

# In Vitro Micropropagation of *Dendrobium Crepidatum* Lindl Using Fruit Capsule

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**Abstract** - *Dendrobium.Crepidatum* is one of the largest genus in the orchidaceae,of which about 1200 species are distributed widely on the Asia pacific region *dendrobium.Crepidatum* Lindl. Endemic epiphyte, Pseudobulbous orchid, found in Kodagu and Shimago. Flowering and fruiting is from April – June. *dendrobium.Crepidatum* Lindl. fruits was used with the various medium. VW, B5, MS and KC medium was used for micropropagation. KC medium with 2mg BAP+0.5mg NAA gave good plantlet formation and KC medium with 2mg BAP+1mg IAA was used for invitro rooting comparing to other medium this gave good results.

**Keywords** - *Dendrobium crepidatum* Lindl., VW, B5, MS,KC, NAA, IAA, BAP, AC & CM.

**Abbreviations** - VW - Vacin and Went medium, B5 - Gamborg B5 medium, MS- Murashige and Skoog medium, KC – Knudson C, NAA – Naphthalene Acetic Acid, IAA – Indole Acetic Acid, BAP – Benzyl Amino Purine, AC – Activated Charcoal & CM–Coconut Milk

## I. INTRODUCTION

***Dendrobium Crepidatum* Lindl.** The family Orchidaceae is one of the largest groups among the angiosperms and distributed throughout the world. The genus *dendrobium* is the second largest group among the orchids plant in India and exhibit diverse shapes, colour and morphological characters. The stems of several *Dendrobium* species are used as ‘Shi-Hu’ in traditional Chinese medicine for a long time for the purpose of Cleaning the stomach and promoting the production of the body fluid, nourishing and cleaning heat. *dendrobium.Crepidatum* species is used as a biological source of ‘Shi-Hu’ and its flowers are very beautiful and get the name “Rosa Shi-Hu” in Chinese *dendrobium.Crepidatum* was selected as a plant material the fruits and the stem are very useful in the world of medicine.

## Scientific Classification

**Binomial Name:** *Dendrobium crepidatum* Lindl. & Paxton

<b>Kingdom</b>	Plantae	<b>Tribe</b>	Dendrobieae
<b>Order</b>	Asparagales	<b>Subtribe</b>	Dendrobiinae
<b>Family</b>	Orchidaceae	<b>Genus</b>	<i>Dendrobium</i>
<b>Subfamily</b>	Epidendroideae	<b>Species</b>	<i>D. crepidatum</i>

**Materials and Methods:** *Dendrobium macrostachyum* specimens were collected from sagar between 7<sup>th</sup> May 2012 and 9<sup>th</sup> May 2012.sagar is surrounded by water bodies and forest regions. Plant specimens were collected from the natural environment in perforated, clean, polythene bags. Care was taken to ensure to retain the mother plant intact in its natural epiphytic territory.They were planted in green house of St.joseph's Post-Graduate and Research Centre. standard protocol and voucher specimens were deposited in the herbaria of St.joseph's Post-Graduate and Research Centre, Bangalore.

## Surface sterilization

Green capsules of wild were collected and then rinsed thoroughly three times with sterile distilled water, followed by dipping them in 70% ethanol for 30 seconds. Sterilized capsules were dried and then split longitudinally with sterile surgical blade. Seeds were inoculated on different nutrient media like MS medium, B<sub>5</sub> medium, KC medium and VW medium which were prepared with various concentrations and combinations of phytohormones and other additives. KC medium gave the best results in comparison to all other media. So KC medium was standardized for *Dendrobium Crepidatum*.

Seed cultures were placed in growth chamber at 25 ± 20 °C and 70 –80% relative humidity under 24h-light and under 16h-light/8h-dark with light provided by cool white fluorescent lamps for 70 days. Sub-culturing was regularly done every 15 days and observations were made

## In vitro rooting

*In vitro* rooting was successful with KC media supplemented with 2 mg BAP, 1.5 mg NAA, 50 ml CM and 500 mg AC.





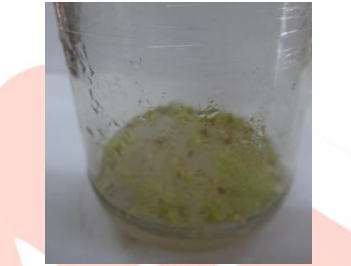



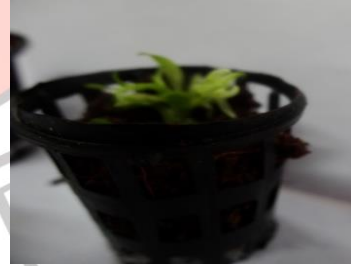



**Ex vitro rooting**

The basal ends of healthy shoots from the shoot multiplication medium were dipped in an auxin solution, 10 ml of IAA (made in distilled water) then planted in small pots containing solrite (potting mix) sprayed with bavistin to avoid fungal infection. *In vitro* rooted plants in the pot trays containing potting mixture maintained under mist chamber and covered with perforated plastic cups.

