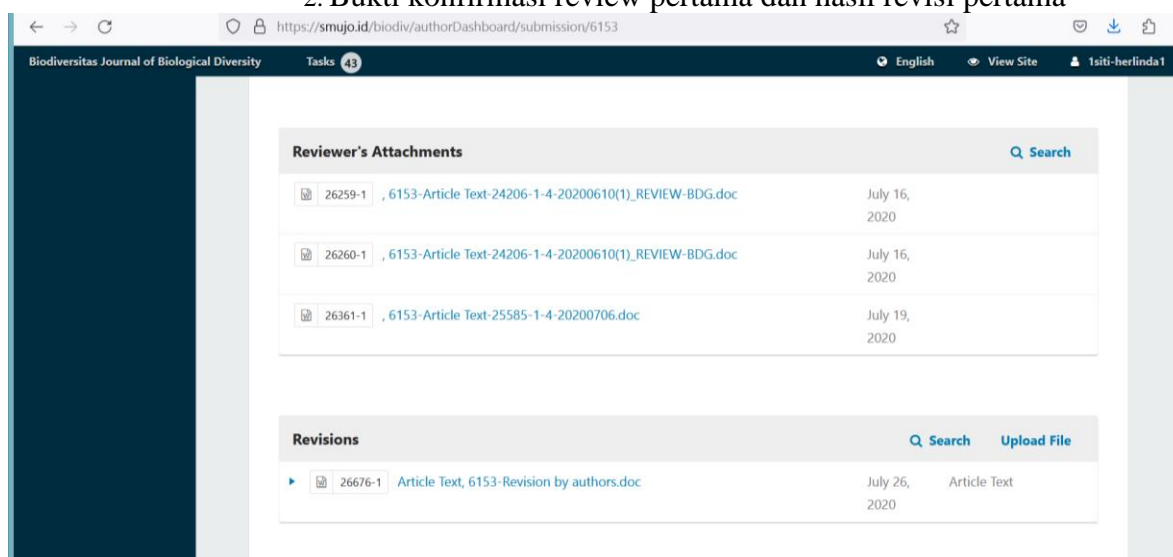
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Herbivore insects and predatory arthropods in freshwater swamp rice field in South Sumatra sprayed with bioinsecticides of entomopathogenic fungi and abamectin

Abstract. Herbivore insect population and predatory arthropod in rice field may be effected by the application entomopathogenic fungi or synthetic insecticide. The objective of this research was to analyze individual quantity of herbivore insects and predatory arthropod inhabiting freshwater swamp rice field treated with bioinsecticides and abamectin (commercial insecticide). The research used the bioinsecticides made from fungi (*Beauveria bassiana*, *Metarhizium anisopliae*, *Cordyceps military*), and the abamectin. This research found 12 families of herbivore insects with 22 species dominated by *Nilaparvata lugens* and *Leptocorisa acuta*. This study found 32 species of spider belonged to 8 families dominated by *Tetragnatha virescens* and *Oxyopes matiensis*. The species diversity of spider was higher in the plots of the bioinsecticide compared to that of the abamectin. Predatory insects found belonged to 14 species belonged to 8 families dominated by species of *Ophionea nigrofasciata*, *Verania discolor*, and *Paedorus fuscipe*. The abundance of predatory insects in plots sprayed with the bioinsecticides was higher compared to that of the abamectin plot. It concluded that the abundance and species diversity of predatory arthropod sprayed with bioinsecticide of *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris* did not decrease, while the population of herbivore insect tent to decrease.

Key words: *Beauveria bassiana*; *Metarhizium anisopliae*; *Cordyceps militaris*; neutral insect; parasitoid

Abbreviations (if any): -

Running title: Arthropods in freshwater swamp rice field

INTRODUCTION

Rice cultivation in freshwater swamps in the South Sumatra region has specific characteristics making it different from rice cultivation in other ecosystem in Indonesia (reff...?) what characters you mean in this sentence?. Rice cultivation is affected by climate conditions, especially rainfall and tidal flush (reff...). In the period of November to April, freshwater swamps are generally inundated so that local farmers cultivate rice only in the period of May to September (Herlinda et al. 2018; Herlinda et al. 2019a). Due to difficulties in managing water, farmers grow rice once a year using the transplanting method. In maintaining their rice cultivations, the local farmers scarcely apply synthetic insecticide (Herlinda et al. 2019b).

The population of insect pests attacking freshwater swamp rice plants is increasing and is starting to result in yield loss, especially rice bug (*Leptocorixa acuta*), while brown planthoppers (*Nilaparvata lugens*) that have not appeared for a long time start attacking (Hanif et al. 2020). Pests that attack rice plants have been controlled using various entomopathogenic fungi including *Beauveria bassiana* (Li et al. 2012; Li et al. 2014; Lee et al. 2015), *Metarizhium anisopliae* (Girish and Balikai, 2015; Chinniah et al. 2016) and *Cordycep militaris* (Prabawati et al. 2019). *C. militaris* is reported to produce beauvericin that are toxic to insects (Rachmawati et al. 2018) and *B. bassiana* has been reported to be effective against homopteran (Li et al. 2012; Li et al. 2014; Lopez et al. 2014; Lee et al. 2015; Sumikarsih et al. 2019), coleopteran (Kavallieratos et al. 2015), hemipteran (Girish and Balikai 2015), and lepidopteran insects (Ayudya et al. 2019; Ma et al. 2019; Gustianingtyas et al. 2020). *M. anisopliae* has also been demonstrated to be effective against homopteran (Mweke et al. 2019), lepidopteran (Gustianingtyas et al. 2020), and coleopteran insects (Kavallieratos et al. 2015). *M. anisopliae* could be used in multiple roles, ranging from controlling insect pests and promoting plant growth (Liu et al. 2017).

Being effective against various orders of insects, including the coleopteran insects (Kavallieratos et al. 2015), the rice field ecosystem which is dominated by species of predatory insects, it is important to be very careful in the application of entomopathogenic fungi in ecosystem to avoid negative impact on non-target arthropods (Scorsetti et al. 2017). High species diversity and abundance of arthropod in freshwater swamp rice field (Herlinda et al. 2018) might be disturbed by the application of the entomopathogenic fungi. However, there have been some reports suggested that entomopathogenic fungi did not affect abundance and species diversity of arthropods...references..?. For example, predatory insect in paddy field (*Andrallus spinidens*) was reported to be resistant to *B. bassiana* (Firouzbakht et al. 2015; Gholamzadeh-Chitgar et al. 2017; Scorsetti et al. 2017). Parasitoid tends to avoid host insect infected by entomopathogenic fungi (Emami et al. 2013). Coccinellidae, the family of generalist predatory insect, was reported to be resistant to *M. anisopliae* (Bayissa et al. 2016). This research aimed to analyze individual quantity of herbivore insects and predatory arthropod inhabiting freshwater swamp rice field treated with bioinsecticides containing *Beauveria bassiana*, *Metarhizium anisopliae*, and *Cordycep militaris* and the abamectin.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Study area

The research was conducted from April to August 2018 in freshwater swamp rice field located in Village Pelabuhan Dalam, Sub District Pemulutan, District Ogan Ilir, and South Sumatra. The experiment was arranged in a Completely Randomized Block Design consisted of four plots of treatment. The first three plots were treated with bioinsecticide containing *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, *C. military*, and the forth plot was treated with the abamectin (the commercial insecticide) as control. The plot area was 120 m² for a treatment and each treatment was replicated five times. Distance between plots....?, the distance will give an overview that your treatment on each plot does not affect other plots. Please explain why you do not provide plots without abamectin and bioinsecticides for control?

Land preparation, transplanting, and crop maintenance

Land preparation was conducted using moldboard plow and was continued by using harrow plow. Before being plowed, the land was cleared using hoe and long knife. The excessive water was pumped out until the soil was slightly watery, and dung compost was added at a dosage of 1 ton ha⁻¹. Rice seed used were certified purple labeled seed of Mekongga variety at a dosage of 50 kg/ha. Rice was cultivated using transplanting system from which, the seedlings were prepared in 34 x 26 x 5 cm³ plastic trays filled with 3 cm high soil. The seeds were soaked in water for 24 hours before being planted in the prepared plastic trays. The soaked seeds were spread evenly in each tray at a dosage of 150 g per tray. The trays were then covered with thick plastic for 7 days. The 7 day old seedlings were then transferred to places receiving enough sun light. Fourteen day old seedlings were transplanted to all prepared plots at a density of 2 seedlings per hole in a 2:1 (12.5 x 25 x 50 cm³) “jajar legowo” planting system (Figure 1).

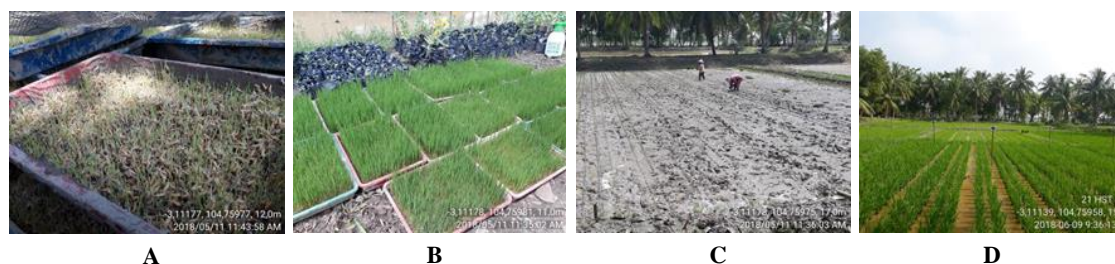


Figure 1. Two day old rice seedling in a plastic tray (A), 7 day old seedlings (B), rice transplanting (D) rice planted in “jajar legowo” planting system (E)

Crop maintenance was conducted in the form of replanting, irrigating, weeding, and fertilizing. Replanting was conducted 7 days after transplanting to replace the dead seedlings. Irrigating was conducted by making use of water flush from river under high tide and pumping system. Weeding was conducted both at vegetative and generative stages using sickle. Fertilizer used was shrimp shell extract compost prepared according to method by Suwandi et al. (2012). The compost was applied every two weeks started from 14 days after planting until harvesting (84 days) at a dosage of 2 L ha⁻¹. The extract compost was a fermentation result of shrimp shell meal containing chitinolytic bacteria, selulotic bacteria and sulphate diluter. Nitrogen fertilizer was applied 30 days after planting at a dosage of 100 kg ha⁻¹.

Formulation and application of bioinsecticides

All species of fungi have been explored from soil according to Kin et al. (2017). *B. bassiana* and *M. anisopliae* used in this research were explored from freshwater swamp soil of South Sumatra, while *C. militaris* was explored from soil in Central Kalimantan. *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris* were cultured in solid media of Sabouraud Dextrose Agar (SDA, Merck) made from 16.2 g SDA in 250 mL aquadest. The cultures were incubated for 10 x 24 hours. The 10 days old fungal solid cultures were then cultured in liquid media (Figure 2) of Sabouraud Dextrose Broth (SDB, Merck) made from 30 g SDB in 1000 ml aquadest and were incubated in a 120 rpm shaker for 7 x 24 hours. The liquid culture of the entomopathogenic fungi were used to make bioinsecticide. Seven days after incubation, the density of fungal spores of the bioinsecticide was counted, the counting was stopped when the spore density reached 1 x 10⁹ conidia mL⁻¹. The bioinsecticide was made by adding shrimp shell meal extract compost as carrier, while active ingredients used were entomopathogenic fungi and vegetable oil. One liter of bioinsecticide comprised of 400 mL shrimp shell meal extract compost, 600 mL liquid culture of entomopathogenic fungi and 10 mL vegetable oil. Compost extract used to make bioinsecticide was previously autoclaved under 1 atm for 2 hours.

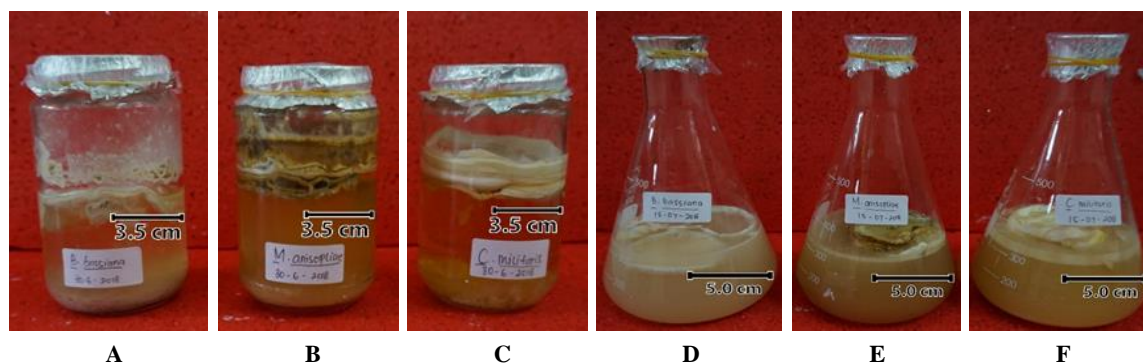


Figure 2. Cultures of *Beauveria bassiana* (A), *Metarhizium anisopliae* (B), and *Cordyceps militaris* (C) on SDB; liquid bioinsecticide of *Beauveria bassiana* (D), *Metarhizium anisopliae* (E), and *Cordyceps militaris* (F)

The bioinsecticides were applied at dosage of 2 L ha⁻¹ per application. The applications were conducted at 13, 27, 41, 55, 69, and 83 days after transplanting (DAT). The bioinsecticide applications were conducted in the evening (at 5 pm) to avoid spores damage by ultra violet. Control plot was sprayed with abamectin at a dosage of 0.5 L ha⁻¹. The insecticide contained abamectin active ingredient and was sprayed at the same time as bioinsecticide applications. The control plot was 50 m away from treatments plots to avoid contamination in the treatment plots, and there was 10 m distance between bioinsecticide treatment plots. A day after application the bioinsecticides and the abamectin, arthropod samplings were carried out to collect arthropods inhabiting rice canopy.

Arthropod sampling in rice canopy

Sampling to collect arthropods inhabiting rice canopy was conducted using an entomological net according to Lami et al. (2016) and Ivantsova et al. (2017). The net has 75 cm length and 30 cm diameter of net and 100 cm length of handle. Samplings were conducted in every treatment subplot and was repeated five times. Samplings were conducted at 14, 28, 42, 56, 70, and 84 DAT. Arthropod samplings were conducted in the morning, at 6-7 am. During sampling, the sweep net

was swept 30 cm depth into rice canopy to collect representative samples.

