



## EXPLORING THE IMPORTANCE OF INVITRO CULTURE IN LARGE SCALE CULTIVATION OF HIGH YIELDING BANANA PLANTS

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### ABSTRACT

Plant Tissue culture has propelled the learning of crucial Biotechnology particularly in the field of farming, cultivation, plant rearing, ranger service, physical cell hybridization, phytopathology and mechanical creation of plant metabolites, and so forth. Amid the most recent two decades plant cell, tissue and organ culture have grown quickly and turned into a noteworthy biotechnological apparatus in agribusiness, cultivation, ranger service and industry. That issue, which was not achievable through regular procedure, now have been unravelled by means of plant tissue culture systems. As of late developing of tissue culture banana getting to be noticeably prominent around there. Banana is a financially vital yield, which is widely developed in tropical and subtropical nations. The in-vitro banana plants are better than the ordinary suckers because of their lively development, intelligence and higher yields. An endeavour was made to institutionalize the generation of tissue refined banana (*Robusta sp*) contrast with regular sucker engendering strategy.

**KEYWORDS:** *Banana plant, Plant Tissue Culture (PTC), Robusta sp, Shoot tip, In-vitro propagation.*



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## INTRODUCTION

The potential estimation of plant tissue culture innovation is as a rule monetarily abused by different associations everywhere throughout the world. The Horticulture Industry reacted rapidly to the small scale proliferation look into. At display more than 400 million plants are created through tissue culture in various parts of the world<sup>1</sup>. There is potential market for billions of US dollars for every year worldwide for tissue culture items. There are more than 65 research facilities everywhere throughout the world delivering more than a million plants for every year. The aggregate creation of North Indian labs presumably surpasses 50 million plants for every year. The creation in Asian nations is nearing 100 million plants, which incorporate orchids, temperature and tropical blossoming crops, foliage plants and ranch crops.<sup>2</sup> To support up these ranges ICGEB in a workshop prescribed the need of more research in creating nations on plant cell culture, separation, recovery and change in tropical grain vegetables, woody vegetables and cereals. The accentuation was laid to enhance development under anxiety condition, vermin and sickness resistance, enhanced healthful quality, nitrogen obsession and the control of parcelling inside the plant.<sup>3</sup> The adjustments in the way of life of individuals have moved their utilization design towards nutritious nourishments like natural products. The creation of natural products through regular strategies is not adequate to meet the developing demand.<sup>4</sup> Hence, there is a need of utilizing present day advancements like tissue culture to top off the hole between the request and supply of banana seedlings. Such plants are being developed at select places in the province of Andhra Pradesh. It is being advanced for the most part by the privately owned businesses through providing of seed materials. At this crossroads, it is imperative to think about the execution of tissue refined banana over that of sucker-engendered banana.<sup>5</sup> Plant tissue culture methods are basic to many sorts of scholarly request, and to many connected parts of plant science. At present, tissue-refined plants that have been hereditarily built provide insight into plant atomic science and quality control. Plant tissue culture strategies are also central to creative regions of connected plant science, including plant biotechnology and agriculture.<sup>6</sup> Tissue culture is a biotechnology procedure that has been widely and beneficially utilized as a part of the banana business. It has reformed the fare banana industry and has turned out to be a noteworthy part in restoring the banana business of a few nations in Asia.<sup>7</sup> However numerous different nations have not misused the full helpfulness and what it can convey to the change of banana creation. The capacity to create huge number of planting materials in generally brief timeframe had permitted developing bananas in a greater bundle of land in a given time span, which generally be restricted by constrained accessibility of suckers. With this innovation, one can plan to plant the coveted number of plants, in a coveted region of land. This venture expects to examine the utilizations and significance of tissue culture in banana.<sup>8</sup> The primary goal is to institutionalize the sort of explant for in vitro mass spread of *Musa accuminata* compare to traditional sucker engendering technique.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

### **Collection of banana plants**

The banana plants *Musa accuminata* (Robusta sp) collected from the banana fields, Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Research Station, Kovvur, West Godavari, Andhra Pradesh. From this, suckers were isolated aseptically which going to be used as explants.

