



CALLUS INDUCTION FROM AXILLARY BUD EXPLANTS OF *Gmelina asatica* (L) A Medicinal important plant.

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ABSTRACT

In vitro axillary bud segments and shoot induction was achieved in one of the important medicinal plants. Shoot induction was monitored after 4-6 weeks of inoculation by counting the number of shoots induced from each explants. The advantage with micro propagation is most of the *in vitro* propagated plants of many important medicinal species were found to be uniform, showing less variation in the secondary metabolic content than their wild counter parts (Annaj and Andrzej S 2005) Shoot induction from axillary bud segments were surface sterilized and inoculated into MS media supplemented with various combinations of BAP L-Glutamic acid and KN. Tissue culture techniques are now becoming popular as alternative means of vegetative propagation. Micropropagation involves multiplication of genetically identical individual by asexual reproduction within a short span of time with tremendous potential for the production of high quality plant based medicines (Murch *et al.*, 2000). The effect of benzyl amino purine in inducing shoot induction was already reported in some of the important medicinal plants (Komalavalli and Rao, 2000) *In Vitro* propagation of Damaskrose Tabesh *et al* 2013 & Gago J 2014). The Axillary bud explants were inoculated on MS basal medium supplemented with various cytokinins i.e., BAP and NAA. Coconut water also had a role in triggering the formation of multiple shoots. Addition of BAP at 3.0 mg/l concentration or NAA at 3.0 mg/l to the MS basal medium, induced regeneration from the Tendril explants. Multiple shoot induction was achieved in one of the important medicinal plant of cucurbitaceae family, *Gmelina asatica* (L). MS medium supplemented with 1.0 mg/l BAP + 2.0 mg/l NAA and 2.0 mg/l L-Glutamic acid was found to be optimum to induce shoots. The present study established reliable and reproducible protocol for rapid multiple shoot induction from axillary bud explants of *Gmelina asatica* (L) using different concentrations and combinations of cytokinins.

Key words: Multiple shoots, Axillary bud explants, BAP, L-Glutamic acid, NAA.

INTRODUCTION

In the present paper, a simple and reproducible procedure was devised to obtain multiple shoots, from axillary bud explants of *Gmelina asatica* (L) on MS medium fortified with plant growth regulators along with coconut milk and amino acids. Axillary buds from pumpkin were reported by Jelaska (1972). In comparison to lactose for different straw lactose 3% of lemon grass straw (580 gram) was proved to be less effective to others. The similar findings were also reported by Singh (2005). Growth of *in vitro* propagated plants is often stronger than in those cloned *in vivo*. This is mainly due to rejuvenation and the fact that they are disease free. Propagation is carried out in aseptic conditions, free from pathogens. The plants of Cucurbitaceae suffer from several diseases including the water melon mosaic virus (Gonbad RA 2014 and Bala M. *et al* 2013), Cucumber

green mottle mosaic virus (Nijssen, 1984) and *Gmelina asiatica* (L.) also suffers from downy and powdery mildews which seriously limits the crop production. (Cogbill *et al* 2010, Jha R 2004) first demonstrated that virus free plants can be recovered from infected plants through shoot tip cultures. For instance there was no evidence of transpiration in the adaxial surface of the E. Milli and yet Cumulatively it has a higher rate of transpiration in plant species studied (Abdul Rahaman *et al* 2017, Jo Shi *et al* 2014).

MATERIALS AND METHODS

The axillary buds were harvested and dipped in water utilized. The effect of MS media composition on multiple shoot induction (axillary bud explants) was studied using at least a single microshoot was scored as responding explants. The Axillary bud segments of 2.0 – 3.0 cm long were cultured and surface sterilized with 0.1% HgCl₂ for 5-7 minutes and rinsed with sterile distilled water. They were cultured on MS medium containing 2.5% sucrose and 0.8% Agar-Agar and different concentrations of BAP, NAA and L-Glutamic acid (Table 1). The pH of the medium was adjusted to 5.8 and later was autoclaved at 120⁰C for 17 minutes. Cultures were incubated under 16 hrs, illumination (250 lux) at 25±2⁰C temperature. Raising the level of BAP (0.5 to 2.0 mg/l) resulted in the an increase in the number of shoots from hypocotyls and cotyledon explants of Niger (Nikam and Shitole, 1993). Induced highest number of multiple shoots over MS medium with 1.0 mg/l BAP (Warhade and Badrere 2017) Sridher *et al* 2014). The results from this study has shown that BAP induced the activation of totipotency at the axillary bud explants, which resulted in the formation of multiple shoots. The elongation of microshoot was attempted using various ways. It gives an estimate of the number of shoots expected to regenerate.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

