

## MANIFEST OF THE PRODUCTIVE POTENTIAL OF SOME TOMATO HYBRIDS WITH DETERMINED GROWTH CULTIVATED IN COLD SOLARIUMS UNDER THE IMPACT OF FLOWER STIMULATION AND FECUNDATION METHODS AND OF DIFFERENT MODERN FERTILIZERS

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### *Abstract*

*In the past years, as a result of fuel price increase, there was registered a regression of surfaces cultivated with vegetables in greenhouses or solariums. Private growers started to cultivate vegetables in cold solariums, reducing by this the costs of obtaining productions, meaning heating costs. But there were necessary some other operations in order to maintain the productions that they would have obtained in conditions of heat and to compensate the decrease of early productions and the income costs. In this article we present the impact of some modern technology operations, which can determine high yields of two tomato hybrids with determined growth Magnus F1 and Maximus F1, known as being very good cultivated in cold solariums. Stimulation was done with Tomato-Stim, by natural pollination with bumblebees (Natupol) and with Bionex (foliar fertilizer with plant extracts) all compared to a control variant where it occurred natural pollination. At the same time, there were applied two types of fertilizers – Agriplant and Kemira. Tomato-Stim gave good quantitative yields, while Natupol gave good qualitative yields. The productions obtained after applying Kemira fertilizer were with 15.5% till 15.9% higher than those obtained after applying Agriplant fertilizer. Both hybrids, Magnus F1 and Maximus F1 are valuable considering the quantity, but also the Extra and F<sup>1</sup> quality productions, but Maximus F1 gave higher productions than Magnus F1 tomato hybrid.*

**Keywords:** growers, solariums, production, tomato, hybrids.

### INTRODUCTION

Price increase of fuel and of any kind of energy in general, led to the impossibility of growing vegetables in heated protected spaces by the vast majority of private farmers. There have been and continue to be affected small producers, especially those who ventured to cultivate vegetables as starters in the profession and not always have enough financial capital to ensure their start.

For this reason many farmers have shifted to growing vegetables in unheated rooms, solariums is most handy. But to increase the profitability of vegetable crop in case of tomatoes removing the heating costs is not enough, but also improving those technology links that offset the influence of lack of heating, which led to a big decrease in early production,

but also of its quality of the first part of the harvest period.

"Modernization" of a technology culture, be it vegetable cultivation under shelter, meaning that some basic technological links (stimulation fertilization of flowers, modern types of fertilizers and hybrid performance), require improved of their depth, so that the effect produced to determine the profitability of the production as the defining elements, namely the productivity, quality and economic efficiency. Hybrid, by its characteristics, nearby with the vegetation management system by changing or not axial system architecture of the plant and improving irrigation system and fertilization applied, can help achieve the goal of this profitable crop of tomatoes in the new conditions.

The contribution of the factors listed above that are competing to elucidating the problem taken in the survey in interpreting the complex relationships created between them, was studied in terms of their impact on improving production quantity and quality – superior, extra and Ist quality.

## MATERIAL AND METHOD

This study upon tomato culture's profitability developed in Agrișu Mare locality, Târnova district, Arad County, an area where vegetables started to be cultivated on larger and larger surfaces, especially tomatoes and peppers, but also cabbage and cauliflower, by beginner private growers, who have a certain professional experience. The family association has almost 0.25 ha of cold solariums. The experiment had two tomato hybrids, relatively new in culture, which are Magnus F<sub>1</sub> from Sluis & Groot Novartis Company, Netherlands, and Maximus F<sub>1</sub> from De Ruiten Seeds (Siminis Company, Netherlands), both hybrids being sort of known by growers because of their qualities. Both hybrids were studied in terms of their productive potential and quality manifestation under the influence of application of two fertigation systems (modern chemical fertilizers Agriplant and Kemira) and the use of various methods to stimulate the fertilization of flowers.

