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I. táblázat Az egyényári szélfű előfordulása a Fertő-Hanság-medence kukoricavetéseiben

Table I. Occurrence of *Mercurialis annua* L. in maize fields in the Fertő-Hanság-basin

Felvételzési hely (1)		Egyényári szélfű száma a felvételi négyzetekben (2)				Átlag db/4 m ² (3)
		1.	2.	3.	4.	
1.	Hanságfalva*	46	72	54	36	52
2.	Jánossomorja	38	27	25	30	30
3.	Hanságliget	2	1	4	0	2

* a tenyészidőszak folyamán sem mechanikai, sem pedig kémiai gyomirtásban nem részesült

(1) location of survey, (2) the number of *Mercurialis annua* L. in sample squares, (3) average pc/4 m²

* during the vegetation period neither mechanical nor chemical weed control was carried out

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