Sampled arthropods were cleaned and placed in plastic bottles (330 mL) containing 100 mL absolute ethanol, the bottles were labeled. The samples were brought into the Laboratory of Entomology, Department of Plant Pest and Disease, Faculty of Agriculture, Universitas Sriwijaya for identification. Spider identification was conducted using reference of Barrion and Litsinger (1995) while for insect identification we used reference of Gullan and Cranston (2014) and Heinrichs et al. (2017).

Data analysis

Data of arthropods species were grouped based on their guild, comprised of herbivore insects, predators, parasitoids, and neutral insects, and was presented in the form of graphic. The difference of individual quantity of the herbivore insects, spiders, and predatory insects amongst treatments was analyzed using Analysis of Variance (ANOVA). If there was significant difference among treatments, the analyses was continued with Tukey's HSD (Honesty Significant Difference) test at 5% degree of significance. Analyses data was conducted using Software of SAS University Edition 2.7 9.4 M5. Data of abundance were used to analyze species diversity by using Shannon index (H'). Degree of diversity was counted using the Evenness index (J') derived from the Shannon function, and Berger-Parker dominance biodiversity indices. The coefficient of Sorensen was counted to measure degree of similarity of spider or predatory insect among treatments (Magurran 2004).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Abundance of herbivore insects in one rice cropping season

In one rice cropping season, it was found 22 species of herbivore insects belonging to 12 families. Dominant herbivore species were *Nilaparvata lugens*, *Leptocorisa acuta*, *Acrida turita*, *Valanga nigricornis*, *Dicladisa armigera* (Figure 3). Population of the herbivore was not significantly different among treatments, except for Family Cecidomyiidae (Table 1). Therefore, the capacity of bioinsecticide in suppressing the population of the herbivore insects has generally almost similar to the capacity of the abamectin.

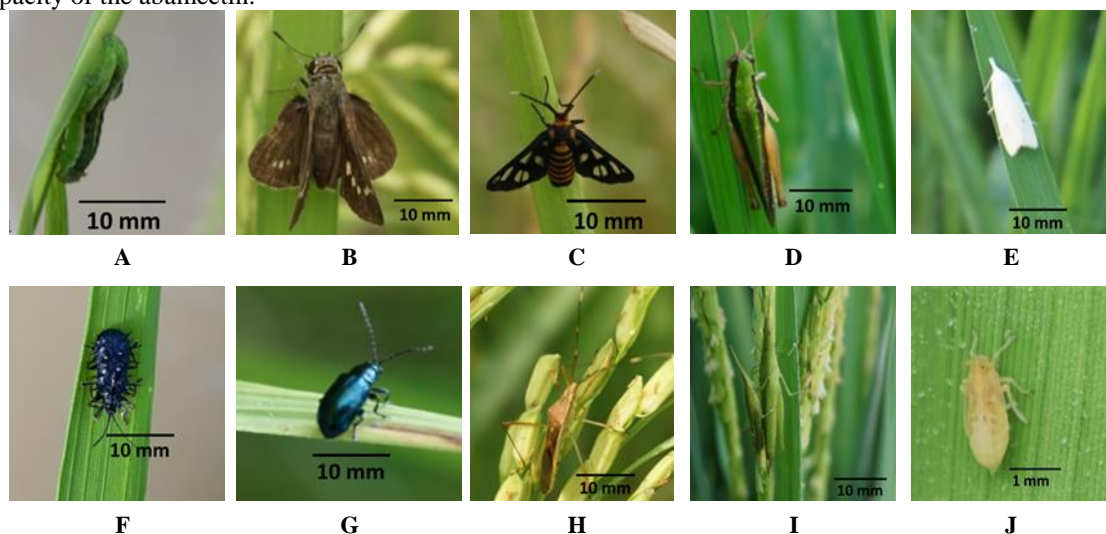


Figure 3. Herbivore insects found in rice canopy: *Spodoptera* sp. (A), *Pelopidas* sp. (B), *Amata nigriceps* (C), *Oxya chinensis* (D), *Scirpophaga* sp. (E), *Dicladisa armigera* (F), *Chrysolina coerulans* (G), *Acrida turita* (H), *Acrida turita* (I), *Nilaparvata lugens* (J)

Table 1. Population of herbivore insects in rice canopy sprayed with bioinsecticide containing *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae* and *C. militaris* and abamectin

Ordo / Family/ Spesies	Mean of herbivore abundance (individuals/nets)				F-value	P value (0.05)	Tukey's HSD test
	<i>B. bassiana</i>	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	<i>C. militaris</i>	Abamectin			
COLEOPTERA	0.2	0.13	0.17	0.23	0.26	0.85	
Chrysomelidae	0.2	0.13	0.17	0.23	0.26	0.85	
<i>Chrysolina coerulans</i>	0.07	0	0.07	0.2	2.11	0.15	
<i>Dicladisa armigera</i>	0.13	0.13	0.1	0.03	0.53	0.67	
DIPTERA	0.4 ^b	0.03 ^{ab}	0.07 ^{ab}	0.00 ^a	4.40*	0.03	0.20
Cecidomyiidae	0.4 ^b	0.03 ^{ab}	0.07 ^{ab}	0.00 ^a	4.40*	0.03	0.20
Unknown sp.	0.33	0	0	0	2.55	0.1	
<i>Orseolia</i> sp.	0.07	0.03	0.07	0	0.81	0.51	
HEMIPTERA	1.67	1.1	1.7	0.97	2.42	0.12	
Alydidae	0.57	0.4	0.73	0.5	2.02	0.17	
<i>Leptocorisa acuta</i>	0.57	0.4	0.73	0.5	2.02	0.17	

Cicadellidae	0.17	0.1	0	0.1	0.42	0.74
<i>Nephotettix cincticeps</i>	0	0	0	0.03	1.00	0.43
<i>Nephotettix virescens</i>	0	0.1	0	0.07	1.04	0.41
<i>Recilia dorsalis</i>	0.17	0	0	0	1.00	0.43
Delphacidae	0.93	0.6	0.97	0.37	2.59	0.1
<i>Nilaparvata lugens</i>	0.77	0.53	0.9	0.27	2.23	0.14
<i>Sogatella furcifera</i>	0.17	0.07	0.07	0.1	0.50	0.69
LEPIDOPTERA	0.37	0.3	0.5	0.17	2.61	0.1
Pyralidae	0.33	0.23	0.33	0.17	0.99	0.43
<i>Cnaphocrosis medinalis</i>	0	0	0	0.03	1.00	0.43
<i>Scirpophaga incertulas</i>	0.17	0.13	0.17	0.07	1.31	0.32
<i>Scirpophaga</i> sp.	0.17	0.1	0.17	0.07	0.66	0.59
Erebidae	0	0	0.07	0	1.00	0.43
<i>Amata nigriceps</i>	0	0	0.07	0	1.00	0.43
Hesperiidae	0	0	0.03	0	1.00	0.43
<i>Pelopidas mathias</i>	0	0	0.03	0	1.00	0.43
Noctuidae	0.03	0.07	0.07	0	0.47	0.71
<i>Spodoptera</i> sp.	0.03	0.07	0.07	0	0.47	0.71
ORTHOPTERA	0.63	0.83	0.67	0.8	0.58	0.64
Acrididae	0.63	0.83	0.67	0.77	0.48	0.7
<i>Acrida turrita</i>	0.2	0.17	0.1	0.4	2.68	0.09
<i>Gesonula mundata</i>	0.03	0.1	0.03	0.1	0.35	0.79
<i>Oxya chinensis</i>	0.07	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.07	0.97
<i>Valanga nigricornis</i>	0.33	0.47	0.43	0.17	2.02	0.17
Pyrgomorphidae	0	0	0	0.03	1.00	0.43
<i>Atractomorpha crenulata</i>	0	0	0	0.03	1.00	0.43
THYSANOPTERA	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.07	0.11	0.95
Thripidae	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.07	0.11	0.95
<i>Liothrips</i> sp.	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.07	0.11	0.95
TOTAL	3.37	2.5	3.2	2.23	2.77	0.09

Note: *: significantly different; values within a row followed by the same letters were not significantly different at P<0.05 according to Tukey's HSD test

During field observations, insect died due to infection by entomopathogenic fungi were documented and showed specific symptoms of each fungus. Larva of *S. litura* found were infected by *B. bassiana* in the rice field showed white mycelia covering its body, dried and not smelly (Figure 4). Larvae of *S. litura* infected by *M. anisopliae* showed symptoms of dried body covered by greenish white mycelia and was not smelly, while larvae of *S. litura* infected by *C. militaris* showed similar symptoms to those of *B. bassiana* infection, larval body drying, shriveled, covered by white mycelia, and not smelly. Entomopathogenic fungi infected sampled insects were isolated and purified in the laboratory. Color, structure, and spore of the isolated fungi were presented in Figure 5.

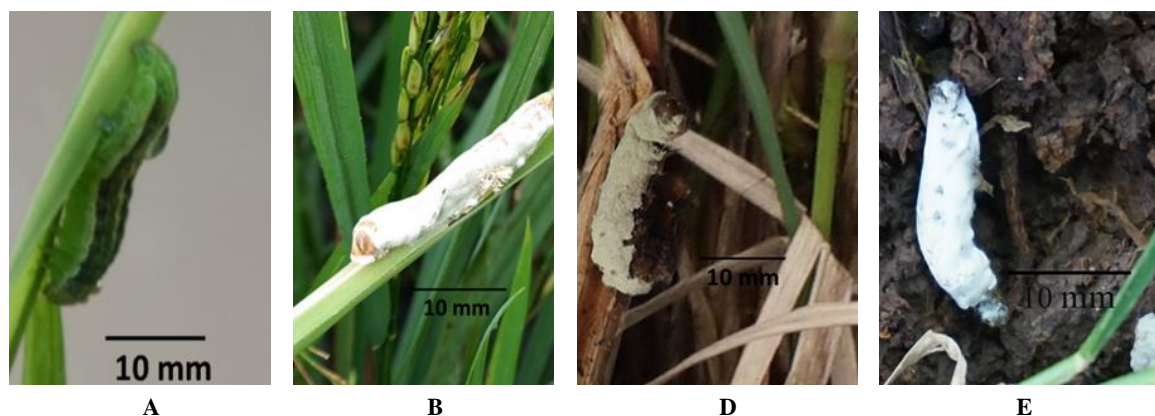


Figure 4. Herbivore insects infected by the entomopathogenic fungal of bioinsecticide in rice field: healthy larva of *Spodoptera* sp. (A), infected by *B. bassiana* (B), infected by *M. anisopliae* (C), and infected by *C. militaris* (D)

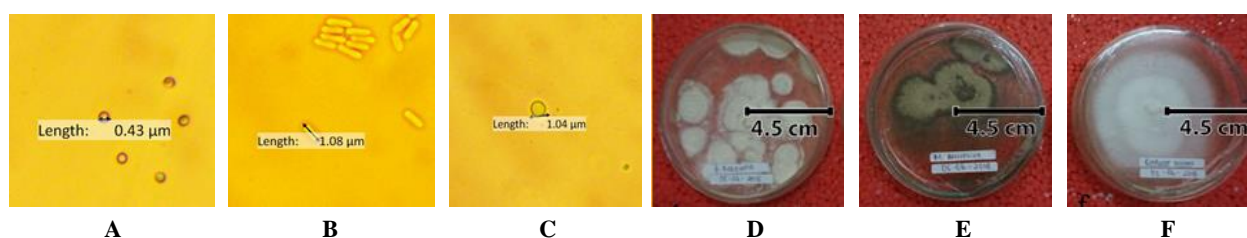


Figure 5. Spores of *Beauveria bassiana* (A), *Metarhizium anisopliae* (B), and *Cordyceps militaris* (C); colonies of *Beauveria bassiana* (d), *Metarhizium anisopliae* (E), and *Cordyceps militaris* (F)

Abundance of spider and predatory insect in one rice cropping season

This research found 32 species of spider belonged to 8 families. The dominant species of them were *Tetragnatha virescens*, *T. virescens*, *T. maxillosa*, *Argiope catenulata*, and *Oxyopes matiensis* (Figure 6). Total abundance of spider in the plot treated with the abamectin was significantly lower than that of plots treated with bioinsecticide (Table 2). The abundance of *Bathypantes* sp. in abamectin plot decreased. The highest abundance of *Araneus inustus* was found in plot treated with bioinsecticide *C. militaris* and was different from other treatments. The abundance of Tetragnathidae in plots treated with insecticide was found to be lower compared to plots treated with bioinsecticide.

Predatory insects found in this research belonged to 14 species and 8 families. The dominant species were *Formicomus* sp., *Ophionea nigrofasciata*, *Verania discolor*, *Verania lineata*, *Menochilus sexmaculatus*, *Micrapis inop*, *Paedorus fuscipe*, *Cyrtorhinus lividipennis*, and *Orthotylus* sp. (Figure 7). The abundance of predatory insects was not significantly different among treatments (Table 3).

Characteristic of spider and predatory insect community in one rice cropping season

Number of spiders decreased with increasing age of rice (Table 4). The highest number of spiders occurred when the rice were at mature grain ripening stage (84 DAT). The abundance of spider in the plot treated with abamectin tent to be lower compared to that of plots treated with the bioinsecticides. Total number of spiders in one rice cropping season were higher in the plots treated with the bioinsecticide than that in plot treated with the abamectin. The species diversity of spiders was also higher in the plots treated with entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide compared to that in the abamectin plot. The high species diversity in plots treated with entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide was also followed by the high species evenness and low species dominance.

Number of predatory insects decreased with increasing stages of rice, but at approaching to harvest (84 DAT), the number of predatory insects drastically decreased (Table 5). The highest abundance of predatory insect occurred at milk grain ripening stage (70 DAT). The phenomenon of abundance fluctuation of predatory insect was slightly different from that of spider which its peak occurred at mature grain ripening stage (84 DAT). The abundance of predatory insect in plots treated with abamectin was generally lower than that of plots treated with the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide. Total of abundance of predatory insects in one rice cropping season of plots sprayed with entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide was higher compared to that of abamectin plot, however, species diversity, evenness and species dominance tent to be similar among treatments.

Spider community in plot sprayed with the bioinsecticide of *B. bassiana* tent to be more similar to that of plots sprayed with bioinsecticide (*M. anisopliae* and *C. militaris*) than that of abamectin plot. Total of one rice cropping season, spider community in plot sprayed with bioinsecticide *B. bassiana* was more similar to that of plot of *C. militaris* (0.77), followed by plot *M. anisopliae* (0.76), and least similar to that of abamectin plot (0.49) (Table 6).

