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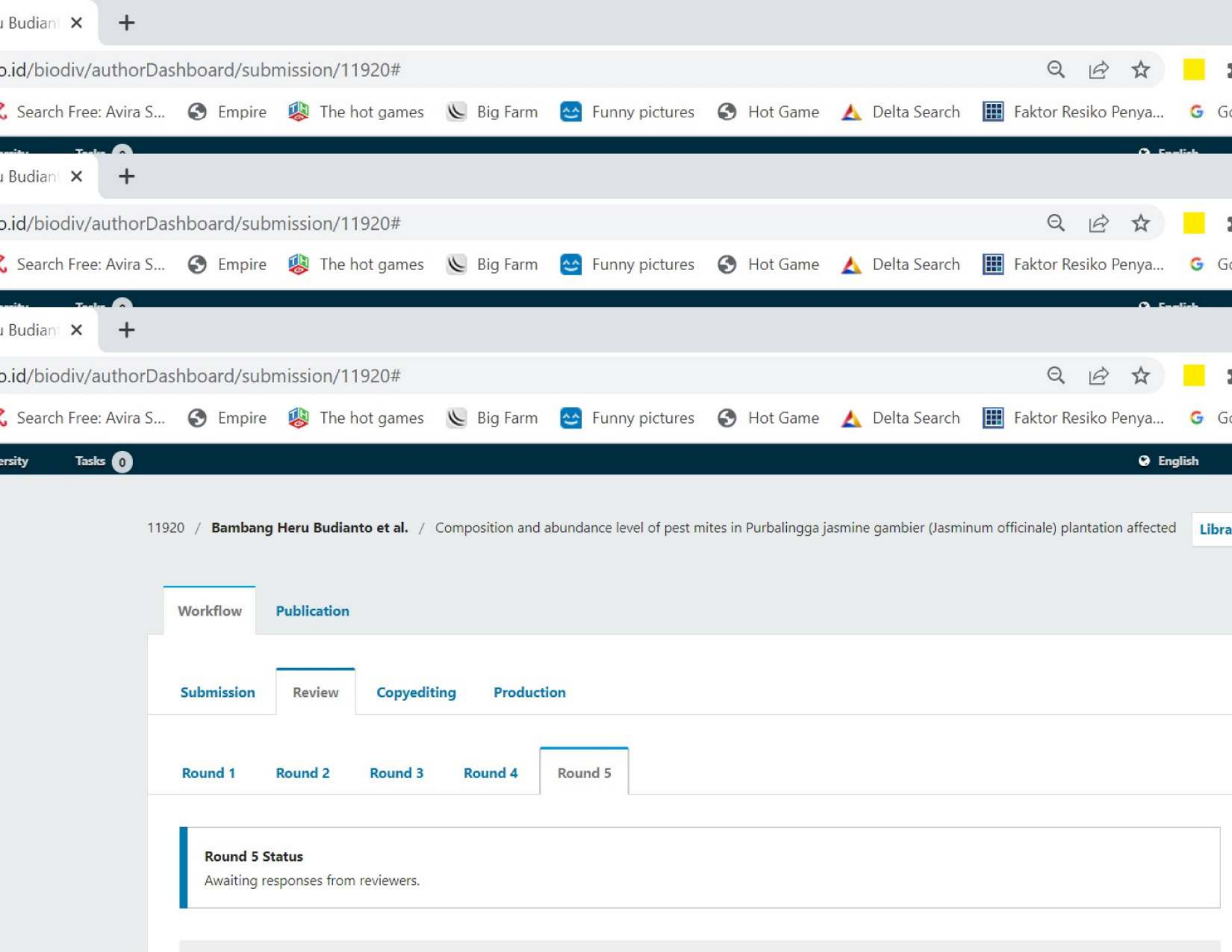
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Abstract. The decline in productivity of gambier jasmine flowers is not only caused by the reduction of gambier jasmine land area, but also insect, caterpillar and pest mite attacks. Types of pest mites and their population dynamics are closely related to abiotic factor conditions such as temperature, humidity, rainfall, season, abundance of predatory mites and types of plant cultivars. The purpose of the study was to determine the types of pest mites and some abiotic factors that affect their abundance in gambier jasmine plants. The research method was survey with purposive sampling technique. Sampling locations were in Cipawon village, Bukateja sub-district, Purbalingga district, and Central Java Province. The obtained data were analyzed by analysis of variance at an error rate of 0.05. The types of pest mites that were identified consisted of 8 (eight) species, namely *Brevipalpus phoenicis*, *B. californicus*, *B. papayensis*, *B. obovatus*, *Tetranychus urticae*, *T. kanzawai*, *T. cinnabarinus* and *Tyrophagus putrescentiae*. The type of pest mite always found at each sampling point was *B. phoenicis* with an abundance range of 0.027 to 0.067. The results of analysis of variance of pest mite abundance in gambier jasmine plantations showed that abundance of individuals between pest mite species did not significantly different at all sampling points. Based on multivariate analysis, it was noted that trichome density had the most influence on pest mite abundance with a population model of $Y = 0.399 + 0.043a + 0.012b$.

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INTRODUCTION

Jasmine gambir (*Jasminum officinale* L.), a perennial plant, with a creeping shrub habitus, capable of growing in an open area of low and high land (Qur'ania and Sarinah. 2018). In Indonesia, the production of jasmine gambier is quite potential for agribusiness industries, as its flowers are used as an important raw material in perfumery (Budianto et al. 2021) to make farmers in some areas like Tegal, Purbalingga and Pemalang, of Central Java, grow this plant massively.

Unfortunately, in the mean times, the quality and total production of jasmine gambier declined greatly, because the farmers alter the planting areas of jasmine gambier for other purposes. Moreover, some predators like insect, caterpillar and pest mite are also known to attack this plant in those planting areas, especially during the dry season where the abundance of pest mites increase rapidly because they are more resistant to the increase of temperature, low humidity and the decrease of predatory mites. Goleva and Zebitz (2013) reported that the population dynamics of various types of pest mites are closely related to the conditions of temperature, humidity, rainfall, season, abundance of predatory mites and types of plant cultivars (Hewitt et al. 2015).

