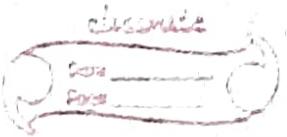


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# Plant Growth Regulation



## Plant Growth:-

Growth is a permanent and irreversible change of volume or size and increase in dry weight of a living body or plant. A growth is a vital process that brings about a permanent change in any plant or its parts in respect to size from, weight and diameter.

## Hormones:-

The substance that cause the growth and differentiation process are called growth regulation or growth hormones.

The plant hormones are organic compound produced within the plant body and regulates growth and development.

## Important characters of plant hormones

1. ~~Growth hormones are usually produced at the apex of roots, stem and leaves.~~
2. They are transported and transmitted one part to other parts of plant through xylem or phloem or both.
3. They produce new tissue or promotes the growth of very low concentration.
4. They are organic in nature.
5. They are used in extremely low amount.
6. They are also called phytohormones.

## Types of plant hormones:-

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### Auxin hormones:-

Auxin was produced or identified as the first group of plant hormones. It was first reported by (Oot) by Cola peptide curvature test and found that auxin included growth in plant. Its synthesis is in the coleoptile tip and translocated downward produced cell elongation without division.

Auxin are synthesized in the shoot and root apex, which move from apex to base by diffusion through phloem.

Role of auxin:- S.Q.

i. Cell elongation:-

Cell elongation is the most important function of auxin, which promotes the elongation of shoot and root tip behind the apical meristem. It makes the cell wall plastic and allow the flow of water fast that cause swelling of cell.

ii. Root formation:-

Auxin promotes root formation in cutting ends of plant parts.

iii. Flower initiation:-

NAA (Naphthalene acetic acid) and 2,4-D are used to induced's flower in tomato and papapple.

iv. Parthenocarpy:-

Application of auxin like IAA (Indole acetic acid) and IBAC (Indole butyric acid) to unpollinated flower pestil makes them develop into seeds fruits or parthenocarpy.

### v. Apical Dominance:

It is a phenomenon by which presence of apical bud, the lateral bud do not grow properly. When the apical bud is removed lateral bud grow. Auxin synthesis in the apical bud inhibits the development of lateral bud.

### vi. Controlling abscission.

Abscission means falling of leaves or fruits. Auxin in the abscission zone prevent the formation of abscission layer and controls the dropping of pre-matured fruits and flowers.

### vii. Tissue culture.

Auxin like 2,4-D, NAA and IBA is used in root initiation and callus production in tissue culture.

### viii. Weedicides.

Auxine like 2,4-D is used as weedicides. In high concentration of auxin is toxic to dicots but non-toxic to monocots so it is used as selective weed killer in crops fields and lawns.

## (2) Cytokines :-

Cytokines are basic in nature. It was 1<sup>st</sup> discovered by M. F. Uretz et al in 1955 from degraded sample of DNA of yeast and coconut milk named kinetin. Cytokines cytokinin synthesis in the dividing cells like fruits seeds and embryo of plants.

## S.Q Role of cytokinins

- i) cell division - The important role of cytokinins is to promote cell division in plant specially in the presence of auxin.
  - ii) cell enlargement - cytokinins cause the enlargement of cells in leaf cotyledons and petioles of tobacco.
  - iii) dormancy - It is also used in breaking the dormancy of seeds and other plant organs.
  - iv) protein synthesis - cytokinins increase the rate of protein synthesis.
  - v) delay senescence - Application of cytokinins delay senescence in intact plant parts.
  - vi) Contradiction of apical dominance - Application of cytokinins promotes the growth of lateral buds.
  - vii) Promotes cell differentiation - Cytokinins play an important role in the initiation of plant organs in callus.
- High concentration of cytokinins and auxin ratio produce shoot formation.
- Low concentration of cytokinins and auxin ratio produce root formation.
- Moderate concentration of cytokinins and auxin ratio produce both root and shoot formation.
- Moderate concentration of cytokinins and less concentration of auxin ratio induce mitotic cell division.

### [3] Gibberellins (G.A)

Gibberellins are acidic in nature produced from a fungus Gibberella fujikuroi. cause a disease in rice seedlings called Bacterial disease in Japan. The active substance isolated and isolated from the extract of fungus having capacity to stimulate abnormal growth called gibberellins. They are synthesized in the apical shoot, bud root, tip and developing seed. they move in all direction through both xylem and phloem.

#### # Role of Gibberelline:-

1. Stem and leaf growth: Gibberelline elongates stem by enlargement of cells.
2. Elongation of dwarf shoot: Genetically dwarf varieties of plant such as pea, maize can be produced to grow normal height by the application of gibberellines.
3. flowering:- It promotes flowering in plants long day plant during non-induction process.
4. Sex expression:- Gibberelline promotes the male flower on genetically female plant of cucurbita.
5. Parthenocarpy:- like auxin, gibberelline also produce the formation of seedless fruits.
6. Bolting in rosette plant:- Bolting is the elongation of reduced stem such as cabbage, cauliflower, Internode, growth or length is very short giving rosette appearance. Application of Gibberellines increase Internode length in that plant.

7. Delay falling of fruits:- Reopening of fruits on some plant like citrus can be delayed with the help of Gibberellins and also prevent pre-mature falling of fruits in that plants.

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