

Genetic studies on yield and some related characters in two bread wheat crosses using five population model

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ABSTRACT

This study were implemented within four growing seasons from 2017/2018 to 2020/2021. The five populations (P_1 , P_2 , F_1 , F_2 and F_3) of two crosses of bread wheat (Misr 3 x Shandaweel-1 and Giza 168 x Sakha 94) were evaluated in two locations during 2020/2021 growing season, at West West El-Minia and Sids Agricultural Research Station, Agricultural Research Center, Egypt, In order to determine the mode of gene action and the inheritance pattern of plant height, no. of spikes plant⁻¹, no. of kernels spike⁻¹, 100-kernel weight and grain yield plant⁻¹. The t-test showed significant differences among parental genotypes of each cross for all studied characters. The mean effects (m) were highly significant for all characters under the study in the two crosses and locations, indicating the ability to enhance the performance of these characters by pedigree selection. Scaling test revealed the presence of nonallelic interactions (epistasis) in the most studied characters. Dominance gene effects were generally greater than additive ones in most characters. Gene effects varied among characters, whereas the dominance and duplicate dominance beside additive gene effects were found to play important role in the inheritance of most studied characters. The desired significant and highly significant positive heterotic effects to mid-parents for two crosses were detected in the two locations. Broad sense heritability estimates displayed moderate values in most characters. The highest expected genetic gain was found to be correlated with high heritability in narrow sense estimated in all studied characters.

KEYWORDS : Gene action, Genetic advance, Heritability, Heterosis, Inbreeding depression, *Triticum aestivum* L.,

1. INTRODUCTION

Wheat (*Triticum aestivum*, L.) crop is considered one of the essential strategic cereal crops not only in Egypt but also all over the world. In addition, wheat is the world's most important food crop in terms of tons of grain produced each year. Wheat trade represents a significant component of the trade balance of national economy. Wheat is utilized and processed for many products, reflecting its importance for large quantities produced by people of diverse cultures and social groups (Faridi and Faubion, 1995).

Breeding procedures for genetic improvement of any crop is largely dependent on the knowledge of type and relative amount of genetic component and the presence of non-allelic interaction for different characters in the plant materials under investigations. Generations analysis is a useful technique in plant

breeding for estimating main gene effects (additive and dominance) and their di genic (additive × additive and dominance × dominance) interactions responsible for inheritance of quantitative traits. It helps the breeders to understand the performance of the parents used in crosses (Zaazaa *et al* 2012). Polygenic systems have properties which are basic to our understanding of the genetical structure of populations, their variation and their responses to selection (Mather 1973). Grain yield attributes in wheat may have more heritable than yield itself (Fethi and Mohamed 2010). High heritability estimates, coupling with other parameters can be used in predicting genetic gain follows by selection for these characters. Selection of different wheat genotypes under environmental stress conditions is one of the main missions of crop breeders for exploiting the genetic variations to improve the stress tolerant wheat cultivars (Gebrel *et*

al., 2014; Khan and Mohammad, 2016; Al-Naggar *et al.*, 2017).

The objective of this study is determine the genetic control of yield and yield component traits by genetic analysis among generation means under clay and sandy soil conditions in wheat. To explain the possibility of development genotypes among different generations, showing the best promising ones. Also, these data can help to improve breeding strategies for grain yield.

2. MATERIALS AND METHODS

This study was carried out during four successive seasons, in 2017/2018, 2018/2019, 2019/2020 and 2020/2021, at West West El-Minia (sandy soil) and Sids Agricultural Research Station (clay soil), Agricultural Research Center, Egypt. Four bread wheat genotypes (*Triticum aestivum* L.) were used as parental lines. The commercial names and pedigree are presented as follows:-

Table 1. The commercial names and pedigree of the four parents of bread wheat genotypes.