The culture was established in the period 20-25<sup>th</sup> March 2011 in cold solariums, using 65 days seedlings at a 3.2 plants/m<sup>2</sup> density. In this purpose, there was organized a polifactorial experiment, in which the experimental factors were:

### **Factor A – Method of stimulating flower fecundation**

a<sub>1</sub> – Mt – control, natural pollination (use of mechanical methods)

a<sub>2</sub> – Biostimulation with synthetic stimulants – Tomato-Stim

a<sub>3</sub> – Natural pollination with bumble-bees (Natupol)

a<sub>4</sub> – Biostimulation with Bionex (foliar fertilizer with plants extract)

### **Factor B – Fertilization system**

b<sub>1</sub> – Modern fertilization with chemical fertilizer Agriplant (basic fertilization with rich soil and Agriplant 1-4 in vegetation period)

b<sub>2</sub> – Modern fertilization with chemical fertilizer Kemira (basic fertilization with Cropcare and Ferticare in vegetation period)

### **Factor C – the hybrid**

c<sub>1</sub> - Magnus F<sub>1</sub>

c<sub>2</sub> - Maximus F<sub>1</sub>

The culture technology consisted in:

- drip irrigation through Netafim irrigation system (Israel);

- fertilization through drip irrigation system (fertirrigation) using Agriplant and Kemira (complex modern fertilizers for basic, starter and phasal fertilizations, with microelements for fertilizing irrigation and foliar fertirrigation).

This study had as goal to determine the profitability possibilities for tomatoes culture in cold solariums in the new competitive market, using as biological material the newest hybrids with determined growth that started to be cultivated in forced and protected spaces. At the same time there was observed their behavior as productive potential and production's quality, using extra-root fertilizers for completing root nutrition assured by completely soluble modern fertilizers Agriplant and Kemira.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Tables 1 and 2 and figure 1 show the quantitative and qualitative obtained productions, and the share of extra and Ist quality productions under the impact of factor A (method of stimulating flower fecundation) and factor B (b<sub>1</sub> and b<sub>2</sub>), fertilization with Agriplant and Kemira. The average number of fruits/plant is higher for both hybrids in case of b<sub>2</sub>, being with almost 1.2-2.3 fruits higher than in b<sub>1</sub>. At the same time, the average weight/fruit is higher in case of Kemira fertilization (b<sub>2</sub>) with 11.7-13.6g/piece.

Table 1. Experimental results concerning tomato hybrids with determined growth culture in cold solariums, cycle I – 2011