### **Outlining of MS-Medium and Preparation**

A supplement medium is characterized by its mineral salt piece, Carbon source, Vitamins, Phytohormones and other natural supplements. The fundamental healthful prerequisites of refined plant cells are very much like those used by plants.<sup>9</sup> The outlining of media basically means to give all the basic necessities required for the development of plant. The MS medium is most appropriate for the refined Banana. The stock arrangements of inorganic supplements, follow components, vitamins and plant development controllers, as demonstrated in table were readied. To get ready 1 lit of medium, pipette the required volume of each stock arrangement (Table 1) in to a 1 lit glass measuring glass, on an attractive stirrer. The added substances were included 950 ml of refined water. The pH was acclimated to 5.8 to 5.9 with 0.5 M NaOH and 0.8 % Agar was included. The medium was then moved in to a 1 lit measuring chamber and made up to 1 lit with refined water. Move the medium into 75-100 ml sterile screw topped holder and autoclave it for 15 min at 121°C (15 LB).

### **Disinfection of media and Maintenance of Aseptic condition**

All the way of life tubes containing medium were stopped with non-permeable cotton. These were sanitized via autoclaving at 121°C for 20 minutes (15lb).<sup>9</sup> This medium was chilled off to room temperature and utilized for tissue culture work. The most favoured course of action for aseptic exchange is, a different aerated and cooled, tidy free room furnished with the essential number of laminar wind stream clean seats, fitted with bright lights.<sup>9</sup> An abnormal state of cleanliness guarantees decreased danger of sullyng. All working surface is altogether cleaned and purified before sterile exchange. It is finished by utilizing ethanol (95%) arrangement.<sup>9</sup> It is alluring that the exchange room and the laminar stream hood be utilized only for aseptic controls. Other hardware required for sterile controls incorporate surgical blades with removable cutting edges, forceps of differing lengths, an ethanol plunge and Bunsen burner. These additionally ought to be washed with ethanol for sterilization preceding use.<sup>9</sup>

### **Choice and cleansing of Explants**

The Banana explants (*Robusta sp.*) utilized for shoot acceptance was gathered from the meristematic shoot apex, (4mm measure) from the suckers by cutting with a perfect blade. The suckers gathered from the banana plants ought to be free from diseases.<sup>10</sup> The suckers were precisely expelled from field and were washed altogether in tap water. These were the washed with tween 20. All hints of tween and the superfluous rhizome tissue were painstakingly slashed with a stainless steel cut. Facilitate operations were altogether completed under laminar wind stream chamber. The

suckers were treated with citrus extract arrangement (0.2%) to keep the phenolic discharges. Trimmed suckers were then absorbed an answer of 0.5% of a reasonable fungicide and streptomycin anti-infection for 30 min to 60 minutes. Presently the suckers were washed with sterile refined water for 3 times. These were treated with the sodium hypochlorite (0.2%) solution and were altogether washed with sterile refined water. Presently the suckers are treated with Magnesium chloride (0.1%) arrangement, at that point treated with refined water for 3 times to evacuate the hints of  $MgCl_2$ . Shoot tips containing rhizome tissue and measuring 2.5 to 3.5cm long were secluded, surface sanitized with chlorine-immersed refined water for 15 to 20 min. All hints of chlorine were expelled by washing a few times with autoclaved, sterile refined water. Sanitized shoot tip, explants are dealt with utilizing cleaned stainless steel surgical blades. Cut surfaces of the rhizomatous tissue and leaf bases are additionally trimmed with the goal that shoot tips at last contain no less than six to eight covering leaf bases encasing assistant buds. The explants are currently prepared for vaccination and measures 1 to 2 cm. It is then drenched into the clean strong medium present in the way of life vessel.

#### **Vaccination of explants**

After surface disinfection meristamatic tissues were vaccinated in to culture tubes containing MS medium with various development supplements utilizing sterile forceps which was drenched in 70% ethanol and blazed. A normal of one meristamatic tissue was vaccinated per culture tube. After immunization the tubes were shut with tight cotton plugs. After vaccination the way of life tubes were kept up in a BOD hatchery at a temperature of 18-20°C with light force of 1000 lux. The explants are sub-refined routinely in another culture medium.

#### **Enlistment of development**

Societies ought to be brooded in the MS supplement media supplemented with plant development controllers. There upon the sound, pollution free explants ought to be taken for next duplication stage. Contamination free explants were additionally refined on augmentation media supplemented with plant development hormones which help in multiplication of axillary buds (cytokinins) into different shoots. These shoots are partitioned and duplicated to beef up the multi culture stock. The duplication cycles are confined to 8 since Banana is hereditarily exceedingly flimsy.