Parent	Name	Cross Name and selection history
P1	Misir 3	Rohf 07*2/Kiriti CGSS 05 B00123T-099T 0PY-099M-099NJ-6WGY-0B-0BGY-0GZ
P2	Shandweel 1	SITE//MO/4/NAC/TH.AC//3*PVN/3/MIRLQ/BUC. CMSS93B 00567 S-72Y-010M-010Y-010M-OHTY-OSH
P3	Giza 168	MRL / BUC // SERI CM93046-8M-0Y-0M-2Y-0B-0GZ
P4	Sakha 94	Opata/Rayon//Kauz CMBW90Y3180-0TOPM-3Y-010M 010M-010Y-10M-015Y-0Y

2.1. Experimental procedures

In 2017/2018 season two F₁'s/hybrids were performed, i.e. Hybrid 1: Misir 3 x Shandaweel-1 and Hybrid 2: Giza 168 x Sakha 94 . Obtained grains from the two hybrids of F₁'s and F₂'s were raised to produce F₂'s and F₃'s in 2018/19 and 2019/20 seasons, respectively. Parents, F₁, F₂ and F₃ generations of the two hybrids were evaluated in a randomized complete block design with three replications in 2020/21 season under clay and sandy soil conditions at Sids and West West El-Minia, respectively.

Each experimental plot consisted of 15 rows (one row for each of P₁, P₂ and F₁'s, six rows for each

of F₂'s and F₃'s) besides two border rows were planted to avoid the border effects. The rows were 4 m long, 25 cm apart and 10 cm among plants within row. All cultural practices were conducted during the growing season according to the recommendations. Data on 30 individual randomly selected plants from each parent and F₁'s generation, 200 plants from F₂'s and 230 plants from F₃'s population were recorded to calculate the studied traits (Plant height, number of spikes plant⁻¹, number of kernels spike⁻¹, 100-kernel weight and grain yield plant⁻¹) for all populations of the two crosses under clay and sandy field conditions.

Table 2. locations characteristics and their agro-climatic conditions

Location	Growing season	Latitude	Longitude	Soil type	Altitude	Temperature (c°)		
						Min.	Max.	Ave.
Sids	2018-2019	28° 54' N	30° 56' E	Clay	31	10.65	25.14	17.36
	2019-2020					10.72	25.11	17.34
West West El Mynia	2018-2019	28° 8' N	30° 32' E	Sandy	101	10.87	24.49	16.89
	2019-2020					10.27	24.36	16.78

2.2. Biometrical analysis

The collected data were subjected to analysis of variance for the five population means to perform differences among generations. The scaling test variance, standard error and 't' test were calculated to detect the interactions or to fit in simple additive-dominance model. The considered-five parameters included mean effects (m), additive (d) and dominance

(h) gene effects and types of epistasis (I = additive x additive and I = dominance x dominance). The variance and standard errors for each of these parameters (m, d, h, i and l) were calculated and the significance of each one was tested using t-test. The type of epistasis was determined only when dominance [h] and dominance x dominance [l] effects were significant, recording complementary epistasis in the same effects sign and duplicate epistasis in

different signs (Mather and Jinks 1982). Both broad and narrow-sense heritability, potence ratio, heterosis relative to mid and best parent and inbreeding depression (%) were calculated according to Mather and Jinks (1982). Genetic advance as percentage of the F₂ mean were estimated as reported by Allard (1999). The t-test was used to determine the significance of these parameters where the standard error (SE) was calculated. On the other hand, the expected and actual genetic advance (Δg) was computed according to Johanson *et al.* (1955). Similarly, the genetic gain percentage of the F₂ and F₃ mean performance ($\Delta g\%$) was estimated using the method of Miller *et al.* (1958).

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

3.1. Generation Mean

The choice of the parents to be crossed in breeding programs are the most important problem facing the breeder .If the parents are precisely

selected, the desired characteristics will be found in the segregated generations (Mahrous,1998). The parental differences in response to their genetic background were found to be significant in most characters under investigation.

