

## **LABORATORY OF AGRICULTURAL ENTOMOLOGY & ZOOLOGY**

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### **TOPICS OF RESEARCH STUDIES**

- ❖ Insect morphology (scale insects, coccidophagous predators)
- ❖ Insect biology (scale insects, aphidophagous and coccidophagous coccinellid predators)
- ❖ Insect ecology (scale insects, aphids, whiteflies, parasitoids, predators)
- ❖ Mass rearing of insects in insectary (scale insects, aphids, parasitoids, predators)
- ❖ Biological Control methods for scale insects and aphids.

### **INSECT MASS REARING IN INSECTARY**

- ❖ **Homoptera:**
  - *Aspidiotus nerii, Crysomphalus aonidum, Aphis fabae*
- ❖ **Coccidophagous predators:**
  - *Rhyzobius lophanthae, Chilocorus bipustulatus,*
- ❖ **Aphidophagous predators:**  
*Coccinella septempunctata, Ceratomegilla undecimpunctata, Adonia variegata, Adalia bipunctata, Propylaea quatuordecimpunctata*

## PHOTOS



Cultivation and storage of *Cucurbita maxima* pumpkins, using for insect rearing.



Rearing of *Chrysomphalus aonidum* on *Cucurbita maxima* pumpkins.



Rearing of *Aspidiotus nerii* on potato tube.





Rearing of *Aphis fabae* on *Vicia faba*





Study of biology of aphidophagous predators under controlled conditions (in incubators).



Rearing of the parasitoids *Aphytis debachi* and *Plagiomerus diaspidis* on *Diaspis echinocacti*.



Rearing of the predator *Rhyzobius lophanthae* on potato sprouts, infested by *Aspidiotus nerii*.