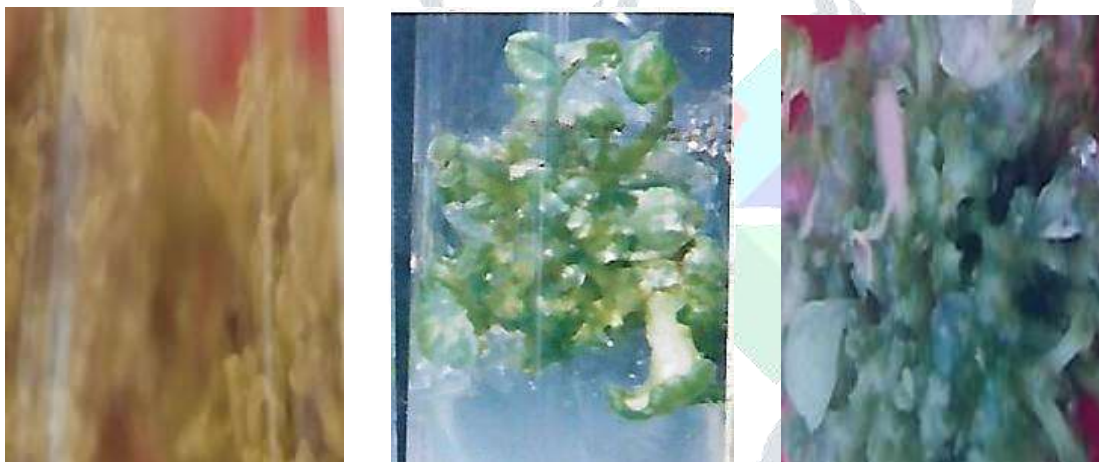
The present investigation, we attempted to elongate microshoots by entire inclusion of higher concentration of BAP 2.0mg/l and NAA 3.0mg/l culturing the microshoot for an extended duration over the MS medium. There may be because of the increased availability of Cytokinins other nutrients (CM) coconut milk aeration of the culture and dilution of any exudates from the explants. Among all explants used axillary bud segments were the best for multiple shoot induction. With an increase in the level of BAP 2.0 – 3.0 mg/l the percentage of explants producing shoots also increased. The number of shoots developed on the explants ranged from 1-4 to 2-3 by the addition of BAP at a concentration of 2.0 mg/l or NAA at 3.0 mg/l. Among three concentrations used i.e, 10, 15 and 20%, 15% of coconut milk along with 1.0 mg/l BAP had proved to be ideal for multiple shoot induction. MS medium fortified with 1.0 mg/l BAP or 2.0 mg/l L-Glutamic acid also induced shoot buds on axillary bud explants. The mean number of shoots developed on the explants ranged from 1-4 to 2-3 by the addition of different concentrations of BAP and NAA. The axillary bud segments cuttings were inoculated on MS basal medium fortified with various cytokinins i.e., BAP and NAA. Coconut water also had a role in triggering the formation of multiple shoots. Raising the level of BAP (3 mg/l to 4 mg/l) resulted in an increase in the percentage of shoots developed from axillary bud segments cuttings. There was no significant increase in the number of shoots on NAA+ Kn at low and high concentration (Plate 1). MS medium supplemented with 10, 15, 20% of coconut milk also triggered the induction of many multiple shoots. Low concentration of L-glutamic acid (0.5 – 1.0 mg/l, along with BAP (1.0 mg/l, has produced significant mean number of multiple shoots that ranged from 2-3 to 5-6 in both the explants. Addition of NAA failed to produce many shoots but enlarged the axillary bud segments. Lower levels of coconut milk (6, 12%) induced callus formation. The results from study have shown the initiation of shoot buds and formation of multiple shoots of *Gmelina asiatica* (L)

Table-I Callus induction from Axillary bud explants of *Gmelina asiatica* (L)

Growth Regulators	Tendril	
	% frequency of shoots	Mean No. of shoots
MS + 0.5 mg/l BAP + 0.5 L-Glutamic acid+Kn 0.5mg/L	40	Callus
MS + 1.0 mg/l BAP + 1.0 L-Glutamic acid+ Kn 1.0 gm/L	35	Callus
MS + 2.0 mg/l BAP + 2.0 L-Glutamic acid+ Kn 1.5 mg/L	30	shoots (2-4)
MS + 3.0 mg/l BAP + 3.0 L-Glutamic acid+2.0mg/L	25	shoots (2-6)
MS + 0.5 mg/l NAA + CM	35	Callus
MS + 1.0 mg/l NAA + CM	30	Callus
MS + 2.0 mg/l NAA + CM	25	shoots (2-4)
MS + 3.0 Mg/l NAA + CM	20	shoots (2-4)
MS + 4.0 mg/l NAA + CM	10	shoots (2-4)

CM = Coconut milk water

Plate –I Callus induction from Axillary bud explants of *Gmelina asiatica* (L)



CONCLUSION:

The effectiveness of MS medium in inducing callus regeneration in the axillary bud explants. Although MS Medium supported the regeneration in explants the regeneration was inefficient to trigger regenerative process of the explants in the present investigation. This is considered as one of the methods to increase the response in explants has suggested that repeated transfer of explant on multiplication media containing cytokinins succeeds in activating the plant materials. The method of repeated transfer of explant is considered to be useful for large scale production of plants, as it avoids isolation and culture of new explants.

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