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The Changes in Glycogen Levels of Pimpla turionellae L. (Hymenoptera: Ichneumonidae) in the Conditions of Starvation, Feeding, Parasitism and Aging

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<u>Abstract:</u> The changes in glycogen levels depending on starvation, feeding, aging and parasitisation in the mature female of Pimpla turionellae L. (Hymenoptera: Ichneumonidae), which is a biological control agent, have been observed. Glycogen level, which is a major energy source in insects, increased when the females of P.turionellae are fed with 30% honey, but it decreased depending on aging, starvation and parasitism. There was a positive relationship between the glycogen level of an insect and the number of its eggs laid within the host pupae.

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