



In Vitro Regeneration of High Yielding Indica Rice (*Oryza sativa* L.) Varieties

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Abstract

The experiment was conducted to observe the regeneration potential and also to establish a suitable *in vitro* plantlet regeneration protocol from mature seed derived embryogenic calli of four *indica* rice varieties viz BRRI dhan28, BRRI dhan29, BRRI dhan47 and Binadhan-7 after partial desiccation treatment. Different concentrations and combinations of growth regulators were used in MS medium to observe the callus induction ability using mature embryo as explants. The percentage of callus induction frequency was highest (86.00) in BRRI dhan47 and the lowest (56.50) in Binadhan-7. Among the culture media the performance of MS +500 mgL⁻¹ L- Proline + 2.0 mgL⁻¹ 2, 4-D + 0.8 mgL⁻¹ BAP was better than any other media for callus induction frequency (%), rapid callusing, size of the callus (mm), texture of callus and color of callus. Among the four varieties, shoot regeneration was highest in BRRI dhan29 (84.33%) which required minimum (14.80) days to and the lowest was in Binadhan-7 (39.67%) which required maximum (15.47) days. Among the treatments, the highest (65.75%) shoot regeneration was observed with MS + 6.0 mgL⁻¹ Kn + 0.5 mgL⁻¹ NAA which required minimum days (13.75) to develop green bud formation and the lowest shoot regeneration (56.50) was observed with MS + 2.0 mgL⁻¹ Kn + .05 mgL⁻¹ NAA. BRRI dhan29 produced more number of shoots (4.67) per callus while Binadhan-7 showed minimum number of shoots (2.87) per callus. The highest number of shoot producing roots (3.66) was observed in BRRI dhan29 which showed maximum number of root per plant and the lowest (3.11) in Binadhan-7. Among the three treatments MS + 0.6 mgL⁻¹ IBA showed highest percentage 86.67 of root followed by MS+ 0.6 mgL⁻¹ IBA 70% and the lowest (66.7%) was in MS+ 0.4 mgL⁻¹ IBA. The establishment rate of the plantlet in the pot was the highest (67.67%) in BRRI dhan29 and Binadhan-7 showed lowest establishment rate (51.22%) in pot.

Key words: Desiccation, Explant, IBA, Plantlet, Regeneration

Introduction

Rice, *Oryza sativa* (2n = 2x = 24), an annual grass, belongs to the family *Graminae*, is the staple food for the people of Bangladesh. Rice provides as much as 80% of the required calories for people in Bangladesh. At present genus, *Oryza* consists of two cultivated species and twenty one wild species. *Oryza sativa* is an Asian cultivated rice, grown worldwide, while *Oryza glaberrima* is grown only in limited areas of West Africa. There are three sub species on the basis of ecogeographical races. *Oryza sativa* is recognized into three sub species namely *indica*, *japonica* and *javanica*. Among these *indica* is most widely cultivated in the humid regions of Asian tropics and subtropics. But *japonica* is limited to temperate regions and *javanica* is mainly grown in some parts of Indonesia (Chang *et al.*, 2003). *Indica* type rice varieties are consumed by more than two billion people and accounts for 80% of cultivated rice of the world (Dutta *et al.*, 1999). It provides 27% of dietary energy supply in the developing world. In much of Asia, rice is so central to the culture that the word is almost synonymous with food.

Efficient plant regeneration in *in vitro* is essential for the successful utilization of biotechnology in rice crop improvement. Rice production showed record increases during the last three decades of the 20th

century, beginning with the pre-green revolution. In many Asian countries, rice yield levels are doubled or tripled from the pre-green revolution with an average of 1.9 tons per hectare (FAO, 2004). Average per capita food availability was 18% higher in 2000 than in 1966 (Khush, 2004). In Asia, it is projected that demand for rice will increase by 70% over the next 30 years, driven primarily by population growth, excluding China, is expected to increase by 51% (Hossain, 1997). To keep pace with projected demand, rice production growth must be sustained at 3% per year.