Results in (Table 3 and 4) present mean performance and variance for the studied characters using the five populations (P₁, P₂, F₁, F₂ and F₃) of the two bread wheat populations under clay and sandy soil conditions for the investigated characters. The t-test performed between parents of each cross (Table 3 and 4) showed significance in all characters in the two crosses under the study.

3.1.1. First cross

Results in Table (3) showed that, among the investigated parents, genotype Misr 3 revealed the best values for all characters in clay soil location except number of kernels spike⁻¹, recorded the highest mean

Table 3. Mean performance and variances of five populations for the tested characters in the first bread wheat cross.

Trait	Location	Statis.	P ₁	P ₂	Filial generations			t.test
			Misr 3	Shandaweel 1	F ₁	F ₂	F ₃	
Hybrid 1								
Plant High cm.	1	\bar{x}	108.50	93.83	115.17	115.74	114.15	*
		S ²	35.25	21.14	20.81	444.24	276.28	
Plant High cm.	2	\bar{x}	98.67	89.83	109.50	109.02	104.50	*
		S ²	38.22	27.47	27.25	387.20	228.50	
No.of Spike Plant ⁻¹	1	\bar{x}	26.13	22.57	28.57	20.79	19.71	*
		S ²	26.57	21.36	31.53	50.27	39.62	
No.of Spike Plant ⁻¹	2	\bar{x}	15.94	19.88	22.79	15.24	17.65	*
		S ²	11.68	12.08	16.44	31.01	26.23	
No. of Kernels Spike ⁻¹	1	\bar{x}	60.70	66.28	69.64	62.33	59.72	*
		S ²	85.67	66.15	98.42	317.56	263.88	
No. of Kernels Spike ⁻¹	2	\bar{x}	59.95	67.19	69.13	61.62	58.38	*
		S ²	81.25	65.96	92.33	296.17	253.70	
100 Kernel weight g.	1	\bar{x}	5.352	4.984	5.568	4.569	4.518	*
		S ²	0.322	0.178	0.403	0.801	0.703	
100 Kernel weight g.	2	\bar{x}	4.371	4.973	5.143	3.932	3.842	*
		S ²	0.130	0.289	0.403	0.618	0.547	
Grain Yield Plant ⁻¹	1	\bar{x}	49.82	45.47	48.87	24.71	25.27	*
		S ²	25.82	38.36	34.71	180.64	138.58	
Grain Yield Plant ⁻¹	2	\bar{x}	34.74	38.81	42.41	20.33	19.59	*
		S ²	37.76	36.17	26.10	166.72	129.60	

*, ** Significant and highly significant at 0.05 and 0.01 respectively.

values for plant height (108.50,98.67cm in two location), number of spikes plant⁻¹ (26.13 spike), 100-kernel weight (5.352g) and grain yield plant⁻¹ (49.82g). However, the second parent Shandaweel-1 had the maximum number for all characters in sandy soil location except plant height and 100-kernel weight in the two locations, recorded the highest mean values for number of kernels spike⁻¹ (66.28, 67.19 kernels in two type of soil) and gave the highest mean values for number of spikes plant⁻¹ (20.57 spike) and grain yield plant⁻¹ (38.81g) in sandy soil.

In filial generations, F₁'s mean presented best performance for all characters under study in the two locations except plant height in Sids location. In F₂'s, results revealed best values for plant height in clay soil.

3.1.2. Second cross

Table (4) showed that among the investigated parents, genotype Giza 168 revealed the best values for all characters under study in the two locations except number of spikes plant⁻¹, recorded the highest mean values for plant height (111.83 and 101.50cm), number of kernels spike⁻¹ (66.03 and 63.53 kernels), 100-kernel weight (4.926 and 4.413g) and grain yield plant⁻¹ (44.24 and 34.12g) in the two locations, respectively. However, parent Sakha 94 had the maximum values for number of spikes plant⁻¹ (21.38 and 18.29 spike) in the two locations respectively.