Factor A (method of stimulating flower fecundation)	Factor B (fertilirrigation system)	Factor C (the hybrid)	Average no. of fruits/plant	Average weight/fruit (g/piece)	Average production				
					Kg/plant	t/ha	% than $c_1$	of which extra and 1st quality production t/ha %	
a <sub>1</sub> - Control with natural pollination (mechanical methods)	b <sub>1</sub> -Agriplant	c <sub>1</sub> - Magnus F <sub>1</sub>	19,2	125,1	2,403	76,9	100,0	61,6	80,1
		c <sub>2</sub> - Maximus F <sub>1</sub>	20,3	123,9	2,516	80,5	104,7	66,2	82,2
		Average c for a <sub>1</sub> x <sub>b</sub> <sub>1</sub>	19,8	124,2	2,459	78,7	102,3	63,9	81,2
	b <sub>2</sub> -Kemira	c <sub>1</sub> - Magnus F <sub>1</sub>	20,1	139,5	2,803	89,7	100,0	75,2	83,8
		c <sub>2</sub> - Maximus F <sub>1</sub>	21,8	136,6	2,978	95,3	106,2	83,2	87,3
		Average c for a <sub>1</sub> x <sub>b</sub> <sub>2</sub>	21,0	137,7	2,891	92,5	103,1	79,2	85,6
<b>Average of factor B for factor a<sub>1</sub></b>			<b>20,4</b>	<b>131,1</b>	<b>2,675</b>	<b>85,6</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>71,6</b>	<b>83,6</b>
a <sub>2</sub> - Tomato-Stim	b <sub>1</sub> -Agriplant	c <sub>1</sub> - Magnus F <sub>1</sub>	31,6	120,3	3,803	121,7	100,0	85,8	70,5
		c <sub>2</sub> - Maximus F <sub>1</sub>	33,4	118,9	3,972	127,1	104,4	95,0	74,7
		Average c for a <sub>2</sub> x <sub>b</sub> <sub>1</sub>	34,5	119,6	3,888	124,4	102,2	90,4	72,7
	b <sub>2</sub> -Kemira	c <sub>1</sub> - Magnus F <sub>1</sub>	31,9	134,9	4,303	137,7	100,0	97,9	71,1
		c <sub>2</sub> - Maximus F <sub>1</sub>	34,0	131,9	4,484	143,5	104,2	108,5	75,6
		Average c for a <sub>2</sub> x <sub>b</sub> <sub>2</sub>	33,0	133,2	4,394	140,6	102,1	103,2	73,4
<b>Average of factor B for factor a<sub>2</sub></b>			<b>32,7</b>	<b>126,6</b>	<b>4,141</b>	<b>132,5</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>96,8</b>	<b>73,1</b>
a <sub>3</sub> - Natural pollination with bumble-bees (Natupol)	b <sub>1</sub> -Agriplant	c <sub>1</sub> - Magnus F <sub>1</sub>	27,4	128,3	3,516	112,5	100,0	91,9	81,7
		c <sub>2</sub> - Maximus F <sub>1</sub>	28,2	130,0	3,666	117,3	104,3	97,7	83,3
		Average c for a <sub>3</sub> x <sub>b</sub> <sub>1</sub>	27,8	129,2	3,591	114,9	102,1	94,8	82,5
	b <sub>2</sub> -Kemira	c <sub>1</sub> - Magnus F <sub>1</sub>	29,5	140,4	4,141	132,5	100,0	114,2	86,2
		c <sub>2</sub> - Maximus F <sub>1</sub>	30,7	141,4	4,341	138,9	104,8	122,8	88,4
		Average c for a <sub>3</sub> x <sub>b</sub> <sub>2</sub>	30,1	140,9	4,241	135,7	102,4	118,5	87,3
<b>Average of factor B for factor a<sub>3</sub></b>			<b>29,0</b>	<b>135,0</b>	<b>3,916</b>	<b>125,3</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>106,7</b>	<b>85,2</b>
a <sub>4</sub> - Bionex	b <sub>1</sub> -Agriplant	c <sub>1</sub> - Magnus F <sub>1</sub>	25,9	124,2	3,222	103,1	100,0	74,1	71,9
		c <sub>2</sub> - Maximus F <sub>1</sub>	26,3	125,8	3,309	105,9	102,7	78,7	74,3
		Average c for a <sub>4</sub> x <sub>b</sub> <sub>1</sub>	26,1	125,1	3,266	104,5	101,4	76,4	73,1
	b <sub>2</sub> -Kemira	c <sub>1</sub> - Magnus F <sub>1</sub>	27,3	137,3	3,753	120,1	100,0	86,5	72,0
		c <sub>2</sub> - Maximus F <sub>1</sub>	27,2	139,8	3,803	121,7	101,3	94,1	77,3
		Average c for a <sub>4</sub> x <sub>b</sub> <sub>2</sub>	27,3	138,4	3,778	120,9	100,7	90,3	74,7
<b>Average of factor B for factor a<sub>4</sub></b>			<b>26,7</b>	<b>131,9</b>	<b>3,522</b>	<b>112,7</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>83,4</b>	<b>74,0</b>

Culture density: 32.000 plants/ha

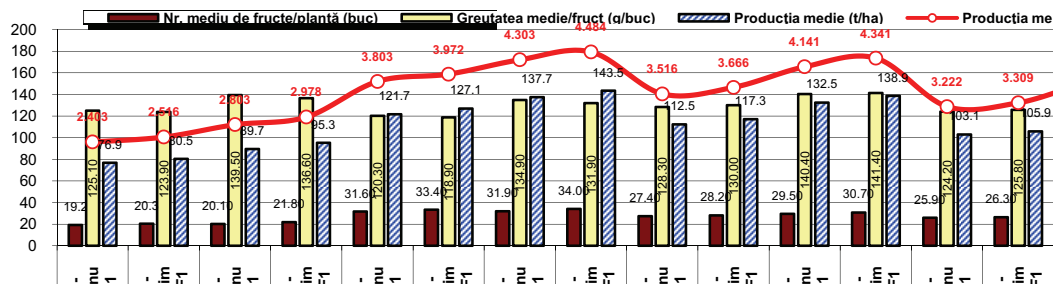


Fig.1. Experimental results concerning tomato hybrids with determined growth culture in cold solariums, cycle I – 2011

The average production/ha obtained under the impact of b<sub>2</sub> (Kemira) of 122.4 t/ha is vastly superior to the influence of b<sub>1</sub> – 105.6 t/ha, with 15.9 % higher. This if the calculation was made for the average experience Mx<sub>1</sub>, where it was also the control - natural pollination (a<sub>1</sub>). For Mx<sub>2</sub>, eliminating from the calculation values Mt – natural pollination (a<sub>1</sub>), the values for b<sub>1</sub> (Agriplant) and b<sub>2</sub> (Kemira) increase to 114.6

t/ha (100%) for b<sub>1</sub> and 132.4t/ha (115.5%) for b<sub>2</sub>.