Predatory insect community in plot sprayed with bioinsecticide *B. bassiana* tent to be more similar to that of plots sprayed with bioinsecticide *M. anisopliae* and *C. militaris* than that of abamectin plot (Table 7). Total of one rice cropping season, predatory insect community in plots sprayed with bioinsecticide *B. bassiana* was more similar to that of plot *M. anisopliae* (0.91), followed by plot of *C. militaris* (0.85), and least similar to that of insecticide plot (0.66).

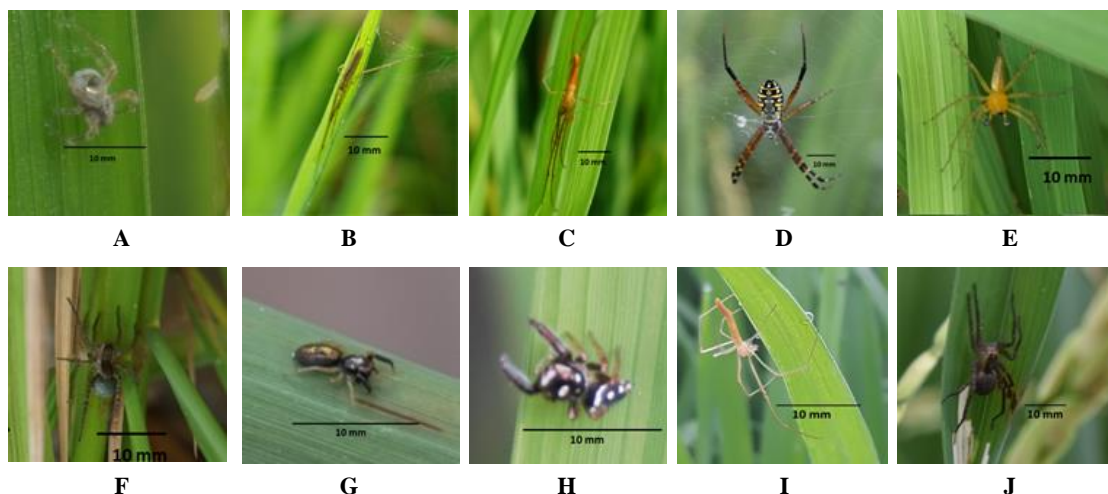


Figure 6. Spiders found in rice canopy: Linyphiidae (A), *Tetragnatha virescens* (B), *Tetragnatha maxillosa* (C), *Argiope catenulata* (D), *Oxyopes matiensis* (E), Lycosidae (F), Salticidae A (G), Salticidae b (H), *Oxyopes javanus* (I), *Pardosa* sp. (J)

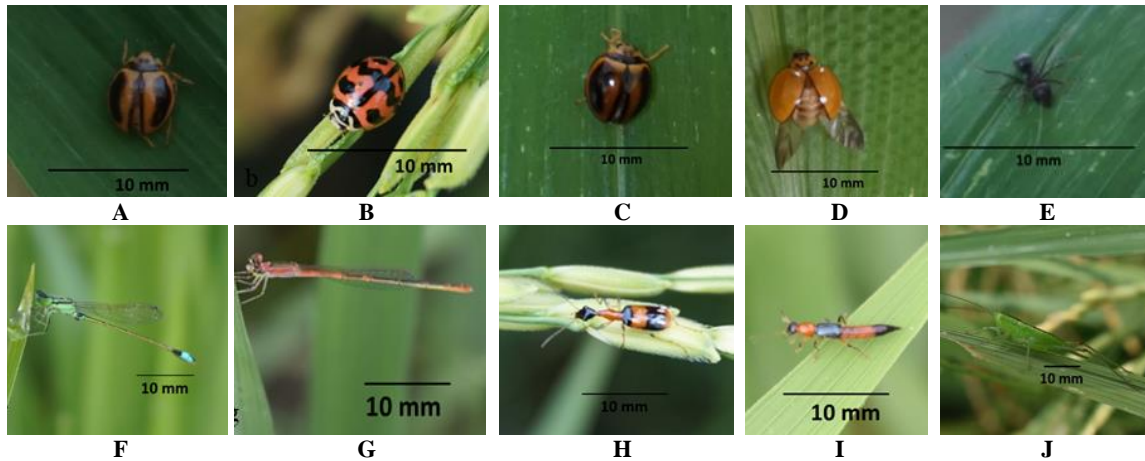
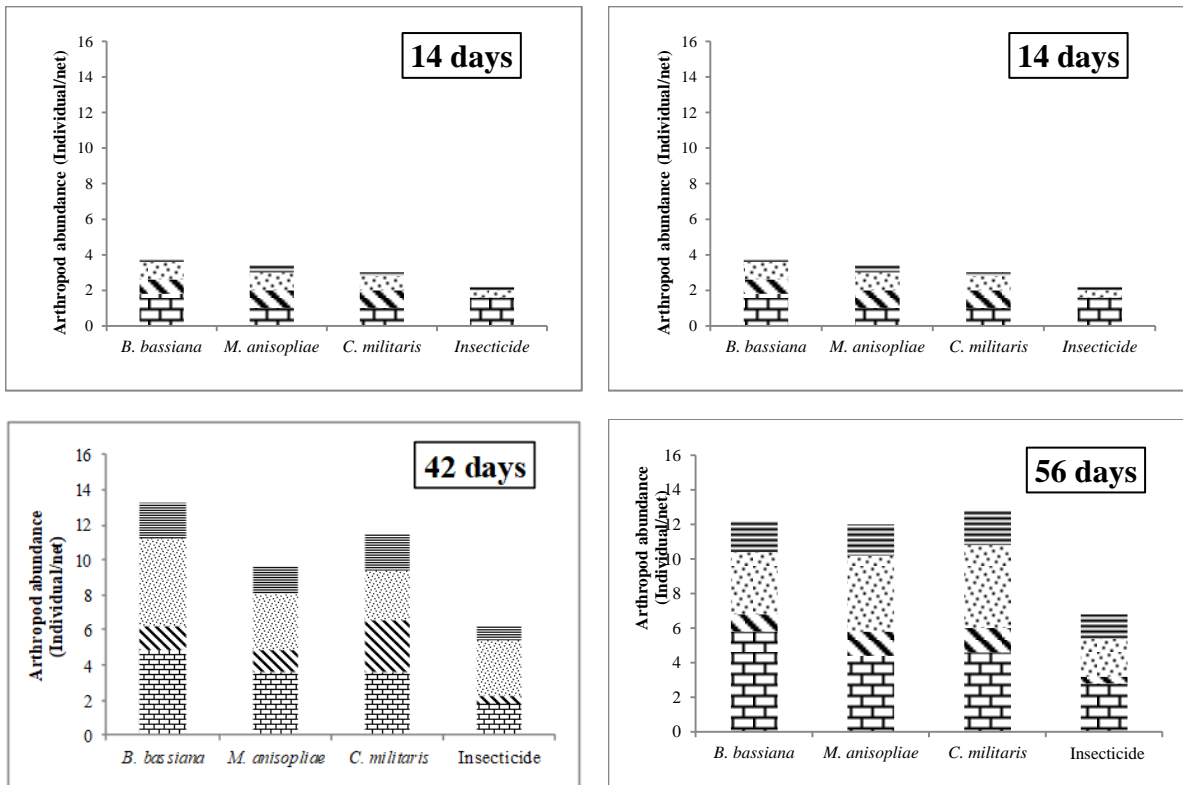


Figure 7. Predatory insect in rice field: *Verania lineata* (A), *Menochilus sexmaculatus* (B), *Micrapis inops* (C), *Formica* sp. (D), *Odontoponera transversa* (E), *Argia* sp. (F), *Agriocnemis* sp. (G), *Ophionea nigrofasciata* (H), *Paederus fuscipes* (I), and *Conocephalus longipennis* (J)

The abundance of arthropod guilds in one rice cropping season the utilization of guild is not appropriate. You should use another term such as associated arthropod that refer to associated arthropod with rice.

The abundance of associated arthropods tend to increase with increasing rice growth stage (Figure 8). In all observations, the abundance of predatory insect was found to be higher compared to the abundance of other guilds (neutral insect, herbivore, and parasitoid). The abundance of predator was generally higher in plots sprayed entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide compared to that of abamectin plot. The abundance of all guilds of arthropod in plot of abamectin was always lower compared to that of bioinsecticide plots. When rice was 70 days old, the abundance of herbivore reached its peak, then decreased at mature grain stage. The abundance of predator reached its peak when rice was 84 days old.



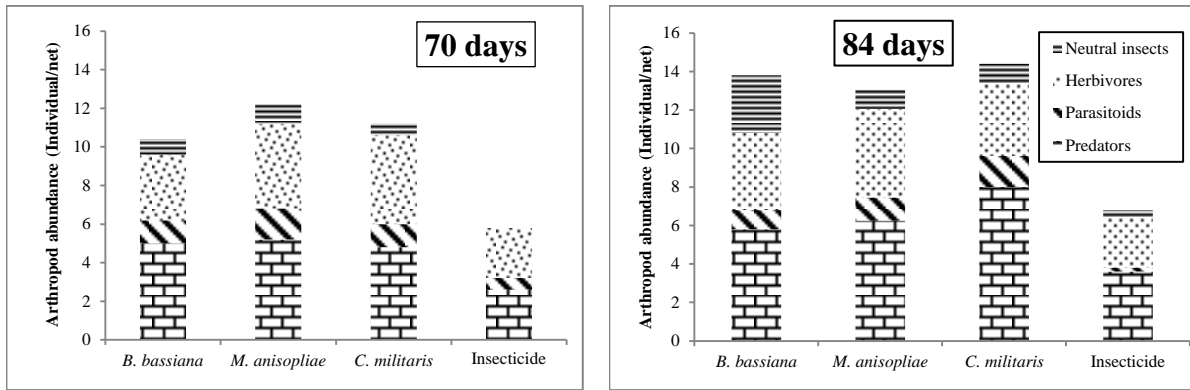


Figure 8. Arthropod abundance on rice field treated with bioinsecticides and abamectin (insecticide)

Table 2. The abundance of spider inhabiting rice canopy sprayed with bioinsecticide containing *B.bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris* and abamectin

Ordo / Family/ Spesies	Mean of spider abundance (individuals/nets)				F-value	P value (0.05)	Tukey's HSD test
	<i>B. bassiana</i>	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	<i>C. militaris</i>	Abamectin			
ARACHINIDA							
Araneidae	0.03	0.07	0.27	0.13	2.02	0.17	
<i>Araneus inustus</i>	0.00 ^a	0.03 ^{ab}	0.2 ^b	0.03 ^{ab}	4.82*	0.02	0.11
<i>Unknown</i>	0.03	0.03	0.07	0.07	0.35	0.79	
<i>Gea subarmata</i>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.03	1.00	0.43	
Linyphiidae	0.47	0.30	0.20	0.10	2.76	0.09	
<i>Bathyphantes tagalogensis</i>	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.00	2.67	0.10	
<i>Bathyphantes</i> sp. A	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.89	0.48	
<i>Bathyphantes</i> sp. B	0.13 ^{ab}	0.2 ^b	0.07 ^{ab}	0 ^a	3.74*	0.04	0.12
<i>Atypena adelinae</i>	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.00	1.00	
<i>Erigone bifurca</i>	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.43	
<i>Linyphiidae</i> Sp. A	0.20	0.03	0.03	0.00	2.46	0.11	
<i>Atypena formosana</i>	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.98	0.44	
Lycosidae	0.10	0.13	0.37	0.10	1.90	0.18	
<i>Arctosa</i> sp.	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.60	0.63	
<i>Pardosa birmanica</i>	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.43	
<i>Pardosa pseudoannulata</i>	0.03	0.00	0.27	0.07	2.10	0.15	
<i>Pardosa apostoli</i>	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.43	
<i>Pardosa pullata</i>	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.37	0.77	
<i>Hogna rizali</i>	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.00	1.00	0.43	
<i>Pirata luzonensis</i>	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.03	0.62	0.62	
Oxyopidae	0.03	0.03	0.10	0.03	0.51	0.68	
<i>Oxyopes javanus</i>	0.00	0.03	0.07	0.03	0.76	0.54	
<i>Oxyopes matiensis</i>	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.00	1.00	0.43	
<i>Oxyopes pingasus</i>	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.43	
Salticidae	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.00	1.00	
<i>Unknown</i> A	0.03	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.38	0.77	
<i>Unknown</i> B	0.03	0.07	0.03	0.03	0.37	0.77	
Theridiidae	0.07	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.62	0.62	
<i>Unknown</i>	0.07	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.62	0.62	
Tetragnathidae	1.33 ^b	1.2 ^{ab}	1.2 ^{ab}	0.63 ^a	4.16*	0.03	0.28
<i>Tetragnatha javana</i>	0.33	0.40	0.43	0.20	2.40	0.12	
<i>Tetragnatha maxillosa</i>	0.07	0.07	0.03	0.03	0.24	0.87	
<i>Tetragnatha montana</i>	0.07	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.37	0.77	
<i>Tetragnatha virescens</i>	0.47	0.33	0.37	0.23	0.76	0.54	
<i>Tetragnatha nitens</i>	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.38	0.77	
<i>Tetragnatha okumae</i>	0.33	0.13	0.10	0.10	1.88	0.19	
<i>Tetragnatha mandibulata</i>	0.03	0.07	0.10	0.00	0.84	0.50	
<i>Tetragnatha vermiformis</i>	0.00	0.10	0.07	0.00	1.27	0.33	
<i>Tetragnatha iwahigensis</i>	0.03	0.07	0.07	0.00	0.76	0.54	
Theridiosomatidae	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.00	1.00	0.43	
<i>Wendilgarda</i> sp.	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.00	1.00	0.43	
Total Abundance (N)	2.1 ^b	1.83 ^{ab}	2.3 ^b	1.07 ^a	7.29*	0.00	0.30

Note: *: significantly different; values within a row followed by the same letters were not significantly different at P<0.05 according to Tukey's HSD test

Table 3. The abundance of predatory insect in rice field sprayed with bioinsecticide containing *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militar*is and abamectin

