Investigation of physiological responses of Procambarus clarkii and some enzyme activities to selected heavy metals

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Mean enzyme activities of Aspartate Transaminase (ALT), Aka Alanine Transaminase (AST) and alkaline phosphatases of the digestive gland of freshwater Procambarus clarkia were subjected to different sublethal concentrations of lead, mercury and cadmium were measured. ...

Mosquitocidal potential of Chysophyllum africanum seed extracts against human vector mosquitoes Anopheles stephensi (Liston) (Diptera: Culicidae)

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Mosquito borne diseases constitute a major public health problem in the list of communicable diseases, An. stephensi (Liston) is the primary vector of malaria in developing countries and improved methods of control are urgently needed. Larvicidal activity of Chysophyllum africanum seed extracts was evaluated against An. stephensi. Fourth instar larvae were exposed t ...

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