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## In vitro ENHANCEMENT OF SOME CANOLA (Brassica napus, L.) GROWTH CHARACTERISTICS USING PLANT GROWTH REGULATORS

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## ABSTRACT

This study was designed to investigate the effect of some factors affecting on *in vitro* growth enhancement of Topas canola genotype. During establishment stage, MS medium strengths (full and half), explant types (shoot tip and axillary node) and cytokinin types (BA and Kin) were investigated. Using shoot tip explants on full MS medium that supplemented with 1.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> BA proved to be the best treatment during this stage. In addition, different BA concentrations (0.0, 0.1, 0.5 and 2.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup>) and the same previous concentrations of IBA or NAA in the presence of 1.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> of BA or Kin were examined during multiplication stage. Results indicated that BA proved to be the best cytokinin especially at 2.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> or at 1.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> <sup>1</sup> in the presence of 0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA since it produced the maximum number of shoots/explant. During rooting stage, effects of auxin type (IBA and NAA) at different concentrations (0.0, 0.1, 0.5 and 2.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup>) and the same previous concentrations of IAA, NAA and 2,4-D in the presence of 0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA were evaluated. Generally, using of half MS medium supplemented with 2.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA individual or 0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA in combination with 0.1 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IAA stated to be the most suitable treatments for root induction and growth. Obtained plantlets were successfully acclimatized (70-80% survivability) in peat moss and sand (1:1, v/v) medium in the greenhouse.

Keywords: *Brassica napus,* Shoot induction and multiplication, Plant growth regulators (PGRs), Murashige and Skoog medium (MS), *in vitro* root formation.

### **INTRODUCTION**

Canola (Brassica napus L.) is belonging to the family Brassicaceae and ranks the second largest oilseed crop after soybean in global oil production (Ghnaya et al., 2008; Maheshwari et al., 2011; Borjian and Arak, 2013). Its oil is among the best types of edible oils used in human feeding especially in Northern Europe, United States, Canada, and China. Its high importance regarding to the lowest saturated fat content compared to all edible oils that contains 6% of saturated fatty acids and 94% non-saturated fatty acids and very low level of low density lipids (Cholesterol) and also contains Omega compounds that

beneficial to human health (Al-Naggar et al., 2008). It is a widely and globally used cooking. salad oil, and making for margarine. Canola has a bright future to contribute in reducing oil deficiency gap between production and consumption of edible oil (El-Howeity and Asfour, 2012). Canola is grown in Egypt as a winter crop and one of the agricultural opportunities to increase canola production is expanding it into the new reclaimed regions because it competes with clover and wheat in old Delta. Thus, growing canola in salt-affected soils or in less-fertile soils may become successful if it could produce a relatively high economic yield with low level of

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# inputs of nitrogen fertilizer (Moghaieb et al., 2006; Al-Naggar et al., 2008).

In recent years, a great deal of effort has gone into improving the quality of Brassica napus using classical breeding, several tissue culture and genetic engineering techniques. It is among the first crops to be genetically modified and transformed for improving its production and quality at very significant levels in commercial production. Cardoza and Stewart (2004) reported that canola cultivars have various been developed over the time, but only those that respond to in vitro regeneration can be used for biotechnological improvement. For that, various types of explants such as cotyledons (Cheng et al., 2005; Huang 2006; Bennett et al., 2008; Maheshwari et al., 2011), petioles, hypocotyls, leaves (He et al., 2006; Ghnaya et al., 2008; Liu et al., 2008; Maheshwari et al., 2011), stem cuttings, root cuttings, shoot buds (Eapen and Georg, 1997), and pollen grains or microspores (Shi et al., 2007; Cao et al., 2010) have been used for *in vitro* culture.

Regarding the influence of plant growth regulators on canola shoot induction and multiplication, **Zihang and Bhalla (2004)** reported that BAP was the most effective stimulator for shoot regeneration and 2.47 shoots per cotyledon explants were obtained with the combination of BAP (3.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup>), NAA (0.2 mgl<sup>-1</sup>), and GA<sub>3</sub> (0.1 mgl<sup>-1</sup>). **Chamandoosti** *et al.* (2006) stated that callus after approximately one month of culture have been shooted with 2.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> BA which produced 89% shoot induction.

