

Foreword

Worldwide, food grain is lost due to damage by insects, mites and micro-organisms. Any additional approaches towards preventing farm-storage losses could contribute to saving more grain. In one paper of this issue, the authors assess the effect of a lectin-like protein on lepidopteran larvae causing loss in stored food. Another study presents research on the effects of sublethal concentrations of two insect growth regulators on *Aedes aegypti* fitness parameters. Bamboo traps placed in a cloud forest are good tools to determine the macroinvertebrate communities living in the forest. These are just three of the eight interesting studies presented in this issue.

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I would like to thank our co-publisher, editorial advisory board and valued reviewers for making the Journal what it is today. Additionally, I thank the contributors who continue to submit their manuscripts to the Journal. The whole IJT team will continue to strive to produce the Journal in an efficient and timely manner in 2009. Unfortunately, for this edition, we have been late by 1 month, for which I would like to apologize.

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