Leite et al. (2022) reported that the gambier jasmine plants require warm and wet environmental conditions such as temperature of 28-36 °C, night 24-30 °C during the day and night times day and so air humidity of 50-80% for growth, unfortunately, the same condition are also favourable for the pest mites. Moreover, level low level of rainfall and humidity are also known to increase the population abundance of various phytophagous mites (Ihsan et al. 2021). Furthermore, Kean et al. (2019) and Leite et al. (2022) suggested that high rainfall is negatively correlated with the population abundance of *Tetranychus urticae*, or vice versa *T. urticae* is very resistant to high level of rainfall. The favourable various environmental factors as described previously, lead to decrease this predatory mite drastically, resulting in an increase of various pest mites (Nishida et al., 2005).

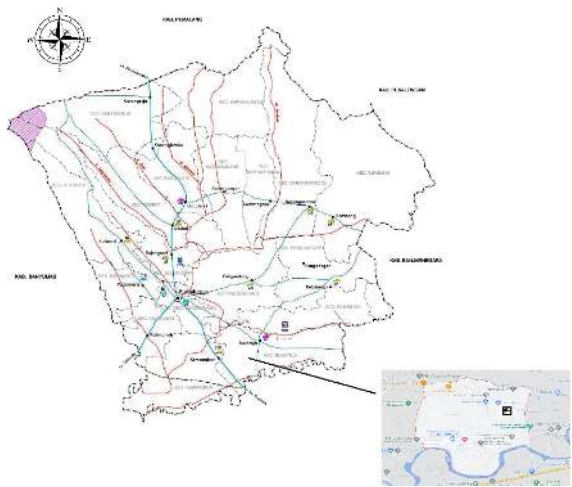
Plant cultivars significantly affect the abundance of various pest mites attack the plants (Yasin 2019). The differences in population abundance is closely related to the content of flavonoid, phenol and terpenoid compounds (Ahmad-Hosseini et al., 2020) and leaf morphology (Hodson and Lampinen 2019; Weinblum et al., 2021). Nain and Rathee (2017) suggested that leaf morphology of okra plant (*Abelmoschus esculentus*) such as lamina thickness, length and density of leaf trichomes, leaf axil and leaf area greatly affect the abundance of *T. urticae* pest mites. Furthermore, leaf area, lamina thickness, length and density of leaf trichomes, leaf axil are positively correlated with the survival rate of larval stages, length of time larvae and nymphs of *T. urticae* to live ($r = 0.82$). Similar results were previously obtained by Di Palma et al. (2020) who found that ecological interactions between plant morphology, phytophagous mites and predatory mites suggest that different types of pest and predator mites can occupy different positions on the same leaf. However, till now no information has been reported regarding on the types of pest mites, abundance and abiotic factors that attack jasmine gambir (*Jasminum officinale*) plants.

53 The purpose of this study was to determine the composition of pest mites and some abiotic factors that affect their
54 abundance in gambier jasmine plants.

55 **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

56 **Study area**

57 The current study used the Cipawon village, Bukateja sub-district, on southern part of Purbalingga regency, Central
58 Java province as the sampling site. This place was in the latitude coordinate of -7.44056, and longitude coordinate of
59 109.45346. The 2, 800 m² gambier jasmine farm was located in a relatively flat area with low slope, and temperature
60 ranging from 28-32 °C with rainfall level of 2,500-3,500 mm (Figure 1).
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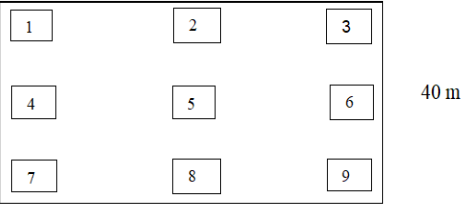
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63 **Figure 1.** Sampling location (crossed boxes) in Cipawon village, Bukateja sub-district, Purbalingga district Central Java (latitude
64 coordinate -7.44056, longitude coordinate 109.45346).
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67 **Procedures**

68 **1. Determination of sampling points and sampling method**

69 The purposive sampling technique was conducted in a 2,800 m² plantation area of gambier jasmine (*Jasmine*
70 *officinale*). Sampling points were located in each corner as well as in the center of gambier jasmine plantation (Figure 2).
71 Each sampling point was taken as many as 3 gambier jasmine plants. The leaves of gambier jasmine were taken as many
72 as 10 pieces from the bottom 5 stalks of the plant. For further analysis leaves were then brought to the Entomology-
73 Parasitology Laboratory, Faculty of Biology, Universitas Jenderal Soedirman, Purwokerto.

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74 **Figure 2.** Sampling point (□) in jasmine gambir (*Jasminum officinale*) plantation in Cipawon village, Bukateja sub-district,
Purbalingga district, Central Java

75 2. *Leaf area measurement*
76 The leaves were measured by the gravimeter method where leaves were dried in an oven to reach a stable weight, and
77 estimated the area by comparing the fresh ad dry weight (gravimetry). This method was based on hand drawing of leaf on
78 a piece of paper before being estimated for its area. The leaf replica on paper was then cut out to determine its weight and
79 area. The area of leaf was then estimated based on the ratio of weight of the leaf's replica to the total weight of the paper.
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81 3. *Measurement of leaf trichome length and density*
82 Trichomes length and density were measured by dripping the leaf in a clear nail-polish on the tip and center of each
83 leaf and allow the nail-polish to dry. The small part of the dried nail-polish leaf which carrying the trichome was taken for
84 analysis of trichomes length and density using an optilab microscope. The average of trichome density of 5 points on the
85 leaf was calculated.
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87 4. *Leaf axil measurement*
88 The leaf axil was measured using a protractor under the leaf sitting angle at all sampling points.
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90 5. *Temperature and humidity measurement*
91 Temperature and humidity were measured at each sampling point using a thermohygrometer placed at the bottom of
92 leaf canopy of the gambier jasmine plant.
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94 6. *Determination of pest mite species and their abundance*
95 Jasmine gambier leaves were examined using a stereo microscope at 100 x magnification and each type of pest mite
96 obtained was put into a concave glass object that was filled with alcohol prior to fixation. After fixation, each type of pest
97 mite was transferred to a concave glass object filled with lactophenol solution for the maceration process, following to this,
98 each type of mite was prepared for identification using the Hoyer's solution. The types of pest mites were identified using
99 the chaetotaxy method based on the number and distribution of setae on the dorsal part of the mite idiosoma. Furthermore,
100 the body length and width of each type of pest mite data were obtained from observation using an optilab microscope. The
101 abundance of pest mites was measured by recording the number of individuals of each type of pest mite.
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103 **Data analysis**
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105 The data obtained from the study were analyzed for their abundance by analysis of variance at 0.05 significant error
106 level. Whereas abiotic factors namely leaf area, trichome length, trichome density, leaf axil, humidity and temperature
107 which were associated with pest mite abundance, were analyzed by a multivariate logistic regression analysis at the same
108 error level.