In filial generations, F₁'s mean presented best performance for all characters under study in the two locations.

Table 4. Mean performance and variances of five populations for the tested characters in the second bread wheat cross.

Trait	Location	Statis.	P ₁	P ₂	Filial generations			t.test
			Giza 168	Sakha 94	F ₁	F ₂	F ₃	
Plant High cm.	1	\bar{x}	111.83	103.83	117.33	110.76	109.65	*
		S ²	19.14	14.47	17.89	260.83	225.13	
	2	\bar{x}	101.50	91.17	105.50	99.76	103.83	*
		S ²	23.58	27.81	27.25	235.70	173.24	
No.of Spike Plant ⁻¹	1	\bar{x}	17.70	21.38	21.60	12.67	13.48	*
		S ²	17.24	17.99	26.08	57.56	39.95	
	2	\bar{x}	13.70	18.29	19.95	11.42	10.59	*
		S ²	17.24	9.84	25.22	46.99	40.25	
No. of Kernels Spike ⁻¹	1	\bar{x}	62.73	58.29	69.81	57.44	64.29	*
		S ²	37.80	47.13	44.00	178.72	140.99	
	2	\bar{x}	63.53	56.16	68.63	57.15	60.29	*
		S ²	73.19	57.92	61.98	161.42	140.98	
100 Kernel weight g.	1	\bar{x}	4.926	4.572	5.029	4.432	4.440	*
		S ²	0.255	0.265	0.341	0.755	0.623	
	2	\bar{x}	4.413	3.947	4.619	3.969	3.996	*
		S ²	0.255	0.265	0.341	0.552	0.471	
Grain Yield Plant ⁻¹	1	\bar{x}	44.24	36.15	54.58	28.07	27.35	*
		S ²	44.47	65.31	79.80	179.33	135.80	
	2	\bar{x}	34.12	25.64	39.27	20.61	19.24	*
		S ²	44.47	50.74	61.92	163.08	117.63	

*, ** Significant and highly significant at 0.05 and 0.01 respectively.

3.2. Scaling test

Testing for non- allelic interaction (C and D) together with the five parameters model and type of epistasis are given in Table (5). The results revealed the presence of non-allelic interaction for all the

studied characters in the two studied crosses, except plant height in the second cross under clay soil. It is worthy to mention that at least one of the C and D tests was significant for the previous characters, indicating the adequacy of the five parameter model to

Table 5. Parameters of scaling test and gene effects relating to studied characters in the two bread wheat crosses under clay and sandy soil.