Moreover, **Moghaieb** *et al.* (2006) used different concentrations of BA (0.0, 2.25, 4.50, 7.25 and 9.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup>) and they indicated that adventitious shoots emerged from the embryonic callus in the presence of 4.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> BA. **Ghnaya** *et al.* (2008) evaluated four combinations of BA and NAA (1.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> BA + 0.1 mgl<sup>-1</sup> NAA, 2.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> BA + 0.2 mgl<sup>-1</sup> NAA, 3.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> BA + 0.3 mgl<sup>-1</sup> NAA and 4.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> BA + 0.4 mgl<sup>-1</sup> NAA). The best rate of plant regeneration was obtained with the combination of 3.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> BA with 0.3 mgl<sup>-1</sup> NAA for all genotypes. **Burbulis** *et al.* (2010) noted that the combination of 4.0 mg l<sup>-1</sup> BA with 0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> NAA was significantly improved shoot formation frequency.

In addition, Hussain et al. (2014) stated that medium with 5.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> BAP with 0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IAA was used for shoot regeneration. Furthermore, the effect of plant growth regulators on canola root formation was reported by Zihang and Bhalla (2004) who evaluated three combinations of PGRs (0.5  $mgl^{-1}BA + 0.1 mgl^{-1}NAA$ ), (0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup>BA+  $0.2 \text{ mgl}^{-1} \text{ NAA}$ ) and  $(1.0 \text{ mgl}^{-1} \text{ BA} + 0.1 \text{ mg}^{-1} \text{ BA})$ mgl<sup>-1</sup> NAA) and they noticed that the highest number of roots with tallest roots (9.51 and 4.7 cm, respectively) were observed with the last combination. Also, Chamandoosti et al. (2006) were studied five treatments (control, 1.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> NAA, 2.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> NAA, 1.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA and 2.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA) and they found that 1.0 mg  $l^{-1}$  IBA was observed the highest frequency of shoots with rooting percentage (90%). Burbulis et al. (2010) reported that proliferated shoots were rooted with 0.1 mgl<sup>-1</sup> NAA.

However, **Ismail (2012)** tested different concentration of IBA (0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, or 0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup>) and found that 0.3 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA gave the highest percentage (62.9% and 45% for Bactol and Sarow-4, respectively), followed by 0.4 IBA (51.8% and 30%, for Bactol and Sarow-4, respectively. **Hussain** *et al.* (2014) cleared that the combination of 0.125 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IAA + 0.250 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA was the best for canola root formation.

The aim of the present study was to enhance some growth characteristics and morphogenesis of Topas canola genotype using plant growth regulators under aseptic conditions as a first key of biotechnological improvement for improving its production and quality.

#### MATERIALS AND METHODS

#### **Plant Material and Explant Sterilization**

Seeds of canola genotype (Topas) were obtained from Agricultural Research Division, National Research Center, Egypt.

At plant tissue culture lab., Faculty of Environmental Agricultural Sciences, Suez Canal University and during the period from 2014 to 2015. The seeds were submerged in tap water with a few drops of detergent soap in a flask and shacked well for 10 minutes then rinsed under running tap water to remove the soap. Under aseptic condition in laminar air-flow hood, seeds were surface-sterilized with 70 % (v/v)ethanol for 2 minutes and subsequently surface sterilized by 20% Clorox (with 5% sodium hypochlorite) for 20 min. explants were thoroughly rinsed three times with sterile distilled water after each previous step.

#### **Culture Medium and Conditions**

The sterile seeds (10 seeds per jar) were cultured on MS basal salt mixtures including vitamins (**Murashige and Skoog, 1962**) in jars containing 50 ml medium, supplemented with 3% (w/v) sucrose, 0.8% (w/v) agar and 0.1 gl<sup>-1</sup> myo-inositol. Medium pH was adjusted to 5.6 - 5.8 before gelling and then autoclaved at 121°C for 20 min. after that the cultures were put in the dark for 7 days and they were maintained in an air conditioned incubation room at  $22 \pm 2^{\circ}$ C under 16 h/ day photoperiod which provided by cool white fluorescent lamps (light intensity 2500 Lux.).

