

Physiological studies on *Rosa gallica* var *aegyptiaca*

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SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION The study was conducted through seasons, 1984/1985, 1985/1986, and 1986/1987 on *Rosa gallica* var. *aegyptiaca* plants of 18 months age. The investigation was performed in the open field at the Agricultural Research Station, Assiut. The present investigation includes three parts; the effect of growth regulators, kinetin (in the concentration of 50 and 100 ppm) and B₉ (in 1000 and 4000 ppm), the effect of nitrogen fertilization at the levels of 150, 300 and 450 kg/Feddan ammonium nitrate, and the interaction between growth substances and nitrogen fertilization. The effect of these factors were studied to investigate their effects on growth and flower characters, anatomical changes of buds and some chemical analysis. The results obtained could be summarized in the following:

I. Vegetative Growth:

a. Kinetin: Kinetin increased plant height by 50 and 76% over the control in the two concentrations used. This increase was 100 and 179% in number of canes/plant. In fresh weight of canes the percentage increases due to the two levels of kinetin were 106 and 150%. While with fresh weight of leaves kinetin produced 32 and 50% increase over the control. Dry matter percentages of canes and leaves were increased by the first level of kinetin only.

b. B₉: B₉ influenced all the growth characters studied, in which the first level was the most effective. This differs from the trend obtained by kinetin which produced its effect with increasing the concentration. B₉ is a growth retardant and exhibited a stimulant effect with the lower concentration only.

II. Nitrogen Fertilization Nitrogen was applied in three doses 150, 300 and 450 kg ammonium nitrate/Feddan. Nitrogen increased plant height by adding different nitrogen levels. The increases due to the three nitrogen levels were 34.83, 31.12 and 42.91 over the control respectively. The canes number corresponding to each level of nitrogen was 22.66, 35.33, 39.66 and 44.00 per plant for 0, 150, 300, and 450 kg ammonium nitrate. With respect to the fresh weight of canes, it was found that the second level of nitrogen had the most promising and highly significant effect. Gradual increase in dry matter percentages of canes were found due to the addition of nitrogen. Fresh weight of leaves per plant increased as nitrogen levels increased. The values were 30.46, 35.71, 37.76 and 41.55 grams for N₀, N₁, N₂ and N₃ respectively. On the other hand the percentage increases of dry matter of leaves over the control were 8.49, 7.49 and 19.04 due to the three nitrogen levels.

3. Interaction Between Growth Regulators and Nitrogen Fertilization

a. The Combination of kinetin and nitrogen the high values could be pointed out as follows: Plant height: The optimum treatment was higher kinetin combined with the first level of nitrogen. Number of canes: The higher values was with treatment of higher kinetin with medium nitrogen level. Fresh weight of canes/plant: The optimum treatment was higher kinetin with lower nitrogen dose. Dry matter percentage of canes: The higher values were obtained by both higher levels of kinetin and nitrogen. Fresh and dry weight of leaves, the higher values were obtained by K₁N₂ and K₁N₁ respectively.

b. Nitrogen the following each aspect studied: Plant height: B₉ N₁, Number of canes: no interaction occurred, fresh weight interaction, Dry matter % of canes: B₉ in its two doses combined with nitrogen with the medium level, fresh and dry weight of leaves: no interaction occurred.

II. Flowering:

1. Growth Regulators

a. Kinetin: Flowering period started from March and continued to May in which maximum production was obtained in all the treatments conducted. Kinetin increased the monthly and flower yield/plant compared with control. The yield was 25.10, 55.0 and