Trait	Cross	Location	Scaling test				Gene action				E1	E2
			C	D	m	d	h	i	L			
Plant High cm.	1	Clay	30.29**	22.79**	115.7**	7.33**	3.86	4.52	-10	7.57**	11.96**	
		Sandy	28.59**	11.46*	109.0**	4.42**	12.38**	5.96	-22.84*	7.15**	5.25*	
	2	Clay	-7.29	1.41	110.8**	4**	7.34*	---	---	-1.82	-5.87*	
		Sandy	-4.62	23.11**	99.76**	5.17**	-7.01*	-5.84	36.98**	-1.16	5.82**	
No. of Spike Plant ⁻¹	1	Clay	-22.69**	-11.45**	20.79**	1.78**	8.07**	7.42**	14.99**	-5.67**	-13.50**	
		Sandy	-20.45**	4.31	15.24**	-1.97**	-1.40	-10.2**	33.03**	-5.11**	-5.39**	
	2	Clay	-31.59**	-10.49**	12.67**	-1.84**	3.79*	-1.95	28.13**	-7.89**	-14.17**	
		Sandy	-26.19**	-12.48**	11.42**	-2.29**	7.91**	-0.63	18.28**	-6.55**	-14.77**	
No. of Kernels Spike ⁻¹	1	Clay	-16.94**	-12.76*	62.33**	-2.79**	11.84**	0.1	5.57	-4.23**	-13.69**	
		Sandy	-18.91**	-16.88**	61.62**	-3.62**	13.66**	0.87	2.72	-4.73**	-15.95**	
	2	Clay	-30.89**	21.28**	57.44**	2.22**	-10.4**	-14.9**	69.57**	-7.72**	-1.73	
		Sandy	-28.35**	7.18*	57.15**	3.68**	0.73	-2.15	47.39**	-7.08**	-7.88**	
100 Kernel weight g.	1	Clay	-3.19**	-1.40**	4.57**	0.18**	0.80**	0.77**	2.39**	-0.80**	-1.70**	
		Sandy	-3.90**	-1.84**	3.93**	-0.30**	1.05**	-0.03	2.75**	-0.97**	-2.13**	
	2	Clay	-1.83**	-0.60*	4.43**	0.18**	0.38*	0.45	1.63**	-0.45**	-0.90**	
		Sandy	-1.72**	-0.31	3.97**	0.23**	0.36*	0.39	1.88**	-0.43**	-0.81**	
Grain Yield Plant ⁻¹	1	Clay	-94.21**	-43.61**	24.71**	2.18**	14.6**	17.73**	67.46**	-23.55**	-45.96**	
		Sandy	-77.07**	-35.84**	20.33**	-2.04**	16.68**	6.97*	54.97**	-19.27**	-40.00**	
	2	Clay	-77.27**	-27.12**	28.07**	4.05**	19.58**	13.29**	66.87**	-19.32**	-40.07**	
		Sandy	-55.88**	-24.02**	20.61**	4.24**	16.1**	15.18**	42.48**	-13.97**	-30.68**	

*, ** Significant and highly significant at 0.05 and 0.01 respectively.

explain the type of gene action controlling the trait in these crosses. The getting results are similar to those obtained by Gebrel et al. (2020), Aglan et al. (2020), Yassin and Ghareeb (2019), Abd El-Hamid and Ghareeb (2018), Al-Bakry et al. (2017) and Koumber and El-Gammaal (2012). The simple additive-dominance model was fit to interpret the genetic control for plant height in second hybrid under clay soil.

However, other remaining traits/crosses revealed the complexity effects and hence the analysis was further elongated to a digenic interaction.

3.3. Gene effects

The five parameters were used to estimate the nature of gene action (Table 5). The determined F_2 mean effects (m) were found to be highly significant for all characters under the study in the two crosses and locations, indicating the ability to enhance the performance of these characters by pedigree selection.

The additive gene effects, (d) were found to be highly significantly positive and negative for all characters under study in two locations. These findings showed that the genetic materials that used in this research have decreasing allele expressions. The present findings were greatly agreed with those obtained by Abdel El-Aty ,M.S.,and y.S.Katta (2007), ElAwady (2011), Hammad (2014), Al-Bakry *et al.* (2017), Abd El-Hamid and Ghareeb. (2018) and Shehab-Eldeen *et al.* (2020).

Concerning to the dominance gene effects (h), were significantly positive for no. of kernels spike⁻¹, 100-kernel weight and grain yield Plant⁻¹ with the first cross in two location, No. of spike plant⁻¹ in clay soil location and plant high in sandy soil. Whilst, significantly positive for No. of spike plant⁻¹, 100 kernel weight and grain yield plant⁻¹ with the second cross in two location, plant height in clay soil location. These results indicated that dominance gene effects were involved in the heredity of these characters. Meanwhile, the negative values of (h) were observed for plant height, with second cross in sandy soil location. These findings reported that the alleles responsible for less value of these characters were dominant over the alleles contributing high values. These findings are in general agreement with those obtained by Abd El-Rahman (2013), Hammad (2014), Al-Bakry *et al.* (2017) and Abd El-Hamid and Ghareeb. (2018).