## **Shoot Bud Induction and Proliferation**

After 3 weeks of seed germination, the *in vitro* shoot tip and axillary node explants (0.5-1.0 cm length) were prepared from seedlings and cultured (4 explants/jar) on (full and half) MS medium supplemented with 3% (w/v) sucrose, 0.8% (w/v) agar and 0.1 gl<sup>-1</sup> myo-inositol in the presence of 0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> of 6-Benzyladenine (BA) cytokinin. After 4 weeks from culture, the induced

shoot buds were transferred to MS medium supplemented with 3% (w/v) sucrose, 0.8% (w/v) agar and 0.1 gl<sup>-1</sup> myo-inositol in the presence of different concentrations (0.1, 0.5 and 2.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup>) and combinations of BA, Kinetin (Kin), indole butyric acid (IBA) and  $\alpha$ -Naphthalene acetic acid (NAA) for shoot proliferation. Shoot induction percentage, number of shoots/explant, shoot length, number of leaves/shoot and callus formation percentage were the studied characteristics during this stage.

### In vitro Rooting

The proliferated shoots (0.5-1.0 cm length) of Topas genotype were used as explants and were cultured firstly on free MS medium for a week then were transferred to half strength MS medium. The medium was supplemented with 3% (w/v) sucrose and 0.8% (w/v) agar in the presence of different concentrations (0.1, 0.5 and  $2.5 \text{ mgL}^{-1}$ ) of auxins like (IBA and NAA), individual or 0.5 mgL<sup>-1</sup> IBA in combination with the previous concentrations of Indole acetic acid (IAA), NAA and 2,4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic acid (2.4-D) for 4 weeks to monitor the initiation and quality of adventitious roots on the regenerated shoots. The cultures were maintained under cool white fluorescent lamps provided by Philips.

#### **Acclimatization of Plantlets**

The well-developed healthy *in vitro* rooted plantlets after 4 weeks were washed thoroughly under tap water and hardened for *ex vitro*. The plantlets were planted in pots containing a mixture of peat moss and sand in the ratio of 1:1 (v/v) then placed in a plastic tunnel and wetted with tap water and covered with transparent plastic bags to maintain humidity. After 3 weeks, the established plants were transplanted to polyethylene bags containing garden soil and farmyard manure for further growth. The survival rate of *in vitro* propagated plantlets after 6 weeks of transplanting was 70-80% and they grew as normal plants.

#### **Statistical Analysis**

All the experiments were set up in completely randomized design (CRD) with five replicates per treatment and with four explants per replicate (jar). Data were subjected to analysis of variance (ANOVA) and the statistical difference among the means was analyzed by Duncan's multiple range test (DMRT) **Duncan (1995)** at 5% level of probability using statistical products and service solutions software for windows, version 17.0 (SPSS Inc., 2007).

## **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

#### **Establishment Stage**

#### Effect of Medium Strength, Explant Type and Cytokinin Type on Shoot Induction

To study the effect of the interaction between MS media strength, explants type and cytokinins on shoot induction of Topas *Brassica napus*, 1.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> of BA or Kin were added to the medium composition. After 4 weeks of culture, significant responses were recorded among the studied treatments.

The optimum shoot induction (98.66%) with high number of shoot buds/ explant (3.36), shoot length (2.69 cm) and high leaves number/shoot (2.83) were observed by using shoot tip as explants on full MS medium supplemented with 1.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> BA within a period of 4 weeks (Table 1).

This result was followed by using axillary node as an explants on full MS with  $1.0 \text{ mgl}^{-1}$  BA that gave (86.33% shoot induction) with 3.03 shoot buds, 2.51 cm shoot length and 2.54 leaf per explant. Moreover, using 1.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> Kin found to be third best treatment recording 82.00% shoot induction, 2.04 shoots/explant, 1.96 cm shoot length and 1.82 leaves/explant.

It is clear that BA was the best cytokinin that induced the highest number of shoots compared with Kin or control treatments. This result is in agreement with Zihang and Bhalla (2004); Chamandoosti et al., (2006); Moghaieb et al., (2006) and Thiyagarajan and Venkatachalam (2012) who mentioned that BA was more effective than other tested cytokinins for shoot initiation and development. The preference to use BA as cytokinin because its degradation is slow and it can be autoclaved without losing its activity. Furthermore, not only explant type (shoot tip or axillary node) but also MS medium strength (full or half MS) were significantly differed on shoot number, shoot length and leaves number. Data in (Table 1) indicate that all studied characteristics with shoot tip as an explant or in full MS were significantly higher than that with axillary node or in half MS medium.