At present, International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) is employing tissue culture technique to develop rice varieties (Bajaj, 1996). Various tissue culture techniques are being applied for varietal development of cereal crops including rice in different countries (Dorosieve, 1996). Among these techniques, anther culture, protoplast fusion, leaf culture, root culture and dehusked seed culture are important in rice tissue culture to exploit somaclonal variation for creation of novel rice varieties. Therefore, the experiment was undertaken considering the following objectives: i) to find out the potentiality of high yielding *indica* rice (*sativa* L.) varieties for callus induction and plant regeneration from their mature dehusked seeds, ii) to find out the suitable concentration of BAP for callus induction

and iii) to study the single and combined effects of different cytokinin and auxin on plantlet regeneration.

Materials and Methods

Four *indica* rice Bangladeshi varieties viz BRR1 dhan28, BRR1 dhan29, BRR1 dhan47 and Binadhan-7 were used in this experiment. Mature embryo was the main source of explant.

The following growth regulators and phytohormone supplements were used in the present study:

Auxins 2, 4- dichlorophenoxy acetic acid (2, 4-D); α - naphthalene acetic acid (NAA); Indole butyric acid (IBA)

Cytokinins 6-furfuryl amino purine (Kinetin); 6-benzyl amino purine (BAP)

Amino acid L- Proline

The different media combination for callus induction were MS + 500 mg/l L- Proline + 2.0 mg/l 2, 4-D + 0.2/ 0.4/0.6/0.8 mg/l- 1 BAP (T1-4), for shoot induction MS + 0.5 mg/l NAA + 2.0/4.0/6.0 mg/l Kinetin (T1-3) and root induction MS + 0.2/0.4/0.6 mg/l IBA (T1-3)

Results and Discussion

In vitro plant regeneration via calli offer an unique facility of reproducible protocol as well as create somaclonal variations for further crop improvement. Investigation of *in vitro* regeneration of these varieties was accomplished with callus induction, callus characters, organogenesis, plantlet regeneration and subsequently their establishment in the field. The first step of this experiment was callus induction followed by plantlet regeneration. 50 explants were distributed in five replicates. The combine effects of varieties and treatments on different characters of calli were presented in the Table 1.

The percentage of callus induction frequency was the highest (86.00) in BRR1 dhan47 which required 14.90 days & the lowest (56.50) in BINA dhan7 which required minimum days (14.65). Among the culture media the performance of MS+2,4-D+L-Proline+BAP (mg/l) was better than any other media for callus induction, rapid callusing, size of the callus (mm), texture of callus and color of callus . MS+2,4-D+L-Proline+BAP (mg/l) was showed the lowest percentage callus induction, maximum days required for callusing, size of the callus, texture of callus & color of callus. The biggest size of callus 2.41 mm was identified from BRR1 dhan29 and most compact 2.48mm calli was also produced by BRR1 dhan29.

Table 1. Effects of varieties in combination with treatments on different characters of calli induced *in vitro* from mature embryos of four *indica* rice (*sativa* L.) genotypes at two to three weeks of explanation (50 explant were incubated for each treatment)