With respect to dominance x dominance (l) type of gene action was significant and positive for 100-kernel weight, no. of spikes plant⁻¹ and grain yield Plant⁻¹ with the two crosses in the two locations, no. of

kernels spike⁻¹ in second cross under the two locations and plant height in second cross under sandy soil location. Meanwhile, additive × additive type of gene effects(i),were significant with positive values for grain yield Plant⁻¹ in the two crosses under the two locations and 100-kernel weight, in the first crosses under clay soil location, while, no. of spikes plant⁻¹ was positive significant in first cross under clay soil location. So, selection in early segregating generations in wheat breeding program might be effective for these traits. However, significant negative values were detected for no. of spikes plant⁻¹ in first cross under sandy soil location and no. of kernels spike⁻¹ with second cross in clay soil. These results makes selection to improve them in the early generations could not be successful. These findings are in agree with those previously obtained by Hammad (2014), Al-Bakry et al. (2017), Zaazaa (2017) and Abd El-Hamid and Ghareeb. (2018).

Significant positive F_2 deviations (E_1) were detected for plant height with cross number 1 under the two locations. In the meantime, (E_1) was found to be significant and negative for all characters under study except plant height. This may indicate that epistatic gene effects played a major role in the heredity of such characters. Moreover, insignificant F_2 deviation (E_1) was observed for plant height in second cross under the two locations. Which, indicates that the effect of epistatic genes have a minor role in the heredity of such trait. Similar trend was obtained earlier by Koumber and ElGammaal (2012). F_3 deviation values (E_2) were significantly positive for plant height with first cross in the two locations and second cross in sandy soil location, but, was negative and significant with the second cross in clay soil location. Otherwise, significant and negative (E_2) values were reported for 100-kernel weight, no. of spikes plant⁻¹, no. of kernels spike⁻¹ and grain yield Plant⁻¹ with the two crosses in the two locations. These findings would demonstrate the presence of epistasis gene effects to such an extent that a breeding program requires a great deal of attention. These results agree with those previously reported by Koumber and El-Gammaal (2012) and Sharshar *et al.* (2020).

3.4. Heterosis

Cross combinations mean of different bread wheat characters were tested for the relatively expression to mid-parent heterosis (MP) or best-parent or heterobeltiosis (BP) were shown in Table (6). Results revealed that the desired significant and highly significant positive heterotic effects to mid-parents for two crosses in two location. These results are in

conformity with the findings of Beche et al., (2013) for number of kernels per spike, Gebrel *et al.* (2020), Aglan *et al.* (2020), Yassin and Ghareeb (2019), Abd El-Hamid and Ghareeb. (2018) and Zaazaa *et al.* (2012) for most traits.

With respect to heterosis over the better parent, significantly positive values were detected for plant height with first cross under sandy soil location. Also, no. of spikes plant⁻¹ with two crosses in sandy soil location only. These findings showed that the trend of dominance was across the best respective parent. The significant heterotic effect might be due to the dominance and/or dominance × dominance effects, confirming the previous results. These findings in general agree with Zaazaa *et al.* (2012), Abd El-Rahman (2013) and Abd El-Hamid and Ghareeb. (2018). The feasibility of growing hybrid wheat

cultivars mainly depends on the significant superiority of yield as well as the other contributing characters compared to the current commercial cultivars (Mahrous, 1998). Thus, heterosis over better parent may be useful in identifying the best hybrid combinations (Prasad *et al.* 1988).

3.5. Inbreeding depression

Concerning inbreeding depression percentage (ID %), measured as relatively reduction in F₂'s mean compared to F₁'s one (Table 6), positively highly significant values were attained for all characters under study, except plant height in first cross at clay and sandy soil locations. These results agree with those previously reported by Zaazaa (2017) and Abd El-Hamid and Ghareeb. (2018).