**Hardening**

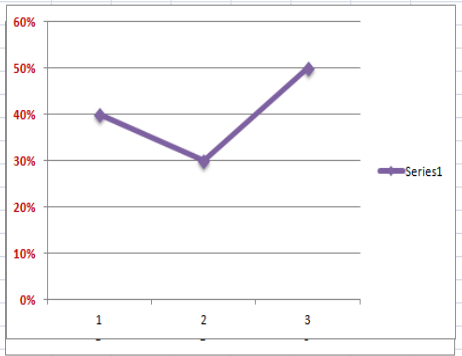
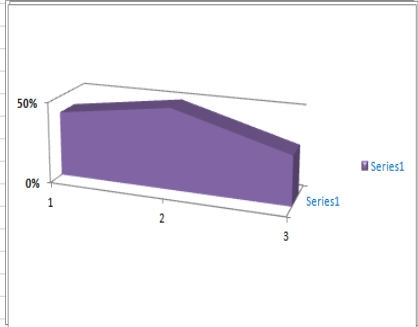
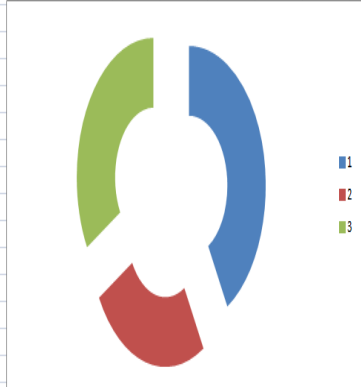
Well grown shoots were directly transferred to small pots containing soil, sand and solrite (mixture of perlite and peat moss) and were kept in the green house. Successfully established plantlets were subsequently transferred to field condition.

**II. OBSERVATIONS**

 <p>1.Dendrobium crepidatum in green house</p>	 <p>2.dendrobium crepidatum with fruits</p>	 <p>3.Dendrobium crepidatum fruit to be inoculated</p>
 <p>4 – Inoculation</p>	 <p>5– Slight swelling of seeds</p>	 <p>6 – Initial stages</p>
 <p>7– Plantlet formation</p>	 <p>8 - Sub-culturing</p>	 <p>9 – Ex-vitro Rooting</p>
 <p>10– Hardening</p>	 <p>11 - Hardening in Green House</p>	 <p>12 – Transfer to Green House</p>

**III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

MS, B5 and KC media was used (Table 1)

Media used	Media composition	Average plantlet formation (percentage)	
<p><b>VW</b></p>	<p>2 mg BAP +1.5 mg NAA + 50 ml CM                      1 mg BAP + 0.5 mg NAA + 50 ml CM                      2.5mg BAP + 2 mg NAA + 50 ml CM</p>	<p>40%                      30%                      50%</p>	
<p><b>B5</b></p>	<p>2 mg BAP + 1mg NAA + 50ml CM                      1.5mg BAP + 0.5mg NAA+50ml CM                      2 mg BAP + 1.5 mg NAA + 50 ml CM</p>	<p>40%                      50%                      30%</p>	
<p><b>MS</b></p>	<p>2 mg BAP + 1 mg NAA + 50 ml CM                      1.5 mg BAP + 0.5 mg NAA + 50 ml CM                      1 mg BAP +1.5 mg NAA + 50 ml CM</p>	<p>50%                      30%                      40%</p>	

Media used	Media composition	Average plantlet formation (percentage)	
KC	3 mg BAP + 1 mg NAA+ 50 ml CM	85%	
	2.5 mg BAP + 1.5 mg NAA + 50 ml CM	90%	
	2 mg BAP + 0.5 mg NAA + 50 ml CM	95%	

KC - For the *In vitro* Rooting (Table 3)

Media Used	Media Composition	Results The average rooting (percentage)	
KC	Basal KC Medium + 1 mg BAP+ 3mg NAA+ 50 ml CM +250 mg AC	80%	
	Basal KC Medium + 2 mg BAP+ 5mg NAA + 50 ml CM+750 mg AC	95%	
	2mg BAP+ 1mg IAA + 50 ml CM + 500 mg AC	85%	

**IV. CONCLUSION**

From these studies it can be concluded that KC medium suitable for *Dendrobium Crepidatum* fruit germination. This study also revealed that a low concentration of 2 mg BAP + 0.5 mg NAA + 50 ml CM was found to be more suitable for plantlets and multiple plantlets. KC medium supplemented with Basal KC Medium + 1 mg BAP+ 3mg NAA+ 50 ml CM +250 mg AC giving highest percentage was found to be suitable for *In vitro* Rooting.

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