

(Nigella sativa L.)

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Nigella sativa L.

3 4 8 13 24

10^{-6} 2,4-D

(RNA DNA)

Presence of Dihydrofolate Reductase in Seedlings and Callus of *Nigella Sativa* L. Plant.

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ABSTRACT

The study aimed to investigate the biosynthesis of thymidine nucleotide by salvage and de novo pathways in the black seed (*Nigella sativa* L.) plant. The results indicated the absence of thymidine phosphorylase activity in the cell extract of black seed plant while dihydrofolate reductase was present. This may indicate that black seed cells depend on de novo pathway for dTMP synthesis.

Callus induction occurred on stem segments of *Nigella sativa* L. seedlings grown on Murashige and Skoog medium, containing 10^{-6} M of 2,4-D .

Specific activity of dihydrofolate reductase and total folate content of black seed callus reached 24,13,8,4 and 3 folds than that found in seeds, roots, flowers, stems and leaves respectively.

Moreover, the results indicated an increase in the fresh weight with an increase in the cellular contents of proteins, nucleic acids (DNA and RNA) and folate extracted from callus of deferent ages. The specific activity of dihydrofolate reductase followed the same pattern of the cell components.

Nigella sativa L.

Al-Jassir,)

. (1992

. (Naghma et al., 2003)

(1998)

DNA (dTMP)

(Katayanagi et al., 2003)

. (Jinoch et al., 2003)

. (Neil et al., 2003)

dUMP dTMP

Xu et al.,)
 (Neil et al., 2003) (Elcock et al., 1996) (2003
 (Reddy and Rao, 1976) (Suzuki and Iwai, 1970)
 Al-) (Wu et al., 1993) (Albani et al., 1985)
 (1997) (Chalabi et al., 1990

Nigella sativa L.

Arnon and) Arnon , Hogland %92
 %96 . (Hogland, 1944, 1940
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 1 30-25
 %3.5 (Murashige and Skoog, 1962) MS
 . (2002) 10^{-6} 2,4-D
 16 1500 (0+20)
 35 8

Thymidine phosphorylase

Tris- ³ 5 35
 4 7.8 50 HCL
 20000 Ultrasonic
 . (1997) /
 (Al-Chalabi et al., 1990) (Schwartz, 1971) Schwartz

. (Burton, 1956)

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600

Dihydrofolate reductase

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(7.0)

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Ultrasonic

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9000

. (1997)

(Osborn and Huenneken, 1958)

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40 ³ 3

0.1 NADPH

0.5

0.15 6.6

MgSo₄

12 2, Mercaptoethanol

10 EDTA

. 30 10

NADPH

(50-10 5 0)

. (Lowry et al., 1951)

(DNA RNA)

. (Cherry, 1962) Cherry

. (Giles and Mayer, 1965; 1967) Mayer Giles

(DNA)

. DNA

(RNA)

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(AOAC, 1950) AOAC

Streptococcus

540

faecalis

(*Nigella sativa* L.)

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2,4-D

(Murashige and Skoog, 1962)

MS

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(1)

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Thymidine phosphorylase

Dihydrofolate reductase (DHFR)

DHFR

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3 , 4 , 8 , 13 , 24

35

(1)

DHFR

(2)

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50

(2)

(RNA)

. DHFR

35

MS

(DNA)

35-5

DNA

(2)

.RNA

(1)

. 3 , 4 , 8 , 13 , 24

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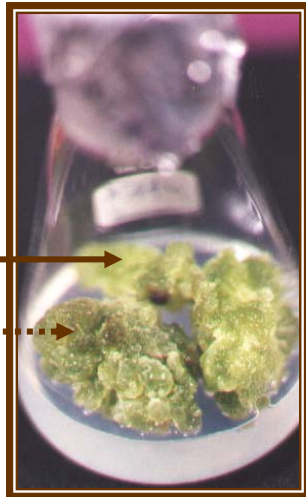
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(DNA RNA)

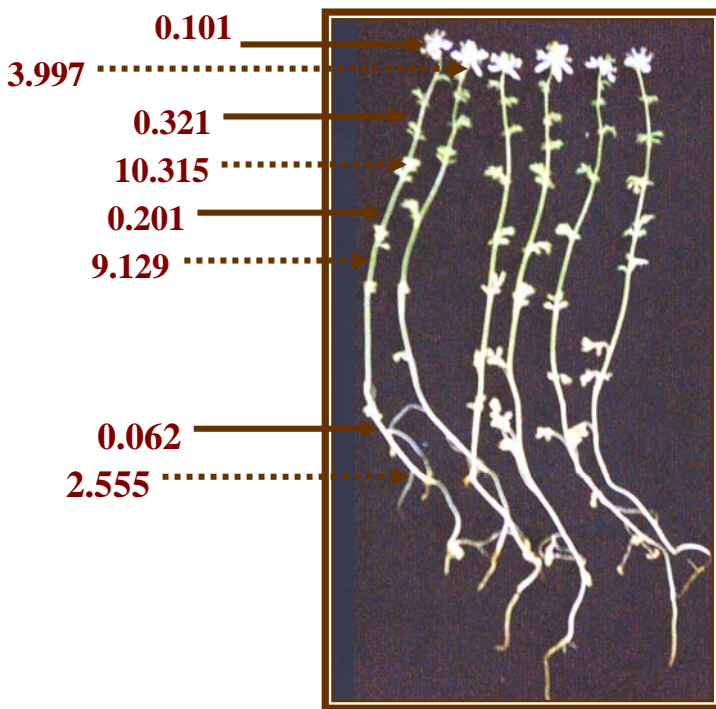
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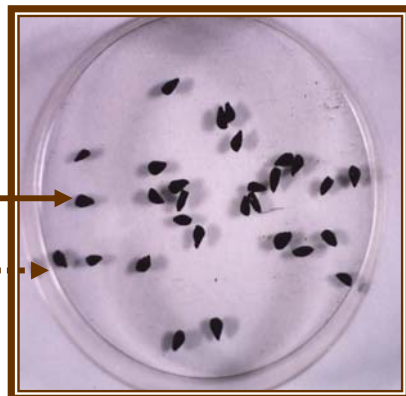
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	/	DHFR / /	
-	0.805	33.216	
3	0.321	10.315	
4	0.201	9.129	
8	0.101	3.997	
13	0.062	2.555	
24	0.033	1.384	