#### **Multiplication Stage**

# Effect of Cytokinin Type and Concentration on Multiple Shoot Formation

In vitro regenerated shoot buds from nodal explants were cultured on full strength MS medium with different concentrations  $(0.0, 0.1, 0.5, \text{ and } 2.5 \text{ mgl}^{-1})$  of BA or Kin individually.

Data shown in (Table 2) were revealed statistically significant differences between treatments at 5% level. The optimum shoot growth with high number and without callus formation was observed using MS medium supplemented with 2.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> BA after 4 weeks from culture (Table 1 and Fig. 1) which shows 3.82 shoot buds, longest shoot (3.03 cm) and the highest number of leaves/explant (3.24). Then, using 0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> BA proved to be second best concentration recording 3.49 shoot buds and 2.87 cm shoot length.

Whereas, using 2.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> Kin found to be third best treatment recording 2.87 shoots/ explant and 2.44 cm shoot length with 2.41 leaves number/explant. The concentrations less than 2.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> Kin reduced shoot number, shoot length and leaves number of the two cytokinins tested in this investigation, BA was found to be most efficient for shoot multiplication than SINAI Journal of Applied Sciences (ISSN: 2314-6079) Vol. (5), Is. (1), Apr. 2016

Media strength	Explant s type	PGRs (1 mgL <sup>-1</sup> )	Shoot induction (%)	Shoots no./explant	Shoot length (cm)	No. of leaves
			4 weeks			
	Shoot	BA	98.66	3.36 <sup>a</sup>	2.69 <sup>a</sup>	2.83 <sup>a</sup>
	tip	Kin	82.00	2.04 <sup>c</sup>	1.96 <sup>c</sup>	1.82 <sup>c</sup>
Full MS	Axillary node	BA	86.33	3.03 <sup>b</sup>	2.51 <sup>b</sup>	2.54 <sup>b</sup>
		Kin	79.00	1.87 <sup>c</sup>	1.64 <sup>d</sup>	1.72 <sup>c</sup>
	Shoot	BA	73.33	1.04 <sup>e</sup>	0.89 <sup>f</sup>	0.43 <sup>d</sup>
Half MS	tip	Kin	67.00	1.32 <sup>d</sup>	1.10 <sup>e</sup>	$0.26^{\mathrm{f}}$
	Axillary	BA	56.66	0.99 <sup>e</sup>	0.85 <sup>f</sup>	0.32 <sup>e</sup>
	node	Kin	49.33	1.02 <sup>e</sup>	1.10 <sup>e</sup>	$0.20^{\mathrm{f}}$

 Table (1): Effect of the interaction between media strength, explants type and cytokinins on shoot initiation of *Brassica napus* L. after 4 weeks of culture.

Means in each column followed by same letters are not significantly different according to Dunchan's multiple range test (DMRT) at  $\alpha = 0.05$ .

Table (2): Influence	of	different	concentrations	of	BA	and	Kin	on	morphogenic
responses	of s	ingle-shoot	t explants of <i>Bra</i> :	ssice	a nap	ous L.	estab	lishe	ed <i>in vitro</i> .

Plant growth regulators	Amount of PGR (mg/l)	Shoots no./explant	Average shoot length (cm)	Leaves no.	Degree of callus formation*
	0.0	1.12 <sup>h</sup>	1.04 <sup>g</sup>	1.03 <sup>f</sup>	-
D A	0.1	2.17 <sup>e</sup>	1.99 <sup>d</sup>	1.79 <sup>d</sup>	-
BA	0.5	3.49 <sup>b</sup>	2.87 <sup>b</sup>	2.17 <sup>c</sup>	-
	2.5	3.82 <sup>a</sup>	3.03 <sup>a</sup>	3.24 <sup>a</sup>	-
	0.1	1.65 <sup>g</sup>	1.47 <sup>e</sup>	1.61 <sup>e</sup>	-
Kin	0.5	2.51 <sup>d</sup>	2.35 <sup>cd</sup>	2.02 <sup>c</sup>	-
	2.5	2.87 <sup>c</sup>	2.44 <sup>c</sup>	2.41 <sup>b</sup>	+

\*Callus formation (-, no callus; +, small callus less than 5 mm diameter; ++, moderate callus 5-10 mm diameter; +++, large callus more than 10 mm diameter). Data recorded after 4 weeks.