#### **Shooting and Rooting**

Multi societies are additionally isolated and exchanged to shooting media which is composed of auxins (PGR) to get the prolongation. In this stage leaves will create and the entire plant will grow up to 4 to 5 cm. Plantlets from shooting media are isolated and single plantlets are exchanged to media containing charcoal and auxins. In this stage roots will create and plants will be prepared for dispatch from laboratory. Well created plantlets delivered, were taken from the mass and developed independently on isolated culture media. After a month, the rooted plantlets are prepared for solidifying. To limit substantial variety, the sub refined is confined to a greatest of seven cycles when each container contains 25-30 plantlets with very much created shoots

and roots. Experiments have exhibited that multiplying shoots can be exchanged to polybags (10-20 cm measure) having establishing media under green house. This lessens cost and upgrades better foundation. Polybag gives enough space to plant growth and characteristic light improves the way toward solidifying.

#### **Hardening**

Once the plantlets are prepared for moving outside the lab, they are carefully acclimatized to adjust to the green house and later to minimum secured field conditions. Amid solidifying, the plantlets experience physiological adjustment to changing external factors like water, temperature, relative mugginess and supplement supply.<sup>11</sup> The plantlets from culture vessels/bottles are moved from the research facility to a room at surrounding temperature and kept open for 4-6 days. Later they are moved to nursery for essential solidifying where they are first delicately washed free of agar medium. This is critical as sucrose in agar energizes microorganisms. 8 cm shoots with 3-4 ramified establishes are planted in individual micro pots in a pro tray. In places where weather is favourable (24-26 °C temperature and more than 80 % dampness), the plantlets are solidified for 4 a month and a half in little sand beds. Amid this period, 90-95 % mugginess is kept up for the underlying 6-8 days under diffused light. The humidity is gradually decreased to 70 %, light power raised to ordinary and temperatures brought to 26 °C before the finish of 6 weeks. Structures utilized for essential solidifying shift with the climatic conditions. The secant be very modern with UV-balanced out poly sheet covering, different misting options, and warm shade net and auto-checking of light force, temperature and humidity. Then again, the structures can be basic with polycarbonate roofing, shade net on all sides with fogger offices. Temperature, RH and light powers are monitored physically utilizing thermometer, hygrometer and lux meter, respectively. Planting media for essential solidifying range from sieved sand increased with nutrition's to blends of coco peat and Soil rite with fine sand in meet proportions. NPK is given in fluid shape on week by week premise.

#### **Optional solidifying**

After essential solidifying for 5 a month and a half, the plantlets are exchanged from micro pots to polybags. Base substrate is for the most part soil and sand alongside ease materials like coir essence, sawdust or rice husk. Natural fertilizer is either as yard compost or poultry excrement.<sup>12</sup> In Andhra Pradesh, India, Press mud, a result of sugar manufacturing plants, has been found to give best substrate to auxiliary hardening along with soil. Plantlets from micro pots are, dunked in fungicide arrangement (0.1% Bavistin) and planted in polybags containing appropriate substrate. At first, these are kept up in low light force shade nets and 70 % RH. The plants are solidified by gradually increasing the light power and decreasing RH (40 %). Following 5 a month and a half, the plants become prepared for field planting having 3-5 very much created leaves and a decent mass of stringy roots. During both essential and optional solidifying, the stocks ought to be rouged for variants at week by week interims. These could incorporate vegetative distortions like dwarfism, leaf variegation, rosette foliage and leaf crinkiness.

**Manuring and plant assurance in nursery**

Plantlets ought to be 2-3 weeks old before any compost is connected. 100 ml water containing 0.5 g urea, 2 g superphosphate and 1 g muriate of potash can be applied per plant. The manuring is rehashed by multiplying the measurements following three weeks. Spraying of monetarily accessible micronutrient blends amid 6th week helps in better establishment both in nursery and field.<sup>13</sup> Strict clean measures are embraced in the nursery to stay away from the danger of harm by bugs and infections either through sub strate or water system.