118.05 grams in March, April and May respectively by the first level, however the second one gave smaller values. The total floweryield per plant was influenced by kinetin treatment. The yield was 198.25 and 144.15 for K and k versus 71.23 grams for 1 control in 1986, while were 189.35, 139.13 versus 73.36 in 1987. a.2. Kinetin influenced bud development by increasing rate at development and differentiation. b. Bb.1.9B in its two doses influenced yield per plant in the two flower yield, monthly or total growth seasons. Theyield/plant was 119.24 and 158.24 for B9 and B9 versus 11.231 2 grams for control in 1986, while were 99.18 154.16 versus 73.36 in 1987. b.2. B affect bud development, in picture opposite to that with kinetin. The cells were minute in shape and size and very narrow in its diameter, all glands clear, leaf per node delayed and less in length. 11. Nitrogen Fertilization 1. Nitrogen in the second level (300 Kg) increased floweryield as monthly or as total per plant in the two seasons. Theyield was 188.61, and 181.26 for seasons 1986, and 1987 respectively versus 71.23 and 73.36 grams for control in the two seasons. 2. Bud development was not influenced by fertilization as detected by the anatomical studies. nitrogen 3. a.1. As the interaction between kinetin and nitrogen their effect on flower yield per plant was considered a synergism effect was occurred between the first dose of kinetin and the third level of nitrogen which produced the higher yield. 3. a.2. No changes in tissues of transverse section were observed as influenced by combination of nitrogen and kinetin. 3. b.1. B the higher values of flowers per plant, and consequently per feddan were obtained with the treatment of higher doses of B and nitrogen. 3. b.2. No anatomical changes could be observed in the combination between B and nitrogen. 9. III. Chemical Analysis 1. Growth Regulators a. Kinetin 1. Concrete percentage increased by applying kinetin with its two levels. However, with the concrete yield per plant or per feddan, the first level K_{1} gave the higher yield and the first season K_{2} gave the higher yield. 2. With regard to plant pigment chlorophylls increased by kinetin application but the low concentration was most effective. The values obtained were 4.21, 4.12 for K_{1} and K_{2} respectively. On the other hand, carotenoids increased linearly with kinetin concentration from 0.14 to 1.14, to 1.11 for K_{1} and K_{2} respectively. 0.123. With respect to carbohydrates, no effect of kinetin was observed. 4. Nitrogen percentage in leaves was highly influenced by kinetin treatments, but the low dose of kinetin was the superior which gave 1.18 versus 0.73 and 1.3 for control and K_{2}. 89.1. Concrete percentage and concrete yield increased by 89 with its two doses. The higher yield of concrete was obtained at 4000 ppm concentration, since it produced the higher yield of flower with high percent of concrete. 2. 89 treatments increased chlorophyll "a", "b" and their ratio. Chlorophyll "a" increased from 4.53 to 5.28 with 89 and B9. Carotenoids also were raised with the two levels of B9, to reach 1.18, and 1.11 respectively. 3. With regard to the total carbohydrates, the first dose of 89 stimulated the carbohydrate content in the leaves of rose plant, the value was 5.1 however, the second level inhibited the carbohydrate content, since so it is less than the control it gave 2.50 mg/gm while with the control it was 3.16. 4. Nitrogen percentage in leaves was remarkably influenced by B9 application, the low dose promote the nitrogen percentage in plant leaves, it was 1.74%. 2. Nitrogen Fertilization 1. Nitrogen in its three levels applied create an increase on concrete percentage, but when dealing with concrete yield per plant or feddan, the picture differed. The second dose of nitrogen produced the higher yield of concrete. The yield per plant due to this level was 0.647 and 0.633 gm for the first and second seasons respectively. 2. Plant pigments, > Including chlorophylls and carotenoids increased also by nitrogen doses added. For chlorophyll the percentages increase over control were 14.92, 69.40 and 164.92% for NI, NI and NJ. However with carotenoids, the second dose of nitrogen was the most effective. 3. Nitrogen obtained N3. When dealing with carbohydrates, it was obvious till 300 kg stimulated total carbohydrate, the with that level was 4.19 versus 3.60 and 3.80 for that value N and 14. Nitrogen percentage in the leaves generally increased by, the different nitrogen doses applied. The Interaction Between kinetin, B Fertilization. 9 and Nitrogen In general, no constant trend could be postulated from the interaction between kinetin and nitrogen on one hand and B9 and nitrogen in the other hand. The three factors studied, i.e. kinetin, B9 and Nitrogen gave the higher values when used lonely. However synergistic effects occurred between different combination. 4. Chemical Composition of Absolute Oil Gas liquid chromatography analysis revealed 26 compounds from which 8 compounds were identified. The major compound was phenyl ethyl alcohol which comprised about 31% of oil. All the compounds exerted in the 011

resembles that of all rose oil types. The following compounds were identified :Phenyl ethyl alcohol, citronella!, caryophyllene, eugenol methyl ether, sesquiterpene alcohol.nero!, geraniol, sesquiterpeneBand