

THE EFFECT OF VEGETABLE INSECTICIDES OF GADUNG TUBER
(*Dioscorea hispida* Dennst) ON THE MORTALITY OF TOBACCO LEAF
GRAYAK CATERPILLAR

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ABSTRACT

The purpose of this study was to determine the effect of the application of vegetable insecticides from gadung tubers (*Dioscorea hispida* Dennst) to the mortality of grayak caterpillar on tobacco leaves. This study used a non-factorial Randomized Completely Block Design (RCBD), consisting of 4 treatments with 6 replications, namely P1 (control), P2 gadung tuber extract 40%, P2 gadung tuber extract 55% and P3 gadung tuber extract 70%. This research was conducted in August – September 2022 at the Jember State Polytechnic Plant Protection Laboratory. The test larvae used in this study were test larvae of *Spodoptera litura* F. The experimental data were analyzed using ANOVA and the results showed significant differences, then further test of 5% LSD was carried out. There are 3 parameters used, namely mortality, LT50, and physical changes. The results showed that the gadung tuber vegetable insecticide was effective and had a very significant effect on mortality grayak caterpillar (*Spodoptera litura* F.) with the fastest LT50 value in P3 treatment with 70% gadung tuber extract concentration at 109 hours.

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