Table 6. Heterosis, potance ratio, and inbreeding depression (I.D) of the mean for the studied characters in the two crosses and locations.

Trait	Cross	Location	Heterosis		I.D	P.ratio	
			mid-par	b-par			
Plant High cm.	1	Clay	13.83**	6.14	-0.49	1.91	
		Sandy	16.18**	10.98*	0.44	3.45	
	2	Clay	8.81**	4.918	5.60**	2.38	
		Sandy	9.52**	3.94	5.44**	1.77	
No.of Spike Plant ⁻¹	1	Clay	17.31**	9.31	27.23**	2.36	
		Sandy	27.26**	14.64**	33.14**	2.48	
	2	Clay	10.57**	1.06	41.33**	1.12	
		Sandy	24.72**	9.07**	42.73**	1.72	
	No. of Kernels Spike ⁻¹	1	Clay	9.69**	5.08	10.49**	2.21
			Sandy	8.75**	2.89	10.86**	1.54
2		Clay	15.36**	11.82	17.72**	4.19	
		Sandy	14.67**	8.03	16.72**	2.38	
100 Kernels weight g.	1	Clay	7.73**	4.03	17.93**	2.17	
		Sandy	10.08**	3.41	23.54**	1.56	
	2	Clay	5.89**	2.09	11.86**	1.58	
		Sandy	10.49*	4.66	14.06**	1.88	
	Grain Yield Plant ⁻¹	1	Clay	2.57*	-1.91	49.44**	0.56
			Sandy	15.32**	9.27	52.07**	2.77
2		Clay	35.78**	23.36**	48.57**	3.55	
		Sandy	31.44**	15.12*	47.53**	2.22	

*, ** Significant and highly significant at 0.05 and 0.01 respectively.

3.6. Potance ratio

With respect to the potence ratio, Table (6) presented that over-dominance effect (which their ratios were larger than unity) for all traits except grain yield plant⁻¹ with the first cross in clay soil location

were recording ratios lower than unity, referring to partial dominance effect. Similar results were reported by Hendawy (2003), Koumber and El-Gammaal (2012) and Shehab-Eldeen *et al.* (2020).

3.7. Heritability and genetic advance

Assessment of heritability of various traits is evidence of a plant breeder predicting the action of successive generations and helping to estimate the response to selection among generations. The heritability values in broad sense were high and ranged from 47.31 to 94.21% for all characters in all studied crosses revealing that most of the phenotypic variability was due to genetic effects (Table 7). The heritability values in narrow sense were high and ranged from 22.77 to 81.97% for all characters in all studied crosses, heritability in narrow-sense results

were similar to these obtained by Farshadfar *et al.* (2013) for plant height and Khattab *et al.* (2010) for number of spikes plant⁻¹ and grain yield plant⁻¹.

Generally, heritability estimates presented a highly, moderate to low narrow-sense heritability for most cases. Results showed the considerable differences between broad and narrow-sense heritability in all crosses, suggesting the responsibility of the dominance gene action for the inheritance of most traits in the studied crosses and delayed selection may be more effective for improving characters of these genotypes.

Table 7. Broad and narrow- sense heritability and genetic advance in the two crosses.

Traits	Cross	Location	Heritability		Genetic advance	
			H (b.s)	H (n.s)	Δ g	Δ g %
Plant High cm.	1	Clay	94.21	75.62	32.83	28.37
		Sandy	92.00	81.97	33.23	30.48
	2	Clay	93.42	27.38	9.11	8.22
		Sandy	88.88	53.00	16.76	16.80
No.of Spike Plant ⁻¹	1	Clay	47.31	42.39	6.19	29.78
		Sandy	56.77	30.80	3.53	23.18
	2	Clay	64.50	61.20	9.57	75.47
		Sandy	62.90	28.71	4.05	35.48
No. of Kernels Spike ⁻¹	1	Clay	73.73	33.81	12.41	19.91
		Sandy	73.04	28.67	10.17	16.50
	2	Clay	75.95	42.23	11.63	20.25
		Sandy	60.12	25.32	6.62	11.59
100 Kernels weight g.	1	Clay	62.46	24.27	0.45	9.79
		Sandy	55.59	22.77	0.37	9.38
	2	Clay	62.05	35.04	0.63	14.16
		Sandy	48.05	29.27	0.45	11.29
Grain Yield Plant ⁻¹	1	Clay	81.75	46.56	12.89	52.18
		Sandy	80.00	44.53	11.84	58.27
	2	Clay	64.76	48.55	13.39	47.72
		Sandy	67.88	55.74	14.66	71.16