Ordo / Family/ Spesies	Mean of predatory insect abundance (individuals/nets)				F value 0.05	P value (0.05)
	<i>B. bassiana</i>	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	<i>C. militar</i> is	Abamectin		
COLEOPTERA	0.47	0.63	0.40	0.63	0.64	0.60
Anthicidae	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.00	0.86	0.49
<i>Formicomus sp.</i>	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.00	0.86	0.49
Carabidae	0.10	0.17	0.17	0.07	1.07	0.40
<i>Ophionea nigrofasciata</i>	0.10	0.17	0.17	0.07	1.07	0.40
Coccinellidae	0.67	0.57	0.57	0.40	1.41	0.29
<i>Verania discolor</i>	0.03	0.07	0.03	0.10	0.19	0.90
<i>Verania lineata</i>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.07	1.00	0.44
<i>Menochilus sexmaculatus</i>	0.13	0.04	0.07	0.07	0.24	0.86
<i>Micrapis inops</i>	0.50	0.47	0.47	0.17	3.14	0.07
Staphylidae	0.27	0.30	0.33	0.27	0.36	0.78
<i>Paedorus fuscipes</i>	0.27	0.30	0.33	0.27	0.36	0.78
HEMIPTERA	0.13	0.10	0.00	0.03	1.49	0.27
Miridae	0.13	0.10	0.00	0.03	1.49	0.27
<i>Cyrtorhinus lividipennis</i>	0.13	0.03	0.00	0.00	2.81	0.09
<i>Orthotylus sp.</i>	0.00	0.07	0.00	0.03	0.74	0.58
HYMENOPTERA	0.30	0.30	0.20	0.10	0.87	0.48
Formicidae	0.30	0.30	0.20	0.00	0.87	0.48
<i>Formica sp.</i>	0.07	0.13	0.03	0.00	0.61	0.66
<i>Odontoponera transversa</i>	0.23	0.17	0.17	0.10	0.27	0.85
ODONATA	0.33	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.34	0.80
Coenagrionidae	0.33	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.34	0.80
<i>Pyrrhosoma sp.</i>	0.20	0.07	0.10	0.10	1.00	0.43
<i>Agriocnemis pygmaea</i>	0.20	0.07	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.96
ORTHOPTERA	0.33	0.27	0.27	0.17	0.56	0.65
Tettigonidae	0.33	0.27	0.27	0.17	0.56	0.65
<i>Conocephalus longipennis</i>	0.33	0.27	0.27	0.17	0.56	0.65
Total Abundance (N)	2.20	1.97	1.80	1.23	1.25	0.34

Note: values within a row followed by the same letters were not significantly different at $P < 0.05$ according to Tukey's HSD test

Table 4. Characteristic of spider community in rice canopy sprayed with bioinsecticide containing *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militar*is and abamectin

Characteristic of spider community	<i>B. bassiana</i>	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	<i>C. militar</i> is	Abamectin
14 days				
Abundance (individual/hill)	0.80	0.40	0.80	0.80
Biodiversity index (H')	1.03	0.69	1.38	1.38
Dominance index (D)	0.50	0.50	0.25	0.25
Evenness index (E)	0.94	1.00	1.00	1.00
28 days				
Abundance (individual/hill)	1.00	1.20	1.20	0.40
Biodiversity index (H')	1.33	1.24	1.79	0.69
Dominance index (D)	0.40	0.50	0.16	0.50
Evenness index (E)	0.96	0.89	1.00	1.00
42 days				
Abundance (individual/hill)	2.2	1.80	2.00	0.80
Biodiversity index (H')	1.03	1.67	1.74	1.03
Dominance index (D)	0.45	0.33	0.40	0.50
Evenness index (E)	0.94	0.93	0.89	0.94
56 days				
Abundance (individual/hill)	3.00	1.80	2.20	1.00
Biodiversity index (H')	1.70	1.30	1.12	1.33
Dominance index (D)	0.33	0.55	0.54	0.40
Evenness index (E)	0.87	0.80	0.80	0.96
70 days				
Abundance (individual/hill)	2.40	2.40	2.60	1.00
Biodiversity index (H')	1.97	1.81	2.35	1.79
Dominance index (D)	0.25	0.41	0.15	0.16
Evenness index (E)	0.95	0.87	0.98	1.00
84 days				
Abundance (individual/hill)	3.20	3.40	5.00	2.20

Biodiversity index (H')	1.53	1.39	2.07	1.66
Dominance index (D)	0.56	0.58	0.40	0.45
Evenness index (E)	0.73	0.71	0.80	0.85
TOTAL				
Abundance (individual/hill)	12.6	11	13.8	6.2
Biodiversity index (H')	2.48	2.59	2.75	2.45
Dominance index (D)	0.22	0.21	0.18	0.22
Evenness index (E)	0.82	0.83	0.85	0.88

Table 5. Characteristic of predatory insect community in rice field sprayed with bioinsecticide containing *B.bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris* and abamectin

Characteristic of spider community	<i>B. bassiana</i>	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	<i>C. militaris</i>	Abamectin
14 days old rice				
Abundance (individual/hill)	1.00	0.60	0.20	0.80
Biodiversity index (H')	1.33	1.09	0.00	0.00
Dominance index (D)	0.40	0.33	1.00	0.25
Evenness index (E)	0.96	1.00	0.00	0.00
28 days old rice				
Abundance (individual/hill)	1.60	1.20	1.40	0.80
Biodiversity index (H')	1.21	1.56	0.55	1.38
Dominance index (D)	0.25	0.33	0.28	0.25
Evenness index (E)	0.67	0.96	0.34	1.00
42 days old rice				
Abundance (individual/hill)	2.60	1.80	1.60	1.00
Biodiversity index (H')	1.94	1.88	1.66	1.66
Dominance index (D)	0.15	0.22	0.37	0.40
Evenness index (E)	0.88	0.97	0.93	1.20
56 days old rice				
Abundance (individual/hill)	2.80	2.60	2.40	1.80
Biodiversity index (H')	1.94	1.81	1.86	1.83
Dominance index (D)	0.28	0.30	0.25	0.33
Evenness index (E)	0.93	0.93	0.95	0.94
70 days old rice				
Abundance (individual/hill)	2.60	2.80	2.20	1.60
Biodiversity index (H')	1.60	1.90	1.67	1.49
Dominance index (D)	0.30	0.28	0.27	0.37
Evenness index (E)	0.89	0.91	0.93	0.92
84 days old rice				
Abundance (individual/hill)	0.20	2.80	3.00	1.40
Biodiversity index (H')	1.95	2.06	1.69	1.54
Dominance index (D)	0.23	0.21	0.33	0.28
Evenness index (E)	0.93	0.94	0.87	0.96
TOTAL				
Abundance (individual/hill)	13.2	11.8	9.8	7.4
Biodiversity index (H')	2.25	2.27	2.11	2.25
Dominance index (D)	0.91	0.89	0.88	0.94
Evenness index (E)	0.22	0.23	0.28	0.21

Table 6. Matrix of similarity (Index Sorensen) of spider community in rice field sprayed with bioinsecticide containing *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris* and abamectin

Rice ages	Treatments	<i>B. bassiana</i>	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	<i>C. militaris.</i>	Abamectin
14 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.33	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.25	0.00	1	
	Insecticide	0.25	0.00	0.50	1
28 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.18	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.55	0.17	1	
	Insecticide	0.29	0.25	0.25	1
42 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.40	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.48	0.42	1	
	Insecticide	0.40	0.31	0.43	1
56 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.58	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.31	0.40	1	
	Insecticide	0.40	0.43	0.50	1
70 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.67	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.32	0.64	1	
	Insecticide	0.22	0.33	0.32	1
84 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.73	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.54	0.67	1	
	Insecticide	0.59	0.50	0.44	1
TOTAL	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.76	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.77	0.84	1	
	Insecticide	0.49	0.60	0.56	1

Table 7. Similarity of predatory insect community in rice field sprayed with bioinsecticide containing *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris* and abamectin

Rice ages	Treatments	<i>B. bassiana</i>	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	<i>C. militaris.</i>	Abamectin
14 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.50	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.33	0.50	1	
	Insecticide	0.22	0.00	0.00	1
28 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.57	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.53	0.31	1	
	Insecticide	0.33	0.20	0.18	1
42 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.73	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.76	0.82	1	
	Insecticide	0.44	0.57	0.46	1
56 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.89	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.69	0.88	1	
	Insecticide	0.70	0.64	0.76	1
70 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.74	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.75	0.72	1	
	Insecticide	0.57	0.55	0.74	1
84 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.89	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.71	0.76	1	
	Insecticide	0.50	0.67	0.64	1
Total	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.91	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.85	0.91	1	
	Insecticide	0.66	0.77	0.79	1

Discussion

From the research result, it was found that population of herbivore insects in plots sprayed with the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide was not significantly different from population of the herbivore in abamectin plot. This because the entomopathogenic fungi applied in this research was effective and had capacity equal to the abamectin in reducing population of herbivore insects. How do you ensure that this population decline is because of abamectin and fungi, if you don't have plots for control (without any treatment)? *B. bassiana* was proved to be effective in killing pest insect of rice, such as brown planthopper (Lee et al. 2015) and rice bug (Girish and Balikai 2015). In this research, *S. litura* found was infected by *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris*. Gustianingtyas et al. (2020) also reported that *S. litura* subjected to infection by *M. anisopliae*. *C. militaris* could suppress population of lepidopteran (Shrestha et al., 2016) and coleopteran pest insects (Kryukov et al. 2014).

Based on this study, symptoms developed on *S. litura* larvae infected by *B. bassiana* in rice field were similar to symptom reported by Gustianingtyas et al. (2019) that host insect infected by *B. bassiana* was covered by white mycelia and its body was shriveled. Morphological characteristics of *B. bassiana* colony was in accordance to the result of isolation in the laboratory, white mycelia with hyaline 1-celled cylindrical and septate conidia (Safitri et al. 2018). *M. anisopliae* infecting *S. litura* in this research showed symptom as reported by Humber (2012) that the integument of infected insect turned to white to dark green, green to yellow conidia, 1-celled and cylindrical conidia, and septate hypha. Larvae of *S. litura* infected by *C. militaris* in the rice field showed symptoms similar to those of *B. bassiana* infection, and in accordance to symptoms characteristics reported by Kryukov et al. (2014) that infected insect was white in color with fruiting bodies appear from the insect, the colony was yellowish white in color, and conidia was globular in shape (Zheng et al. 2011).

In this research, the abundance of hunting spider, such as species of Lycosidae, did not decrease after sprayed with the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticides well as after being sprayed with abamectin. The abundance of web spider, such as *Bathyphantes*, *A. inustus* and Family of Tetragnathidae decreased after application of the abamectin, while application of the bioinsecticide could only decrease the population of *A. inustus*. Therefore, the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticides were relatively safer than the abamectin. Furthermore, spiders generally prey on healthy herbivore insects, while the herbivore insects infected by entomopathogen or the unhealthy ones would not be preyed (Chaubey and Yadav 2017). Web spider abundance decreased after application of the abamectin and the bioinsecticides because the spiders were move less in rice canopy, making the insecticide as well as the bioinsecticide easy to reach the spider body. Therefore, it would better to stop application of bioinsecticide when the abundance of web spider is high.

The abundance of spider increased followed the increase of rice stage and the highest abundance occurred just before harvesting. The abundance of spider continued to high until harvesting because spider likes complex habitat (Amzah et al. 2018) and inhabited by various insect species. Spider is also generalist predator, prey on various insect species, include neutral insects which are generally abundant before harvesting (Karenina et al. 2019). The species diversity of spiders in this reasearch was also higher in plots sprayed with the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide compared to that of the abamectin plot. The higher abundance and species diversity of spiders indicated that the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide was not dangerous to their life. Many reports showed that entomopathogenic fungi did not kill spiders, especially hunting spiders (Prabawati et al. 2019; Hanif et al. 2020).

The abundance of predatory insects did not decrease after the application of the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide or abamectin. Predatory insect has high mobility which differ them from web spiders, so that predatory insect could escape from being exposed to bioinsecticide and abamectin. Furthermore, there is evident that the avoidance behavior in predatory insects from *B. bassiana*-infected insect preys (Seiedy et al. 2015). Therefore, application of entomopathogenic fungi was relatively safe for predatory insects.

The abundance of predatory insect increased until 70 DAT, and decreased at 84 DAT. The predatory insects were generally more specialist in term of prey species compared to spiders. Therefore, at approaching to harvest when the number of herbivore insects decreased, the predatory insects also decreased. Such phenomenon frequently happened in specialist predatory arthropod because population of the predator depended on the fluctuated population of their preys which are called as functional response (Karenina et al. 2019).

The community of spider and predatory insects in plot of *B. bassiana* tent to more similar to the community in plots of bioinsecticide *M. anisopliae* and *C. militaris* compared to that in the abamectin plot. This showed that the effect of application of three entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide on the predator communities was not significantly different. The low community similarity between the bioinsecticide and the abamectin because the abamectin could reduce the abundance of spiders and predatory insects. There have been a lot of reports of the decrease of abundance and species diversity of spiders (Preetha et al. 2010) and predatory insects (Salachna et al. 2020) due to application of abamectin containing organophosphate (Bai and Ogbourne 2016). In this research, abamectin as active ingredient is a stomach poison and toxic against insect species of *Menochilus sexmaculatus* (Azod et al. 2016) and spider species of *P. pseudoannulata* (Baehaki et al. 2017).

Guild group made based on function corespondence of arthropods i.e. herbivore insects, neural insects, predators and parasitoids. For one rice cropping season, there was a tendency that the abundance of all guilds group were lower in the abamectin plot. Interestingly, the abundance of predator was always more dominant in plots sprayed with the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide compared to those of herbivore insects, neutral insects, and parasitoid. Neutral

insects were not found in the synthetic insecticide plot. Thus phenomenon showed that predator guild was more tolerant to the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide (Bayissa et al. 2016; Firouzbakht et al. 2015; Gholamzadeh-Chitgar et al. 2017), while abamectin tent to reduce the abundance of predators, herbivore insects, neutral insects and parasitoid (Prabawati et al. 2019; Hanif et al. 2020). Among the three entomopathogenic fungi, there was a tendency that the abundance of the predators in plot sprayed with the bioinsecticide of *C. militaris* was higher than that in plots of *B. bassiana* and *M. anisopliae*. Therefore, predator arthropods tent to be more tolerant to *C. militaris* than to *B. bassiana* and *M. anisopliae*.

It could be concluded that the abundance and diversity of arthropod predator species inhabiting freshwater swamp sprayed with the bioinsecticides of *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris* did not decrease, while the population of herbivore insects tent to decrease to the same level as its decrease in the abamectin plot. So that, the bioinsecticide of *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris* did not decrease the abundance and species diversity of predatory arthropod (non-target arthropods), but could decrease the herbivore insect population.

