

High efficiency of genetic transformation and regeneration of *Codonopsis lanceolata* Trautv via *Agrobacterium tumefaciens*-mediated procedure

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Objectives

We focused on exploring the factors influencing *A. tumefaciens*-mediated transformation of *Codonopsis lanceolata* to optimized the transformation system and different combination of hormone concentration to optimize the regeneration system

Materials and Methods

- Plant material
 - *Codonopsis lanceolata* : The leaves and cotyledones from Seedling of *C. lanceolata* were collected from National institute Crop Science

- Regeneration system
 - Plant regeneration
 - o Medium and Hormone concentration : MS, Shenk and Hildebrandt Medium(SH), Gamborg B5 medium with the concentration of auxin (2,4-D, NAA), cytokinins(BA), GA3, 3% sucrose, and 0.8%(w/v) agar pH 5.8
 - o Carbone source concentration : sucrose (1, 3, 6%)
 - o Polyamine concentration : spermidine, spermine, putrescine (respectively 0.1, 1mg/l)
 - o Sensitivity to Kanamycin : MS(Sucrose 3%, agar 0.8%)+ NAA 2mg/l + BA 2mg/l + Kanamycin (0, 20, 30, 50, 70, 100mg/l)

- Transformation system
 - Gene construct
 - o γ -tocopherol methyltransferase inserted to pYB1130 (SacI/SmaI)
 - o *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* LBA4404
 - Transformation efficiency
 - o Inoculation time (0, 1, 3, 5, 8, 10 min)
 - o Cocultivation period (1, 2, 3, 4, 5 days)
 - PCR analysis
 - o N-1 primer (5'-GAG-GCT-ATT-CGG-CTA-TGA-CTG-3'); N-2 primer (5'-ATT-CTC-GTG-ATG-GCC-TTG-3'); TMT-1 primer(5'-GAATTCATGAAAGCAACTCTAGC-3'); TMT-2 primer(5'-TAA TCG ATTA GAC TTA GAG TGG CTT C-3')
 - Southern blot analysis
- o Restriction enzymes : Sam I / Sac I
- o Probe : DIG DNA labeling and detection kit

Results and Discussion

- The shoot induction frequency and shoot length of *C. lanceolate* was the highest at NAA 2mg/l and BA 2mg/l Yellow-white embryogenic calli formed cut ends of cotyledon on MS medium supplemented with 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid(2,4-D 0.1, 0.5, 1, 2mg/l) after 3-4 weeks. Then somatic embryos were produced by subculturing multiple shoots induced on MS medium containing 2mg/l GA3 after 3 weeks cotyledonary explants culture.
- The sucrose concentration was optimized at 3% sucrose for shoot induction and callus formation
- In the polyamine effects, the shoot induction frequency and shoot length of *C. lanceolate* was the highest at spermidine 0.1mg/l, in this condition shoot induction frequency was high and more over shoots appeared in the early time and grew vigorously
- Shoot induction was completely inhibited at 100mg/l, when the concentration of Kan 50 mg/l or higher there were no induced shoot and no developed callus either
- The inoculation time was optimized at 5minute and the optimum co-cultivation period was 2 days
- PCR and Southern blot analysis was confirmed that the γ -tocopherol methyltransferase introduced to plant genome and a system of high efficiency of genetic transformation and regeneration of *C. lanceolate* was established.

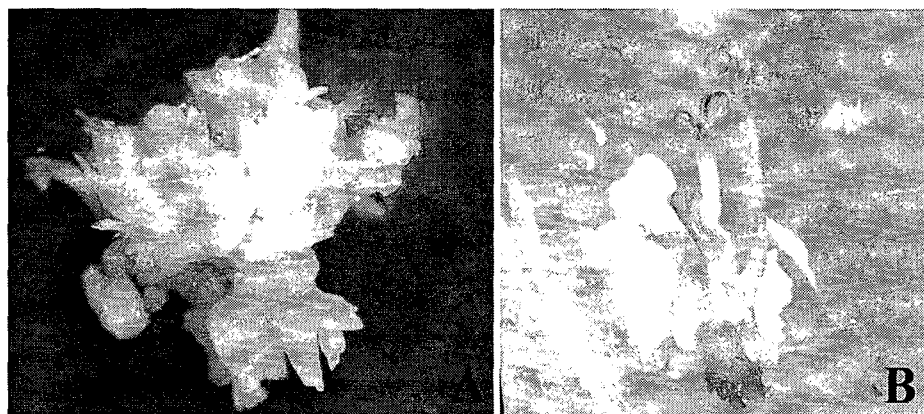


Fig. 1 Somatic embryogenesis and plant regeneration in transgenic *C. lanceolate*

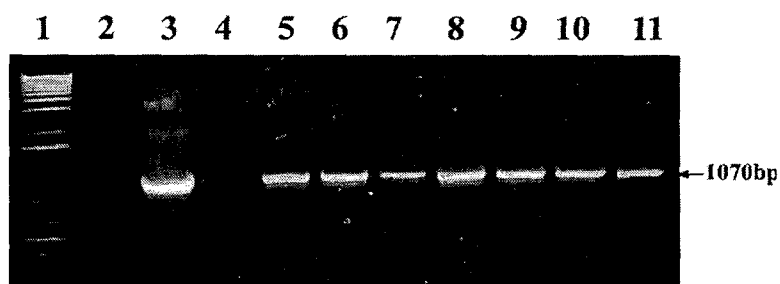


Fig. 2. Detection of γ -TMT gene in transgenic plants by using TMT-1 and TMT-2 primer. Lane 1 : pGEM marker DNA ; Lane 2 : PCR amplification of non- transgenic plant ; Lane 3 : PCR product of γ -TMT gene fragment; Lane 4-11 : PCR amplification of transgenic plant