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ABSTRACT

The aim of this research was to survey and classify the ecto- and endoparasites of some agricultural vertebrates, namely, the Norway rat (Rattus norvegicus), the house sparrow (Passer domesticus), the common Egyptian toad (Bufo regularis) and the fruit bat (Rousettus aegyptiacus). These animals were collected during the period from July 1987 to June 1988. The first three animals were collected from Kalyobia and Menoufia Governorates, while the fruit bat was collected from Kalyobia Governorate only.

Twenty mite species belonging to 13 families (Laelapidae, Dermanyssidae, Macronyssidae, Spinturnicidae, Rhinonyssidae, Cheyletillidae, Myobiidae, Ereynetidae,

Analgidae, Proctophyllodidae, Epidermoptidae and Pyroglyphidae), which belong to 3 suborders, [Gamasida (= Mesostigmata), Actenidida (= Prostigmata) and Acaridida (= Astigmata)], were recorded. Six nematode species belonging to families (Cosmocercidae, Oxuridae Cappillaridae) and 2 orders (Oxyuridea and Trichuridea); and three cestode species belonging to 3 families (Dilepididae, Hymenolopididae and Nematotaenidae), which belong to order Cyclophllidea were also extracted. The population fluctuation of mites throughout the year, and distribution on different parts of some agricultural animals were also studied.

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