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CHANGES IN PHOSPHORUS CONTENT IN PUMPKIN MOSAIC VIRUS INFECTED CUCURBITA PEPO (L.)

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ABSTRACT: The effect of three strains of Pumpkin Mosaic Virus (PMV) on the phosphorus content of *Cucurbita pepo* plants indicated that total and organic phosphorus levels were higher in virus infected plants as compared to healthy control, but inorganic phosphorus was low.

Key Words: Phosphorus, pumpkin mosaic virus, Cucurbita plant.