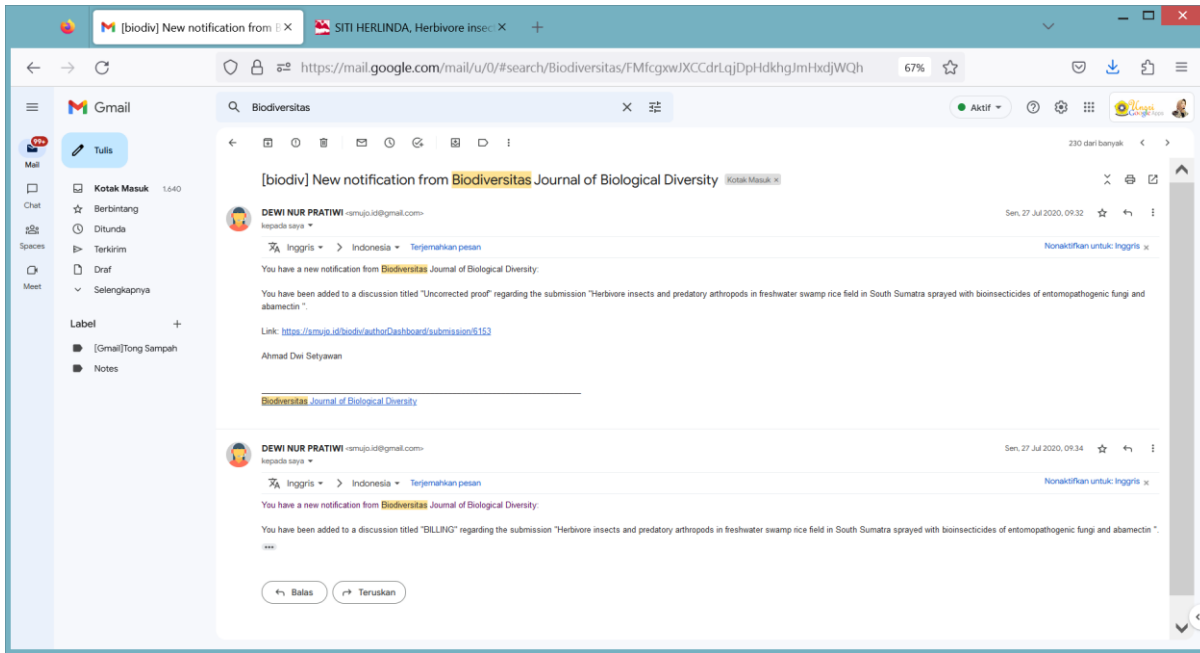
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Herbivore insects and predatory arthropods in freshwater swamp rice field in South Sumatra sprayed with bioinsecticides of entomopathogenic fungi and abamectin

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Abstract. *Herlinda S, Prabawati G, Pujiastuti Y, Susilawati, Karenia T, Hasbi, Irsan C. 2020. Herbivore insects and predatory arthropods in freshwater swamp rice field in South Sumatra sprayed with bioinsecticides of entomopathogenic fungi and abamectin. Biodiversitas 21: xxx.* Herbivore insect population and predatory arthropods in rice field may be effected by the application entomopathogenic fungi or synthetic insectide. The objective of this research was to analyze individual quantity of herbivore insects and predatory arthropod inhabiting freshwater swamp rice field treated with bioinsecticides and abamectin (commercial insecticide). This research was conducted in the freshwater swamp rice field located in Village Pelabuhan Dalam, Sub District Pemulutan, District Ogan Ilir, and South Sumatra. The experiment was arranged in a Completely Randomized Block Design consisted of four plots of treatment. The research used the bioinsecticides made from entomopathogenic fungi (*Beauveria bassiana*, *Metarhizium anisopliae*, and *Cordyceps military*), and abamectin. Sampling to collect arthropods inhabiting rice canopy was also conducted using an entomological net in the study locations. This research found 12 families of herbivore insects with 22 species dominated by *Nilaparvata lugens* and *Leptocorisa acuta* and 32 species of spider belonged to 8 families dominated by *Tetragnatha virescens* and *Oxyopes matiensis*. The species diversity of spider was higher in the plots of the bioinsecticide compared to that of the abamectin. Predatory insects found belonged to 14 species belonged to 8 families dominated by species of *Ophionea nigrofasciata*, *Verania discolor*, and *Paedorus fuscipe*. The abundance of predatory insects in plots sprayed with the bioinsecticides was higher compared to that of the abamectin plot. The abundance and species diversity of predatory arthropod sprayed with bioinsecticide of *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris* did not decrease, while the population of herbivore insect tended to decrease.

Key words: *Beauveria bassiana*; *Metarhizium anisopliae*; *Cordyceps militaris*; neutral insect; parasitoid

INTRODUCTION

Rice cultivation in freshwater swamps of South Sumatra has specific characteristics making it different from rice cultivation in other ecosystems in Indonesia (Karenina et al. 2020). Rice cultivation is affected by climate conditions, especially rainfall and tidal flush (Herlinda et al. 2020). From November to April, freshwater swamps is generally inundated so that local farmers cultivate rice only in the period of May to September (Herlinda et al. 2018; Herlinda et al. 2019a). Due to difficulties in managing water, farmers grow rice once a year using the transplanting method. In maintaining their rice cultivations, the local farmers scarcely apply synthetic insecticide (Herlinda et al. 2019b).

The population of insect pests attacking freshwater swamp rice plants is increasing and starting to result in yield loss, especially rice bug (*Leptocorixa acuta*), while brown planthoppers (*Nilaparvata lugens*) that has not appeared for a long time start attacking (Hanif et al. 2020). Pests that attack rice plants have been controlled using various entomopathogenic fungi including *Beauveria bassiana* (Li et al. 2012; Li et al. 2014; Lee et al. 2015), *Metarhizium anisopliae* (Girish and Balikai, 2015; Chinniah et al. 2016) and *Cordyceps militaris* (Prabawati et al. 2019). *C. militaris* is reported to produce beauvericin that is toxic to insects (Rachmawati et al. 2018) and *B. bassiana* has been reported to be effective against homopteran (Li et al. 2012; Li et al. 2014; Lopez et al. 2014; Lee et al. 2015; Sumikarsih et al. 2019), coleopteran (Kavallieratos et al. 2015), hemipteran (Girish and Balikai 2015), and lepidopteran insects (Ayudya et al. 2019; Ma et al. 2019; Gustianingtyas et al. 2020). *M. anisopliae* has also been demonstrated to be effective against homopteran (Mweke et al. 2019), lepidopteran (Gustianingtyas et al. 2020), and coleopteran insects (Kavallieratos et al. 2015). *M. anisopliae* could be used in multiple roles, ranging from controlling insect pests and promoting plant growth (Liu et al. 2017).

Being effective against various orders of insects, including the coleopteran insects (Kavallieratos et al. 2015), the rice field ecosystem which is dominated by species of predatory insects, it is important to be very careful in the application of entomopathogenic fungi in ecosystem to avoid negative impact on non-target arthropods (Scorsetti et al. 2017). High species diversity and abundance of arthropod in freshwater swamp rice field (Herlinda et al. 2018) might be disturbed by the application of the entomopathogenic fungi. However, there have been some reports suggested that entomopathogenic fungi did not affect abundance and species diversity of arthropods (Prabawati et al. 2019; Hanif et al. 2020). For example, predatory insect in paddy field (*Andrallus spinidens*) was reported to be resistant to *B. bassiana* (Firouzbakht et al. 2015; Gholamzadeh-Chitgar et al. 2017; Scorsetti et al. 2017). Parasitoid tends to avoid host insect infected by entomopathogenic fungi (Emami et al. 2013).

Coccinellidae, the family of generalist predatory insect, was reported to be resistant to *M. anisopliae* (Bayissa et al. 2016). This research aimed to analyze individual quantity of herbivore insects and predatory arthropod inhabiting freshwater swamp rice field treated with bioinsecticides containing *Beauveria bassiana*, *Metarhizium anisopliae*, and *Cordyceps militaris* and the abamectin.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Study area

The research was conducted from April to August 2018 in the freshwater swamp rice field located in Village Pelabuhan Dalam, Sub District Pemulutan, District Ogan Ilir, and South Sumatra, Indonesia. The experiment was arranged in a Completely Randomized Block Design consisted of four plots of treatment. The first three plots were treated with bioinsecticide containing *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. military*, and the forth plot was treated with the abamectin (the commercial insecticide) as control. The plot area was 120 m² for treatment and each treatment was replicated five times. Distance between plots was 10 m.

Land preparation, transplanting, and crop maintenance

Land preparation was conducted using a moldboard plow and was continued by using harrow plow. Before being plowed, the land was cleared using a hoe and a long knife. The excessive water was pumped out until the soil was slightly watery, and the dung compost was added at a dosage of 1 ton ha⁻¹. Rice seed used were certified purple labeled seed of Mekongga variety at a dosage of 50 kg/ha. Rice was cultivated using a transplanting system from which the seedlings were prepared in 34 x 26 x 5 cm³ plastic trays filled with 3 cm high soil. The seeds were soaked in water for 24 hours before being planted in the prepared plastic trays. The soaked seeds were spread evenly in each tray at a dosage of 150 g per tray. The trays were then covered with thick plastic for seven days. The seven-day-old seedlings were then transferred to places receiving enough sunlight. Fourteen day old seedlings were transplanted to all prepared plots at a density of 2 seedlings per hole in a 2:1 (12.5 x 25 x 50 cm³) "jajar legowo" planting system (Figure 1).

Crop maintenance was conducted in the form of replanting, irrigating, weeding, and fertilizing. Replanting was conducted seven days after transplanting to replace the dead seedlings. Irrigating was conducted by making use of water flush from the river under high tide and pumping system. Weeding was conducted both at vegetative and generative stages using a sickle. Fertilizer used was shrimp shell extract compost prepared according to the method by Suwandi et al. (2012). The compost was applied every two weeks started from 14 days after planting until harvesting (84 days) at a dosage of 2 L ha⁻¹. The extract compost was a fermentation result of shrimp shell meal containing

chitinolytic bacteria, cellulolytic bacteria, and sulfate planting at a dosage of 100 kg ha^{-1} . Nitrogen fertilizer was applied 30 days after



Figure 1. Two day old rice seedling in a plastic tray (A), 7 day old seedlings (B), rice transplanting (D) rice planted in “jajar legowo” planting system (E)

Formulation and application of bioinsecticides

All species of fungi have been explored from soil following the modified method of Kin et al. (2017). *B. bassiana* and *M. anisopliae* used in this research were explored from freshwater swamp soil of South Sumatra, while *C. militaris* was explored from the soil in Central Kalimantan, Indonesia. *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris* were cultured in solid media of Sabouraud Dextrose Agar (SDA, Merck) made from 16.2 g SDA in 250 mL aquadest. The cultures were incubated for 10 x 24 hours. The 10 days old fungal solid cultures were then cultured in liquid media (Figure 2) of Sabouraud Dextrose Broth (SDB, Merck) made from 30 g SDB in 1000 ml aquadest and were incubated in a 120 rpm shaker for 7 x 24 hours. The liquid culture of the entomopathogenic fungi was used to make bioinsecticide. Seven days after incubation, the density of fungal spores of the bioinsecticide was counted, the counting was stopped when the spore density reached 1×10^9 conidia mL^{-1} . One liter of bioinsecticide was made by adding 400 mL shrimp shell meal extract compost as a carrier and active ingredient consisting of 600 mL liquid culture of entomopathogenic fungi and 10 mL vegetable oil. Compost extract used to make bioinsecticide was previously autoclaved under 1 atm for 2 hours.

The bioinsecticides were applied at a dosage of 2 L ha^{-1} per application. The applications were conducted at 13, 27, 41, 55, 69, and 83 days after transplanting (DAT). The bioinsecticide applications were conducted in the evening (at 5 pm) to avoid spores damaged by ultraviolet. The control plot was sprayed with abamectin at a dosage of 0.5 L ha^{-1} . The insecticide contained abamectin active ingredient and was sprayed at the same time as bioinsecticide applications. The control plot was 50 m away from treatment plots to avoid contamination in the treatment plots, and there was 10 m distance between bioinsecticide treatment plots. A day after application, arthropod samplings were carried out to collect arthropods inhabiting rice canopy.

Arthropod sampling in rice canopy

Sampling to collect arthropods inhabiting rice canopy was conducted using an entomological net (75 cm length, 30 cm diameter, and 100 cm length of handle) (Lami et al. 2016; Ivantsova et al. 2017). Sampling was conducted in every treatment subplot and was repeated five times. Samplings were conducted at 14, 28, 42, 56, 70, and 84 DAT. Arthropod samplings were conducted in the morning, at 06.00-07.00 am. During sampling, the sweep net was swept 30 cm depth into rice canopy to collect representative samples.

Sampled arthropods were cleaned and placed in the labeled plastic bottles (330 mL) containing 100 mL absolute ethanol. The samples were brought into the Laboratory of Entomology, Department of Plant Pest and Disease, Faculty of Agriculture, Universitas Sriwijaya for identification. Spider identification was conducted using the reference of Barrion and Litsinger (1995), while for insect identification we used reference of Gullan and Cranston (2014) and Heinrichs et al. (2017).

Data analysis

Data of arthropods species were grouped based on their guild, comprised of herbivore insects, predators, parasitoids, and neutral insects, and was presented in the form of a graphic. The difference of individual quantity of the herbivore insects, spiders, and predatory insects amongst treatments was analyzed using Analysis of Variance (ANOVA). If there was a significant difference among treatments, the analysis was continued with Tukey's HSD (Honesty Significant Difference) test at 5% degree of significance. Analyses data was conducted using Software of SAS University Edition 2.7 9.4 M5. Data of abundance were used to analyze species diversity by using the Shannon index (H'). Degree of diversity was counted using the Evenness index (J') derived from the Shannon function, and Berger-Parker dominance biodiversity indices. The coefficient of Sorensen was counted to measure the degree of similarity of the spider or predatory insect among treatments (Magurran 2004).

