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# Effect of Benzyladenine(BA) on Micropropagation of Acacia (*Robinia* pseudoacacia L.)

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### ABSTRASCT

Acaciaisabeautifulornamental treewhich is widelyusedin parks and landscape designs. To evaluate the effect of benzyladenine on improving micropropagation of acacia, a randomized complete block design with four levels, 0, 0.5, 1 and 1.5 mgl<sup>-1</sup> in three replications. Analysis of variance indicated that the effect of benzyladenine on all measured traits were statistically significant at the 1% probability level. Mean comparison showed that treatment with 1 mglbenzyladenine had the priority to all traits with 3.6 (the maximum nods number), 5.03 cm (the maximum seedling height), 3.35(the most shoots number) and 1.72g (fresh weight).

Keywords: acacia, micropropagation, fresh weight, shoots number.

#### INTRODUCTION

Acacia (Robinia pseudacacia L.) belongs to Fabaceae family which are ornamental plants. [15]. Acacia belongs to Fabaceae family and it shows that ecodormancy and outer impermeable shell are the two factors which causes dormancy in it's seeds [4, 5]. This phenomenonreduced thegerminationrateofseedand ultimatelyreducethe efficiency of theseeds per surface unit, which eventually leads to production loss [4, 14] Additionally, in in vitroculture, the lackof adequateplant growth regulatorsandproper culture mediainterrups the production andpropagationunits [12, 14]. Cytokinins are a group of compounds that controlcell division, changes inapical dominance, shoots differentiation in plants.Intheplanttissueculture, cytokinins mostly participate in cell division andmainly inadventitious shootsdifferentiation from callus and othe plant tissues. This compounds also causes shoots proliferationdue to remove the apical dominance [10, 13]. Use of these compounds in planttissue culture, both alone or in combination with other plantgrowth regulators, especially auxins, is common [10]. Boltenkov & Zarembo (2005) reported that in *invitro*cultivation ofiris(Iris spp.), shoots directformation from explants and call usculture depends onthespeciesand plantgrowth regulatorscontent. This study is about investigatethe effect of benzyladenineonindicatorsrelated tomicropropagationofacacia.

#### MATERIALS AND METHODS

In recent study, acacia seed was obtained from Amol city and solidified medium and the woody plants media were used. The emberyonic axis was used as explant as well which had been sterilized before the experiment and finallywashedwith70% ethanolandweredisinfected. The study was performed based on a complete randomized design with four levels of BA (0, 0.5, 1 &  $1.5 \text{ mgl}^{-1}$ ) in 3 replications with 12 plots and 5 explants per plot.. The measured traits were the number of branches, fresh weight, number of nods and seedlingds height. Number of shootsandnumber of nodswereobservationally recorded the 30'th of examination. Fresh weight was measured

using the digital balance. Seedlingheightwas measured with a rulerat the end of the experiment. Data was statistically analyzed using SPSS software and mean comparisons was done according to LSD test.

#### **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

Analysis of varianceshowed that the effect of benzyladenine treatments on all measured parameters measured were statistically significant at the 1% probability level. Mean comparisonshowed that treatment with 1 mglbenzyladenine had the priority to all traits with 3.6 (the maximum nods number), 5.03 cm (the maximum seedling height), 3.35 (the most shoots number) and 1.72g (fresh weight) (Table 1). Because its timulates growthand cell division and synergic organdevelopment andtheir growth, and also increase in plantbiomassas well[1, 10]. Ayan et al. (2005) reported that the in treatmentscontaining maximumfresh weight ofcallusis achieved 1mgl<sup>-1</sup>Kinetin and1mgl<sup>-</sup> <sup>1</sup>NAAinHypericum(*Hypericum perforatum*). Our resultsare also in accordance with theresults Kanwar et al(2009)about theeffect ofplant growth regulators(NAA)andbenzylaminoporineon protoplast fresh weight yield inacacia(*Robinia pseudocaci*). Ahmadi Hesar et al.(2011)showed thepositive effectof 1mgl<sup>-1</sup> plant growth regulators (NAA & Kin) on the stock's number of nodes. Our results on the effect of plant growth regulators (auxinandcytokinin) is in close agreement to Hepaskov & Aksoy (2006)on thefig, and also with Kavitha et al. (2012). Robinsonet al(2005)reported that the maximum shoot proliferation in (Punnica granatum L.)was obtained in 0.75 and 0.01 mgl<sup>-1</sup> auxin and cytokinin concentrations. Maghsoudi et al.(2011)in a studyonLippia citriodorareported the positive impactof indoleacetic acidandbenzyladenineon regenerative plant growth. Also, our results about thepositive effectof plantgrowth regulatorsonplant's regenerativegrowth parametersin invitroculture, is in accordance with results ofGumuscu et al.(2008)about theeffect ofplant growth regulatorsonmicropropagationimprovementand growth's relevant indicators. This study showed that 1 mgl<sup>-1</sup>benzyladen ineincreased growth parameters *invitro* culture of acacia.

## Table 1. Comparison the effect of benzyladenine different levels on fresh weight, seedlings height, shoots number and nods number of acacia (Robinia pseudacacia L.)

Treatment	Fresh weight (g)	Seedlings height (cm)	Shoots number	Nods number
B <sub>1</sub> (control)	0.40d	1.23d	0.98d	2.3d
$B_2 (0.5 \ mgl^{-1})$	0.91c	2.7c	1.63c	4.0c
B <sub>3</sub> (1 mgl <sup>-1</sup> )	1.72a	5.03a	3.53a	6.3a
$B_4(1.5 \text{ mgl}^{-1})$	1.16b	3.42b	2.5b	4.6b

\*According to LSD test, in each column, means with the same letters are not significantly different.

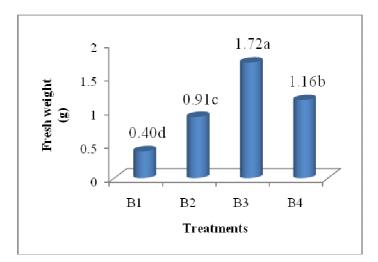


Fig 1- Effect of different benzyladenine levels on fresh weight of acacia seedlings.

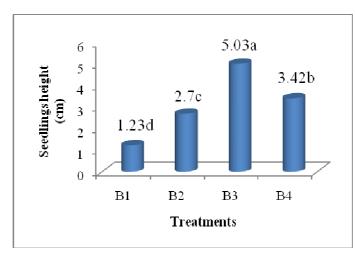


Fig. 2. Effect of different benzyladeninelevels on seedlings height of acacia.

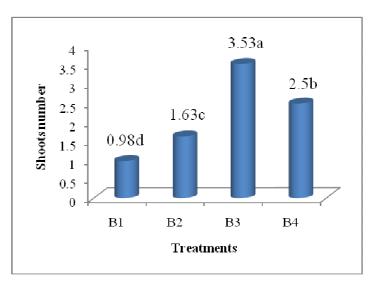


Fig. 3. Effect of different benzyladeninelevels on shoots number of acacia.

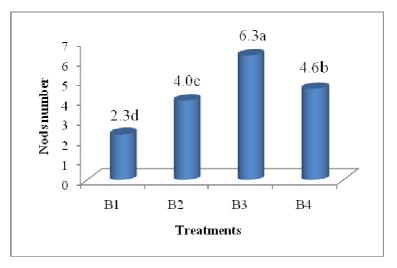


Fig. 4. Effect of different benzyladeninelevels on nodes number of acacia.

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