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changes within the course of a single syllable. There is evidence to show that for many species only particular frequency components are used for species recognition and location. Some species have the ability to intensify and filter selected frequencies, using the subalar air space as a resonator. The effectiveness of this system is confirmed by the use of models.

## Biological Control of Locusts and Grasshoppers in Russia and CIS Countries

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Biological control is a contradictory approach to plant protection. It allows us to prevent chemical pollution, but its efficiency is limited by natural conditions, coevolution patterns, and unpredictable results, making it complicated to use. Some forms of biological control (viral, bacterial, fungal, plant products) have been used for regulating locust and grasshopper outbreaks.

In the Russian Empire, some parasites, parasitoids (mainly insects), and predators were reported by Koeppen, Rossikov, Mechnikov, Krasilstshik, and some other investigators. These studies were continued in the USSR. From the 1920's to the 1950's a lot of grasshopper and locust enemies were reported and evaluated. Among them were viral, bacterial, and protozoan (*Gregarina* spp., *Nosema*) forms, fungi (*Empusa*, *Beauveria*, *Aspergillus* et al.), insects (Meloidae beetles, Bombyliidae, Chloropidae and Sarcophagidae flies, Scelio), mites, nematodes (especially Mermitidae), and nematomorphs. Some of them are associated with eggs, some others with larvae and adults. Opportunities for using these species and groups for biological control were limited by the necessity of breeding large numbers for release. Vinokurov tried to use the fungus *Entomophtora grylli* for the control of some Siberian grasshopper species.

The rapid expansion of comparatively inexpensive and highly effective chemical agents diminished interest in alternative control strategies until the 1980's. As a rule, only some unicellular species and fungi were used for special studies. Some microsporidian forms (Nosema spp., Microsporidium italicus) are promising for population regulation of the Moroccan, Italian and Migratory Locusts. Nosema chorthippi may be used for the abundant grasshopper Chorthippus albomarginatus. Issi et al. (1993) proposed some fungal pathogens for possible use: Entomophthora grylli, Cephalosporium lefroyi, Beauveria bassiana, B. tenella, Metarhizium anisopliae, Verticillium lecanii, and Paecilomyces farinosus. Regarding nematodes, Danilov and Karpova (1990) reported 96% mortality of hoppers of C. albomarginatus in Yacutia after application of a water suspension of Steinernema carpocapsae These results allow us to discuss possibilities of using both biological and chemical agents.

Now new ideas in biological control should be developed, especially related to hire breeding and application of biological agents.