109 **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

110 **Species and abundance of pest mites on jasmine gambir (*Jasminum officinale* L.) plants**

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112 The results showed that 8 (eight) species namely *Brevipalpus phoenicis* Geijskes, *B. californicus* Banks, *B. papayensis*
113 Baker, *B. obovatus* Donnadieu, *Tetranychus urticae* Koch, *T. kanzawai* Kishida, *T. cinnabarinus* Carmine and
114 *Tyrophagus putrescentiae* Schrank were found in the sampling sites. The abundance of pest mite species is presented in
115 Table 1.

116 Table 1. Abundance of pest mite species on gambier jasmine plants

Pest mite species	Sampling points								
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<i>Brevipalpus phoenicis</i>	0.067	0.049	0.067	0.065	0.031	0.027	0.038	0.033	0.038
<i>B. californicus</i>	0.107	0.062	0.1	0.053	0.022	0	0	0.036	0
<i>B. papayensis</i>	0	0	0	0	0.033	0	0	0	0.018
<i>B. obovatus</i>	0	0	0.009	0	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Tetranychus kanzawai</i>	0	0	0	0.018	0	0.013	0	0	0
<i>T. urticae</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.011	0.022	0.011
<i>T. cinnabarinus</i>	0.022	0	0	0	0	0.007	0.013	0	0.02
<i>Tyrophagus putrescentiae</i>	0	0	0.002	0	0	0	0	0.004	0

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The identification feature of *B. phoenicis* showed it had body length of 350.59 µm with a flattened body shape and a blackish-red color, and chelicerae, palpus and stylet on the gnathosoma. A scale-like pattern and slits was observed on propodosoma limbs. Hysterosoma had 6 pairs of dorsolateral setae (c3, d3, e3, f3, f2, h2 and h1), but did not have setae f2. The results of identification are in accordance with those of Hao et al. (2016) suggested that the body length of *B. phoenicis* ranges from 250 to 350 µm, with a blackish red body color. Laranjeira et al. (2015) reported that there are 291 genus of *Brevipalpus* and *B. phoenicis* that are characterized with a scale-like pattern. In terms of identification, Di Palma et al. (2020), believe that spermatheca-based identification and insemination tracts of female mites have proven to have specific morphological traits that can be useful for taxonomic purposes. can be useful for taxonomic purposes.

The pest mite of *B. phoenicis* belonged to the order Prostigmata, family Tenuipalpidae. This mite was also characterized by a scale-like pattern on propodosoma and slits on the limbs. Moreover, the family is characterized by the presence of a palpus without claws, a sejugal furrow with a flattened dorsoventral (Castro-Resendiz et al. 2021). *B. phoenicis* was found at each sampling point with the abundance level ranged from 0.027 to 0.067. This shows that *B. phoenicis* spreads evenly throughout the gambier jasmine plantation area as stated by Laranjeira et al. (2015) that *B. phoenicis* is a cosmopolitan mite.

In contrast to *B. phoenicis*, pest mite *B. californicus* was flat, with a reddish color and a body length of 330.6 µm. The hysterosoma had 7 pairs of dorsolateral setae (c3, d3, e3, f3, f2, h2 and h1) and setae f2. The prodorsum of female mites had a wrinkle in the center with a "V" shaped cuticle. The identification results are parallel with the results of Saccaggi et al. (2017) who reported that the body length of female mites ranges from 228 - 330 µm and same characteristics of prodorsum as obtained from the present results. Hao et al. (2016) suggested that the identification of *Brevipalpus* is advisable to noticed the number of dorsal setae, solenidia (omega) on tarsus leg II, and dorsal cuticle patterns so that it can be distinguished between *B. phoenicis*, *B. lewisi* and *B. californicus*. Further, Hao et al. (2016) reported that *B. californicus* has 2 solenidia (omega) which are the same number as *B. phoenicis*, but *B. californicus* has 2 pairs of F setae (f2-3) while *B. phoenicis* only has a pair of F setae (f3). Like *B. phoenicis*, *B. californicus* mites also have the ability to spread evenly in gambier jasmine gardens, with abundances ranging from 0.0022 to 0.107 (Table 1).

The body length of *B. papayensis* pest mite was 410.36 µm longer than the previous two species with a flattened body and tapered oval and brownish red in color. The propodosoma had a cuticle with a clear areola. The posterior sublateral part of the idiosoma had reticulations forming several large cells, while the anterior direction had reticulations that fade into small or narrow bands, with tarsus II having 2 solenidia. The genital plate had a striped pattern with 2 pairs of genital setae and a pair of agenital setae. The results of present study are in accordance with the results obtained by Akyazi et al. (2017) and Di Palma et al. (2020). Unlike the previous two *Brevipalpus* species, *B. papayensis* was spread more in the central part of the gambier jasmine garden with low abundance (Table 1).

Another *Brevipalpus* species i.e. *B. obovatus* belonged to the family Tenuipalpidae. This species had an oval shape body with length of 351.23 µm. The idiosoma had a lateral scallop pattern, with a cuticular line at the upper center of the propodosoma that was faded or indistinct. Tarsus II had 1 solenidia, with 6 pairs of dorsolateral setae on the hysterosoma and cuticle had a wide wrinkle pattern forming the letter "V". The identification results are similar to those reported by Hao et al. (2016) at a very low abundance compared to other *Brevipalpus* sp.