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Fig. (1) : Morphogenic responses of *Brassica napus* using 2.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> BA

Kin. This findings are in agreement with Zihang and Bhalla (2004); Chamandoosti et al. (2006): Moghaieb et al. (2006) and Thiyagarajan and Venkatachalam (2012). In addition, Similar findings have been reported with various plant species including Eclipta alba (Dhaka and Kothari, 2005), Quercus euboica (Kartsonas and Papafotiou, 2007). parvifolia Ulmus (Thakur and Karnosky, 2007), Stevia rebaudiana (Ahmad et al., 2011; Aman et al., 2013) and Sacostemma brevistigma (Thomas and Shankar, 2009). On the other hand. callus formation could not be established at all tested concentrations except the highest concentration (2.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup>) of Kin, which produced small callus less than 5 mm diameter.

## Effect of Different Concentrations and Combination of PGRs on Multiple Shoot Formation

At the same concentration  $(1.0 \text{ mgl}^{-1})$  of BA or Kin but here in combination with different concentrations of IBA or NAA (0.1, 0.5, or 2.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup>) for multiple shoots bud proliferation, different response were observed as shown in Table 3. Among the tested combinations, a maximum initiation of healthy shoot buds (5.19) with higher shoot length (3.47 cm) and with higher leaves number/explant (3.12) were obtained within 4 weeks of culture using 1.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> BA + 0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA combination (Fig. 2).

The obtained results are in harmony with that found by **Thiyagarajan and Venkatachalam (2012)**, who noticed that 1.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> BA + 0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA combination was observed a very good shoot bud development with higher shoot length. The combination of 1.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> BA + 2.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA was the second best treatment that gave (4.10) shoots/explant, (2.88 cm) shoot length and (2.59) leaves number/explant. Then, (1.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup>) BA + (2.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup>) NAA combination proved to be the third best treatment recording (3.19) shoots/explant and (2.41 cm) shoot length with (2.16) leaves number/explant.

The obtained shoots here were higher in its number than in the previous experiment. However, addition of IBA along with BA has been reported to regenerate shoot buds from the nodal explants of Jatropha curcas Shrivastava and Banerjee (2008) and in Stevia rebaudiana (Atalaya et al., 2011; Aman et al., 2013) while addition of NAA along with BA has also been reported to regenerate shoot buds from the nodal explants of Brassica napus as mentioned by (Ghnaya et al., 2008; Burbulis et al., **2010**). In this experiment, the best response of 1.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> Kin (3.19 shoots/ explant, 2.36 cm and 2.12 leaves/explant) was obtained in the presence of 0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA. Moreover, presence of NAA in combination with Kin reduced shoot number, shoot length and leaves number.

Plant growth regulators ( mgL <sup>-1</sup> )		Shoots no./explant	Shoot length (cm)	No. of leaves		
BA	Kin	<u> </u>	NAA			
	-	0.1	-	2.51 <sup>e</sup>	2.34 <sup>cd</sup>	2.10 <sup>cd</sup>
	-	0.5	-	5.19 <sup>a</sup>	3.47 <sup>a</sup>	3.12 <sup>a</sup>
1.0	-	2.5	-	4.10 <sup>b</sup>	2.88 <sup>b</sup>	2.59 <sup>b</sup>
1.0	-	-	0.1	$2.05^{\mathrm{f}}$	1.66 <sup>e</sup>	1.49 <sup>e</sup>
	-	-	0.5	2.85 <sup>d</sup>	1.84 <sup>e</sup>	1.65 <sup>e</sup>
	-	-	2.5	3.19 <sup>c</sup>	2.41 <sup>c</sup>	2.16 <sup>c</sup>
-		0.1	-	2.51 <sup>e</sup>	1.87 <sup>e</sup>	1.68 <sup>e</sup>
-		0.5	-	3.19 <sup>c</sup>	2.36 <sup>cd</sup>	2.12 <sup>cd</sup>
-	1.0	2.5	-	2.73 <sup>de</sup>	2.15 <sup>d</sup>	1.93 <sup>d</sup>
-	1.0	-	0.1	1.34 <sup>h</sup>	0.93 <sup>h</sup>	0.83 <sup>h</sup>
-		-	0.5	1.76 <sup>g</sup>	1.19 <sup>g</sup>	1.07 <sup>g</sup>
-		-	2.5	$2.02^{\mathrm{f}}$	1.42 <sup>f</sup>	$1.27^{\mathrm{f}}$

SINAI Journal of Applied Sciences (ISSN: 2314-6079) Vol. (5), Is. (1), Apr. 2016 Table (3): Influence of different concentrations and combination of PGRs on formation of multiple shoots Brassica napus L.