Considering extra and I<sup>st</sup> quality productions under the impact of b<sub>2</sub> it was of 79.9 %, with 2.8 % more than in b<sub>1</sub>, of 77.1 %.

As a conclusion, we can say that Kemira fertilizer had a great impact, its benefits being observed both upon obtained quantitative and qualitative productions, and also the weight and the number of fruits/plant.

Considering table 2 and figure 1 we can see that by interacting factor A with factor we obtain the same effects upon the production and its quality by fertilization with Kemira for both

hybrids, of these two Maximus F1 being superior as obtained production – 125.7 t/ha and quality – 79.2% Extra + Ist quality production (101.8 t/ha).

Table 2. Synthesis of experimental results concerning tomato hybrids with determined growth culture in cold solariums in conditions of using some modernized technological links

Experimental factor			Average production for:																		
A	B	C	Factor C				Factor B						Factor A								
			t/ha	% than a <sub>1-5</sub>	Of which E+I prod.		t/ha	% than a <sub>1-5</sub> b <sub>1</sub>	% a <sub>1-5</sub> b <sub>1</sub> than Mx <sub>1</sub> b <sub>1-2</sub>	Of which E+I prod.				t/ha	% than a <sub>1</sub>	% a <sub>1-5</sub> than Mx <sub>1</sub>	Of which E+I prod.				
					t/ha	%				t/ha	%	% than b <sub>1</sub>	% than a <sub>1</sub> b <sub>1-2</sub>				t/ha	%	% than a <sub>1</sub>	% than Mx <sub>1</sub>	% than Mx <sub>2</sub>
a <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>1</sub>	c <sub>1</sub>	76,9	89,8	61,6	80,1	78,7	100,0	74,5	63,9	81,2	100,0	100,0	85,6	100,0	75,1	71,6	83,6	100,0	79,9	74,9
		c <sub>2</sub>	80,5	94,0	66,2	82,2															
		a <sub>1</sub> x <b>b</b> <sub>1</sub>	78,7	91,9	63,9	81,2															
	b <sub>2</sub>	c <sub>1</sub>	89,7	104,8	75,2	83,8															
		c <sub>2</sub>	95,3	111,3	83,2	87,3															
		a <sub>1</sub> x <b>b</b> <sub>2</sub>	92,5	108,1	79,2	85,6															
<b>Average B for a<sub>1</sub></b>			<b>85,6</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>71,6</b>	<b>83,6</b>	<b>85,6</b>	<b>108,8</b>	<b>75,1</b>	<b>71,6</b>	<b>83,6</b>	<b>112,0</b>	<b>100,0</b>								
a <sub>2</sub>	b <sub>1</sub>	c <sub>1</sub>	121,7	91,8	85,8	70,5	124,4	100,0	117,8	90,4	72,7	100,0	141,5	132,5	154,8	116,2	96,8	73,1	135,2	108,0	101,3
		c <sub>2</sub>	127,1	95,9	95,0	74,7															
		a <sub>2</sub> x <b>b</b> <sub>1</sub>	124,4	93,9	90,4	72,7															
	b <sub>2</sub>	c <sub>1</sub>	137,7	103,9	97,9	71,1															
		c <sub>2</sub>	143,5	108,3	108,5	75,6															
		a <sub>2</sub> x <b>b</b> <sub>2</sub>	140,6	106,1	103,2	73,4															
<b>Average B for a<sub>2</sub></b>			<b>132,5</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>96,8</b>	<b>73,1</b>	<b>132,5</b>	<b>106,5</b>	<b>116,2</b>	<b>96,8</b>	<b>73,1</b>	<b>107,1</b>	<b>135,9</b>								