3.8. Genetic advance

The findings of the present study reported that the expected genetic gain (Δ g) ranged from 9.11 to 33.23 for plant height, 4.05 to 9.57 for no. of spikes plant⁻¹, 6.62 to 12.41 for no. of kernels spike⁻¹, 0.37 to 0.63 for 100-kernel weight and from 11.84 to 14.66 for grain yield plant⁻¹ (Table 7). The highest expected genetic gain was found to be correlated with high heritability in narrow sense estimated in all studied characters. This conclusion coincide with the findings of Manal (2009) who pointed out that, characters with predicted genetic improvement and high heritability could be basically considered or making selection for

these characters were mainly affected by the major effects of additive gene action. Meanwhile, Dixit *et al.* (1970) noted that, high genetic gain is often not correlated with high heritability, but high genetic advance should be correlated with high heritability in order to allow efficient selection. Generally, the most biometrical parameters had high values for most of the studied characters. Therefore, it could be noted that such crosses are important to wheat breeding program for genetic yield advancement.

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الملخص العربي

دراسات وراثية للمحصول وبعض الصفات ذات الصلة في هجينين من قمح الخبز باستخدام نموذج خمسة عشائر.

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تم تنفيذ البحث علي هجينين من قمح الخبز في موقعين باستخدام نموذج خمسة عشائر خلال أربعة مواسم متتالية ، من ٢٠١٧/٢٠١٨ إلى ٢٠٢٠/٢٠٢١ ، في غرب غرب المنيا و محطة سدس للبحوث الزراعية ، مركز البحوث الزراعية ، مصر. للتعرف علي طريقة التفاعل الجيني ونمط وراثية كلا من صفات ارتفاع النبات ، عدد الحبوب بالسنبلة ، عدد السنابل بالنبات ، وزن ١٠٠ حبة و محصول الحبوب للنبات في هجينين من قمح الخبز ، وهما مصر ٣ × شندويل ١- والهجين ٢: حيرة ١٦٨ × سخا ٩٤. أظهر اختبار t اختلافات معنوية بين الطرز الوراثية. من كل تهجين لجميع الصفات المدروسة. وجد أن متوسط التأثيرات ذو دلالة عالية لجميع الصفات تحت الدراسة في الهجينين والمواقع ، مما يشير إلى القدرة على تحسين أداء هذه الصفات عن طريق اختيار النسب. كشف scaling test عن وجود تفاعلات تفوقية في معظم الحالات المدروسة. كانت تأثيرات الجينات السيادة أكبر بشكل عام من التأثيرات المضيفة في معظم الحالات. تباينت التأثيرات الجينية بين الصفات الهجينة ، بينما وجد أن السيادة والسيادة المضاعفة بجانب تأثيرات الجينات المضاعفة تلعب دوراً مهماً في الوراثة لمعظم الحالات المدروسة . كانت قوة الهجين عالية المعنوية في كلا من الهجين الاول والثاني في الموقعين تحت الدراسة . أظهرت تقديرات درجة التوريث بالمعنى الواسع قيماً معتدلة في معظم الحالات. تم العثور على أعلى مكاسب جينية متوقعة مرتبطة بالوراثة العالية بالمعنى الضيق المقدر في جميع الصفات المدروسة.