Means in each column followed by same letters are not significantly different according to Dunchan's multiple range test (DMRT) at  $\alpha = 0.05$ . Data recorded after 4 weeks.



Fig. (2): *Brassica napus* multiple shoot formation using (1.0 mgl<sup>-1</sup> BA + 0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA)

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## In vitro Rooting Stage

## Effect of Auxin Type and Concentration on Adventitious Root Formation

In present study, regenerated shoots (1-1.5 cm long) were cultured on half MS basal salt without vitamins medium containing different concentrations of IBA or NAA (0.1, 0.5, or 2.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup>). IBA and NAA significantly increased roots number/shoot and root length (Table 4).

IBA and NAA increased root formation (%), roots number/shoot and root length compared to the control treatment. The concentration of 2.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA on half MS medium was found to be the optimum medium for root formation that gave a good root formation (93.33%), highest roots number/shoot (3.54), and a highest root length (2.70 cm). Followed by 0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA on half MS medium which proved to be second best treatment and gave a good root formation (86.66 %), (2.97) roots number/shoot, and (2.30 cm) root length.

Then 2.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> NAA on half MS medium was found to be third best treatment that gave (84.00 %) root formation, (2.64) roots number/shoot, and (1.99 cm) root length. The findings that reported for *Citrus auriantifolia* Swingle by **Bhatt and Tomar** (2010) and for *Jatropha curcas* by **Toppo** *et al.* (2012) indicate that low concentrations of IBA (0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup>) proved to be more efficient for root formation whilst **Zihang and Bhalla (2004)** and **Burbulis** *et al.*, (2010) stated that proliferated shoots were rooted with NAA. On the other hand, callus formation could not be established at all tested concentrations except the highest concentration (2.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup>) of IBA or NAA, which produced small callus less than 5 mm diameter.

# Effect of Different Combinations of Auxins on Adventitious Root Formation

As shown from results in Table 5, 0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA in combination with three concentrations (0.1, 0.5, or 2.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup>) of IAA, NAA or 2,4-D were used to study its influence on adventitious root formation. The maximum number of roots (3.72) with longest roots (4.17 cm) were obtained with 0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA + 0.1 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IAA on half MS basal salts (Fig.3). However, the combination of 0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA + 0.1 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA + 0.1 mgl<sup>-1</sup> NAA recorded the second best root number (3.32) without significant differences with 0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA + 0.1 mgl<sup>-1</sup> 2,4-D that gave (3.27 roots/shoot).

Generally, increasing the concentration of IAA, NAA and 2,4-D from 0.1 to 2.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> in the presence of 0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA decreased roots number/shoot and root length. Thus, there was no callus formation on half MS medium with the lowest concentration (0.1 mgl<sup>-1</sup>) of IAA, NAA or 2,4-D in the presence of 0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA. But much callus growth was formed with the other combinations.

Amount of Auxin (mgL <sup>-1</sup> )		Average growth					
		Root formation/shoot (%)	Roots no. /shoot	Root length (cm)	Callus formation		
IBA	NAA						
0.0	0.0	00.00	$0.00^{g}$	$0.00^{g}$	-		
0.1	-	76.66	1.74 <sup>e</sup>	1.38 <sup>e</sup>	-		
0.5	-	86.66	2.97 <sup>b</sup>	2.30 <sup>b</sup>	-		
2.5	-	93.33	3.54 <sup>a</sup>	$2.70^{a}$	+		
-	0.1	63.33	1.50 <sup>f</sup>	$1.04^{\mathrm{f}}$	-		
-	0.5	80.33	2.25 <sup>d</sup>	1.67 <sup>d</sup>	-		
-	2.5	84.00	2.64 <sup>c</sup>	1.99 <sup>c</sup>	+		

 Table (4): Influence of Auxins concentrations on adventitious root initiation of Brassica napus plant (half MS basal salt medium without vitamins was used).

Means in each column followed by same letters are not significantly different according to Dunchan's multiple range test (DMRT) at  $\alpha = 0.05$ . Data recorded after 4 weeks.