**Field planting and beginning administration**

20-30 cm tall plants with 3-5 wide leaves are prepared for field planting. At the season of planting, 10 g of Carbofuron is connected per plant. Watering is done soon after field planting as youthful micro propagated plants are delicate to dry weather and warm. Since these are likewise exceptionally helpless to bacterial decay (Erwinia rot), within 3 days of planting the dirt around the plants are doused with 500 ml of 0.1 % Emission (methyl ethoxy mercuric chloride). Prescribed bundle of practices is strictly taken after to accomplish fruitful field foundation and resulting incredible development.

**Accumulation of regular suckers**

The regular suckers acquired from the local farmers, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh. The suckers planted were of uniform estimate (2.5 kg), solid and free from diseases. They were presented to daylight for seven days before their planting. The pseudo stem and leaves were cut off and basal sort skin was evacuated to uncover the adventitious root initials so they interact with the soil easily. The suckers were dunked in Bavistin arrangement (1%) to forestall rhizome spoil. Suckers were then kept under the shade for seven days before planting.

**Manor of Plantlets and Suckers**

The conventional suckers and tissue culture plantlets were planted separately. Ten plants each of tissue culture plantlet and regular suckers were planted independently to look at their performance through development and yield parameters. The test field was altogether furrowed and harrowed by rehashing across twice by a power tiller to acquire a levelled arrive with great till. Simultaneously, laddering was improved the situation breaking lumps and removing weeds. Pits of 45 cm × 45 cm × 45 cm estimate were dug with a dispersing of 2 m × 2 m. Well spoiled homestead yard manure (thoroughly blended with top soil) at the rate of 5 kg for every pit and 300 gm single super phosphate (SSP) was utilized at the time of planting as basal measurements. Thereafter urea (675g) and MOP (636 g) everyone connected in four equivalent split doses per plant. The primary split of urea and MOP was connected 45 days subsequent to planting. The second urea and MOP split was connected 100 days after the primary split while the third urea split was connected 100 days after the second split application. The fourth urea and third MOP split was connected together nine months (conceptive stage) after planting while the fourth MOP split was connected 60 days from there on. Prior to the start of shooting, NPK complex (19:19:19) was splashed

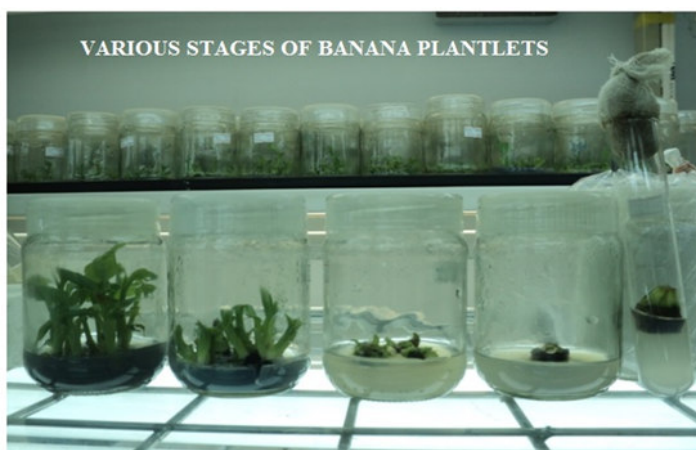
while potassium nitrate (KNO<sub>3</sub> @ 5 g for every litre) was showered on packs to improve the quality. Additional measurements of 100 g urea and 200 g MOP was connected if there should arise an occurrence of tissue culture banana plantlets because of their quicker development. Micronutrient mix (Transco 5@ i.e. miniaturized scale blend with B, Zn, Mn and Cu @ 2 g per litre) was foliar splashed fifth and seventh month after planting. The edit was surge inundated as when important i.e. four water systems 5, 7, 9 and 13 months in the wake of planting were applied to plants under examination no 2 and 3. Weeds were controlled by three manual (1, 8 and 11 months after planting) and two weeding with control tiller (3 and 6 months in the wake of planting).

