

Biological management of seed pathogen of safflower

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SUMMARY

An experiment was conducted to study the efficacy of antagonistic organism in the management of seed borne pathogens of safflower. In the present study two isolates of *Trichoderma* spp. were evaluated against wilt caused by *Fusarium oxysporium f.s.p. carthami* and *Alternaria* leaf blight caused by *Alternaria carthami* by dual culture technique. The *Trichoderma viride* was most effective against *Fusarium oxysporium. f.sp. carthami* and *Alternaria carthami* at 9 days of incubation.

Key Words : Antagonist, Seed borne pathogens, Safflower, Wilt, Leaf blight

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