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Auxins		Amount (mgL <sup>-1</sup> )	Roots no./shoot	Root length (cm)	Degree of callus formation
		0.1	3.72 <sup>a</sup>	4.17 <sup>a</sup>	-
	IAA	0.5	2.77 <sup>c</sup>	3.18 <sup>c</sup>	+
		2.5	1.96 <sup>e</sup>	2.30 <sup>e</sup>	++
		0.1	3.32 <sup>b</sup>	3.82 <sup>b</sup>	-
IBA 0.5 +	NAA	0.5	2.70 <sup>c</sup>	$2.76^{d}$	+
		2.5	1.38 <sup>f</sup>	1.59 <sup>f</sup>	++
		0.1	3.27 <sup>b</sup>	3.24 <sup>c</sup>	-
	2,4-D	0.5	2.65 <sup>c</sup>	2.76 <sup>d</sup>	+
		2.5	2.33 <sup>d</sup>	2.20 <sup>e</sup>	++

 Table (5): Effects of different concentration and combination of auxins on adventitious root formation.

Means in each column followed by same letters are not significantly different according to Dunchan's multiple range test (DMRT) at  $\alpha = 0.05$ . Data recorded after 4 weeks.



Fig. (3): In vitro root formation of Brassica napus using (0.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IBA + 0.1 mgl<sup>-1</sup> IAA)

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## الملخص العربي

## التحسين المعملى الدقيق لبعض صفات النمو للكانولا باستخدام منظمات النمو النباتية

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صممت هذه الدراسة لدراسة تأثير بعض العوامل التي تؤثر على التحسين المعملي الدقيق لبعض صفات النمو لصنف الكانولا (توباس). خلال مرحلة التأسيس، تم در اسة تأثير قوة بيئة مور اشيجي وسكوج (كاملة القوة وبنصف قوتها) وكذلك دراسة تأثير أنواع مختلفة من المنفصلات النباتية و هي (القمة النامية، البر عم الجانبي) كما تم دراسة تأثير أنواع سيتوكينين مختلفة و هي (بنزيل ادينين، كاينيتين). ثبت أن استخدام القمة النامية على بيئة مور اشيجي وسكوج كاملة القوة والمضاف اليها ١ ملجم/لتر من البنزيل ادينين هي الأفضل خلال هذه المرحلة. بالإضافة إلى ذلك تم در اسة تأثير تركيز ات مختلفة من البنزيل ادينين و هي (صفر، ١, ٠، ٥, ٠، ٢,٥ ملجم/لتر) كما تم ايضاً در اسة نفس هذه التركيز ات السابقة من اندول حامض البيوتريك او نفثالين حامض الخليك في وجود ١ ملجم/لتر من البنزيل ادينين او الكاينتين بالبيئة خلال مرحلة التضاعف. وأشارت النتائج إلى أنه ثبت أن البنزيل ادينين هو الأفضل خاصـة عند تركيز ٢,٥ ملجم/لتر أو بتركيز ١ ملجم/لتر في وجود ٥,٠ ملجم/لتر من اندول حامض البيوتريك حيث أعطى أكبر عدد من البراعم الناشئة على المنفصل النباتي. خلال مرحلة التجذير، تم تقييم تأثير نوع الأوكسين (اندول حامض البيوتريك – نفثالين حامض الخليك) وبتركيزات مختلفة (صفر، ١, ٠، ٥, ٠، ٢, ٥ ملجم/لتر) كذلك تم در اسة تأثير نفس التركيز ات السابقة من (اندول حامض الخليك - نفثالين حامض الخليك – ٢ و ٤ داي كلور و فينوكسي حامض الخليك) في وجود ٥,٠ ملجم/لتر من اندول حامض البيوتريك بالبيئة. وبصفة عامة، ثبت أن استخدام بيئة مور اشيجي وسكوج بنصف قوتها والمضاف إليها ٢,٥ ملجم/لتر من اندول حامض البيوتريك منفرداً أو ٥,٠ ملجم/لتر من اندول حامض البيوتريك بصورة متداخلة مع ١,٠ ملجم/لتر من اندول حامض الخليك هما الأنسب لتحفيز نشوء ونمو الجذور كما تمت أقلمة الشتلات المتحصل عليها بنجاح وبمعدل بقاء وحيوية (٧٠-٨٠%) في بيئة البيت موس والرمل بنسبة (١:١) في الصوبة البلاستيكية.

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