**RESULT AND DISCUSSION**

In vitro Multiplication of banana (*Robusta sp.*) was examined for this experiment 10 shoot tip collected from different mother suckers with same *Robusta sp.* Shoot tips were refined on Murashige and Skoog basal medium supplemented with vitamins, gibberellins, Auxins and Cytokinins. Perceptions were recorded at an interim of a month for six sub culturing. Assessments were done at each subculture by tallying the quantity of new shoots created. Shoot tips originating from various rhizomes carried on contrastingly under in vitro conditions and various stages of banana plantlets shows in Fig 2. Some being exceedingly beneficial while others created less number of shoots. After the first four weeks of culturing, the external leaf primordial of explants turned green which were initially creamy white (Fig.1). The size of the explants also increased, while blackening was observed at the base of the explants. This blackening of the explants may be due to secretion of phenolic compounds. The results of shoot multiplication are given in Table 2 up to six sub culturing. The results show that one cultured shoot tip can produce 220 to 280 plants on the average after six sub culturing (Fig.3). It was observed that all the explants behave similar *in vitro* in terms of multiplication shows Table 2. It was also observed that culture No. 1 was most productive and produced maximum number of shoots (302) followed by culture No. 2 (287) while culture No. 7 gave least number of shoots which were 85. The standard deviation in shoot numbers over time shows an increase in variability among the explants at each subculture. The increasing standard deviation (from 0.42 to 90.50) was due to cumulative difference in multiplication rate. In this study, it was observed that rate of multiplication was different among the explants of the same genotype as indicated in Table 2. Although these explants were of the same genotype, the differences in growth rate may be due to physiological response of different rhizomes. From the results it was also observed that the cultures showing higher rate of multiplication in the first two or three subcultures continue this behaviour in the next sub culturing. Therefore, from the commercial point of view, the explants showing higher rate of multiplication initially may be continued in the coming period. Cultures showing potential for initially low rate of multiplication may be discarded in the beginning to avoid the wastage of time, space and other resources.



**Figure 1**  
**A. Sterile Shoot tip, B. Multiplication of shoot, C. Shoot Development and D. Root Development**



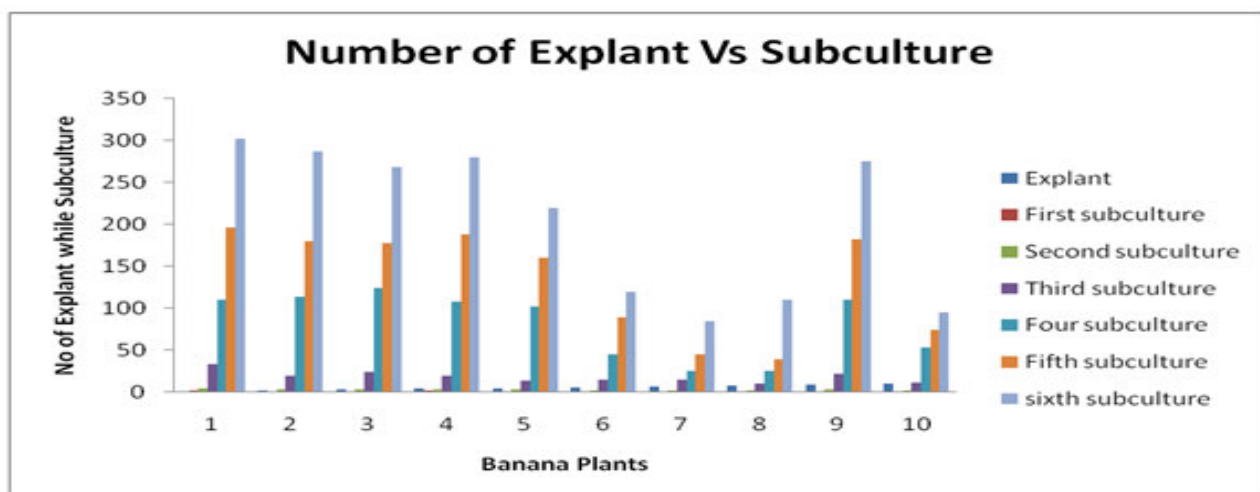
**Figure 2**  
**Various stages of Banana Plantlets**