(2002)

. (2004)

. DNA

10^{-6} 2,4-D MS

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2,4-D

. (2002)

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2, 4-D

MS

 10^{-6}

	RNA	DNA		DHFR		
0.201 0.081 $\bar{\pm}$	49.039 0.211 $\bar{\pm}$	5.004 0.121 $\bar{\pm}$	0.035 0.011 $\bar{\pm}$	9.18 0.021 $\bar{\pm}$	0.030 $\bar{\pm}$ 0.012	
0.282 0.091 $\bar{\pm}$	52.449 0.321 $\bar{\pm}$	5.521 0.081 $\bar{\pm}$	0.092 0.012 $\bar{\pm}$	11.994 0.011 $\bar{\pm}$	0.035 $\bar{\pm}$ 0.015	5
0.399 0.011 $\bar{\pm}$	69.020 0.111 $\bar{\pm}$	6.902 0.091 $\bar{\pm}$	0.113 0.031 $\bar{\pm}$	13.040 0.021 $\bar{\pm}$	0.040 $\bar{\pm}$ 0.013	10
0.421 0.031 $\bar{\pm}$	72.105 0.091 $\bar{\pm}$	7.561 0.088 $\bar{\pm}$	0.251 0.012 $\bar{\pm}$	14.991 0.021 $\bar{\pm}$	0.050 $\bar{\pm}$ 0.021	15
0.554 0.022 $\bar{\pm}$	75.585 0.212 $\bar{\pm}$	8.041 0.120 $\bar{\pm}$	0.302 0.002 $\bar{\pm}$	19.412 0.011 $\bar{\pm}$	0.066 $\bar{\pm}$ 0.018	20
0.722 0.031 $\bar{\pm}$	81.548 0.311 $\bar{\pm}$	8.584 0.111 $\bar{\pm}$	0.524 0.031 $\bar{\pm}$	22.450 0.012 $\bar{\pm}$	0.089 $\bar{\pm}$ 0.031	25
0.788 0.021 $\bar{\pm}$	90.810 0.214 $\bar{\pm}$	9.881 0.092 $\bar{\pm}$	0.699 0.022 $\bar{\pm}$	28.994 0.011 $\bar{\pm}$	0.118 $\bar{\pm}$ 0.041	30
0.806 0.033 $\bar{\pm}$	101.450 0.331 $\bar{\pm}$	10.991 0.082 $\bar{\pm}$	0.822 0.011 $\bar{\pm}$	33.212 0.013 $\bar{\pm}$	0.132 $\bar{\pm}$ 0.013	35
0.991 0.040 $\bar{\pm}$	193.513 0.232 $\bar{\pm}$	13.191 0.121 $\bar{\pm}$	1.532 0.081 $\bar{\pm}$	45.211 0.011 $\bar{\pm}$	0.350 $\bar{\pm}$ 0.031	40
1.032 0.121 $\bar{\pm}$	197.217 0.411 $\bar{\pm}$	13.909 0.321 $\bar{\pm}$	1.791 0.021 $\bar{\pm}$	48.495 0.011 $\bar{\pm}$	0.440 $\bar{\pm}$ 0.044	45
1.289 0.211 $\bar{\pm}$	199.575 0.121 $\bar{\pm}$	14.049 0.411 $\bar{\pm}$	1.990 0.021 $\bar{\pm}$	49.216 0.012 $\bar{\pm}$	0.581 $\bar{\pm}$ 0.121	50

NADPH

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(*) -

Extension Coefficient

. ($6.2 \times 10^3 \text{ M}^{-1} \cdot \text{cm}^{-1}$)($\bar{\pm}$) -

(Salvage pathway)

(De novo)

; 1986)

Al-)

(Fangman, 1969) E. coli

(1997

. (Chalabi and Gutteridge, 1977

. (Douce et al., 2001; Oliver, 1994)

DNA

. (Jabrin, 2003)

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(1997)

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. (Mohammed et al., 1989)

RNA DNA

. (Jabrin, 2003)

. (1990)

. 2002

Nigella sativa L.

Nigella sativa L.

. 1998

. 1986

. 1997

. (*Lactuca sativa* L.)

. 1990

. 2004

. (*Nigella sativa* L.)

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