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**RESPONSE OF CHICKPEA CULTIVARS TO *MELOIDOGYNE*  
*INCOGNITA* RACE 3 AND THEIR EFFECT ON  
PEROXIDASE ACTIVITY**

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**Abstract**

The response of 45 chickpea cultivar to *Meloidogyne incognita* race 3 based on percentage of reduction in dry shoot weight and nematode reproduction were determined. Positive correlation between increase in the peroxidase activity and the degree of resistance present in the cultivars was found.