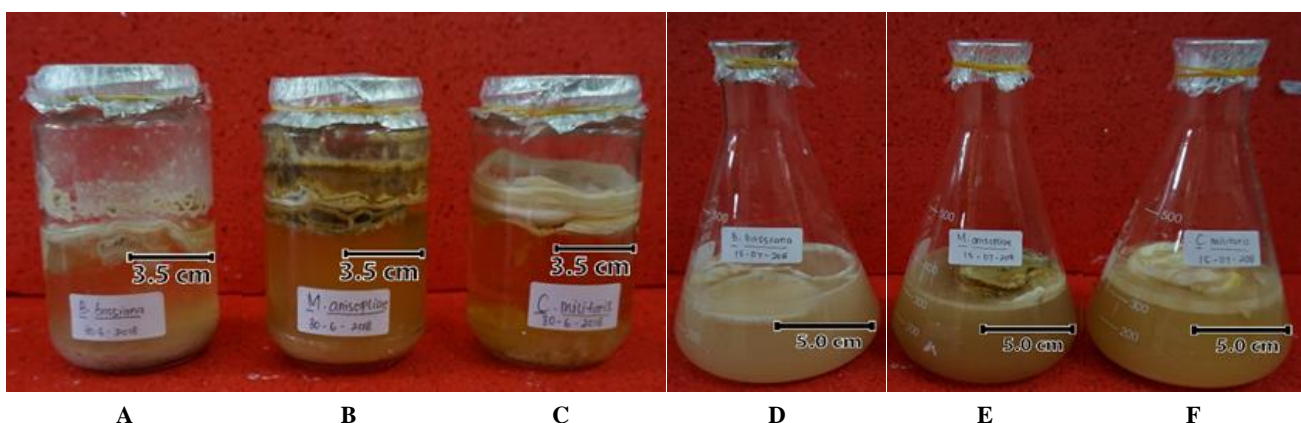


Figure 2. Cultures of *Beauveria bassiana* (A), *Metarhizium anisopliae* (B), and *Cordyceps militaris* (C) on SDB; liquid bioinsecticide of *Beauveria bassiana* (D), *Metarhizium anisopliae* (E), and *Cordyceps militaris* (F)

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Abundance of herbivore insects in one rice cropping season

In one rice cropping season, it was found 22 species of herbivore insects belonged to 12 families. Dominant herbivore species were *Nilaparvata lugens*, *Leptocorisa acuta*, *Acrida turrita*, *Valanga nigricornis*, and *Dicladispa armigera* (Figure 3). The population of the herbivore was not significantly different among treatments, except for Family Cecidomyiidae (Table 1). Therefore, the capacity of bioinsecticide in suppressing the population of the herbivore insects has generally almost similar to the capacity of the abamectin.

During field observations, insect died due to infection by entomopathogenic fungi were documented and showed specific symptoms of each fungus. The larvae of *S. litura* found infected by *B. bassiana* in the rice field showed white mycelia covering its body, the dried, and not smelly (Figure 4). Larvae of *S. litura* infected by *M. anisopliae* showed symptoms of the dried body covered by greenish white mycelia and was not smelly, while larvae of *S. litura* infected by *C. militaris* showed similar symptoms to those of *B. bassiana* infection, larval body drying, shriveled, covered by white mycelia, and not smelly. Entomopathogenic fungi infected sampled insects were isolated and purified in the laboratory. Color, structure, and spore of the isolated fungi were as presented in Figure 5.

Abundance of spider and predatory insect in one rice cropping season

This research found 32 species of spiders belonged to eight families. The dominant species of them were *Tetragnatha virescens*, *T. virescens*, *T. maxillosa*, *Argiope catenulata*, and *Oxyopes matiensis* (Figure 6). The total abundance of spiders in the plot treated with the abamectin was significantly lower than that of plots treated with bioinsecticide (Table 2). The abundance of *Bathyphantes* sp. in abamectin plot decreased. The highest abundance of *Araneus inustus* was found in the plot treated with bioinsecticide *C. militaris* and was different from that of other treatments. The abundance of Tetragnathidae was significantly decreasing in the plot treated with insecticide was found to be lower compared to plots treated with bioinsecticide.

Predatory insects found in this research belonged to 14 species and eight families. The dominant species were *Formicomus* sp., *Ophionea nigrofasciata*, *Verania discolor*, *Verania lineata*, *Menochilus sexmaculatus*, *Micrapis inop*, *Paedorus fuscipe*, *Cyrtorhinus lividipennis*, and *Orthotylus* sp. (Figure 7). The abundance of predatory insects was not significantly different among treatments (Table 3).

Characteristic of spider and predatory insect community in one rice cropping season

The number of spiders increased with increasing of rice age (Table 4). The highest number of spiders occurred when the rice were at a mature grain ripening stage (84 DAT). The abundance of spider in the plot treated with abamectin tend to be lower compared to that of plots treated with the bioinsecticides. The total number of spiders in one rice cropping season were higher in the plots treated with the bioinsecticide than that in the plot treated with the abamectin. The species diversity of spiders was also higher in the plots treated with entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide compared to that in the abamectin plot. The high species diversity in plots treated with entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide was also followed by the high species evenness and low species dominance.

Number of predatory insects decreased with increasing stages of rice, but at approaching harvest (84 DAT), the number of predatory insects drastically decreased (Table 5). The highest abundance of predatory insects occurred at the milk grain ripening stage (70 DAT). The phenomenon of abundance fluctuation of predatory insect was slightly different from that of spider, which its peak occurred at a mature grain ripening stage (84 DAT). The abundance of the predatory insects in plots treated with abamectin was generally lower than that of plots treated with the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide. Total of abundance of predatory insects in one rice cropping season of plots sprayed with entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide was higher compared to that of abamectin plot. However, species diversity, evenness, and species dominance tend to be similar among treatments.

Spider community in plot sprayed with the bioinsecticide of *B. bassiana* tend to be more similar to that of plots sprayed with bioinsecticide (*M. anisopliae* and *C. militaris*) than that of abamectin plot. The total of one rice cropping season, spider community in plot sprayed with bioinsecticide *B. bassiana* was more similar to that of plot of *C. militaris* (0.77), followed by plot *M. anisopliae* (0.76), and least similar to that of the abamectin plot (0.49) (Table 6).

Predatory insect community in plot sprayed with bioinsecticide *B. bassiana* tend to be more similar to that of plots sprayed with bioinsecticide *M. anisopliae* and *C. militaris* than that of the abamectin plot (Table 7). The total of one rice cropping season, predatory insect community in plots sprayed with bioinsecticide *B. bassiana* was more similar to that of plot *M. anisopliae* (0.91), followed by plot of *C. militaris* (0.85), and least similar to that of insecticide plot (0.66).

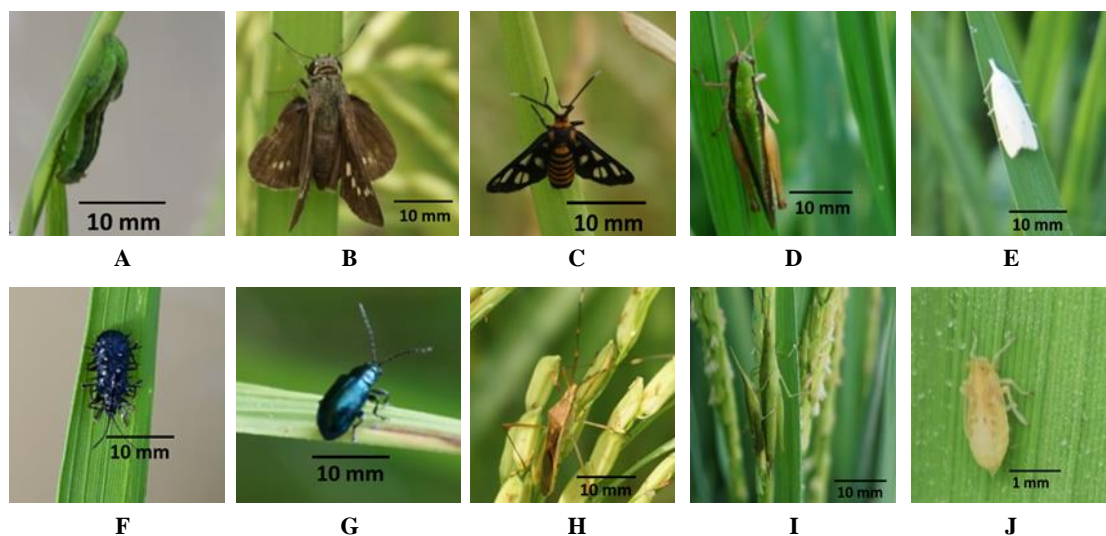


Figure 3. Herbivore insects found in rice canopy: *Spodoptera* sp. (A), *Pelopidas* sp. (B), *Amata nigriceps* (C), *Oxya chinensis* (D), *Scirpophaga* sp. (E), *Dicladispa armigera* (F), *Chrysolina coerulans* (G), *Leptocorisa acuta* (H), *Acrida turrita* (I), *Nilaparvata lugens* (J)

Table 1. Population of herbivore insects in rice canopy sprayed with bioinsecticides (*B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, *C. militaris*) and abamectin

Ordo / Family/ Spesies	Mean of herbivore abundance (individuals/nets)				F-value	P value (0.05)	Tukey's HSD test
	<i>B. bassiana</i>	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	<i>C. militaris</i>	Abamectin			
COLEOPTERA	0.2	0.13	0.17	0.23	0.26	0.85	
Chrysomelidae	0.2	0.13	0.17	0.23	0.26	0.85	
<i>Chrysolina coerulans</i>	0.07	0	0.07	0.2	2.11	0.15	
<i>Dicladispa armigera</i>	0.13	0.13	0.1	0.03	0.53	0.67	
DIPTERA	0.4 ^b	0.03 ^{ab}	0.07 ^{ab}	0.00 ^a	4.40*	0.03	0.20
Cecidomyiidae	0.4 ^b	0.03 ^{ab}	0.07 ^{ab}	0.00 ^a	4.40*	0.03	0.20
Cecidomyiidae sp.	0.33	0	0	0	2.55	0.1	
<i>Orseolia</i> sp.	0.07	0.03	0.07	0	0.81	0.51	
HEMIPTERA	1.67	1.1	1.7	0.97	2.42	0.12	
Alydidae	0.57	0.4	0.73	0.5	2.02	0.17	
<i>Leptocorisa acuta</i>	0.57	0.4	0.73	0.5	2.02	0.17	
Cicadellidae	0.17	0.1	0	0.1	0.42	0.74	
<i>Nephotettix cincticeps</i>	0	0	0	0.03	1.00	0.43	
<i>Nephotettix virescens</i>	0	0.1	0	0.07	1.04	0.41	
<i>Recilia dorsalis</i>	0.17	0	0	0	1.00	0.43	
Delphacidae	0.93	0.6	0.97	0.37	2.59	0.1	
<i>Nilaparvata lugens</i>	0.77	0.53	0.9	0.27	2.23	0.14	
<i>Sogatella furcifera</i>	0.17	0.07	0.07	0.1	0.50	0.69	
LEPIDOPTERA	0.37	0.3	0.5	0.17	2.61	0.1	
Pyralidae	0.33	0.23	0.33	0.17	0.99	0.43	
<i>Cnaplocrosis medinalis</i>	0	0	0	0.03	1.00	0.43	
<i>Scirpophaga incertulas</i>	0.17	0.13	0.17	0.07	1.31	0.32	
<i>Scirpophaga</i> sp.	0.17	0.1	0.17	0.07	0.66	0.59	
Erebidae	0	0	0.07	0	1.00	0.43	
<i>Amata nigriceps</i>	0	0	0.07	0	1.00	0.43	
Hesperiidae	0	0	0.03	0	1.00	0.43	
<i>Pelopidas mathias</i>	0	0	0.03	0	1.00	0.43	
Noctuidae	0.03	0.07	0.07	0	0.47	0.71	
<i>Spodoptera</i> sp.	0.03	0.07	0.07	0	0.47	0.71	
ORTHOPTERA	0.63	0.83	0.67	0.8	0.58	0.64	
Acrididae	0.63	0.83	0.67	0.77	0.48	0.7	
<i>Acrida turrita</i>	0.2	0.17	0.1	0.4	2.68	0.09	
<i>Gesonula mundata</i>	0.03	0.1	0.03	0.1	0.35	0.79	
<i>Oxya chinensis</i>	0.07	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.07	0.97	
<i>Valanga nigricornis</i>	0.33	0.47	0.43	0.17	2.02	0.17	
Pyrgomorphidae	0	0	0	0.03	1.00	0.43	
<i>Atractomorpha crenulata</i>	0	0	0	0.03	1.00	0.43	
THYSANOPTERA	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.07	0.11	0.95	
Thripidae	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.07	0.11	0.95	
<i>Liothrips</i> sp.	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.07	0.11	0.95	
TOTAL	3.37	2.5	3.2	2.23	2.77	0.09	

Note: *: significantly different; values within a row followed by the same letters were not significantly different at P<0.05 according to Tukey's HSD test

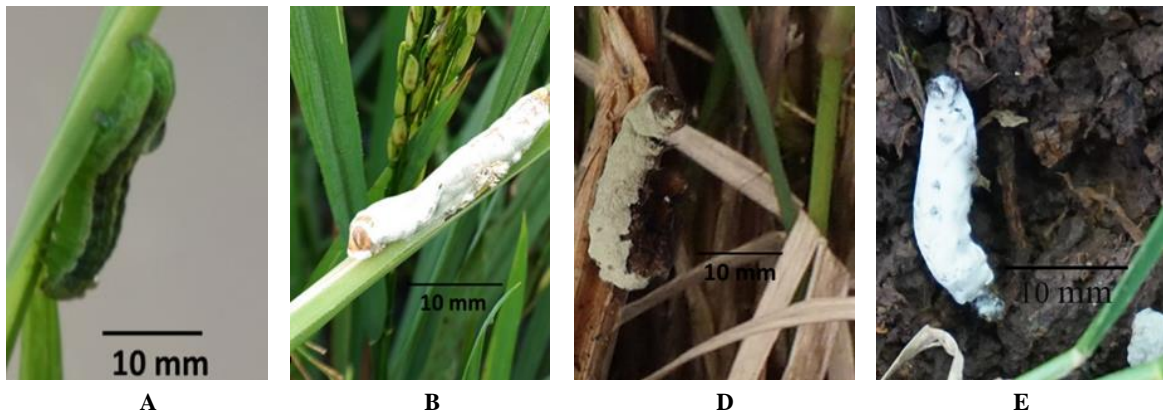


Figure 4. Herbivore insects infected by the entomopathogenic fungal of bioinsecticide in rice field: healthy larvae of *Spodoptera* sp. (A), infected by *B. bassiana* (B), infected by *M. anisopliae* (C), and infected by *C. militaris* (D)