a <sub>3</sub>	b <sub>1</sub>	c <sub>1</sub>	112,5	89,8	91,9	81,7	114,9	100,0	108,8	94,8	82,5	100,0	148,4	125,3	146,4	109,9	106,7	85,2	149,0	119,1	111,6
		c <sub>2</sub>	117,3	93,6	97,7	83,3															
		a <sub>3</sub> x <b>b</b> <sub>1</sub>	114,9	91,7	94,8	82,5															
	b <sub>2</sub>	c <sub>1</sub>	132,5	105,7	114,2	86,2															
		c <sub>2</sub>	138,9	110,9	122,8	88,4															
		a <sub>3</sub> x <b>b</b> <sub>2</sub>	135,7	108,3	118,5	87,3															
<b>Average B for a<sub>3</sub></b>			<b>125,3</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>106,7</b>	<b>85,2</b>	<b>125,3</b>	<b>109,1</b>	<b>109,9</b>	<b>106,7</b>	<b>85,2</b>	<b>112,5</b>	<b>149,0</b>								
a <sub>4</sub>	b <sub>1</sub>	c <sub>1</sub>	103,1	91,5	74,1	71,9	104,5	100,0	99,0	76,4	73,1	100,0	119,6	112,7	131,7	98,9	83,4	74,0	116,5	93,1	87,2
		c <sub>2</sub>	105,9	94,0	78,7	74,3															
		a <sub>4</sub> x <b>b</b> <sub>1</sub>	104,5	92,7	76,4	73,1															
	b <sub>2</sub>	c <sub>1</sub>	120,1	106,6	86,5	72,0															
		c <sub>2</sub>	121,7	108,0	94,1	77,3															
		a <sub>4</sub> x <b>b</b> <sub>2</sub>	120,9	107,3	90,3	74,7															
<b>Average B for a<sub>4</sub></b>			<b>112,7</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>83,4</b>	<b>74,0</b>	<b>112,7</b>	<b>107,8</b>	<b>98,9</b>	<b>83,4</b>	<b>74,9</b>	<b>109,1</b>	<b>116,5</b>								
a <sub>5</sub> (Mx <sub>1</sub> )	b <sub>1</sub>	c <sub>1</sub>	103,6	98,0	78,4	75,6	105,6	100,0	92,6	81,4	77,1	100,0	127,4	114,0	133,2	100,0	89,6	78,6	125,1	100,0	93,7
		c <sub>2</sub>	107,7	101,9	84,4	78,4															
	<b>b<sub>1</sub></b>		105,6	100,0	81,4	77,1															
	b <sub>2</sub>	c <sub>1</sub>	120,0	97,9	93,5	77,9															
		c <sub>2</sub>	124,9	102,0	102,2	81,8															
	<b>b<sub>2</sub></b>		122,4	100,0	97,8	79,9															
	c <sub>1</sub>		111,8	98,0	86,0	76,9	*	*	*	*	*	*	*								
	c <sub>2</sub>		116,3	101,9	93,3	80,2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*								
<b>Mx<sub>1</sub></b>			<b>114,1</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>89,6</b>	<b>78,6</b>	114,0	108,0	100,0	86,6	78,6	110,1	*								
a <sub>6</sub> (Mx <sub>2</sub> )	b <sub>1</sub>	*	*	*	*	114,6	100,0	92,8	87,2	76,1	100,0	136,5									
	b <sub>2</sub>	*	*	*	*	132,4	115,5	107,2	104,0	78,5	119,3	131,3									
	c <sub>1</sub>		121,3	98,2	91,7	75,6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*								
	c <sub>2</sub>		125,7	101,8	99,5	79,2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*								
	<b>Mx<sub>2</sub></b>			<b>123,5</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>95,6</b>	<b>77,4</b>	123,5	107,8	100,0	95,6	77,4	109,6	*							

Out of this table we conclude that:  
- in case of all graduations from factor A (method of stimulating flower fecundation) the obtained production under the impact of b<sub>2</sub> – Kemira is with 13.0% (a<sub>2</sub> – Tomato-Stim) up to 18.1% (a<sub>3</sub> – bumble-bees natural pollination -