The present study also identified 3 species of the Tetranychidae namely *Tetranychus urticae*, *T. kanzawai* and *T. cinnabarinus*. *T. urticae* mite belonged to the Acariformes order and had a body length of 490.04 µm, size setae, brown or orange in color with 2 black spots on the dorsal area, like a spider. The main taxonomic feature of *T. urticae* was the knob on the aedeagus was small, less than 2 times (about 1.5 times) the width of aedeagus neck; the dorsal edge of the knob was angled and tip was rounded. The identification results are consistent with those obtained by Weinblum et al. (2021) which stated that this spider mite has 2 black spots on the sides of the body and has a dorsal knob with rounded edges. However, the results, showed that the abundance of *T. urticae* was low and only found at the outer edge of the garden as obtained by Savi et al. (2021). The abundance of *T. urticae* was found to be higher in the leaves under sunlight, as stated by Shibuya et al. (2020) through a low coefficient of variation and correlation coefficient compared to other pest mites.

In contrast with the *T. urticae*, *T. kanzawai* mites had a longer body size that reaches up to 510.49 µm, orange in color, longer setae than another. Moreover, *T. urticae* had larger size of the knob on its aedeagus, about 2 times the width of the aedeagus neck; dorsal edge of the knob was angled, and tip was slightly rounded. *T. kanzawai* had an empodium with 6 proximoventral setae without spurs, tarsus I with 4 tactile setae, parallel to the duplex proximal setae. The identification results of this study are therefore in accordance with those obtained by Budianto and Munadjat (2012) with low abundance and scattered at the outer edge of the garden exposed to the sunlight near sunset.

The species of genus *Tetranychus* with a smaller body length than the two *Tetranychus* species described previously was *T. cinnabarinus* which had a body length of 310.37 µ only, with dark red color, and with white legs and gnathosoma. Tarsus I had 4 pairs of setae located parallel to the duplex proximal setae. The present results are in accordance with those obtained by Eziah et al. (2017) that *T. cinnabarinus* mites have a dark red body color, white legs and gnathosoma and 4 pairs of setae on tarsus I. They also mentioned that *T. cinnabarinus* is a polyphagous species with high adaptability to easily found in almost 100 plant species. However, the results of present study showed that the abundance of this species was lower and has the ability to spread evenly in gambier jasmine gardens.

In addition to those two families of Tenuipalpidae and Tetranychidae, the present study also found data from the Acaridae family, whose species was *Tyrophagus putrescentiae*. This mite was characterized with a body length of 340.26

µm, oval in shape, milky white in color and had long setae and 2 spots on the lower dorsal part. *T. putrescentiae* belonged to the Acariformes superorder, order Astigmata and was classified as a cosmopolitan species. The body is milky white, and the legs and chin are slightly brown in colour. The left and right sides of the proximal phalanx of the second leg form in a W-like shape, but the proximal phalanx of the first leg form a Y-like shape. These data are in accordance with the results obtained by Fayaz et al. (2016) and it is concluded that this mite is distributed as a cosmopolitan mite.

It was also noticed that besides *B. phoenicis*, *Brevipalpus* mite species was less evenly distributed (Table 1). However, the results of analysis of variance of pest mite abundance in gambier jasmine plantations showed that the abundance level of individual among the pest mite species did not significantly ($P>0.05$) different at all sampling points (Table 2).

Table 2. Analysis of variance abundance of pest mite in gambier jasmine plantations

Source of variation	Degree of freedom	Sum of square	Mean of square	Fcalculated	Probability
Between pest mite	8	0.003	0.000	0.516	0.840
Within pest mite	63	0.039	0.001		
Total	71	0.041			

The results of Savi et al. (2021) showed that the abundance of *T. urticae* did not significantly different in various plants including hop plants (*Humulus lupulus* L.). This fact proves that there is no antibiosis against the presence of *T. urticae*, so that this pest mite can have a high ability to pass life on various types of plants. The high survival rate of *B. californicus* is also found at low and high altitudes on various types of plants as reported by Castro-Resendiz et al. (2021).

Abiotic factors affecting pest mite abundance in gambier jasmine (*Jasminum officinale* L.) plants

The results of measuring 6 abiotic factors, namely leaf area, trichome length, density, leaf axil, temperature and humidity, were then analyzed by bivariate logistic regression first. In bivariate selection it was found that the length and density of trichome determined the abundance of pest mite species (Table 3).

Table 3. Results of bivariate logistic regression analysis of abiotic factors

No	Abiotic factors	P-value	Conclusion
1	Leaf area	0.344	Not selected
2	Trichome length	0.044	Selected
3	Trichome density	0.012	Selected
4	Leaf axil	0.538	Not selected
5	Temperature	0.487	Not selected
6	Humidity	0.307	Not selected

Based on the results of bivariate selection, the present study was analyzed further to multivariate analysis or modeling of trichome length and density on pest mite abundance (Table 4). Results showed that the trichome density had the most influence on pest mite abundance in gambier jasmine plantations (Odd Ratio/OR value of trichome density was 3.461 is greater than the OR value of trichome length). It was also noted that the abundance of pest mites in gambier jasmine plantations had a population model of $Y = 0.399 + 0.043a + 0.012b$. Sudo and Osakabe (2013) reported that the role of stellate-shaped trichomes from *Viburnum erosum* var. *punctatum* plants protects *Brevipalpus obovatus* eggs from their predatory mite of *Phytoseius nipponicus*. Samia (2019) obtained different results from Sudo and Osakabe (2013), namely that the denser the trichomes of various cotton plant varieties, the lower the development, reproduction and various population parameters of *T. urticae*. This different results may be due to the use of different pest mite species.

Table 4. Results of multivariate logistic regression analysis of length and trichome density variables on pest mite abundance

Variable	B	P-value	Odd Ratio	95% CL	
				lower	upper
Trichome length	-1.061	0.043	0.346	0.124	0.966
Trichome density	1.242	0.012	3.461	1.310	9.142

Based on the results, it can be concluded that the abundance of 8 (eight) species of pest mites was similar in gambier jasmine plantations and was observed that the density of trichomes was the most important factor affecting the abundance of pest mite with the population model $Y = 0.399 + 0.043a + 0.012b$.