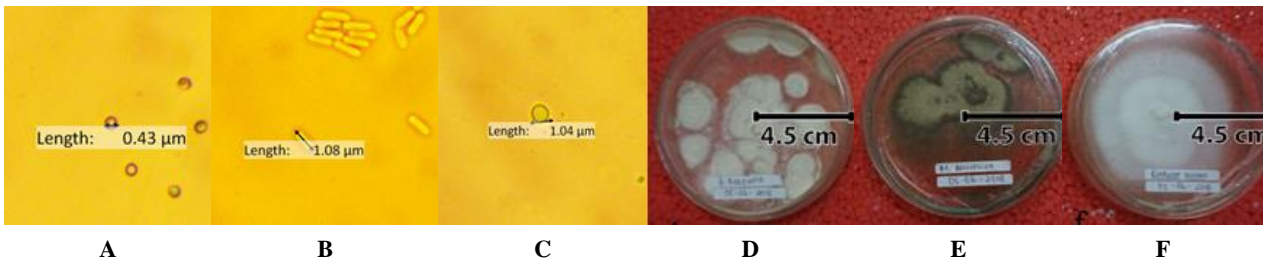


Figure 5. Spores of *Beauveria bassiana* (A), *Metarhizium anisopliae* (B), and *Cordyceps militaris* (C); colonies of *Beauveria bassiana* (d), *Metarhizium anisopliae* (E), and *Cordyceps militaris* (F)

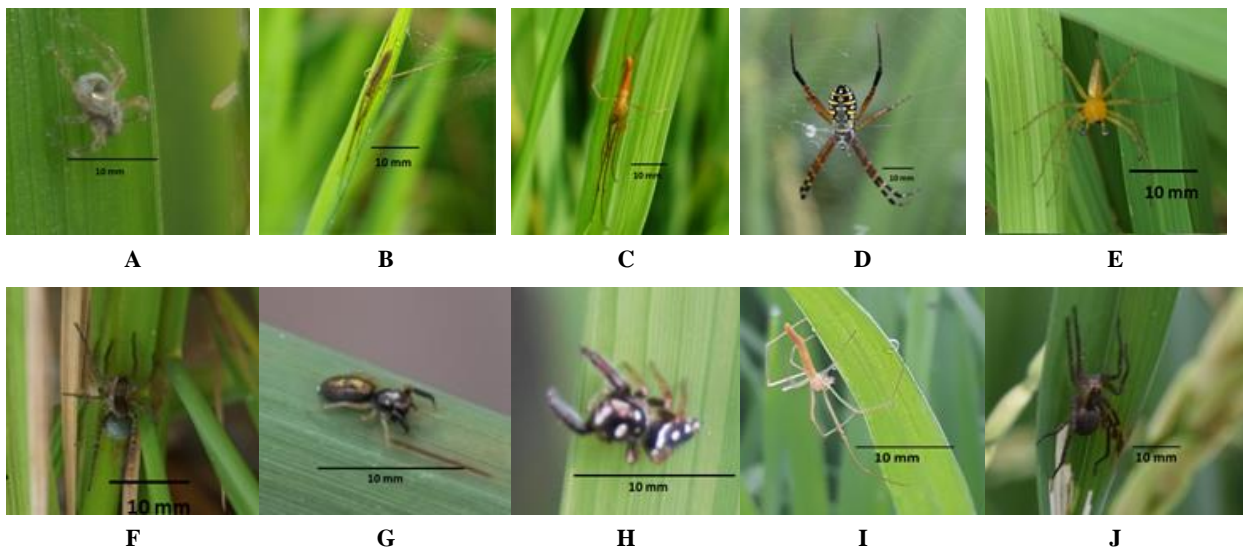


Figure 6. Spiders found in rice canopy: Linyphiidae (A), *Tetragnatha virescens* (B), *Tetragnatha maxillosa* (C), *Argiope catenulate* (D), *Oxyopes matiensis* (E), Lycosidae (F), Salticidae sp. A (G), Salticidae sp. B (H), *Oxyopes javanus* (I), *Pardosa* sp. (J)

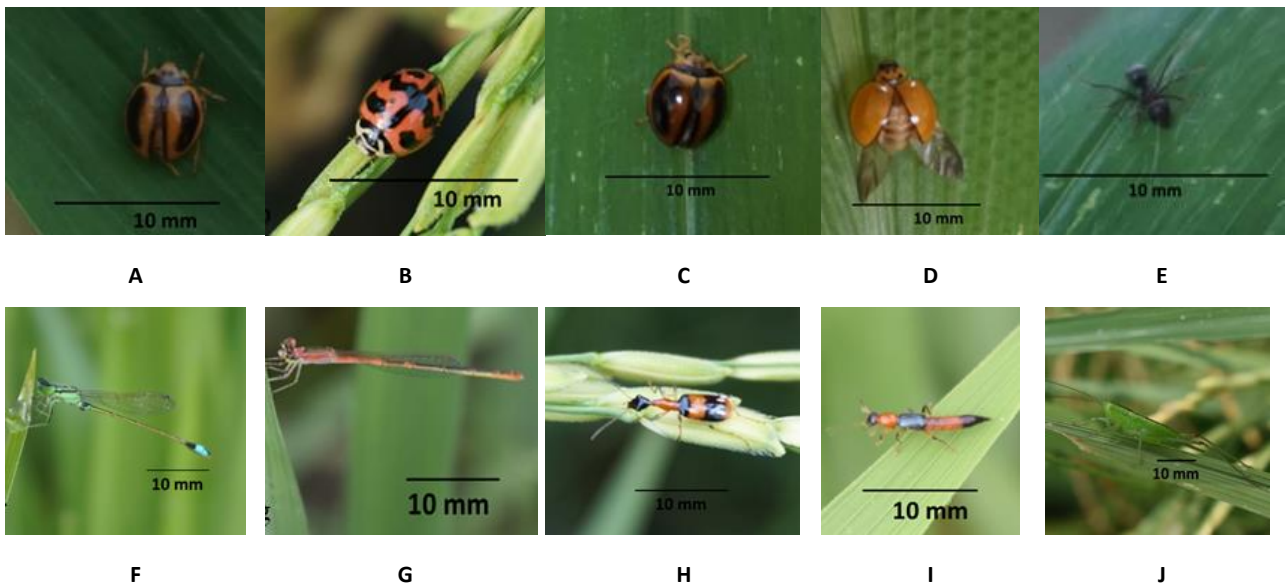


Figure 7. Predatory insect in rice field: *Verania lineata* (A), *Menochilus sexmaculatus* (B), *Micrapis inops* (C), *Formica* sp. (D), *Odontoponera transversa* (E), *Argia* sp. (F), *Agriocnemis* sp. (G), *Ophionea nigrofasciata* (H), *Paederus fuscipes* (I), and *Conocephalus longipennis* (J)

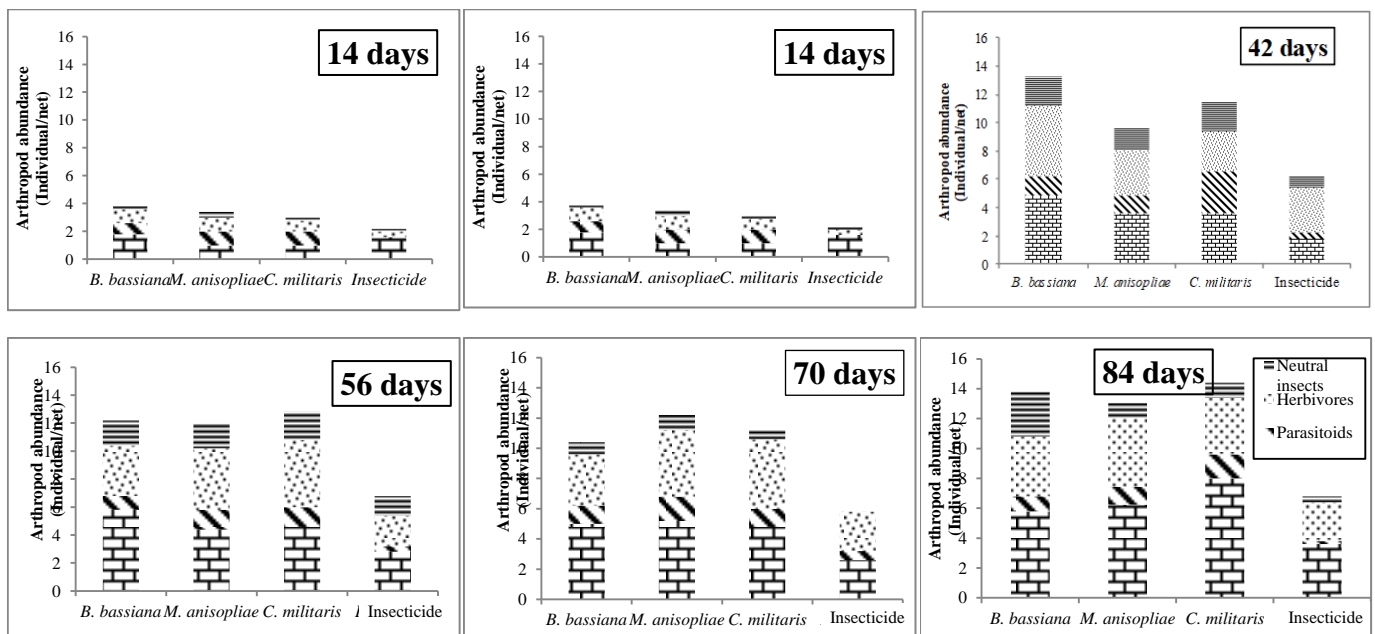


Figure 8. Arthropod abundance on rice field treated with bioinsecticides and abamectin (insecticide)

Table 2. The abundance of spider inhabiting rice canopy sprayed with bioinsecticides (*B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris*) and abamectin

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ARACHNIDA							
Araneidae	0.03	0.07	0.27	0.13	2.02	0.17	
<i>Araneus inustus</i>	0.00 ^a	0.03 ^{ab}	0.2 ^b	0.03 ^{ab}	4.82*	0.02	0.11
Araneidae sp.	0.03	0.03	0.07	0.07	0.35	0.79	
<i>Gea subarmata</i>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.03	1.00	0.43	
Linyphiidae	0.47	0.30	0.20	0.10	2.76	0.09	
<i>Bathyphantes tagalogensis</i>	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.00	2.67	0.10	
<i>Bathyphantes</i> sp. A	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.89	0.48	
<i>Bathyphantes</i> sp. B	0.13 ^{ab}	0.2 ^b	0.07 ^{ab}	0 ^a	3.74*	0.04	0.12
<i>Atypena adelinae</i>	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.00	1.00	
<i>Erigone bifurca</i>	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.43	
Linyphiidae sp. A	0.20	0.03	0.03	0.00	2.46	0.11	
<i>Atypena formosana</i>	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.98	0.44	
Lycosidae	0.10	0.13	0.37	0.10	1.90	0.18	
<i>Arctosa</i> sp.	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.60	0.63	
<i>Pardosa birmanica</i>	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.43	
<i>Pardosa pseudoannulata</i>	0.03	0.00	0.27	0.07	2.10	0.15	
<i>Pardosa apostoli</i>	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.43	
<i>Pardosa pullata</i>	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.37	0.77	
<i>Hogna rizali</i>	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.00	1.00	0.43	
<i>Pirata luzonensis</i>	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.03	0.62	0.62	
Oxyopidae	0.03	0.03	0.10	0.03	0.51	0.68	
<i>Oxyopes javanus</i>	0.00	0.03	0.07	0.03	0.76	0.54	
<i>Oxyopes matiensis</i>	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.00	1.00	0.43	
<i>Oxyopes pingasus</i>	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.43	
Salticidae	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.00	1.00	
Salticidae sp. A	0.03	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.38	0.77	
Salticidae sp. B	0.03	0.07	0.03	0.03	0.37	0.77	
Theridiidae	0.07	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.62	0.62	
Theridiidae sp.	0.07	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.62	0.62	
Tetragnathidae	1.33 ^b	1.2 ^{ab}	1.2 ^{ab}	0.63 ^a	4.16*	0.03	0.28
<i>Tetragnatha javana</i>	0.33	0.40	0.43	0.20	2.40	0.12	
<i>Tetragnatha maxillosa</i>	0.07	0.07	0.03	0.03	0.24	0.87	
<i>Tetragnatha montana</i>	0.07	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.37	0.77	
<i>Tetragnatha virescens</i>	0.47	0.33	0.37	0.23	0.76	0.54	
<i>Tetragnatha nitens</i>	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.38	0.77	
<i>Tetragnatha okumae</i>	0.33	0.13	0.10	0.10	1.88	0.19	
<i>Tetragnatha mandibulata</i>	0.03	0.07	0.10	0.00	0.84	0.50	
<i>Tetragnatha vermiformis</i>	0.00	0.10	0.07	0.00	1.27	0.33	
<i>Tetragnatha iwahigensis</i>	0.03	0.07	0.07	0.00	0.76	0.54	
Theridiosomatidae	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.00	1.00	0.43	
<i>Wendilgarda</i> sp.	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.00	1.00	0.43	
Total Abundance (N)	2.1 ^b	1.83 ^{ab}	2.3 ^b	1.07 ^a	7.29*	0.00	0.30

Note: *: significantly different; values within a row followed by the same letters were not significantly different at P<0.05 according to Tukey's HSD test

Table 3. The abundance of predatory insect in rice field sprayed with bioinsecticides (*B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militar*) and abamectin

Ordo / Family/ Spesies	Mean of predatory insect abundance (individuals/nets)				F value 0.05	P value (0.05)
	<i>B. bassiana</i>	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	<i>C. militar</i>	Abamectin		
COLEOPTERA	0.47	0.63	0.40	0.63	0.64	0.60
Anthicidae	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.00	0.86	0.49
<i>Formicomus sp.</i>	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.00	0.86	0.49
Carabidae	0.10	0.17	0.17	0.07	1.07	0.40
<i>Ophionea nigrofasciata</i>	0.10	0.17	0.17	0.07	1.07	0.40
Coccinellidae	0.67	0.57	0.57	0.40	1.41	0.29
<i>Verania discolor</i>	0.03	0.07	0.03	0.10	0.19	0.90
<i>Verania lineata</i>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.07	1.00	0.44
<i>Menochilus sexmaculatus</i>	0.13	0.04	0.07	0.07	0.24	0.86
<i>Micraspis inops</i>	0.50	0.47	0.47	0.17	3.14	0.07
Staphylidae	0.27	0.30	0.33	0.27	0.36	0.78
<i>Paederus fuscipes</i>	0.27	0.30	0.33	0.27	0.36	0.78
HEMIPTERA	0.13	0.10	0.00	0.03	1.49	0.27
Miridae	0.13	0.10	0.00	0.03	1.49	0.27
<i>Cyrtorhinus lividipennis</i>	0.13	0.03	0.00	0.00	2.81	0.09
<i>Orthotylus sp.</i>	0.00	0.07	0.00	0.03	0.74	0.58
HYMENOPTERA	0.30	0.30	0.20	0.10	0.87	0.48
Formicidae	0.30	0.30	0.20	0.00	0.87	0.48
<i>Formica sp.</i>	0.07	0.13	0.03	0.00	0.61	0.66
<i>Odontoponera transversa</i>	0.23	0.17	0.17	0.10	0.27	0.85
ODONATA	0.33	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.34	0.80
Coenagrionidae	0.33	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.34	0.80
<i>Pyrrhosoma sp.</i>	0.20	0.07	0.10	0.10	1.00	0.43
<i>Agriocnemis pygmaea</i>	0.20	0.07	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.96
ORTHOPTERA	0.33	0.27	0.27	0.17	0.56	0.65
Tettigonidae	0.33	0.27	0.27	0.17	0.56	0.65
<i>Conocephalus longipennis</i>	0.33	0.27	0.27	0.17	0.56	0.65
Total Abundance (N)	2.20	1.97	1.80	1.23	1.25	0.34

Note: values within a row followed by the same letters were not significantly different at $P < 0.05$ according to Tukey's HSD test

The abundance of associated arthropod with rice in one cropping season

The abundance of associated arthropods tend to increase with increasing rice growth stage (Figure 8). In all observations, the abundance of predatory insect was found to be higher compared to the abundance of other guilds (neutral insect, herbivore, and parasitoid). The abundance of predator was generally higher in plots sprayed entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide compared to that of abamectin plot. The abundance of all guilds of arthropod in the plot of abamectin was always lower compared to that of bioinsecticide plots. When rice was 70 days old, the abundance of herbivore reached its peak, then decreased at a mature grain stage. The abundance of predators reached its peak when rice was 84 days old.