Natupol) higher tha under the impact of factor b<sub>1</sub> –Agriplant, which determined a maximum production of 140.6 t/ha (a<sub>2</sub> – Tomato - Stim);  
- comparing the productions with Mx<sub>1</sub> (114.1 t/ha -100.0%), for b<sub>1</sub> (Agriplant) is of 105.6 t/ha – 92.6 %, while the production in b<sub>2</sub> (Kemira)

is of 122.4 t/ha – 107.4% and compared with  $b_1$  (Agriplant) is of 115.9%;

- comparing the productions with  $Mx_2$  the situation is normally different, the production in  $b_2$  (Kemira) being of 132.4 t/ha (115.5%) higher than in  $b_1$  (Agriplant) – 114.6 t/ha (100.0%). Comparing the productions in  $b_1$  (Agriplant) and  $b_2$  (Kemira) with  $Mx_2$  – 123.5t/ha (100.0%) they are of 92.8% in  $b_1$  and 107.2 % in  $b_2$ ;
- under the impact of factor A (method of stimulating flower fecundation) productions obtained widely differ of both  $Mx_1$ -114.0 t/ha and  $Mx_2$ -123.5 t/ha;
- the highest production was obtained under the impact of  $a_2$ -Tomato – Stim, of 132.5 t/ha (154.8% than  $a_1$ - natural pollination, 116.2% compared with  $Mx_1$  and 107.3% compared with  $Mx_2$ );
- productions quality under the impact of  $a_2$  (Tomato-Stim) is the lowest 73.1% E+Ist quality production (96,8 t/ha E+I of the total 132,5 t/ha) compared with the best production in  $a_3$  (Natupol), of 85.2%, meaning 106.7 t/ha E+Ist quality production of the total 125.3 t/ha;

- concluding, tomato production quality achieved, extra and Ist quality, is in inverse relationship to the amount realized production per hectare;
- of the four methods of stimulating flower fertilization, in terms of production quantity, the safest ranked first proved to be the method of biostimulation with Tomato-Stim ( $a_2$ ), but it was on the last place in terms of production quality;
- in terms of production quality, the first place is the natural pollination with bumble-bees – Natupol ( $a_3$ ), with 85.2% E+Ist quality (106.7 t/ha E+Ist quality of the total 125.3 t/ha), and the second of four methods, in terms of its quantitative production (109.9% than  $Mx_1$ );
- the method of stimulating flower fertilization  $a_4$  (Bionex) is on the third place, both in terms of production quantity (112.7 t/ha – 98.9% than  $Mx_1$ ), and production quality (74.0% → 83.4 t/ha of the total 112.7 t/ha).

In table 3 there are presented the results of the statistical calculation, and the production differences significances as a result of the interaction between the experimental factors.

Table 3. Unilateral and experimental factors' interactions impact upon determined growth tomato hybrids culture in cold solariums

Variant	Average production (kg/ha)		Relative production (%)	Difference (± t/ha)	Significance
<b>1. Unilateral impact of the method of stimulating flower fecundation upon the production</b>					
a2-a1	132,50	85,60	154,79	46,90	***
a3-a1	125,30	85,60	146,38	39,70	***
a4-a1	112,70	85,60	131,66	27,10	***
a3-a2	125,30	132,50	94,57	-7,20	000
a4-a2	112,70	132,50	85,06	-19,80	000
a4-a3	112,70	125,30	89,94	-12,60	000
DL 5%= 2,18		DL 1%= 3,30		DL 0,1%= 5,30	
<b>2. Unilateral impact of the fertilization system upon the production</b>					
b2-b1	122,43	105,63	115,91	16,80	***
DL 5%= 1,34		DL 1%= 1,84		DL 0,1% = 2,53	
<b>3. Unilateral impact of the hybrid upon the production</b>					
c2-c1	116,28	111,78	104,03	4,50	***
DL 5%= 1,54		DL 1%= 2,08		DL 0,1% = 2,78	
<b>4. The impact of interaction between different methods of stimulating flower fecundation and the same or different fertilization systems upon the production</b>					
a2b1-a1b1	124,40	78,70	158,07	45,70	***
a3b1-a1b1	114,90	78,70	146,00	36,20	***
a4b1-a1b1	104,50	78,70	132,78	25,80	***
a3b1-a2b1	114,90	124,40	92,36	-9,50	000
a4b1-a2b1	104,50	124,40	84,00	-19,90	000
a4b1-a3b1	104,50	114,90	90,95	-10,40	000
a2b2-a1b2	140,60	92,50	152,00	48,10	***
a3b2-a1b2	135,70	92,50	146,70	43,20	***
a4b2-a1b2	120,90	92,50	130,70	28,40	***
a3b2-a2b2	135,70	140,60	96,51	-4,90	00

