IMPACT OF GROWTH REGULATORS ON IN VITRO GROWTH OF BANANA (MUSA SPP) CULTURED: A REVIEW

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ABSTRACT

Banana is important fruit crop in horticulture where it propagates through suckers which takes immense time for production and with low multiplication rate, to overcome these type of situation some protocols have been made such as the micro propagation where the tissue culture of banana is applied with help of plant growth regulators such as auxins and cytokinins are used at different concentration to attain the definite good results till now many studies had been done in the tissue culture of banana. In the present study it was observed that the explants cultured in MS medium containing 4 mg/l BAP + 0.5 mg/l IAA had highest number of shoot buds and number of shoots. Similar result was studied by Muhammad *et al.* (2007) where the highest multiplication ratio was observed at 4 mg/l BAP along with 1 mg/l IAA. Habiba *et al.* (2002) and Ahmed *et al.* (2014) reported that 4 mg/l BAP in combination with 2 mg/l IAA shown remarkable results.

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INTRODUCTION

Banana is considered as staple food of many countries and it is accepted as food, fruit, fodder crop and India is the largest producing country among the world, and through tissue culture we can produce seedless banana at higher rate and also triploids in less time and through the year of any season. The International Musa germplasm collection is sited at the INIBAP (International Network for the Improvement of Banana and Plantain) Transit Centre at K.U.Leuven. The strategy of tissue culture is producing infection free plants stocks and is spread by meristem tip culture. Furthermore, it was found that tissue cultured banana is better in terms of shape, taste, and nutritional value, in addition to obtaining a crop that is free of viral diseases banana plant usually propagated vegetatively through the suckers which grows from lateral buds originating from corms, and suckers are separated for

individual plant. Conventional vegetative multiplication of banana has showed negative impacts rather than in vitro cultivation where it is alternative option for more production at less time (Hwang *et al.*, 1984) Tissue culture approaches would also allow for off-season production of fast growing plants compared to conventionally propagated ones (Eckstein and Robinson, 1995).

Culture media

Till date only MS media is reported to be best medium used in tissue culture of banana because it is supplemented with different macro and micro nutrients and vitamins. the success of the tissue culture depends on the selection of media apart from MS media many other mediums are reported such as the other popular media include B5 (Gamborg *et al.*, 1968), SH (Schenk and Hildebrandt, Review of literature 10 1972), N6 (Chu *et al.*, 1975) and LS (Linsmaier and Skoog, 1975, Raghavendar *et al.*, 2019).

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Akbar and Roy (2006) cultured banana explants on MS medium supplemented with 0.5 mg/l of BA, Kn and NAA and found that addition of 10% coconut water to the medium resulted in increased number of differentiated shoots per culture. It was also found that acclimatization and transplantation performances of plants was superior for those rooted in liquid medium compared to those rooted in solid medium. It was also reported that MS medium supplemented with sucrose and glucose combination (1:1) at the concentration of 30 gm/l showed the optimum shoot proliferation Madhulata et al. (2006).

MICROPROPAGATION

It is the rapid method of duplication of stock plant material to produce many progeny using the tissue culture method in this type plants are produce through the small plant part which is excised from mother plant which is used as explants and it is multiplied and produce true to type plants in less time and infection free plants this technique had been to applied to substantial propagated plant species.

ROLE OF GROWTH REGULATORS IN TISSUE CULTURE

“Plant growth regulators usually are defined as organic compounds, other than nutrients, that in small concentrations, affect the physiological processes of plants”. In practical purpose, they are defined as either natural or synthetic compounds that are applied directly to plant to alter its life processes Plant growth regulators (PGRs) have been considered as one of the most critical inputs for in vitro culture, as the processes of differentiation, de-differentiation and re-differentiation are greatly dependent on the quality and quantity of these components in the culture media (Youmbi E *et al.* 2006). Studying on plant growth hormones on different crops varies their concentration and use to particular crop (Shelake RM *et al.* 2011). Especially in crops like banana, wherein a number of genomic groups exist, the PGR requirement may not necessarily be similar for all members of the group Buah JN *et al.* 2010). Thus, screening the efficacy of the PGRs for optimizing their kind and concentrations will be a continuous process as far as the new types with potential for commercialization are identified and added to the global diversity Plant growth regulators are essential in tissue culture as they are responsible for rooting and shooting. these regulators are essential for growth phases of the explants these are cytokinins, auxins, abscisic acid, and gibberellins Auxins and cytokinins, or more specifically, the balance between the two, is important for the organogenesis development in tissue culture plants

These plant growth regulators are added in small concentration to the media they have significance effect on growth and development.