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Composition and abundance level of pest mites in Purbalingga jasmine gambier (*Jasminum officinale*) plantation affected by some abiotic factors

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Abstract. The decline in productivity of gambier jasmine flowers is not only caused by the reduction of gambier jasmine land area, but also insect, caterpillar and pest mite attacks. Types of pest mites and their population dynamics are closely related to abiotic factors conditions, such as temperature, humidity, rainfall, season, abundance of predatory mites and types of plant cultivars. The purpose of the study was to determine the types of pest mites and some abiotic factors that affect their abundance in gambier jasmine plants. The research method ~~is was a~~ survey with purposive sampling technique. Sampling locations ~~were~~ in Cipawon village, Bukateja sub-district, Purbalingga district, ~~and~~ Central Java Province ~~or precisely at latitude coordinates 7.44056, longitude coordinates 109.45346~~. ~~Data~~ ~~The~~ obtained ~~data in the form of abundance~~ were analyzed by analysis of variance at an error rate of 0.05. The types of pest mites that were ~~succesfully~~ identified consisted of 8 (eight) species, namely *Brevipalpus phoenicis*, *B. californicus*, *B. papayensis*, *B. obovatus*, *Tetranychus urticae*, *T. kanzawai*, *T. cinnabarinus* and *Tyrophagus putrescentiae*. The type of pest mite ~~that is~~ always found at each sampling point ~~is was~~ *B. phoenicis* with an abundance range of 0.027 to 0.067. The results of ~~variance~~ analysis of variance of pest mite abundance in gambier jasmine plantations showed ~~ed~~ that ~~the~~ abundance of individuals between pest mite species ~~is did~~ not significantly different at all sampling points. Based on multivariate analysis, it ~~is known was noted~~ that trichome density ~~has had~~ the most influence on pest mite abundance with a population model of $Y = 0.399 + 0.043a + 0.012b$.

Keywords: Abundance, abiotic factors, composition, jasmine gambir, pest mites abundance, abiotic factors, pest mites, jasmine gambir

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INTRODUCTION

Jasmine gambir (*Jasminum officinale*), a perennial plant, with a creeping shrub habitus, ~~which is capable to of~~ growing in an open area of low and high land (Qur'ania & Sarinah, 2018). In Indonesia, the production of jasmine gambier is quite potential for agribusiness industries, ~~since as the its~~ flowers ~~become are used as an~~ important raw material in perfumery (Budianto et al., 2021) to make farmers in some areas like Tegal, Purbalingga and Pemalang, of Cental Java, grow this plant massively.

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Unfortunately, in the mean times, the quality and total production of jasmine gambier ~~has decreased declined much~~ greatly, because the farmers alter the planting areas of jasmine gambier for other purposes. Moreover, some predators, like insect, caterpillar and pest mite are also known to attack this plant in those planting areas, especially during the dry season where the abundance of pest mites increase rapidly because they are more resistant to the increase of temperature, low humidity and the decrease of predatory mites. ~~As stated by~~ Goleva & Zebitz (2013) reported that the population dynamics of various types of pest mites are closely related to the conditions of temperature, humidity, rainfall, season, abundance of predatory mites and types of plant cultivars (Hewitt et al., 2015).

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Leite et al., (2022) reported ~~the that~~ gambier jasmine plants require a warm and wet environmental conditions, ~~like~~ such as temperature of 28-36 °C, night 24-30 °C during the day and night times day and so air humidity of 50-80% for growth, unfortunately, the same condition are also favourable ~~status~~ for the pest mites. Moreover, ~~the level~~ low level of rainfall and humidity are also known to increase the population abundance of various phytophagous mites (Ihsan et al., 2021). Furthermore, Kean et al., (2019) and Leite et al. (2022) suggested that ~~the high~~ rainfall is negatively correlated with the population abundance of ~~the~~ *Tetranychus urticae*, a predator pest mites, or vice versa ~~the~~ *T. urticae* is very resistant to high level of rainfall. The favourable various environmental factors as described previously, lead to ~~the decrease of~~ this predatory mite to decrease drastically, ~~resulted resulting~~ in an increase of various pest mites (Nishida et al., 2005).

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The plant's Plant cultivars are significantly affect the abundance of various pest mites attack the plants (Yasin, 2019). The differences in population abundance is closely related to the content of flavonoid, phenol and terpenoid compounds (Ahmad-Hosseini et al., 2020) and leaf morphology (Hodson & Lampinen, 2019; (Weinblum et al., 2021). In the Okra plant (*Abelmoschus esculentus*), Nain & Rathee (2017) suggested that leaf morphology of okra plant (*Abelmoschus esculentus*), such as lamina thickness, length and density of leaf trichomes, leaf sitting angle and leaf area greatly affect the abundance of *T. urticae* pest mites. Furthermore, Nain & Rathee (2017) explained that leaf area, lamina thickness, length and density of leaf trichomes, leaf sitting angle were are positively correlated with the survival rate of larval stages, the length of time larvae and nymphs of *T. urticae* to live ($r = 0.82$). Similar results were previously obtained by Di Palma et al. (2020) who found that ecological interactions between plant morphology, phytophagous mites and predatory mites illustrate suggest that different types of pest and predator mites will can occupy different positions on the same leaf. However, untill now no information has been obtained reported regarding on the types of pest mites, abundance and abiotic factors that attack jasmine gambir (*Jasminum officinale*) plants.

Based on the above assumptions, the The purpose of this study was to determine the composition of pest mites and some abiotic factors that affect their abundance in gambier jasmine plants. The results of the study are expected to provide basic information in pest mite control.

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MATERIALS AND METHODS

Study area

The current study used the Cipawon village of, Bukateja sub-district, on southern part of Purbalingga regency, Central Java province as the sampling site. This place is was in the latitude coordinate of -7.44056, and longitude coordinate of 109.45346. The 2, 800 m² gambier jasmine farm is was located in a relatively flat area with low slope, and temperature ranging from 28-32°C with rainfall level of 2,500-3,500 mm (Figure 1).