**Table 1**  
**MS media composition**

S. No	Medium	Ingredients	Quantity	Stock standard	Working standard (for 1 L)	
1	Stock solution (A)	1. Ammonium nitrate	16.5 g	500ml	50ml	
		2. Potassium nitrate	19.0 g			
		3. Calcium chloride	4.4 g			
		4. Magnesium sulphate	3.7 g			
2	Stock solution (B)	1. Potassium di hydrogen phosphate	1.7 g	100 ml	10 ml	
		1. Boric acid	62 mg			
3	Stock solution (C)	2. Manganese sulphate	223 mg	100 ml	10 ml	
		3. Zinc sulphate	86 mg			
		4. Disodium molybdate	2.5 mg			
		5. Copper sulphate	0.25 mg			
		6. Cobalt chloride	0.25 mg			
		1. Ferrous sulphate	0.278mg			
4	Stock solution (D)	2. Disodium EDTA	0.373mg	100 ml	10 ml	
		1. Nicotinic acid	50 mg			
5	Stock solution (E)	2. PyridoximHCl	50 mg	100 ml	1 ml	
		3. ThiaminHCl	10 mg			
		1. Potassium iodide	83 mg			100 ml
6	Stock solution (F)	1. Myoinositol		100 mg		
		2. Glycine			2 mg	
		3. Sucrose			30 g	
		4. Cysteine mono HCl			40 mg	
7	Additives: (Directly added to the medium)	Cytokinin hormone		5 mg		
		Benzylamino purine		5mg		
8	Plant growth regulator					

**Table 2**  
**Number of Plantlets produced by each shoot tip prepared from Sucker.**

Explant	Different Plant Mother Suckers of Banana (Robusta sp)										Total Plants produced by Each subculture	Mean	Standard Deviation
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
First subculture	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	1.2	0.421637
Second subculture	5	4	3	4	4	2	2	2	4	2	32	3.2	1.135292
Third subculture	34	20	24	20	14	15	15	10	22	12	186	18.6	7.042727
Fourth subculture	110	114	124	108	102	45	25	25	110	54	817	81.7	39.55601
Fifth subculture	196	180	178	188	160	90	45	40	183	75	1335	133.5	63.29867
sixth subculture	302	287	269	280	220	120	85	110	275	95	2043	204.3	90.50727
<b>Total No of Plantlets</b>	<b>649</b>	<b>606</b>	<b>599</b>	<b>602</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>595</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>4425</b>	<b>442.5</b>	<b>201.9616</b>



**Figure 3**  
**No of explants Vs Subculture**

## SUMMARY & CONCLUSION

Banana is an essential nourishment edit and the second most critical natural product trim. In spite of the huge business estimation of the yield, the fundamental generation oblige is the accessibility of dependable and safe planting material.<sup>14</sup> The planting materials acquired through regular strategies (suckers) do not take care of the expanding demand for planting and they are of low quality. Tissue culture is the approach which can take care of these issues. Miniaturized scale engendering of the yield is likewise confronted with challenges which should be tended to with a specific end goal to enhance its generation. A portion of the issues which impede the accomplishment of the product incorporate oxidative caramelizing of the injured tissues and low number of shoots create per explants. This audit features the difficulties experienced in tissue culture of banana and investigates the *in vitro* proliferation methods by utilizing shoot tip societies of banana as the conceivable outcomes to beat these issues. Cytokinins, for example, benzyl aminopurine (BAP) and kinetin are known to

diminish the apical meristem strength and initiate both helper and unusual shoot development from meristematic explants in banana. Be that as it may, the utilization of higher BAP focuses restrains extension of unusual meristems and the transformation into finish plants. Auxins and other development controller, for example, gibberellins assume essential parts in the development and separation of refined cells and tissues. Auxins, for example, Naphthalene acidic corrosive (NAA) have been accounted for to advance plant establishing *in vitro*. The utilization of plant development controllers (PGRs) in plant supplement media for *in vitro* culture relies upon plant tissue development arrange and expected finished result.<sup>15</sup> Cytokinins assume an essential part in buds arrangement *in vitro*. However buds expansion *in vitro* is impacted by apical strength which is controlled by different development controllers. Banana is staple nourishment and it represents a standout amongst the most broadly sent out natural products on the planet. Interest for planting material of banana is high all through the tropics and sub tropics.<sup>16</sup> Regardless of this appeal, accessibility of protected and

dependable planting material is a test confronting little scale and extensive scale agriculturists. Engendering of banana through tissue culture is solid answer for the issues confronting agriculturists. The achievement in delivering banana planting material through tissue culture is restricted by the specialized challenges related with our open research centres in addition to other things.<sup>17</sup> From this foundation productive in vitro engendering strategies are important to defeat these difficulties. Through control of deadly darker, ideal centralization of auxins and cytokinin what's more, capture of apical strength through bud part system, these oblige would be fathomed and extraordinarily add to the protected and dependable planting material of banana.

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