IMPACT OF CYTOKININ ON IN VITRO GROWTH OF BANANA

This is the important plant growth regulator which initially produce where cell division takes naturally and synthetically BAP are used for the inducing the shoots alongside with auxins. Cytokinins such as benzyl aminopurine (BAP) and kinetin are known to reduce the apical meristem dominance and induce both axillary and adventitious shoot formation from meristematic explants in banana . However, the application of higher BAP concentrations inhibits elongation of adventitious meristems and the conversion into complete plants (N. Jafari *et al.*, 2011).

The use of cytokinin in plant nutrient media for in-vitro culture depends on plant tissue growth stage and expected end product In studies conducted on banana, apical meristems. cultured in media of high cytokinin concentration or lower cytokinin at the first stage then transferred to a media with higher cytokinin concentration where the increase in concentration especially BA significantly enhanced buds proliferation The effect of nutrient medium constituents on growth and development of banana plantlets produced in vitro was evaluated by Hussein (2012). He found that the medium with sucrose at 30% supplemented with 0.4mg/l BA was the most optimum for banana shoot tip culture as expressed by better growth vigour, plantlet height, fresh weight as well as stronger shoot and root system Cytokinins such as benzylaminopurine (BAP) and kinetin are generally known to reduce the apical dominance and induce both axillary and adventitious shoot formation from meristematic explants in banana and the most established banana shoot tip culture system was achieved by using BAP as a supplement to basal media (Jafari *et al.*, 2010). Bhosalo *et al.* (2011) reports that multiple shoot initiation occurs after 60 days of inoculation in shoot tip culture of banana variety Basari, the frequency of bud formation doubled and the fresh weight increased about four times higher in media with BAP at 3 mg/l were compared to media supplemented with 7 mg/l of BAP. BAP strongly stimulates growth of axillary, adventitious and foliar buds (Buah *et al.*, 2010). Yagami banana cultivar and obtained better results with 6.0 mg L⁻¹ of BAP concentration obtaining an average of 9.55 shoots per initial explants Ngomuo *et al.* (2013). Where as Urazibara *et al.* (2015) obtained a higher number of shoots (8.8) using the 4 mg L⁻¹ BAP concentration for red banana micropropagation.

IMPACT OF AUXIN ON IN VITRO GROWTH OF BANANA

Auxin were first discovered by Francis Darwin and his father Charles Darwin. Well plants naturally have growth hormones present within them which required for them in growth and development some of are for example Indole butyric acid (IBA) and Indole-3-acetic acid (IAA), well high amount of auxin with compare to cytokinin results in root initiation as early then the shoot initiation many studies have been done on auxin and cytokinin. NAA is widely used auxin in plant tissue culture for banana well many studies had been showed that balance concentration of BAP and NAA had given good results in rooting and shooting in callus, Bekheet and Saker (1999) reported the superiority of NAA over IAA and IBA in the *in vitro* rooting of banana plantlets cv. William, Grande Naine and Maghraby where ms media without hormones showed good results (*Musa sapientum*) Ahsan *et al.* (1998) Auxins have been reported to shorten the time required for the regeneration of roots as well as increase in the number of roots per culture in *Musa* shoots (Hiratsuka *et al.*, 1989)

CONCLUSION

MS media without growth regulators gave a minimal response and was the least effective. Hundred per cent response was observed in MS+1.0 mg/l-1NAA and MS+1.0 mg/l-1 NAA+0.2 mg/l-1 BAP while the media MS+0.5 mg/l-1NAA and MS+0.5 mg/l-1NAA+0.2 mg/l-1BAP gave a good response of 90% each. The media without any growth regulators gave a response of only 25% for growth and development (ROBERT LALRINSANGA *et al* 2013)

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