a4b2-a2b2	120,90	140,60	85,99	-19,70	000
a4b2-a3b2	120,90	135,70	89,09	-14,80	000
a2b2-a1b1	140,60	78,70	178,65	61,90	***
DL 5% = 2,88 DL 1% = 4,17 DL 0,1% = 6,28					
<b>5. The impact of interaction between the same method of stimulating flower fecundation and different fertilization systems upon the production</b>					
a1b2- a1b1	92,50	78,70	117,53	13,80	***
a2b2- a2b1	140,60	124,40	113,02	16,20	***
a3b2- a3b1	135,70	114,90	118,10	20,80	***
a4b2- a4b1	120,90	104,50	115,69	16,40	***
DL 5% = 3,07 DL 1% = 4,16 DL 0,1% = 5,57					
<b>6. The impact of interaction between the same method of stimulating flower fecundation and different hybrids upon the production</b>					
a1c2- a1c1	87,90	83,30	105,52	4,60	***
a2c2- a2c1	135,30	129,70	104,32	5,60	***
a3c2- a3c1	128,10	122,50	104,57	5,60	***
a4c2- a4c1	113,80	111,60	101,97	2,20	*
DL 5% = 3,07 DL 1% = 4,16 DL 0,1% = 5,57					
<b>7. The impact of interaction between the same fertilization system and different hybrids upon the production</b>					
b1c2- b1c1	107,70	103,55	104,01	4,15	***
b2c2- b2c1	124,85	120,00	104,04	4,85	***
DL 5% = 2,17 DL 1% = 2,94 DL 0,1% = 3,94					
<b>8. The impact of interaction between different fertilization systems and the same hybrid upon the production</b>					
b2c1- b1c1	120,00	103,55	115,89	16,45	***
b2c2- b1c2	124,85	107,70	115,92	17,15	***
b2c2- b1c1	124,85	103,55	120,57	21,30	***
DL 5% = 2,04 DL 1% = 2,78 DL 0,1% = 3,76					
<b>9. The impact of interaction between the same method of stimulating flower fecundation and the same fertilization system and different hybrids upon the production</b>					
a1b1c2- a1b1c1	80,50	76,90	104,68	3,60	-
a2b2c2- a2b2c1	143,50	137,70	104,21	5,80	*
DL 5% = 4,35 DL 1% = 5,89 DL 0,1% = 7,87					
<b>10. The impact of interaction between different methods of stimulating flower fecundation and the same fertilization system and the same hybrid upon the production</b>					
a1b2c1- a1b1c1	89,70	76,90	116,64	12,80	***
a2b2c2- a2b1c2	143,50	127,10	112,90	16,40	***
DL 5% = 4,07 DL 1% = 5,56 DL 0,1% = 7,52					

From the analysis of point 1 – unilateral impact of stimulating flower fecundation method, it results that the productions determined by a<sub>2</sub> – Tomato-Stim, a<sub>3</sub> – Natupol, a<sub>4</sub> – Bionex, are statistically assured, the differences being significant positive and very significant negative in case of a<sub>3</sub> – Natupol than a<sub>2</sub> – Tomato-Stim, a<sub>4</sub> – Bionex than a<sub>2</sub> – Tomato-Stim and a<sub>4</sub> – Bionex than a<sub>3</sub> – Natupol).

Point 2, unilateral impact of fertilization systems upon the production, shows that the production determined by b<sub>2</sub> (Kemira) is statistically assured, the differences being very significant positive, with an increase of 15.9%. From point 3 – unilateral impact of the hybrid upon the production – it results that the productions obtained from the two hybrids are

statistically assured, the difference significance between c<sub>2</sub> – Maximus F1 and c<sub>1</sub> – Magnus F1 being very significant positive, showing that Maximus F1 (c<sub>1</sub>) has superior quantitative features (125.7 t/ha than 121.3t/ha for c<sub>1</sub> – Magnus F1 compared to Mx<sub>2</sub>; 116.3 t/ha than 111.8 t/ha compared to Mx<sub>1</sub>), but also qualitative, things that also resulted from table 1 and figure 1.

