# **DEDICATION**

To my dear mother, late father (ALLAH mercy him) brothers, wife, daughters, colleagues and friends.

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### **ABSTRACT**

The experiments was conducted during two successive summer seasons (2012) in Demonstration Farm of the Collage of Agricultural Studies at and 2013), Shambat, Sudan University of Science and Technology, to evaluate twenty two genotypes of grain sorghum (Sorghum bicolour L Moench), for growth and yield characters, under two different water regimes, well watering (7days) and drought stress (21days) using split plot trail in three replications. The objectives of this study were to assess the genetic variability among grain sorghum genotypes under drought stress condition, to estimates the phenotypic correlation between different characters and to identify the most drought tolerance genotypes under drought stress conditions. Characters studied were plant height, stem diameter, number of leaves per plant, leaf area, days to 50% flowering, days to maturity, panicle length, yield/plant, thousand seed weight, yield (Ton/ha). The results showed that there were significant differences among most of the characters studied in both seasons. Highly heritability were showed in this study among growth characters, plant height (0.69-0.90), plant dry weight (0.89-0.92), 50% flowering (0.72-0.91) and days to maturity (0.79-0.80) for the two seasons. Genotypic coefficient of variation (GCV) was maximum in leaf area (2149.74, 1599.89) for the two seasons and plant height (1529.29, 1231.71) and it was not different with phenotypic coefficient of variation (PCV). It was also showed maximum value in leaf area (975.71, 486.19) for the two seasons and plant height (1051.97, 1114.53). This result was indicating that these traits were affected by environmental fluctuations. The high value of (GCV) and (PCV) suggested that there is possibility to utilize environmental effects through direct selection for these traits.

#### مستخلص

أجريت هذه الدراسة بالمزرعة التجريبية التابعة لكلية الدراسات الزراعية جامعة السودان للعلوم والتكنلوجيا (شمبات). خلال الصيف لموسمى (٢٠١٢- ٢٠١٣) ، ٢٢ طراز من الذرة الرفيعة تم تقييم صفات النمو والانتاجية لها تحت تأثير الجفاف ، الري العادي كل ٧ أيام بين الريات و التعطيش كل ٢١ يوم بين الريات لمعرفة تأثير الجفاف بنظام القطاعات المنشقة، لدراسة تقييم التباين الوراثي والإرطبات المظهري للطرز تحت الدراسة. القياسات التي أخذت للصفات كانت طول النبات، سمك الساق، عدد الاوراق، مساحة الورقة، الوزن الجاف للنبات، عدد الأيام ل% ٥٠ إز هار، عدد الأيام للنضج، طول السنبلة، وزن البذور للنبات، وزن الألف بذرة والإنتاجية بالطن للهكتار. أظهرت النتائج فروقات معنوية بين المعاملات للموسمين. معظم الصفات تحت الدراسة أظهرت فروقات معنوية عالية، أظهرت صفات النمو درجة توريث  $(h^2)$  عالية مقارنة بصفات الإنتاجية وكانت أعلى في طول النبات (٦٩.٠-٩٠.٠)، والوزن الجاف للنبات(٨٩.٠-٩٢.٠)، ٥٠% إز هار (٧٢ . • ١ ٩ . • ) والنضج (٧٩ . • ٨٠ - • ) للموسمين على التوالي. درجة الإختلاف في الصفات الوراثية (GCV) سجلت أعلى درجة لصفتي مساحة الورقة وطوالنبات حيث سجلت مساحة الورقة (٢١٤٩.٧٤-١٥٩٩.٨٩) وطول النبات (١٥٢٩.٢٩-١٥٢١)، للموسمين على التوالي.أما درجة الإختلاف في الصفات المظهرية (PCV) فلا تختلف عن (GCV) حيث نجدها سجلت أعلى درجات لصفتى مساحة الورقة وطول النبات وكانت النتائج (975.71, 486.19) و (1051.97, 1114.53) للصفتين للموسمين على التوالى. وأوضحت الدراسة أن هذه الصفات قد تأثرت مما يجعل الإستفادة من هذه التأثيرات المناخية والبيئية على هذه الصفات من خلال الإنتخاب لهذه الصفات في تربية المحصول.