Variety	MS+2,4-D+L-Proline+BAP (mg/l)	Days to callusing	Callus induction Frequency (%)	Size of callus (mm)	Texture of callus	Colour of callus
BRR1 dhan28	2.0+500+0.2	16.00 a	70.00 hi	2.16 ef	2.41 a-e	2.93 a
	2.0+500+0.4	15.80 ab	76.00 fg	2.24 d-f	2.52 ab	2.05 f
	2.0+500+0.6	15.60 ab	64.00 j	2.28 d-f	2.35 c-e	2.85 ab
	2.0+500+0.8	15.40 a-c	82.00 c-e	2.34 c-e	2.48 a-d	2.68 b
BRR1 dhan29	2.0+500+0.2	16.00 a	80.00 d-f	2.38 b-d	2.46 a-d	2.39 c
	2.0+500+0.4	16.20 a	74.00 gh	2.44 b-d	2.38 b-e	1.85 g
	2.0+500+0.6	14.60 b-d	90.00 ab	2.56 ab	2.52 ab	1.71 gh
	2.0+500+0.8	15.40 a-c	86.00 bc	2.26 d-f	2.56 a	2.94 a
BRR1 dhan47	2.0+500+0.2	15.40 a-c	92.00 a	2.10 f	2.33 de	2.3 c-e
	2.0+500+0.4	15.00 a-c	78.00 e-g	2.66 a	2.41 b-e	1.59 h
	2.0+500+0.6	13.40 de	84.00 cd	2.30 d-f	2.45 a-d	2.33 cd
	2.0+500+0.8	15.80 ab	90.00 ab	2.52 a-c	2.49 a-c	2.41 c
Binadhan-7	2.0+500+0.2	15.40 a-c	52.00l	2.14 ef	2.29 e	2.11 ef
	2.0+500+0.4	14.20 cd	48.00 l	2.32 de	2.38 b-e	2.40 c
	2.0+500+0.6	16.20 a	58.00 k	2.26 d-f	2.41 a-e	1.83 g
	2.0+500+0.8	12.80 e	68.00 ij	2.660 a	2.35 c-e	2.15 d-f
LSD _(0.05)		1.162	4.619	0.174	0.128	0.196

The interaction between genotypes and different growth hormone combinations was highly significant for those callusing parameter. The results of the

analysis of variance (mean squares) on parameters for different varieties and media combinations of phytohormone were presented in Table 2.

Table 2. Analysis of variances of mean square values for callusing parameters of four *indica* rice varieties

Sources of variation	df	Mean of square				
		Days to callusing	Callus induction frequency (%)	Size of callus (mm)	Texture of callus	Colour of callus
Variety	3	3.060**	2090.00**	0.059**	0.031**	0.653**
Treatment	3	1.780**	322.00**	0.149**	0.019**	0.796**
Variety x Treatment (Interaction)	9	3.293**	117.33**	0.082**	0.013*	0.409**
Error	32	0.488	7.713	0.011	0.006	0.014

* = Significant at 5% level of probability

** = Significant at 1% level of probability

df = Degree of freedom

Among the four varieties shoot regeneration was the highest in BRRRI dhan29 (84.33%) which required only 14.80 days for green bud formation and the lowest in Binadhan-7 (39.67%) which required maximum 15.47 days for green bud formation (Table 3.). Among the treatments, the highest (65.75%) shoot regeneration was observed with MS + NAA+ Kn

(mg^l⁻¹) which required minimum days (13.75) to green bud formation and the lowest shoot regeneration (56.50%) was observed with MS + NAA+ Kn (mg^l⁻¹). BRRRI dhan29 produced more number of shoots (4.67) per callus while Binadhan-7 showed minimum number of shoots (2.87) per callus.

Table 3. Effects of varieties in combination with treatments on different shooting parameters of callus induced *in vitro* from mature embryos of four *indica* rice (*Oryza sativa* L.) genotypes

Varieties	MS + NAA+ Kn (mg ^l ⁻¹)	Days to green bud formation	Percent callus regeneration	Average no of shoot per callus
BRRRI dhan28	0.5 + 2.0	15.80 b-e	67.67 c	2.60 h
	0.5 + 4.0	16.80 ab	63.00 d	2.80 gh
	0.5 + 6.0	13.60 f	67.00 c	3.20 ef
BRRRI dhan29	0.5 + 2.0	16.20 b-d	78.00 b	4.60 bc
	0.5 + 4.0	17.40 a	81.00 b	5.60 a
	0.5 + 6.0	10.80 g	94.00 a	3.80 d
BRRRI dhan47	0.5 + 2.0	16.40 bc	56.00 e	2.60 h
	0.5 + 4.0	13.60 f	41.00 f	3.00 fg
	0.5 + 6.0	14.80 e	58.00 e	3.40 e
Binadhan-7	0.5 + 2.0	15.40 c-e	34.00 g	4.40 c
	0.5 + 4.0	15.20 de	41.00 f	4.80 b
	0.5 + 6.0	15.80 b-e	44.00 f	4.60 bc
LSD _(0.05)		0.924	3.972	0.266

The interaction between genotypes and different growth hormone combinations was highly significant

for those shooting parameter. These values (mean squares) were presented in Table 4.