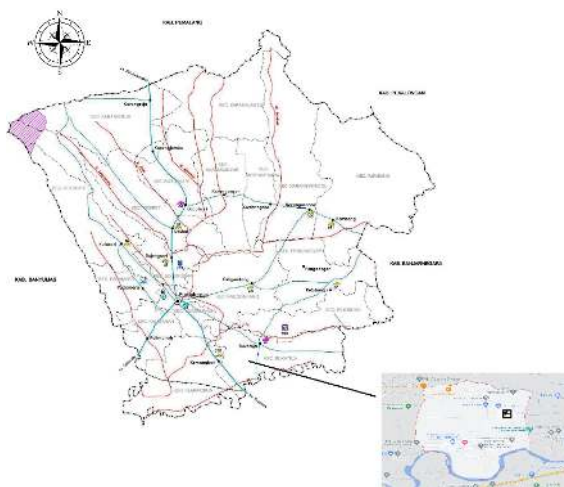


Figure 1. Sampling location (crossed boxes) in Cipawon village, Bukateja sub-district, Purbalingga district Central Java (latitude coordinate -7.44056, longitude coordinate 109.45346).

Procedures

Determination of sampling points and sampling methods

The research applied a survey method with a purposive sampling technique was conducted in a 2,800 m² plantation area of gambier jasmine (*Jasmine officinale*). Sampling points were located in each corner as well as in the center of the gambier jasmine plantation (Figure 2). Each sampling point was taken as many as 3 gambier jasmine plants. The leaves of gambier jasmine were taken as many as 10 pieces from the bottom 5 stalks of the plant. For further analyses analysis the leaves were then brought to the Entomology-Parasitology Laboratory, the Faculty of Biology, Universitas Jenderal Soedirman, Purwokerto.

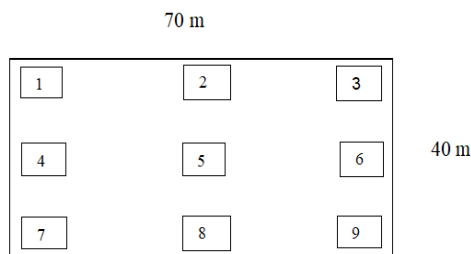


Figure 2. Sampling point (□) in jasmine gambir (*Jasminum officinale*) plantation in Cipawon village, Bukateja sub-district, Purbalingga district, Central Java

Leaf Area Measurement

The leaves were measured by the gravimeter method, where the leaves were dried in an oven to reach a stable weight, and balanced and estimated the area by comparing the fresh and dry weight (gravimetry). This method was based on hand drawing of the leaf on a piece of paper before being estimated for its area. The leaf's leaf replica on the paper is was then cut out to determine its weight and area. The area of the leaf is was then estimated based on the ratio of the weight of the leaf's replica to the total weight of the paper.

Measurement of leaf trichome length and density

Trichomes length and density were measured by dripping the leaf in a clear nail-polish on the tip and center of each leaf and allow the nail-polish to dry. The small part of the dried nail-polish leaf which carrying the trichome was taken for analysis of the trichomes length and density using an optilab microscope. The average of trichome density of the 5 points on the leaf was calculated.

Leaf sitting angle measurement

The leaf sitting angle was measured using a protractor by the protractor under the leaf sitting angle at all sampling points.

Temperature and humidity measurement

Temperature and humidity were measured at each sampling point using a thermohygrometer placed at the bottom of the leaf canopy of the gambier jasmine plant.

Determination of pest mite species and their abundance

Jasmine gambier leaves were examined using a stereo microscope at 100 x magnification and each type of pest mite obtained was put into a concave glass object that had been was filled with alcohol prior to fixation. After fixation, each type of pest mite was transferred to a concave glass object that had been filled with lactophenol solution for the maceration process, following to this, the each type of mite is was prepared for identification using the Hoyer's solution. Identification of pest mite types was The types of pest mites were identified done using the chaetotaxy method which based on the number and distribution of setae on the dorsal part of the mite idiosoma. Furthermore, the body length and width of each type of pest mite data were obtained from observations observation using an optilab microscope. The abundance of pest mites was measured by recording the number of individuals of each type of pest mite obtained.

Data analysis

The data obtained from the current-present study were analyzed for their abundance by analysis of variance at 0.05 significant error level. Whereas the abiotic factors, namely leaf area, trikhoma-trichoma length, trikhoma-trichoma density, leaf sitting angle, humidity and temperature which are were associated with pest mite abundance, were analyzed by a multivariate logistic regression analysis at the same error level.

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RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Species and abundance of pest mites on jasmine gambir (*Jasminum officinale*) plants

The study noted results showed that the 8 (eight) species, namely *Brevipalpus phoenicis* Geijskes, *B. californicus* Banks, *B. papayensis* Baker, *B. obovatus* Donnadieu, *Tetranychus urticae* Koch, *T. kanzawai* Kishida, *T. cinnabarinus* Carmine dan *Tyrophagus putrescentiae* Schrank were found in the sampling sites. The abundance of pest mite species is presented in Table 1. of the study, the study also noted and their abundance level of the pest mites found there. The following are the 8 (eight) species found, namely *Brevipalpus phoenicis*, Geijskes, *B. californicus* Banks, *B. papayensis* Baker, *B. obovatus* Donnadieu, *Tetranychus urticae* Koch, *T. kanzawai* Kishida, *T. cinnabarinus* Carmine dan *Tyrophagus putrescentiae* Schrank (table 1).

Table 1. Abundance of pest mite species on gambier jasmine plants

Pest mite species	Sampling points								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
<i>Brevipalpus phoenicis</i>	0.067	0.049	0.067	0.065	0.031	0.027	0.038	0.033	0.038
<i>B. californicus</i>	0.107	0.062	0.1	0.053	0.022	0	0	0.036	0
<i>B. papayensis</i>	0	0	0	0	0.033	0	0	0	0.018
<i>B. obovatus</i>	0	0	0.009	0	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Tetranychus kanzawai</i>	0	0	0	0.018	0	0.013	0	0	0
<i>T. urticae</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.011	0.022	0.011
<i>T. cinnabarinus</i>	0.022	0	0	0	0	0.007	0.013	0	0.02
<i>Tyrophagus putrescentiae</i>	0	0	0.002	0	0	0	0	0.004	0

The identification feature of *B. phoenicis* showed that this species has a body length of 350.59 µm, with a flattened body shape and a blackish-red color, and further, on the gnathosoma there are chelicerae, palpus and stylet on the gnathosoma. There are a scale-like patterns and slits was observed on the propodosoma limbs. Hysterosoma with had 6 pairs of dorsolateral setae ((c3, d3, e3, f3, h2 and h1) -), but does not have setae f2. The results of this identification are in accordance with those of Hao et al. (2016), which suggests suggested that the body length of *B. phoenicis* this mite ranges from 250 to 350 µm, with a blackish red body color. Laranjeira et al. (2015) suggested reported that there are 291 genus of *Brevipalpus* and *B. phoenicis* that are characterised characterized with a scale-like pattern. However, Di Palma et al. (2020) also stated that identification based on morphological characters as carried out in this study, often causes identification errors that lead to cryptic species. Di Palma et al. (2020) are more confident that identification based on the spermatheca and insemination canals of female mites has proven to have specific morphological characteristics that can be useful for taxonomic purposes.