Discussion

From this study, the population of herbivore insects in plots sprayed with the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticides was not significantly different from the population of the herbivore in the abamectin plot. This was because the entomopathogenic fungi applied in this research was effective and had capacity equal to the abamectin in reducing the population of herbivore insects. *B. bassiana* was proved to be effective in killing pest insects of rice, such as brown planthopper (Lee et al. 2015)

and rice bug (Girish and Balikai 2015). In this research, *S. litura* found was infected by *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militar*. Gustianingtyas et al. (2020) also reported that *S. litura* subjected to infection by *M. anisopliae*. *C. militar* could suppress the population of lepidopteran (Shrestha et al. 2016) and coleopteran pest insects (Kryukov et al. 2014).

Based on this study, symptoms developed on *S. litura* larvae infected by *B. bassiana* in the rice field were similar to the symptoms reported by Gustianingtyas et al. (2019) that host insect infected by *B. bassiana* was covered by white mycelia and its body was shriveled. Morphological characteristics of *B. bassiana* colony were in accordance with the result of isolation in the laboratory, white mycelia with hyaline 1-celled cylindrical and septate conidia (Safitri et al. 2018). *M. anisopliae* infecting *S. litura* in this research showed symptom as reported by Humber (2012) that the integument of infected insect turned to white to dark green, green to yellow conidia, 1-celled and cylindrical conidia, and septate hypha. Larvae of *S. litura* infected by *C. militar* in the rice field showed symptoms similar to those of *B. bassiana* infection, and in accordance to symptoms characteristics reported by Kryukov et al. (2014) that infected insect was white in color with fruiting bodies appear from the insect, the colony was yellowish-white in color, and conidia was globular in shape (Zheng et al. 2011).

Table 4. Characteristic of spider community in rice canopy sprayed with bioinsecticides (*B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris*) and abamectin

Characteristic of spider community	<i>B. bassiana</i>	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	<i>C. militaris</i>	Abamectin
14 days				
Abundance (individual/hill)	0.80	0.40	0.80	0.80
Biodiversity index (H')	1.03	0.69	1.38	1.38
Dominance index (D)	0.50	0.50	0.25	0.25
Evenness index (E)	0.94	1.00	1.00	1.00
28 days				
Abundance (individual/hill)	1.00	1.20	1.20	0.40
Biodiversity index (H')	1.33	1.24	1.79	0.69
Dominance index (D)	0.40	0.50	0.16	0.50
Evenness index (E)	0.96	0.89	1.00	1.00
42 days				
Abundance (individual/hill)	2.2	1.80	2.00	0.80
Biodiversity index (H')	1.03	1.67	1.74	1.03
Dominance index (D)	0.45	0.33	0.40	0.50
Evenness index (E)	0.94	0.93	0.89	0.94
56 days				
Abundance (individual/hill)	3.00	1.80	2.20	1.00
Biodiversity index (H')	1.70	1.30	1.12	1.33
Dominance index (D)	0.33	0.55	0.54	0.40
Evenness index (E)	0.87	0.80	0.80	0.96
70 days				
Abundance (individual/hill)	2.40	2.40	2.60	1.00
Biodiversity index (H')	1.97	1.81	2.35	1.79
Dominance index (D)	0.25	0.41	0.15	0.16
Evenness index (E)	0.95	0.87	0.98	1.00
84 days				
Abundance (individual/hill)	3.20	3.40	5.00	2.20
Biodiversity index (H')	1.53	1.39	2.07	1.66
Dominance index (D)	0.56	0.58	0.40	0.45
Evenness index (E)	0.73	0.71	0.80	0.85
TOTAL				
Abundance (individual/hill)	12.6	11	13.8	6.2
Biodiversity index (H')	2.48	2.59	2.75	2.45
Dominance index (D)	0.22	0.21	0.18	0.22
Evenness index (E)	0.82	0.83	0.85	0.88

In this research, the abundance of hunting spider, such as species of Lycosidae did not decrease after being sprayed with the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticides well as after being sprayed with abamectin. The abundance of a web spider, such as *Bathyphantes*, *A. inustus*, and Family of Tetragnathidae, decreased after application of the abamectin, while application of the bioinsecticide could only decrease the population of *A. inustus*. Therefore, the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticides were relatively safer than the abamectin. Furthermore, spiders generally prey on healthy herbivore insects, while the herbivore insects infected by entomopathogen or the unhealthy ones would not be preyed (Chaubey and Yadav 2017). Web spider abundance decreased after the application of the abamectin and the bioinsecticides because the spiders were moving less in rice canopy, making the insecticide as well as the bioinsecticide easy to reach the spider body.

Therefore, it would better to stop the application of bioinsecticide when the abundance of web spiders is high.

The abundance of spiders increased, followed by the increase of rice stage, and the highest abundance occurred just before harvesting. The abundance of spiders continued to high until harvesting because spider likes complex habitat (Amzah et al. 2018) and inhabited by various insect species. Spider is also a generalist predator, prey on various insect species, include neutral insects, which are generally abundant before harvesting (Karenina et al. 2019). The species diversity of spiders in this research was also higher in plots sprayed with the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide compared to that of the abamectin plot. The higher abundance and species diversity of spiders indicated that the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide was not dangerous to their life. Many reports showed that entomopathogenic fungi did not kill spiders, especially hunting spiders (Prabawati et al. 2019; Hanif et al. 2020).

Table 5. Characteristic of predatory insect community in rice field sprayed with bioinsecticides (*B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris*) and abamectin

Characteristic of spider community	<i>B. bassiana</i>	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	<i>C. militaris</i>	Abamectin
14 days old rice				
Abundance (individual/hill)	1.00	0.60	0.20	0.80
Biodiversity index (H')	1.33	1.09	0.00	0.00
Dominance index (D)	0.40	0.33	1.00	0.25
Evenness index (E)	0.96	1.00	0.00	0.00
28 days old rice				
Abundance (individual/hill)	1.60	1.20	1.40	0.80
Biodiversity index (H')	1.21	1.56	0.55	1.38
Dominance index (D)	0.25	0.33	0.28	0.25
Evenness index (E)	0.67	0.96	0.34	1.00
42 days old rice				
Abundance (individual/hill)	2.60	1.80	1.60	1.00
Biodiversity index (H')	1.94	1.88	1.66	1.66
Dominance index (D)	0.15	0.22	0.37	0.40
Evenness index (E)	0.88	0.97	0.93	1.20
56 days old rice				
Abundance (individual/hill)	2.80	2.60	2.40	1.80
Biodiversity index (H')	1.94	1.81	1.86	1.83
Dominance index (D)	0.28	0.30	0.25	0.33
Evenness index (E)	0.93	0.93	0.95	0.94
70 days old rice				
Abundance (individual/hill)	2.60	2.80	2.20	1.60
Biodiversity index (H')	1.60	1.90	1.67	1.49
Dominance index (D)	0.30	0.28	0.27	0.37
Evenness index (E)	0.89	0.91	0.93	0.92
84 days old rice				
Abundance (individual/hill)	0.20	2.80	3.00	1.40
Biodiversity index (H')	1.95	2.06	1.69	1.54
Dominance index (D)	0.23	0.21	0.33	0.28
Evenness index (E)	0.93	0.94	0.87	0.96
TOTAL				
Abundance (individual/hill)	13.2	11.8	9.8	7.4
Biodiversity index (H')	2.25	2.27	2.11	2.25
Dominance index (D)	0.91	0.89	0.88	0.94
Evenness index (E)	0.22	0.23	0.28	0.21

The abundance of predatory insects did not decrease after the application of the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide or abamectin. The predatory insect has high mobility which differs them from web spiders so that predatory insect could escape from being exposed to bioinsecticide and abamectin. Furthermore, there is evidence that the avoidance behavior in predatory insects from *B. bassiana*-infected insect preys (Seiedy et al. 2015). Therefore, the application of entomopathogenic fungi was relatively safe for predatory insects.

The abundance of the predatory insect was increasing until 70 DAT and was decreased at 84 DAT. The predatory insects were generally more specialists in terms of prey species compared to spiders. Therefore, at approaching to harvest when the number of herbivore insects decreased, the predatory insects also decreased. Such a phenomenon frequently happened in specialist predatory arthropod because the population of the predator depended on the fluctuated population of their prey which are called as a functional response (Karenina et al. 2019).

The community of spider and predatory insects in the plot of *B. bassiana* tent to more similar to the community in plots of bioinsecticide *M. anisopliae* and *C. militaris* compared to that in the abamectin plot. This showed that the effect of the application of three entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticides on the predator communities was not significantly different. The low community similarity between the bioinsecticide and the abamectin because the abamectin could reduce the abundance of spiders and predatory insects. There have been a lot of reports of the decrease of abundance and species diversity of spiders (Preetha et al. 2010) and predatory insects (Salachna et al. 2020) due to the application of abamectin containing organophosphate (Bai and Ogbourne 2016). In this research, abamectin as an active ingredient is a stomach poison and toxic against insect species of *Menochilus sexmaculatus* (Azod et al. 2016) and spider species of *P. pseudoannulata* (Baehaki et al. 2017).

Table 6. Matrix of similarity (Index Sorensen) of spider community in rice field sprayed with bioinsecticides (*B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris*) and abamectin

Rice ages	Treatments	<i>B. bassiana</i>	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	<i>C. militaris.</i>	Abamectin
14 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.33	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.25	0.00	1	
	Abamectin	0.25	0.00	0.50	1
28 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.18	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.55	0.17	1	
	Abamectin	0.29	0.25	0.25	1
42 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.40	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.48	0.42	1	
	Abamectin	0.40	0.31	0.43	1
56 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.58	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.31	0.40	1	
	Abamectin	0.40	0.43	0.50	1
70 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.67	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.32	0.64	1	
	Abamectin	0.22	0.33	0.32	1
84 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.73	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.54	0.67	1	
	Abamectin	0.59	0.50	0.44	1
TOTAL	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.76	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.77	0.84	1	
	Abamectin	0.49	0.60	0.56	1

Table 7. Similarity of predatory insect community in rice field sprayed with bioinsecticides (*B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris*) and abamectin

Rice ages	Treatments	<i>B. bassiana</i>	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	<i>C. militaris.</i>	Abamectin
14 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.50	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.33	0.50	1	
	Abamectin	0.22	0.00	0.00	1
28 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.57	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.53	0.31	1	
	Abamectin	0.33	0.20	0.18	1
42 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.73	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.76	0.82	1	
	Abamectin	0.44	0.57	0.46	1
56 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.89	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.69	0.88	1	
	Abamectin	0.70	0.64	0.76	1
70 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.74	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.75	0.72	1	
	Insecticide	0.57	0.55	0.74	1
84 days	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.89	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.71	0.76	1	
	Abamectin	0.50	0.67	0.64	1
Total	<i>B. bassiana</i>	1			
	<i>M. anisopliae</i>	0.91	1		
	<i>C. militaris.</i>	0.85	0.91	1	

Abamectin	0.66	0.77	0.79	1
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Guild group made based on function correspondence of arthropods i.e. herbivore insects, neutral insects, predators, and parasitoids. For one rice cropping season, there was a tendency that the abundance of all guilds group were lower in the abamectin plot. Interestingly, the abundance of predator was always more dominant in plots sprayed with the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide compared to those of herbivore insects, neutral insects, and parasitoid. Neutral insects were not found in the synthetic insecticide plot. Thus phenomenon showed that predator guild was more tolerant to the entomopathogenic fungal bioinsecticide (Bayissa et al. 2016; Firouzbakht et al. 2015; Gholamzadeh-Chitgar et al. 2017), while abamectin tend to reduce the abundance of predators, herbivore insects, neutral insects and parasitoids (Prabawati et al. 2019; Hanif et al. 2020). Among the three entomopathogenic fungi, there was a tendency that the abundance of the predators in plot sprayed with the bioinsecticide of *C. militaris* was higher than that in plots of *B. bassiana* and *M. anisopliae*. Therefore, predator arthropods tend to be more tolerant of *C. militaris* than of *B. bassiana* and *M. anisopliae*.

It could be concluded that the abundance and species diversity of arthropod predators inhabiting freshwater swamp sprayed with the bioinsecticides of *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris* did not decrease, while the population of herbivore insects tend to decrease to the same level as its decrease in the abamectin plot. So that, the bioinsecticides of *B. bassiana*, *M. anisopliae*, and *C. militaris* did not decrease the abundance and species diversity of predatory arthropods (non-target arthropods) but could decrease the herbivore insect population.

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