Table 4. Analysis of variance of mean square values for shooting parameters of four *indica* rice varieties

Sources of variation	df	Mean of square		
		Days to green bud formation	Percent callus regeneration	Average no of shoot per callus
Variety	3	0.997*	3327.222**	8.703 **
Treatment	2	17.760**	276.194**	0.760 **
Variety x Treatment (Interaction)	6	11.187**	99.306**	0.853 **
Error	24	0.301	5.555	0.025

* = Significant at 5% level of probability

** = Significant at 1% level of probability

df = Degree of freedom

Next to shoot regeneration, the formation of root is also important for *in vitro* regeneration. The results of that parameter of root induction are summarized in Table 5. The highest number of roots (3.66) was observed in BRRRI dhan29 and the lowest (3.11) in Binadhan-7. Among the three treatments MS + IBA (mg^l⁻¹) showed the highest percentage 86.67 of root

followed by MS + IBA (mg^l⁻¹) 70% and the lowest 66.7% in MS + 0.2 mg^l⁻¹ IBA. Maximum number of shoot producing roots was found 4.00 in MS + IBA (mg^l⁻¹) IBA with BRRRI dhan29 and the lowest was 2.66 in MS + IBA (mg^l⁻¹) and MS + IBA (mg^l⁻¹) in Binadhan-7.

Table 5. Effects of varieties in combination with treatments on different rooting parameters of callus induced in *in vitro* from mature embryos of four *indica* rice (*sativa* L.) genotypes

Varieties	Treatments MS + IBA (mg ^l ⁻¹)	No. of shoot producing root	Average no. of root per plant	Plant establishment (%)
BRRRI dhan28	0.2	2.66 d	19.00 cd	47.00 f
	0.4	4.00 a	18.40 de	53.00 de
	0.6	3.33 bc	21.20 ab	62.00 c
BRRRI dhan29	0.2	3.66 ab	20.10 b-d	63.00 bc
	0.4	3.33 bc	21.80 ab	67.00 b
	0.6	4.00 a	20.40 bc	73.00 a
BRRRI dhan47	0.2	2.66 d	17.00 ef	61.00 c
	0.4	3.66 ab	15.40 f	55.00 d
	0.6	3.00 cd	22.30 a	51.00 d-f
Binadhan-7	0.2	3.66 ab	17.20 ef	50.00 ef
	0.4	3.00 cd	15.80 f	52.00 de
	0.6	3.33 bc	16.40 f	51.67de
LSD _(0.05)		0.402	1.64	4.166

The result of the analysis of variance (mean squares) values for rooting parameters were presented in Table 6.

Table 6. Analysis of variance of mean square values for rooting parameters of four *indica* rice varieties

Sources of variation	df	Mean of square		
		No. of shoot producing root	Average no. of root per plant	Plant establishment (%)
Variety	3	0.474**	30.483**	473.583**
Treatment	2	0.371**	16.477**	53.444**
Variety × Treatment (Interaction)	6	0.805**	11.041**	91.000**
Error	24	0.057	0.941	6.112

** = Significant at 1% level of probability

df = Degree of freedom

From this experiment, it could be concluded that the best performer BRRI dhan47 induced best calli with media combination of MS supplemented with 2 mg⁻¹ 2,4-D + 0.8 mg⁻¹ BAP + 500 mg⁻¹ L- Proline. BRRI dhan29 in MS supplemented with 6.0 mg⁻¹ Kn + 0.5 mg⁻¹ NAA performed well in case of regeneration. BRRI dhan29 showed the best performance in producing maximum roots per shoot as well as percent plant establishment in combination with MS supplemented with 0.5 mg⁻¹ IBA.

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