The pest mite of *B. phoenicis* is a mite of belonged to the order Prostigmata order, family Tenuipalpidae. This mite is was also characterised characterized by a scale-like pattern on the propodosoma and slits on the limbs. Moreover, the family is characterized by the presence of a palpus without claws, a sejugal furrow with a flattened dorsoventral (Castro-Resendiz et al., 2021). The table 1, shows that the *B. phoenicis* is a type of pest mite that is always was found at each sampling point with the abundance level ranged from 0.027 to 0.067. This shows that *B. phoenicis* spreads evenly throughout the gambier jasmine plantation area as stated by Laranjeira et al. (2015) that the *B. phoenicis* is a cosmopolitan mite.

In contrast to *B. phoenicis*, the pest mite *B. californicus* is was flat, with a reddish color and a body length of 330.6 µm. The hysterosoma has had 7 pairs of dorsolateral setae (c3, d3, e3, f3, f2, h2 and h1) and setae f2. The prodorsum of female mites has had a wrinkle in the center with a "V" shaped cuticle. The identification results are of this identification are in parallel with the results of Saccaggi et al. (2017) who reported that the body length of female mites ranges from 228 - 330 µm and the same characteristics of the prodorsum as obtained from the identification present results. Hao et al. (2016) suggested that in the identification of *Brevipalpus* it is advisable to use noticed the number of dorsal setae, solenidia (omega) on tarsus leg II, and dorsal cuticle patterns, so that it can be distinguished between *B. phoenicis*, *B. lewisi* and *B. californicus*. Further, Hao et al. (2016) stated reported that *B. californicus* has 2 solenidia (omega) which are the same number as *B. phoenicis*, but *B. californicus* has 2 pairs of F setae (f2-3), while *B. phoenicis* only has a pair of F setae (f3). Like *B. phoenicis*, *B. californicus* mites also have the ability to spread evenly in gambier jasmine gardens, with abundances ranging from 0.0022 to 0.107 (table Table 1).

The body length of *B. papayensis* pest mite was has a body length of 410.36 µm which is longer than the previous two species with a flattened body and tapered oval and brownish red in color. The propodosoma has had a cuticle with a clear areola. The posterior sublateral part of the idiosoma has had reticulations forming several large cells, while the anterior direction has had reticulations that fade into small or narrow bands, with tarsus II having 2 solenidia. The genital plate has had a striped pattern with 2 pairs of genital setae and a pair of agential setae. The results of this identification present study are in accordance with those the results obtained by Akyazi et al. (2017) and Di Palma et al. (2020). Unlike the previous 2 two *Brevipalpus* species, *B. papayensis* is was spread more in the central part of the gambier jasmine garden with low abundance (table Table 1) rather than in other sampling points (Di Palma et al., 2020).

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Another *Brevipalpus* ~~genus-species~~ i.e. *B. obovatus* ~~belongs-belonged~~ to the family Tenuipalpidae ~~family-is~~ *B. obovatus*. This species ~~has-had~~ an oval shape body with length of 351.23 µm. The idiosoma ~~has-had~~ a lateral scallop pattern, with a cuticular line at the upper center of the propodosoma that ~~is-was~~ faded or indistinct. Tarsus II ~~has-had~~ 1 solenidia, with 6 pairs of dorsolateral setae on the hysterosoma and ~~the-cuticle~~ ~~has-had~~ a wide wrinkle pattern forming the letter "V". The ~~identification~~ results of ~~this identification~~ are similar to those reported by Hao et al. (2016) ~~with-at~~ a very low abundance compared to other *Brevipalpus* sp.

~~In addition to the Tenuipalpidae family, the~~ ~~The current-present~~ study also identified 3 species of the Tetranychidae family ~~with 3 species among them~~, namely *Tetranychus urticae*, *T. kanzawai* and *T. Cinnabarinus cinnabarinus*. *T. urticae* mite belonged to the Acariformes order and ~~characterised-with-had~~ a body length of 490.04 µm, ~~has-the~~ size setae, brown or orange in color with 2 black spots ~~on-on~~ the dorsal area, like a spider. The main taxonomic feature of *T. urticae* ~~is-was~~ ~~that~~ the knob on the aedeagus ~~is-was~~ small, less than 2 times (about 1.5 times) the width of ~~the~~ aedeagus neck; ~~the~~ dorsal edge of the knob ~~is-was~~ angled and ~~the-tip~~ ~~is-was~~ rounded. The identification results are consistent with those obtained by Weinblum et al. (2021). ~~However, The-the~~ results, ~~however,~~ showed that the abundance of *T. urticae* was low and only found at the outer edge of the garden as obtained by Savi et al. (2021). The abundance of *T. urticae* was found ~~to be more-higher~~ in the leaves under ~~the~~ sunlight, as stated by Shibuya et al. (2020) through a low coefficient of variation and correlation coefficient compared to other pest mites.

In contrast with the *T. urticae*, ~~the-T.~~ *kanzawai* mites ~~have-had~~ a longer body size that reaches up to 510.49 µm, orange in color, longer setae than another. Moreover, ~~the-T.~~ *urticae* ~~has-had~~ larger size of the knob on its aedeagus, about 2 times the width of the aedeagus neck; ~~the~~ dorsal edge of the knob ~~is-was~~ angled, ~~and the-tip~~ ~~is-was~~ slightly rounded. *T. kanzawai* ~~has-had~~ an empodium with 6 proximoventral setae without spurs, tarsus I with 4 tactile setae, parallel to the duplex proximal setae. The identification results of this study are therefore in accordance with those obtained by Budianto & Munadjat (2012) with low abundance and scattered at the outer edge of the garden exposed to the sunlight near sunset.

