THE EFFECT OF VARIOUS DOSES OF Trichoderma Harzianum AND Gliocladium Virens IN CONTROLLING Fusarium Oxysporum WILT DISEASE AND INCREASING TOMATO YIELD

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ABSTRACT

The aims of this research were (1) to examine the effectiveness of a mixture of Trichoderma harzianum and Gliocladium virens in controlling fusarium wilt and increasing tomato yields, (2) to determine the most effective dose of *Trichoderma* harzianum and Gliocladium virens in controlling fusarium wilt and increasing tomato yields. This research was conducted in Bangunjiwo, Grahayasa, Kasihan, Bantul in March-June 2022. This experiment was arranged in a Completely Randomized Design (CRD). The treatments were negative Control (Without Biological Control Agent), positive control (fungicide with active ingredient Benomyl), 40g/plant T.harzianum, 150g/plant G.virens, 20g/plant T.harzianum + 100g/plant G.virens, 30g/plant T.harzianum + 50g/plant G.virens. The data were analyzed using analysis of variance (ANOVA). If there was a significant effect of the treatment used, it was continued with a different test using the DMRT (Duncan Multiple Range Test) method with a significance level of 5%. Application of Biological Control Agents (BCA) T. harzianum and G. virens either single or in combination was effective for controlling fusarium wilt disease in tomato plants. The use of Biological Control Agents (BCA) was more effective than fungicide Benomyl in controlling fusarium wilt. The effective dose of BCA to control fusarium wilt in tomato plants was a combination of 20g/plant T.harzianum + 100g/plant G.virens or 30g/plant T.harzianum+50g/plant G.virens and T.harzainum 40g or G.virens 150g. The fruit weight of treatments combination 30g/plant T.harzianum+50g/plant G.virens was higher than the negative control, but the number of fruit was not significantly different between all treatments.

Keyword: Trichoderma harzianum, Gliocladium virens, Tomato, Fusarium oxysporum.