From points 4-10 in table 3 it results that according to bi or trifactorial combinations, the production differences' significances are very diversified, covering the full range of appraisal (very significant positive or negative, distinct significant positive or negative and significant positive or negative), which shows the intensity of experimental factors' interactions upon the

obtained quantitative and qualitative productions.

## CONCLUSIONS

1. The application to our experiment of multiple methods to stimulate flowers' fertilization, some of which have been considered support and increased performance of pollination, natural fertilization of the flowers, and others to replace them by outside plant intake of artificial substances, resulted in the production of differentiated unilateral or combined influence of other experimental factors (fertilization system with different types of modern fertilizers and the hybrid)

2. A unilateral decisive influence factor (method of stimulating flower fertilization) on tomato production quantitatively and qualitatively, was not carried out only by a single graduation, so graduation  $a_2$  (Tomato-Stim stimulation) expressed its effect on the level of production quantity and graduation  $a_3$  (natural pollination by bumble-bees - Natupol) on its quality level.

3. Under the impact of  $a_2$  (Tomato-Stim) we obtained the highest tomato production in the experiment, of 132.5 t/ha (154.8% than  $a_1$  - natural pollination), on the second place being the production determined by  $a_3$  (natural pollination by bumble-bees - Natupol), of 125.3 t/ha (146.4% than  $a_1$  - natural pollination), being followed by the productions in  $a_4$  (biostimulation with Bionex) and last  $a_1$  (natural pollination).

4. Considering the quality of obtained productions we can an occurrence of the inverse effect, the largest productions under the influence of  $a_2$  (Tomato-Stim), of 132.5 t/ha, corresponds to the lowest rate of production of extra and Ist quality, of 73.1% of the total production (108.0% and 101.3% compared to  $Mx_1$  respectively  $Mx_2$ ).

5. The largest share of production of extra and Ist quality is recorded under the impact of graduation  $a_3$  (Natupol), of 85.2% - 106.7 t/ha of the total 125.3 t/ha (119.1% and 111.6% compared to  $Mx_1$  respectively  $Mx_2$ ), being followed by 83.6% - 71.6 t/ha in  $a_1$  (natural pollination) and 74.0% - 83.4 t/ha in  $a_4$  (biostimulation with Bionex).

6. Hierarchy of production levels achieved in terms of quality with top filling (I and II) under the impact of  $a_3$  (natural pollination by bumble-bees - Natupol) and  $a_1$  (natural pollination), fertilization stimulation involving the naturally pollinated flowers, is explained by the influence exerted by the aforementioned phenomenon of fruit quality in terms of physical characteristics (size, weight, color, etc.) and the chemical and organoleptic features (taste, smell, etc.).

7. The productions obtained after using Kemira fertilization system ( $b_2$ ) are with 15.5% up to 15.9% higher than those obtained after using Agriplant fertilization system ( $b_1$ ):

- the average production  $Mx_1b_2$  is of 122.4 t/ha, meaning 115.9% than  $Mx_1b_1$  and of 115.5% than  $Mx_2b_1$ , while  $Mx_1b_1$  is of 105.6 t/ha, meaning 92.6% than  $Mx_1$  and of 114.6 t/ha, meaning 92.8%, than  $Mx_2$ .

- The average production  $Mx_2b_2$  is of 132.4 t/ha, meaning 107.2% than  $Mx_2$ , and  $Mx_2b_1$  is of 114.6 t/ha, meaning 92.8% than  $Mx_2$ .

8. Both hybrids, Magnus F1 and Maximus F1 proved to be valuable both in terms of quantity production level achieved and the Extra and Ist quality percentage of the average yield achieved, the quality of the productions made by the two hybrids compared to the two average values of the experiment vary in the following intervals:

- Magnus F1 ( $c_1$ ) - 111.8 - 121.3 t/ha, of which 86.0-91.7 t/ha E+I quality production, meaning 76.9-75.6 %;

- Maximus F1 ( $c_2$ ) - 116.3-125.7 t/ha, of which 93.3-99.5 t/ha E+I quality production, meaning 80.2-79.2%.

9. We recommend further research to strengthen the conclusions of the experiment.

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