The species of ~~the~~ genus *Tetranychus* with a smaller body length than the two *Tetranychus* species described previously ~~is-was~~ *T. Cinnabarinuscinnabarinus*, which ~~has-had~~ a body length of 310.37 µ only, with a dark red color, and ~~with~~ white legs and gnathosoma. Tarsus I ~~has-had~~ 4 pairs of setae located parallel to the duplex proximal setae. The ~~current identification-present~~ results are in accordance with those obtained by Eziah et al. (2017). They also mentioned that *T. cinnabarinus* this species is a polyphagous species with high adaptability to ~~allow-easily~~ found in almost 100 plant species ~~easily~~. However, the results of ~~current-present~~ study ~~results~~ showed that the abundance of this species ~~is was lower~~ and has the ability to spread ~~evenly~~ in gambier jasmine gardens ~~rather-evenly~~.

In addition to those two families of Tenuipalpidae and Tetranychidae, ~~the-current-the present~~ study also ~~resulted-found~~ data ~~of-from~~ the Acaridae family, ~~whose species was namely~~ *Tyrophagus putrescentiae*. This mite ~~is-was~~ characterized with a body length of 340.26 µm, oval in shape, milky white in color and ~~has-had~~ long setae and 2 spots on the lower dorsal part. ~~The-T.~~ *putrescentiae* ~~belongs-belonged~~ to the Acariformes superorder, order Astigmata and ~~is-was~~ classified as a cosmopolitan species. Taxonomical characteristics that can be used to distinguish this species to others are ~~at-the~~ presence of ~~the~~ proximal phalanx of the second leg connected to form a "W" formation, and ~~the~~ proximal phalanx of the first leg which ~~is~~ also connected in a formation like the letter "Y". These data are in accordance with ~~those-the results~~ obtained by Fayaz et al. (2016) and ~~it is~~ concluded that this mite is distributed as a cosmopolitan mite.

~~The table 1, shows that~~ ~~it was also noticed that~~ besides *B. phoenicis*, *Brevipalpus* mite species ~~are-was~~ less evenly distributed (Table 1). However, the results of ~~analysis of~~ variance ~~analysis-of-of~~ pest mite abundance in gambier jasmine plantations showed that the abundance level of individual among the pest mite species ~~was-did~~ not significantly ($P>0.05$) different at all sampling points ($P>0.05$, ~~table-Table~~ 2).

Table 2. Analysis of variance abundance of pest mite in gambier jasmine plantations

Source of varition	Degree of freedom	Sum of square	Mean of square	Fcalculated	Probability
Between pest mite	8	0.003	0.000	0.516	0.840
Within pest mite	63	0.039	0.001		
Total	71	0.041			

The results of ~~research-by~~ Savi et al. (2021) showed that the abundance of *T. urticae* ~~was-did~~ not significantly different in various plants, including ~~on-the~~ ~~Hop-hop~~ plants (*Humulus lupulus* L.). This fact proves that there is no antibiosis against the presence of *T. Urticae urticae*, so that this pest mite ~~has-can~~ have a high ability to pass life on various types of plants. The high survival rate of *B. californicus* is also found at low and high altitudes on various types of plants as ~~obtained reported~~ by Castro-Resendiz et al. (2021).

Abiotic factors affecting pest mite abundance in gambier jasmine (*Jasminum officinale*) plants

The results of measuring 6 abiotic factors, namely leaf area, ~~trikehome-trichome~~ length, density, leaf sitting angle, temperature and humidity, were then analyzed by bivariate logistic regression first. ~~This analysis-noted that-of-the-In~~ bivariate selection it was found that the length and density of trichome determined the abundance of pest mite species (~~table-Table~~ 3).

Table 3. Results of bivariate logistic regression analysis of 6 abiotic factors

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No	Abiotic factors	P-value	Conclusion
1	Leaf area	0,344	Not selected
2	Trichome length	0,044	Selected
3	Trichome density	0,012	Selected
4	Leaf sitting angle	0,538	Not selected
5	Temperature	0,487	Not selected
6	Humidity	0,307	Not selected

Based on the results of bivariate selection, the ~~current-present~~ study was analyzed further to a multivariate analysis or modeling of trichome length and density on pest mite abundance (table-Table 4). ~~The table 4 Results showed shows~~ that the trichome density ~~has-had~~ the most influence on pest mite abundance in gambier jasmine plantations (Odd Ratio/OR value of trichome density was 3.461 is greater than the OR value of trichome length). ~~Table 4-It was also explains-noted~~ that the abundance of pest mites in gambier jasmine plantations ~~has-had~~ a population model of $Y = 0.399 + 0.043a + 0.012b$. ~~Notation a represents the trichome length, while notation b refers to trichome density.~~ Sudo & ~~and~~ Osakabe (2013) ~~suggested-reported~~ that the role of stellate-shaped trichomes from *Viburnum erosum* var. *punctatum* plants protects *Brevipalpus obovatus* eggs from their predatory mite of *Phytoseius nipponicus*. Samia A. ~~Yasin~~ (2019) obtained different results from Sudo & ~~and~~ Osakabe (2013), namely that the denser the trichomes of various cotton plant varieties, the lower the development, reproduction and various population parameters of *T. Urticaeurticae*. This different results ~~of the current study-was-may be~~ due to the ~~use of~~ different ~~of~~ pest mite species ~~used~~.

Table 4. Results of multivariate logistic regression analysis of length and trichome density variables on pest mite abundance

Variable	B	P-value	Odd Ratio	95% CL	
				lower	upper
Trichome lenght	-1,061	0,043	0,346	0,124	0,966
Trichome density	1,242	0,012	3,461	1,310	9,142

Based on the results ~~and disecussion~~, it can be concluded that the abundance of 8 (eight) species of pest mites ~~was similar~~ in gambier jasmine plantations ~~is the same~~ and it ~~is was known-observed~~ that the density of trichomes was the most important factor affecting the abundance of pest mite with the population model $Y = 0.399 + 0.043a + 0.012b$.

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